



# Thames River GLOBAL BOND Fund (\$)

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UCITS III GLOBAL FIXED - OECD SOVEREIGNS



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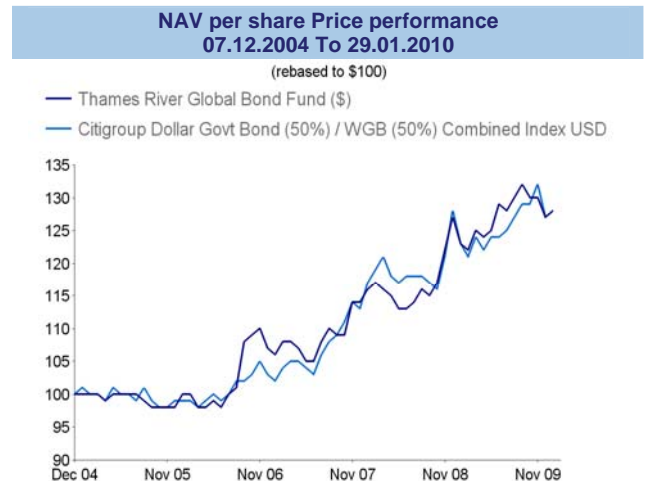
In January the fund returned +0.83% versus +0.85% for the index. Bond markets rallied from the upper end of the yield range with 10 year US Treasury yields falling by 25 basis points and by 19 and 11 basis points in Germany and the UK respectively. In Japan 10 year yields rose by 3 basis points. In currency markets the US dollar strengthened against the euro and sterling but fell against the yen. The month was characterised by a reversion of risk appetite with core bond markets performing strongly and outperforming the periphery, both yen and US dollar strength against the Europeans and by a sell-off in both the SP 500, gold and other risky asset classes. Although the fund's relative performance benefitted from both long duration and relative market allocation - US Treasuries and German bunds - and from an overweight position in the US dollar, an underweight position in the yen detracted from relative performance. During the month we extended duration in the US by buying some 30 year strips. The data during January if anything surprised to the downside and particularly with regard to the US housing market which is so important for consumption. We continue to be positioned for a sell-off in risk. Policy makers were successful in avoiding a global melt down in 2009 and markets reacted accordingly. However, for the global economy to enjoy any sustainability we need to see a considerable pick up in consumer demand. In a world that continues to deleverage this is unlikely. Deflation remains the risk for policy makers in 2010.

## Fund Performance to 29 Jan 2010

	NAV Per Share	1 Month	YTD	1 Year Fund	1 Year Index	3 Year Fund	3 Year Index	5 Year Fund	5 Year Index
<b>\$ Acc Class</b>	\$12.14	+0.83%	+0.83%	+4.03%	+4.05%	+21.52%	+24.88%	+21.28%	+27.36%
<b>\$ Dbn Class</b>	\$10.81	+0.75%	+0.75%	+4.07%	+4.05%	+21.03%	+24.88%	+29.03%	+27.36%

Source: Northern Trust IFAS (Ireland) Ltd., Bloomberg. Above rolling returns are cumulative. Refer to back of the monthly newsletter for monthly/ annual returns. N.B. Historical performances for distribution share classes may vary from previous issues of the Thames River newsletters. This follows an improvement in the performance calculation methodology (from monthly to daily cumulative), in order to be in line with Global Investment Performance Standards.

Bond Allocation %		Currency Allocation %			
Britain	7.4	<b>Currency</b>	<b>FX</b>	<b>CCY O*</b>	<b>Total</b>
France	0.2	Euro	0.1	-	0.1
Germany	0.3	Sterling	0.7	-	0.7
Netherlands	0.7	US Dollar	99.3	-	99.3
United States	90.9	<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>		<b>100.0</b>
Cash	0.4	* CCY O = Currency Option			
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>				



Bond Credit Allocation %		Estimated Total Volatility	
<b>Rating</b>		<b>Income Yield</b>	<b>7.16%</b>
AAA	100.0	<b>Maturity Yield</b>	<b>0.81%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Maturity Yield</b>	<b>0.80%</b>
		<b>Bond Option Call Duration</b>	<b>0.00 yrs</b>
		<b>Total Bond + Call Duration</b>	<b>7.08 yrs</b>
		<b>Bond Option Put Duration</b>	<b>0.00 yrs</b>
		<b>Total Bond/Bond Option Duration</b>	<b>7.08 yrs</b>

Note: The yields quoted are based on existing assets at the time of going to press and will fluctuate depending on asset allocation. Yields quoted net of fees, estimated expenses and the impact of hedging and are not guaranteed.

\$ Statistics	
Annualised Return	<b>+3.8%</b>
Volatility (Standard Deviation)	<b>5.5%</b>
Sharpe Ratio (2.82%)	<b>0.21</b>

Note: NAV per share monthly return calculated net of fees. Benchmark - 50% Citigroup US Govt Bond Index/50% Citigroup World Govt Bond Index in US\$ (total return). Source: Northern Trust IFAS (Ireland) Ltd, Bloomberg, TRC, Pertrac (NB: Sharpe Ratio risk free rate - Citi 3 Month T-Bill). Start Date 31.10.03

## Fund Objective

The fund aims to achieve a total return primarily through investment in debt securities and instruments which may be either fixed, floating rate or index / inflation linked, issued or guaranteed by EU/OECD Issuers.

\* these classes will apply for distributor status annually.



<b>Fund Size (Mn)</b>	\$47.4
<b>Share Classes</b>	\$ Acc / \$ Dbn
<b>Launch Price</b>	\$10
<b>Launch Date</b>	07/12/2004
<b>Minimum Dealing</b>	\$7,500
<b>Listing</b>	Daily
<b>Legal Status</b>	Irish Stock Exchange UCITS III. UK regulatory status: FSA recognised
<b>Dividends</b>	Quarterly (Mar, Jun, Sep, Dec)
<b>Unit Type</b>	Accumulation or Distribution*
<b>Charges</b>	
Initial Charge	Up to 5%
Management Fee	1%
Performance Fee	10% of any absolute outperformance of benchmark (see above) with a high watermark

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