



FUND OBJECTIVE & STRATEGY

The Fund aims to generate income in excess of money market rates combined with modest capital growth by investing in a range of fixed income assets including cash, NCD's, preference shares, government and corporate bonds and inflation-linked bonds. The Fund may hold listed property and equity, with weightings limited to the sector classification limits. The Fund aims to generate a gross return of CPI plus 1% - 2% over a rolling 12 to 24 month period whilst having a high degree of capital stability. The average duration of the funds investments will typically be in the range of 2-4 years.

FUND INFORMATION

Portfolio Managers:	Andrew Vintcent & Grant Morris
Inception Date:	15 February 2022
Fund Size:	R141.5 million
Unit Price:	99.63 cents
ASISA Category:	South African Multi-Asset Income
Benchmark:	Market value-weighted average return of ASISA category R20 000
Min Lump Sum:	R1 000
Min Monthly Investment:	R1 000
Issue Date:	11 March 2024
ISIN:	ZAE000307880

WHO SHOULD INVEST

The Fund is an ideal wealth creation vehicle for investors with a medium to long-term investment horizon.

RISK INDICATOR

These portfolios generally hold more equity exposure than low risk portfolios but less than high risk portfolios. In turn, the expected volatility is higher than low risk portfolios but less than high risk portfolios. The probability of losses is higher than low risk portfolios, but less than high risk portfolios.



PERFORMANCE (NET OF FEES) AT 29 FEBRUARY 2024

	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	12 Months	Annualised Since Inception
Fund <sup>1</sup>	-0.2%	2.4%	5.1%	8.4%	7.2%
Fund Class B1 <sup>2</sup>	-0.2%	2.4%	5.0%	8.3%	7.1%
Benchmark	0.3%	2.1%	4.8%	8.7%	7.8%

RISK & FUND STATS (ANNUALISED SINCE INCEPTION)

Max Drawdown <sup>3</sup>	-2.3%
Max Gain <sup>4</sup>	2.9%
% Positive Months	72.0%

ROLLING ANNUAL RETURNS

	Highest	Average	Lowest
Fund Class B1 <sup>2</sup>	9.3%	7.2%	3.3%

<sup>1</sup> Fund performance is the net weighted average fee return for the fund.  
<sup>2</sup> Highest fee class.  
<sup>3</sup> The maximum peak to trough loss suffered by the Fund since inception.  
<sup>4</sup> Largest increase in any single month.

TOP 10 HOLDINGS

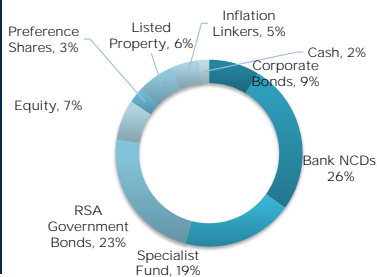
Corion Prime Income Fund	R209 Govt Bond
Nedbank NCD's	I2025 Govt Bond
FirstRand NCD's	FirstRand FRB32 Bond
R213 Govt Bond	Standard Bank Preference Shares
R2032 Govt Bond	BTI

The Top 10 holdings make up 82% of the total fund.

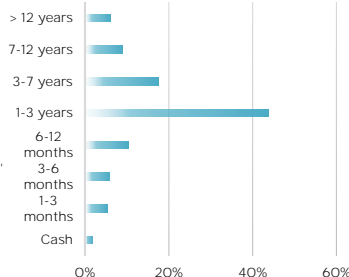
YIELD AND DURATION

Gross Yield as of 29 February 2024	Fund 9.13%
Fund Duration	2.37

ASSET ALLOCATION



MATURITY PROFILE



DISTRIBUTIONS

Distribution Frequency	Quarterly
Distribution Date	02 January
Last Distribution	2.22 cents per unit

FEE STRUCTURE

	Class A1	Class B1
TER		
Annual Management Fee (excl. VAT)	0.65%	0.50%
Other Cost	0.14%	0.14%
VAT	0.10%	0.08%
Total Expense Ratio (incl. VAT)	0.89%	0.72%
Transaction Costs (incl. VAT)	0.01%	0.01%
Total Investment Charge (incl. VAT)	0.90%	0.73%

QUARTERLY COMMENTARY | DECEMBER 2023

The fund had a strong finish to the year, ending +1.6% for the month and +5.3% for the quarter to December. For the calendar year the fund has returned +9.3% which is line with the benchmark.

The ALBI enjoyed a very firm quarter adding 8.1% and bringing the total return for the year to +9.7%. Returns within the ALBI we led by the 7-12 year term sub-index, which added +11.9% for the 12 months. Global Bonds were equally strong with the World Govt Bond Index delivering +8.1% (USD) for the quarter and a respectable +5.2% for 2023. The quarter was characterized by a fall of approximately 70 basis points in the US 10-year yield from 4.6% to 3.9% by year end, recouping almost all of the damage incurred during the 3Q.

Central banks remain very watchful of inflation trends, which encouragingly continue to show signs of easing in most economies. Whilst the Federal Reserve kept rates on hold at their December meeting, clearer indications of rate cuts into 2024 were provided. The Fed Funds Rate stands in a range of 5.25% to 5.50%. Our sense is that the specific timing of rate cuts is less important than the trajectory - we are now entering a phase of policy easing. Similarly, the SARB left rates unchanged during the November meeting with the Repo rate remaining at 825 basis points. We are optimistic that we will continue to see more modest inflation trends that ultimately result in lower funding costs for South African economy by the end of 2024.

During the quarter we made a limited number of changes to the fund. We sold our entire position in the I2029 inflation-linked bond and used the proceeds to increase the weight in the shorter dated inflation linked bond, the I2025. In addition, we used the rally in longer dated nominal bonds to reduce the position in the R209 bond and added to the position in the shorter dated R213 bond. Our view is that the current asset allocation is well positioned to meet the funds' stated objective of generating real returns of CPI plus 1%-2%.

The duration of the fund is slightly lower than the prior quarter at 2.46 years with a gross running yield of 9.1%. The Fund has adhered to its policy objective. The number of participatory units at 31 December 2023 was 139 497 975. The current asset allocation versus the previous quarter is as follows:

Fund Asset Allocation	Q4 2023	Q3 2023
Bonds	37%	38%
NCDs	28%	29%
Domestic Equity	10%	9%
Property	5%	5%
Specialist Fund	19%	18%
Cash	1%	1%



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The Fund's Total Expense Ratio (TER) reflects the percentage of the average Net Asset Value (NAV) of the portfolio that was incurred as charges, levies and fees related to the management of the portfolio. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER cannot be regarded as an indication of future TER's. During the phase in period TER's do not include information gathered over a full year.

Transaction Costs(TC) is the percentage of the value of the Fund incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the Fund's underlying assets. Transaction costs are a necessary cost in administering the Fund and impacts Fund returns. It should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time including market returns, the type of Fund, investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER.

Where a current yield has been included for Funds that derive its income primarily from interest bearing income, the yield is a weighted average yield of all underlying interest bearing instruments as at the last day of the month. This yield is subject to change as market rates and underlying investments change.

The Manager retains full legal responsibility for any third-party-named portfolio. The investor acknowledges the inherent risk associated with the selected investments and that there are no guarantees. A list of fund specific risks is provided below. Please note that all documents, notifications of deposit, investment, redemption and switch applications must be received by Prescient by or before 13:00 (SA), to be transacted at the net asset value price for that day. Where all required documentation is not received before the stated cut off time Prescient shall not be obliged to transact at the net asset value price as agreed to. Funds are priced at either 3pm or 5pm depending on the nature of the Fund. Prices are published daily and are available on the Prescient website.

Performance has been calculated using net NAV to NAV numbers with income reinvested. The performance for each period shown reflects the return for investors who have been fully invested for that period. Individual investor performance may differ as a result of initial fees, the actual investment date, the date of reinvestments and dividend withholding tax. Full performance calculations are available from the manager on request.

Alpha: Denoted the outperformance of the fund over the benchmark.

Sharpe Ratio: The Sharpe ratio is used to indicate the excess return the portfolio delivers over the risk free rate per unit of risk adopted by the fund.

Standard Deviation: The deviation of the return stream relative to its own average.

Max Drawdown: The maximum peak to trough loss suffered by the Fund since inception.

% Positive Months: The percentage of months since inception where the Fund has delivered positive returns.

Equity investment risk: Value of equities (e.g. shares) and equity-related investments may vary according to company profits and future prospects as well as more general market factors. In the event of a company default (e.g. bankruptcy), the owners of their equity rank last in terms of any financial payment from that company.

Foreign Investment risk: Foreign securities investments may be subject to risks pertaining to overseas jurisdictions and markets, including (but not limited to) local liquidity, macroeconomic, political, tax, settlement risks and currency fluctuations.

Interest rate risk: The value of fixed income investments (e.g. bonds) tends to be inversely related to interest and inflation rates. Hence their value decreases when interest rates and/or inflation rises.

Property risk: Investments in real estate securities can carry the same risks as investing directly in real estate itself. Real estate prices move in response to a variety of factors, including local, regional and national economic and political conditions, interest rates and tax considerations.

Currency exchange risk: Changes in the relative values of individual currencies may adversely affect the value of investments and any related income.

Liquidity risk: If there are insufficient buyers or sellers of particular investments, the result may lead to delays in trading and being able to make settlements, and/or large fluctuations in value. This may lead to larger financial losses than expected.

Default risk: The risk that the issuers of fixed income instruments (e.g. bonds) may not be able to meet interest payments nor repay the money they have borrowed. The issuers credit quality is vital. The worse the credit quality, the greater the risk of default and therefore investment loss.

Developing Market (excluding SA) risk: Some of the countries invested in may have less developed legal, political, economic and/or other systems. These markets carry a higher risk of financial loss than those in countries generally regarded as being more developed.

For any additional information such as fund prices, brochures and application forms please go to [www.cgam.co.za](http://www.cgam.co.za)

## GLOSSARY SUMMARY

### Annualised Performance:

Annualised performance show longer term performance rescaled to a 1 year period. Annualised performance is the average return per year over the period. Actual annual figures are available to the investor on request.

### Highest & Lowest Returns:

The highest and lowest returns for any 1 year over the period since inception have been shown.

### NAV:

The net asset value represents the assets of a Fund less its liabilities.

### % Positive Months:

The percentage of months since inception where the Fund has delivered positive return.

### Net Performance

Unit trust performance is net (after) management fees have been deducted.

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