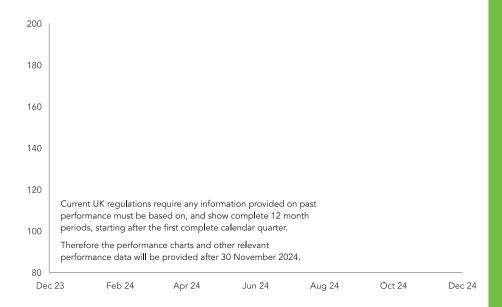
## Ruffer Diversified Return International

**SHARE PRICE PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH ON 13 JANUARY 2024** 



April did not provide a friendly market backdrop for stocks and bonds. The expansion of global liquidity that had accompanied the rise in stock markets over the past 18 months may have started to reverse, with US bank reserve balances held at the Fed (a basic but adequate proxy) falling by \$172bn, the largest monthly fall since September 2022. Against this backdrop of marginally tighter liquidity, alongside concerns over persistent inflation, it was unsurprising to see global stock and bond market indices both falling.

Commodities provided shelter from the April showers, with both base and precious metals benefiting from expectations that the US economy might stay stronger for even longer (albeit at the expense of a deteriorating fiscal position). At the same time, the Chinese economy might be bottoming and the geopolitical situation in the Middle East might be deteriorating. This unusual cocktail of 'might be's' saw commodities such as gold and oil, that often move in opposite directions, rising together in the first half of April.

While commodity exposure in general contributed positively to performance, it was the silver position that we added in March that was the single biggest contributor as it started to catch up with the rise in gold bullion, much as we hoped it might. Beyond silver, it was also a strong month for gold mining stocks and our copper exposure. We trimmed them all as the month progressed.

Beyond commodities, short-dated US and UK government bonds also contributed to the fund's performance. These more than offset losses from the long-dated UK inflation-linked bonds, which continued to be a drag despite long-dated break-evens quietly rising.

On the other side of the ledger, the fund's protective position in the yen (held both via Japanese government bonds and call options on the yen) continued to be a significant detractor from performance, with the aforementioned burst of enthusiasm about the US's economic prospects seeing dollar/yen interest rate differentials again widen in favour of the greenback. The last couple of days in the month seemed to bring Japan's Ministry of Finance (MoF) in to play in defence of the yen, with the MoF selling billions of dollars to discourage speculators from taking the dollar/yen rate quickly beyond the 160 level. It is too early to tell whether the intervention will be a definitive change in momentum.

Current extended market positioning in both US equities and credit is at odds with the geopolitical and economic risks we see all around us. Furthermore, our analysis suggests that liquidity conditions will remain challenged through the coming months, so we are maintaining our defensive posture, using cash and cheap derivative protection to prepare for an environment that will eventually be more friendly to risk-taking.

## MARKETING COMMUNICATION



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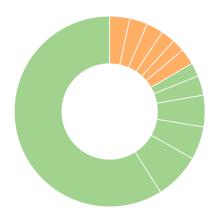
Share price, p		
C EUR cap		1.0206
C GBP cap		1.0189
C GBP dis		1.0226
	Net	Gross
Duration (years)	2.4	2.6
Equity exposure %	12.5	16.6

#### **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

To achieve positive returns in all market conditions over any 12 month period from an actively managed diversified portfolio. The fund may have exposure to the following asset classes: cash, debt securities of any type (including government and corporate debt), equities and equity related securities and commodities (including precious metals). Overriding this objective is a fundamental philosophy of capital preservation. Investors should note there can be no assurance the investment objective will be achieved.

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## **ASSET ALLOCATION**



Asset allocation	%
Short-dated bonds	58.9
Gold and precious metals exposure	7.8
Cash	5.6
Long-dated index-linked gilts	5.4
Index-linked gilts	3.3
Non-UK index-linked	2.3
Credit and derivative strategies	-2.4
Energy equities	3.4
Technology equities	3.0
Financials equities	2.9
Commodity exposure	2.4
Healthcare equities	2.1
Other equities	5.2

%
75.3
9.3
8.9
1.8
4.7
%
5.8
5.4
4.3
1.2

## **5 LARGEST EQUITY HOLDINGS**

Stock	ESG rating	% of fund
Prosus	AA	2.5
BP	А	1.6
Cigna	AA	1.1
Hess Corporation	AAA	0.8
Smurfit Kappa	AA	0.7

Largest equity holdings exclude Ruffer funds | Source: MSCI ESG Research, Ruffer LLP | Totals may not equal 100 due to rounding

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#### **FUND SIZE £88.6M**

FUND INFOR	MATION		
Maximum subscrip	tion fee %		5.0
Minimum investment (or equivalent in other currency)			£10m
Ongoing Charges I	Figure %		1.26
Cut offs		3pm Luxembourg time on valuation day	
Dealing frequency			Daily
Ex dividend dates			Next NAV following the record date
Pay dates		Within five business days after ex dividend date	
Record date		Third	d Monday of November
Investment manage	er		Ruffer LLP
Depositary bank		Bar	nk Pictet & Cie (Europe) A.G.
Management compadministrative ager and transfer agent, and domiciliary age	nt, registrar paying		FundPartner Solutions (Europe) S.A.
Auditors			Ernst & Young S.A.
Structure			ıb-fund of Ruffer SICAV, Luxembourg domiciled UCITS SICAV
SFDR classification			Article 8
Share class	ISIN		SEDOL
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C GBP cap	LU2699370	172	BRBR0C0
C GBP dis	LU2699372	624	BRBR0H5

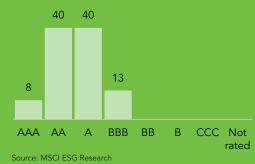
### **ESG INFORMATION**

## WEIGHTED AVERAGE CARBON INTENSITY



Tons of carbon dioxideequivalent (tCO2e) per fm of revenue. Includes Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions only. Source: Ruffer LLP, MSCI ESG Research

## **ESG RATING BREAKDOWN, EQUITIES %**



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## Fiona Ker

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Weighted average carbon intensity (WACI) is an estimate of the portfolio's exposure to carbon-intensive companies, expressed in tons CO2e per unit of revenue (TCFD carbon footprinting metrics) and including Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions only.

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LOWER RISK HIGHER RISK

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

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- the lowest 20% scoring sovereign issuers based on identified environmental, social and governance-related criteria and
- corporate issuers that derive a significant proportion of their revenues from industries deemed to have a detrimental social or environmental impact.

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E/S characteristic	1 Decarbonisation/ emissions reduction	2 Energy transition alignment	3 Sector and value- based exclusions
Equity and corporate fixed income securities	х	х	х
Sovereign fixed income securities	na	na	Х
Real world decarbonisation commodities	х	х	na

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