

## Bentham Global Opportunities Fund

## **Fund Aim**

To provide diversified exposure to securities across global credit markets, with the flexibility to adapt its credit and cash exposure to suit market conditions across the credit cycle, and deliver consistent levels of income.

### Fund Performance as at 31 January 2023 (%)

	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	2 years (p.a.)	3 years (p.a.)	4 years (p.a.)	5 years (p.a.)	Since inception (p.a.)
Gross return (before fees)	4.90	5.22	5.33	6.90	6.43	6.96	6.49	5.49	5.72
Benchmark	0.27	0.77	1.31	1.52	0.77	0.61	0.81	1.03	1.11
Active return (before fees) <sup>1</sup>	4.64	4.46	4.01	5.38	5.66	6.35	5.68	4.45	4.61

Source: Fidante Partners. Past performance is not indicative of future performance. Returns may be volatile and may vary from year to year.

<sup>1</sup> Active Return of the Fund is the difference between the Gross Return (before fees) and the return of the Benchmark. Gross Returns (before fees) are calculated by adding back the fees and expenses deducted. Please refer to the Information Memorandum for more information on fees and expenses.

## **Portfolio and Market Returns**

The Bentham Global Opportunities Fund had a before fees return of 4.90% for the month, outperforming the benchmark by 4.64%. The top performing contributors to performance included Global Syndicated Loans, Capital Securities and Investment Grade Credit; whilst the bottom performing contributors included Residential Mortgage Backed Securities (RMBS), Convertibles and Asset Backed Securities (ABS).

## **Portfolio Asset Allocation**

During the month, exposures to Capital Securities, Investment Grade Corporate Credit and Government Backed Bonds (Emerging Market) increased, whilst exposures to Cash, Global Syndicated Loans and Collateralised Loan Obligations decreased. Current asset allocations are 46.4% in Global Syndicated Loans, 8.0% in Capital Securities, 7.9% in Investment Grade Corporate Credit, 5.1% in Collateralised Loan Obligations, 4.3% in Global High Yield, 2.2% in Global Hybrids, 1.4% in Asset Backed Securities, 0.6% in Equity, 0.2% in Residential Mortgage Backed Securities, 0.1% in Convertibles, -2.7% in Government Backed Bonds (EM) and 26.6% in Cash, Derivatives & Credit Hedges.

## **Portfolio Industry and Issuer Exposures**

The Fund's largest industry exposures are: 16.0% in Banking, 8.8% in Electronics and 7.3% in Healthcare, Education and Childcare. The Fund's top three company exposures are: 2.7% in Credit Suisse Group Ag, 2.1% in Lloyds Banking Group PLC and 1.8% in Commerzbank Ag.

### Leveraged Loan Market

The top performing leveraged loan industries in January were Consumer Durables, Financial and Housing with returns (sector performance in USD terms) of 3.52%, 2.94% and 2.90% respectively. The worst performing loan industries were Utility, Food And Drug and Energy with returns of 1.47%, 1.73% and 1.97% respectively.

### **Portfolio Summary Statistics**

Yield to maturity	8.33%
Running yield	10.42%
Credit spread <sup>2</sup>	+418bps
Number of issuers	415
Interest rate duration	7.12 years
Credit duration	3.14 years
Investment grade <sup>3</sup> exposure	46% of portfolio
Fund Leverage	0%
Fund size	A\$598,346,369

## **Risk Characteristics**

5 Year Volatility <sup>4</sup>	6.51
5 Year Sharpe Ratio⁵	0.68
5 Year Tracking Error <sup>6</sup>	6.53
5 Year Information Ratio <sup>7</sup>	0.68

Fund Distributions						
Distribution frequency	Quarterly					
Quarterly distribution <sup>8</sup>	1.93% (Dec 2022)					

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Spread over the swap rate.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> An assigned credit rating of BBB-/Baa3 or better by a credit rating agency.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Volatility is Standard Deviation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Sharpe Ratio is the excess return over the Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index (before fees) divided by Standard Deviation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Tracking Error is the Standard Deviation of the Active Return (before fees).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Information Ratio is the Active Return (before fees) divided by the Tracking Error.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Calculated as the cents per unit (CPU) distribution at the month end divided by the ex-distribution unit price at the start of the month.



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### **Quarterly Distribution Returns History (%)**<sup>1</sup>

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Financial Year	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	YTD <sup>2</sup>
2023	1.93	1.93	-	-	4.17
2022	0.87	0.87	0.88	0.86	3.46
2021	0.95	0.93	0.90	6.39	10.26
2020	1.26	0.93	1.19	1.26	4.60
2019	1.12	1.12	1.14	0.60	4.03

Source: Fidante Partners

Past distributions are no indication of future distributions.

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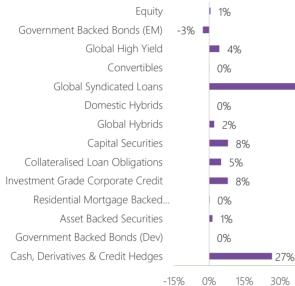
<sup>2</sup> Annual distribution return (Year-to-Date) is calculated as the Total Return (after fees) minus Growth Return. Total Return (after fees) is calculated using pre-distribution month end withdrawal unit price, and assumes distributions are reinvested. Growth Return equals the percentage change in unit price.

46%

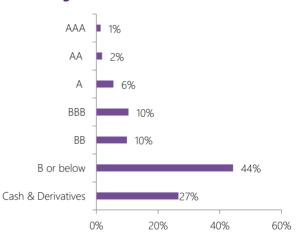
45%

60%

#### **Portfolio Asset Allocation**



#### Credit Rating Breakdown



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#### **Regional Breakdown**



Top 5 Industry Exposures (Moody's SIC)								
Banking					16.0%			
Electronics				8.8	8.8%			
Healthcare, Education and Childcare 7.3%								
Aerospace and Defense 5.5%								
CLO 5.2%								
Interest Rate Duration (yrs)	AUD	USD	EUR	GBP	NZD	CAD	Total	
Total	3.20	0.85	0.05	0.34	2.44	0.24	7.12	



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Fund Overview		Fund Overview (Cont.)				
Portfolio Manager	Richard Quin		• Diversified: Access to a highly diversified, multi			
Inception date	08 June 2017		sector global portfolio of credit securities that would otherwise not be available to investors in the			
APIR code	HOW7031AU		domestic market. • Flexible: Actively managed Fund with the flexibility			
Benchmark Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index   Performance objective To exceed the Benchmark (cash) by 4% p.a. pre fees over rolling three year periods   Suggested investment time frame Medium term, minimum 3 years		to adapt its credit and cash exposure to sui				
		markets	litions across the credit cycle, gravitating to tets with the highest risk adjusted returns. The can be opportunistic when market			
		dislocatic and mea	ons arise and uses leverage in a deliberate sured way when deemed appropriate.			
Investment universe	Global credit and fixed interest markets, including but not limited to, Australian and global hybrid	<ul><li>Regular quarterly distributions</li><li>Daily unit pricing</li></ul>				
	securities, global high yield bonds, global syndicated loans, investment grade securities, global capital securities, asset backed securities,	Pricing and Fees				
	equities, and derivatives.	Unit frequency pricing	Daily			
Credit quality	Actively managed	Management fee (Class I)	1.00%			
Interest rate exposure	Actively managed	Recoverable expenses	0.05% p.a. estimate			
Leverage	Up to 30% of gross asset value	Buy/sell spread <sup>1</sup>	+0.510%/-0.510%			
Currency	AUD denominated, Bentham aims to hedge any	Entry and exit fees	Nil			
	foreign currency exposure back to AUD to between 85% and 115% of the NAV of the Fund.	Minimum initial investment	A\$250,000			
Fund documentation	Information memorandum for wholesale investors	<sup>1</sup> Buy/sell spread is retained in the Fund to cover transaction costs. It is not paid to the Investment Manager. The buy/sell spread is reviewed on a monthly basis to ensure it fairly reflects market transaction costs.				

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