

# FTGF Brandywine Global Income Optimiser Fund

Mercer FundWatch Rating: 3 out of 5 (as of 13 October 2021)<sup>1</sup> BENCHMARK Fund of the Year Awards 2020 Singapore: Absolute Return Fixed Income (Best-in-Class)<sup>2</sup> Asia Asset Management Best of the Best Awards 2019 (Global Aggregate Bonds - 10 Years)<sup>3</sup> Asia Asset Management Best of the Best Awards 2018 (Global Bonds - 3 Years)

### **Investment Manager**

Brandywine Global Investment Management

#### **Objective**

The fund's goal is to generate income in all market conditions while maintaining the value of the fund. The fund will invest in bonds issued by corporations and governments.

# **Fund Details**

SGD / USD **Reference Currency:** 

Minimum Investment:

SGD 1,500 / USD 1,000 Initial Amount

Month-end NAV:

Month-end INAV: Class A Distr. (M) (SGD) (H) PlusSGD 0.829 Class A Distr.(M)(SGD)(H)Plus(e)SGD 0.764 Class A Acc. (USD) USD 136.39

Fees<sup>^</sup>

Up to 5.00% Up to 1.10% p.a. Initial Charge Management Fee: Subscription: Cash Only **Trading Frequency:** 

**Inception Date:** 

Class A Distr. (M) (SGD) (H) Plus21-Oct-15 Class A Distr.(M)(SGD)(H)Plus(e)17-Feb-21 30-Aug-13 Class A Acc. (USD)

Domicile: Dublin, Ireland **ISIN Code:** IE00BLSP4122/ IE00BNGJQ474/

IE00BBT3JP45

BWGIADS ID / Bloomberg Ticker: BWGIASI ID /

**BWGIAAU ID** 

**Fund Size:** USD 1149 million **Number Of Holdings:** 138

#### **Fund Characteristics**

Weighted Average Life 10.04 years Effective Duration<sup>5</sup> 5.33 years Credit Quality<sup>5,6</sup> BBB-

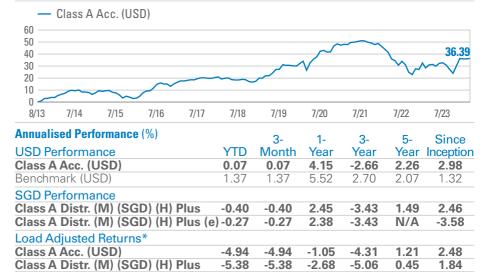
# Credit Quality Allocation 6,7 (%)

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AAA	8.64
AA	8.75
A	4.66
BBB	30.47
BB	25.54
В	14.10
CCC	2.26
CC	1.51
Cash	4.06

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# Cumulative Performance (%) (Since Inception to 31 March 2024)

Class A Distr. (M) (SGD) (H) Plus (e) -5.26



Source: Franklin Templeton. Performance is calculated on a NAV to NAV basis (in USD / SGD terms), with income and dividends reinvested, if any, without initial charges but reflecting annual management fees. Performance for periods above one year is annualised. The fund's returns may increase or decrease as a result of changes to foreign exchange rates. of initial charge (assumed to be 5%). Acc. = Accumulating share class. Net investment income accumulated daily into NAV. Distr. (M) = Distributing share class. Dividend declared and paid out monthly. (H) = (Hedged) Benchmark: FTSE 3-month US Treasury Bill Index. Prior to 31 March 2020, there is no benchmark.

-5.26

-2.74

-5.07

N/A

-5.16

Country of Issue (%)			
United States	41.78	Spain	3.14
United Kingdom	8.99	Israel	3.02
Colombia	6.55	Panama	2.39
Mexico	6.30	Germany	1.62
Brazil	5.90	Others	12.09
Canada	4.16	Cash & Cash Equivalents	4.06
Sector Allocation (%)			

Sector Anotation (70)			
Corporate Bond	42.59	Government Owned - No Guarante	e 2.41
Government Sovereign	28.13	Government Sovereign Agency	1.59
Mortgage Backed Securities	13.83	Bank Loan	0.28
Supranational	7.05	Others	4.12

Top Ten Holdings (%)			
Holding	Coupon	Maturity	%
UKTSY	3.75	22.10.53	7.82
COLOMB	7.00	26.03.31	3.94
MEXICO	7.50	26.05.33	3.56
Internati	4.63	01.08.28	3.43
SPAIN	1.90	31.10.52	3.14
Internati	0.50	28.10.25	3.10
BRAZIL	10.00	01.01.27	2.37
UNITED MEX	8.00	31.07.53	2.08
COLOMBIA	7.25	26.10.50	1.94
NEW FORTRESS	6.75	15.09.25	1.62
Total			33.00

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#### **Risk Statistics Definitions**

**Weighted Average Life :**The average number of years for which each component of unpaid principal on a bond, loan or mortgage remains outstanding. The weighted average life calculation provides an aggregate figure that shows how many years it will take to pay off half the outstanding principal on a bond portfolio.

**Effective Duration**: Average Duration equals the weighted average maturity of all the cash flows in the portfolio and gives an indication of the sensitivity of a portfolio's bond prices to a change in interest rates. The higher the duration, the more sensitive the portfolio is to interest rate changes. Effective Duration is a calculation for bonds with embedded options (Not every portfolio will purchase bonds with embedded options). It takes into account the expected change in cash flows caused by the option, as interest rates change. If a portfolio does not hold bonds with embedded options, then the Effective Duration will be equal to the Average Duration.

### **Investment Risks**

The fund does not offer any capital guarantee or protection and you may not get back the amount invested.

**Bonds:** There is a risk that issuers of bonds held by the fund may not be able to repay the investment or pay the interest due on it, leading to losses for the fund. Bond values are affected by the market's view of the above risk, and by changes in interest rates and inflation.

**Liquidity:** In certain circumstances it may be difficult to sell the fund's investments because there may not be enough demand for them in the markets, in which case the fund may not be able to minimise a loss on such investments.

Low rated bonds: The fund may invest in lower rated or unrated bonds of similar quality, which carry a higher degree of risk than higher rated bonds.

**Emerging markets investment:** The fund may invest in the markets of countries which are smaller, less developed and regulated, and more volatile than the markets of more developed countries.

**Asset-backed securities:** The timing and size of the cash-flow from asset-backed securities is not fully assured and could result in loss for the fund. These types of investments may also be difficult for the fund to sell quickly.

**Fund currency:** Changes in exchange rates between the currencies of investments held by the fund and the fund's base currency may negatively affect the value of an investment and any income received from it.

Interest rates: Changes in interest rates may negatively affect the value of the fund. Typically as interest rates rise, bond values fall.

**Derivatives:** The use of derivatives can result in greater fluctuations of the fund's value and may cause the fund to lose as much as or more than the amount invested.

**Sustainability:** The fund's integration of sustainability risks in the investment decision process may have the effect of excluding profitable investments from the investment universe of the fund and may also cause the fund to sell investments that will continue to perform well. A sustainability risk could materialise due to an environmental, social or governance event or condition which may impact the fund's investments and negatively affect the returns of the fund.

Fund counterparties: The fund may suffer losses if the parties that it trades with cannot meet their financial obligations.

**Fund operations:** The fund is subject to the risk of loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes, people or systems or those of third parties such as those responsible for the custody of its assets, especially to the extent that it invests in developing countries.

Complete information on the risks of investing in the Fund are set out in the Fund's prospectus.

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- ^ The charges are the fees the fund charges to investors to cover the costs of running the Fund. Additional costs, including transaction fees, will also be incurred. These costs are paid out by the Fund, which will impact on the overall return of the Fund. Fund charges will be incurred in multiple currencies, meaning that payments may increase or decrease as a result of currency exchange fluctuations.
- Source: Mercer FundWatch, as at 13 October 2021. For more information on Mercer FundWatch™ and for Important Notices, please refer to https://www.mercerfundwatch.com/aboutmercerfundwatch.
- <sup>2</sup> Source: BENCHMARK, based on performance of Class A (USD) Acc. from 1 October 2019 to 30 September 2020.
- Source: Asia Asset Management. Awarded company: Brandywine Global Investment Management. Based on performance up to 30 September 2018.
- Source: Asia Asset Management. Awarded company: Brandywine Global Investment Management. Based on performance up to 30 September 2017.
- Weighted Average
- <sup>6</sup> Credit Quality: Nationally Recognised Statistical Rating Organisation's (NRSRO's) assess the likelihood of bond issuers defaulting on a bond's coupon and principal payments. The credit quality allocation by Brandywine Global Investment Management assigns each security the middle rating from three NRSRO's (Standard & Poor's, Moody's Investor Services and Fitch Ratings, Ltd.). If only one NRSRO assigns a rating, that rating will be used. Securities that are not rated by all three NRSRO's are reflected as such. The lower the overall credit rating, the riskier the portfolio. The credit rating is expressed as a regular letter rating (from high to low quality): AAA, AA, A, BBB, BB, ...D.
- Calculation of credit quality allocation does not include the market value of derivatives which may result in slight difference in the cash weightage.

#### **Important Information**

This fund meets the requirements under Article 8 of the EU Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR); the fund has binding commitments in its investment policy to promote environmental and/or social characteristics and any companies in which it invests should follow good governance practices. The Fund may also invest extensively in certain types of derivatives for efficient portfolio management purposes and/or investment purposes. Please refer to the prospectus for more information. Distributing Plus share classes may pay dividend out of capital. The payment of dividends out of capital effectively amounts to a return or withdrawal of an investor's original capital investment or of capital gains attributable to that original investment. Such distribution will result in a corresponding immediate decrease in the Net Asset Value of these share classes. 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