

# IFM BOND FUND DECEMBER 2024

MINIMUM DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT | CLASS E

### **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

The IFM Bond Fund is a multi-managed fund whose primary objective is to maximise returns from a diverse range of primarily South African Bonds.

#### INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY

To achieve the Fund investment objective, the IFM Bond Fund may in addition to participation in portfolios of collective investment schemes, invest in a combination of assets in liquid form and a combination of gilts and interestbearing securities, including loan stock, semi-gilts, notes, debentures, debenture bonds, preference shares, money market instruments, bonds, corporate debt, convertible equities and non-equity securities which are consistent with the Fund's investment policy.

### **RISK PROFILE: MODERATE-LOW**

Low	Mod-Low	Mod	Mod-High	High
Low	Mod-Low	Mod	Mod-High	Hign

- This portfolio is exposed to default and interest rate risks, resulting in low to moderate volatility when compared to higher risk portfolios.
- This portfolio has no equity exposure.
- The portfolio is not directly exposed to currency risk.
- The portfolio is suitable for medium term investment horizons.
- The potential long term investment returns are expected to be lower than higher risk portfolios.

### INFORMATION AND DISCLOSURES

**FUND NAME** 

IFM Bond Fund

ISIN NUMBER

ZAE000259974

**INCEPTION DATE** 

3 June 2019

**BENCHMARK** 

JSE/BESA All Bond Index (ALBI)

**DISTRIBUTION DATES** 

Semi-annual declaration dates:

31 Mar and 30 Sep

## **INVESTMENT MANAGER**

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## **CUSTODIAN/TRUSTEE INFORMATION**

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## MINIMUM INVESTMENTS

Not Applicable

**FUND CLASSIFICATION** 

ASISA SA Interest Bearing Variable

**UNIT PRICE** 

R98.29

**PORTFOLIO VALUE** 

R901.01 million

**DISTRIBUTION (RPU)** 

Sep '23: 4.72 | Mar '24: 4.63 | Sep '24:

5.36

**TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO** 

Sep '24: 0.88%

## **MANAGEMENT COMPANY**

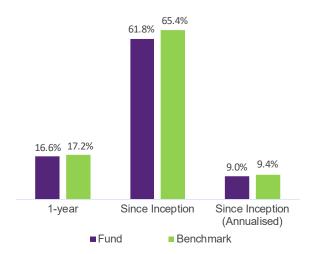
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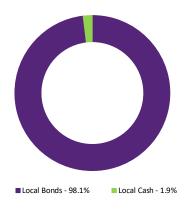
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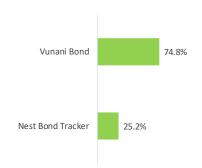
## PERFORMANCE VS. BENCHMARK



### **ASSET ALLOCATION**



### **HOLDINGS**







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### **FUND MANAGER COMMENTARY**

Fixed income markets faced significant volatility in late 2024, driven by geopolitical tensions, central bank actions, and inflation concerns. US Treasuries sold off in October amid inflation fears tied to a possible Republican presidential victory. By year-end, the Federal Reserve cut rates to 4.25%—4.5%, but persistent inflation kept the 10-year Treasury yield elevated at 4.57%.

In Europe, political instability and slowing growth added pressure. The European Central Bank reduced rates to 3%, while eurozone inflation stood at 2.3%. French bond yields briefly surpassed Greek yields due to domestic turmoil.

In the UK, Labour's first budget prompted a rise in 10-year gilt yields as tax hikes and borrowing projections unsettled markets. Meanwhile, China introduced broad stimulus measures with limited immediate impact, and Japan maintained rates amid yen depreciation.

In South Africa, November inflation, came in at 2.9% YoY, up slightly from October's 2.8% YoY print but remaining below SARB target range of 3%-6%. However, risks persist from a weaker rand, potential food price pressures, and Eskom's proposed electricity tariff hikes, which could fuel inflation in the medium term.

### **FEES AND FAIS DISCLOSURE**

Initial Fees (IFM) (Incl VAT)	0.00%
Initial Advisory Fee (Max) (Incl VAT)	3.45%
Ongoing Advisory Fee (Max) (Incl VAT)  Annual Management Fees (Incl VAT)	1.15% 0.86%

Annual Management Fees (Incl VAT) 0.86%
Performance Fee None

### TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO (TER) & TRANSACTION COST

Total Expense Ratio	0.88%
Portfolio Transaction Cost	0.00%
Total Investment Charge	0.88%

A Total Expense Ratio (TER) is a measure of a portfolio's annual expenses, fees and charges, expressed as a percentage of the average daily value of the portfolio. These expenses include the annual management fees, VAT, audit fees, bank charges and costs incurred in any underlying funds. A higher TER ratio does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER ratio imply a good return. The current TER ratio cannot be regarded as an indication of future TER ratios. Performance return information and prices are always stated net of the expenses, fees and charges included in the TER ratio.

The TER and transaction costs calculations are based on the portfolio's direct costs for the period ended 30 September 2024.

## **ACCESS TO INFORMATION**

- Additional information, including application forms, annual or quarterly reports can be obtained from IFM, free of charge or can be accessed on our website (www.itransactfm.co.za).
- Valuation takes place daily and prices can be viewed in the daily newspaper.
- Upon request the Manager will provide the investor with quarterly portfolio investment holdings reports.

## **FUND MANAGER**



Simon du Plooy has a MSc Financial Mathematics degree. He spent five years in the banking industry, at Absa and RMB, where he conducted risk analysis for trading desks and hedge funds. He joined Corion in 2009 as part of the investment team and in 2013 took on the role as Portfolio Manager.

**Account Number** 

### FAIS CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE

Please note that your financial advisor may be a related party to IFM. It is your financial advisor's responsibility to disclose all fees he/she receives from any related party. The portfolio's TER includes all fees paid by the portfolio to IFM, the trustees, the auditors, banks, the co-naming partner, underlying portfolios, and any other investment consultants/ managers as well as distribution fees and LISP rebates, if applicable. The portfolio's performance numbers are calculated net of the TER expenses. The investment manager earns a portion of the service charge and performance fees where applicable.

# SUBSCRIPTIONS

Valuation time 17h00
Transaction cut-off time 15h00
Payment reference Initials &Surname /

Please send proof of deposit to fax (011) 561 6812 or e-mail: <a href="mailto:admin@itransactfm.co.za">admin@itransactfm.co.za</a>

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