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#### **FUND OBJECTIVE**

The fund aims to achieve a target average return of 1-3% over the benchmark before fees over a market cycle (typically 3 years) from a blend of hard currency denominated (defined as USD, EUR, GBP, JPY, CHF) debt issued in emerging (less developed) market countries, local currencies of emerging market countries and debt issued by corporate issuers in emerging market countries. There can be no guarantee that the fund will ultimately achieve its investment objective and capital invested is at risk.

#### **MANAGEMENT TEAM**

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## **FUND FACTS**

Inception Date (Fund) 23 April 2014 Base Currency (Fund) Fund AUM (USD million) 504.39 Domicile Vehicle Valuation Settlement (Subscription) 15:00 (Dublin Time) Trading Deadline Regulator Central Bank of Ireland Benchmark

USD Ireland UCITS Daily T+3

A blended benchmark comprising of 50% weighting to JP Morgan GBI Emerging Markets Global Diversified (Total Return, Unhedged, USD), 25% weighting to JF Morgan EMBI Global Diversified (Total Return, USD), and 25% weighting to JP Morgan CEMBI Diversified (Total Return, USD)





USD I Accumulating Class — Benchmark (USD)

This chart shows how an investment of USD 100 in the fund on its inception date would have performed and compares it against how a hypothetical investment of USD 100 in the Benchmark(s) would have performed.

| PERFORMANCE (%) <sup>1</sup> | 1m²  | 3m²  | YTD <sup>2</sup> | 1y²  | 3y³   | 5y³  | 10y³ | SI <sup>3,4</sup> |
|------------------------------|------|------|------------------|------|-------|------|------|-------------------|
| USD I Accumulating Class     | 5.03 | 1.53 | 8.12             | 9.91 | -3.36 | 0.69 | -    | 0.66              |
| Benchmark (USD)              | 4.98 | 1.36 | 7.46             | 9.13 | -3.17 | 1.31 | -    | 1.22              |

| 12 MONTH PERIODS (%)     |       |        |      |       |       |       |      |       | Nov21<br>Nov22 |       |
|--------------------------|-------|--------|------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|----------------|-------|
| USD I Accumulating Class | -     | -10.32 | 5.48 | 14.35 | -6.45 | 10.59 | 3.69 | -4.15 | -14.32         | 9.91  |
| Benchmark (USD)          | -     | -9.29  | 6.68 | 12.37 | -4.46 | 12.18 | 4.81 | -3.53 | -13.78         | 9.13  |
| CALENDAR (%)             | 20145 | 2015   | 2016 | 2017  | 2018  | 2019  | 2020 | 2021  | 2022           | 20236 |

| USD I Accumulating Class | -2.80 | -8.13 | 9.41  | 14.23 | -6.90 | 13.57 | 3.22 | -5.83 | -14.12 | 8.12 |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|--------|------|
| Benchmark (USD)          | -2.84 | -7.14 | 10.25 | 12.13 | -4.52 | 13.96 | 4.54 | -4.75 | -13.51 | 7.46 |

The fund is actively managed, which means that the investments are selected at the discretion of the investment manager. The Benchmark is used for performance comparison purposes and because the fund's investment policy restricts the extent to which the fund's holdings may deviate from the Benchmark.

1Performance to latest month end. YTD - Year to Date, SI - Since Inception.

2Returns for these periods are cumulative.

3Returns are annualised for periods longer than one year.

4Returns from 23 April 2014 to latest month end.

5Data shown since the share class inception date.

6Performance for the current calendar year is the year to date.

Fund performance is representative of the USD I Accumulating Class and has been calculated to account for the deduction of fees. Investors who subscribe in a currency other than the base currency of the fund should note that returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. Fund performance does not take account of any commission or costs incurred by investors when subscribing for or redeeming shares.

## **TOP 10 CURRENCY ALLOCATIONS % (MV)**

|                      | Fund  | Bmrk  |
|----------------------|-------|-------|
| United States Dollar | 45.44 | 50.00 |
| Mexican Nuevo Peso   | 5.99  | 5.01  |
| Malaysian Ringgit    | 5.86  | 5.01  |
| Brazilian Real       | 5.66  | 4.95  |
| Indonesian Rupiah    | 5.44  | 5.01  |
| South African Rand   | 5.30  | 4.19  |
| Thai Baht            | 4.59  | 4.80  |
| Polish Złoty         | 4.26  | 3.77  |
| Chinese Yuan         | 3.20  | 5.00  |
| Colombian Peso       | 2.41  | 2.23  |
|                      |       |       |

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Market Risk: The risk of a change in the value of a position as a result of underlying market factors, including among other things, the overall performance of companies and the market perception of the global economy.

Liquidity Risk: The risk that the fund may be unable to sell an investment readily at its fair market value. In extreme market conditions this can affect the fund's ability to meet redemption requests upon demand.

Emerging Markets Risk: Emerging markets are likely to bear higher risk due to a possible lack of adequate financial, legal, social, political and economic structures, protection and stability as well as uncertain tax positions which may lead to lower liquidity. The NAV of the fund may experience medium to high volatility due to lower liquidity and the availability of reliable information, as well as due to the fund's investment policies or portfolio management techniques.

Credit Risk: The risk that bond issuers may fail to meet their interest repayments, or repay debt, resulting in temporary or permanent losses to the fund.

Interest Rate Risk: The risk of interest rate movements affecting the value of fixed-rate bonds.

**Derivatives Risk:** The fund is permitted to use certain types of financial derivative instruments (including certain complex instruments). This may increase the fund's leverage significantly which may cause large variations in the value of your share. Investors should note that the fund may achieve its investment objective by investing principally in Financial Derivative Instruments (FDI). There are certain investment risks that apply in relation to the use of FDI. The fund's use of FDI can involve significant risks of loss.

Counterparty Risk: The risk that a counterparty will not fulfil its payment obligation for a trade, contract or other transaction, on the due date.

**Operational Risk:** The risk of direct or indirect loss resulting from inadequate or failed processes, people and systems including those relating to the safekeeping of assets or from external events.

Currency Risk: Investors who subscribe in a currency other than the base currency of the fund are exposed to currency risk. Fluctuations in exchange rates may affect the return on investment. Where past performance is shown it is based on the share class to which this factsheet relates. If the currency of this share class is different from your local currency, then you should be aware that due to exchange rate fluctuations the performance shown may increase or decrease if converted into your local currency.

For full information on the risks please refer to the fund prospectus and offering documents, including the KID or KIID, as applicable.

# TOP 10 COUNTRIES BY DURATION CONTRIBUTION (YEARS)

|                | Fund | Bmrk |
|----------------|------|------|
| Mexico         | 0.50 | 0.41 |
| Indonesia      | 0.43 | 0.42 |
| China          | 0.41 | 0.37 |
| South Africa   | 0.38 | 0.33 |
| Brazil         | 0.36 | 0.23 |
| Malaysia       | 0.35 | 0.41 |
| Colombia       | 0.31 | 0.22 |
| Thailand       | 0.31 | 0.35 |
| Czech Republic | 0.22 | 0.17 |
| Romania        | 0.18 | 0.12 |

# TOP 10 COUNTRY ALLOCATIONS % (MV)

|              | Fund | Bmrk |
|--------------|------|------|
| Mexico       | 8.72 | 7.39 |
| Brazil       | 8.02 | 7.08 |
| China        | 7.13 | 8.05 |
| Indonesia    | 6.77 | 6.89 |
| South Africa | 6.29 | 5.81 |
| Malaysia     | 6.17 | 6.23 |
| Thailand     | 5.48 | 5.50 |
| Poland       | 4.58 | 4.34 |
| Colombia     | 4.37 | 3.91 |
| Romania      | 2.84 | 2.41 |

## **SECTOR ALLOCATIONS % (MV)**

|                | Fund  |
|----------------|-------|
| Local Currency | 51.80 |
| Hard Currency  | 24.04 |
| Corporate      | 23.68 |
| Overlay        | 0.47  |
|                |       |

## **CREDIT QUALITY % (MV)**

|                    | Fund  | Bmrk  |
|--------------------|-------|-------|
| AAA                | 0.34  | 0.05  |
| AA                 | 4.15  | 5.68  |
| A                  | 21.68 | 23.51 |
| BBB                | 34.30 | 37.05 |
| BB                 | 18.88 | 20.46 |
| В                  | 8.20  | 8.93  |
| CCC                | 2.46  | 1.60  |
| CC                 | 1.58  | 0.58  |
| С                  | 0.46  | 0.12  |
| D                  | 1.38  | 0.56  |
| Not rated          | 1.31  | 1.48  |
| Cash & Equivalents | 5.27  | 0.00  |
|                    |       |       |

Source: Bloomberg Barclays PLC. Bloomberg Barclays credit quality rating is based on the conservative average of Moody's, S&P, and Fitch. If Moody's, S&P and Fitch all provide a credit rating, the rating is the median of the three agency ratings. If only two agencies provide ratings, the rating is the more conservative rating. If only one agency provides a rating, then the rating reflects that agency's rating. If none of the agencies provide ratings, the security is considered not rated and may be assigned an equivalent rating by the investment adviser.

## **CHARACTERISTICS**

|                                | Fund | Bmrk |
|--------------------------------|------|------|
| Coupon (%)                     | 5.76 | 5.26 |
| Time to Maturity (years)       | 9.98 | 9.10 |
| Weighted Average Yield to      | 8.16 | 7.27 |
| Maturity (%)                   |      |      |
| Weighted Average Current Yield | 6.78 | 5.74 |
| (%)                            |      |      |
| Duration (years)               | 5.68 | 5.22 |
| OAS (Basis points)             | 192  | 154  |
| Spread Duration (years)        | 2.88 | 2.78 |
| Average Credit Quality         | BBB- | BBB  |

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| DURATION DISTRIBUTION % (MV) |       |       | RISK MEASURES      |         |
|------------------------------|-------|-------|--------------------|---------|
|                              | Fund  | Bmrk  |                    | 3 years |
| Less than 1 year             | 9.73  | 5.59  | Alpha (%)          | 0.15    |
| 1 - 3 years                  | 17.44 | 27.30 | Tracking Error (%) | 1.55    |
| 3 - 5 years                  | 21.37 | 22.29 | Beta               | 1.06    |
| 5 - 7 years                  | 22.21 | 19.07 | Sharpe Ratio       | -0.50   |
| 7 - 10 years                 | 16.52 | 13.45 | Information Ratio  | -0.12   |
| 10 - 15 years                | 10.62 | 9.87  | R-Squared (%)      | 97.87   |
| 15 - 20 years                | 0.93  | 1.87  | Standard Deviation | 10.13   |
| None                         | 1.18  | 0.56  |                    |         |

# I SHARE CLASS PERFORMANCE

Past performance does not predict future returns.

| PERFORMANCE (%) <sup>7</sup> | Inception Date | 1m                  | 8                | 3m <sup>8</sup>  | YTD8             | 1y <sup>8</sup>  | 3y               | 9                | 5y <sup>9</sup>  | 10y <sup>9</sup> | SI9              |
|------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| USD I Accumulating Class     | 23-04-2014     | 5.03                | 3                | 1.53             | 8.12             | 9.91             | -3.36            | 5                | 0.69             | -                | 0.66             |
| USD I Distributing Class     | 01-06-2016     | 4.89                | 9                | 1.45             | 8.02             | 9.87             | -3.36            | 5                | 0.68             | -                | 1.42             |
| Benchmark (USD)              | -              | 4.98                | 8                | 1.36             | 7.46             | 9.13             | -3.17            | 7                | 1.31             | -                | 1.2210           |
| 12 MONTH PERIODS (%)         | Inception Date | Nov 13<br>Nov 14    | Nov 14<br>Nov 15 | Nov 15<br>Nov 16 | Nov 16<br>Nov 17 | Nov 17<br>Nov 18 | Nov 18<br>Nov 19 | Nov 19<br>Nov 20 | Nov 20<br>Nov 21 | Nov 21<br>Nov 22 | Nov 22<br>Nov 23 |
| USD I Accumulating Class     | 23-04-2014     | -                   | -10.32           | 5.48             | 14.35            | -6.45            | 10.59            | 3.69             | -4.15            | -14.32           | 9.91             |
| USD I Distributing Class     | 01-06-2016     | -                   | -                | -                | 14.32            | -6.40            | 10.54            | 3.70             | -4.10            | -14.34           | 9.87             |
| Benchmark (USD)              | -              | -                   | -9.29            | 6.68             | 12.37            | -4.46            | 12.18            | 4.81             | -3.53            | -13.78           | 9.13             |
| CALENDAR (%)                 | Inception Date | 2014                | 2015             | 2016             | 2017             | 2018             | 2019             | 2020             | 2021             | 2022             | 202311           |
| USD I Accumulating Class     | 23-04-2014     | -2.80 <sup>12</sup> | -8.13            | 9.41             | 14.23            | -6.90            | 13.57            | 3.22             | -5.83            | -14.12           | 8.12             |
| USD I Distributing Class     | 01-06-2016     | -                   | -                | 2.0112           | 14.17            | -6.91            | 13.50            | 3.24             | -5.85            | -13.98           | 8.02             |
| Benchmark (USD)              | -              | -2.84 <sup>10</sup> | -7.14            | 10.25            | 12.13            | -4.52            | 13.96            | 4.54             | -4.75            | -13.51           | 7.46             |

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7Performance to latest month end. YTD - Year to Date, SI - Since Inception, m – month, y - year.

<sup>8</sup>Returns for these periods are cumulative.

<sup>9</sup>Returns are annualised for periods longer than one year.

<sup>10</sup>Data shown since inception of the USD I Accumulating Class.

<sup>11</sup>Performance for the current calendar year is the year to date.

<sup>12</sup>Data shown since the share class inception date.

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# I SHARE CLASS DATA

| Share Class           | NAV   | Initial Sales<br>Charge (Max) | Ongoing<br>Charges | Management<br>Fee | Minimum<br>Investment |
|-----------------------|-------|-------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| EUR I Acc             | 10.49 | 0.00%                         | 0.88%*             | 0.70%             | 1,000,000             |
| EUR I Dist            | 7.01  | 0.00%                         | 0.88%*             | 0.70%             | 1,000,000             |
| GBP I Acc             | 11.18 | 0.00%                         | 0.88%*             | 0.70%             | 1,000,000             |
| GBP I Acc. Unhedged   | 10.21 | 0.00%                         | 0.88%*             | 0.70%             | 1,000,000             |
| GBP I Dist            | 7.78  | 0.00%                         | 0.88%*             | 0.70%             | 1,000,000             |
| GBP I Dist - Unhedged | 8.23  | 0.00%                         | 0.88%*             | 0.70%             | 1,000,000             |
| USD I Acc             | 10.65 | 0.00%                         | 0.88%*             | 0.70%             | 1,000,000             |
| USD I Dist            | 7.94  | 0.00%                         | 0.88%*             | 0.70%             | 1,000,000             |

| Share Class           | Inception<br>Date | Morningstar Category™                        | ISIN         | Bloomberg  | VALOR    |
|-----------------------|-------------------|--|--------------|------------|----------|
| EUR I Acc             | 08-07-2014        | Global Emerging Markets Bond -<br>EUR Biased | IE00BK4YYZ03 | NBEURIA ID | 24300403 |
| EUR I Dist            | 19-06-2015        | Global Emerging Markets Bond -<br>EUR Biased | IE00BY7S2G49 | NEBEUID ID | 28381349 |
| GBP I Acc             | 31-03-2016        | Other Bond                                   | IE00BK4YYR29 | NBEMDIG ID | 31704661 |
| GBP I Acc. Unhedged   | 12-04-2017        | Global Emerging Markets Bond                 | IE00BD3WDG09 | NBEMIGU ID | 36006803 |
| GBP I Dist            | 22-05-2018        | Other Bond                                   | IE00BK4YYW71 | NEEMGID ID | 40625340 |
| GBP I Dist - Unhedged | 22-05-2018        | Global Emerging Markets Bond                 | IE00BF0V1488 | NBEGIDU ID | 40561457 |
| USD I Acc             | 23-04-2014        | Global Emerging Markets Bond                 | IE00BK4YYS36 | NBEUSIA ID | 24300397 |
| USD I Dist            | 01-06-2016        | Global Emerging Markets Bond                 | IE00BK4YYT43 | NBDBUID ID | 29792422 |

<sup>\*</sup>The ongoing charge figure (incl. management fee) is based on the annual expenses for the period ending 31 December 2022.

Some share classes listed are subject to restrictions, please refer to the fund's prospectus for further details.

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Performance of another share class may vary from the results shown based on differences in fees and expenses, and currency.

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