

Global Bond Fund

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PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

The Global Bond Fund returned -0.86% (Institutional, Income shares net of fees) and -0.90% (Institutional, Accumulation shares net of fees) in October. Year-to-date the Fund has returned 0.69% (Institutional, Income shares net of fees) and 0.69% (Institutional, Accumulation shares net of fees).

Financial markets broadly declined as conflict erupted in the Middle East. U.S. credit spreads widened, and developed sovereign bond yields were mixed, while the dollar maintained its strength. In the U.S., the 10-year Treasury rose 36 bps to 4.93% amid heightened concerns about the increasing federal deficit. In Germany, the 10-year bund yield fell 3 bps to 2.81%. In the U.K., 10-year Gilt yields rose 8 bps to 4.51%, while 10-year Japanese government bond yields rose 18 bps to 0.95%.

Contributors

- Underweight exposure to duration in Japan, focusing on the longer end portion of the curve, as yields rose
- Swap spread positioning in the euro bloc as Eurozone treasuries underperformed swaps
- Underweight exposure to non-financial investment-grade corporate credit, as spreads widened broadly

Detractors

- Overweight exposure to agency MBS, as they underperformed like-duration U.S. Treasuries
- Overweight exposure to duration in the dollar bloc, mostly Australia, as yields rose
- Overweight exposure to duration in Korea, as yields rose

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Performance (Net of Fees)	1 Mo.	3 Mos.	6 Mos.	1 Yr.	3 Yrs.	5 Yrs.	10 Yrs.	SI
Institutional, Acc (%)	-0.90	-2.57	-2.66	2.47	-3.64	0.70	2.37	4.63
Institutional, Inc (%)	-0.86	-2.57	-2.65	2.50	-3.64	0.70	2.36	4.27
Benchmark (%)	-0.71	-2.54	-2.96	1.72	-3.94	0.47	1.68	—

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Performance (Net of Fees)	Oct'2018-Oct'2019	Oct'2019-Oct'2020	Oct'2020-Oct'2021	Oct'2021-Oct'2022	Oct'2022-Oct'2023
Institutional, Acc (%)	9.29	5.88	-0.03	-12.66	2.47
Institutional, Inc (%)	9.31	5.88	-0.07	-12.64	2.50
Benchmark (%)	10.67	4.32	-0.83	-12.12	1.72

The following information is additional to, and should be read only in conjunction with, the calendar year performance data presented below.

Calendar Year (Net of Fees)	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	YTD
Institutional, Acc (%)	-0.55	8.98	0.91	5.83	4.56	1.01	8.47	7.63	-1.43	-11.39	0.69
Institutional, Inc (%)	-0.55	8.99	0.84	5.86	4.56	1.00	8.48	7.63	-1.46	-11.34	0.69
Benchmark (%)	-0.14	7.59	1.02	3.95	3.04	1.76	8.22	5.58	-1.39	-11.22	0.38

Current MIFID legislation prevents us from reporting performance data for funds with less than a 12 month track record. The benchmark is the Inception to November 30, 2000 JPMorgan GBI Global Index Hedged in USD.

December 1, 2000 onwards Bloomberg Global Aggregate (USD Hedged) Index.

All periods longer than one year are annualised. SI is the performance since inception.

The fund is considered to be actively managed in reference to the below benchmark as further outlined in the prospectus and key investor information document/key information document.

Bloomberg Global Aggregate (USD Hedged) Index provides a broad-based measure of the global investment-grade fixed income markets. The three major components of this index are the U.S. Aggregate, the Pan-European Aggregate, and the Asian-Pacific Aggregate Indices. The index also includes Eurodollar and Euro-Yen corporate bonds, Canadian Government securities, and USD investment grade 144A securities. It is not possible to invest directly in an unmanaged index.

Key Facts

	Accumulation	Income
Bloomberg Ticker	PIMGBAI	PIMGBBI
ISIN	IE0002461055	IE0002460198
Sedol	246105	0242062
CUSIP	G7096V443	G7096V450
Valoren	1010477	845016
WKN	691191	691193
Inception Date	03/12/1998	18/04/2001
Distribution	-	Quarterly
Unified Management Fee	0.49% p.a.	0.49% p.a.
Fund Type	UCITS	
Portfolio Manager	Andrew Balls, Sachin Gupta, Lorenzo Pagani	
Total Net Assets	12.0 (USD in Billions)	
Fund Base Currency	USD	
Share Class Currency	USD	

Counterparty Risk: Other financial institutions provide services such as safekeeping of assets or as a counterparty to financial contracts such as derivatives. The fund is exposed to the risk of bankruptcy, or other type of default of transaction counterparties. **Credit and Default Risk:** A decline in the financial health of an issuer of a fixed income security can lead to an inability or unwillingness to repay a loan or meet a contractual obligation. This could cause the value of its bonds to fall or become worthless. Funds with high exposures to non-investment grade securities have a higher exposure to this risk. **Currency Risk:** Changes in exchange rates may cause the value of investments to decrease or increase. **Derivatives and Counterparty Risk:** The use of certain derivatives could result in the fund having a greater or more volatile exposure to the underlying assets and an increased exposure to counterparty risk. This may expose the fund to larger gains or losses associated with market movements or in relation to a trade counterparty being unable to meet its obligations. **Emerging Markets Risk:** Emerging markets, and especially frontier markets, generally carry greater political, legal, counterparty and operational risk. Investments in these markets may expose the fund to larger gains or losses. **Liquidity Risk:** Difficult market conditions could result in certain securities becoming hard to sell at a desired time and price. **Interest Rate Risk:** Changes in interest rates will usually result in the values of bond and other debt instruments moving in the opposite direction (e.g. a rise in interest rates likely leads to fall in bond prices). **Mortgage Related and Other Asset Backed Securities Risks:** Mortgage or asset backed securities are subject to similar risks as other fixed income securities, and may also be subject to prepayment risk and higher levels of credit and liquidity risk. **China InterBank Bond Market ("CIBM"):** The fund may be exposed to liquidity risks, settlement risks, default of counterparties and market volatility associated with CIBM. In addition, the CIBM rules are new and still subject to further clarification and/or changes, which may adversely affect the fund's capability to invest in the CIBM.

MONTH IN REVIEW

Financial markets broadly declined as conflict erupted in the Middle East. U.S. credit spreads widened, and developed sovereign bond yields were mixed, while the dollar maintained its strength. In the U.S., the 10-year Treasury rose 36 bps to 4.93% amid heightened concerns about the increasing federal deficit. In Germany, the 10-year bund yield fell 3 bps to 2.81%. In the U.K., 10-year Gilt yields rose 8 bps to 4.51%, while 10-year Japanese government bond yields rose 18 bps to 0.95%. Sovereign rate strategies were largely flat over the month. Contributions from underweight exposure to duration in Japan were offset by detractions from overweight exposure to duration in the dollar bloc, particularly Australia, and Korea.

Spread sector strategies detracted from relative performance over the month. Contributions from swap spread positioning in the euro bloc and underweight exposure to non-financial investment-grade corporate credit were more than offset by detractions from overweight exposure to agency MBS.

Currency strategies detracted from relative performance over the month, primarily from long exposure to the Japanese yen and Mexican peso.

PORTFOLIO POSITIONING

The Fund is underweight overall duration, focusing on country selection. The Fund maintains modest overweights to duration in the U.K. and dollar bloc. The Fund is modestly underweight duration in Europe, preferring exposure to Denmark over other countries. The Fund sources a majority of its duration underweight from China, where we believe yields have room to increase, and Japan, where the recent adjustment in Yield Curve Control supports our thesis that the policy is likely to be phased out.

The Fund maintains an underweight to investment-grade corporate credit, favoring instead senior securitised assets, like non-agency mortgages and Danish covered bonds. We maintain exposure to U.S. TIPS given the potential for an inflation overshoot. Within sovereign spread strategies, we continue to hold high quality EM external debt, focusing exposure in Eastern Europe where spreads widened following the Russian invasion.

Currency strategies continue to act as a diversifying strategy in the portfolio and positioning remains tactical. We focus on relative value with longs to a basket of currencies with attractive valuation, high real carry, and/or supportive fundamentals. We use a diversified basket of funding currencies from developed markets and Asia, and are moving toward a neutral exposure to USD.

OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY

Growing economic and political headwinds as well as still-sticky inflation trends are, in our view, likely to challenge the possibility of a soft-landing. Although supply chain improvements can be expected to continue moderating inflation, other near-term trends – such as the resumption of student loan payments and higher gas prices – could weaken the otherwise resilient U.S. consumer. These factors, when combined with tight labor markets and sticky wages, are likely to keep recession risks elevated.

In this uncertain environment, we favor portfolio flexibility and liquidity to respond to events and potentially take advantage of opportunities. We are underweight duration in the Fund as central banks globally remain focused on inflation risks, contributing to elevated volatility. From a country standpoint, we favor taking duration in Denmark, the U.K., and dollar bloc countries (Australia, New Zealand, Canada) vs. Japan and China. We continue to hold a moderate allocation to Treasury-Inflation-Protected-Securities (TIPS) in the portfolio based on attractive valuations and as a hedge against a potential inflation overshoot. We hold exposure to select developed market currencies (AUD, JPY, NOK), as well as select EM Asia (INR, IDR) and LatAm (BRL, MXN) currencies based on valuations.

In spread sectors, we continue to be cautious within corporate credit, focusing on security selection. We remain focused on securitised assets, including U.S. non-agency mortgages and Danish mortgages, which we believe offer defensive qualities in addition to reasonable risk premia for liquidity, complexity, and uncertainty over the timing of cash flows.

Fund Statistics

Effective Duration (yrs)	5.41
Benchmark Duration (yrs)	6.46
Current Yield (%) [Ⓔ]	3.22
Estimated Yield to Maturity (%) [Ⓔ]	6.73
Annualised Distribution Yield (%) [†]	2.13
Average Coupon (%)	2.92
Effective Maturity (yrs)	7.55

References to agency and non-agency mortgage-backed securities refer to mortgages issued in the United States.

Emerging Market (EM); Latin America (LatAm); Mortgage-backed securities (MBS); Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities (TIPS)

Australian dollar (AUD); Brazilian real (BRL); Indian rupee (INR); Indonesia rupiah (IDR); Japanese yen (JPY); Mexican peso (MXN); Norwegian krone (NOK); United States dollar (USD)

[Ⓔ]Yields reported gross of fees, the deduction of which will reduce the yield. Yields are reported in the base currency of the fund and are not specific to the share class. The current yield illustrates the income investors could get from the portfolio as a percentage of market value of the securities assuming a holding period of one year. The current yield does not take into account the future cash flows of bonds, but rather is a snapshot of the income in the portfolio as of a certain point in time.

[†]Annualised Distribution Yield is as of last quarter ending 10/31/2023.

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