

## About the Fund/ Manager

Bramshill Investments is an awardwinning alternative asset management firm based in New Jersey. The firm was founded in 2012 from existing assets managed at GLG Partners. The strategy seeks to take advantage of the most attractive opportunities across five primary asset classes: investment grade and high yield corporate bonds, preferred securities, municipal bonds, and US Treasury bonds. The portfolio incorporates tactical sector duration allocations to avoid risks in various interest rate and market environments while maintaining a focus on generating income and principal appreciation.

## **Fund Highlights**

Fund Track Record	6+ Years
Fund Assets	\$244 million
Strategy Track Record	14+ years
Strategy Assets	\$3.5 billion
Liquidity	Daily
Yield to Maturity	6.59%
Duration	5.40 years
Nb of Positions	85

# Share Class Details

A2 CHF
Open
September 2020
IE00BJRFWY87
BRUIPAC
CHF 1,000
None
None
1.35%
Accumulation
CHF
SEC
SIG
Ireland
4 pm (Irish time) on relevant dealing day

# Bramshill UCITS Income Performance Fund

Strategy Overview 31 March 2024

#### Tactical return approach to fixed income

 Seeks to take advantage of the most attractive opportunities across five primary asset classes: investment grade and high yield bonds, preferred municipal bonds, U.S. Treasuries

#### Fundamental credit and relative value analysis

• Typically, the portfolio is comprised of 35 - 60 positions focusing on high conviction income-producing securities with compelling risk-reward characteristics

#### Dynamic active management

 Incorporates tactical sector and duration allocations to take advantage of opportunities and avoid risks in various interest rate and market environments

## Differentiating attributes

- Benchmark agnostic
- Does not use leverage or derivatives
- No direct exposure to emerging markets, currencies, MLPs, REITs, mortgages, structured credit, private placements

## Historical Performance (net of fees) - A2 Share Class CHF (%)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2024	0.81	-0.96	0.68										0.52
2023	2.29	-0.89	-2.09	0.62	-0.89	0.06	0.57	-0.89	-1.26	-1.80	3.94	2.25	1.71
2022	-2.73	-1.42	-1.41	-1.94	-0.42	-2.37	1.99	-1.41	-2.47	-1.43	2.51	-1.14	-11.35
2021	-0.53	-1.17	1.03	0.75	0.45	0.93	0.04	-0.09	-0.61	-0.26	-0.84	0.66	0.34
2020									-1.90*	1.29	1.97	0.97	2.31
								Cumulative Net Return					-6.95

<sup>\*</sup>September 2020 was a partial month performance for the A2 CHF share class which launched on 16 September 2020

## Portfolio Exposure

■ Cash

#### **Credit Exposure Asset Class** 5 4% Average Credit Rating BBB+ 20.2% 31.6% **Duration Breakdown** 3.8% < 1 Year 32.9% 16.7% 1 - 3 Years 8.5% 3 - 5 Years 12.4% 30.7% 5 - 7 Years 3.8% Preferred Securities 7 - 10 Years 3.9% HY Corporate Bonds IG Corporates Bonds 10+ Years 30.3% Municipal Bonds Government Bonds



#### Portfolio Managers

Monthly Commentary 31 March 2024



Art DeGaetano

#### Founder/ CIO

GLG Partners, RBS Greenwich Capital, Bear Stearns & Co.

Colgate University

31 years experience



**Derek Pines** 

#### Portfolio Manager/ Analyst

SunGard Financial. Chimera Securities

Georgetown University

23 years experience

March was a solid month for the Bramshill UCITS Income Performance Fund which returned +0.99% on the month and has now returned +1.48 YTD. In the past year, the Fund has returned 7.95% while the Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index has returned 1.70%.

The most meaningful driver of returns in 1Q24 has been our allocation to the preferred asset class which has exhibited substantial spread tightening. This year, we have had an average weighting of approximately 32% to the preferred asset class. The majority of this allocation has been in short call, fixed-reset structures which have had less volatility than other US fixed income asset classes when yields have risen, and more upside capture when yields have fallen. The reason for this condition is because most of the preferred structures we own have high "back-end" resets which make them highly likely to be called within the next two years.

Our largest allocation in the Fund continues to be investment grade corporates, however, in March we reduced this allocation to approximately 31%. We took profits in MMM 3.125% '36 and ORCL 3.60% '40, both of which had tightened substantially in spread from when we initially purchased these positions in October 2023. We also replaced JPM 3.22% '25, which was called (after returning over 6.5% from our initial purchase), and replaced this position with WFC 2.406% '25.

We increased moderately our allocation to high yield corporates to approximately 9% of the Fund, as we increased exposure to a short duration, liquid, high yield ETF with an approximate 7.75% YTW, and 2.5y duration. We also took profits in ET FRN '66 and certain HY CEFs which had rallied significantly in the past few months. We continued to reduce our positions in municipal CEFs to approximately 3.8%. Many of these CEFs have rallied 15-20% in price since November. As the market has pushed out the anticipated date for the first Fed rate cut, CEFs become less attractive because of their "higher for longer" borrowing costs. YTD our total reduction in CEF exposure in the Fund has gone from approximately 11% of the Fund to 5% at this time.

In March, we increased our treasury allocation to approximately 20% (with approximately 11% of the Fund in long duration treasuries, and the balance allocated to short term treasuries yielding approximately 5.30% and providing instant liquidity).

The yield-to-worst of the Fund is now 5.97%, with a yield to maturity of 6.59%, and an average credit rating of BBB+. This is an environment where coupon and carry are compelling and will likely be substantial drivers of returns. Overall, we are looking for further opportunities to deploy capital into stable credits with attractive yield characteristics. We are optimistic for our Fund this year, as we believe the current credit and yield environment is ripe with opportunities..

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# **Important Disclosures**

<sup>1</sup> Representative bond holdings are Fund holdings as of the date of this fact sheet but are not necessarily the largest Fund holdings. The Fund may hold other instruments including but not limited to closed end funds, cash and other instruments that may have a higher % allocation in the Fund. For a full description of all asset classes and instruments the Fund may invest, please read the Fund Prospectus and Supplement.

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Bramshill UCITS Income Performance Fund is a fixed income fund that seeks to maximize total returns across various asset classes. The Fund invests in a tac- tical portfolio of income-producing securities, including investment grade and high-yield bonds, preferred securities, municipal bonds, U.S. Treasuries, income ex- change-traded funds, and closed-end funds. The portfolio is actively managed, incorporating sector allocations and tactical hedging during various interest rate and market environments. The Fund uses fundamental credit and relative value analysis, and focuses on securities with transparent pricing, actively-traded capital structures and liquidity. The Fund is unlevered, highly-liquid, not benchmark dependent, and seeks to maintain an investment grade portfolio. Indexes are not securities in which direct investments can be made and they do not account for the fees and expenses generally associated with investable products.

All fund valuation, pricing services and administration is handled by State Street Fund Services (Ireland) Limited, an unaffiliated third party.

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The conditions set out in regulation 63 of the Collective Investment Schemes (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 have been satisfied with respect to the Fund, with the result that the Fund is treated as a recognised scheme for the purposes of Part XVII of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000. For so long as the Fund is treated as a recognised scheme, the Fund may be promoted, and Shares in the Fund may be marketed, to the general public in the United Kingdom, notwithstanding the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union.

## **Important Information:**

This is a marketing communication. Please refer to the Bramshill UCITS Income Performance Fund prospectus and supplement and to the KIID before making any final investment decisions.

## Prospectus/Key Investor Information

A copy of the English version of the prospectus and supplement of the Fund and the Key Investor Information Document (KIID) relating to the Fund may be obtained online from <a href="https://sig-global.co.uk/ucits.php?seo\_url=ucits-bramshill#fund-literature">https://sig-global.co.uk/ucits.php?seo\_url=ucits-bramshill#fund-literature</a> or alternatively received via email upon request by contacting <a href="mailto:info@sig-global.com">info@sig-global.com</a> or calling +44 (0) 207 661 8041. Where required under national rules, the KIID will also be available in the local language of the relevant EEA Member State.

## Hyperlink to Summary of Investor Rights

A summary of investor rights associated with an investment in the Fund is available online in English as <a href="https://bridgeconsulting.ie/management-company-services/">https://bridgeconsulting.ie/management-company-services/</a> or it may be received upon request via email by contacting <a href="maintenagement-company-services/">info@sig-global.com</a>

#### Termination of marketing arrangements

A decision may be taken at any time to terminate the arrangements made for the marketing of the Fund in any EEA Member State in which it is currently marketed. In such circumstances, Shareholders in the affected EEA Member State will be notified of this decision and will be provided with the opportunity to redeem their shareholding in the Fund free of any charges or deductions for at least 30 working days from the date of such notification.