



Ravenscroft Investment Fund Offshore Higher Income Fund

INVESTMENT MANAGERS: RAVENSCROFT (CI) LIMITED



FUND AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The Higher Income Fund's main objective is to provide investors with a current income that is materially higher than cash rates.

Ravenscroft Higher Income is a sub-fund of the Ravenscroft Investment Fund Offshore; an open-ended, multi-class Unit Trust authorised as a Class B Scheme by the Guernsey Financial Services Commission.

ASSET CLASS WEIGHTINGS



% Equities

- 20 Global Blue Chips
- 7 Global Themes

% Investment Trusts

- 18 Investment Trusts

% Bonds

- 20 Corporate Bonds
- 16 Short-Dated Bonds
- 16 Specialist Bonds
- 3 Cash & Equivalents

FUND SIZE: £20.5 M

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

FUND INTRODUCTION

October was a tough month for markets, with longer dated government bond markets coming under pressure from near-term nervousness about supply/demand imbalances and longer-term concerns around the future borrowing needs of indebted western governments. Equity prices fell in sympathy with bonds, in part due to the tragic events that unfolded in the month in Israel and Gaza, leaving few places unscathed. The Higher Income Fund fell by -1.3% over the month, including both capital and income returns¹.

Most positions, by number, held up fairly well over the month, with returns ranging from +1.8% to -0.4%. The fund was, however, dragged down by a number of larger positions that were hit harder by the weakness in equities and longer dated bonds respectively. Our three equity income funds fell between -1.1% (Pacific) and -3.3% (Schroder) and our two of our three

investment trusts fell -4.2% (Sequoia) and -5.6% (The Renewables Infrastructure Group). Over the month we met with the team behind the GAM Star Cat Bond Fund while a senior member was in the UK, which was our top performer over the month at +1.8%. While there have been some issues with GAM, as a firm we were pleased with the progress made there and see the fund as very attractively priced today, offering a yield of around 15% and carrying less risk than usual for the portfolio.

The investment trusts suffered from the moves in long-term interest rates. You could see this in market pricing as the one trust that held up better (-0.2%) was the TwentyFour Income Fund, which invests into floating rate bonds that are less sensitive to such changes. While the portfolio continues to be buffeted by changing views on interest rates, we continue to believe that rates are close enough to the peak today

to mean we are being compensated well by current bond yields for the residual uncertainty. This gives us confidence in the Higher Income Fund's ability to deliver competitive returns over the medium term. In fact, rising long-term bond yields are becoming somewhat self-limiting, with central bankers noting that higher bond yields have done some of the tightening job for them. This sort of comment plus weaker economic growth statistics around the month-end led to a sharp rally in markets in the first few days of November.

¹All returns are in Sterling, run from 30th September to 31st October 2023 and include both capital and income returns unless otherwise stated.

Financial Promotion - The value of the Fund may go down as well as up - you may get back less than you invested.

PERFORMANCE BREAKDOWN

| | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUNE | JULY | AUG | SEPT | OCT | NOV | DEC | YTD |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-----|-----|---------------|
| 2023 | | | | | -0.50% | -0.59% | 1.20% | 0.02% | 0.36% | -1.29% | | | -0.37% |

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Source: Ravenscroft (CI) Limited, collated 06/11/2023

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS (Inception date: 15 May 2023)

| 1 Year | 3 Year | 5 Year | Inception | Annual Compound Growth Rate |
|--------|--------|--------|-----------|-----------------------------|
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All figures are based on the Fund's 'O' Class and are inclusive of fees.

HIGHER INCOME PORTFOLIO

| FUND | WEIGHTING |
|---|--------------|
| Global Blue Chips | 19.5% |
| Fidelity Sustainable Global Dividend Plus | 9.8% |
| Schroder ISF Global Dividend Maximiser | 9.7% |
| Global Themes | 7.2% |
| Pacific North of South EM Equity Income Opportunities | 7.2% |
| Investment Trusts | 18.3% |
| Sequoia Economic Infrastructure Income Fund | 7.0% |
| The Renewables Infrastructure Group | 6.6% |
| TwentyFour Income Fund | 4.7% |
| Corporate Bonds | 20.3% |
| Candriam Global High Yield Bond | 8.7% |
| Rathbones Ethical Bond | 4.9% |
| Sanlam Hybrid Capital | 6.7% |
| Short-Dated High-Income Bonds | 15.6% |
| Muzinich Emerging Markets Short Duration | 6.8% |
| Schroder ISF Strategic Credit | 8.8% |
| Specialist Bonds | 15.8% |
| GAM Star Cat bond | 5.1% |
| TwentyFour Monument European | 4.8% |
| UK Government bond 5% 07/03/2025 | 5.9% |
| Cash & Cash Equivalents | 3.3% |
| Cash | 3.3% |
| | 100% |

KEY POINTS

Dealing Frequency:

Daily (cut-off 5pm GMT one Business Day prior to Dealing Day)

Settlement Period:

Subscriptions - T+4

Redemptions - T+6

Annual Management Charge: %

'O' Class - 0.75% (Retail)

'S' Class - 0.50% (Institutional)

Minimum Investment:

'O': Class: £5,000.00 'S' Class: £10,000,000.00

Sedol / ISIN:

'O' Class - BM8NFK9 / GGO0BM8NFK98

'S' Class - BM8N5D2 / GGO0BM8N5D26

Trustees:

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