# **ABSOLUTE BOND STRATEGY**

INSTITUTIONAL STRATEGY FACT SHEET AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2023



### LONG TERM OBJECTIVE

The Coronation Absolute Bond Strategy aims to protect capital regardless of the interest rate cycle. This Strategy therefore offers lower volatility and greater focus on capital preservation when compared to traditional bond portfolios.

### **INVESTMENT APPROACH**

Coronation is a long-term, valuation-driven investment house. Our aim is to identify mispriced assets trading at discounts to their fair value through extensive proprietary research. The fixed income portfolios are positioned on a long term strategic market view, but this is balanced by taking advantage of shorter-term tactical opportunities when the market lags or runs ahead of that strategic view. As active managers, we consider investment decisions across the full spectrum of potential return enhancers. These include duration and yield curve positions, inflation-linked assets as well as yield enhancement through credit enhanced assets. We aim to maximise returns by actively combining both a top-down and a bottom-up approach to portfolio construction.

STRATEGY RETURNS GROSS OF FEES				
Period	Strategy	Benchmark	Active Return	
Since Inception (cumulative)	617.3%	202.0%	415.3%	
Since Inception p.a.	10.0%	5.5%	4.5%	
Latest 20 years p.a.	9.7%	5.5%	4.2%	
Latest 15 years p.a.	9.8%	5.2%	4.6%	
Latest 10 years p.a.	8.6%	5.2%	3.4%	
Latest 5 years p.a.	8.8%	5.0%	3.8%	
Latest 3 years p.a.	8.2%	6.0%	2.2%	
Latest 1 year	9.0%	5.5%	3.5%	
Year to date	6.3%	4.8%	1.5%	
Month	1.0%	0.5%	0.5%	

ASSET ALLOCATION	
Asset Type	% Strategy
Corporate ILBs	58.4%
Fixed Rate Government Bonds	17.5%
Fixed Rate Corporate Bonds	14.9%
Floating Rate Corporate Bonds	4.5%
Government ILBs	3.1%
Other	1.1%
Cash	0.2%
Floating Rate NCDs	0.2%
Fixed Rate Other	0.1%

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Inception Date 01 March 2003

Strategy Size \* R4.54 billion

Strategy Status Open

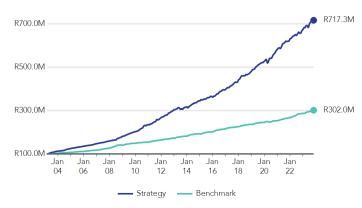
Mandate Benchmark Consumer Price Index (CPI)

Performance Target CPI + 2% (gross of fees and taxes) over a

rolling 12 month period

Dealing Frequency Daily
Base Currency ZAR

### **GROWTH OF R100M INVESTMENT**



Benchmark: Consumer Price Index (CPI)

# EFFECTIVE MATURITY PROFILE Term % Strategy 0 to 1 year 41.2% 1 to 3 years 12.1% 3 to 7 years 18.3% 7 to 12 years 16.7% Over 12 years 11.7%

STRATEGY STATISTICS	
Modified Duration (incl. inflation-linked bonds)	2.9
Modified Duration (excl. inflation-linked bonds)	1.6

<sup>\*</sup>Strategy assets under management as at the most recent quarter end.

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### PORTFOLIO MANAGERS



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Nishan is head of Fixed Interest and responsible for the investment unit's process and performance across all strategies. He also manages all fixed interest assets. Nishan has 20 years' investment experience.



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