



# **Investment Objective and Policies**

The Fund aims to maximise the total level of return through investment, in a diversified portfolio of Emerging Market ("EM") Corporate and Government fixed income securities as well as up to 15% of the Net Assets of the Fund in EM equities. In pursuing this objective, the Investment Manager shall invest primarily in a diversified portfolio of EM bonds rated at the time of investment "BBB+" to "CCC+" by S&P, or in bonds determined to be of comparable quality. The Fund can also invest up to 10% of its assets in Non-Rated bond issues and up to 30% of its assets in Non-EM issuers. The Fund is actively managed, not managed by reference to any index.

Fund Type	UCITS
Minimum Initial Investment	\$3,000

# Sustainability

The Fund is classified under Article 6 of the SFDR meaning that the investments underlying this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

# **Fund Details**

ISIN	MT7000021226
Bloomberg Ticker	CCEMBFA M\

# Charges

Entry Charge	Up to 2.5%
Exit Charge	None
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	2.03%
Currency fluctuations may increa	se/decrease
costs.	

# Risk and Reward Profile

This section should be read in conjuction with the KIID

Lower Risk Higher Risk

Potentially lower reward Potentially higher reward

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# **Portfolio Statistics**

Total Net Assets (in \$mns)	10.14
Month end NAV in USD	89.17
Number of Holdings	47
% of Top 10 Holdings	37.0

# **Current Yields**

Distribution Yield (%)	N/A
Underlying Yield (%)	5.42

Country Allocation <sup>1</sup>	%
Malta (incl. cash)	20.5
United States	16.6
Brazil	11.7
Mexico	9.9
Oman	6.0
India	5.5
Turkey	5.5
China	3.9
Indonesia	3.9
Great Britain	3.3
<sup>1</sup> including exposures to CIS	

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Average Credit Rating	вв
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Top 10 Exposures	
iShares JPM USD EM Bond	5.0
5.8% Oryx Funding Ltd 2031	3.9
iShares JPM USD EM Corp Bond	3.9
5.45% Cemex SAB DE CV 2029	3.9
4.375% Freeport McMoran Inc 2028	3.8
6.625% NBM US Holdings Inc 2029	3.6
5.8% Turkcell 2028	3.5
4% HSBC Holdings plc perp	3.3
4.75% Banco Santander SA perp	3.1
5.299% Petrobras Global Fin 2025	3.0

Currency Allocation	%

USD	95.7	Cash
EUR	4.3	Bonds (incl.

Asset Allocation	%
Cash	8.1
Bonds (incl. ETFs)	91.9

Maturity Buckets	%
0 - 5 years	48.8
5 - 10 years	25.7
10 years +	8.5
<sup>2</sup> based on the Next Call Date	

Historical	Performance	to Date
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Unit Price (US	SD)				
110.00					
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Sector Breakdown	%
Sovereign	12.3
Oil&Gas	9.5
Banks	6.5
Sovereign ETF	5.0
Auto Parts&Equipment	4.0
Electric	3.9
Airlines	1.8
Chemicals	1.5
Healthcare-Services	1.4
Oil&Gas Services	1.0
3 excluding exposures to CIS	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> excluding exposures to CIS

Source: Calamatta Cuschieri Investment Management Ltd.

Performance History Past performance does not predict future returns							
Calendar Year Performance	YTD	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	Annualised Since Inception***
Share Class A - Total Return**	-0.16	-13.21	0.25	-0.71	10.40	-6.17	-2.07
Total Retun	1-month	3-month	6-month	9-month	12-month		
Share Class A - Total Return**	1.03	-2 66	8 96	4.65	0.33		

<sup>\*</sup> The USD Accumulator Share Class (Class A) was launched on 03 November 2017.

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

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> 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.

#### Introduction

**Market Environment and Performance** 

# **Fund Performance**

**Market and Investment Outlook** 

Economic data released in April confirmed China's reopening-driven rebound is progressing notably well with services leading the recovery. Indeed, the Chinese economy advanced 4.5% year-on-year in Q1 2023, accelerating from a 2.9% growth in Q4 and exceeding market estimates of 4%. Such growth, was the strongest pace of expansion since Q1 2022, amid efforts from Beijing to spur a post-pandemic recovery. Despite an encouraging macroeconomic backdrop, concerns surrounding geopolitical tensions overshadowed, hindering emerging market credit performance.

In fixed income markets, bond yields remained largely unchanged. Emerging market corporate bonds headed lower, registering a negative performance for the month; c. -0.31%.

From the data front in the emerging market world, leading indicators, particularly PMI data in China continued to portray a more benevolent economic scenario as the abrupt shift on strict coronavirus policies filtered through. In April, China's composite PMI reading, pointed to a 3-month low, still an expansion (53.6 v 54.5 in March). Manufacturing fell (49.5 v 50.0 in March), the first contraction in factory activity since January amid an ongoing property market downturn and fears of a global slowdown. Services, boosted by an increase in new orders and foreign sales, declined, yet remained in expansionary territory (56.4 v 57.8 in March).

Latin America's largest economy; Brazil, private sector business activity edged marginally higher (51.8 v 50.7 in March) – a second successive expansion in business activity, aided by services (54.5 v 51.8 in March) which was the primary driver of growth. Manufacturing fell (44.3 v 47.0 in March), marking the sixth consecutive period of contraction in Brazilian factory activity. Meanwhile, India too registered an expansion in its business activity, spurred by quicker expansions at goods producers and service providers. New orders rose the most in almost 13 years, reflecting faster increases in new business, both the manufacturing and service sectors. Meanwhile, job creation across the private sector remained mild, with the rates of growth broadly similar at manufacturing firms and their services counterparts.

Price pressures in EM markets have generally continued to show signs of easing. In Brazil, annual inflation eased to 4.65% in March, the lowest since January 2021, in line with market estimates, and the first time in over two years were the data point came in within the central bank's 1.75-4.75% target range. Similarly, Mexico saw price pressures declining to 6.85%, the lowest since end of 2021 following a fall in energy prices, food, non-alcoholic beverages, and transportation.

In the month of April, the CC Emerging Market Bond Fund realized a gain of 1.03%. Throughout the month, the Manager increased its exposure to sovereign bonds, namely through the Republic of Colombia and US short-term treasuries.

Optimism in China; a result of the moves taken by Xi Jinping's regime to alleviate the economy through easing of strict coronavirus restrictions imposed, have at the start of the year proved benevolent, leading to an encouraging macroeconomic backdrop. Such backdrop was however overshadowed as geopolitical tensions, notably between US and China, resurfaced and lack of clarity on the government's plans to support economic growth, remain unclear. In most LatAm countries, headline inflation continued to decelerate, but core inflation still remains high and sticky, pushing central banks to stay hawkish.

In terms of bond picking, the Manager will continue to monitor the market environment and take opportunities in attractive credit stories which should continue to add value to the portfolio. The widening observed in corporate credit spreads over the previous weeks have indeed posed opportunities, presenting attractive entry points to yield capital appreciation.

# **Important Information**

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