

United Emerging Markets Portfolios

United Emerging Markets Bond Fund

Semi Annual Report

for the half year ended 31 December 2023



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(Constituted under a Trust Deed in the Republic of Singapore)

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A) Fund Performance

Fund Performance/ Benchmark Returns	3 mth % Growth	6 mth % Growth	1 yr % Growth	3 yr Ann Comp Ret	5 yr Ann Comp Ret	10 yr Ann Comp Ret	Since Inception 20 August 2001 Ann Comp Ret
United Emerging Markets							
Bond Fund	6.52	3.07	8.18	-5.59	-0.89	1.20	5.29
Benchmark	5.50	4.03	9.26	-3.62	1.00	3.67	5.40

Source: Morningstar.

Note: The performance returns of the Fund are in Singapore Dollar based on a NAV-to-NAV basis with dividends and distributions reinvested, if any

The benchmark of the Fund: JP Morgan EMBI Global Div Index.

For the six months to December 2023, the total return (including dividends) increased by 3.07% compared to the benchmark, JP Morgan EMBI Global Diversified (EMBIGD) Composite index, which returned 4.03% in Singapore dollar terms.

Key contributors to the Fund's performance include our positioning in El Salvador, the Dominican Republic, Colombia, PEMEX, and Egypt; while holdings in the State Grid of China, Malaysia, Qatar Energy, and Hong Kong Land Finance, were the main detractors to performance.

As of 31 December 2023, the Fund was invested 24.12% in Asia, 19.46% in Latin America, 16.81% in the Middle East, 13.08% in the North America, 11.49% in Europe and 10.75% in Africa. The remainder was held in a combination of cash and cash equivalents.

Economic and Market Review

2H23 saw heightened volatility in the global markets due to geopolitical events (the Israel-Gaza conflict) as well as interest rate volatility, with US 10-year Treasury yields touching post-GFC highs in October on the back of hawkish Fed rhetoric and persistently high inflation data. This in turn led to a sharp sell-off in global fixed income. However, in the last two months of the year, global markets staged a sharp rally on the back of a perceived Fed pivot, and as markets became increasingly confident that the Fed will deliver a "goldilocks scenario" in 2024.

Both fixed income and equities across the developed and emerging markets reported strong performance to close the year. In particular, emerging market ("EM") hard currency bonds rallied, led by long duration and risky bonds. The EMBIGD benchmark posted a 9.16% total return in the October to December period, led by high yield bonds, which returned 10.14% on the back of the risk on sentiment (investment grade bonds returned 8.21%). In terms of duration bucket, the 10+ year bucket outperformed significantly, returning 13.72%, given the significant move lower in long-end Treasury yields.

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A) Fund Performance (continued)

Outlook and Fund Strategy

Looking ahead, we remain constructive in the fixed income asset class, as we expect that interest rate volatility in 2024 will be significantly lower than that in 2023. The Fed has guided three rate cuts in 2024 in its last dot plot, and there is increasing evidence to suggest that the rate hiking cycle has come to an end, implying that interest rates have peaked. Similarly, other major global central banks have also turned more dovish, as the worst of inflationary pressure seems to be behind us.

Despite the positive market sentiment, we remain selective as cyclical uncertainties persist. We expect global growth to slow, while being mindful of the risk of a US recession, and the contagion risk it presents to some emerging economies. Geopolitical risk remains heightened and could potentially impact the credit markets. We also expect some volatility in credit markets stemming from political uncertainty as 2024 will see more than 50 countries holding elections. Broadly, EM debt and credit fundamentals are likely to show some deterioration from lower nominal GDP growth and the lag impact of higher interest rates, albeit gradually and moderately. There are also some medium-term risks from possible EM sovereign defaults in the most distressed segment of the EMBIG benchmark, and we expect these to gradually materialise over time.

In terms of valuations, credit spreads are generally not cheap. Markets are pricing in resilient global growth momentum. However, current all-in yields are still attractive, with the average yield of the EMBIG benchmark at 7.85% as of December 2023. We also saw a bull steepening in credit curves in the EMBIG benchmark towards the end of 2023, suggesting pockets of opportunity in the long-end, particularly in the CEEMEA region.

Technical is also positive in the year ahead, as net EM hard currency sovereign issuance is expected to be low, at USD 46.6bn, compared to USD 77.6bn in 2023, due to the higher amortizations. Net financing (net issuance less coupons, assuming coupons are reinvested) is expected to turn negative in 2024, suggesting sound technical support. On the demand side, fund flows could turn positive in 2024 given the relatively good performance in 2023 as well as structural improvement in certain countries, which could attract investor interest.

Overall, we expect the more benign interest rate environment to be generally supportive of the fixed income asset class. Given the overhang of macro uncertainty and geopolitical risk, we maintain cautious credit selection, taking into account the current valuations. We maintain a preference for quality credits, which are likely to stay resilient even if idiosyncratic risk increases. At the same time, we see pockets of opportunity in the high yield EM space, as carry, which has been a main driver of longer-term returns, is still attractive.

Disclosures

The Fund uses financial derivative including currency futures, interest rate futures contracts and CDS contracts in order to manage the portfolio exposure. For example, the Fund uses Singapore dollar (SGD) futures, to protect investors against fluctuations in the SGD currency. The Fund's global exposure to financial derivatives is calculated using the Commitment Approach with netting arrangements, and has at no point since inception exceeded 100% of the Fund's NAV.

B) Investments at fair value and as a percentage of net asset value ("NAV") as at 31 December 2023 under review classified by

i) Country

	Fair Value (S\$)	% of NAV
Angola	708,366	0.91
Argentina	1,250,716	1.61
Armenia	268,381	0.35
Azerbaijan	618,747	0.80
Bahrain	2,438,319	3.15
Brazil	1,831,579	2.36
Chile	3,555,160	4.59
China	2,891,143	3.73
Colombia	2,324,594	3.00
Costa Rica	831,874	1.07
Cote D'Ivoire	243,416	0.31
Dominican Republic	2,362,772	3.05
Ecuador	702,580	0.91
Egypt	1,700,134	2.19
El Salvador	1,651,547	2.13
Gabon	551,673	0.71
Guatemala	680,985	0.88
Hong Kong	578,277	0.75
Hungary	2,016,249	2.60
Indonesia	3,866,741	4.99
Iraq	173,917	0.22
Jamaica	602,670	0.78
Jordan	872,220	1.13
Kazakhstan	1,153,661	1.49
Malaysia	1,895,499	2.45
Mexico	2,508,427	3.24
Mongolia	526,691	0.68
Morocco	704,737	0.91
Netherlands	556,899	0.72
Nigeria	1,715,516	2.21
Oman	2,613,654	3.37
Pakistan	501,701	0.65
Panama	2,177,396	2.81
Paraguay	670,697	0.87
Peru	2,237,937	2.89
Philippines	2,741,127	3.54

B) Investments at fair value and as a percentage of net asset value ("NAV") as at 31 December 2023 under review classified by (continued)

i) Country (continued)

	Fair Value (S\$)	% of NAV
Poland	1,631,489	2.11
Qatar	2,973,995	3.84
Romania	1,648,587	2.13
Saudi Arabia	3,674,976	4.74
Senegal	236,441	0.31
Serbia	405,879	0.52
Singapore	335,418	0.43
South Africa	2,475,884	3.20
Turkey	1,359,915	1.76
Ukraine	662,307	0.85
United Arab Emirates	3,938,393	5.08
Uruguay	1,816,741	2.35
Uzbekistan	263,159	0.34
Accrued interest receivable on quoted bonds	1,306,468	1.69
Portfolio of investments	75,455,654	97.40
Other net assets/(liabilities)	2,014,758	2.60
Total	77,470,412	100.00

ii) Industry

	Fair Value (S\$)	% of NAV
Energy	6,113,349	7.89
Financials	4,396,099	5.67
Government	56,723,909	73.22
Industrials	2,439,464	3.15
Materials	2,754,622	3.56
Utilities	1,721,743	2.22
Accrued interest receivable on quoted bonds	1,306,468	1.69
Portfolio of investments	75,455,654	97.40
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B) Investments at fair value and as a percentage of net asset value ("NAV") as at 31 December 2023 under review classified by (continued)

iii) Asset Class

	Fair Value (S\$)	% of NAV
Quoted bonds	74,149,186	95.71
Accrued interest receivable on quoted bonds	1,306,468	1.69
Other net assets/(liabilities)	2,014,758	2.60
Total	77,470,412	100.00

iv) Credit rating of quoted bonds by Moody's

	Fair Value (S\$)	% of NAV
A1	5,421,719	6.99
A2	5,094,798	6.58
A3	2,260,414	2.92
Aa2	3,427,231	4.42
Aa3	2,973,995	3.84
B1	3,840,599	4.95
B2	3,108,851	4.01
B3	2,594,972	3.34
Ba1	5,845,719	7.55
Ba2	3,643,176	4.70
Ba3	3,773,803	4.87
Baa1	2,237,937	2.89
Baa2	15,288,688	19.75
Baa3	4,344,695	5.62
Ca	1,913,023	2.47
Caa1	4,141,240	5.34
Caa3	2,855,828	3.69
Non-rated	1,382,498	1.78
Accrued interest receivable on quoted bonds	1,306,468	1.69
Total	75,455,654	97.40

C) Top Ten Holdings

10 largest holdings as at 31 December 2023

	Fair Value (S\$)	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders %
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF BRAZIL SR UNSECURED		
10/33 6	1,321,996	1.70
KSA SUKUK LTD SR UNSECURED REGS 05/33 4.511	1,316,468	1.70
REPUBLIC OF CHILE SR UNSECURED 01/54 5.33	1,315,097	1.70
REPUBLIC OF CHILE SR UNSECURED 01/36 4.95	1,306,799	1.69
REPUBLIC OF COLOMBIA SR UNSECURED 04/33 8	1,297,035	1.67
REPUBLICA ORIENT URUGUAY SR UNSECURED		
04/55 4.975	1,292,172	1.67
REPUBLIC OF PANAMA SR UNSECURED 02/35 6.4	1,290,829	1.67
OMAN GOVERNMENT INTERNATIONAL BOND SR		
UNSECURED REGS 10/32 7.375	1,199,220	1.55
REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA SR UNSECURED REGS		
09/28 6.125	1,172,350	1.51
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC SR UNSECURED REGS		
01/60 5.875	1,144,253	1.48

C) Top Ten Holdings (continued)

10 largest holdings as at 31 December 2022

	Fair Value (S\$)	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders %
REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR SR UNSECURED REGS 07/30 VAR	2,258,149	2.78
PETROLEOS MEXICANOS COMPANY GUARANT 02/32 6.7	1,938,806	2.39
KAZMUNAYGAS NATIONAL CO SR UNSECURED REGS 04/30 5.375	1,808,248	2.23
REPUBLIC OF COLOMBIA SR UNSECURED 04/33 8 UAE INTERNATIONAL GOVERNMENT BOND 07/52 4.951	1,616,535 1,610,819	1.99 1.98
REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA SR UNSECURED REGS 09/28 6.125	1,561,881	1.92
OMAN GOVERNMENT INTERNATIONAL BOND SR UNSECURED REGS 01/51 7	1,561,508	1.92
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA SR UNSECURED 04/32 5.875	1,457,630	1.79
REPUBLIC OF TURKEY SR UNSECURED 01/28 9.875 REPUBLIC OF PANAMA SR UNSECURED 02/35 6.4	1,393,991 1,364,347	1.72 1.68

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D) Exposure to derivatives

The global exposure relating to derivative instruments is calculated using the commitment approach:

- (i) the absolute value of the exposure of each individual financial derivative not involved in netting or hedging arrangements;
- (ii) the absolute value of the net exposure of each individual financial derivative after netting or hedging arrangements; and
- (iii) the sum of the values of cash collateral received under certain cases.
- i) Fair value of derivative contracts and as a percentage of NAV as at 31 December 2023

Contract or underlying principal amount \$	Positive fair value \$	% of NAV	Negative fair value \$	% of NAV	
2,506,292	323,664	0.42	_	_	

- ii) There was a net realised loss of SGD 724,891 on derivative contracts during the financial period from 1 July 2023 to 31 December 2023.
- iii) There was a net unrealised gain of SGD 323,664 on outstanding derivative contracts marked to market as at 31 December 2023.

E) Amount and percentage of NAV invested in other schemes as at 31 December 2023

N/A

Futures

F) Amount and percentage of borrowings to NAV as at 31 December 2023

N/A

G) Amount of redemptions and subscriptions for the financial period from 1 July 2023 to 31 December 2023

Total amount of redemptions	SGD	4,428,325
Total amount of subscriptions	SGD	1,834,782

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H) The amount and terms of related-party transactions for the financial period from 1 July 2023 to 31 December 2023

 i) As at 31 December 2023, the Sub-Fund maintained current accounts with its related party as follows:

State Street Bank and Trust Company, Singapore Branch

Cash and bank balances

SGD

1,858,401

ii) Investment in Initial Public Offerings managed by UOB Group

N/A

iii) As at 31 December 2023, there was no brokerage income earned by UOB Kay Hian Pte Ltd.

I) Expense ratios

	\$	2022 \$
Total operating expenses Average daily net asset value Expense ratio	1,634,121 <u>78,335,796</u> 2.09%	2,029,262 98,285,362 2.06%

Note: The expense ratio has been computed based on the guidelines laid down by the Investment Management Association of Singapore ("IMAS"). The calculation of the Sub-Fund's expense ratio at 31 December 2023 was based on total operating expenses divided by the average net asset value respectively for the financial period. The total operating expenses do not include (where applicable) brokerage and other transaction costs, interest expense, distribution paid out to unitholders, foreign exchange gains/losses, front or back end loads arising from the purchase or sale of other funds and tax deducted at source or arising out of income received. The Sub-Fund does not pay any performance fee. The average net asset value is based on the daily balances.

J) Turnover ratios

	2023 \$	2022 \$
Lower of total value of purchases or sales	30,286,492	30,101,416
Average daily net assets value	76,209,408	86,857,310
Turnover ratio	39.74%	34.66%

Note: The portfolio turnover ratio is calculated in accordance with the formula stated in the Code on Collective Investment Schemes. The calculation of the portfolio turnover ratio was based on the lower of the total value of purchases or sales of the underlying investments divided by the average daily net asset value.

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K) Any material information that will adversely impact the valuation of the scheme such as contingent liabilities of open contracts

N/A

- L) For schemes which invest more than 30% of their deposited property in another scheme, the following key information on the second-mentioned scheme ("the underlying scheme")¹ should be disclosed as well
- Top 10 holdings at fair value and as percentage of NAV as at 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022

N/A

ii) Expense ratios for the financial period ended 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022

N/A

iii) Turnover ratios for the financial period ended 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022

N/A

Where the underlying scheme is managed by a foreign manager which belongs to the same group of companies as, or has a formal arrangement or investment agreement with, the Singapore manager, the above information should be disclosed on the underlying scheme. In other cases, such information on the underlying scheme should be disclosed only if it is readily available to the Singapore manager.

M) Soft dollar commissions/arrangements

UOB Asset Management has entered into soft dollars arrangements with selected brokers from whom products and services are received from third parties. The products and services relate essentially to computer hardware and software to the extent that they are used to support the investment decision making process, research and advisory services, economic and political analyses, portfolio analyses including performance measurements, market analyses, data and quotation services, all of which are believed to be helpful in the overall discharge of UOB Asset Management's duties to clients. As such services generally benefit all of UOB Asset Management's clients in terms of input into the investment decision making process, the soft credits utilised are not allocated on a specific client basis. The Manager confirms that trades were executed on a best execution basis and there was no churning of trades.

N) Where the scheme offers pre-determined payouts, an explanation on the calculation of the actual payouts received by participants and any significant deviation from the pre-determined payouts

N/A

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

For the half year ended 31 December 2023 (Un-audited)

	United Emerging Markets Bond Fund	
	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Income		
Interest	24,609	20,853
Other income	16	12,834
Total	24,625	33,687
Less: Expenses		
Management fee	671,162	766,945
Less: Management fee rebate	-	(17,889)
Trustee fee	10,786	14,880
Audit fee	10,588	10,257
Registrar fee	12,569	12,654
Valuation fee	30,682	35,060
Custody fee	10,401	11,946
Transaction costs	522	782
Interest expenses	611	7,701
Other expenses	57,563	76,897
Total	804,884	919,233
Net income/(losses)	(780,259)	(885,546)
Net gains/(losses) on value of investments and financial derivatives		
Net gains/(losses) on investments	3,559,865	464,982
Net gains/(losses) on financial derivatives	(401,227)	(878,911)
Net foreign exchange gains/(losses)	(125,909)	(127,091)
	3,032,729	(541,020)
Total return/(deficit) for the financial period before income tax	2,252,470	(1,426,566)
Less: Income tax	(1,407)	(433)
Total return/(deficit) for the financial period	2,251,063	(1,426,999)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	United Emerging Markets Bond Fund	
	31 December	30 June
	2023	2023
	\$	\$
Assets		
Portfolio of investments	75,455,654	75,098,695
Sales awaiting settlement	131,910	2,170,056
Receivables	136,128	191,653
Cash and bank balances	1,858,401	8,109,681
Margin accounts	421,963	353,296
Financial derivatives at fair value	323,664	21,358
Total assets	78,327,720	85,944,739
Liabilities		
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Purchases awaiting settlement	- 565,911	5,538,078 566,873
Payables Distribution associates	•	,
Distribution payable	291,397	299,872
Financial derivatives at fair value		13,163
Total liabilities	<u>857,308</u>	6,417,986
Equity		
Net assets attributable to unitholders	77,470,412	79,526,753

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS OF UNITHOLDERS' FUNDS

For the half year ended 31 December 2023 (Un-audited)

	United Emerging Markets Bond Fund	
	31 December	30 June
	2023	2023
	\$	\$
Net assets attributable to unitholders at the beginning of the financial period/year	79,526,753	92,946,169
Operations		
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders resulting from operations	2,251,063	2,377,643
Unitholders' contributions/(withdrawals)		
Creation of units	1,834,782	3,644,484
Cancellation of units	(4,428,325)	(15,702,066)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders resulting from net creation and cancellation of units	(2,593,543)	(12,057,582)
Distributions	(1,713,861)	(3,739,477)
Total increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unitholders	(2,056,341)	(13,419,416)
Net assets attributable to unitholders at the end of the financial period/year	77,470,412	79,526,753

STATEMENT OF PORTFOLIO

	total net as		Percentage of total net assets
	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 \$	attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2023 %
By Geography - Primary Quoted bonds			
ANGOLA REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA SR UNSECURED	000.000	000 740	0.00
REGS 04/32 8.75 REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA SR UNSECURED	200,000	232,748	0.30
REGS 11/25 9.5 REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA SR UNSECURED	200,000	259,615	0.33
REGS 11/49 9.125	200,000	216,003	0.28
TOTAL ANGOLA		708,366	0.91
ARGENTINA			
REPUBLIC OF ARGENTINA SR UNSECURED 01/38 VAR	500,000	262,615	0.34
REPUBLIC OF ARGENTINA SR UNSECURED 07/30 VAR	1,000,000	532,266	0.68
REPUBLIC OF ARGENTINA SR UNSECURED 07/35 VAR	1,000,000	455,835	0.59
TOTAL ARGENTINA		1,250,716	1.61
ARMENIA			
REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA SR UNSECURED REGS 03/25 7.15	200,000	268,381	0.35
AZERBAIJAN			
REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN SR UNSECURED REGS 09/29 5.125	300,000	389,213	0.50

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	United Emerging Markets Bond Fund		ond Fund
	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 \$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2023 %
By Geography - Primary (continued) Quoted bonds			
AZERBAIJAN (continued) REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN SR UNSECURED REGS 09/32 3.5	200,000	229,534	0.30
TOTAL AZERBAIJAN		618,747	0.80
BAHRAIN CBB INTERNATIONAL SUKUK PROGRAMME WLL 05/29 3.875 KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN SR UNSECURED REGS 04/35 7.75 KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN SR UNSECURED REGS 09/47 7.5	800,000 800,000 300,000	960,263 1,104,033 374,023	1.43
TOTAL BAHRAIN		2,438,319	3.15
BRAZIL FED REPUBLIC OF BRAZIL SR UNSECURED 01/50 4.75 FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF BRAZIL SR UNSECURED 10/33 6	500,000 1,000,000	509,583 1,321,996	
TOTAL BRAZIL		1,831,579	2.36
CHILE EMPRESA DE TRANSPORTE DE PASAJEROS METRO SR UNSECURED REGS 05/30 3.65	300,000	364,915	0.47

	United Emerging Markets Bond Fund		Bond Fund
	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 \$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2023 %
By Geography - Primary (continued) Quoted bonds			
CHILE (continued) REPUBLIC OF CHILE SR UNSECURED 01/32 2.55	500,000	568,349	0.73
REPUBLIC OF CHILE SR UNSECURED	•	,	
01/36 4.95 REPUBLIC OF CHILE SR UNSECURED	1,000,000	1,306,799	1.69
01/54 5.33	1,000,000	1,315,097	1.70
TOTAL CHILE		3,555,160	4.59
CHINA			
CHINALCO CAPITAL HOLDING COMPANY GUARANT REGS 02/27 2.95	500,000	622,828	0.81
CHINALCO CAPITAL HOLDING COMPANY GUARANT REGS 12/99 VAR	400,000	521,572	0.67
SINOPEC GROUP DEVELOPMENT 2018 COMPANY GUARANT REGS 01/51 3.1	500,000	479,470	0.62
SINOPEC GROUP DEVELOPMENT 2018 COMPANY GUARANT REGS 05/30 2.7	500,000	599,574	0.77
STATE GRID OVERSEAS INVESTMENT COMPANY GUARANT REGS 08/30 1.625	600,000	667,699	0.86
TOTAL CHINA		2,891,143	3.73
COLOMBIA REPUBLIC OF COLOMBIA SR UNSECURED 04/33 8	900,000	1,297,035	1.67

	United Emerging Markets Bond Fund		ond Fund
	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 \$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2023 %
By Geography - Primary (continued) Quoted bonds			
COLOMBIA (continued) REPUBLIC OF COLOMBIA SR UNSECURED 06/45 5	1,000,000	1,027,559	1.33
TOTAL COLOMBIA		2,324,594	3.00
COSTA RICA COSTA RICA GOVERNMENT SR UNSECURED REGS 03/45 7.158 COSTA RICA GOVERNMENT SR UNSECURED REGS 04/34 6.55	300,000 300,000	421,057 410,817	0.54
TOTAL COSTA RICA		831,874	1.07
COTE D'IVOIRE IVORY COAST SR UNSECURED REGS 06/33 6.125	200,000	243,416	0.31
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC DOMINICAN REPUBLIC SR UNSECURED REGS 01/41 5.3 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC SR UNSECURED REGS 01/60 5.875	500,000	572,160 1,144,253	0.74
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC SR UNSECURED REGS 02/29 5.5	500,000	646,359	
TOTAL DOMINICAN REPUBLIC		2,362,772	3.05

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	United Emerging Markets Bond Fund		ond Fund
	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 \$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2023 %
By Geography - Primary (continued) Quoted bonds			
ECUADOR REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR SR UNSECURED REGS 07/30 VAR REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR SR UNSECURED REGS 07/35 VAR	600,000 700,000	369,856 332,724	0.48
TOTAL ECUADOR		702,580	0.91
EGYPT ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT SR UNSECURED REGS 01/47 8.5 ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT SR UNSECURED REGS 03/49 8.7002 ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT SR UNSECURED REGS 09/33 7.3 EGYPT TASKEEK COMPANY SR UNSECURED REGS 02/26 10.875	400,000 500,000 500,000 400,000	329,743 414,897 437,334 518,160	0.43 0.53 0.56
TOTAL EGYPT		1,700,134	2.19
EL SALVADOR REPUBLIC OF EL SALVADOR SR UNSECURED REGS 01/50 7.1246 REPUBLIC OF EL SALVADOR SR UNSECURED REGS 02/29 8.625	1,000,000	939,233 712,314	1.21
TOTAL EL SALVADOR		1,651,547	2.13

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	United Emerging Markets Bond Fund		
	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 \$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2023 %
By Geography - Primary (continued) Quoted bonds			
GABON REPUBLIC OF GABON SR UNSECURED REGS 11/31 7	500,000	551,673	0.71
GUATEMALA REPUBLIC OF GUATEMALA SR UNSECURED REGS 06/36 6.6	500,000	680,985	0.88
HONG KONG CNAC HK FINBRIDGE CO LTD COMPANY GUARANT REGS 09/30 3	500,000	578,277	0.75
HUNGARY HUNGARY SR UNSECURED REGS 09/32 6.25 HUNGARY SR UNSECURED REGS 09/52 6.75	800,000 600,000	1,128,631 887,618	1.46
TOTAL HUNGARY		2,016,249	2.60
INDONESIA FREEPORT INDONESIA PT SR UNSECURED REGS 04/32 5.315 INDONESIA ASAHAN ALUMINIUM/MINERAL INDUSTRI INDONESIA SR UNSECURED	400,000	518,712	0.67
REGS 05/50 5.8 PELABUHAN INDONESIA PERSERO SR	400,000	513,233	0.66
UNSECURED REGS 05/45 5.375	500,000	641,953	0.83

	United Emerging Markets Bond Fund		
			Percentage of total net assets attributable to
	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 \$	unitholders at 31 December 2023 %
By Geography - Primary (continued) Quoted bonds			
INDONESIA (continued)			
REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA SR UNSECURED 01/28 4.55 REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA SR	600,000	792,421	1.02
UNSECURED 01/33 4.85	500,000	672,535	0.87
REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA SR UNSECURED 01/53 5.65	500,000	727,887	0.94
TOTAL INDONESIA		3,866,741	4.99
IRAQ REPUBLIC OF IRAQ SR UNSECURED REGS 01/28 5.8	140,625	173,917	0.22
JAMAICA			
GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA SR UNSECURED 04/28 6.75 GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA SR	200,000	280,810	0.36
UNSECURED 07/45 7.875	200,000	321,860	0.42
TOTAL JAMAICA		602,670	0.78
JORDAN			
KINGDOM OF JORDAN SR UNSECURED REGS 01/29 7.5 KINGDOM OF JORDAN SR UNSECURED	300,000	401,773	0.52
REGS 10/47 7.375	400,000	470,447	0.61
TOTAL JORDAN		872,220	1.13

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	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 \$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2023 %
By Geography - Primary (continued) Quoted bonds			
KAZAKHSTAN KAZMUNAYGAS NATIONAL CO SR UNSECURED REGS 04/30 5.375	500,000	655,674	0.85
KAZMUNAYGAS NATIONAL CO SR UNSECURED REGS 10/48 6.375	400,000	497,987	0.64
TOTAL KAZAKHSTAN		1,153,661	1.49
MALAYSIA KHAZANAH CAPITAL LTD COMPANY			
GUARANT REGS 06/33 4.876	600,000	795,783	1.03
KHAZANAH GLOBAL SUKUK SR UNSECURED REGS 06/28 4.687	600,000	794,327	1.03
MALAYSIA WAKALA SUKUK SR UNSECURED REGS 04/51 3.075	300,000	305,389	0.39
TOTAL MALAYSIA		1,895,499	2.45
MEXICO			
PETROLEOS MEXICANOS COMPANY GUARANT 01/50 7.69	300,000	281,889	0.37
PETROLEOS MEXICANOS COMPANY GUARANT 02/32 6.7	836,000	916,528	1.18
UNITED MEXICAN STATES SR UNSECURED 05/33 4.875	500,000	636,926	0.82
UNITED MEXICAN STATES SR UNSECURED 05/53 6.338	500,000	673,084	0.87
TOTAL MEXICO		2,508,427	3.24

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	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 \$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2023 %
By Geography - Primary (continued) Quoted bonds			
MONGOLIA MONGOLIA INTERNATIONAL BOND SR UNSECURED REGS 04/26 5.125 MONGOLIA INTERNATIONAL BOND SR UNSECURED REGS 06/29 7.875	200,000	256,541 270,150	0.33
TOTAL MONGOLIA		526,691	0.68
MOROCCO KINGDOM OF MOROCCO SR UNSECURED REGS 09/33 6.5 KINGDOM OF MOROCCO SR UNSECURED REGS 12/50 4	300,000 300,000	418,327 286,410	0.54
TOTAL MOROCCO		704,737	0.91
NETHERLANDS PETROBRAS GLOBAL FINANCE COMPANY GUARANT 06/51 5.5	500,000	556,899	0.72
NIGERIA REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA SR UNSECURED REGS 09/28 6.125 REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA SR UNSECURED REGS 09/51 8.25	1,000,000 500,000	1,172,350 543,166	1.51 0.70
TOTAL NIGERIA		1,715,516	2.21

	United Emerging Markets Bond Fund		ond Fund
	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 \$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2023 %
By Geography - Primary (continued) Quoted bonds			
OMAN			
OMAN GOVERNMENT INTERNATIONAL BOND SR UNSECURED REGS 01/51 7 OMAN GOVERNMENT INTERNATIONAL	600,000	856,391	1.10
BOND SR UNSECURED REGS 10/27 6.75	400,000	558,043	0.72
OMAN GOVERNMENT INTERNATIONAL BOND SR UNSECURED REGS 10/32 7.375	800,000	1,199,220	1.55
TOTAL OMAN		2,613,654	3.37
PAKISTAN ISLAMIC REP OF PAKISTAN SR UNSECURED REGS 04/24 8.25	400,000	501,701	0.65
PANAMA			
AEROPUERTO INTERNATIONAL TOCUMEN SR SECURED REGS 08/61 5.125 EMPRESA DE TRANSMISION ELECTRICA	500,000	503,055	0.65
SR UNSECURED REGS 05/49 5.125	400,000	383,512	0.49
REPUBLIC OF PANAMA SR UNSECURED 02/35 6.4	1,000,000	1,290,829	1.67
TOTAL PANAMA		2,177,396	2.81
PARAGUAY REPUBLIC OF PARAGUAY SR UNSECURED REGS 01/33 2.739	400,000	435,435	0.56
	100,000	100,400	5.00

	United Emerging Markets Bond Fund		
	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 \$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2023 %
By Geography - Primary (continued) Quoted bonds			
PARAGUAY (continued) REPUBLIC OF PARAGUAY SR UNSECURED REGS 03/50 5.4	200,000	235,262	0.31
TOTAL PARAGUAY		670,697	0.87
PERU LIMA METRO LINE 2 FINANCE LTD SR SECURED REGS 04/36 4.35 REPUBLIC OF PERU SR UNSECURED 01/34 3 REPUBLIC OF PERU SR UNSECURED 03/51 3.55 REPUBLIC OF PERU SR UNSECURED 08/27 4.125	437,483 500,000 500,000 500,000	529,907 558,672 502,880 646,478	0.68 0.72 0.65
TOTAL PERU		2,237,937	2.89
PHILIPPINES REPUBLIC OF PHILIPPINES SR UNSECURED 01/37 5 REPUBLIC OF PHILIPPINES SR UNSECURED 01/48 5.5 REPUBLIC OF PHILIPPINES SR UNSECURED 04/33 5.609 REPUBLIC OF PHILIPPINES SR UNSECURED 07/28 4.625	600,000 400,000 500,000	814,214 557,807 705,923 663,183	1.05 0.72 0.91 0.86
TOTAL PHILIPPINES		2,741,127	3.54

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	total net a		ond Fund Percentage of total net assets attributable to
	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 \$	unitholders at 31 December 2023 %
By Geography - Primary (continued) Quoted bonds			
POLAND BANK GOSPODARSTWA KRAJOWEGO GOVERNMENT GUARANT REGS 05/33			
5.375	600,000	804,179	1.04
REPUBLIC OF POLAND SR UNSECURED 04/53 5.5	600,000	827,310	1.07
TOTAL POLAND		1,631,489	2.11
QATAR			
QATAR ENERGY SR UNSECURED REGS 07/41 3.125	1,000,000	1,016,779	1.31
QATAR ENERGY SR UNSECURED REGS 07/51 3.3	800,000	773,131	1.00
STATE OF QATAR SR UNSECURED REGS 04/28 4.5	500,000	668,278	0.86
STATE OF QATAR SR UNSECURED REGS 04/30 3.75	400,000	515,807	0.67
TOTAL QATAR		2,973,995	3.84
ROMANIA			
ROMANIA SR UNSECURED REGS 01/33 7.125	300,000	427,473	0.55
ROMANIA SR UNSECURED REGS 01/53		•	
7.625 ROMANIA SR UNSECURED REGS 02/51 4	500,000 500,000	741,095 480,019	0.96 0.62
	000,000		0.02
TOTAL ROMANIA		1,648,587	2.13

	United Emerging Markets Bond Fund		
	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 \$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2023 %
By Geography - Primary (continued) Quoted bonds			
SAUDI ARABIA GACI FIRST INVESTMENT COMPANY GUARANT REGS 02/53 5.125 GACI FIRST INVESTMENT COMPANY	500,000	598,943	0.77
GUARANT REGS 10/27 5 KSA SUKUK LTD SR UNSECURED REGS	500,000	666,630	0.86
05/33 4.511 SAUDI INTERNATIONAL BOND SR	1,000,000	1,316,468	1.70
UNSECURED REGS 01/53 5 SAUDI INTERNATIONAL BOND SR	500,000	622,771	0.80
UNSECURED REGS 11/51 3.25	500,000	470,164	0.61
TOTAL SAUDI ARABIA		3,674,976	4.74
SENEGAL REPUBLIC OF SENEGAL SR UNSECURED REGS 05/33 6.25	200,000	236,441	0.31
SERBIA REPUBLIC OF SERBIA SR UNSECURED REGS 05/28 6.25	300,000	405,879	0.52
SINGAPORE MEDCO MAPLE TREE PTE LTD COMPANY GUARANT REGS 04/29 8.96	250,000	335,418	0.43
SOUTH AFRICA ESKOM HOLDINGS SOC LTD SR UNSECURED REGS 08/28 8.45	500,000	670,532	0.87

	United Emerging Markets Bond Fund		
	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 \$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2023 %
By Geography - Primary (continued) Quoted bonds			
SOUTH AFRICA (continued)			
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA SR UNSECURED 04/32 5.875 REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA SR	500,000	626,419	0.81
UNSECURED 04/52 7.3	200,000	250,604	0.32
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA SR UNSECURED 09/49 5.75 TRANSNET SOC LTD SR UNSECURED	500,000	528,695	0.68
REGS 02/28 8.25	300,000	399,634	0.52
TOTAL SOUTH AFRICA		2,475,884	3.20
TURKEY			
HAZINE MUSTESARLIGI VARLIK KIRALAMA SR UNSECURED REGS 11/25 9.758 HAZINE MUSTESARLIGI VARLIK SR	200,000	280,736	0.36
UNSECURED REGS 01/29 8.5091	400,000	560,354	0.73
REPUBLIC OF TURKIYE SR UNSECURED 05/47 5.75	500,000	518,825	0.67
TOTAL TURKEY		1,359,915	1.76
UKRAINE			
UKRAINE GOVERNMENT SR UNSECURED REGS 02/26 8.994 UKRAINE GOVERNMENT SR UNSECURED	500,000	198,017	0.25
REGS 05/31 6.876	1,000,000	307,614	0.40

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	United Emerging Markets Bond Fund		
	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 \$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2023 %
By Geography - Primary (continued) Quoted bonds			
UKRAINE (continued) UKRAINE GOVERNMENT SR UNSECURED REGS 09/34 7.375	500,000	156,676	0.20
TOTAL UKRAINE		662,307	0.85
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES ABU DHABI GOVERNMENT INTERNATIONAL SR UNSECURED REGS 06/28 1.625	500,000	592.341	0.76
EMIRATES NBD BANK PJSC JR SUBORDINATED REGS VAR EMIRATES NBD BANK PJSC SR	200,000	238,098	0.70
UNSECURED REGS 10/28 5.875	200,000	273,064	0.35
MDGH GMTN (RSC) LTD COMPANY GUARANT REGS 11/33 4.375	800,000	1,029,254	1.33
UAE INTERNATIONAL GOVERNMENT BOND 07/52 4.951	800,000	1,039,939	1.34
UAE INTERNATIONAL GOVERNMENT BOND SR UNSECURED REGS 10/61 3.25	800,000	765,697	0.99
TOTAL UNITED ARAB EMIRATES		3,938,393	5.08
URUGUAY REPUBLICA ORIENT URUGUAY SR UNSECURED 01/31 4.375	400,000	524.569	0.68
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	United Emerging Markets Bond Fund		
	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 \$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2023 %
By Geography - Primary (continued) Quoted bonds			
URUGUAY (continued) REPUBLICA ORIENT URUGUAY SR UNSECURED 04/55 4.975	1,000,000	1,292,172	1.67
TOTAL URUGUAY		1,816,741	2.35
UZBEKISTAN REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN SR UNSECURED REGS 02/24 4.75	200,000	263,159	0.34
Accrued interest receivable on quoted bonds		1,306,468	1.69
Total Bonds		75,455,654	97.40
Portfolio of investments Other net assets/(liabilities) Net assets attributable to unitholders		75,455,654 2,014,758 77,470,412	97.40 2.60 100.00

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	United Emerging Markets Bond Fund	
	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2023 %	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 30 June 2023 %
By Geography - Primary (Summary) Quoted bonds		
Angola	0.91	1.82
Argentina	1.61	1.38
Armenia	0.35	0.34
Azerbaijan	0.80	0.78
Bahrain	3.15	3.07
Brazil	2.36	2.31
Chile	4.59	4.58
China	3.73	0.79
Colombia	3.00	2.75
Costa Rica	1.07	1.02
Cote D'Ivoire	0.31	0.30
Dominican Republic	3.05	2.79
Ecuador	0.91	0.91
Egypt El Salvador	2.19 2.13	1.93 0.69
Gabon	2.13 0.71	0.68
Guatemala	0.88	0.86
Hong Kong	0.75	0.72
Hungary	2.60	2.45
Indonesia	4.99	4.80
Iraq	0.22	0.24
Jamaica	0.78	0.75
Jordan	1.13	1.10
Kazakhstan	1.49	1.38
Malaysia	2.45	2.02
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	United Emerging Markets Bond Fund	
	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2023 %	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 30 June 2023 %
By Geography - Primary (Summary) (continued) Quoted bonds		
Mexico	3.24	4.65
Mongolia	0.68	0.32
Morocco	0.91	0.87
Netherlands	0.72	0.84
Nigeria	2.21	2.06
Oman	3.37	3.22
Pakistan	0.65	0.76
Panama	2.81	2.99
Paraguay	0.87	0.84
Peru	2.89	2.86
Philippines	3.54	3.47
Poland	2.11	2.05
Qatar	3.84	3.82
Romania	2.13	2.09
Saudi Arabia	4.74	4.68
Senegal	0.31	0.29
Serbia	0.52	0.51
Singapore	0.43	-
South Africa	3.20	2.95
Turkey	1.76	4.37
Ukraine	0.85	0.81
United Arab Emirates	5.08	4.39
United States	-	0.66
Uruguay	2.35	2.33
Uzbekistan	0.34	0.34

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	United Emerging Markets Bond Fund	
	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2023 %	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 30 June 2023 %
By Geography - Primary (Summary) (continued) Quoted bonds		
Accrued interest receivable on quoted bonds	1.69	1.80
Portfolio of investments	97.40	94.43
Other net assets/(liabilities)	2.60	5.57
Net assets attributable to unitholders	100.00	100.00

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	United Em	nerging Markets B	ond Fund
	Fair value at 31 December 2023 \$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2023 %	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 30 June 2023 %
By Industry - Secondary Quoted bonds			
Energy	6,113,349	7.89	7.32
Financials	4,396,099	5.67	5.61
Government	56,723,909	73.22	72.47
Industrials	2,439,464	3.15	3.10
Materials	2,754,622	3.56	2.76
Utilities	1,721,743	2.22	1.37
Accrued interest receivable on quoted bonds	1,306,468	1.69	1.80
Portfolio of investments	75,455,654	97.40	94.43
Other net assets/(liabilities)	2,014,758	2.60	5.57
Net assets attributable to unitholders	77,470,412	100.00	100.00

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