

# GAM Star Fund plc.

## GAM Star Credit Opportunities (GBP)

### Ordinary GBP Income

Marketing Material - Data as of 31.07.2019

NAV per share GBP 13.2214



#### Fund description

**Investment objective:** To achieve capital gain in Sterling. The Fund seeks to achieve this objective through investment principally on a worldwide basis (up to 10% of net assets may be in Emerging Markets) in income bearing or accruing securities with fixed principal amounts including government bonds, corporate bonds, junior debt securities, preferred shares, convertible securities and contingent capital notes.

**Opportunities:** A highly qualified and experienced management actively manages the Fund on the basis of a fundamental valuation approach. The objective is to identify the potential investments that, in the Investment Manager's opinion, are most attractive and to generate interesting and profitable opportunities for investors.

The Fund invests in a broadly diversified bond universe and seeks various opportunities for returns.

The Fund invests in accordance with a flexible investment strategy with a broad diversification across various bond categories, currencies and countries.

**Risk factors:**

**Credit Risk / Debt Securities:** Bonds may be subject to significant fluctuations in value. Bonds are subject to credit risk and interest rate risk.

**Credit Risk / Non-Investment Grade:** Non-investment grade securities, which will generally pay higher yields than more highly rated securities, will be subject to greater market and credit risk, affecting the performance of the Fund.

**Interest Rate Risk:** A rise or fall in interest rates causes fluctuations in the value of fixed income securities, which may result in a decline or an increase in the value of such investments.

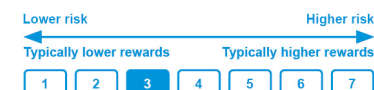
**Liquidity Risk:** Some investments can be difficult to sell quickly which may affect the value of the Fund and, in extreme market conditions, its ability to meet redemption requests.

**Concentration Risk:** Concentration in a limited number of securities and industry sectors may result in more volatility than investing in broadly diversified Funds.

**Brexit Risk:** The regulatory regime to which certain of the Investment Managers are subject to in the UK could be materially and adversely affected. The decision to leave the EU could also result in substantial volatility in foreign exchange markets and a sustained period of uncertainty for the UK, the EU and the global markets in general.

**Capital at risk:** All financial investments involve an element of risk. Therefore, the value of the investment and the income from it will vary and the initial investment amount cannot be guaranteed.

#### Risk profile



#### Fund facts

**Fund management company** GAM Fund Management Limited  
**Investment management company** GAM International Management Limited  
**Fund managed by** Anthony Smouha, Gregoire Mivelaz and Patrick Smouha, ATLANTICOMNIUM S.A.  
**Legal structure** UCITS  
**Domicile** Ireland  
**Benchmark** Barclays Sterling Aggregate Corporate Total Return Index in GBP  
**Inception date of the fund** 12.07.2011  
**Inception date of the class** 12.07.2011  
**Total fund assets** GBP 925.7 m  
**Total class assets** GBP 38.3 m  
**Base currency of the class** GBP  
**Min investment of the class** GBP 6,000  
**Investment manager and sponsor fees**<sup>1</sup> 1.35%  
**Ongoing charge** 1.53% as at 31.12.2018  
**ISIN** IE00B5870639  
**SEDOL** B587063  
**Valoren** 12381490  
**WKN** A1JHEL  
**Data sources** GAM, Bloomberg

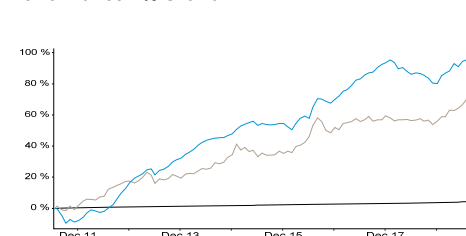
#### Fund performance

Performance in %	Cumulative							Annualised		
	YTD	1M	3M	1Y	3Y	5Y	Since launch	3Y	5Y	Since launch
Fund	8.48	0.55	1.34	4.51	18.53	35.35	95.43	5.82	6.24	8.68
Benchmark	9.47	2.34	4.73	8.84	11.17	35.60	70.57	3.59	6.28	6.86

#### Rolling performance

July-July(%)	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019
Fund	6.95	6.77	12.51	0.80	4.51
Benchmark	7.80	13.15	2.27	-0.12	8.84

#### Performance - % Growth



#### Portfolio statistics (bond portfolio)

	Fund %	Benchmark %
Average coupon	6.82	4.29
Average yield to maturity	5.35	2.14
Duration	6.93	8.39
Distribution yield	3.90	
Average security rating*	BB-	
Average company-issuer rating*	BBB	

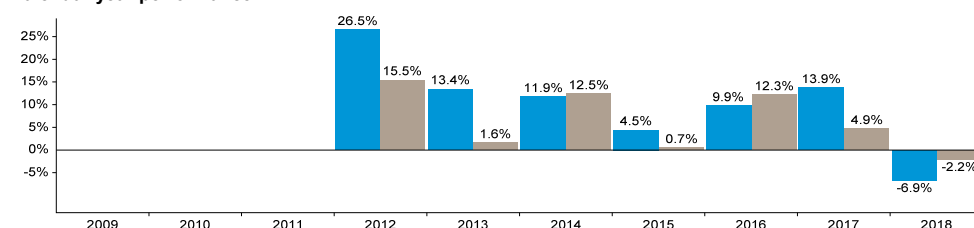
#### Key information regarding the portfolio and fund statistics:

\* If a guarantee is in place, the composite rating relates to the guarantor. Otherwise, the composite rating of the parent or ultra-parent is used.  
\*\* The largest loss, peak to trough based on monthly data  
\*\*\* Risk free rate is Average GBP 1 Month Deposit Rate

#### Risk summary computed since inception

Statistic	Fund	Benchmark
Annualised standard deviation (%)	5.56	5.90
Maximum drawdown**	-9.63	-6.06
Sharpe Ratio***	1.47	1.08

#### Calendar year performance



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#### Key to charts and tables:

Fund: GAM Star Credit Opportunities (GBP) - Ordinary GBP Income; Benchmark: Barclays Sterling Aggregate Corporate Total Return Index in GBP; Cash Index: Average GBP 1 Month Deposit Rate

Past performance is not an indicator of future performance and current or future trends. The performance values refer to the net asset value and are calculated without the commission and costs incurred on issue, redemption or swapping (e.g. transaction and custody costs of the investor). The fund does not include the security of capital which is characteristic of a deposit with a bank or building society. The indications are based on figures denominated in GBP. If this currency is different from the currency of the country in which the investor is resident, the return may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations.

#### Asset allocation

##### Top 10 holdings

Name	% of Fund
HSBC HOLDINGS PLC JR SUBORDINA 12/99 VAR	5.5
LLOYDS BANK PLC JR SUBORDINA 12/99 VAR	4.0
STICHTING AK RABOBANK JR SUBORDINA REGS 12/49 6.5	3.6
TRAFIGURA GROUP PTE LTD SUBORDINATED REGS VAR	3.4
CREDIT AGRICOLE SA JR SUBORDINA REGS 04/49 VAR	2.6
LLOYDS BANKING GROUP PLC JR SUBORDINA REGS 12/49 VAR	2.4
COVENTRY BLDG SOCIETY JR SUBORDINA REGS 12/99 VAR	2.3
HSBC HOLDINGS PLC JR SUBORDINA REGS 12/99 VAR	2.2
GENERAL ACCIDENT PLC PREFERRED STOCK 8.875	2.1
PHOENIX GBP HLD PLC SUBORDINATED REGS 12/25 6.625	2.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>30.2</b>

##### Portfolio allocation

Asset type	Weight %
Fixed-to-Floater Perpetual	47.9
Fixed Perpetual	22.0
Fixed-Dated Bond	14.4
Fixed-to-Floater Bond	7.2
Undated FRN	2.6
Dated FRN	0.1
FX Forwards Derivatives Hedging	-1.3
Cash	7.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## Glossary

**Average company issuer rating:** is a forward-looking opinion about an obligor's overall creditworthiness and their capacity and willingness to meet its financial commitments.

**Average coupon:** is the average yield paid by a fixed-income security. The coupon rate is the yield the bond paid on its issue date.

**Average security rating:** is forward-looking opinion about an obligor's overall creditworthiness with respect to a specific security obligation.

**Benchmark (BM):** an index that can be used by an investment fund as the basis of comparison for assessing the performance achieved.

**Distribution yield:** is the estimated annualised distribution percentage for the current financial year based on a snapshot of the portfolio at the calculation date. It is calculated by annualising the sum of the current year-to-date distributed & un-distributed income per share and dividing by the current net asset value per share.

**Duration:** refers to the period of time that capital is tied into a monetary or bond investment or in other debt securities, and determines the sensitivity of the price to interest rate changes. Unlike residual maturity, the duration also takes into account interest payments and other inflows from invested capital.

**Maximum drawdown:** measures the largest loss experienced by a fund or an index, peak to trough, during a stated time period.

**Ongoing charge (OCF):** the ongoing charge is a measure of the annual expenses incurred by a fund and is expressed as a percentage. It allows an accurate comparison of the costs of funds from different companies to be made.

**Risk rating:** the risk indicator is based on the volatility of the Fund's performance over the last 5 years. Where 5 years' performance history is not available the data is supplemented by proxy fund, benchmark data or a simulated historical series as appropriate. This profile is determined using historical data, as such may not be a reliable indication for the future risk profile. It is not guaranteed and may shift over time. The lowest category does not mean 'risk free'.

**Sharpe ratio:** the Sharpe ratio (risk-adjusted performance) is generated by calculating the difference between the average annualised return and the risk-free return. The resulting figure is divided by the annualised standard deviation of the returns. The higher the Sharpe ratio, the better the fund performance in relation to the risk potential of its portfolio.

**Standard deviation:** measures the dispersion of a set of data around its mean. In investment terms, it is a measure of the dispersion of a fund's performance around its mean and therefore, the volatility or risk associated with the investment. The higher the standard deviation of an investment, the greater the variability of performance over the period.

**Yield to maturity:** the yield to maturity is the average yield generated by an investment each year if it is held until expiry.

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