

# Singapore Bond Fund

Fund Summary  
as of 8 October 2021

## Investment Objective

The objective of this sub-fund is to provide a medium to long-term capital appreciation by investing mainly in investment grade government/quasi-sovereign bonds, corporate bonds and money market securities denominated in Singapore Dollars.

## Investment Scope

The types of securities that this sub-fund may invest in include, but are not limited to fixed income instruments (deemed or rated investment grade), bank deposits, money market securities, currency forwards and futures. The sub-fund may also invest in high quality unsecured or unrated bonds. The sub-fund is denominated in Singapore Dollars.

## Investment Approach

The Sub-Investment Manager seeks to achieve the investment objective by incorporating the use of a combination of top down macro research for duration or interest rate management and sector allocation as well as bottom-up analysis for credit selection and yield curve positioning.

## Fund Details

<b>Launch Date</b>	01 March 2000
<b>Fund Manager</b>	NTUC Income Insurance Co-operative Limited
<b>Sub-Investment Manager</b>	Fullerton Fund Management Company Ltd
<b>Custodian</b>	The Bank of New York Mellon
<b>Dealing Frequency</b>	Every business day
<b>Premium Charge</b>	Please refer to “Fees and Charges” in section 4 of the Product Summary for ILP.
<b>Annual Management Fee</b>	0.5% p.a. The Annual Management Fee is not guaranteed and may be reviewed from time to time. However, it shall not exceed 2.0% of the sub-fund balance at any point of time.
<b>Inclusion in CPFIS</b>	Yes (CPF OA and CPF SA)
<b>CPFIS Risk Classification</b>	Low to Medium Risk, Narrowly Focused — Country — Singapore
<b>Structure</b>	Single Fund
<b>Benchmark</b>	Markit iBoxx ALBI Singapore Government 3+ Index
<b>Subscription Method</b>	Cash / SRS / CPF OA / CPF SA
<b>Financial Year End</b>	31 December

## Past Performance (as of 30 June 2021)

	1-month	3-month	6-month	1-year	3-year <sup>^</sup>	5-year <sup>^</sup>	10-year <sup>^</sup>	Since inception <sup>^</sup>
<b>Singapore Bond Fund</b>	-0.14	1.97	-4.60	-1.98	4.62	3.16	3.22	3.48
<b>Benchmark</b>	-0.25	2.34	-5.13	-3.90	4.78	2.77	3.12	4.02

Changes to benchmarks during the life of the sub-fund: Since inception to 31 May 2017 - UOB Singapore Government Bond Index Long.

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With effect from 31 May 2017, the benchmark has been replaced by Markit iBoxx ALBI Singapore Government 3+ Index, due to the discontinuation of UOB Singapore Government Bond index statistics publication. The replacement benchmark exhibits similar return and volatility characteristics to the previous benchmark.

The returns are calculated using bid-to-bid prices, in Singapore Dollar terms, with dividends and distributions reinvested. Source: Bloomberg and Factset, as of end June 2021.

^Returns above one year are annualised. Past performance is not indicative of future performance. Fees & charges payable through deduction of premium or cancellation of units are excluded from this calculation.

## Fund Manager

NTUC Income Insurance Co-operative Limited is the Investment Manager of the sub-fund. Fullerton Fund Management Company Ltd is the Sub-Investment Manager of the sub-fund.

### NTUC Income Insurance Co-operative Limited (Income)

Income was established in 1970 to make essential insurance accessible to all Singaporeans. Today, Income is the leading composite insurer in Singapore offering life, health and general insurance. Our wide network of financial advisers and partners provide value-added financial advisory that complements today's digital-first landscape, offering insurance products and services that serve the protection, savings and investment needs of customers at different stages and across all segments of society.

As of 31 December 2020, Income had S\$45.91 billion in assets under management. Our financial strength and diversified investment portfolio are reflected by our strong credit ratings and predicated on our core investment philosophy of value, prudence and discipline.

### Fullerton Fund Management Company Ltd (Fullerton)

Fullerton Fund Management Company Ltd ("Fullerton") is an Asia-based investment specialist, focused on optimising investment outcomes and enhancing investor experience. We help clients, including government entities, sovereign wealth funds, pension plans, insurance companies, private wealth and retail, from the region and beyond, to achieve their investment objectives through our suite of solutions. Our expertise encompasses equities, fixed income, multi-asset, alternatives and treasury management, across public and private markets. As an active manager, we place strong emphasis on performance, risk management and investment insights.

Incorporated in 2003, Fullerton is headquartered in Singapore, and has associated offices in Shanghai, London, Tokyo and Brunei. Fullerton is part of a multi-asset management group, Sevia, a holding company established by Temasek. NTUC Income, a leading Singapore insurer, is a minority shareholder of Fullerton. As of 31 December 2020, Fullerton Fund Management's assets under management was S\$63 billion.

## Risks

### Key Risks

Income's ILP sub-funds are intended for long-term investment, it is not suited for any short-term speculation. You should not expect to obtain any short-term gains from investing in Income's ILP sub-funds. It is important that your investment suit your risk appetite. You may wish to consult your financial adviser before investing in any ILP sub-fund.

The securities and instruments in which the sub-fund may invest are subject to market fluctuations and other risks inherent in such investments and there can be no assurance that any appreciation in value will occur.

You should be aware that past performance is not indicative of future performance. The value of the units may rise or fall as the performance of the sub-fund changes.

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The risk factors may cause you to lose some or all of your investments. A description of the major risks is provided below. This is not an exhaustive list of risks.

## Market and Credit Risks

You are exposed to market risks. Prices of the securities held by the sub-fund may go up or down, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably. Securities may decline in value due to factors affecting securities markets generally or particular industries.

You are exposed to interest rate risks. The sub-fund's investment in debt securities may be subject to the risk of interest rate fluctuations which may cause the price of debt securities to go up or down. In general, as nominal interest rates rise, the value of fixed income securities is likely to fall.

You are exposed to currency risks. Changes in exchange rates between currencies or the conversion from one currency to another may cause the value of a sub-fund's investments to diminish or increase. Currency exchange rates may fluctuate significantly over short periods of time.

You are exposed to credit risks. Changes in the financial condition or credit standing of an issuer may negatively affect the sub-fund. An issuer of fixed income securities may suffer adverse changes in its financial condition and unable to pay the principal and/or interest on the instrument.

## Liquidity Risks

You are exposed to liquidity risks. There is no secondary market for the sub-fund. All redemption requests should be made to the Manager.

## Product-Specific Risks

You are exposed to derivatives risks. The sub-fund may invest in derivatives instruments including futures, options, forwards, swaps or credit derivatives for purposes of hedging and/or efficient portfolio management. Derivatives involve risks different from, and, in some cases, greater than, the risks presented by more traditional securities investments. The usage of derivatives may negatively impact the value of the sub-fund.

The global exposure of the sub-fund to financial derivatives or embedded financial derivatives will be calculated using the commitment approach and in accordance with provisions of the Code on Collective Investment Schemes. The Manager will ensure that the risk management and compliance procedures are adequate and have been or will be implemented and that it has the necessary expertise to manage the risks relating to the use of financial derivatives.

## Expense and Turnover Ratio

	Expense Ratio	Turnover Ratio
As of 31 December 2020	0.52%	27.93%
As of 31 December 2019	0.52%	21.30%

Expense ratio does not include (where applicable) charges for insurance coverage, brokerage and other transaction costs, performance fee, foreign exchange gains or losses, front or back end loads arising from the purchase or sale of collective investment schemes and tax deducted at source or arising out of income received.

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## Soft Dollar Commission or Arrangement

### Income

The Manager does not retain for its own account, cash or commission rebates arising out of transactions executed in or outside Singapore. The Manager also does not receive soft dollars for the sub-fund.

### Fullerton

Fullerton may and intend to receive or enter into soft-dollar commissions/arrangements in our management of the portfolio. Fullerton will comply with applicable regulatory and industry standards on soft dollars. Such soft dollar commissions include research and advisory services, economic and political analyses, portfolio analyses including valuation and performance measurements, market analyses, data and quotation services, computer hardware and software or any other information facilities to the extent that they are used to support the investment decision making process, the giving of advice, or the conduct of research or analysis for investments managed for clients.

Soft dollar commissions/arrangements will not include travel, accommodation, entertainment, general administrative goods and services, general office equipment or premises, membership fees, employees' salaries or direct money payment.

Fullerton will not accept or enter into soft dollar commissions/arrangements unless such soft dollar commissions/arrangements would, in Fullerton's opinion, assist them in their management of the portfolio, providing that Fullerton ensures at all times that best execution is carried out for the transactions and that no unnecessary trades are entered into in order to qualify for such soft-dollar commissions/arrangements.

## Conflicts of Interest

### Income

As the Manager of various Income ILP sub-funds and insurance funds, we may from time to time have to deal with competing or conflicting interests between these sub-funds/insurance funds. However, we will use all reasonable endeavours to act fairly and in the best interest of the sub-fund. We will conduct all transactions with or for the sub-fund on an arm's length basis. The Manager has in place policies and procedures to monitor and mitigate conflicts of interests which may arise in the management of these sub-funds. We believe that these policies and procedures are reasonably designed to ensure that portfolio management decisions are made in the best interest of the sub-fund and each sub-fund is treated fairly, regardless of the existence of any conflict.

### Fullerton

Fullerton is of the view that there are no conflicts of interests in managing the portfolio. Under the conditions of its license, Fullerton is required to conduct its business in a manner so as to avoid conflicts of interests, and ensure that any conflicts of interests arising are resolved fairly and equitably. In addition, as a member of the Investment Management Association of Singapore ("IMAS"), Fullerton adopts the principles and standards of investment conduct, which includes ensuring fair allocation, as set out in the IMAS Code of Ethics & Standards of Professional Conduct.

## Other Parties

The auditor of this sub-fund is KPMG LLP. Please note that financial results ending 31 December of each year will be audited.

## Material Information

There is no material information that will adversely impact the valuation of the sub-fund.

## Reports

If you wish to track the performance of the sub-funds you have invested in, you can refer to the Semi Annual Fund Report and the Annual Fund Report for our ILP sub-funds.

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The financial year-end of Income's ILP sub-funds is 31 December of each year. You can find the semi-annual financial statements in the Semi Annual Fund report, and the annual audited financial statements in the ILP Financial Statements. The Semi Annual Fund Report will be available by the end of August of each year, and the Annual Fund Report and annual audited financial statements by the end of March of the following year respectively.

The Semi Annual Fund Report and Annual Fund Report are available on Income's website at [www.income.com.sg/fund/coopprices.asp](http://www.income.com.sg/fund/coopprices.asp), and the annual audited financial statements are available at [www.income.com.sg/about-us/reports-publications](http://www.income.com.sg/about-us/reports-publications). Alternatively, you can also approach our insurance advisers, contact us at 6788 1122 / 6788 1777, or email [csquery@income.com.sg](mailto:csquery@income.com.sg) to request for a copy of the reports.

## IMPORTANT NOTES

The Singapore Bond Fund is an Investment-Linked Policy (ILP) sub-fund issued by NTUC Income Insurance Co-operative Limited (Unique Entity Number No. S97CS0162D), a co-operative society registered in Singapore and having its registered address office at 75 Bras Basah Road, Income Centre, Singapore 189557. The information in this fund summary is for informational use only. A product summary relating to the sub-fund is available and may be obtained through Income. A potential investor should read the product summary before deciding whether to subscribe for units in the sub-fund. Investments are subject to investment risks including the possible loss of the principal amount invested. Past performance, as well as the prediction, projection or forecast on the economy, securities markets or the economic trends of the markets targeted by the sub-fund are not necessarily indicative of the future or likely performance of the sub-fund. The sub-fund returns are calculated on the assumption that all dividends and distributions are reinvested, taking into account all charges which would have been payable upon such reinvestment. The performance of the sub-fund is not guaranteed and the value of units in the sub-fund and the income accruing to the units, if any, may fall or rise. Any opinion or estimate contained in this document is subject to change without notice.

Since 17 September 2018, Fullerton has been the Sub-Investment Manager of the sub fund.

Information correct as of 8 October 2021