

## About the Fund

The Fund seeks to achieve total return primarily through investment in fixed income securities issued by governments and corporations in Emerging Market Countries.

### **Fund Features**

- The Fund is managed by an experienced Portfolio Manager who selects at least one third party fund manager with the aim of delivering consistent 'outperformance' against a given reference index over time
- The Fund is constructed as a risk controlled diversified portfolio that avoids significant investment management
- Third party fund managers are selected through a rigorous Barclays '5P' research and assessment process which considers: Parent, People, Philosophy, Process and Performance
- The Barclays Manager Research Team comprises over ten highly qualified and experienced Portfolio Managers supported by a dedicated Operational Due Diligence Team
- Barclays is a signatory to the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment so environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors are key considerations in the research and assessment process

## Performance



Past performance of the fund, underlying funds and managers is not necessarily indicative of its future or likely performance.

Your investment should be regarded as medium to long term.

The performance of the fund shown takes into account the effect of annual management fees, transaction costs and any applicable taxes with net income re-invested, but not the effect of any initial charges that may be applicable. The effect of initial charges means that investors would have got back slightly less than shown. The performance of the market index (where shown) does not include the effect of any fees or charges.

#### Discrete 12 month performance (%)

	31.12.2017 - 31.12.2018	31.12.2016 - 31.12.2017	31.12.2015 - 31.12.2016	31.12.2014 - 31.12.2015	31.12.2013 - 31.12.2014
Fund	-7.2	9.0	9.1	-0.5	6.7
Market Index	-6.0	9.1	9.9	1.3	7.6

## Cumulative performance to 31 December 2018 (%)

	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years	3Y Ann	5 Years	5Y Ann
Fund	1.1	-2.5	-0.9	-7.2	10.4	3.4	17.2	3.2
Market Index	1.2	-1.8	0.1	-6.0	12.7	4.1	22.7	4.2

Source: Morningstar as of 31 December 2018

The performance, yield and ongoing charges data shown relate to the I Income (GBP) class shares. Fund and Market Index performance calculated on a mid-price to mid-price, total returns basis, for the same currency.

## Commentary

- · External emerging market debt moved back to positive territory in December, with the JP Morgan EMBI Global Diversified Index returning 1.35%. Lower Treasury spreads drove the positive performance. The Fund underperformed the index over the month
- Wellington was the better performer in December. The main contributors to relative returns included an underweight to Oman and overweight positions in Croatia, specifically to Euro denominated sovereign debt and in Azerbaijan and Turkey. The main detractor was the overweight to Argentina
- The overweight to Argentina and the underweight to Mexico were the main detractors for Lazard. In addition, the slight overweight to Venezuela also hurt, as the country continues to suffer from political unrest. The overweight to Turkey and Brazil added value over the month
- Portfolio activity in December included Wellington slightly adding to the off-index positions in select local currencies and emerging market corporate debt. The team also added to external sovereign bonds in Brazil and Turkey and reduced the overweight to the Ivory Coast. Lazard reduced exposure to African countries including Ghana and Kenya where recent policy decisions have been disappointing

## **Key Facts**

**Share Class** 

Fund type OEIC

Fund domicile

Ireland

#### Launch date

19/02/2014 (EUR)(Acc) 17/12/2012 (GBP)(Acc) 05/02/2014 (USD)(Acc) 17/12/2012 (GBP)(Inc)

**Dealing/Valuation frequency** Daily

#### **Market Index**

JP Morgan EMBI Global Diversified Total Return (GBP hedged) Index

Assets under management \$303.4m

**Ongoing charges** 

0.98%

## **Distribution dates**

Frequency: Quarterly - March, June, September and December Ex dividend: First business day of income payment month Income payment: Ten business days after ex dividend date

#### **Distribution Yield**

5.10% (31/12/2018)

Reflects the amounts that may be expected to be distributed over the next twelve months as a percentage of the unit price of the fund as at the date shown. It is based on a snapshot of the portfolio on that day. It does not include any preliminary charge and investors may be subject to tax on distributions.



# Manager Allocation



- Lazard Asset Management LLC was added to the Fund in October 2013
- Lazard Asset Management LLC is a wholly owned subsidiary of Lazard Ltd
- Total group assets under management: \$212 billion (including Lazard Frères Gestion, as at the end of March 2017)

### WELLINGTON MANAGEMENT®

Target Allocation: 70%

- Wellington was added to the Fund in December 2007
- Established in the late 1970s, managing Emerging Market Debt (EMD) since 1999
- This strategy is hard closed for external investors
- Globally-integrated research platform allows Wellington to add value from the local markets

# **Country Allocation**

	Fund (%)	MI (%)
United States of America	20.6	0.0
Argentina	4.4	2.8
Hungary	3.6	2.3
Turkey	3.6	3.7
Indonesia	3.6	4.6
Egypt	2.8	2.5
Dominican Republic	2.8	2.7
Croatia	2.6	1.4
Russia	2.5	3.6
Other	53.6	76.4

# **Key Facts**

#### **Price**

€0.99 (28/12/2018)(EUR)(Acc) £0.91 (28/12/2018)(GBP)(Acc) \$1.46 (28/12/2018)(USD)(Acc) £0.71 (28/12/2018)(GBP)(Inc)

#### **Holdings**

496

# UK reporting status?

#### ISA allowable?

Yes

## SIPP allowable?

Yes

#### Sedol code

B5L6SP2 (EUR)(Acc) B5BQ5J5 (GBP)(Acc) B29M7F4 (USD)(Acc) B5L9GL3 (GBP)(Inc)

#### ISIN code

IE00B5L6SP25 (EUR)(Acc) IE00B5BQ5J55 (GBP)(Acc) IE00B29M7F41 (USD)(Acc) IE00B5L9GL38 (GBP)(Inc)

# Bloomberg code

BEMDIEA: ID (EUR) (Acc) BEMDZGI: ID (GBP) (Acc) BEMDIAU: ID (USD) (Acc) BEMDIBP: ID (GBP) (Inc)

### **Depositary**

Northern Trust Fiduciary Services (Ireland) Limited

# Risk metrics (%)

Fund Mkt Idx
Yield to Maturity 6.84% 6.67%
Yield to Worst 6.93% 6.79%
Modified Duration 6.32 6.52
Option Adj. Dur. 6.38 6.57



## Risk Factors

#### **Derivative Exposure**

The fund invests in derivatives as part of its investment strategy, over and above their use for Efficient Portfolio Management (EPM). Investors should be aware that the use of these instruments can, under certain circumstances, increase the volatility and risk profile of the Fund beyond that expected of a fund that only invests in equities. The fund may also be exposed to the risk that the company issuing the derivative may not honour their obligations which in turn could lead to losses arising.

#### **Emerging Market**

Emerging markets are generally less well regulated than the UK and it can sometimes be difficult to buy and sell investments in these areas. There is also an increased chance of political and economic instability and so these funds carry higher risks than those investing in larger, more established markets.

#### **Exchange Rate**

The value of investments and any income from them may decrease or increase as a result of changes in exchange rates between currencies.

#### Inflation

Inflation will reduce the real value of your investments in future.

#### Long Term Investments

Stock market investments should be regarded as long term investments.

#### Offshore

You are not normally entitled to compensation through the UK Financial Services Compensation Scheme for offshore funds.

#### Returns are not quaranteed

What you receive when you sell your investment is not guaranteed, it depends on how your investments perform.

#### Taxation and tax relief

Levels of taxation and tax relief are subject to change.

#### Value of Investments

The value of investments and the income you receive from them can fall as well as rise.

#### High Yield Bonds

These funds invest in high yield bonds, which carry a greater risk of default than investment grade corporate bonds. Economic conditions will also have a greater effect on their price.

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#### Yield-to-Maturity

Yield to Maturity ('YTM') is an estimate of the average annual percentage return that will be received should all the bonds in the fund be held until their maturity dates and assuming they all make the promised payments. The main difference between this yield measure and the more familiar running yield is that it takes account of the fact that, at maturity, any bond should pay out at its face value, even though it may currently be trading above or below that face value. The YTM does not account for the risk that the issuers of the bonds may fail to meet their obligations, in which case the returns will be lower.

#### Yield-to-Worst

Yield-to-Worst ("YTW") is an estimate of the lowest yield that will be received on the bond holdings without the issuers actually defaulting. The YTW is calculated by making worst-case scenario assumptions and calculating the return that would be received if each issuer uses provisions, including prepayments, calls or sinking funds. It is not the actual worst yield that will be received, as the true worst case will be in the event that one or more issuers fail to meet their obligations to the investors in a bond.

#### **Modified Duration**

Modified duration measures the price sensitivity of a bond in a response to a change in interest rates.

#### **Option Adjusted Duration**

The Option Adjusted Duration ("OAD") is similar to Duration, it is a measurement of sensitivity to changes in interest rates but also takes account of any special features of the bonds held such as the right of the issuer to change the terms of the bond under certain circumstances. Together, the Duration and OAD are guides to the sensitivity of the fund to changes in market interest rates which are typically, in particular, affected by changes in expectations about future inflation.



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