

## Alpha Diversified Fixed Income Fund - Snapshot

Morningstar Category  
Inception Date

Australia OE Multi-Strategy Income  
30/04/2012

## Fund and Market Commentary

During September, the Bloomberg AusBond Cash Benchmark returned 0.14% while the Alpha Diversified Income Fund underperformed the benchmark. Over longer periods, the Fund's performance remains competitive to the benchmark.

Global sovereign bond yields moved up on the back of the central banks' hawkish tone. Among the major developed markets, UK yields climbed the most with UK ten year Treasury Notes jumping thirty three basis points to 1.365%, as the Bank of England indicated the rate hike in the coming months. In the Euro area, the economy remains upbeat backed by improving economic data. Market participants are looking for European Central Bank's decisions, which would be made in October, about tapering the Quantitative Easing. German ten year yields rose by ten basis points to 0.464%, while Italian yields gained seven basis points to 2.111%. In the United States (US), Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) decided to leave rates on hold in the September meeting, but thought that a December rate hike was likely if the economic data continues to increase their confidence despite low inflation, and would start to normalize its \$4.5 trillion balance sheet in October by not rolling over the matured bonds. The FOMC still projected three 25 basis points rate increases for 2018, but only two in 2019. US two year Treasury Notes yields were up sixteen basis points to 1.483% and ten year Notes grew twenty-two basis point to 2.334%. When it comes to the domestic markets, Australian two year Government bond yields rose seven basis points to 1.954%, while the ten year bond increased thirteen basis points to 2.839%. The Reserve Bank of Australia kept the rate on hold at 1.5%. From the meeting notes, the Australian economy and employment have continued to improve, as well as the business conditions that came with increasing capability utilisation, while wage growth and inflation remain at a low level and growth in housing debt has been surpassing sluggish growth in household incomes. Australia would be muted from the rate rise for some time.

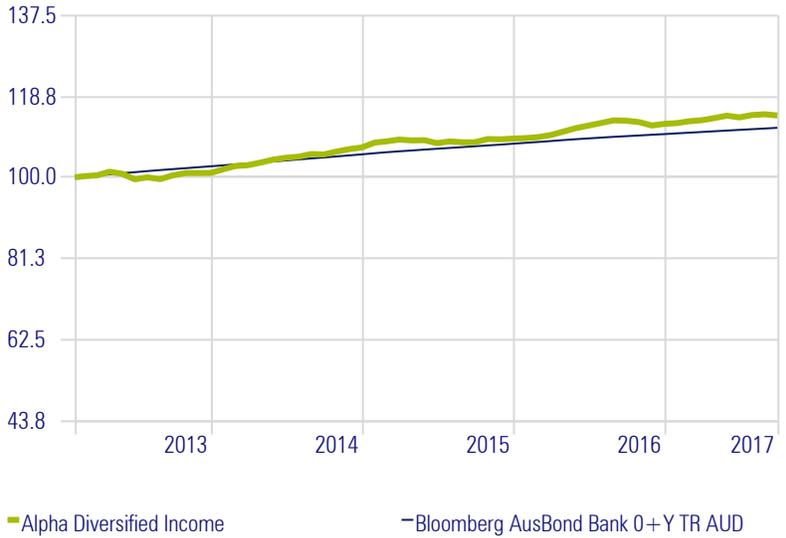
Considering the prospects for assets beyond short-term volatility, our preference is to take a longer term approach to the markets. This does not mean we are not actively managing the Fund. To the contrary, the structure of our Fund is always reflective of our current assessment of market risk. In structuring the Alpha Diversified Fixed Income Fund, Alpha Fund Managers seek to select managers demonstrating a proven track record in managing risk and generating long-term outperformance. These managers are then blended to create portfolios that can achieve consistent, absolute and relative performances, irrespective of where we are in the market cycle.

## Alpha Diversified Income - Monthly Returns (net of fees)\*

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
2017	0.16	0.38	0.21	0.42	0.50	-0.35	0.48	0.15	-0.24				
2016	0.11	0.20	0.44	0.72	0.74	0.53	0.54	0.55	-0.09	-0.27	-0.70	0.34	3.13
2015	1.06	0.26	0.38	-0.18	0.06	-0.63	0.36	-0.18	0.01	0.69	-0.07	0.16	1.92
2014	0.85	0.71	0.21	0.58	0.67	0.39	0.25	0.58	-0.09	0.64	0.52	0.36	5.83
2013			0.21	0.83	-0.48	-1.25	0.45	-0.41	0.87	0.53	0.01	0.02	
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## Investment Growth (net of fees) versus Benchmark\*

Time Period: 6/02/2013 to 30/09/2017

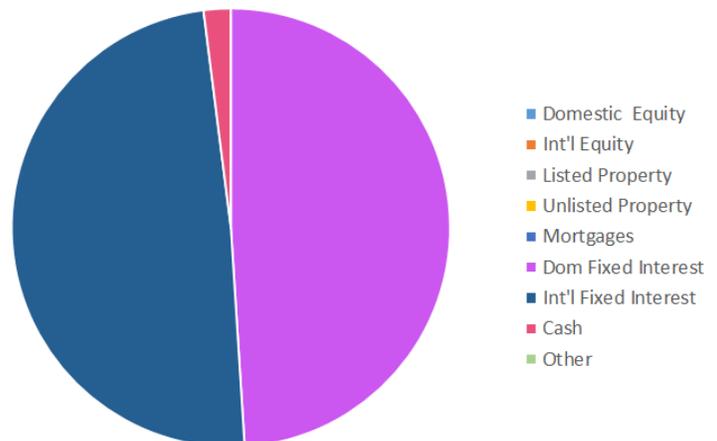


## Returns (net of fees) versus Benchmark\*

As of Date: 30/09/2017 Data Point: Return

	Month	Quarter	6 Mth	1Yr	2Yr	3Yr	pa	4Yr	pa	5Yr	pa
Alpha Diversified Income	-0.24	0.40	0.97	1.08	2.82	2.78	3.28				
Bloomberg AusBond Bank 0+Y TR AUD	0.14	0.43	0.87	1.76	1.97	2.14	2.27	2.43			

## Asset Allocation



## Investment Objective

The Alpha Diversified Income Fund is designed for investors seeking high yields with high capital preservation, by investing in a globally-diversified portfolio of fixed interest and high yield securities. It aims to outperform Cash +1% (UBS Bank 0+ Yr TR Index+1.0%) over rolling 3 to 5 year periods. The fund may invest in a portfolio of global government, semi-government, corporate, mortgage, asset-backed, high-yield and emerging-market sovereign debt, and other fixed interest securities - while seeking to preserve capital through diversification and prudent investment management.

*Fund Style: Actively Managed Diversified Multi-Strategy Fixed Income Portfolio*

## Current Manager Line-up

**Kapstream Capital** offers an alternative approach to fixed income. Kapstream's goal is to create innovative solutions for client needs. Through active diversification across sectors and geographies, they aim to consistently deliver capital protection and a reliable income stream. Kapstream uses a wide range of instruments to capitalise on opportunities within the marketplace, including bonds, notes, mortgages, corporate debt, emerging market debt, convertible securities, derivatives, foreign exchange contracts, enhanced cash instruments and more. As a result, they can generate positive returns in both rising and falling markets. They manage total portfolio risk, rather than the index risk, so their funds can generate a positive return even when indices are falling. The result is superior return potential, with less risk.

*Manager Style: Diversified Active Absolute Return Global Bond*

**PIMCO** is a leading global investment management firm with more than \$2 trillion in assets under management as of 31 December 2012, and more than 2000 employees in offices in Newport Beach, New York, Singapore, Tokyo, London, Sydney, Munich, Toronto, and Hong Kong. Throughout PIMCO's 37-year history, they have been at the forefront in sectors like mortgage-backed securities and emerging market bonds. PIMCO remain's at the forefront today, pioneering the use of innovative solutions for their clients, including portable alpha and absolute return strategies.

*Manager Style: Actively Managed, Broadly Diversified, Strong Expertise in Top Down Assessment of Global Bond Markets*

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*Manager style: Diversified Active Absolute Return Global Bond*

## About Alpha Fund Managers

**Alpha Fund Managers'** investment philosophy is based on the premise that there are particular investment managers that have the ability to consistently generate "alpha" over the medium to long-term, and through all financial market cycles irrespective of any style bias (growth vs. value, large cap vs. small cap, etc.). "Alpha" in this context is defined as an investment manager's unique ability to select a portfolio of securities that differs from and outperforms its benchmark on a risk-adjusted basis. In other words, it is an investment manager's ability to beat the index. Alpha Fund Managers' investment process is based on a balanced approach to quantitative and qualitative research and analysis techniques to assess and select the underlying investment managers in each Alpha Fund Series fund. Alpha Fund Managers seek to add value by selecting investment managers who demonstrate a high-level of investment conviction, unique investment processes and a proven record in managing risk and generating long-term "alpha" over full market cycle. Alpha Fund Managers then blend these managers to create portfolios that can achieve consistent, absolute and relative performances, irrespective of where we are in the market cycle.

## Investment Details

APIR Code	ETL0329AU
Ticker	19539
Net Assets (\$Mil)	41
Month End Price Date	30/09/2017
Month End Price	1.0146

## Purchase Information

Minimum Initial Investment	\$25,000
Minimum Balance	\$25,000
Minimum Additional Investment/Withdrawal	\$10,000
Buy-sell Spread	Nil
Income Distribution	Quarterly
Valuation/Unit Pricing	Daily
Management Fee	0.993%
Performance Fee	Applicable - refer to PDS on Website

## Manager Info

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