



Fund Guide abrdn Inflation-Linked Infrastructure Debt Fund

October 2022

abrdn's infrastructure debt strategy¹

10yr

track record of investing

£3.5bn

invested since inception¹

46bps

avg. illiquidity premium

0%

loss rate

Summary

abrdn Inflation-Linked Infrastructure Debt Fund combines inflation protection with credit and illiquidity premia, allowing a capital-efficient, low risk way for investors to meet long-dated liabilities.

The Fund aims to provide a way for investors to protect returns against elevated levels of inflation by primarily investing in long-dated, high quality inflation-linked infrastructure assets in the UK.

Why allocate to infrastructure debt?

01	The UK faces a prolonged inflation threat. Inflation- linked infrastructure can potentially preserve a real rate of return for investors
02	We believe infrastructure debt provides an attractive credit spread vs government debt but also increased credit certainty vs public corporate bonds
03	An allocation can sit alongside higher risk assets to provide downside protection on a portfolio level and help investors to hedge their inflation-linked liabilities
04	The strategy has a proven track record of superior performance vs public debt in periods of recession ²
05	Credit spread provides extra return vs government bonds in a low growth environment

¹ Data as at June 2022. Inception Dec 2012.

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Why choose inflation-linked infrastructure debt over inflation-linked gilts?

	IL Gilts	IL Infra Debt
Yield	 Low diversification: single issuer High correlation to economic environment No covenant protection 	 Higher diversification: Breadth of issuers and sectors Lower correlation to economic environment Strong covenant protection
Risk	 Low yield Demand vs supply imbalance may mean reduced yield May require investors to pay premium for unwanted liquidity 	 Credit spread provides extra return Illiquidity premium adds further yield Amortisation may allow reinvestment at higher market yields Diversification of credit risk with higher recovery rates relative to public bonds²
Asset Inflation Linkage	Principal and interest payments linked to Retail Price Index (RPI)	 Interest and principal contractually linked to RPI, CPI or LPI Credit quality robustness - issuer revenues typically have contractual or economic linkage to inflation

abrdn's private credit competitive advantage

abrdn's differentiator	Why this matters for investors
• £11bn in private credit AUM ³ scale and breadth of platform	Size provides efficiencies and strong access to the best deal flow
Zero capital losses and low downgrade history	Secure and dependable return profile
Efficient access to private credit	Capture attractive illiquidity premium and risk diversification
50 global credit analysts Deep firm-wide expertise from global research platform	 Strong capital preservation requires a wide range of perspectives to fully understand risks



² Based on superior recovery and default rates against public corporate debt on senior unsecured corporate debt and senior secured infrastructure loans. Sourced from Moody's Annual Default Study: Corporate Default and Recovery Rates, 1983-2020 and Moody's Default and Recovery Statistics (ultimate recovery rates).

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³ As at December 2021.

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What differentiates the Fund?

01. Exceptional access to infrastructure debt



- Diversified flow of opportunities
- Efficient deployment
- Supports UK infrastructure
- Targets sustainable ESG assets

02. Superior risk return



- Captures illiquidity premium
- Superior resilience vs public bonds
- Covenant protection
- Low correlation to economic downturn

03. Enhanced liquidity



- Semi open-ended structure
- Matches redemption requests against new subscriptions
- Natural cash flows from principal amortisations

Fund summary

Investment strategy	Diversified investment grade long-dated inflation-linked UK infrastructure debt	
Vehicle	English limited partnership	
Rating	Investment grade on investment	
Regional Limits	UK focus with up to 10% Eurozone	
Sustainability	Target assets that support forward looking ESG opportunities	
Base currency	GBP	
Minimum subscription	£5m, subject to Manager's discretion	
Term	Evergreen – semi open-ended structure	
Portfolio WAL	15 years	
Credit spread	UK Gilt + 150-200bps	
Illiquidity premium	Minimum 20bps above an appropriate publicly traded utilities index	

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