# Global Bond Absolute Return Fund

**USD I Accumulating Class** 29 January 2016

#### **FUND OBJECTIVE**

To achieve over a full market cycle a return in excess of +4% above the Bank of America Merrill Lynch 3-Month Treasury Bill Index (USD total return gross of fees). It aims to achieve this return by investing in long and short positions in sovereign and corporate bonds (debt securities) worldwide.

Investments may be in both investment grade and high yield bonds. Investment grade refers to sovereign and corporate issuers a with higher credit rating. High yield bonds have a lower credit rating because they carry a higher risk of not being paid back and typically offer a higher income to make them attractive to investors.

Investments may be in developed and emerging market economies and may be denominated in local currencies.

### **MANAGEMENT TEAM**

#### Andrew A. Johnson

Portfolio Manager

#### Jon Jonsson

Portfolio Manager

### **FUND FACTS**

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Inception Date	30 September 2013
Base Currency (Fund)	USD
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Fund AUM (USD Mn)	142.45
NAV (class ccy)	9.80
Domicile	Ireland
Listing	Ireland
Vehicle	UCITS
Valuation	Daily
Settlement (subscription)	T+3
Trading Deadline	15:00 (Dublin time)
Regulator	Central Bank of Ireland
Management Fee	0.50%
TER	0.70%
Initial Sales Charge (Max)	0.00%
Bloomberg	NBGBAUI ID
ISIN	IE00BDZRYB50
Morningstar Category™	Global Flexible Bond

### **CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE**



ANNUALISED (%) <sup>1</sup>			1y	3у	5у	SI
Fund			-2.87	-	-	-0.86
CALENDAR (%) <sup>2</sup>	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Fund	-	-	-	0.29	-0.98	-2.97

<sup>1</sup>Performance from 30 September 2013 to latest month end. YTD - Year to Date, SI - Since Inception.

<sup>2</sup>Performance for the current calendar year is the year to date performance up to the reporting month end.

Fund performance is representative of USD I Accumulating Class and is net of fees. Past performance is not indicative of future results.

### **SECTOR ALLOCATIONS % (NV)**

	Fund
Sovereign - NZD, AUD	30.85
Securitized - USD	22.65
HY Credit - USD	13.89
HY Credit - Pan-European	12.08
Hybrid Financial Capital - Global	11.02
IG Credit - USD	10.26
IG Credit - Pan-European	8.73
TIPS/Linkers - Global	4.50
EMD - Local Currency	4.21
EMD - Hard Currency	3.03
Cash Equivalents (%)	1.43
Sovereign - CAD	-1.79
Sovereign - GBP	-2.07
Sovereign - JPY	-2.19
Sovereign - Core EUR	-27.52
Sovereign - USD	-58.03

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

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AAA or Above	9.75
AA	9.71
A	5.56
BBB	26.71
BB	21.35
В	19.42
CCC	5.27
С	0.02
NR	0.79
Cash Equivalents (%)	1.42
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Fund

Barclays generic quality rating 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.

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# CONTRIBUTION TO DURATION BY CURRENCY (YEARS)

(12/11/5)	Fund
New Zealand Dollar	0.88
Mexican Peso	0.29
Great Britain Pound	0.16
South Africa Rand	0.10
Canada Dollar	0.03
Norway Krone	0.00
Sweden Krona	0.00
Australia Dollar	0.00
Switzerland Franc	-0.01
United States Dollar	-0.05
Japan Yen	-1.43
Euro	-2.60

# ACTIVE CURRENCY POSITIONS (%) Fui

	Fund
Great Britain Pound	3.18
Norway Krone	2.72
Mexican Peso	2.09
Sweden Krona	1.10
Canada Dollar	0.86
Australia Dollar	0.34
Japan Yen	0.06
South Africa Rand	0.05
New Zealand Dollar	-1.03
Euro	-1.21
United States Dollar	-2.02
Switzerland Franc	-6.15

## **CHARACTERISTICS**

	Fund
Weighted Average Yield to Worst (%)	3.74
Effective Duration (years)	-2.63
S&P Rating	BBB-

# CONTRIBUTION TO DURATION BY DISTRIBUTION (YEARS)

	Fund
0 - 1 Year	0.16
1 - 3 Years	0.07
3 - 5 Years	0.12
5 - 7 Years	-2.12
7 - 10 Years	-1.11
10 - 15 Years	0.52
>= 15	-0.27

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#### I SHARE CLASS DATA

Share Class	Currency	Inception Date	ISIN	Bloomberg	Valoren	Investment
EUR I Accumulating Class	EUR	17-11-2014	IE00BDZRJZ44	NBGBEIA ID	25278692	2,500,000
GBP I Distributing Class	GBP	17-11-2014	IE00BDZRK844	NBGBIGI ID	25495126	2,500,000
JPY I Accumulating Class	JPY	11-12-2014	IE00BDZRXZ20	NBARJIA ID	26027340	250,000,000
USD I Accumulating Class	USD	30-09-2013	IE00BDZRYB50	NBGBAUI ID	22407471	2,500,000

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

### **RISK CONSIDERATIONS**

Fixed income securities are subject to to the risk of an issuer's ability to meet principal and interest payments on the obligation (credit risk) and may also be subject to price volatility due to such factors as interest rate sensitivity, market perception of the creditworthiness of the issuer and general market liquidity (market risk). Fixed income securities are also exposed to the risk that their or their issuers' credit ratings may be downgraded, which can cause a significant drop in the value of such securities.

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The investment objective of an Absolute Return Fund is to achieve a positive return over a specified period. However, there is no guarantee that will be achieved over the stated, or indeed, any, period: capital invested is at risk.

Investors who subscribe in a currency other than the base currency of the Fund are exposed to currency risk. Fluctuations in these exchange rates may affect the return on investment.

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