# International Investment Funds Limited

Sterling Bond Fund

31 March 24



### Objective and policy from the Prospectus

To seek to provide a regular income from a managed portfolio of sterling fixed interest securities with a particular emphasis on those securities on which interest is paid gross to non-residents of the United Kingdom.

The assets of the Fund are generally invested in a managed portfolio of sterling fixed interest securities which have been issued by governments, local authorities, public utilities and corporations. If it is desirable to hold assets with a short-term maturity, then the Fund may also place money on bank deposit (subject to certain limitations). Similarly, derivative instruments such as traded options and financial futures may be used to reduce risk. Futures and options are contracts which give the buyer the right, or obligation, to purchase or sell an asset at a predetermined price on or before a future date.

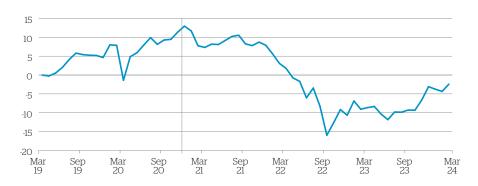
#### **Kev Facts**

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Inception date	Jul 2001
Investment Manager Change	Dec 2020
Number of holdings (incl. cash)	65
Base currency	Sterling (£)
Share class	Income
Minimum investment	£5,000
Fund size (£ m)	58.74
ISIN	GB0030726193
Fund structure	
Investment Manager	Brooks Macdonald Asset Management (International) Limited
Fund Manager	Brooks Macdonald International Fund Managers Limited
Dealing frequency	Daily
Settlement	T+4
Distribution	Quarterly
Ongoing charges (OCF*)	1.32%
<sup>1</sup> Distribution Yield (%)	3.36
<sup>2</sup> Yield to Maturity (%)	5.56
Fund Duration (yrs)	5.11

\*Ongoing charge represents the direct costs of running a fund, which are deducted from the assets of the fund and provide a comparable number for the cost of investing. The annual management charge is included in the ongoing charge.

#### Performance (%)

Brooks Macdonald International Sterling Bond Fund



Brooks Macdonald Asset Management (International) Limited was appointed Investment Manager of the fund on 1 December 2020, which is indicated by the vertical line in the performance chart.

Discrete 12 month performance (%) to 31 March 24	202	0	2021	2022	2023	2024
Brooks Macdonald International Sterling Bond Fund	-1.39	9	8.85	-5.20	-10.23	6.83
Bloomberg Barclays Sterling Non-Gilts TR	1.56	5	7.04	-5.24	-10.18	6.16
Cumulative performance to 31 March 24	ЗМ	6M	1Y	3Y	5Y	10Y
Brooks Macdonald International Sterling Bond Fund	0.69	7.60	6.83	-9.09	-2.42	22.73
Bloomberg Barclays Sterling Non-Gilts TR	0.03	7.47	6.16	-9.64	-1.77	28.19

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. Sources: Fund performance and benchmark data is provided by Financial Express (FE).

The performance shown above is for total return, net of all ongoing charges, priced at NAV in sterling  $(\pounds)$ . The benchmark performance is shown without the deduction of charges and fees.

#### Risk

The value of investments and the income from them can go down as well as up and cannot be guaranteed. Investments in a currency other than the shareholder's own currency, or in a fund that invests in securities denominated in currencies other than its own base currency, will be subject to the movements of foreign exchange rates, which may cause an additional favourable or unfavourable change in value. Consequently, investors may, on selling their shares, receive an amount greater or less than their original investment. Collective investment funds are generally medium to long-term investments.

'Distribution Yield: This is the amount that is expected to be distributed over the next 12 months as a percentage of the fund's share price on the date shown. It does not include the deduction of entry charges and is the gross return before tax on distributions. You may be subject to further tax on your distributions. The yield is not guaranteed.

<sup>2</sup>Yield to Maturity: The total rate of return anticipated on a bond if it is held until maturity, expressed as an annual rate. The calculation assumes that all coupons are reinvested at the same rate. At fund level, it is a weighted average of the contributing securities at the same rate and does not include fees and charges.

Source for Yield to Maturity and Fund Duration calculations: Bloomberg.

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#### Investment team



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**Peter Davies**Investment Director



**Scott Goodrum** Senior Investment Manager

Credit rating breakdown



Source: Bloomberg

#### Sector allocation



Corporate 89.04%

Government-Related 6.37%

Cash 2.42%

Securitized 2.17%

#### Top 10 Issuers

Bond	%
Investec PLC	4.68
TP ICAP Finance PLC	4.40
Whitbread Group PLC	4.14
Next Group PLC	3.32
Pension Insurance Corp PLC	3.23
Aviva PLC	3.19
Vinci SA	3.19
Cooperatieve Rabobank UA	3.12
Virgin Money UK PLC	3.06
M&G PLC	3.01
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#### Source: Bloomberg

#### Important information

All data provided by Brooks Macdonald unless otherwise stated as at 31 March 24  $\,$ 

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