



Factsheet at 30<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Month end NAV as at 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022

# **CC**Funds<sup>™</sup> Maximise your return

#### **Investment Objective and Policies**

The Fund aims to maximise the total level of return through investment, primarily in debt securities and money market instruments issued by the Government of Malta, and equities and corporate bonds issued and listed on the MSE.

The Investment Manager may also invest directly or indirectly up to 15% of its assets in "Non-Maltese Assets". The Investment Manager will maintain an exposure to local debt securities of at least 55% of the value of the Net Assets of the

The Fund is actively managed, not managed by reference to any index.

Fund Type	UCITS
Minimum Initial Investment	€2,500

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ISIN	MT7000022273
Bloomberg Ticker	CCMIFAA MV

# Charges

Entry Charge	Up to 2.5%
Exit Charge	None
Total Expense Ratio	1.25%
Currency fluctuations may incre	ase/decrease costs.

## **Risk and Reward Profile**

This section should be read in conjunction with the KIID

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## **Portfolio Statistics**

Total Net Assets (in €mns)	22.11
Month end NAV in EUR	102.4
Number of Holdings	74
% of Top 10 Holdings	29.0

#### **Current Yields**

Underlying Yield (%)	2.39

Country Allocation <sup>1</sup>	%	Top 10 Issuers <sup>2</sup>	%	Top 10 Exposures	%
Malta	87.6	GO plc	5.4	PG plc	3.9
Other	12.4	PG plc	3.9	Harvest Technology plc	3.4
		Central Business Centres	3.8	4% Central Business Centres 2033	3.2
		RS2 Software plc	3.0	RS2 Software plc	3.0
		SD Finance plc	2.6	3.5% GO plc 2031	2.9
		Bank of Valletta plc	2.3	3.9% Browns Pharma 2031	2.7
		Hili Properties plc	2.3	4.35% SD Finance plc 2027	2.6
		Stivala Group Finance plc	2.1	4.65% Smartcare Finance plc 2031	2.5
		Eden Finance	2.1	GO plc	2.5
		IHI plc	2.1	3.75% Tum Finance plc 2029	2.4
<sup>1</sup> including exposures to CIS and Cash		$^{\rm 2}$ including exposures to CIS, excluding Cash			
Currency Allocation	%	Asset Allocation <sup>3</sup>	%	Maturity Buckets <sup>4</sup>	%

storical Performance	e to Date			Sector Allocation <sup>3</sup>	%
		<sup>3</sup> including exposures to CIS		<sup>4</sup> based on the Next Call Date	
		Equities	25.8	10 years +	6.2
		Bonds	64.0	5 - 10 years	38.5
	100.0	Cash	8.0	0 - 5 years	17.0

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Sector Allocation	70
Consumer, Cyclical	47.6
Real Estate	13.2
Communications	10.2
Industrial	6.5
Financial	3.7
Energy	2.2
Consumer, Non-Cyclical	1.9
Government	1.6
Diversified	1.2

Source:	Calamatta	Cuschieri	Investment	Management	Ltd.

Performance History Past performance does not predict future returns						
Calendar Year Performance	YTD	2021	2020	2019	2018*	Annualised Since Inception **
Total Return***	-1.55	1.07	-1.06	3.37	0.31	0.51
Calendar Year Performance	1-month	3-month	6-month	9-month	12-month	
Total Return***	0.21	-1.16	-1.61	-0.77	-1.75	

<sup>\*</sup> The Accumulator Share Class (Class A) was launched on 10 April 2018

<sup>\*\*</sup> Performance figures are calculated using the Value Added Monthly Index "VAMI" principle. The VAMI calculates the total return gained by an investor from reinvestment of any dividends and additional interest gained through compounding. The Annualised rate is an indication of the average growth of the Fund over one year. The value of the investment and the income yield derived from the investment, if any, may go down as well as up and past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance, nor a reliable guide to future performance. Hence returns may not be achieved and you may lose all or part of your investment in the Fund. Currency fluctuations may affect the value of investments and any derived income.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Returns quoted net of TER. Entry and exit charges may reduce returns for investors.

#### **Market Commentary**

#### Introduction

#### **Market Environment and Performance**

#### **Fund Performance**

# Market and Investment Outlook

April, along the same route of the preceding three months and first quarter of the year proved negative for financial markets. Russia's invasion in Ukraine, stringent Covid-19 policies in China once more prompting demand concerns and supply-chain disruptions, and expectations of a swift tightening in US monetary policy all weighed on sentiment. Credit markets came under pressure with investment grade and high-yield corporate credit delivering negative returns as treasury yields – pricing in the Fed's hawkish stance - maintained the upward trajectory. Also, the positive correlation to US paper led European sovereign yields higher.

The eurozone economy advanced by 0.2 per cent on quarter in the first three months of 2022, the least since the bloc exited a recession last year and below market expectations of a 0.3 per cent growth. Growth readings in Spain and Germany of 0.3 and 0.2 per cent respectively more than offset a contraction in Italy. Meanwhile the French economy stalled

Forward looking indicators, notably Purchasing Managers Index (PMI) data painted a somewhat mixed picture as services - benefiting from loosened coronavirus restrictions - expanded while manufacturing contracted. Owing to such uptick in services, which offset the slowdown across the manufacturing sector, remaining susceptible to supply constraints and a slowdown in growth for new orders, the Eurozone Composite PMI increased to 55.8 from the previous months reading of 54.9.

In April, energy and food prices continued to contribute to a rise in annual inflation – a fresh record high at 7.5 per cent, in-line with expectations and marginally higher than the previous month reading of 7.4 per cent. Core inflation, which excludes transitory or temporary price volatility, rose to 3.5 per cent – the highest since available records began in January of 1997. The rate of inflation remains well above the European Central Bank (ECB) target of 2.0 per cent. Month-on-month, inflation increased by 0.6 per cent.

European sovereign yields furthered on the strong upward trajectory witnessed in March, heading to the highest in years on expectations of more aggressive interest rate increases by major central banks in spite of worsening sentiment due to China's strict coronavirus curbs. Also, ECB president Christine Lagarde repeated the message that asset purchases will end early in Q3 and rates could rise this year, but affirmed that the governing council will maintain "optionality".

The yield on the 10-year German Bund, closed the month at 0.94 per cent, 39bps higher than the previous month end. Bond yields of sovereigns within the bloc's periphery, those which offer a premium over Germany's negative yielding debt, moved in tandem, albeit rising at somewhat faster pace.

In March, the Malta High Income Fund registered a gain of 0.21 percent for the month, underperforming its internally compared benchmark which saw gains of 1.66 per cent for the month, following a positive run across local listed equities.

Throughout the month the Manager continued to take an active approach, also seeking pockets of value by looking into attractive credit and equity stories. In the month, the Manager increased the funds exposure to foreign equities and ETFs – a move which will increase the fund's liquidity. The aim remains, to continue tweaking the fund's allocation towards the bond market, in line with the newly adopted strategy of a stable level of income and capital preservation.

Moving forward, the Managers believe in adopting a more defensive stance given the current economic climate. Price pressures may well leave a negative impact on the Maltese economy, possibly hindering the forecasted pace of recovery. Such pace remains highly dependant on inbounds of tourism, now seemingly more optimistic following an increase in appetite for travel.

## Important Information

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