

# ABSOLUTE RETURN INCOME FUND

### 12 USD ISIN IE00BD358420

## Investment objective

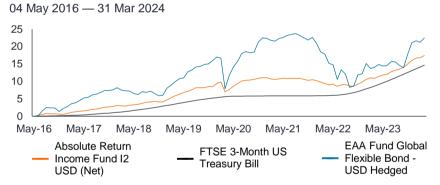
The Fund aims to provide positive, consistent returns (although not guaranteed) above those that would be earned on cash equivalents. Performance target: To outperform the FTSE 3-Month US Treasury Bill Index by at least 2% per annum, before the deduction of charges, over any 5 year period.

For the fund's investment policy, refer to the Additional fund information on page 3. Past performance does not predict future returns.

# Performance (%)

	Cumulative			Annualised				
Returns	1 Month	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since inception (04/05/16)
I2 USD (Net)	0.51	1.21	1.21	5.87	2.01	2.08	_	2.04
Index	0.46	1.37	1.37	5.52	2.70	2.07	_	1.75
Sector	1.02	1.14	1.14	7.37	0.25	2.19	_	2.66
I2 USD (Gross)	_	_	_	_	_	2.70	_	2.70
Target	_	_	_			4.11	_	3.78

### **Cumulative growth - USD**



Calendar year	YTD at Q1 2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016 from 04 May
I2 USD (Net)	1.21	5.65	-0.63	-0.54	2.40	4.23	1.27	2.29	0.40
Index	1.37	5.26	1.50	0.05	0.58	2.25	1.86	0.84	0.19
Sector	1.14	8.01	-8.56	0.11	5.59	9.48	-1.53	5.26	2.70

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## **Fund details**

Inception date	04 May 2016
Total net assets	112.23m
Asset class	Fixed Income
Domicile	Ireland
Structure	Irish Investment Company
Base currency	USD
Index	FTSE 3-Month US Treasury Bill Index
Morningstar sector	Global Flexible Bond - USD Hedged

### Share class information

Inception date	04 May 2016
Distribution type	Accumulation
Currency	USD
Minimum initial investment	1,000,000

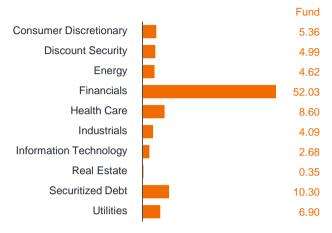
## Portfolio management

Daniel Siluk	Manager since 2016
Addison Maier	Manager since 2024

#### Characteristics

Number of holdings: Debt issues	190
Weighted average maturity (years)	2.54
Duration (years)	1.21
Yield to worst (%)	5.37

### Sector allocation (%)



Credit quality of fixed income holdings (%)	Fund
AAA	3.61
AA+	2.00
AA	1.53
AA-	3.01
A+	6.87
A	4.36
A-	13.76
BBB+	24.17
BBB	19.81
BBB-	14.66
BB+	4.65
BB	1.46

Bond credit quality ratings provided by S&P.

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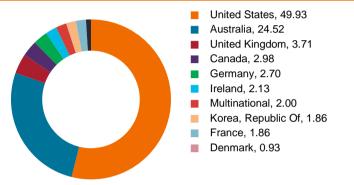
#### Maturity of fixed income holdings (%)

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< 1 yr	16.11
1 - 3 yrs	58.04
3 - 5 yrs	12.39
5 - 7 yrs	1.51
7 - 10 yrs	3.64
10 - 20 yrs	1.11
> 20 yrs	0.12
N/A	2.00

Top holdings (%)	Fund
Buy Protection 1.00 12/20/2028	5.83
Janus Henderson Asset-Backed Securities Fund Z Acc USD Hedged	2.00
Credit Agricole SA 5.13 03/11/2027	1.86
Pay NZD BANK BILL 3MO Receive Fixed 5.44% 5.44 07/27/2025	1.65
Morgan Stanley 6.14 10/16/2026	1.55
Universal Health Services Inc 1.65 09/01/2026	1.44
Wells Fargo & Co 2.16 02/11/2026	1.22
Heritage and People's Choice Ltd 5.94 02/08/2027	1.18
Macquarie Group Ltd 6.21 11/22/2024	1.10
Energy Transfer LP 6.05 12/01/2026	1.02
Total	18.85

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### Top countries (%)



#### Codes

ISIN	IE00BD358420
Bloomberg	JANARIU
Cusip	G5S1EV841
SEDOL	BD35842
WKN	A2AEJX
Valoren	31530665

### Fees & charges (%)

Annual management charge (AMC)	0.55
Ongoing charge (OCF)	0.60

All ongoing charges stated are as per latest published report and accounts.

Fund charges will impact the value of your investment. In particular, the ongoing charges applicable to each fund will dilute investment performance, particularly over time. For further explanation of charges please visit our Fund Charges page at www.janushenderson.com.

Under some circumstances initial charges may apply. Please refer to the Prospectus for more details.

### Additional fund information

Tax assumptions and reliefs depend upon an investor's particular circumstances and may be subject to change. Please note the performance target is to be achieved over a specific annualised time period. Refer to the performance target wording within the objective. From 01 March 2024, Jason England no longer manages this fund, Addison Maier now co-manages this fund. From 30 November 2018, the benchmark changed from 3-Month LIBOR to FTSE 3-Month US Treasury Bill Index. Past performance shown before 30 November 2018 was achieved under circumstances that no longer apply. From 16 March 2023 the Fund changed its investment strategy. Past performance shown before this date was achieved under circumstances that no longer apply. Please note: due to rounding the figures in the holdings breakdowns may not add up to 100%. This is an Irish Investment Company regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland. Note that any differences among portfolio securities currencies, share class currencies and costs to be paid or represented in currencies other than your home currency will expose you to currency risk. Costs and returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency and exchange rate fluctuations. To obtain our prospectus and any additional information please visit our website on: www.janushenderson.com. A short-term trading fee may be applied upon exiting the fund as per the prospectus. Investment into the fund will acquire units/shares of the fund itself and not the underlying assets owned by the fund. Cash balances and exposures are based on settled and unsettled trades as at the reporting date.

#### Investment policy

The Fund invests at least 80% of its assets in a global portfolio of bonds of any quality, including high yield (non-investment grade) bonds and asset-backed and mortgage-backed securities, issued by governments or companies. The Fund may invest directly or via derivatives (complex financial instruments). The Fund may also invest in other assets including bonds of other types from any issuer, preference shares, cash and money market instruments. In certain market conditions, the Fund may invest more than 35% of its assets in government bonds issued by any one body. The Fund will not invest more than 15% of its assets in high yield (non-investment grade) bonds and will never invest in bonds rated lower than B- or B3 (credit agency ratings), or if unrated deemed to be of a comparable quality by the Sub-Investment Adviser. The Sub-Investment Adviser may use derivatives (complex financial instruments), including total return swaps, with the aim of making investment gains in line with the Fund's objective, to reduce risk or to manage the Fund more efficiently. The Fund is actively managed with reference to the FTSE 3-Month US Treasury Bill Index as this forms the basis of the Fund's performance target. The Sub-Investment Adviser has a high degree of freedom to choose individual investments for the Fund.

### Investment strategy

The Sub-Investment Adviser manages the Fund, aiming to provide consistent positive absolute returns in excess of cash with low volatility and capital stability across economic and credit cycles. Exposure to shorter maturity investment grade bonds across global fixed income markets creates steady income generation which is balanced with tactical trades that aim to dampen overall volatility and take advantage of any market mispricing and dislocations. The Fund is benchmark agnostic seeking the best risk adjusted opportunities across sectors and countries.

#### Fund specific risks

When the Fund, or a share/unit class, seeks to mitigate exchange rate movements of a currency relative to the base currency (hedge), the hedging strategy itself may positively or negatively impact the value of the Fund due to differences in short-term interest rates between the currencies. The Fund could lose money if a counterparty with which the Fund trades becomes unwilling or unable to meet its obligations, or as a result of failure or delay in operational processes or the failure of a third party provider. An issuer of a bond (or money market instrument) may become unable or unwilling to pay interest or repay capital to the Fund. If this happens or the market perceives this may happen, the value of the bond will fall. When interest rates rise (or fall), the prices of different securities will be affected differently. In particular, bond values generally fall when interest rates rise (or are expected to rise). This risk is typically greater the longer the maturity of a bond investment. The Fund invests in high yield (non-investment grade) bonds and while these generally offer higher rates of interest than investment grade bonds, they are more speculative and more sensitive to adverse changes in market conditions. Some bonds (callable bonds) allow their issuers the right to repay capital early or to extend the maturity. Issuers may exercise these rights when favourable to them and as a result the value of the Fund may be impacted. The Fund may use derivatives to help achieve its investment objective. This can result in leverage (higher levels of debt), which can magnify an investment outcome. Gains or losses to the Fund may therefore be greater than the cost of the derivative. Derivatives also introduce other risks, in particular, that a derivative counterparty may not meet its contractual obligations. If the Fund holds assets in currencies other than the base currency of the Fund, or you invest in a share/unit class of a different currency to the Fund (unless hedged, i.e. mitigated by taking an offsetting position in a related security), the value of your investment may be impacted by changes in exchange rates. Securities within the Fund could become hard to value or to sell at a desired time and price, especially in extreme market conditions when asset prices may be falling, increasing the risk of investment losses.

#### Source for fund ratings/awards

Overall Morningstar Rating™ is shown for Janus Henderson share classes achieving a rating of 4 or 5.

## Glossary

#### Absolute return

The total return of a portfolio, as opposed to its relative return against a benchmark. It is measured as a gain or loss, and stated as a percentage of a portfolio's total value.

#### Asset-backed securities (ABS)

A financial security which is 'backed' with assets such as loans, credit card debts or leases. They give investors the opportunity to invest in a wide variety of income-generating assets.

#### Discount

When the market price of a security is thought to be less than its underlying value, it is said to be 'trading at a discount'. Within investment trusts, this is the amount by which the price per share of an investment trust is lower than the value of its underlying net asset value. The opposite of trading at a premium.

#### Duration

How far a fixed income security or portfolio is sensitive to a change in interest rates, measured in terms of the weighted average of all the security/portfolio's remaining cash flows (both coupons and principal). It is expressed as a number of years. The larger the figure, the more sensitive it is to a movement in interest rates. 'Going short duration' refers to reducing the average duration of a portfolio. Alternatively, 'going long duration' refers to extending a portfolio's average duration.

#### Future

A contract between two parties to buy or sell a tradable asset, such as shares, bonds, commodities or currencies, at a specified future date at a price agreed today. A future is a form of derivative.

#### High yield bond

A bond which has a lower credit rating below an investment grade bond. It is sometimes known as a sub-investment grade bond. These bonds usually carry a higher risk of the issuer defaulting on their payments, so they are typically issued with a higher coupon to compensate for the additional risk.

#### Mortgage-backed security (MBS)

A security which is secured (or 'backed') by a collection of mortgages. Investors receive periodic payments derived from the underlying mortgages, similar to coupons. Similar to an asset-backed security.

#### Option

A derivative instrument where one party pays/receives the total return of the underlying asset or market index, in exchange for payments typically linked to LIBOR.

## Swaps

A derivative contract between two parties where pre-determined cash flows of two financial instruments are exchanged. Swaps can help to hedge risk and minimise uncertainty; for example currency swaps can be used to minimise foreign currency exposure.

#### **Tracking error**

This measures how far a portfolio's actual performance differs from its benchmark index. The lower the number, the more closely it resembles the index.

### **WAM (Weighted Average Maturity)**

The average time remaining until the maturity of assets in a portfolio.

### Yield to worst

If a bond has special features, such as a call (ie, the issuer can call the bond back at a date specified in advance), the yield to worst is the lowest yield the bond can achieve provided the issuer does not default.

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