



# **INCOME PARTNERS** RMB BOND FUND - CLASS 2

Fund Manager's Report - 31 May 2021

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Income Partners RMB Bond Fund (the "Fund") invests primarily in RMB-denominated fixed income securities issued within the People's Republic of China ("PRC") directly through the Renminbi Qualified Foreign Institutional Investor ("RQFII") quota of Income Partners Asset Management (HK) Limited (the "Manager").
- The Fund is denominated in RMB and is subject to RMB currency risk. RMB is currently not freely convertible and is subject to exchange controls and restrictions. The Fund invests substantially in PRC bonds issued in mainland China and is subject to the risks relating to PRC bonds such as credit risk, credit rating related risks, risk relating to higher default bonds, interest rates risk, liquidity and valuation risks. The PRC bonds market may be subject to higher volatility compared to more developed markets.
- The Fund may be subject to the risks associated with changes in the PRC laws and regulations, including PRC tax laws, and such changes may have retrospective effect. Investment IV. in the China market is subject to emerging market risk including political, economic, legal, regulatory and liquidity risks.
- ٧. The Fund invests in PRC securities through the RQFII quota of the Manager. It may not have exclusive use of the entire RQFII quota granted to the Manager. There is no assurance that the Manager will make available ROFII quota that is sufficient for the Fund's investment at all times.
- The Fund may invest in financial derivative instruments for hedging purposes. There is no guarantee that the hedging techniques will be effective.
- The Manager may at its discretion pay distributions out of the capital of the Fund. Payment of distributions out of capital represents a return or withdrawal of part of the amount they originally invested or from any capital gains attributable to the original investment. Any such distributions may result in an immediate reduction of the net asset value per unit of the Fund.
- Investment involves risk. Past performance is not a guarantee or a reliable indicator of future results and no guarantee is being made that similar returns will be achieved in the
- In making investment decisions, investors should not rely solely on the information in this document and should read the offering document of the Fund for further details including the risk factors. This document does not constitute an offering document.

Share Class	NAV per share²	Dividend per share	Annualized Dividend Yield <sup>4</sup>
2A Acc (USD)	\$110.37		
2A Dis (USD)	\$95.76	\$0.08	1.0%
2B Acc (RMB)	¥113.29		
2B Dis (RMB)	¥94.55	¥0.08	1.0%

Record Date: 31 May 2021 Ex-Dividend Date: 1 June 2021

Payment/Reinvestment Date: 3 June 2021

Please see www.incomepartners.com for details of historical dividend information for all applicable share classes.

2B Acc (RMB) Annualized Volatility	Years 2.66%	Inception 2.34%
Risk Measures	3	Since

Fund Characteristics	
Yield in RMB	3.2%
Modified Duration (years)	6.3
Average Credit Rating	A+
Top 5 Holdings <sup>7</sup> : 93.0% of NAV	
China Development Bank	33.6%
China Government Bond	26.1%
Agricultural Development Bank of China	17.7%
The Export-Import Bank of China	13.9%
Central Huijin Investment Ltd	1.8%

#### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Fund seeks long-term interest income and capital appreciation through investing all or substantially all of its assets in Renminbi ("RMB") -denominated fixed income securities issued within mainland China directly through the Renminbi Qualified Foreign Institutional Investor ("RQFII") quota of Income Partners Asset Management (HK) Limited or through the Bond Connect scheme.

# TOTAL RETURN<sup>2,3</sup>: CLASS 2B ACCUMULATION (RMB)



## CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE AND CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE<sup>2</sup>

Share Class	Year-to- date (YTD)	1 Year	3 Years (Annualized)	5 Years (Annualized)	Since Inception (Annualized)	2016	2017	2018 <sup>5</sup>	2019	2020	Inception Date (dd/mm/yy)
2A Acc (USD)	3.59%	12.35%	2.51%	1.46%	1.44%	-6.92%	4.22%	-1.91%	-0.43%	9.16%	04/07/14
2A Dis (USD)	3.59%	12.35%	2.52%	1.47%	1.46%	-6.91%	4.22%	-1.90%	-0.44%	9.16%	08/07/14
2B Acc (RMB)	1.41%	-0.04%	2.32%	0.79%	1.82%	-1.26%	-2.57%	3.53%	0.80%	2.04%	04/07/14
2B Dis (RMB)	1.44%	-0.02%	2.33%	0.79%	1.87%	-1.25%	-2.58%	3.53%	0.80%	2.03%	11/07/14

# MONTHLY PERFORMANCE2: CLASS 2B ACCUMULATION (RMB)6

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2021	-0.17%	-0.25%	0.78%	0.50%	0.55%								1.41%
2020	0.91%	1.74%	1.16%	1.51%	-1.80%	-1.08%	-1.34%	-0.23%	-0.30%	0.36%	0.24%	0.90%	2.04%
2019	0.21%	-0.22%	0.33%	-1.24%	0.45%	0.48%	0.52%	0.45%	-0.24%	-0.63%	0.63%	0.08%	0.80%
2018	-0.15%	0.37%	0.26%	0.69%	-0.37%	0.06%	0.58%	-0.40%	0.07%	0.71%	0.79%	0.89%5	3.53% <sup>5</sup>
2017	-0.08%	-0.18%	-0.35%	-0.30%	-0.53%	0.55%	-0.25%	0.30%	0.07%	-0.58%	-0.92%	-0.31%	-2.57%
2016	0.11%	0.06%	0.08%	-0.69%	0.31%	0.60%	0.37%	0.06%	0.15%	-0.03%	-0.89%	-1.39%	-1.26%
2015	0.98%	0.93%	-1.06%	1.07%	0.66%	0.10%	0.97%	0.67%	0.54%	0.77%	-0.27%	0.87%	6.39%
2014							-0.26%	0.34%	1.01%	1.02%	0.59%	-0.21%	2.50%

Unless stated otherwise, all data as of 31 May 2021. Source: Income Partners, fund performance is calculated on NAV to NAV basis in denominated currency with dividends re-invested. Performance is presented on a net-of-fees basis. Past performance is not indicative of future results.

I. BENCHMARK Fund of the Year Awards 2020 is based on the performance as at 30 September 2020. Any awards won are not indicative of Income Partners' future performance. The awards should not be considered an endorsement of Income Partners by any client. The awards may not be representative of any client's experience. Income Partners may be required to pay a fee to participate in the nomination of the award.

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3. The total return chart above shows the Fund's total return performance inception.

4. Annualized Dividend Yield: [1+ distribution per unit / ex-dividend NAV) ^ distribution frequency] - 1. Yield figures are estimates and are based on the latest dividend distribution and the ex-dividend NAV of the previous month.

5. Year-to-date performance for 2018 and and December 2018 (which was a public holiday in the PRC).

6. From April 2020 onwards, the Manager views Class 28 (Accumulation) Units as the most appropriate representative unit class, as it is the largest unit class currently offered to the public in Hong Kong, is broadly representative of the Fund's performance and is denominated in the base currency of the Fund.

7. Top 5 Holdings is grouped by issuer, the fund may hold multiple issues from the same issuer.

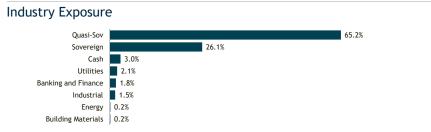


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Fund Details					
Base Currency	RMB				
Minimum Initial Investment	2A (USD): USD1 2B (RMB): RMB 2C (HKD): HKD 2D (EUR): EUR1	10,000 10,000			
Fees & Charges <sup>9</sup>	Management For Subscription Ch	ee: 0.80% p.a. narge: Up to 5.00%			
Dealing Frequency	Daily				
Dividend Frequency	Monthly (Please information VII	e refer to important			
Portfolio Manager	James Hu, PhD Raymond Gui,				
RQFII Custodian	Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Limited (ICBC)				
Trustee	Cititrust Limited				
Transfer Agent	Citicorp Financial Services Limite				
Share Class	Bloomberg Ticker	ISIN			
2A Acc (USD)	IPRB2AA HK	HK0000204534			
2A Dis (USD)	IPRB2AD HK	HK0000204526			
2B Acc (RMB)	IPRB2BA HK	HK0000204559			
2B Dis (RMB)	IPRB2BD HK	HK0000204542			
2C Acc (HKD)	IPRB2CA HK	HK0000204575			
2C Dis (HKD)	IPRB2CD HK	HK0000204567			
2D Acc (EUR)	IPRB2DA HK	HK0000204591			
2D Dis (EUR)	IPRB2DD HK	HK0000204583			
Fund AUM	RMB588 million	/ USD92 million			

## PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW8



## Credit Rating Exposure



## MANAGER'S COMMENTARY

In May, the yield of China's onshore 10-year government bond went lower again to 3.07% from 3.16%, as there has been more evidence from recent economic data that the planned slower credit growth in China is cooling the economy from previous strong after-pandemic rebound.

In April, both economic and credit data in China showed that the strong after-pandemic momentum has continued to be gradually fading. As the favorable base effects subsided, the YoY growth rate of China's YTD Fixed Assets Investments dropped further to 19.9% in April from 25.6% in March, while the YoY growth rate of YTD Retail Sales dropped to 29.6% in April from 33.9% in March. The leading indicator, China's official Manufacturing PMI weakened marginally to 51.0 in May from 51.1 in April, and it has already peaked at 52.1 since last November. The YoY growth rate of China's Total Social Financing, an indicator of overall credit expansion, has slowed down further to 11.7% in April from 12.3% in March, and is expected to gradually slow down to pre-pandemic level of 11.5% by the end of 2021 by PBOC's guidance.

The manager kept the view of slower credit growth in China could potentially bring further rates rally opportunity, and continued to overweight duration against the index. By the end of May, the fund has been overweight duration at 6.3 years, compared to the index duration of 5.7 years.

In May, both CNH and CNY spots have strengthened against USD further, with another round of USD weakness against major currencies. For the month, the manager has kept the net RMB exposure of the fund close to 100%.

<sup>8.</sup> Total exposures may differ due to rounding. Please note the credit ratings exposures shown here use the best rating out of S&P/Moody's/Fitch ratings. Where S&P/Moody's/Fitch ratings for bond holdings are not available, Income Partners'

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9. For other fees and charges, please refer to the offering documents.

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