

# Preferred Securities Fund - Swiss Franc Hedged A Class Income Units

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## Investment advisor

Principal Global Investors, LLC ("PGI")

## Sub investment advisor

Spectrum Asset Management, Inc.  
("Spectrum")

Spectrum specialises in the management of preferred securities.

## Fund managers

Kevin Nugent

39 Yrs Industry Exp

Manu Krishnan, CFA

19 Yrs Industry Exp

Mark A. Lieb

46 Yrs Industry Exp

L. Phillip Jacoby, IV

41 Yrs Industry Exp

Bob Giangregorio

20 Yrs Industry Exp

Fred Diaz

31 Yrs Industry Exp

Satomi Yarnell

14 Yrs Industry Exp

## Investment objective

The Fund seeks to provide an income return consistent with capital preservation. The Fund seeks to achieve its objective by investing primarily in a portfolio of U.S. dollar denominated preferred securities and debt securities. At the time of the Fund's investment the majority of these securities will be rated as investment grade. Any exposure to currencies other than US dollar will be hedged back to US dollars.

## Index

BBG GLOBAL AGG CORP USD TR CHF HDG

## Fund facts

Fund size CHF 3,463.4m  
Base currency USD  
Fund domicile IRELAND  
UCITS qualifying Yes  
Dealing 10:00 AM GMT  
Daily  
SFDR Categorisation Article 8

## Unit class facts

Launch date 08 May 2018  
Currency CHF  
Minimum investment US\$ 1,000  
Management fee(s) 0.90% pa  
Income distribution Distributing  
Distribution frequency: Quarterly

## Fund grading

Mark A. Lieb A rated - Citywire Fund Manager Ratings



## Performance (%)

	1M	3M	YTD	1YR	3YR	5YR	SI
Fund Cumulative Net	-0.78	-0.21	-0.49	2.38	-9.49	-4.00	-5.45
Index Cumulative	-2.86	-3.80	-2.95	-0.84	-20.00	-8.32	-8.45
Fund Annualised Net	-0.78	-0.21	-0.49	2.38	-3.27	-0.81	-1.03
Index Annualised	-2.86	-3.80	-2.95	-0.84	-7.17	-1.72	-1.62

## 12-month rolling return (%)

Oct 18 - Sep 19	Oct 19 - Sep 20	Oct 20 - Sep 21	Oct 21 - Sep 22	Oct 22 - Sep 23
5.54	0.49	5.17	-15.93	2.38

## Risk analysis

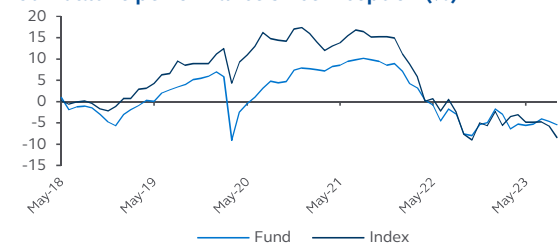
	3YR	5YR
Information Ratio	0.8	0.2
Alpha	1.1	0.8
Tracking Error	5.1	5.8
Standard Deviation	6.2	9.1
Beta	0.6	0.9

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

Source: Fund Administrator: BNY Mellon Fund Services (Ireland) DAC since February 2011, performance data prior to this date is sourced from PGI and/or its affiliates; and the Index.

Data: From December 2018, the performance data shown is based upon the Fund's Net Asset Value (NAV) prices of the last Irish business day of the month. For Funds not open for dealing on this day this will be an indicative NAV. The performance data shown is net of fees and other charges but excludes any potential entry/exit charges- as such the return an investor receives may be lower. Prior to December 2018, the performance data shown is based upon the Fund's month-end market close prices. (See performance note for further details.)

## Cumulative performance since inception (%)



## Fund analysis

	Fund	Index
Average Credit Quality	Baa2	A3
Current Yield	6.3	4.5
Yield to Worst	7.3	6.1
Yield to Maturity	8.0	6.1
Modified Duration	3.5	6.4

Any yields quoted on the fact sheet are calculated at portfolio level gross of tax and expenses.

- Current Yield is the annual interest earned on the underlying bonds divided by the market price of the underlying portfolio of bonds. The figure is not the dividend yield received by the investors and is subject to change depending on the underlying portfolio of bonds.
- Yield to Worst is the lowest potential yield that can be received on a bond without the issuer actually defaulting. The yield to worst is calculated by making the worst-case scenario assumptions on the issue.
- Yield to Maturity is a concept used to determine the rate of return an investor will receive if a long-term, interest-bearing investment, such as a bond, is held to its maturity date. Please note that this is not the return or dividend to be received by investors in the fund.

## Top 10 holdings (%)

	Fund
Zurich Finance Ireland 3 1/31-51 REG S	2.6
HSBC Capital Funding 10.176 6/30/30 RegS	2.2
Bank Of Nova Scotia 4.9 6/25 perp	2.2
Enterprise Products Oper 5.25 8/27-77	2.1
Toronto Dominion Bank 8.125 10/27-82	1.8
Enbridge Inc 6 1/27-77	1.8
Munich Re 5.875 11/31-42 REG S	1.7
MetLife Inc. 10.75 8/1/39	1.7
Nippon Life Insurance 2.75 1/31-51 Reg S	1.6
Demeter Swiss Re 5.625 8/27-52 Reg S	1.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>19.3</b>

No. of holdings 230

## Credit quality (%)

	Fund
AA or AAA	2.9
A	18.2
BBB	63.7
BB and Lower	15.2
FX Hedge	0.0

Credit Quality refers to the credit ratings for the underlying securities in the Fund as rated by Standard & Poor's or Moody's Investors Service, and typically range from AAA/Aaa (highest) to C/D (lowest). If Moody's and S&P assign different ratings, the higher rating is used. Ratings methodologies and individual ratings can change over time.

## Geographic allocation (%)

	Fund
United States	32.3
Great Britain	12.3
Switzerland	11.0
Canada	8.4
France	7.9
Japan	6.1
Netherlands	3.3
Australia	2.8
Italy	2.7
Finland	2.4
Spain	2.3
Germany	2.0
Denmark	1.7
Other	1.8
Cash	2.9

## Industry allocation (%)

	Fund
Banks	50.6
Insurance	29.2
Energy	7.2
Utilities	5.4
Telecommunications	1.3
Financials	1.2
REITs	1.1
Industrials	1.0
FX Hedge	0.0
Other	0.0
Cash	2.9

Source: Principal Global Investors and/or its affiliates and the Index. Characteristics sources: Bloomberg, Moody's, S&P, Fitch, and Spectrum Asset Management.

Data: This data/analysis is not sourced from the Fund's official record. It is based upon data from the internal systems of Principal Global Investors and/or its affiliates. Performance shown in this section is gross which does not take into account any fees or other charges which, if taken into account, would reduce the figures shown.

Fund codes

Bloomberg	PPSCHAI ID
ISIN	IE00B3S4M753
Lipper	68368827
SEDOL	B3S4M75
Valoren	12906168
WKN	A1W49W

Registration

Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Guernsey, Ireland, Italy, Jersey, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Macau, Netherlands, Norway, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, UAE and UK

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Risk warnings

- The market value of debt securities is affected by changes in prevailing interest rates and the Fund may be exposed to credit risk by investing in debt securities.
- Default risk and liquidity risk associated with investment in below investment grade securities.
- Contingent Convertible Securities risk is due by the substantially greater risk that these instruments may have compared to other forms of securities in times of credit stress and may result in a material loss to the Fund.
- Currency hedging may reduce but will not remove risk. Hedging will incur more transaction costs and fees, which will affect overall return.

Performance note

\*Index disclosure: The Fund is actively managed and aims to outperform the BBG GLOBAL AGG CORP USD TR CHF HDG (the "Index"). However, the Index composition is not factored into the investment management process and the portfolio manager maintains full discretion to select investments for the Fund in line with the above investment policy.

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