The Fund invests in a portfolio of fixed-income securities of varying maturities which are subject to interest rates and credit risks. It may invest in below investment grade debt securities which may have a higher risk exposure than investment grade securities. It may be subject to the risks of investing in mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities. It may invest substantially in financial derivative instruments for investment purposes. Such investments may involve risks (e.g. counterparty, leverage and liquidity risks) that could result in significant or total loss. Dividends may be paid out of gross income while all or part of the fees and expenses of the fund are charged to /paid out of the capital, resulting in an increase in distributable income for the payment of dividends and therefore the fund may effectively pay dividends out of capital. This amounts to a return or withdrawal of part of an investor's original investment or from capital gains attributable to that original investment. This may result in an immediate reduction in the net asset value per share. Investment involves risk. Investors should read the offering document of the fund for further details including the risk factors.

### FUND FACTSHEET

# MERIAN GLOBAL DYNAMIC BOND FUND

A CLASS | USD | ACCUMULATION

AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2019

EQUITIES FIXED INCOME ALTERNATIVES

### **FUND OBJECTIVE**

The objective of the Merian Global Dynamic Bond Fund is to seek to maximise total return consistent with preservation of capital and prudent investment management.

CO-FUND MANAGERS: MARK NASH, NICHOLAS WALL

**CO-FUND MANAGERS SINCE: FUND SIZE:** 

APR 2019 \$157.8m

NUMBER OF HOLDINGS:

55

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### **CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE (%)**

	1 month	3 month	6 month	1Y	3Y	5Y
Fund	-0.7	2.4	6.9	12.9	8.0	17.5
Benchmark	-0.5	2.6	5.5	10.4	9.1	18.2

### **DISCRETE PERIOD PERFORMANCE (%)**

	2019 YTD	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Fund	9.8	-2.1	4.2	3.4	0.0	4.3
Benchmark	8.6	0.0	3.5	2.6	0.5	6.0

### **DISCRETE PERIOD PERFORMANCE (%)** - year on year ending Sep 2019

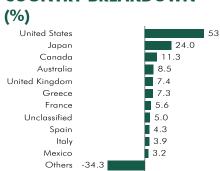
	1 yr to 30/09/19	1 yr to 28/09/18	1 yr to 29/09/17	1 yr to 30/09/16	1 yr to 30/09/15
Fund	12.9	-5.0	0.7	7.0	1.6
Benchmark	10.4	-1.2	0.1	5.2	2.9

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### **TOP 10 BOND HOLDINGS (%)**

7.2
6.7
6.1
4.6
4.3
3.7
3.2
3.0
2.7
2.5

### COUNTRY BREAKDOWN



### **CREDIT RATINGS (%)**

AAA	30.0
AA	13.4
A	23.7
BBB	14.8
BB	1.6
В	7.7
Not Rated	6.3
Cash	2.4

Please note due to rounding of figures they may not add up to 100%. Asset allocation may include derivative exposure which may be offset against cash exposure. Credit ratings are sourced from Factset and are a weighted average of the Moody and S&P ratings.



### **FUND AND SHARE CLASS INFORMATION**

Share class	А	
Umbrella	Merian Global Investors Series plc	
Manager	Mark Nash, Nicholas Wall	
Share class launch date	17 April 2002	
Fund launch date	17 April 2002	
Domicile	Ireland	
Share class currency	USD	
Benchmark	Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Index (USD hedged)	
Morningstar sector	EAA OE USD Diversified Bond	
Legal structure	ICVC	
Accounting date	31/12	
Valuation point	12:00 GMT	
Dealing frequency	Daily	
Single / dual pricing	Single	
ISA eligible	Yes	
Settlement period	T+3	
Sedol	3138641	
ISIN	IE0031386414	
CUSIP	G6016L360	
Initial charge	up to 5.00%	
Annual management charge	1.00%	
Ongoing charge (as at Mar 2019)	1.24%	
Distribution yield (as at 30 Aug 2019)	1.66%	
Minimum investment lump sum	USD 1,000	
Average duration (years)	5.4	
Average maturity (years)	6.5	
Average credit quality	A	
Yield to maturity	1.9%	

### **RISK FACTORS**

Investment risk - there is no guarantee that the Fund will achieve its objective. A capital loss of some or all of the amount invested may occur.

Contingent Convertible Bonds ("CoCos") risk - CoCos are subject to certain trigger events which create a different type of risk from traditional bonds and which may result in their conversion to company shares, or a partial or total loss of value.

Credit risk - the issuer of a bond or a similar investment within the Fund may not pay income or repay capital to the Fund when due. Bonds which are rated below investment grade are considered to have a higher risk exposure with respect to meeting their payment obligations.

Interest rate risk - investments in bonds are affected by interest rates and inflation trends which may affect the value of the Fund.

Liquidity risk - some investments may become hard to value or sell at a desired time and price. In extreme circumstances this may affect the Fund's ability to meet redemption requests upon demand.

Currency risk - The fund can be exposed to different currencies and may use techniques to try to reduce the effects of changes in the exchange rate between the currency of the underlying investments and the base currency of the Fund. These techniques may not eliminate all the currency risk. The value of your shares may rise and fall as a result of exchange rate movements.

**Derivative risk** - the Fund uses derivatives to generate returns and/or to reduce costs and the overall risk of the Fund. Using derivatives can involve a higher level of risk. A small movement in the price of an underlying investment may result in a disproportionately large movement in the price of the derivative investment. Derivatives also involve counterparty risk where the institutions acting as counterparty to derivatives may not meet their contractual obligations.

Capital erosion risk - the Fund takes its charges from the capital of the Fund. Investors should be aware that there is potential for capital erosion if insufficient capital growth is achieved by the Fund to cover the charges. Capital erosion may have the effect of reducing the level of income generated.

For a more detailed explanation of risks, please refer to the "Risk Factors" section of the offering documents.

#### OTHER INFORMATION

Past performance is not a guide to future performance and may not be repeated. Investment involves risk. The value of investments and the income from them may go down as well as up and investors may not get back the amount originally invested. Because of this, an investor is not certain to make a profit on an investment and may lose money. Exchange rate changes may cause the value of overseas investments to rise or fall.

• The Fund may be more than 35% invested in Government and public securities. These can be issued by other countries and Governments.

Your attention is drawn to the stated investment policy which is set out in the Fund's prospectus.



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