

**SHINING A LIGHT ON THE.....  
Nomura Global Dynamic Bond Fund**

**AT A GLANCE**

<b>Investment Objective</b>
To provide a combination of income and growth through investing principally in debt securities with fixed or variable rates of income.

<b>Inception Date</b>	30 <sup>th</sup> January 2015
<b>Fund Factsheet Link</b>	<a href="http://www.morningstar.co.uk/uk/funds/snapshot/snapshot.aspx?id=F00000VB9B">http://www.morningstar.co.uk/uk/funds/snapshot/snapshot.aspx?id=F00000VB9B</a>

<b>Management</b>	
<b>Manager Name</b>	<b>Start Date</b>
Richard Hodges	30 <sup>th</sup> January 2015

**FUND PERFORMANCE**

Performance from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017 to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022:

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
<b>Nomura Global Dynamic Bond Fund</b>	5.95%	-1.37%	15.18%	10.64%	1.43%	-4.53%
<b>Bloomberg Global Aggregate TR Hdg GBP</b>	1.93%	0.10%	6.46%	4.96%	-1.54%	-2.87%

Performance over 12 months, 3 years, 5 years and since launch:

	1 year	3 years	5 years	Since launch
<b>Nomura Global Dynamic Bond Fund</b>	-2.85%	20.02%	27.05%	31.61%
<b>Bloomberg Global Aggregate TR Hdg GBP</b>	-2.33%	5.96%	8.63%	12.73%

*You should note that past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns and the value of your investments can fall as well as rise. The total return reflects performance without sales charges or the effects of taxation but is adjusted to reflect all on-going fund expenses and assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. If adjusted for sales charges and the effects of taxation, the performance quoted would be reduced.*

Tracking Error	Upside Capture Ratio	Downside Capture Ratio	Batting Average	Beta	Alpha	Credit Quality
6.50	76.60	36.59	69.44	1.26	3.43	-

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Volatility Measurements	
3-Yr Std Dev (volatility)	7.33%
3-Yr Mean Return (average)	8.65%

Credit Quality	
AAA	16.00%
AA	8.91%
A	2.20%
BBB	9.45%
BB	21.87%
B	13.80%
Below B	0.00%
Not Rated	27.77%

Top 5 Holdings – 110 bond holdings, 244 other holdings		
United States Treasury Notes 0.125%	-	11.40%
United States Treasury Notes 1%	-	9.09%
United States Treasury Bills	-	4.64%
United States Treasury Notes 0.125%	-	4.02%
South Africa (Republic of) 9%	-	2.30%

Fixed Income	
Effective Maturity	4.78
Effective Duration	-

### UPDATE....

We have always been positive about this strategy and the manager. The fund has suffered from underperformance for the first time for many years. The fund had a large weighting to Russia, and this accounted for around a 6% loss on the fund. The holding has been written down to zero and therefore there should be no further pain from these holdings.

They explained that they had invested in Russia for the last 5 to 6 years and have been re-investing the income into other assets. Because they cannot trade the debt, they had no choice but to write this down. They don't see any recovery coming from these assets in the near term but there is the potential for the prices to rise when markets re-open and then they can sell out of the assets.

In terms of outlook, they believe the market is focused on inflation and not recession fears. They have a short-dated position in US treasuries, which is effectively cash, which they can use to participate in markets when they need to. They have increased exposure to South Africa to around 5%, these are local currency bonds and one of the only markets to deliver positive returns this year. They also have around 3.7% in Egypt which is delivering attractive yields.

Other areas are CoCos (around 16%) and High Yield (14%).

The asset allocation hasn't changed much although EM exposure has come down slightly due to the write down in Russia.

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In summary, we continue to support this strategy and the team behind it. The tragic events in the Ukraine were not foreseen by many, and reasons for investing followed a strict investment process. It is also worth reflecting that it was an investment they had held for a number of years.

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