

Fund Objective

The objective of the High Yield Credit fund is to generate returns in excess of a typical income fund. This fund is best suited for investors looking for enhanced income returns with very low liquidity requirements.

Investment Strategy

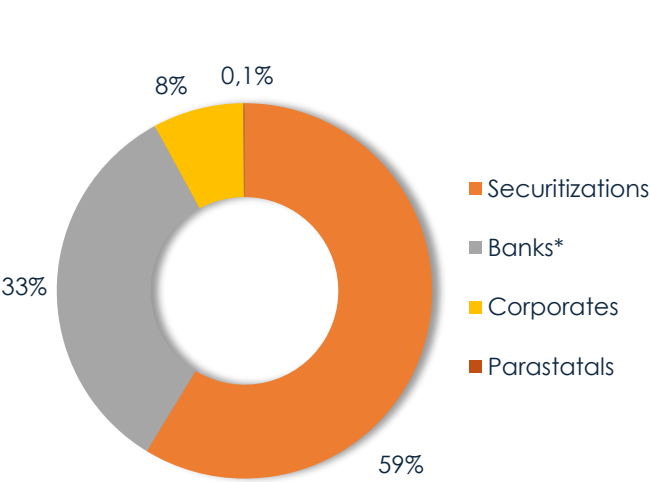
Employs a conservative approach to enhance yields through extracting the liquidity risk premium in longer dated and less liquid debt instruments, as well as an increased exposure to credit assets. Our fundamental credit review process is robust, combining qualitative and quantitative analysis, overlaid with institutional memory to question convention, operating within a strong risk and compliance framework. Our portfolio construction process builds a well-diversified fund targeting up to 30+ counterparties to further diversify risks.

Fund Performance

Period (naca)	Fund Return	Fund Target	CPI +5%
1 month	0,9%	0,9%	0,5%
3 months	2,8%	2,8%	1,4%
6 months	5,6%	5,8%	4,1%
1 year	11,6%	11,9%	8,6%
2 years p.a.	9,9%	12,3%	8,2%
3 years p.a.	11,0%	12,3%	9,1%
5 years p.a.	10,2%	10,8%	10,0%
3yr volatility	1,2%	0,2%	1,2%

Source: Taquanta Asset Managers

Issuer Type



\*Includes 27% in Credit-linked Notes, which are bank issued notes referencing other entities.

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Fund Details

Risk Profile:



Portfolio Manager:

Taquanta Asset Managers

Currency:

ZAR

Fund Size:

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Inception date:

August 2015

Target Return:

STeFI Composite (Cash) +4%

Minimum Rating:

BB- (at time of purchase)

Max offshore exposure:

40% (Hedged)

Lock in Period:

5 years

Maturity Limit:

7 years

Modified Duration:

<0.25 Years

No. of Counterparties:

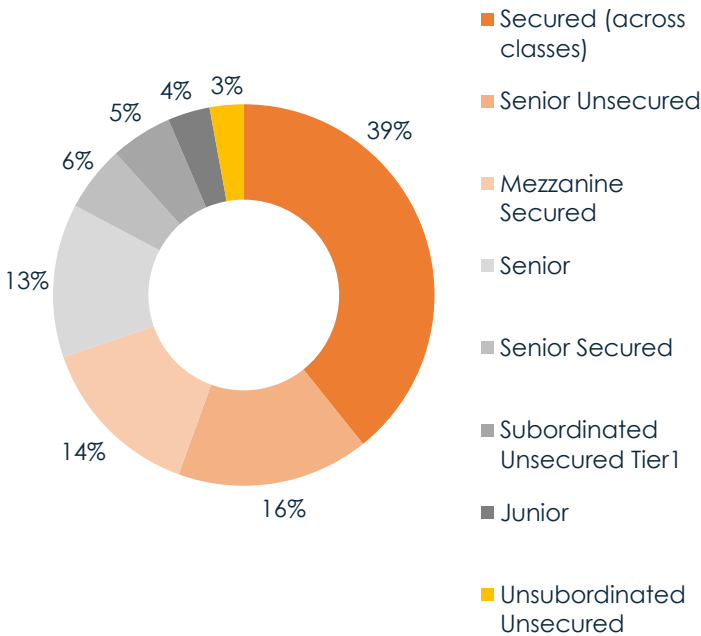
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Top 5 Credit Exposures (excluding unit trust exposure)

Issuer Name	% Exposure
The Republic of South Africa	36%
Standard Bank of South Africa	16%
Constantia Issuer Trust	5%
Obaro SPV (RF) Proprietary Limited	5%
Obaro Agrifin SPV (RF) Proprietary Limited	5%

Source: Taquanta Asset Managers

Capital Ranking



### Fund Outlook

The fund remains anchored in a low-duration strategy, supported by a well-balanced maturity profile and strong liquidity positioning. With credit spreads continuing to compress amid sustained demand outpacing supply, our approach of investing across listed, unlisted, and structured debt instruments provides the flexibility to capture value in a competitive market. Against the backdrop of the current macro environment and robust issuance trends, we maintain our disciplined focus on conservative credit selection and liquidity risk management.

### Market Commentary

The South African Reserve Bank (SARB) lowered its benchmark repo rate by 25 basis points to 6.75% on 20 November 2025. The unanimous decision reflects policymakers' confidence that monetary conditions can be moderately eased in response to an improved inflation outlook and balanced growth risks. Although headline inflation accelerated slightly to 3.6% in October, officials view the uptick as temporary, with price growth expected to remain consistent with the revised 3% medium-term target. The SARB adjusted its inflation projections marginally downward to 3.3% for 2025 and 3.5% for 2026. On the growth front, the central bank raised its 2025 GDP forecast to 1.3% while maintaining its 2026 estimate at 1.4%.

South Africa's annual inflation rate increased to 3.6% in October, up from 3.4% in September and marking its highest level since September 2024, though slightly below market expectations. The rise was largely driven by higher costs in housing and utilities; particularly electricity, water services, and associated fees, as well as alcoholic beverages, tobacco, and recreation-related categories. Transport inflation also turned positive for the first time in over a year on the back of a notable rebound in fuel prices. By contrast, price pressures moderated in restaurants, accommodation services, and food and non-alcoholic beverages. Core inflation eased marginally to 3.1% in October from 3.2% in September. On a monthly basis, CPI edged up 0.1%, slowing from the 0.2% gain recorded previously.

In the United States, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) announced the cancellation of the October consumer price report due to data-collection disruptions caused by the recent government shutdown. Because the missing information cannot be gathered retroactively, the BLS indicated it will publish October values only for categories supported by non-survey data sources, incorporating them into the November 2025 release where feasible.

The Group of 20 summit held in South Africa concluded against the backdrop of a notable absence: the United States, which is set to assume the rotating presidency. The Trump administration boycotted the summit following claims related to the treatment of South Africa's white Afrikaner minority. A last-minute attempt to send a lower-level embassy representative was declined by South African authorities, who deemed it inappropriate for the formal G20 handover. As a result, no U.S. delegation was accredited. South Africa indicated that the leadership transition will be completed later. The summit also marked a first for the G20 in Africa by issuing its leaders' declaration at the outset rather than at the conclusion of the proceedings.

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Pension Funds Benefits				
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Derivative instruments	X	X	X	
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Short-term Deposits	X	X	X	
Structured Deposits			X	X
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