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# NEDGROUP INVESTMENTS MULTIFUNDS PLC

## Quarterly Review
## Quarter 3 2024

**Marketing Communication**

This report is prepared by Nedgroup Investments (IOM) Limited the Investment Manager of Nedgroup Investments MultiFunds Plc.

The purpose of the report is to provide shareholders in the Nedgroup Investments MultiFunds and their advisers, with a review of the funds' performance since inception. The report is structured as follows:

## PART ONE: MARKET REVIEW

This section provides a market review, which looks at the performance of global asset classes over the last quarter, and puts this into perspective relative to longer-term performance. The aim of this review is to provide a context in which the performance of Nedgroup Investments MultiFunds can be assessed.

## PART TWO: NEDGROUP INVESTMENTS MULTIFUNDS' PERFORMANCE

This section provides an overview of the performance of the Nedgroup Investments MultiFunds since its launch on 19 August 2011 under the UCITS IV structure. The Income MultiFund was launched on 26 January 2012.

## PART THREE: MARKET OUTLOOK

In this section we highlight our current views on the market over the medium term and how these views are implemented within the MultiFunds.

## PART FOUR: UNDERLYING PORTFOLIO MANAGER PERFORMANCE

This section shows the performance of the underlying managers.

## PART FIVE: FUND FOCUS

In this section we highlight a fund held in the MultiFunds.

## PART ONE: MARKET REVIEW

### Performance over period to 30th September 2024

Past performance is not indicative of future performance and does not predict future return.

| Asset Class | Indicator | 3 months | 1 year | 3 years | 5 years | 10 years |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Equities | MSCI All Country World Index | 6.6% | 31.8% | 8.1% | 12.2% | 6.2% |
| Property | FTSE EPRA/NA REIT Dev Property Index | 16.3% | 30.2% | 1.4% | 2.4% | 3.3% |
| Bonds | Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Index | 4.2% | 10.6% | -0.2% | 0.6% | 1.5% |
| Cash | US 3-month deposits | 1.2% | 5.3% | 3.8% | 2.5% | 1.2% |
| Inflation | US CPI (one month in arrears) | 0.5% | 2.4% | 4.7% | 4.2% | 1.9% |

*Source Bloomberg, Nedgroup Investments*
*Returns for periods longer than 12 months are annualised.*

### Economic and market commentary

The third quarter of 2024 was marked by significant volatility across global markets, driven by a mix of disappointing earnings, weakening economic data, and shifting central bank policies, before concluding with a notable recovery in risk assets.

Q3 began with optimism, as a cross-asset rally in early July pushed the S&P 500 to an all-time high. However, this was short-lived, as earnings reports from key technology firms failed to meet high expectations, dragging the Magnificent 7 into correction territory. By mid-July, concerns over the U.S. economy grew as data pointed to a slowdown, with unemployment rising to 4.1% by the end of June. The Bank of Japan further added to the uncertainty by unexpectedly hiking its policy rate to 0.25%, and signalling more tightening ahead.

August saw further turbulence, with the U.S. jobs report for July revealing softer-than-expected payroll growth (+114k) and a higher unemployment rate of 4.3%. Markets reacted swiftly, as fears of an economic downturn mounted and interest rate differentials between the U.S. and Japan caused significant dislocations in the yen carry trade. Japan's TOPIX index dropped by 12.2% in a single day on August 5, the largest decline since March 2020, while the VIX index spiked to aggressively, signalling the highest volatility levels since the onset of the pandemic.

Despite this turmoil, markets found a floor in early September. Central banks pivoted to a more dovish stance, with the Federal Reserve delivering a 50bps rate cut, marking its first reduction since March 2020. Fed Chair Powell's comments at Jackson Hole reassured investors that the Fed would act swiftly to counter economic weakness, sparking a sharp rebound in equities. Meanwhile, the Bank of Japan also sought to calm nerves, emphasising that they would not hike rates further in unstable market conditions.

Economic data also stabilized in September, helping to alleviate recession fears. U.S. jobless claims fell, and nonfarm payrolls for August improved, with unemployment ticking slightly lower. These developments, along with signs of resilience in the U.S. economy, contributed to a late-quarter recovery in risk sentiment.

Lastly, China's significant stimulus measures at the end of September fuelled a rally in Chinese equities, with the CSI 300 surging over +27% in just two weeks, lifting global risk assets and further supporting the recovery.

Given this backdrop, equities were well supported, with the global index up by +6.6%, led by Asia ex Japan (+8.0%) and Emerging Markets (+6.6%). US (+5.8%) also performed well, while Japan (-6.0%) lagged, given the unwinding of the yen carry trade. In terms of equity styles, growth stocks (+4.1%) underperformed value (+9.6%), and small-cap stocks (+8.9%) outperformed large caps (+4.9%). There was a wide variation in sector performance, with Real Estate (+16.1%) and Utilities (+16.9%) being the strongest two sectors, while Energy (-2.0%) and Information Technology (+1.2%) lagged significantly.

Fixed income markets were also well supported with yields falling. Looking at the details, global government bonds (+4.2%) were up strongly, but lagged the riskier areas which benefitted from the yield pickup in what was a fairly benign default environment. This was seen in global emerging market debt (+6.1%), global investment-grade credit (+5.0%) and global high yield (+5.0%).

In the real assets space, global real estate (+16.3%) and global infrastructure (+13.4%) both significantly outperformed equities due to their sensitivity to fall interest rate. Commodities (+0.7%) on the other hand, were mixed with gold (+12.9%) continuing its strong run whereas oil (-11.8%) lagged behind.

## PART TWO: MULTIFUNDS' PERFORMANCE

All performance figures are as at 30 September 2024

Past performance is not indicative of future performance and does not predict future return.

### Growth MultiFund

| PERIOD | FUND USD % | Performance Indicator SOFR 3 Month +4% | FUND GBP % | Performance Indicator Sonia 3 Month +4% |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3 months | 6.7% | 2.3% | 3.2% | 2.2% |
| 1 year | 21.8% | 9.5% | 15.3% | 9.3% |
| 3 years (annualised) | 3.9% | 7.9% | 3.6% | 7.7% |
| 10 years (annualised) | 6.2% | 5.9% | 6.6% | 5.4% |
| Since inception* (annualised) | 6.5% | 5.5% | 6.5% | 5.2% |

### Balanced MultiFund

| PERIOD | FUND USD % | Performance Indicator SOFR 3 Month +2% | FUND GBP % | Performance Indicator Sonia 3 Month +2% |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3 months | 6.3% | 1.8% | 4.0% | 1.7% |
| 1 year | 16.9% | 7.4% | 12.7% | 7.2% |
| 3 years (annualised) | 2.0% | 5.9% | 1.5% | 5.6% |
| 10 years (annualised) | 3.5% | 3.9% | 3.9% | 3.3% |
| Since inception* (annualised) | 3.5% | 3.4% | 3.8% | 3.1% |

### Income MultiFund Accumulating

| PERIOD | FUND USD % | Performance Indicator SOFR 3 Month | FUND GBP % | Performance Indicator Sonia 3 Month |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3 months | 4.8% | 1.2% | 4.7% | 1.2% |
| 1 year | 11.0% | 5.3% | 10.7% | 5.1% |
| 3 years (annualised) | 0.0% | 3.8% | -0.5% | 3.6% |
| 10 years (annualised) | - | - | 1.6% | 1.3% |
| Since inception* (annualised) | 2.5% | 1.5% | 2.2% | 1.1% |

C Class performance with returns prior their inception dates backfilled using class A returns adjusted for fees.

*Inception dates: NIM Growth USD C: 30/12/2014, NIM Growth GBP C: 06/03/2013,
NIM Balanced USD C: 08/11/2013, NIM Balanced GBP C: 06/03/2013
NIM Income USD C Acc: 01/09/2015, NIM Income GBP C Acc: 08/04/2013

Inception date for NIM Growth and Balanced USD A is 19 August 2011 (Valuation date 18 August 2011) / for NIM Income USD A Acc is 12 April 2012
Inception date for NIM Growth and Balanced GBP A is 19 August 2011 (Valuation date 18 August 2011) / for NIM Income GBP A Acc is 26 January 2012

*Source Bloomberg, Nedgroup Investments*

# PORTFOLIO REVIEW AND CHANGES

## Growth

The third quarter of 2024 proved to be strong for investors, as the Nedgroup Investments Growth MultiFund delivered returns of +6.7% in the US Dollar share class and +3.2% in the GBP share class. The difference was driven by dollar weakness during the period.

Within equities, the anticipation of lower interest rates made the iShares S&P Small Cap 600 UCITS ETF (+9.3%) our strongest performer, outpacing the tech-heavy and large-cap iShares Core S&P 500 ETF (+5.8%). Encouragingly, our quality-focused funds—Morgan Stanley Global Brands (+8.9%) and Nedgroup Global Equity (+8.5%)—also benefited from a "broadening out" of returns and a rotation away from tech stocks. Meanwhile, stimulus measures from China provided a tailwind for our emerging markets holding, with the TT Emerging Markets Equity Fund (+4.9%) gaining momentum.

Fixed income markets were supported by the prospect of lower rates, as falling yields favoured longer-maturity bonds. The iShares $ Treasury Bond 7-10YR ETF (+5.5%) outperformed its shorter-maturity counterpart, the iShares $ Treasury Bond 1-3YR ETF (+2.9%). Our exposure to emerging market local currency bonds, through the Colchester Local Markets Bond Fund (+9.4%), rallied alongside the depreciation of the US dollar. Credit markets also performed well, with tightening spreads bolstering the Nedgroup Global Strategic Bond Fund (+4.3%).

Elsewhere, our real asset holdings performed strongly, benefiting from the anticipation of rate cuts. Property investments, particularly sensitive to yield changes, led the way, with our listed global REITs holding, Nedgroup Global Property Fund (+14.3%), posting impressive gains. Balanced Commercial Property (+21.4%) saw significant growth, driven by positive developments including the successful sale of two office assets, which will be used to repay debt, and the securing of four new leases at St Christopher’s Place, capitalising on growing demand in the food and beverage sector. The holding also benefited from a takeover offer by Starwood. Our care home positions were equally robust, with Impact Healthcare REIT (+9.4%) and Target Healthcare REIT (+16.7%) delivering solid gains, supported by strong results highlighting inflation-linked rent reviews and healthy balance sheets. Our renewable energy holdings saw strong demand, with The Renewable Infrastructure Group (+11.3%) benefiting from the sale of a 15.2% stake in Germany’s Gode offshore wind farm for €100 million, a 9% premium to its December valuation. The group also launched a £50 million share buyback program, reflecting management's confidence. Greencoat UK Wind (+8.6%) reported strong results, supported by robust cash generation and solid dividend cover. Other renewable energy assets performed well, with Greencoat Renewables (+6.6%) and Foresight Environmental Infrastructure Limited (+6.2%) gaining from the decline in yields during the quarter. Meanwhile, traditional infrastructure holdings such as 3i Infrastructure (+6.6%) and Atlas Global Infrastructure (+14.5%) also kept pace with the broader market rally. Our position in gold, represented by WisdomTree Core Physical Gold ETC (+13.0%), rallied to new all-time highs, as lower yields reduced the opportunity cost of holding the asset, with demand further bolstered by a weaker US dollar.

Within our alternatives, GCP Asset Backed Income Fund (+15.7%) continued to deliver strong performance, benefiting from successful loan repayments as part of its wind-down strategy. Our private equity holdings showed mixed results, with Oakley Capital Investments remaining flat (+0.1%) while Princess Private Equity declined (-8.7%). Lastly, returns for our energy efficiency holdings were lower, with SDCL Energy Efficiency (-2.8%), Gore Street Energy Storage Fund (-9.5%), and Gresham House Energy Storage Fund (-24.8%) all facing headwinds.

In terms of portfolio activity during the quarter, we increased our risk exposure in both equities and fixed income. In July, we trimmed our cash holdings in favour of the Muzinich Short Duration High Yield Fund. We believe that allocating to US short-duration high yield presents a strong opportunity given the improved default rates in the US while still providing an attractive yield. In early August, we capitalised on market volatility by reducing our positions in quality equity managers, Morgan Stanley Global Brands and Nedgroup Global Equity, both of which had performed well during the market turmoil. We reallocated these funds into the iShares S&P 500 ETF, which had experienced a significant drawdown. Additionally, we transitioned from our passive holding in Japanese equities, the iShares Core MSCI Japan ETF, to the boutique active manager Lazard Japanese Strategic Equity Fund. With a recovery in several of our investment trusts, we fully exited positions in Empiric Student Property, Balanced Commercial Property, GCP Asset Backed Income Fund, and Oakley Capital Investments. The proceeds from these exits were reinvested into equities, specifically in more cyclical areas, including small caps, value stocks, and emerging markets. We remain committed to ensuring alignment with our long-term investment goals while tactically trading as opportunities arise.

## Balanced

The third quarter of 2024 proved to be strong for investors, as the Nedgroup Investments Balanced MultiFund delivered returns of +6.3% in the US Dollar share class and +4.0% in the GBP share class. The difference was driven by dollar weakness during the period.

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## Income

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The portfolio's small holding in high dividend-paying UK stocks via the iShares UK Dividend ETF (+12.3%) stood out. Elsewhere, our real asset holdings performed strongly, benefiting from the anticipation of rate cuts. Property investments, particularly sensitive to yield changes, led the way, with our listed global REITs holding, Nedgroup Global Property Fund (+14.3%), posting impressive gains. Balanced Commercial Property (+21.4%) saw significant growth, driven by positive developments including the successful sale of two office assets, which will be used to repay debt, and the securing of four new leases at St Christopher’s Place, capitalising on growing demand in the food and beverage sector. The holding also benefited from a takeover offer by Starwood. Our care home positions were equally robust, with Impact Healthcare REIT (+9.4%) and Target Healthcare REIT (+16.7%) delivering solid gains, supported by strong results highlighting inflation-linked rent reviews and healthy balance sheets. Our renewable energy holdings saw strong demand, with The Renewable Infrastructure Group (+11.3%) benefiting from the sale of a 15.2% stake in Germany’s Gode offshore wind farm for €100 million, a 9% premium to its December valuation. The group also launched a £50 million share buyback program, reflecting management's confidence. Greencoat UK Wind (+8.6%) reported strong results, supported by robust cash generation and solid dividend cover. Other renewable energy assets performed well, with Greencoat Renewables (+6.6%) and Foresight Environmental Infrastructure Limited (+6.2%) gaining from the decline in yields during the quarter. Meanwhile, traditional infrastructure holdings such as 3i Infrastructure (+6.6%) and Atlas Global Infrastructure (+14.5%) also kept pace with the broader market rally. Our position in gold, represented by WisdomTree Core Physical Gold ETC (+13.0%), rallied to new all-time highs, as lower yields reduced the opportunity cost of holding the asset, with demand further bolstered by a weaker US dollar.

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# PART THREE: MARKET OUTLOOK

- **Geopolitical landscape** to continue to dominate discourse and risk positioning.
    - Despite recent signs of improvement, the **unease between China and the US** (and other Western countries) regarding several areas (technology, Taiwan, and Russia), will likely encourage near- or re-shoring of businesses due to the heightened level of uncertainty to supply chains.
    - Risk of **continued market disruption from the Russia-Ukraine** likely to last beyond just military action. Whilst still low, the risk of significant global disruption linked to the Russia-Ukraine crisis remains real. The potential for an escalation beyond economic sanctions should not be fully discounted. Issues likely to extend well into 2024 and beyond with the potential for widening involvement from the West a higher probability.

    - The **Israel-Iran conflict** is both tragic and highly complex. Recent escalations have significantly heightened the risk of negative economic impacts, primarily through rising oil prices, and warrant careful monitoring.
    - In addition to the above, the upcoming US election is likely to contribute to short-term market volatility. Regardless of which party wins, it's reasonable to expect an increase in US debt levels to support either tax cuts (Republican) or increased public spending (Democrat).
- **Economic growth will slow below long-term trends**. We expect economic resilience to continue, however the risk of policy error is rising, and resilience will be tested if central banks continue to hold rates at current elevated levels.
- **Our base case anticipates central bank policy rates will decline in Q4 2024** and policy will continue to loosen into 2025. This will mean short term bond yields decline over the period, however a growing focus on government deficits will likely keep longer term yields elevated.
- **Falling policy rate will mean financial conditions continue to loosen throughout the period**, and will be key to helping support economics more broadly. **Slowing activity levels in China**, are likely to continue given weak consumer sentiment. However, if this slump in activity continues it will likely spur more Chinese government stimulus / support.
- **Inflation has peaked but may take some time to get to central bank targets**, expectations are for a normalisation of broader supply / demand metrics over the period and for labour markets to settle, with unemployment to rise albeit slowly and below prior peaks. Slowing rental costs should also start to feed into the inflation data via Owner Equivalent Rent (OER) and help to pin down future releases.

**12mth Asset Class Assumptions**

- Investors will be rewarded for taking risk, but patience and diversification will be required given elevated uncertainty, volatility levels, and current headwinds.
- Equities will outperform fixed income, with an expectation of high single digit returns over the course of the next 12 months. Whilst slowing economic growth will drag on near term corporate earnings, declining inflation combined with cuts in central bank policy rates will support equities and risk assets in general.
- Within equities we feel it is appropriate to take a more balanced approach, large caps are likely to remain supported, but we are also optimistic about the prospects of small caps over the medium term.
- Emerging markets will swing back in to favour, with developed market interest rates set to fall further and there is a weaker outlook for the US dollar.
- Fixed income markets will underperform equities over a 12-month period however, the attractive income offered by fixed income provides a strong base for returns over the next 12-months. We expect this to be enhanced by some capital gains as yields decline, however clearly a lot of this has now been priced in.
- Real assets will provide positive returns and an attractive income stream (where available) over the coming 12 months. Real Assets are expected to outperform fixed income markets over the period. Benefitting from in some cases inflation-linked cash flows and declining discount rates.
- Selective commercial property segments and the broader infrastructure sectors will benefit from underlying structural tailwinds.
- Property and infrastructure to continue to benefit from falling policy rates
- Renewable energy to offer some insulation from inflationary pressure given the linkage to energy prices.
- Selective Alternative Strategies to provide positive diversification to portfolios and the potential for attractive income streams.

# PART FOUR: UNDERLYING PORTFOLIO MANAGER PERFORMANCE

The Nedgroup Investments MultiFunds' investment philosophy is one that seeks to invest in specialist underlying portfolio managers who are most appropriate for the achievement of each risk profiled MultiFunds' investment objective. A combination of externally appointed fund managers is used. The table below shows the performance of the underlying managers used within the Growth, Balanced and Income MultiFunds as at the 30th September 2024.

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| | Month to Date | 3 Months | 6 Months | Year to Date | 1 Year | 3 Years Ann | 5 Years Ann | 7 Years Ann |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Global Funds - USD** | | | | | | | | |
| Fundsmith Equity Fund | 1.58% | 3.90% | 3.83% | 12.55% | 24.16% | 3.27% | 10.41% | 11.07% |
| Relative to MSCI ACWI | -0.75% | -2.71% | -5.84% | -6.11% | -7.60% | -4.82% | -1.78% | 0.84% |
| Realitive to MSCI ACWI Quality | 0.69% | 0.32% | -6.29% | -10.01% | -13.76% | -7.33% | -5.72% | -3.15% |
| Morgan Stanley Global Brands | 2.03% | 8.93% | 7.09% | 12.21% | 22.24% | 5.77% | 9.75% | 10.79% |
| Relative to MSCI ACWI | -0.29% | 2.32% | -2.59% | -6.45% | -9.51% | -2.32% | -2.44% | 0.56% |
| Realitive to MSCI ACWI Quality | 1.14% | 5.35% | -3.03% | -10.36% | -15.67% | -4.83% | -6.38% | -3.43% |
| Nedgroup Global Equity Fund | 1.96% | 8.49% | 6.36% | 15.06% | 25.79% | 5.56% | 9.74% | 8.87% |
| Relative to MSCI ACWI | -0.36% | 1.87% | -3.32% | -3.60% | -5.96% | -2.53% | -2.45% | -1.36% |
| Realitive to MSCI ACWI Quality | 1.08% | 4.90% | -3.76% | -7.50% | -12.12% | -5.04% | -6.39% | -5.35% |
| Dodge & Cox Global Stock Fund | 2.11% | 7.77% | 7.35% | 13.42% | 22.18% | 9.63% | 12.36% | 8.75% |
| Relative to MSCI ACWI | -0.22% | 1.16% | -2.33% | -5.24% | -9.57% | 1.54% | 0.17% | -1.48% |
| Realitive to MSCI ACWI Value | -0.04% | -1.82% | -1.79% | -3.42% | -5.56% | 0.39% | 2.55% | 0.90% |
| TT Emerging Markets Equity Fund | 2.88% | 3.53% | 9.79% | 16.42% | 26.41% | -4.17% | 3.94% | 2.40% |
| Relative to MSCI ACWI | 0.55% | -3.08% | 0.12% | -2.24% | -5.34% | -12.26% | -8.25% | -7.84% |
| Relative to MSCI Emerging Market | -3.80% | -5.19% | -4.37% | -0.44% | 0.36% | -4.58% | -1.81% | -1.26% |
| Lazard Strategic Japanese Equity | -0.32% | 6.09% | 3.85% | 15.92% | 24.48% | 8.80% | 12.08% | 7.63% |
| Relative to MSCI ACWI | -2.64% | -0.52% | -5.82% | -2.74% | -7.28% | 0.71% | -0.11% | -2.60% |
| Relative to TOPIX | -0.86% | -0.71% | 1.76% | 3.58% | 2.90% | 5.80% | 4.83% | 2.00% |

| | Month to Date | 3 Months | 6 Months | Year to Date | 1 Year | 3 Years Ann | 5 Years Ann | 7 Years Ann |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Regional Funds - USD** | | | | | | | | |
| iShares Edge MSCI World Value | 1.05% | 6.12% | 3.40% | 10.31% | 19.32% | 7.27% | 8.37% | 5.97% |
| Relative to MSCI ACWI | -1.27% | -0.49% | -6.28% | -8.35% | -12.43% | -0.82% | -3.82% | -4.26% |
| Relative to MSCI World Value Enhanced | 0.00% | -0.03% | 0.26% | 0.12% | 0.14% | 0.04% | 0.03% | 0.04% |
| iShares Core S&P 500 ETF | 2.11% | 5.82% | 10.27% | 21.83% | 35.97% | 11.59% | 15.64% | 14.14% |
| Relative to MSCI ACWI | -0.21% | -0.80% | 0.60% | 3.17% | 4.21% | 3.51% | 3.45% | 3.91% |
| Relative to S&P 500 Index | 0.01% | 0.04% | 0.08% | 0.13% | 0.21% | 0.20% | 0.22% | 0.23% |
| iShares S&P Small Cap 600 UCITS ETF | 0.80% | 9.27% | 5.68% | 7.48% | 23.48% | 2.17% | 8.44% | 6.66% |
| Relative to MSCI ACWI | -1.52% | 2.65% | -3.99% | -11.19% | -8.28% | -5.92% | -3.75% | -3.57% |
| Relative to S&P 600 Index | -0.05% | -0.86% | -1.02% | -1.86% | -2.38% | -1.82% | -1.77% | -1.70% |
| iShares FTSE UK Dividend Plus | 2.26% | 12.30% | 17.32% | 18.94% | 33.15% | 7.58% | 7.50% | 3.47% |
| Relative to MSCI ACWI | -0.06% | 5.69% | 7.64% | 0.28% | 1.40% | -0.51% | -4.69% | -6.76% |
| Relative to FTSE UK Dividend Index | -0.02% | -0.17% | -0.41% | -0.64% | -0.92% | -0.76% | -0.85% | -0.72% |

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| **US High Yield - USD** | | | | | | | | |
| Muzinich Short Duration High Yield | 0.79% | 2.91% | 4.28% | 5.86% | 9.32% | 3.25% | 3.57% | 3.49% |
| Relative to Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Index | -0.37% | -1.33% | -0.09% | 1.47% | -1.32% | 3.47% | 3.00% | 1.50% |
| Relative to ICE BofA 1-3yr BB US High Yield | -0.11% | -0.07% | -0.18% | -0.05% | -0.83% | -0.69% | -0.73% | -0.78% |
| **Global Investment Grade - USD** | | | | | | | | |
| PIMCO Low Duration Global IG Credit | 1.02% | 3.37% | 4.29% | 5.05% | 9.70% | 1.80% | 2.01% | 2.29% |
| Relative to Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index | -0.14% | -0.88% | -0.08% | 0.67% | -0.93% | 2.02% | 1.44% | 0.30% |
| Relative to Bloomberg Global Aggregate Credit 1-5 Years Index | -0.01% | -0.05% | -0.15% | -0.07% | 0.44% | 0.15% | -0.07% | -0.23% |
| Lord Abbett Short Duration Income Fund | 0.85% | 2.87% | 4.24% | 5.16% | 8.35% | 2.00% | 2.19% | - |
| Relative to Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index | -0.31% | -1.37% | -0.13% | 0.78% | -2.28% | 2.22% | 1.62% | |
| Relative to Bloomberg Global Aggregate Credit 1-5 Years Index | -0.17% | -0.54% | -0.20% | 0.04% | -0.91% | 0.35% | 0.10% | |
| PIMCO Global IG Credit | 1.51% | 4.92% | 5.44% | 5.85% | 13.79% | -0.93% | 0.63% | 2.00% |
| Relative to Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index | 0.35% | 0.68% | 1.06% | 1.47% | 3.16% | -0.71% | 0.07% | 0.02% |
| Relative to Bloomberg Global Aggregate Credit Index | 0.04% | 0.07% | 0.41% | 0.76% | 1.09% | -0.25% | -0.38% | -0.35% |
| Nedgroup Strategic Bond Fund | 1.20% | 4.33% | 5.14% | - | - | - | - | - |
| Relative to Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index | 0.04% | 0.08% | 0.77% | | | | | |
| Relative to Bloomberg Global Aggregate Credit Index | -0.27% | -0.53% | 0.11% | | | | | |
| **Government Bonds - USD** | | | | | | | | |
| iShares $ Treasury Bond 1-3YR UCITS ETF | 0.81% | 2.87% | 3.90% | 4.19% | 6.78% | 1.28% | 1.48% | 1.64% |
| Relative to Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index | -0.35% | -1.37% | -0.47% | -0.20% | -3.85% | 1.50% | 0.91% | -0.34% |
| Relative to ICE BofA 1-3 Year US Treasury Index | 0.00% | -0.01% | 0.04% | 0.03% | 0.03% | -0.05% | -0.03% | -0.06% |
| iShares $ Treasury Bond 3-7YR UCITS ETF | 0.97% | 4.34% | 4.82% | 4.24% | 8.62% | -1.32% | -0.01% | - |
| Relative to Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index | -0.19% | 0.10% | 0.45% | -0.15% | -2.01% | -1.10% | -0.57% | |
| Relative to ICE BofA 3-7 Year US Treasury Index | -0.10% | -0.14% | -0.23% | -0.19% | -0.46% | -0.70% | -0.65% | |
| iShares $ Treasury Bond 7-10yr ETF | 1.08% | 5.46% | 5.70% | 4.32% | 10.92% | -2.61% | -0.67% | 0.92% |
| Relative to Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index | -0.08% | 1.22% | 1.33% | -0.06% | 0.29% | -2.39% | -1.23% | -1.06% |
| Relative to ICE BofA 7-10 Year US Treasury Index | -0.24% | -0.27% | 0.03% | 0.06% | 0.01% | 0.03% | 0.00% | -0.02% |
| iShares $ TIPS UCITS ETF | 1.32% | 3.96% | 5.02% | 5.09% | 9.65% | -0.79% | 2.47% | 2.78% |
| Relative to Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index | 0.16% | -0.29% | 0.65% | 0.71% | -0.99% | -0.57% | 1.90% | 0.79% |
| Relative to Bloomberg US Govt Inflation-Linked Index | -0.19% | -0.22% | 0.04% | 0.22% | -0.20% | 0.03% | -0.07% | -0.13% |
| iShares Core UK Gilts UCITS ETF | 0.06% | 2.31% | 1.56% | 0.10% | 8.41% | - | - | - |
| Relative to Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index | -1.10% | -1.93% | -2.81% | -4.28% | -2.22% | | | |
| The Colchester Local Markets Bond Fund | 3.67% | 9.40% | 6.21% | 3.49% | 13.47% | 3.11% | 2.39% | 1.96% |
| Relative to Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index | 2.51% | 5.16% | 1.84% | -0.89% | 2.84% | 3.33% | 1.83% | -0.03% |

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| **Real Estate - Indirect - USD** | | | | | | | | |
| Nedgroup Global Property Fund | 3.28% | 14.32% | 13.07% | 12.67% | 29.33% | 0.36% | 2.19% | 3.95% |
| Relative to 50% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global Index + 50% S&P Global Infrastructure ( | -0.48% | -0.44% | -1.84% | -2.16% | -0.19% | -14.92% | -19.41% | -33.67% |
| Relative to FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global Index | -0.48% | -1.97% | -0.82% | 0.25% | 0.26% | -0.62% | 0.43% | 0.39% |
| **Real Estate - Direct - GBP** | | | | | | | | |
| BMO Commercial Property Trust | 10.19% | 21.44% | 20.13% | 37.27% | 49.52% | 5.33% | 1.00% | -1.49% |
| Relative to 50% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global Index + 50% S&P Global Infrastructure ( | 8.62% | 13.19% | 11.92% | 27.91% | 31.56% | -10.46% | -10.51% | -39.03% |
| Relative to FTSE EPRA/NAREIT UK Index | 7.98% | 15.59% | 14.45% | 34.40% | 27.40% | 10.63% | 2.58% | -1.46% |
| Impact Healthcare REIT | 3.88% | 9.37% | 14.21% | 8.88% | 20.48% | 1.06% | 2.81% | 4.73% |
| Relative to 50% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global Index + 50% S&P Global Infrastructure ( | 2.31% | 1.12% | 6.00% | -0.48% | 2.53% | -14.73% | -8.71% | |
| Relative to FTSE EPRA/NAREIT UK Index | 1.66% | 3.52% | 8.53% | 6.01% | -1.63% | 6.36% | 4.38% | |
| Target Healthcare REIT | 7.93% | 16.69% | 10.61% | 9.86% | 27.27% | -1.24% | 1.62% | 2.60% |
| Relative to 50% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global Index + 50% S&P Global Infrastructure ( | 6.36% | 8.44% | 2.40% | 0.50% | 9.31% | -17.03% | -9.89% | -34.95% |
| Relative to FTSE EPRA/NAREIT UK Index | 5.72% | 10.84% | 4.93% | 6.99% | 5.15% | 4.06% | 3.20% | 2.63% |
| Empiric Student Property | 1.53% | 7.74% | 5.48% | 5.71% | 13.07% | 7.53% | 3.92% | 3.20% |
| Relative to 50% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global Index + 50% S&P Global Infrastructure ( | -0.04% | -0.51% | -2.72% | -3.65% | -4.89% | -8.26% | -7.59% | -34.35% |
| Relative to FTSE EPRA/NAREIT UK Index | -0.69% | 1.89% | -0.19% | 2.84% | -9.04% | 12.83% | 5.50% | 3.23% |
| **Renewables - GBP** | | | | | | | | |
| Greencoat UK Wind | -0.57% | 8.60% | 4.89% | -1.12% | 8.65% | 9.16% | 5.42% | 8.08% |
| Relative to 50% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global Index + 50% S&P Global Infrastructure ( | -2.14% | 0.35% | -3.32% | -10.48% | -9.31% | -6.63% | -6.10% | -29.46% |
| Relative to GBP LIBID 4 Month + 4% | -1.34% | 6.29% | 0.26% | -8.13% | -0.77% | 1.44% | -0.86% | 2.27% |
| Greencoat Renewables | -1.67% | 6.56% | 10.56% | -5.20% | 0.29% | -2.08% | 0.44% | 2.90% |
| Relative to 50% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global Index + 50% S&P Global Infrastructure ( | -3.24% | -1.69% | 2.35% | -14.55% | -17.67% | -17.87% | -11.08% | |
| Relative to GBP LIBID 4 Month + 4% | -2.44% | 4.25% | 5.93% | -12.20% | -9.12% | -9.80% | -5.84% | |
| John Laing Environmental Assets Group | -2.52% | 6.17% | 1.13% | -5.02% | -0.41% | 1.18% | 1.18% | 3.74% |
| Relative to 50% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global Index + 50% S&P Global Infrastructure ( | -4.09% | -2.08% | -7.08% | -14.38% | -18.37% | -14.60% | -10.34% | -33.80% |
| Relative to GBP LIBID 4 Month + 4% | -3.29% | 3.86% | -3.50% | -12.02% | -9.82% | -6.54% | -5.10% | -2.06% |
| The Renewable Infrastructure Group | 0.98% | 11.26% | 7.24% | -3.31% | 4.99% | 0.29% | 1.90% | 5.30% |
| Relative to 50% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global Index + 50% S&P Global Infrastructure ( | -0.59% | 3.01% | -0.97% | -12.67% | -12.96% | -15.49% | -9.61% | -32.25% |
| Relative to GBP LIBID 4 Month + 4% | 0.21% | 8.95% | 2.61% | -10.31% | -4.42% | -7.43% | -4.37% | -0.51% |
| **Indirect Infrastructure - USD Unhedged** | | | | | | | | |
| ATLAS Global Infrastructure | 3.13% | 14.47% | 11.06% | 9.83% | 22.56% | 7.14% | 7.29% | - |
| Relative to 50% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global Index + 50% S&P Global Infrastructure ( | -0.63% | -0.29% | -3.86% | -5.00% | -6.95% | -8.14% | -14.31% | |
| S&P Global Infrastructure - USD | -0.62% | 1.27% | -4.77% | -7.30% | -7.11% | -1.47% | 1.33% | |
| **Direct Infrastructure - GBP** | | | | | | | | |
| 3i Infrastructure | -0.15% | 6.56% | 6.54% | 8.21% | 16.33% | 7.56% | 6.43% | 11.29% |
| Relative to 50% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global Index + 50% S&P Global Infrastructure ( | -1.72% | -1.69% | -1.66% | -1.15% | -1.62% | -8.23% | -5.08% | -26.25% |
| S&P Global Infrastructure - GBP | -1.70% | -0.22% | -2.53% | -3.34% | -1.77% | -1.20% | 2.29% | 5.76% |
| **Commodities - USD** | | | | | | | | |
| WisdomTree Core Physical Gold ETC | 5.07% | 13.03% | 18.57% | 27.23% | 41.77% | 14.21% | - | - |
| Relative to 50% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global Index + 50% S&P Global Infrastructure ( | 1.31% | -1.73% | 3.66% | 12.40% | 12.25% | -1.07% | | |
| Relative to LBMA Gold Price | 0.43% | 0.20% | -0.20% | 0.70% | 1.17% | -0.49% | | |

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| **Asset backed lending - GBP** | | | | | | | | |
| GCP Asset Backed Income Fund | -0.50% | 15.70% | 53.44% | 62.68% | 78.48% | 9.26% | 6.10% | 6.77% |
| Relative to 50% MSCI ACWI + 50% Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Index | -1.20% | 13.36% | 49.62% | 54.19% | 63.40% | 5.45% | 0.74% | 0.90% |
| Relative to GBP LIBID 4 Month + 4% | -1.28% | 13.39% | 48.81% | 55.68% | 69.07% | 1.54% | -0.17% | 0.97% |
| **Private Equity - GBP** | | | | | | | | |
| Oakley Capital Investments | -1.49% | 0.05% | 8.99% | 4.21% | 14.92% | 13.84% | 19.27% | 19.77% |
| Relative to 50% MSCI ACWI + 50% Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate I | -2.19% | -2.29% | 5.18% | -4.28% | -0.15% | 10.02% | 13.91% | 13.89% |
| Relative to GBP LIBID 4 Month + 4% | -2.27% | -2.26% | 4.36% | -2.79% | 5.51% | 6.12% | 13.00% | 13.96% |
| Princess Private Equity | -6.51% | -8.72% | -0.55% | 1.65% | 2.50% | -3.92% | 5.85% | 4.97% |
| Relative to 50% MSCI ACWI + 50% Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Index | -7.21% | -11.07% | -4.37% | -6.84% | -12.58% | -7.74% | 0.49% | -0.90% |
| Relative to GBP LIBID 4 Month + 4% | -7.28% | -11.04% | -5.18% | -5.35% | -6.91% | -11.64% | -0.42% | -0.83% |
| **Energy Efficiency - GBP** | | | | | | | | |
| SDCL Energy Efficiency Income Trust | 4.88% | -2.76% | 12.21% | 4.50% | 3.52% | -11.47% | -4.23% | - |
| Relative to 50% MSCI ACWI + 50% Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Index | 4.17% | -5.10% | 8.40% | -3.99% | -11.55% | -15.28% | -9.59% | |
| Relative to GBP LIBID 4 Month + 4% | 4.10% | -5.07% | 7.58% | -2.50% | -5.89% | -19.19% | -10.51% | |
| Gore Street Energy Storage Fund | -3.21% | -9.52% | -8.19% | -30.91% | -20.76% | -12.91% | -2.48% | - |
| Relative to 50% MSCI ACWI + 50% Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Index | -3.91% | -11.87% | -12.01% | -39.40% | -35.84% | -16.72% | -7.84% | |
| Relative to GBP LIBID 4 Month + 4% | -3.99% | -11.84% | -12.82% | -37.91% | -30.17% | -20.63% | -8.76% | |
| Gresham House Energy Storage Fund | -9.21% | -24.78% | 26.63% | -51.46% | -48.95% | -21.89% | -8.67% | - |
| Relative to 50% MSCI ACWI + 50% Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Index | -9.91% | -27.12% | 22.81% | -59.95% | -64.02% | -25.71% | -14.03% | |
| Relative to GBP LIBID 4 Month + 4% | -9.99% | -27.09% | 22.00% | -58.47% | -58.36% | -29.61% | -14.94% | |

*Source Bloomberg, Nedgroup Investments*

# PART FIVE: FUND FOCUS

In this section of the report we cover the underlying funds in slightly more detail in order to assist investors in gaining a better understanding of the underlying funds and the reasons we hold them. In this report we look at Colchester Local Markets Bond Fund.

## Colchester Local Markets Bond Fund.

Colchester Local Market Bond is a fund that focuses on investing emerging market local currency bonds. The fund applies the same real yield, real exchange, and financial stability analysis used in Colchester's long running global government bond strategy to the local debt markets of emerging market countries.

Colchester is an employee-owned investment "boutique" that focuses solely on government bonds. It has a clear, consistent, and disciplined investment process to manage government bonds including emerging market local currency bonds.

Colchester's investment process is very much value orientated, essentially looking for the highest real yielding bonds and cheapest currencies within which to invest. They avoid potential "value traps" through their financial stability analysis on each country, which in our view is an extremely important part of their process. Their disciplined fundamental long term value orientated approach means portfolio turnover is low, which helps reduce transaction costs (in what is an expensive sector to trade). The determination of real yields requires forecasts of future inflation, for which they employ quantitatively oriented methodologies. Their inflation forecasting model includes variables such as: money supply, credit growth, commodity prices, exchange rate, and output gaps. With respect to currencies, they look to invest in cheap currencies through capturing the mean-reverting process inherent in currencies values over the intermediate term as they move towards their purchasing power parity valuation. They then risk-adjust the opportunities presented to them from a real yield and currency perspective via their financial stability analysis. This analysis involves looking at several factors including: a country's debt position, fiscal and external deficits/surpluses, monetary conditions, policy objectives and certain ESG factors. They appraise all these determinants through a combination of analytical methods and judgment. Complementing this analysis with qualitative assessments backed up by country visits. Special geo-political factors may also be taken into account in unusual circumstances.

Colchester has a team orientated investment approach (there are no big egos at the firm), where investment professional are generalists (covering both developed and emerging market countries) and new employees have to "buy in" to the strictly followed "model" driven investment process. The team's stability is testament to the culture, working environment, team orientated approach, and employee share ownership. Colchester is a good size boutique having built a significant institutional following in government bonds, however, they are not too big as to inhibit their investment process, which is important as they don't use derivatives (with the exception of FX forwards) preferring instead to use liquid physical government bonds.

The performance of the fund has been very good relative to the benchmark and peer group although it can be volatile which in part reflects their disciplined investment value style. For example, they underperformed in 2015 due to their position in Brazil; they continued to add to this position as more value appeared (and Brazil's financial stability had not deteriorated in their view), and were rewarded with strong outperformance in 2016. The fund is benchmark aware from an overall risk perspective but can take significant relative positions depending on the markets they believe offer the most value.

Overall this should be seen as a core holding for any client wanting exposure to emerging market local currency debt. However, any position should be sized appropriately given that this is one of the most volatile parts of the global bond markets, due primary to the exposure to emerging market currencies.

### WHY WE LIKE THE FUND:

- Colchester is an employee-owned investment "boutique" that focuses solely on government bonds
- It has a clear, consistent, and disciplined value orientated investment process
- Colchester has a team orientated investment approach, with very limited key man risk
- Extremely stable investment team
- Well-resourced manager, managing a significant amount of institutional assets in this area
- Good performance track record in what is a difficult space to outperform due to high transaction costs

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