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PRIVATE WEALTH BOND FUND

Q2 2019

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PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW

The bond market ended the second quarter on a positive note, with the index returning 3.7%, despite heightened volatility over the period. Two broad trends characterised local bond markets. On the one hand, the market continues to price in weak economic growth prospects and a precarious fiscal position which is under additional pressure from several State-Owned Entities (SOEs), with the biggest burden being Eskom. This kept longer dated bonds under pressure. On the other hand, global central banks turned more accommodative with the language increasingly proactive. The SA Reserve Bank also turned more dovish in its commentary, supported by contained inflationary data. The market is pricing in a minimum of one 25bps interest rate cut before the end of the year, with a high probability attached to action at the July meeting. This benefitted shorted dated bonds, which rallied as these instruments price in the possibility of an interest rate cut.

Over the last year, the fund returned 10.4% relative to benchmark performance of 11.5% and average peer group performance of 9.9%. Over the year, we have invested in long dated bonds when they offered value. This meant that the fund benefitted less from the rally on the short end of the bond curve over this period, however, this should position the fund well for future returns given the yield enhancement it offers.

Given the benign inflationary backdrop in South Africa and more accommodative stance of global central banks, we believe SA bonds continue to offer attractive real returns. This is balanced against a difficult fiscal position for the country, which also remains vulnerable to external supply shocks, such as a higher oil price and volatile currency. As such we continue to retain a balanced stance as we closely watch the developments and progress at the SOEs.

STRATEGY

The Fund maintains a balanced approach, with exposure to short and long-terms assets, as well as reasonable exposure to less liquid, shorter dated, highly rated corporate paper (no more than 2% of the fund is exposed to any one non-government issuer) and longer dated bonds issued by state owned enterprises which the manager believes to be of similar credit risk as the SA government. The Fund has exposure to quality corporate names such as Netcare, MTN, Bidvest, Discovery and Standard Bank.



RISK RATING



RISK REWARD PROFILE

For credit and income instruments, while unlikely, capital loss may occur due to an event like the default of an issuer. The portfolio typically displays higher volatility than a money market portfolio, but lower volatility than a general equity or balanced portfolio. The portfolio is suitable for investors who require specific exposure to the South African bond market as part of their overall investment strategy.

GENERAL INFORMATION

BENCHMARK / TARGET RETURN

All Bond Index

INVESTMENT MANAGER ASSET CLASS

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ASISA CATEGORY

South African Interest Bearing Variable Term

REGULATION 28 COMPLIANT

No

INCEPTION DATE

01 May 2004

FUND SIZE

R 443 Million

NET ASSET VALUE ¹

1070.95 cpu

MINIMUM INVESTMENT

Lump sum: R50,000

INCOME DISTRIBUTION

Frequency: Quarterly

June 2019: 22.46 cpu

Previous 12 months: 89.22 cpu

FEES

Annual management fee (excluding VAT): 0.50%

Total expense ratio 0.61%

Transaction costs 0.00%

Total investment charges ³ 0.61%

INVESTMENT APPROACH

The appointed investment manager continuously reviews the fund's allocations. Changes to the holdings of the fund are made based on the prevailing economic and market conditions. The investment manager adopts both a top-down and bottom-up approach in developing strategies. A strong emphasis is placed on risk adjusted returns and the probabilities of outcomes as priced in the markets. The fund manager aims to assess the implications of various scenarios on our markets and the pricing of domestic fixed income assets.

PORTFOLIO PROFILE

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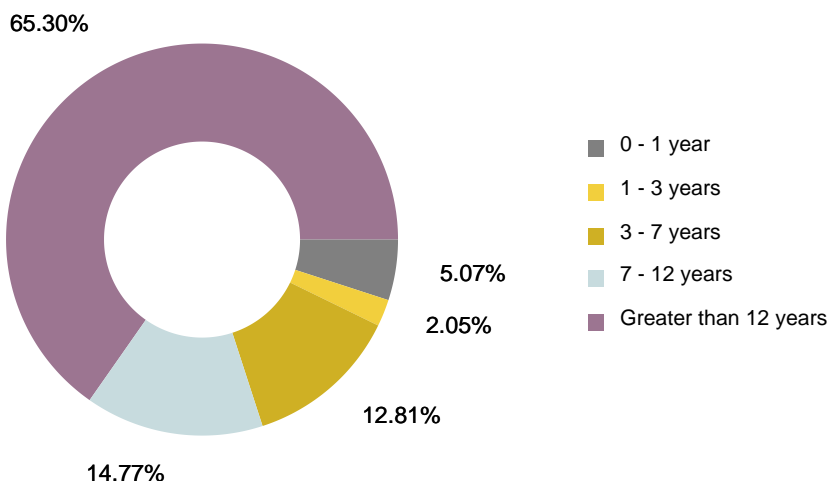
Period	Portfolio	Benchmark
1 year pa	10.4%	11.5%
3 Years pa	9.2%	9.9%
5 Years pa	8.1%	8.6%
7 Years pa	7.4%	7.8%
10 Years pa	8.6%	9.0%
Highest 1 year return	20.0%	
Lowest 1 year return	-4.4%	

The annualized total return is the average earned by an investment each year over a given period of time.

MATURITY SPREAD

Maturity Spread	% Spread
0 - 1 year	5.07%
1 - 3 years	2.05%
3 - 7 years	12.81%
7 - 12 years	14.77%
>12 years	65.30%
Total	100.00%

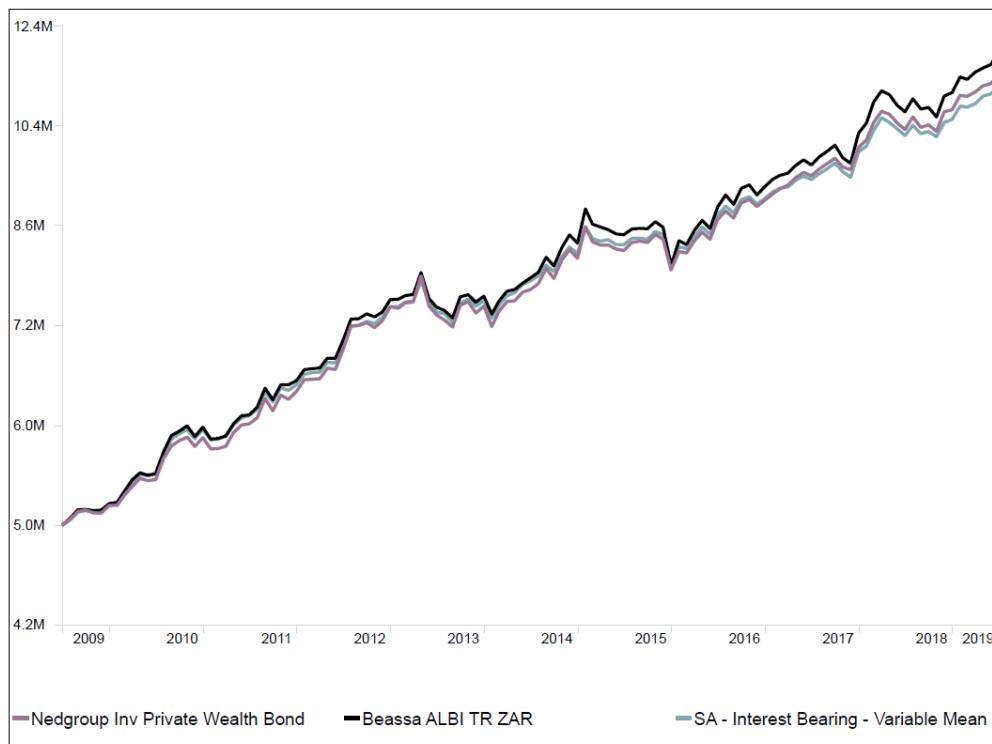
PORTFOLIO STRUCTURE





SINCE INCEPTION CUMULATIVE PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE

The graph shows growth of R5 000 000 invested in the portfolio plotted against the fund's benchmark the All Bond Index as well as the average of the domestic ASISA South African Interest Bearing Variable Term category.



Source: Morningstar Direct

Mandatory disclosures:

1. Funds are valued daily at 15:00. Instructions must reach us before 14:00 (12:00 for Nedgroup Money Market Fund) to ensure same day value. Daily prices are available on request from your relationship manager.
2. Performance is calculated for the portfolio and individual investment performance may differ as a result of initial fees, the actual investment, the actual investment date, the date of reinvestment and dividend withholding tax. Data source: © 2015 Morningstar.
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