



# **BrandywineGLOBAL - Flexible Bond Fund**

# Class I: LFLIX Class A: LFLAX Class IS: LFLSX

## Multi Sector | Factsheet as of March 31, 2025

#### **Investment Overview**

A nimble, actively managed global fixed income strategy that seeks income and capital appreciation by investing across the fixed income spectrum. The fund's managers apply a "3D"investment strategy, which consists of: Dual Approach: Pairs top-down macroeconomic perspective with deep fundamental analysis; Dynamic Rotation: Adapts sector, duration and quality exposures to align with current market environment, and Downside Management: Utilizes duration management, quality rotation and portfolio hedges looking to reduce downside risk. The investment team seeks to achieve the fund's investment objective through sector rotation, security selection, duration management and quality rotation.

# **Average Annual Total Returns (%)**

	Without Sales Charges				With Sales Charges				Inception		
	1-Yr	3-Yr	5-Yr	10-Yr	Inception	1-Yr	3-Yr	5-Yr	10-Yr	Inception	Date
Class I	3.97	2.23	3.74	_	4.43	3.97	2.23	3.74	-	4.43	5/31/2016
Class A	3.78	1.99	3.50	-	4.18	-0.11	0.52	2.61	-	3.66	5/31/2016
Class IS	3.98	2.33	3.83	4.09	4.10	3.98	2.33	3.83	4.09	4.10	3/31/2013
Benchmark	4.88	0.52	-0.40	-	-	4.88	0.52	-0.40	_	-	_

## **Cumulative Total Returns** (% Without Sales Charge)

	3-Mo	YTD	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Class I	2.12	2.12	2.94	9.54	-10.86	1.05	15.00	10.84	-2.07	7.49	_	_
Class A	2.08	2.08	2.75	9.33	-11.15	0.79	14.84	10.41	-2.34	7.22	_	_
Class IS	2.15	2.15	2.94	9.74	-10.77	1.09	15.12	10.87	-2.03	7.52	11.83	-2.44
Benchmark	2.78	2.78	1.25	5.53	-13.01	-1.54	7.51	8.72	0.01	3.54	_	-

Performance data quoted represents past performance, which does not guarantee future results. Current performance may be lower or higher than the figures shown. Principal value and investment returns will fluctuate, and investors' shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than the original cost. Performance would have been lower if fees had not been waived in various periods. Total returns assume the reinvestment of all distributions and the deduction of all fund expenses. Returns with sales charge reflect a deduction of the stated maximum sales charge. An investor cannot invest directly in an index, and unmanaged index returns do not reflect any fees, expenses or sales charges. Returns for periods of less than one year are not annualized. All classes of shares may not be available to all investors or through all distribution channels. For current month-end performance, please visit franklintempleton.com.

This fund is the successor to an institutional account (the "Predecessor"). The performance shown prior to 05/31/16 is that of the Predecessor. Immediately prior to the fund commencing operations, the Predecessor transferred its assets to the fund in exchange for the fund's Class IS shares. The investment policies, objectives, guidelines and restrictions of the fund are in all material respects equivalent to those of the Predecessor. In addition, the Predecessor's portfolio managers are the current portfolio managers of the fund. As a mutual fund registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, the fund is subject to certain restrictions under the 1940 Act to which the Predecessor was not subject. As a regulated investment company under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), the fund is subject to certain restrictions under the Code to which the Predecessor was not subject. Had the Predecessor been registered under the 1940 Act and been subject to the provisions of the 1940 Act, its investment performance could have been adversely affected. Similarly, had the Predecessor been subject to provisions of the Code applicable to regulated investment companies, its investment performance may have been adversely affected. Predecessor performance is shown net of an annual management fee of 0.80% and other expenses of 0.10% which reflects the expenses of the Predecessor. The Predecessor did not have distribution policies. The Predecessor was an unregistered private fund, did not qualify as a regulated investment company for federal income tax purposes and did not pay dividends or distributions.

<b>Share Class Details</b>		Sales Ch	Charges (%) Expenses (%)		30-Day SEC Yield (%)			
							Without	
	CUSIP	Ticker	Max	CDSC	Gross	Net	Waiver	With Waiver
Class I	52471E449	LFLIX	0.00	_	0.76	0.75	7.66	7.66
Class A	52471E456	LFLAX	3.75	_	0.99	0.98	7.17	7.17
Class IS	52471E431	LFLSX	0.00	_	0.66	0.65	7.78	7.78

Gross expenses are the fund's total annual operating expenses as of the fund's prospectus available at the time of publication. Actual expenses may be higher and may impact portfolio returns. Net expenses reflect contractual fee waivers, expense caps and/or reimbursements, which cannot be terminated prior to 12/31/2025 without Board consent. Additional amounts may be voluntarily waived and/or reimbursed and may be modified or discontinued at any time without notice. Maximum sales charges have been updated as of August 15, 2022, please refer the Fund's prospectus for more information.

#### Growth of \$10,000

Class I Shares—Inception through March 31, 2025 Excluding Effects of Sales Charges



#### **Fund Overview**

Dividend Frequency, if any	Quarterly
Morningstar Category	Multisector Bond
Lipper Classification	Multi-Sector Income Funds
Turnover (fiscal yr)	82%

#### Benchmark(s)

Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index

Fund Characteristics	Fund
Total Net Assets	\$481.73 Million
Number of Holdings	198
Average Life	7.59 Years
Effective Duration	3.79 Years

## Risk Statistics (3-Year—Class I)

Fund
0.96
0.87
-0.23
7.91

## Sector Allocation (% of Total)

	Fund
Corporate Bond	51.99
Government Sovereign	17.42
Mortgage Backed Securities	15.64
Government Owned - No Guarantee	7.42
Collateralized Loan Obligation	2.13
Asset-Backed Securities	2.05
Bank Loan	1.75
Currency Derivatives	0.20
Other	0.07
Cash	1.34

# **Geographic Allocation (% of Total)**

Funa
53.78
10.95
5.90
28.02
1.34

## **Currency Exposure (% of Total)**

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US Dollar	80.86
Canadian Dollar	6.09
Mexican Peso	6.04
Euro	3.39
Other	3.61

## **Credit Quality Allocation (% of Total)**

	Funa
AA	4.40
A	1.44
BBB	29.58
BB	29.01
В	26.71
CCC	7.14
CC	0.37
Cash & Cash Equivalents	1.35

#### **Portfolio Data Information**

Credit Quality is a measure of a bond issuer's ability to repay interest and principal in a timely manner. The credit ratings shown are based on each portfolio security's rating as provided by Standard and Poor's, Moody's Investors Service and/or Fitch Ratings, Ltd. and typically range from AAA (highest) to D (lowest), or an equivalent and/or similar rating. For this purpose, the manager assigns each security the middle rating from these three agencies. When only two agencies provide ratings, the lower of the two ratings will be assigned. When only one agency assigns a rating, that rating will be used. Foreign government bonds without a specific rating are assigned a country rating, if available. Securities that are unrated by all three agencies are reflected as such. The credit quality of the investments in the Fund's portfolio does not apply to the stability or safety of the Fund. These ratings are updated monthly and may change over time. Please note, the Fund itself has not been rated by an independent rating agency.

## **Portfolio Management**

	Years with Firm	Years of Experience		Years with Firm	Years of Experience
Jack P. McIntyre	26	38	Tracy Chen, CFA	16	28
Anujeet Sareen	8	32	Renato Latini, CFA	18	20
Brian Kloss	15	30	Michael Arno	18	21

Acting with conviction and discipline, Brandywine Global looks beyond short-term, conventional thinking to rigorously pursue long-term value across differentiated fixed income, equity and alternative solutions.

## What should I know before investing?

All investments involve risks, including possible loss of principal. Fixed income securities involve interest rate, credit, inflation and reinvestment risks, and possible loss of principal. As interest rates rise, the value of fixed income securities falls.

Low-rated, high-yield bonds are subject to greater price volatility, illiquidity and possibility of default. Equity securities are subject to price fluctuation and possible loss of principal. Leverage increases the volatility of investment returns and subjects investments to magnified losses and a decline in value. Active and frequent trading may increase a shareholder's tax liability and transaction costs. The portfolio is non-diversified and may invest in a relatively small number of issuers, which may negatively impact the fund's performance and result in greater fluctuation in the value of the fund's shares. The manager may consider environmental, social and governance (ESG) criteria in the research or investment process; however, ESG considerations may not be a determinative factor in security selection. In addition, the manager may not assess every investment for ESG criteria, and not every ESG factor may be identified or evaluated. These and other risks are discussed in the fund's prospectus.

#### **Glossary**

Beta: A measure of the fund's volatility relative to the market, as represented by the stated Index. A beta greater than 1.00 indicates volatility greater than the market. R-squared measures the strength of the linear relationship between the fund and its benchmark. R-squared at 1 implies perfect linear relationship and zero implies no relationship exists. Sharpe Ratio refers to a risk-adjusted measure calculated using standard deviation and excess returns to determine reward per unit of risk. The higher the ratio, the greater the risk-adjusted performance.

Standard Deviation: Measure of the degree to which a fund's return varies from the average of its previous returns. The larger the standard deviation, the greater the likelihood (and risk) that a fund's performance will fluctuate from the average return. The 30-day SEC yield is calculated using the net income (interest and dividends) per share earned over a trailing 30-day period (annualized), divided by the fund's share price at the end of that period. It may not equal the fund's actual income distribution rate, which reflects the fund's past dividends paid to shareholders. Turnover is a measure of the fund's trading activity which represents the portion of the fund's holdings that has changed over a twelve-month period through the fiscal year end. There is no assurance that the fund will maintain its current level of turnover. Average Life: An estimate of the number of years to maturity, taking the possibility of early payments into account, for the underlying holdings. Effective Duration is a duration calculation for bonds with embedded options. Effective duration takes into account that expected cash flows will fluctuate as interest rates change. Duration measures the sensitivity of price (the value of principal) of a fixed-income investment to a change in interest rates. The higher the duration number, the more sensitive a fixed-income investment will be to interest rate changes.

# **Important Information**

Prior to July 7, 2020, this fund was known as the BrandywineGLOBAL - Global Flexible Income fund. At that time, the investment objective and strategy also changed.

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