# Global Sustainable Total Return Bond Fund (GBP)



Marketing Communication

# Fund Objective and Proposition

The objective of the Fund is to target a positive total return (comprising current income and capital gains) above the Bank of England's SONIA Compounded Index over a full economic cycle, by investing in a broad range of global fixed-income securities and currencies. The Fund is not constrained by any benchmark.

## Philosophy

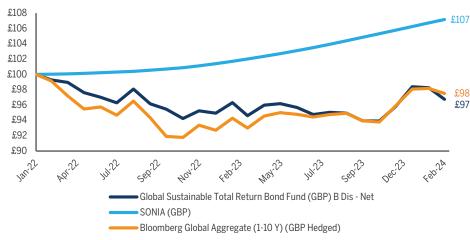
We believe that dynamic asset allocation informed by comprehensive top-down macro analysis, combined with rigorous bottom-up security selection and a differentiated sustainable investment approach, can deliver attractive risk-adjusted returns through the economic cycle while producing positive environmental and social impact.

### **Fund Performance**

#### **CUMULATIVE GROWTH OF £100**

(net of fees) from inception to 29 February 2024

Past performance does not predict future returns.



This performance is additional to, and should be read in conjunction with, the calendar year performance data below. Past performance may not be a reliable guide to future performance and investors may not get back the amount invested. All investments involve risk. The value of the investment and the income from it will vary. There is no guarantee that the initial investment will be returned.

| CALENDAR YEAR RETURNS (% net of fees)                                   | 2023 | 2022* |
|---|------|-------|
| Global Sustainable Total Return Bond Fund (GBP) B Dis (31 January 2022) | 3.5  | -5.2  |
| SONIA (GBP)   | 4.7  | 1.4   |
| Bloomberg Global Aggregate 1-10Y (GBP Hedged)                           | 5.8  | -7.3  |

<sup>\* 2023</sup> returns are from 31st January 2023 to 31st December 2023

| ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE<br>(% net of fees as of 29/02/2024)              | 1 MO | 3 MO | 6 MO | YTD  | 1 YR | ITD  |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Global Sustainable Total Return Bond Fund (GBP) B Dis (31 January 2022) | -1.6 | 0.9  | 1.9  | -1.7 | 2.1  | -1.7 |
| SONIA (GBP)   | 0.4  | 1.3  | 2.6  | 0.9  | 5.0  | 3.3  |
| Bloomberg Global Aggregate 1-10Y (GBP Hedged)                           | -0.7 | 1.7  | 2.7  | -0.6 | 4.9  | -1.2 |

Source: Brown Brothers Harriman. This performance is additional to, and should be read in conjunction with, the calendar year performance data above. Performance over 1 year is annualised. Past performance may not be a reliable guide to future performance and investors may not get back the amount invested. All investments involve risk. The value of the investment and the income from it will vary. There is no guarantee that the initial investment will be returned.

#### **PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**



#### Chris Diaz, CFA

- Global Macro Americas/Asia
- Investment experience since 2000
- Joined Brown Advisory 2021



#### Ryan Myerberg

- Global Macro Europe/Asia
- Investment experience since 2002
- Joined Brown Advisory 2021



#### **Colby Stilson**

- Global Credit
- Investment experience since 2000
- Joined Brown Advisory 2021

| FUND FACTS                             |                                      |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| Benchmark                              | SONIA (GBP) <sup>1</sup>             |
| Structure                              | UCITS (Ireland)                      |
| Base Currency                          | GBP                                  |
| Launch Date                            | 31 January 2022                      |
| Fund Size                              | GBP 276 million                      |
| Dealing                                | Daily                                |
| Administrator                          | Brown Brothers<br>Harriman (Ireland) |
| Administrator Contact                  | Tel: +353 1603 6490                  |
| Settlement                             | T+2                                  |
| Minimum Investment (Relevant Currency) | B: 10,000,000<br>C: 10,000,000       |
| Registered for Sale                    | GBR, IRL                             |
| Eligibility (U.K.)                     | ISA and SIPP                         |
| SFDR <sup>2</sup>                      | Article 8                            |

| STRATEGY PROFILE <sup>3</sup> |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Characteristics               | Target Range                            |
| Return Per Annum              | 2–3% annualised in excess of cash       |
| Value at Risk (VaR)           | 4-10%4                                  |
| Interest Rate Duration        | 3–5 years (0–8 years permissable range) |
| Spread Duration               | 3–4 years (0–6 years permissable range) |
| Average Rating                | AA to BBB                               |

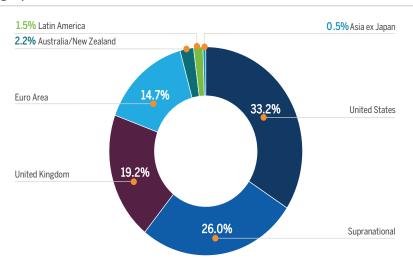
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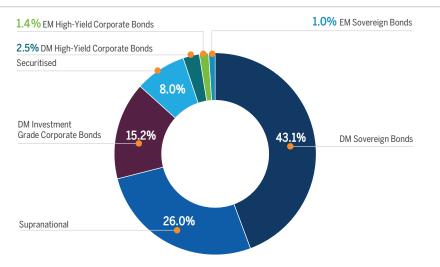
<sup>3</sup>Source: BBH (apart from VaR which is sourced from Arkus and interest rate duration and spread duration sourced from Bloomberg). The portfolio information shown is based on the Global Sustainable Total Return Bond Fund launched on 31 January 2022. Figures may not total 100% due to rounding. <sup>4</sup>99% confidence level, annualised.

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# Geographic Breakdown



### Asset Class Breakdown



Source: BBH and Bloomberg. The portfolio information provided is based on the Brown Advisory Global Sustainable Total Return Bond (GBP) Fund as of 02/29/2024. Numbers may not total due to rounding. Cash is included in the weights calculations but not shown in the breakdowns above, cash was 2.8% as of 02/29/2024. Holdings shown are for informational purposes only and are not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold any security. Please see disclosure statements at the end of this factsheet for additional information and a complete list of terms and definitions.

| SHARE CLASS INFORMATION |              |         |                      |         |
|-------------------------|--------------|---------|----------------------|---------|
|                         | ISIN         | Ticker  | OCF <sup>5</sup> (%) | AMC (%) |
| Sterling B Class (Dis)  | IE000V34XHS4 | BATRSBD | 0.65                 | 0.45    |

For information on additional share classes, please visit www.brownadvisory.com/intl/kiid-library or contact us.

| DURATION       |       |
|----------------|-------|
| Country        | Years |
| United States  | 2.9   |
| Euro Area      | 1.5   |
| United Kingdom | 0.5   |
| Canada         | 0.4   |
| Australia      | 0.2   |
| New Zealand    | 0.1   |
| Mexico         | 0.0   |
| Japan          | -0.3  |
| TOTAL          | 5.2   |

| ACTIVE CURRENCY EXPOSURE |      |  |
|--------------------------|------|--|
| Currency                 | %    |  |
| Norwegian krone          | 2.1  |  |
| Japanese Yen             | 2.0  |  |
| Mexican Peso             | 1.0  |  |
| US Dollar                | 1.0  |  |
| Euro                     | -1.0 |  |
| Swedish Krona            | -2.1 |  |
| Swiss Franc              | -3.0 |  |

| CHARACTERISTICS        |           |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Interest Rate Duration | 5.2 years |
| Spread Duration        | 2.0 years |
| Average Rating         | AA-       |
|                        |           |

| CREDIT QUALITY |      |
|----------------|------|
| Quality        | %    |
| AAA/Aaa        | 33.5 |
| AA/Aa          | 25.9 |
| A              | 5.1  |
| BBB/Baa        | 20.8 |
| High Yield     | 4.0  |
| Not Rated      | 8.0  |

#### **SCREENS**

The Fund intends to invest in companies that promote environmental and social characteristics, as determined by Brown Advisory, and seeks to screen out particular companies and industries. In addition to our in house and qualitative sustainable investment research, we rely on a third-party provider to apply a rules-based screening process which seeks to identify companies that may have controversial business involvement, as determined by Brown Advisory. For example, the Fund seeks to exclude knowingly owning bonds issued by companies that may defy the United Nations Global Compact Principles and seeks to impose investment guidelines on possible business practices including, but not limited to, weapons, animal testing for non-medical purposes (where the companies do not exhibit strong ethical policies and practices), fossil fuels, adult entertainment, alcohol, tobacco and gambling. The exception to this is that the Fund may invest in labelled bonds, or other fixed-income securities that are issued to raise capital to support environmental or social projects and objectives, and often times help to facilitate the transition to more sustainable practices. Such labelled bonds may be issued by issuers that are involved in one or more of the business activities that Brown Advisory would normally avoid. The Fund is an Article 8 financial product for the purposes of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 November 2019 on sustainability related disclosures in the financial services sector (SFDR).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> OCFs are the actual OCFs as of 29 February 2024. The maximum OCF of B share classes is 0.70%. The ongoing charges figure (OCF) is based on expenses, excluding transaction costs. The charges include the costs of marketing and distribution For more information about charges, please see the Fund's prospectus, available at www.brownadvisory.com. .

#### **INVESTMENT ENQUIRIES**

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