

### 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 29 February 2024 (%)

	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)	-0.58	4.81	7.61	6.85	5.71	5.57	6.71	6.04	5.62
Benchmark	0.34	1.09	2.12	4.10	2.92	1.95	1.51	1.47	1.58
Active return (before fees) <sup>1</sup>	-0.93	3.72	5.48	2.75	2.79	3.61	5.19	4.57	4.04

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 -0.58% for the month, underperforming the benchmark by 0.93%. The top performing contributors to performance included Collateralised Loan Obligations (CLO), Asset Backed Securities (ABS) and Residential Mortgage Backed Securities (RMBS); whilst the bottom performing contributors included Investment Grade Credit, Global Syndicated Loans and Global Hybrids.

### Portfolio Asset Allocation

During the month, exposures to Basis Trades, Capital Securities and Global Syndicated Loans increased, whilst exposures to Investment Grade Corporate Credit, Global High Yield and Government Backed Bonds (Emerging Market) decreased. Current asset allocations are 35.0% in Global Syndicated Loans, 12.7% in Capital Securities, 7.3% in Collateralised Loan Obligations, 1.8% in Asset Backed Securities, 1.8% in Investment Grade Corporate Credit, 0.8% in Global Hybrids, 0.6% in Equity, 0.3% in Residential Mortgage Backed Securities, -1.8% in Government Backed Bonds (EM), -10.3% in Global High Yield and 51.9% in Cash, Derivatives & Credit Hedges.

### Portfolio Industry and Issuer Exposures

The Fund's largest industry exposures are: 13.1% in Banking, 7.3% in CLO and 7.2% in Electronics. The Fund's top three company exposures are: 2.1% in JPMorgan Chase & Co, 2.0% in Lloyds Banking Group PLC and 2.0% in Commerzbank AG.

### Leveraged Loan Market

The top performing leveraged loan industries in February were Forest Prod/Containers, Retail and Chemicals with returns (sector performance in USD terms) of 1.31%, 1.21% and 1.17% respectively. The worst performing loan industries were Metals/Minerals, Media/Telecommunications and Manufacturing with returns of 0.35%, 0.64% and 0.74% respectively.

### Portfolio Summary Statistics

Yield to maturity	6.97%
Running yield	12.29%
Credit spread <sup>2</sup>	+274bps
Number of issuers	423
Interest rate duration	7.73 years
Credit duration	1.47 years
Investment grade <sup>3</sup> exposure	72% of portfolio
Fund Leverage	0%
Fund size	A\$382,236,399

### Risk Characteristics

5 Year Volatility <sup>4</sup>	7.46
5 Year Sharpe Ratio <sup>5</sup>	0.61
5 Year Tracking Error <sup>6</sup>	7.47
5 Year Information Ratio <sup>7</sup>	0.61

### Fund Distributions

Distribution frequency	Quarterly
Quarterly distribution <sup>8</sup>	1.74% (Dec 2023)

<sup>2</sup> Spread over the swap rate.

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

<sup>4</sup> Volatility is Standard Deviation.

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

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

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

<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.

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

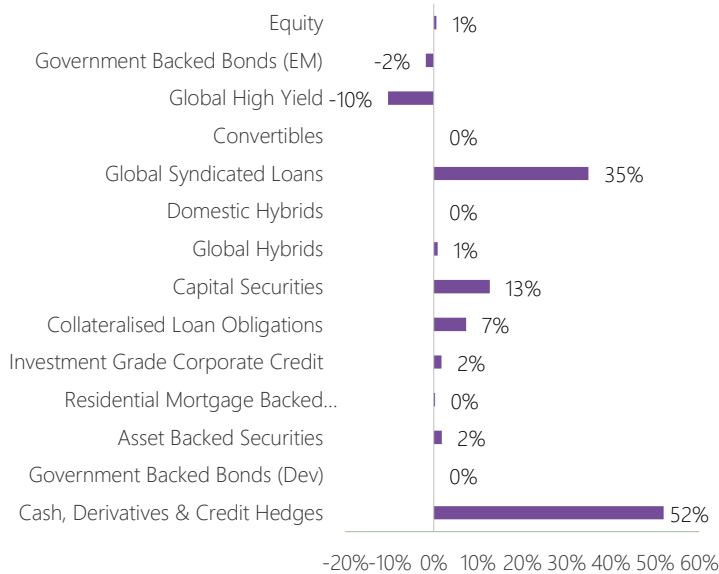
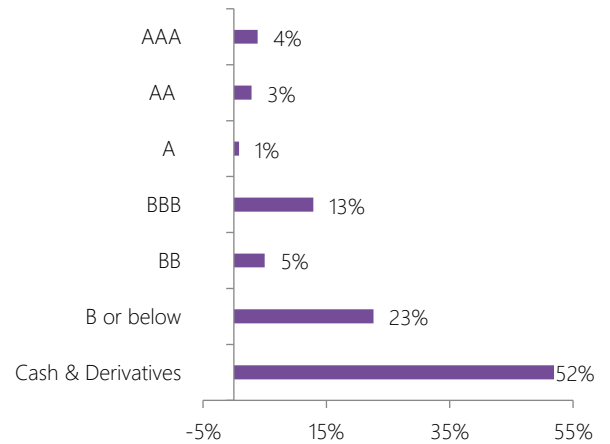
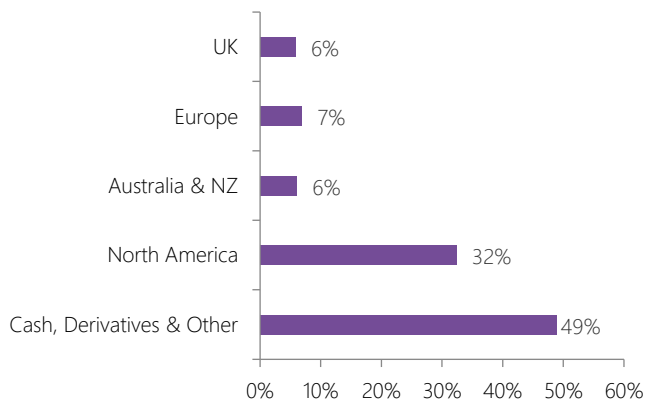
Financial Year	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	YTD <sup>2</sup>
2024	1.74	1.74	-	-	3.69
2023	1.93	1.93	1.94	1.92	7.85
2022	0.87	0.87	0.88	0.86	3.46
2021	0.95	0.93	0.90	6.39	10.26
2020	1.26	0.93	1.19	1.26	4.60

Source: Fidante Partners

Past distributions are no indication of future distributions.

<sup>1</sup> Calculated as the cents per unit (CPU) distribution at month end divided by the ex-distribution unit price at the start of the month.

<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.

**Portfolio Asset Allocation**

**Credit Rating Breakdown**

**Regional Breakdown**

**Top 5 Industry Exposures (Moody's SIC)**

Banking	13.1%
CLO	7.3%
Electronics	7.2%
Healthcare, Education and Childcare	4.1%
Diversified/Conglomerate Service	3.8%

Interest Rate Duration (yrs)	AUD	USD	EUR	GBP	NZD	CAD	Total
<b>Total</b>	5.47	-0.90	-0.12	0.32	2.63	0.32	<b>7.73</b>

## Fund Overview

Inception date	08 June 2017
APIR code	HOW7031AU
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
Investment universe	Global credit and fixed interest markets, including but not limited to, Australian and global hybrid securities, global high yield bonds, global syndicated loans, investment grade securities, global capital securities, asset backed securities, equities, and derivatives.
Credit quality	Actively managed
Interest rate exposure	Actively managed
Leverage	Up to 30% of gross asset value
Currency	AUD denominated, Bentham aims to hedge any foreign currency exposure back to AUD to between 85% and 115% of the NAV of the Fund.
Fund documentation	Information memorandum for wholesale investors

## Fund Overview (Cont.)

Fund features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diversified: Access to a highly diversified, multi sector global portfolio of credit securities that would otherwise not be available to investors in the domestic market.</li> <li>• Flexible: Actively managed Fund with the flexibility to adapt its credit and cash exposure to suit market conditions across the credit cycle, gravitating to markets with the highest risk adjusted returns. The Fund can be opportunistic when market dislocations arise and uses leverage in a deliberate and measured way when deemed appropriate.</li> <li>• Regular quarterly distributions</li> <li>• Daily unit pricing</li> </ul>
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## Pricing and Fees

Unit frequency pricing	Daily
Management fee (Class I)	1.00%
Recoverable expenses	0.05% p.a. estimate
Buy/sell spread <sup>1</sup>	+0.340%/-0.340%
Entry and exit fees	Nil
Minimum initial investment	A\$250,000

<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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