

Nedgroup Investments Core Bond Fund

Class A

March 2019



INCOME RANGE

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.

GENERAL INFORMATION

ASISA category

South African Interest Bearing Variable Term

Benchmark

Beassa All Bond Index (ALBI)

Investment manager

Taquanta Asset Managers (Pty) Ltd is authorised as a Financial Services Provider under the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act (FSP No. 618).

Inception date

02 August 1999

Appropriate term

Minimum 3 years

Market value

R 944 Million

Income distributions

Frequency: Quarterly

March 2019: 3.14 cpu

Previous 12 months: 12.91 cpu

Fees and charges (excluding VAT)

Initial fees 0.00%
Annual management fee 0.35%

Total expense ratio 0.44%

Transaction costs 0.02%

Total investment charges² 0.46%

Please Note:

Differences may exist due to rounding

CONTACT

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Portfolio profile

The portfolio is suitable for investors who require specific exposure to the South African bond market as part of their overall investment strategy.

Performance¹

Period	Portfolio	Benchmark
1 year pa	3.8%	3.5%
3 Years pa	10.1%	10.1%
5 Years pa	8.3%	8.3%
7 Years pa	7.9%	8.0%
10 Years pa	8.6%	8.7%
Lowest 1 year return	-5.4%	
Highest 1 year return	20.0%	

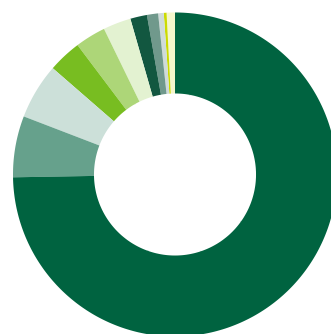
Risk

Period	Portfolio	ALBI
Volatility [5 years]	6.8%	7.7%

Maturity spread

Maturity spread	% Spread
0 - 1 year	5.5%
1 - 3 years	7.6%
3 - 7 years	4.9%
7 - 12 years	29.4%
> 12 years	52.5%
Total	100.0%

Portfolio structure



Republic of South Africa	76.0%
Transnet	6.2%
Eskom	5.6%
FirstRand Bank	3.4%
ABSA	3.0%
Nedgroup Collective Investments	2.9%
Nedbank	1.8%
Old Mutual Life Assurance Co SA Ltd	1.1%
Cash and money market	0.7%
Trans-Caledon Tunnel Authority	0.2%

1) The annualized total return is the average return earned by an investment each year over a given time period. 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. Due to the delayed release of inflation data, relevant benchmarks will lag by one month.
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2) Total Expense Ratio (TER), expressed as a percentage of the Fund, relates to expenses incurred in the administration of the Fund. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER may not necessarily be an accurate indication of future TERs. Transaction Costs (TC), expressed as a percentage of the Fund, relate to the costs incurred in buying and selling the underlying assets of the Fund. TC are a necessary cost in administering the fund and impact fund returns. It should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by other factors over time including market returns, the type of fund, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER. The Total Investment Charges expressed as a percentage of the Fund, relates to all investment costs of the Fund. Both the TER and TC of the Fund are calculated on an annualised basis, beginning 01/01/2016 and ending 31/12/2018.



Portfolio attributes

A South African bond portfolio which aim to produce superior risk adjusted returns relative to the peers by charging lower fees and staying largely neutral on modified duration.

Key characteristics of the fund:

- Low fees and total investment charges (as per front page)
- Staying largely neutral on modified duration versus (vanilla) bond peers
- A low turnover approach

Investment manager

The Nedgroup Investments Core range is implemented by Taquanta Asset Managers, an independent, owner-managed firm. Taquanta has been an industry leader in delivering successful and innovative quantitative fund management since 1996. The Quants team is one of the most experienced and stable in the industry and their index tracking process has a reputation for attention to detail with cost efficiency and very low tracking error.

The current portfolio manager is Charles Alderman.

Investment philosophy

Due to the small dispersion in performances between bond funds the Nedgroup Investments Core Bond Fund aims to produce superior risk adjusted returns by charging lower fees and staying largely neutral on modified duration relative the bond peers (excluding Multi-managers, ILB and ALBI tracker funds). The fund has exposure to credit which is selected using Taquanta's credit process.

Who we are

Nedgroup Collective Investments (RF) Proprietary Limited, is the company that is authorised in terms of the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act to administer the Nedgroup Investments unit trust funds. It is a member of the Association of Savings & Investment South Africa (ASISA).

Our Trustee

The Standard Bank of South Africa Limited is the registered trustee. Contact details: Standard Bank, Po Box 54, Cape Town 8000, Trustee-compliance@standardbank.co.za, Tel 021 401 2002.

Performance

Unit trusts are generally medium to long-term investments. The value of your investment may go down as well as up. Certain unit trust funds may be subject to currency fluctuations due to its international exposure. Past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. Nedgroup Investments does not guarantee the performance of your investment and even if forecasts about the expected future performance are included you will carry the investment and market risk, which includes the possibility of losing capital.

Pricing

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. Prices are published daily on our website and in selected major newspapers.

Fees

A schedule of fees and charges and maximum commissions is available on request from Nedgroup Investments.

Disclaimer

Unit trusts are traded at ruling prices and can engage in borrowing and scrip lending. Nedgroup Investments has the right to close unit trust funds to new investors in order to manage it more efficiently. For further additional information on the fund, including but not limited to, brochures, application forms and the annual report please contact Nedgroup Investments.

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