

# Signia Sovereign Fund

## Fund Factsheet (USD)

As at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024

### Overview

#### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

To increase the value of your investment by more than 1% above cash a year, net of fees, over any 3 year period. Cash is measured by The Federal Reserve's overnight interest rate benchmark, The Secured Overnight Financing Rate, or SOFR.

The increased value comes from a combination of income, (which is money paid out of investments such as interest from bonds and dividends from ETFs (exchange traded funds)) and capital growth (which is profit on investments held). There is no certainty that the aim of the Fund will be achieved.

#### SUITABILITY

Investments are suitable for retail investors whose investment requirements are aligned with the objectives, policies and risk profile of the Fund.

#### ASSET ALLOCATION PROFILE

The Fund is actively managed, meaning Signia Invest (the "Investment Manager") decides which investments to buy and sell, and when. The Fund will invest at least 90% across the world in a mixture of:

- Sovereign and supranational debt (types of bonds issued by governments and government-backed institutions);
- Funds and ETFs which invest in sovereign and supranational debt; and
- Cash, via liquidity funds, such as money market funds.
- Bonds will be focused in investment grade bonds, where the issuer has a high and reliable capacity to repay the debt. Should an investment grade bond held drop to sub-investment grade, which can be more vulnerable to changing market conditions, the Fund will aim to dispose of this in an orderly manner. The Fund will focus its exposure on low-risk, high-grade bonds. Credit rating agencies rate the credit quality of bonds on a scale from AAA to D. The Fund will aim to have the weighted average credit rating across the holdings at or above AA-, which is considered 'high grade'.

**Target Annualised Return:** Cash plus 1%

### Portfolio Composition

#### ASSET ALLOCATION RANGES (%)

Cash	0 - 10%
Fixed Income	90 - 100%

#### CURRENCY ALLOCATION RANGES

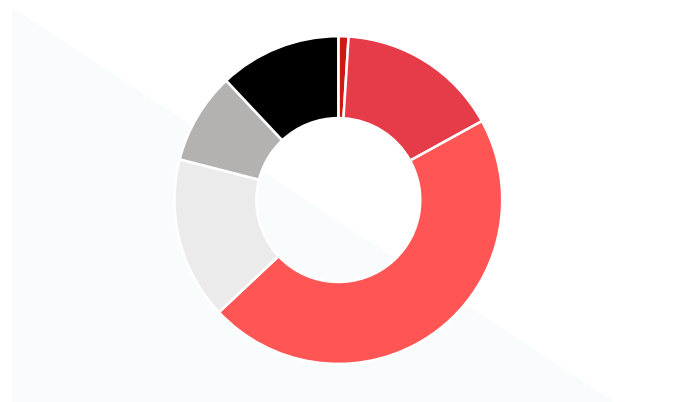
USD	100% (Fully Hedged)
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### Fund Information

Inception Date	December 2020
Legal structure	OEIC
ISA/SIPP Eligible	YES
Initial charge	0.00%
Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF)	0.64%
Performance Fee	0.00%
Available share classes	Accumulation
ISIN	GBOOBKY5HQ52
Hedged Yield	5.0%
Modified Duration	5.4 years
Credit Rating	AA-

#### KEY ALLOCATIONS

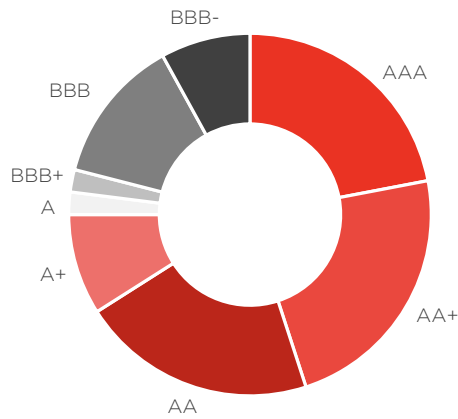
Cash & Equivalents	1%
Conventional Sovereigns (<1 Year Maturity)	16%
Conventional Sovereigns (>1 Year Maturity)	46%
Supranational & Agency	16%
Inflation Linked	9%
Floating Rate Notes	12%



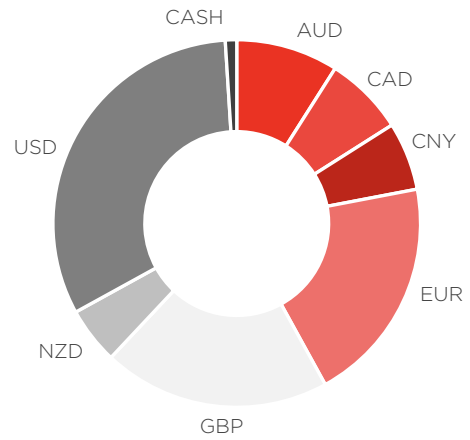
#### ESG POSITIONS

Development Banks	16%
Green Bonds	8%
Social Bonds	3%
Sustainability Bonds	3%

**CREDIT RATING ALLOCATION:**



**YIELD CURVE ALLOCATION**

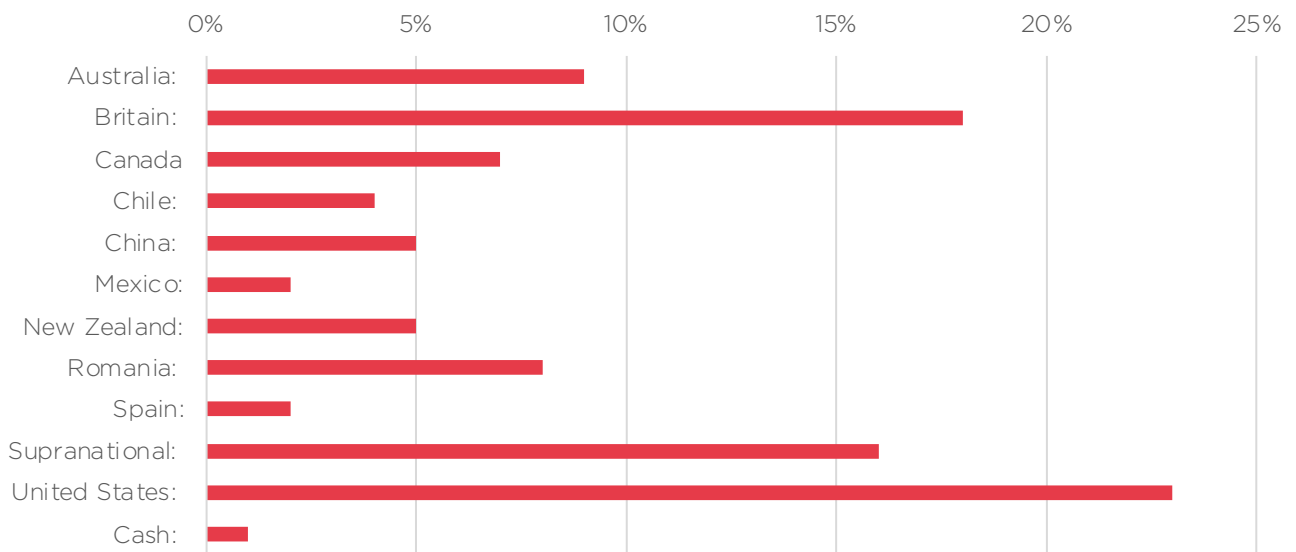


Credit Rating	Percentage	Yield Curve	Percentage
AAA	22%	AUD	9%
AA+	23%	CAD	7%
AA	21%	CNY	6%
A+	9%	EUR	20%
A	2%	GBP	20%
BBB+	2%	NZD	5%
BBB	13%	USD	32%
BBB-	8%	CASH	1%

**DURATION CONTRIBUTION (YEARS)**

Currency	Duration (Years)
AUD	1.1
CAD	0.7
CNY	0.3
EUR	1.2
GBP	0.6
NZD	0.7
USD	0.6

**COUNTRY ALLOCATION**



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## Fund's Top 5 Holdings (%)

As at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Sector	Security Name	Currency	Weightings
Sovereign Debt	UKTB 0 17/03/2025	GBP	11.03%
Floating Rate Notes	UST FRN 30/04/25	USD	7.64%
Inflation Linked Debt	TII 2.375% 15/01/2025	USD	6.94%
Sovereign Debt	iShares China CNY Bond ETF GBP Hedged	GBP	5.63%
Sovereign Debt	NZGB 1.75% 15/05/2041	NZD	5.14%
<b>Total</b>			<b>36.38%</b>

## USD Fund Performance Summary:

The USD share class went live in January 2022, but the strategy has been running since 2015.

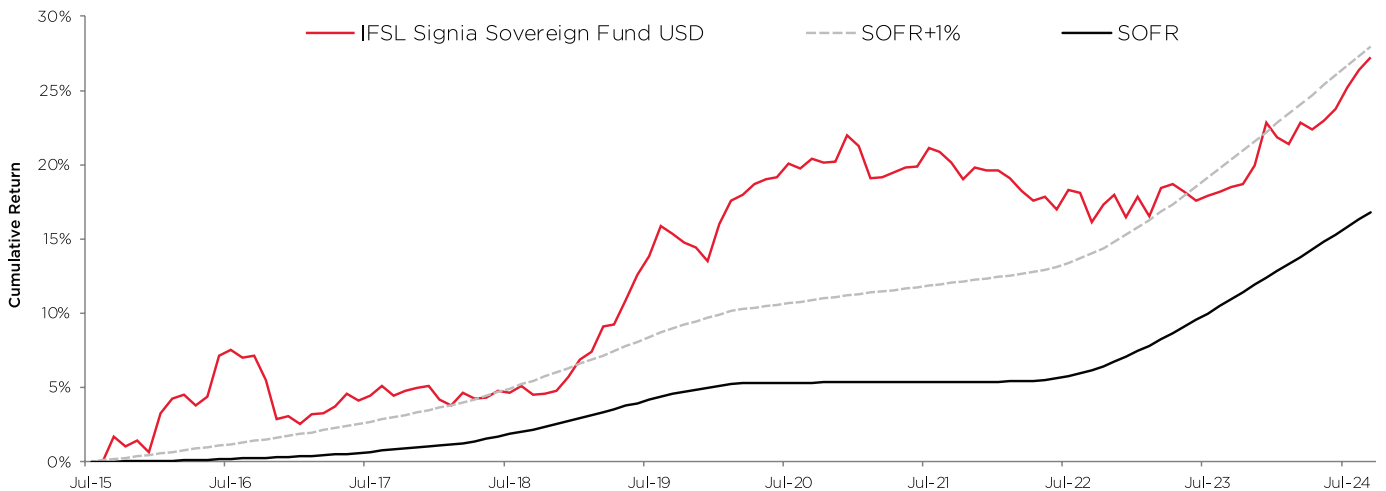
**Month Performance:** 0.66%   
 **YTD Performance:** 3.60%   
 **3 Year Rolling:** 5.89%   
 **Since Inception:** 27.25%

### Portfolio Statistics: Signia Sovereign USD Performance Indicators since Inception - August 2015\*

Annualised Return	Annualised Volatility	Avg Monthly Return	Sharpe Ratio
2.66%	3.11%	0.25%	0.31

Source: Arbion Ltd, Bloomberg. Data as of 30.09.2024

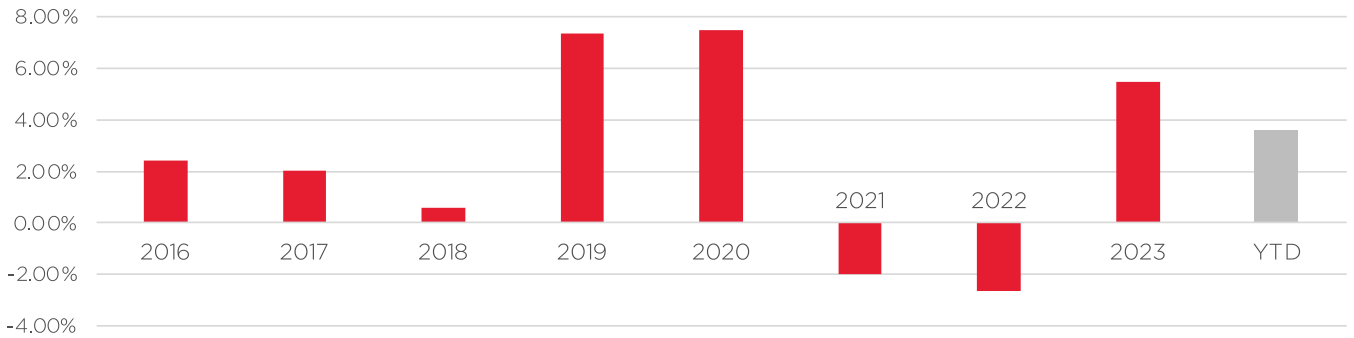
- **Volatility** - A statistical measure of the variation of returns for a given asset, index or portfolio over a specified time period.
- **Sharpe Ratio** - This measures the performance of an investment compared to a risk-free asset after adjusting for its risk.



Source: Bloomberg, Arbion Ltd. Data as of 30.09.2024

\*Fund performance prior to January 2022 is based on the model performance of the underlying strategy. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Indices are unmanaged and exclude fees

**ANNUAL RETURNS**

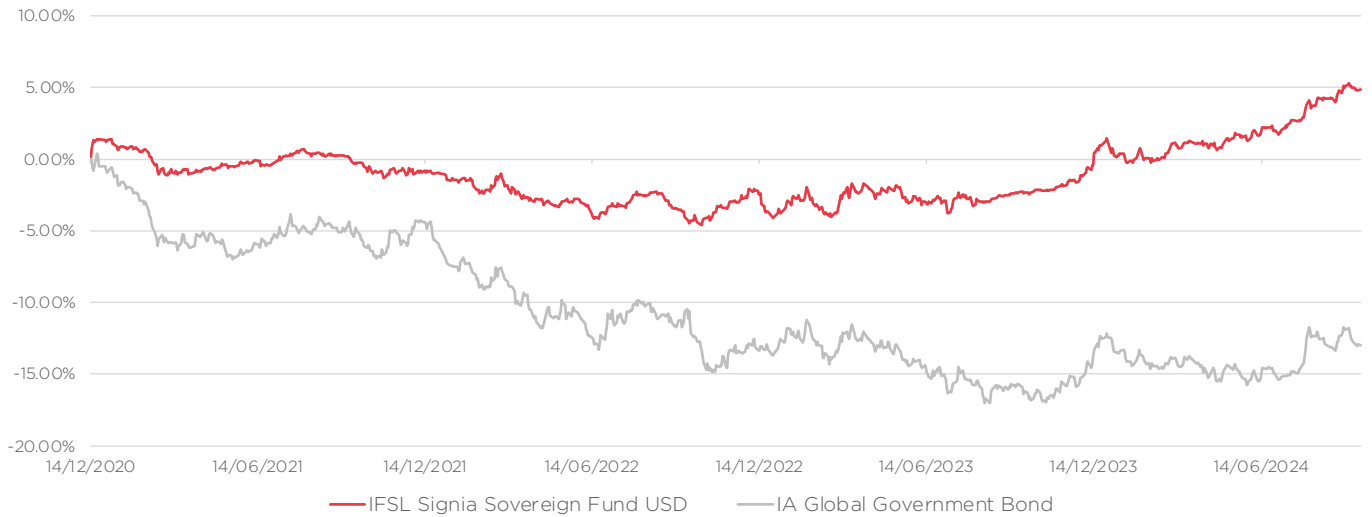


2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	YTD
2.40%	2.02%	0.58%	7.34%	7.48%	-1.96%	-2.64%	5.48%	3.60%

Source: Bloomberg, Arbion Ltd. Data as of 30.09.2024

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**CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE AGAINST IA GLOBAL GOVERNMENT BOND**



	1y	2y	Since Inception
IFSL Signia Sovereign Fund USD	7.37%	9.56%	4.89%
IA Global Government Bond (GBP)	3.80%	-0.92%	-13.00%
Quartile Ranking	1	1	1

Source: Bloomberg, Morningstar, Arbion Data as of 30.09.2024. The IA Global Government Bond sector is primarily composed of funds in GBP.

## Some Key Members of Signia Invest's Investment Team



**ROBERT LEE, LEAD CO-PM**

CO-HEAD OF FIXED INCOME,  
HEAD OF RATES

Robert has been managing the wealth of private clients since 2006 as a portfolio manager and fixed income specialist. He is jointly responsible for the multi-asset investment team, global fixed income strategies, and Arbion's retail funds business.

Previously, he worked for Lehman Brothers on the European Capital Markets team, and then Coutts & Co where he was a member of the fixed income and foreign exchange selection committees, responsible for managing the advisory and discretionary portfolios for private clients and institutions. Robert is a Chartered Financial Analyst and a member of the Chartered Institute for Securities & Investment.



**MATTHEW BARNES, CO-PM**

CO-HEAD OF FIXED INCOME,  
HEAD OF CREDIT

Matthew is Signia's Fixed Income Credit Portfolio Manager. He has 25 years of industry experience, most recently managing the Rubrics Global Credit Fund for over 10 years. Matthew has invested across the credit spectrum in a wide variety of global bond issuers, spanning a diverse breadth of industries.

Complementing his credit knowledge, Matthew has strong debt-capital structure and cross-currency bond awareness, having been an active investor in both senior and subordinated bonds issued in a range of global currencies. Matthew is a Chartered Financial Analyst.

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