

# Ares Global Credit Income Fund

An alternative solution to traditional fixed income designed to deliver higher steady income and diversification with a focus on capital preservation.

## Why Invest in the Fund?



### Attractive and stable income

Seeks to focus on assets that offer **enhanced income** and **shorter duration** in a volatile rate environment.



### Focus on downside protection

Emphasis on **capital preservation, volatility management and mitigating downside risk**, which is consistent with the investment philosophy employed across the Ares platform.



### Nimble and tactical portfolio management

Multi-asset framework designed to capture real-time **shifts in relative value** across asset classes, **market dislocations**, and **idiosyncratic credit opportunities**.



### Diversification across a broad opportunity set

**US\$6.3 trillion<sup>2</sup> opportunity set** across the U.S. and European corporate bonds, bank loans and alternative credit markets.

## The Opportunity in Credit

Ares has a long history of demonstrated performance in the Fund's asset classes with a compelling track record of capital preservation.

Ares believes investors looking for higher and stable income should focus on asset classes that offer attractive relative yields and low correlation to traditional asset classes. Within higher yielding loans, corporate bonds and alternative credit, Ares has the experience to dynamically allocate capital based on the best relative value on offer. We believe diversification across asset categories is an opportunity to achieve attractive returns, manage risk and focus on capital preservation.

## Fund Characteristics

### Investment Objective

The Fund aims to provide stable monthly income with a focus on downside protection across various market cycles by investing in a diversified portfolio of credit assets.

### Target Distribution<sup>1</sup>

Bank Bill Swap Rate  
+2.5-3.5% per annum  
(paid monthly)

### Investment Timeframe

At least 3 to 5 years

### Performance Objective

Bloomberg AusBond Bank  
Bill Index + 3-4%

### Duration Band

0.5 to 2.5 years

### Management Fee

0.75% p.a. of the net asset  
value of the Fund

### Bank Loans

20 - 50%

Allocation Range

6 - 9%

Target Yield<sup>4</sup>

### Corporate Bonds

20 - 50%

Allocation Range

6 - 8%

Target Yield<sup>4</sup>

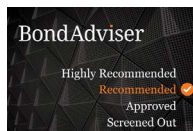
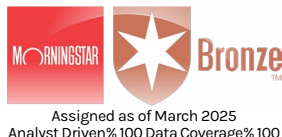
### Alternative Credit<sup>3</sup>

20 - 40%

Allocation Range

7 - 9%

Target Yield<sup>4</sup>



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## About Ares Management Corporation

Ares Management Corporation (NYSE: ARES) is a leading global alternative investment manager offering clients complementary primary and secondary investment solutions across the credit, real estate, private equity and infrastructure asset classes. Ares' scale and tenure in credit markets define their platform:

- Scale to capitalise on a broad opportunity set**  
A manager with 4,000+ employees worldwide providing the scale to capitalise on global opportunities across credit and alternative markets.
- The edge of being a pioneer and leader in global credit**  
Underwriting and managing credit since 1997 with a leading position in US and European direct lending has, we believe, positioned Ares well to capitalise on the convergence of traditional direct lending and broadly syndicated markets.
- The power of the Ares platform**  
A collaborative approach producing differentiated diligence and access to preferential economics for investors.



a. Note: As of March 31, 2025. AUM amounts include funds managed by Ivy Hill Asset Management, L.P., a wholly owned portfolio company of Ares Capital Corporation and registered investment adviser. Figures shown on an as combined basis for the closing of the acquisition of GCP International. Totals may not foot due to rounding.

b. Note: Risk adjusted returns do not guarantee against loss of capital.

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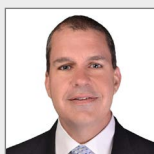
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### Ares Wealth Management Solutions



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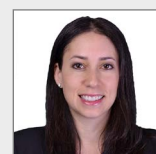
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## Summary Risk Factors

An investment in Ares Global Credit Income Fund ("AGCIF" or the "Fund") entails a significant degree of risk and, therefore, should be undertaken only by investors capable of evaluating the risks of the Fund and bearing the risks it represents. Below is a non-exhaustive list of risk factors and conflicts of interest that should be considered before making an investment in the Fund. Prospective investors should carefully consider the following, and make reference to the detailed risk factors and all other information contained in the Fund's Constitution, Product Disclosure Statement ("PDS") and Target Market Determination ("TMD"). Prospective investors should consider obtaining independent financial advice to determine if an investment in the Fund is appropriate in light of their financial situation, objectives and needs.

**No Assurance of Portfolio Investment Return.** There can be no assurance that the Fund will be able to generate returns for its investors in a timely manner or at all, that the Fund's investment objective will be achieved, or that such returns will be comparable to the Fund's benchmark. Portfolio investments which may not achieve their expected operational objectives and may experience substantial fluctuations in their operating results. A prospective investor could lose the entire amount of its contributed capital.

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**Credit Funds.** The Fund may invest in fixed income securities, high yield bonds, asset backed securities, and collateralized loan obligations. There are specific risks associated with each type of securities. Investors are also exposed to credit risk, liquidity risk and interest rate risk which could negatively impact the Fund returns.

**Market risk.** The Fund may experience losses due to factors that result in market volatility and disruption and affect the overall performance of the financial markets, such as changes in spreads, macro-economic, regulatory, social and political conditions, weather events, terrorism, changes in technology, the environment and market sentiment, and pandemics and other widespread public health emergencies.

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**Currency risk.** The value of investments denominated in foreign currencies may fluctuate in Australian dollar terms because of fluctuations in currency exchange rates. Hedging strategies could reduce the potential for increased gains.

**Fund risk.** Investors are exposed to risks associated with the Fund, such as termination or changes to fees. The value or tax treatment of an investment, or the effectiveness of the Fund's strategy may be adversely affected by changes in government policies, regulations, laws, generally accepted accounting policies or valuation methods. Investing in the Fund may give different results from holding the underlying assets directly. The Fund is also exposed to liquidity risk, withdrawal risk, counterparty risk, operational risk, and service provider risk, all of which may adversely affect the investment activities, operation and/ performance of the Fund.

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