

FUND FACTSHEET

# GF HIGH YIELD BOND FUND

B1 Acc USD Class

Covering the month of December 2024



## THE FUND

The Ireland-domiciled and Article 8 Fund was launched in June 2018 and is managed by Phil Milburn, Donald Phillips and Sharmin Rahman. The aim of the Fund is to maximise the total return over a long-term horizon (at least 5 years) through a combination of income and capital. The Fund invests predominantly in high yield and selected investment grade bond and credit markets worldwide (including developed and emerging markets). The fund managers seek to take advantage of market inefficiencies.

## THE TEAM



Phil Milburn



Donald Phillips



Sharmin Rahman

## FUND INFORMATION

Fund launch date	8.06.18
Class launch date	8.06.18
Fund size <sup>^</sup>	\$29.1m
Number of holdings	72
Min initial investment	\$1,000
Min additional investment	\$1,000
Sedol code	BFXZFF6
Bloomberg code	LIHYB1A ID
ISIN code	IE00BFXZFF67

## PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

Effective duration	4.01
Yield to Worst	7.50
Distribution yield	N/A
Volatility	9.51
Average credit quality	BB-

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<sup>^</sup>Fund AUM shown is in the base currency of the fund.

**KEY RISKS: Past performance does not predict future returns.** You may get back less than you originally invested. Further Key Risks can be found on the last page.

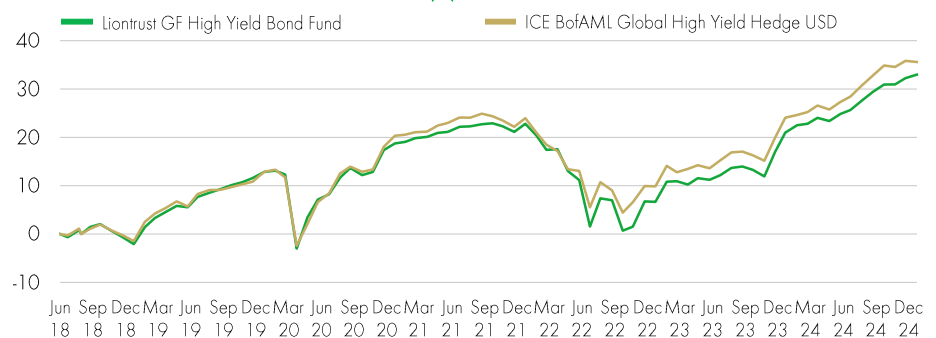
## CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE (%)

	1 month	3 months	6 months	YTD	1 year	3 years	5 years	Since inception
Liontrust GF High Yield Bond Fund	0.6%	1.6%	5.8%	9.9%	9.9%	8.3%	17.9%	33.0%
ICE BofAML Global High Yield Hedge USD	-0.2%	0.5%	5.5%	9.3%	9.3%	9.4%	20.1%	28.6%

## DISCRETE YEARS' PERFORMANCE (%)

	Dec 24	Dec 23	Dec 22	Dec 21	Dec 20
Liontrust GF High Yield Bond Fund	9.9%	13.4%	-13.2%	3.4%	5.2%
ICE BofAML Global High Yield Hedge USD	9.3%	13.0%	-11.4%	3.0%	6.6%

## PERFORMANCE SINCE CLASS LAUNCH DATE (%)



## CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%)

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Liontrust GF High Yield Bond Fund	13.4%	-13.2%	3.4%	5.2%	15.3%	-	-	-	-	-
ICE BofAML Global High Yield Hedge USD	13.0%	-11.4%	3.0%	6.6%	14.5%	-	-	-	-	-

Source for all performance data stated above: Financial Express & Morningstar, as at 31.12.24, total return, net of fees, income reinvested. All performance numbers shown relate to the class, and where the fund has launched prior to the share class, factsheets demonstrating the longer-term performance of the fund are available

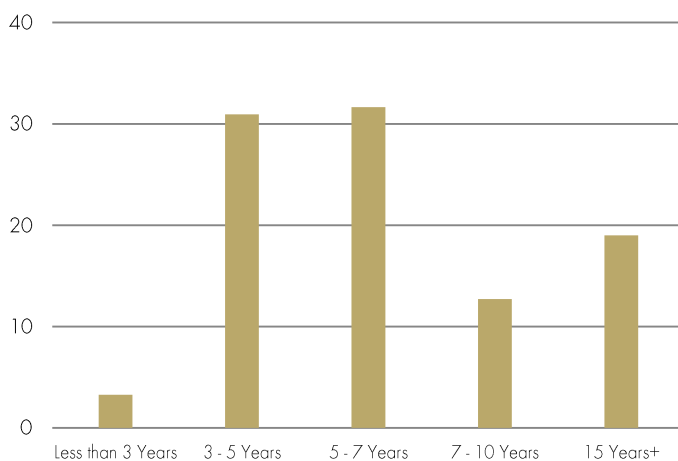
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## CREDIT RATING (%)

BBB	11.7%	<div style="width: 11.7%;"></div>
BB	38.4%	<div style="width: 38.4%;"></div>
B	45.1%	<div style="width: 45.1%;"></div>
< CCC	2.4%	<div style="width: 2.4%;"></div>
Cash&Derivatives	2.4%	<div style="width: 2.4%;"></div>

## BOND MATURITY BREAKDOWN



## TOP 10 CREDIT ISSUERS (%)

AROUNDTOWN PROPERTY HOLDINGS PLC	3.2%
TECHEM VERWALTUNGSGESELLSCHAFT 675 MBH	2.7%
ILIAD HOLDING SAS	2.7%
VERDE ULTIMATE HOLDINGS LP	2.6%
MUNKSJO OYJ	2.5%
CTEC JV SARL	2.4%
JULIUS BAER GROUP LTD	2.2%
VODAFONEZIGGO GROUP HOLDING BV	2.2%
BLH ESCROW 1 LLC	2.1%
HT TROPLAST GMBH	2.0%

## GEOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (%)

United States	24.1%	<div style="width: 24.1%;"></div>
United Kingdom	18.0%	<div style="width: 18.0%;"></div>
Germany	10.7%	<div style="width: 10.7%;"></div>
Netherlands	10.6%	<div style="width: 10.6%;"></div>
Luxembourg	8.9%	<div style="width: 8.9%;"></div>
Italy	5.0%	<div style="width: 5.0%;"></div>
France	5.0%	<div style="width: 5.0%;"></div>
Ireland	3.0%	<div style="width: 3.0%;"></div>
Cash & Derivatives	2.4%	<div style="width: 2.4%;"></div>
Other	12.2%	<div style="width: 12.2%;"></div>

## SECTOR BREAKDOWN (%)

BASIC INDUSTRY	12.7%	<div style="width: 12.7%;"></div>
CAPITAL GOODS	11.2%	<div style="width: 11.2%;"></div>
FINANCIAL SERVICES	10.3%	<div style="width: 10.3%;"></div>
TELECOMMUNICATIONS	9.2%	<div style="width: 9.2%;"></div>
INSURANCE	8.7%	<div style="width: 8.7%;"></div>
SERVICES	7.8%	<div style="width: 7.8%;"></div>
REAL ESTATE	7.8%	<div style="width: 7.8%;"></div>
TECHNOLOGY & ELECTRONICS	6.2%	<div style="width: 6.2%;"></div>
HEALTHCARE	5.9%	<div style="width: 5.9%;"></div>
Other	17.7%	<div style="width: 17.7%;"></div>

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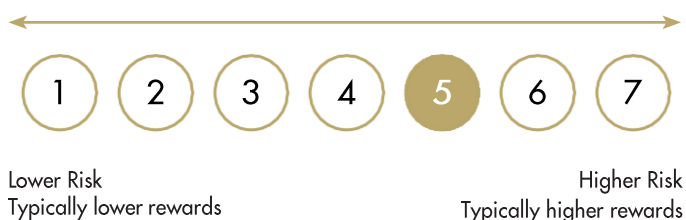


## CHARGES

Initial charge	Up to 5.00%***
Ongoing Charges Figure*	1.17%
Included within the OCF is the Annual Management Charge**	1.10%

\*The Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) covers all aspects of operating a fund during the course of its financial year. These include the annual charge for managing the fund, administration and independent oversight functions, such as trustee, depository, custody, legal and audit fees and the ongoing costs of underlying investments including open and closed ended collective investment schemes. The OCF excludes portfolio transaction costs except for an entry/exit charge paid by the Fund when buying or selling units in another fund. This will have an impact on the realisable value of the investment, particularly in the short term. \*\*These are the annual costs of running and managing the Fund. \*\*\*This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it is invested.

## RISK AND REWARD PROFILE



- The Fund is categorised 5 primarily for its exposure to a diversified portfolio of high yield bonds along with a number of derivative positions.
- The SRI may not fully take into account the following risks:
  - overseas investments may carry a higher currency risk. They are valued by reference to their local currency which may move up or down when compared to the currency of the Fund.
  - Bonds are affected by changes in interest rates and their value and the income they generate can rise or fall as a result; – the creditworthiness of a bond issuer may also affect that bond's value. Bonds that produce a higher level of income usually also carry greater risk as such bond issuers (high yield) may have difficulty in paying their debts. The value of a bond would be significantly affected if the issuer either refused to pay or was unable to pay.
- Credit Counterparty Risk: the fund uses derivative instruments that may result in higher cash levels. Outside of normal conditions, the Fund may choose to hold higher levels of cash. Cash may be deposited with several credit counterparties (e.g. international banks) or in shortdated bonds. A credit risk arises should one or more of these counterparties be unable to return the deposited cash.
- Emerging Market Risk: the fund may invest in emerging markets which carries a higher risk than investment in more developed countries. This may result in higher volatility and larger drops in the value of the fund over the short term.
- Liquidity Risk: the fund may encounter liquidity constraints from time to time. Participation rates on advertised volumes could fall reflecting the less liquid nature of the current market conditions.
- ESG Risk: there may be limitations to the availability, completeness or accuracy of ESG information from third-party providers, or inconsistencies in the consideration of ESG factors across different third party data providers, given the evolving nature of ESG.
- The Fund's volatility limits are calculated using the Value at Risk (VaR) methodology. In high interest rate environments the Fund's implied volatility limits may rise resulting in a higher risk indicator score. The higher score does not necessarily mean the Fund is more risky and is potentially a result of overall market conditions.

## KEY RISKS

Past performance does not predict future returns. You may get back less than you originally invested. We recommend this fund is held long term (minimum period of 5 years). We recommend that you hold this fund as part of a diversified portfolio of investments. The fund manager considers environmental, social and governance ("ESG") characteristics of issuers when selecting investments for the Fund. Bonds are affected by changes in interest rates and their value and the income they generate can rise or fall as a result; The creditworthiness of a bond issuer may also affect that bond's value. Low rated (high yield) or equivalent unrated debt securities of the type in which the Fund will invest generally offer a higher return than higher rated debt securities, but also are subject to greater risks that the issuer will default. The value of a bond would be significantly affected if the issuer either refused to pay or was unable to pay. Overseas investments may carry a higher currency risk. They are valued by reference to their local currency which may move up or down when compared to the currency of the Fund. The Fund can invest in derivatives. Derivatives are used to protect against currency, credit or interest rate moves or for investment purposes. There is a risk that losses could be made on derivative positions or that the counterparties could fail to complete on transactions. The Fund uses derivative instruments that may result in higher cash levels. Cash may be deposited with several credit counterparties (e.g. international banks) or in short dated bonds. A credit risk arises should one or more of these counterparties be unable to return the deposited cash. The Fund invests in emerging markets which carries a higher risk than investment in more developed countries. This may result in higher volatility and larger drops in the value of the fund over the short term. The Fund may encounter liquidity constraints from time to time. Participation rates on advertised volumes could fall reflecting the less liquid nature of the current market conditions. Counterparty Risk: any derivative contract, including FX hedging, may be at risk if the counterparty fails.

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