# ANCHOR BCI FLEXIBLE INCOME FUND

## A CLASS | March 2024

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ANCHOR | NAVIGATING CHANGE

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The **Anchor BCI Flexible Income Fund** is a specialist income-generating portfolio. The investment objective of the portfolio is to achieve a high level of sustainable income and stability of capital invested.

## INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY

Investments to be acquired for the portfolio may include equity securities, property securities, property related securities, interest-bearing securities, non-equity securities, money-market instruments, preference shares and assets in liquid form. The portfolio may, from time to time, invest in listed and unlisted financial instruments. The manager may only include the following unlisted financial instruments for efficient portfolio-management purposes: forward currency, interest rate and exchange-rate swap transactions. The portfolio will comply with prudential investment guidelines to the extent allowed for by the Act. However, the portfolio's equity exposure may be as high as 10% of the portfolio's net asset value, whilst its property exposure may be as high as 25%.

## MONTHLY RETURNS (%)

| YEAR | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC | YTD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2024 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.2 | | | | | | | | | | 1.2 |
| 2023 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.4 | -0.6 | 1.5 | 1.1 | 0.7 | -0.2 | 0.7 | 1.9 | 1.3 | 9.3 |
| 2022 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.6 | -0.8 | 1.0 | 0.5 | -0.5 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 4.4 |
| 2021 | 0.4 | -0.1 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.7 | -0.1 | -0.2 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 5.5 |
| 2020 | 1.0 | 0.3 | -3.2 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 6.0 |
| 2019 | 1.3 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 9.3 |
| 2018 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 7.0 |
| 2017 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 7.5 |
| 2016 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.3 | -0.3 | 0.8 | 8.4 |
| 2015 | | | | | | -0.1 | 1.0 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 0.8 | -0.1 | 4.1 |

## FUND INFORMATION

Risk profile: LOW | LOW-MOD | MOD | MOD-HIGH | HIGH

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| Inception Date | 01 Jun 2015 |
| Benchmark | STeFI Call Deposit Rate +1% |
| Fund Classification | SA Multi Asset - Income |
| Distributions | Quarterly Declaration Date: 31 Mar/30 Jun/30 Sep/31 Dec |

### Fees (Incl. VAT):

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| Annual Management Fee | 1.15% |
| Total Expense Ratio (TER) | Dec 23: 1.18% (PY): 1.18% |
| Portfolio Value | R4195.08 mn |
| Unit Price | 106.65 cpu |

## RISK PROFILE: LOW

- This portfolio has relatively low equity exposure, resulting in relatively low volatility compared to higher risk portfolios.
- Where the asset allocation contained in this MDD reflects offshore exposure, the portfolio is exposed to currency risks.
- The portfolio is exposed to default and interest rate risks.
- Therefore, it is suitable for medium-term investment horizons.
- The expected potential long term investment returns are lower over the medium to long term than higher risk portfolios.

## FUND PERFORMANCE SINCE INCEPTION

Growth of R100 investment (cumulative).

Investment performance is for illustrative purposes only and calculated by taking actual initial fees and ongoing fees into account for the amount shown with income reinvested on reinvestment date.

## FUND PERFORMANCE AT 31 MAR 2024 (%)

*Annualised return is the weighted average compound growth rate over the period measured.

## ASSET & SECTOR ALLOCATION AT 31 MAR 2024 (%)

## TOP TEN HOLDINGS AT 31 MAR 2024 (%)

| | |
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| Republic Of South Africa - 2032 Bond | 10.6 |
| Investec Call | 4.4 |
| Absa Bank Limited - 2028 Bond | 2.9 |
| Absa Group Limited - 2028 Bond | 2.8 |
| Anchor BCI Global Flex Income Fund | 2.2 |
| Standard Bank Group Limited - 2024 Bond | 1.9 |
| The Standard Bank of SA - 2028 NCD | 1.8 |
| Investec Bank Ltd - 2027 NCD | 1.8 |
| FirstRand Bank Limited - 2028 Bond | 1.6 |
| Absa Bank Limited - 2025 Bond | 1.6 |

## FUND MANAGER

Nolan Wapenaar

## FUND MANAGER COMMENTARY AT 31 MAR 2024

We have observed persistent global inflationary pressures since the beginning of the year. While headline inflation across various economies continues to decline gradually, core inflation remains elevated. Recent economic data from the US suggest robust economic activity, with low unemployment rates, strong wage growth, and job gains. The persistence of elevated inflation and ongoing US economic strength will likely postpone the start of interest rate cuts and reduce the depth of the rate-cutting cycle. Throughout 1Q24, the market has aggressively adjusted interest rate expectations as investors expressed increasing doubts regarding the extent of monetary easing in 2024, particularly for the US Federal Reserve (Fed). At the start of this year, the derivatives market had priced in about six 25-bp cuts to the Fed funds rate by year-end. However, by the end of 1Q24, the probability of this event had effectively diminished to zero, with the market now pricing in around three 25-bp cuts to the Fed funds rate by year-end. Consequently, benchmark 10-year yields across major economies have repriced higher over the quarter, with US Treasury, UK gilt, and German bund yields rising by 34 bps, 40 bps, and 35 bps, respectively. Locally, South African government bond (SAGB) yields increased in 1Q24, with yields on the R186, R2035, and R2044 up by 60 bps, 91 bps, and 79 bps, respectively. The market now expects only one 25-bp cut to the repo rate in 2024, compared to the three 25-bp cuts priced in at the start of this year. Extensive loadshedding, high levels of social and political tensions, and credit risk remain key risks to the fund's positioning.

## INFORMATION & DISCLOSURES

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| ISIN Number | ZAE000202917 |
| Distributions | 2022 (CPU) Jun 1.57; Sep 1.65; Dec 1.76 \| 2023 (CPU) Mar 1.84; Jun 1.91; Sep 1.98; Dec 2.03 \| 2024 (CPU) Mar 2.01 |

## INVESTMENT MANAGER

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- Additional information, including application forms, annual or quarterly reports can be obtained from BCI, free of charge or can be accessed on our website (www.bcis.co.za)
- Valuation takes place daily and prices can be viewed on our website (www.bcis.co.za) or in the daily newspaper.
- Actual annual percentage figures are available to existing investors on request.
- Upon request the Manager will provide the investor with quarterly portfolio investment holdings reports.

## FEE DETAILS

| | Class A |
|---|---|
| Initial fees (BCI) (incl. VAT) | 0% |
| Annual Management Fee (incl VAT) | |
| Class A | 1.15% |
| Performance Fee | None |
| TER and Transaction Cost (incl VAT) | |
| Basic | Dec 23: 1.18% (PY): 1.18% |
| Portfolio Transaction Cost | Dec 23: 0.00% (PY): 0.00% |
| Total Investment Charge | Dec 23: 1.18% (PY): 1.18% |

A higher TER ratio does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER cannot be regarded as an indication of future TER's. Transaction Costs are a necessary cost in administering the Fund and impacts Fund returns. The TIC should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors including market returns, the type of Fund, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER. The TER and Transaction cost calculations are based upon the portfolio's direct costs for the financial year ended 31 December 2023, whilst the underlying portfolios ratio and cost calculations are based upon their most recent published figures, being 31 December 2023.

## SUBSCRIPTIONS

| | |
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| Valuation time | 15h00 |
| Transaction cut-off time | 14h00 |
| Payment reference | Initials and Surname |
| Minimum investment amount | None* |

Please send proof of deposit to fax (011) 263 6152 or
e-mail instructions@bci-transact.co.za
*Fixed Administration Fee: R15 excluding VAT which will apply to all direct investor accounts with balances of less than R100 000 at month end, unless an investor transacts online, in which case no such fee will be levied.

## MANAGEMENT COMPANY INFORMATION

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