### **I-Class Units**

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# Rathbone Ethical Bond Fund

## **Investment objective**

The objective of the fund is to provide a regular, above average income through investing in a range of bonds and bond market instruments that meet strict criteria ethically and financially.

## **Fund snapshot**

The manager runs the benchmark-agnostic fund with a strongly defined view that accounts for economic and political trends, company analysis, and thematic ideas. The investment grade fund targets a high yield with a strong ethical overlay. Once investment themes have been developed, the team carry out credit analysis to find the assets that work best within the thematic framework. Cash flow and strong balance sheets are key in determining bond selection, with the team applying the 'Four Cs Plus' principles: character, capacity, collateral and covenants. The 'Plus' is conviction - that to achieve above-average long-term performance, the team feel they must think differently to the market. After that, an ethical overlay is applied which consists of a negative screening followed by a positive screening.

# **Fund facts**

<b>Manager</b> Rathbone Unit Trust Management Limited
<b>Trustee</b> National Westminster Bank Plc
<b>Date Launched/Launch Price</b> 14 May 2002/100p (fund) 01 March 2012 (unit class)
<b>Size of fund</b> Offer value: £973.82m Bid value: £967.08m
Selling prices Income (Inc): 99.69p Accumulation (Acc): 203.80p
Buying prices Inc: 100.49p/Acc: 204.99p
Historical distribution yield^ 3.80%
Total no. of holdings 187
Initial charge 0%
<b>Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) as at 31.03.2017</b> 0.68%
Minimum initial investment £1,000,000
Minimum additional investments £500

# Distributions per unit

Latest dist	ributions (year p	aid) Gross
Annual	N/A	2.00p (est)
Interim	N/A	2.18p
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Interim	1.86p	2.33p
Δnnual	Ex div	Payment

Annual	01 Oct 17	30 Nov 17
Interim	01 Jul 17	31 Aug 17
Interim	01 Apr 17	31 May 17
Interim	01 Jan 17	28 Feb 17
Year end	30 September	^^
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From 6 April 2017, distributions are paid gross.

## **Maturity distribution**

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Data as at 31.10.17	% in fund
0-5 Years	23.38
5-10 Years	43.78
10-15 Years	15.91
15+ Years	14.25
Cash	2.68
Modified Duration	6.06 years

# Dealing/valuation

Forward daily: 9.00am-5.00pm Valuation point: 12.00 midday Dealing/valuation: 0330 123 3810 Information line: 020 7399 0399

#### **Fund codes**

Sedol (Inc): B7FQJT3 Sedol (Acc): B77DQT1 ISIN (Inc): GB00B7FQJT36 ISIN (Acc): GB00B77DQT14

## **Product availability**

For Investment Advisers, third party availability — all major platforms.

For more information, please see our 'Strategic Partners' page on the 'How to Invest' section of our website rutm.com

## Manager ratings



### Management



Bryn Jones Fund Manager

Bryn joined Rathbones in November 2004. He has over 20 years' investment industry experience in equity and fixed income markets and holds the Investment Management Certificate. Bryn is a WMA representative and sits on the IA fixed income advisory committee.

#### **Awards**



#### Fund ratings













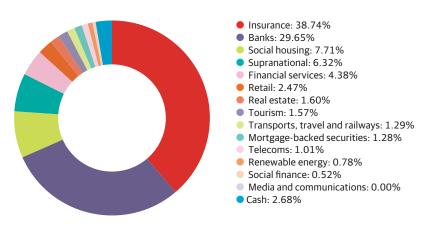




The European SRI Transparency logo signifies that Rathbone Unit Trust Management Limited commits to provide accurate, adequate and timely information to enable stakeholders. in particular consumers, to understand the Socially Responsible Investment (SRI) policies and practices relating to the fund. Detailed information about the European SRI Transparency Guidelines can be found on www.eurosif.org, and information of the SRI policies and practices of the Rathbone Ethical Bond Fund can be found at: rutm.com. The Transparency Guidelines are managed by Eurosif, an independent organisation. The European SRI Transparency Logo reflects the fund manager's commitment as detailed above and should not be taken as an endorsement of any particular company, organisation or individual.

## Sector asset allocation (iBoxx sector classifications)

Data as at 31.10.17



## I-Class fund performance\*

Data as at 31.10.17			1 year	3 years	5 years
Rathbone Ethical Bond Fund			9.22%	20.95%	41.94%
IA Sterling Corporate Bond Sector			4.29%	15.91%	26.73%
Quartile rank			1	1	1
Discrete annual performance, quarter ending 30 September	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Rathbone Ethical Bond Fund	8.16%	9.83%	3.71%	9.25%	6.38%
IA Sterling Corporate Bond Sector	2.88%	6.42%	2.81%	12.22%	0.61%
		Alpha***	Beta***	Volatility***	Turnover***
Rathbone Ethical Bond Fund		3.63	0.63	4.27%	30.64%
IA Sterling Corporate Bond Sector		0.02	0.86	5.20%	

Past performance should not be seen as an indication of future performance. The value of investments and the income from them may go down as well as up and you may not get back your original investment.

# 10 largest holdings

	%
European Investment Bank 6.0% 07/12/2028	3.60
Standard Life Aberdeen 6.75% Perp	2.41
Barclays 10.0% 21/05/2021	1.93
BPCE 5.25% 16/04/2029	1.87
RSA Insurance Group 5.125% 10/10/2025	1.84
Royal London 6.125% 30/11/2043	1.76
Phoenix Group 6.625% 18/12/2025	1.72
Royal London 6.125% 13/11/2028	1.63
Hiscox 6.125% 24/11/2025	1.62
Rabobank Nederland 4.625% 23/05/2029	1.61

# Credit quality distribution

Data as at 31.10.17**	%
AAA	7.13
AA	1.94
AA-	3.84
<b>A</b> +	3.03
A	2.74
A-	8.83
BBB+	21.59
BBB	21.61
BBB-	14.60
BB+	0.83
ВВ	2.54
NR	8.64
Cash	2.68

#### You should know

#### Important information

Copies of the Prospectus, the Key Investor Information Document (KIID), the Supplementary Information Document (SID), and application forms may be obtained, free of charge, from Rathbone Unit Trust Management Limited.

Changes in rates of exchange between currencies may cause the value of investments to decrease or increase.

Details of tax levels and reliefs may change in the future. The value of any tax relief depends on individual circumstances. If you have any doubts about your tax position, or the suitability of this investment, you should seek professional advice.

Interest rate fluctuations are likely to affect the capital value of investments within bond funds. When long term interest rates rise the capital value of units is likely to fall and vice versa. The effect will be more apparent on funds that invest significantly in long-dated securities. The value of capital and income will fluctuate as interest rates and credit ratings of the issuing companies change.

To meet the investment objective, the fund may also invest, at the Manager's discretion, in other transferable securities, money market instruments, warrants, cash and near cash, deposits and units in collective investment schemes. Use may be made of stocklending, borrowing, cash holdings, hedging and other investment techniques permitted by the FCA rules.

As the Manager's annual fee is taken out from capital, distributable income will be increased at the expense of capital which will either be eroded or future growth constrained. All other income expenses are paid out of the fund's income.

#### Information notes

^The historic distribution yield reflects the annualised income net of the expenses in the fund (calculated in accordance with the relevant accounting standards) as a percentage of the mid-market unit price of the fund as at the date shown. It is based on a snapshot of the portfolio on that day. It does not include any initial charge and investors may be subject to tax on their distributions.

^^As from 30 June 2016 the fund's year end changed to 30 September.

Source performance data Financial Express, bid to bid, net income re-invested. This is net of expenses and tax. Data using prices as at 31.10.2017. I-Class units/shares were launched on 01 March 12. \*Performance is a combination of I-Class units and R-Class units (where I-Class was unavailable). \*\*\*Alpha, Beta and Volatility statistics given on a 5 year rolling basis. Alpha and Beta are calculated using the IBOXX Non Gilt Index as the benchmark. Alpha, Beta and Volatility shown is annualised standard deviation of monthly returns. Turnover is calculated on a 1 year rolling basis.

\*\*Credit quality distribution ratings from various sources

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Source and Copyright Citywire: Bryn Jones is + rated by Citywire for his three year risk adjusted performance for the period 31.10.2014-31.10.2017.

Rathbone Unit Trust Management has achieved a Gold Rating in the Sterling Corporate Bond sector by Citywire for their rolling riskadjusted performance, across all management teams in the sector, over the period 30.09.2010-30.09.2017.

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