MONTHLY UPDATE

Fund Objective: The Artesian Green & Sustainable Bond Fund (Fund) will invest in a diversified portfolio of liquid, predominately investment grade fixed and floating rate green, sustainable and social corporate bonds. The Fund aims to provide returns above the Bloomberg AusBond Composite 0-5 Yr Index throughout all interest rate cycles. Note the target return is not a forecast. It is merely an indication of what the Fund aims to achieve over the medium term on the assumption that credit markets remain relatively stable throughout the investment timeframe. The Fund may not be successful in meeting the target return. Returns are not guaranteed.

AS AT 30TH APRIL 25	FUND PERFORMANCE							
	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	2 year	3 year	4 year	Since Inception (p.a.)
GROSS FUND RETURN	0.93%	2.15%	4.27%	7.47%	5.58%	4.96%	2.74%	3.02%
NET FUND RETURN	0.89%	2.03%	4.01%	6.94%	5.05%	4.44%	2.23%	2.50%
BLOOMBERG AUSBOND COMPOSITE 0-5 YR Index	1.15%	2.12%	3.78%	6.29%	4.04%	3.56%	1.49%	1.33%
ACTIVE RETURN (net Fund return - benchmark)	-0.26%	-0.09%	0.23%	0.65%	1.01%	0.88%	0.74%	1.16%

Past performance should not be taken as an indicator of future performance. Net of fees performance is based on end of month redemption prices after the deduction of fees and expenses and the reinvestment of all distributions. Gross performance is the net return with fees and expenses added back.

PORTFOLIO UPDATE

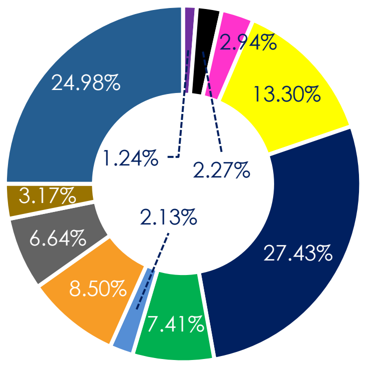
On April 2nd, President Trump declared "Liberation Day" and announced wide-ranging tariffs on imports. The announcement triggered a sharp market downturn, with U.S. equities emerging as clear underperformers. By April 9th, approximately USD 6.6 trillion had been wiped off the value of U.S. stocks, and market sentiment was extremely fragile. Something had to give, either the U.S. Federal Reserve (Fed) would step in, or Trump would attempt to unwind some of the damage he had caused. Given Trump's relentless criticism of the Fed since taking office, it was unlikely that Jerome Powell would come to his rescue. The Fed maintained its monetary policy stance, resisting market pressure to pivot dovishly. Then on April 9th, Trump blinked first, announcing a 90-day pause on all new reciprocal tariffs (excluding those on China). Markets reacted favourably, the S&P 500 rallied 9% and had its largest one-day gain since October 2008. Since then, Trump has repeatedly reversed or adjusted tariff policies, fuelling significant volatility and uncertainty in global markets.

The Fund's underperformance versus benchmark in April was driven by the overweight credit duration positioning, credit spreads were higher/wider. The Fund's interest rate duration of 2.58yrs versus the benchmark of 2.38yrs had a positive contribution, as government bond yields were lower/tighter.

Outperformance in April came from the Fund's positions in QIC Shopping Centre Fund (Green), European Investment Bank (Green), African Development Bank (Social) and BNG Bank (Sustainable). Underperformance came from the Fund's positions in Power SA (Green), Contact Energy (Green), Industrial Bank of Korea (Green) and Transpower (Green).

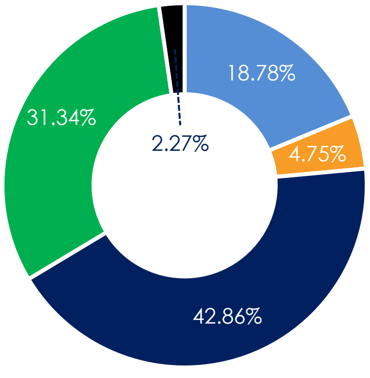
PORTFOLIO BREAKDOWN

SECTOR BREAKDOWN



- Agencies
- Consumer Staples
- Financial
- Semi Government
- TMT
- Utilities
- Cash
- Educational Services
- Real Estate
- Supranational
- Transportation & Logistics

REGION & PRODUCT



- Australian AUD FRNs
- International AUD FRNs
- Australian AUD Fixed Rate
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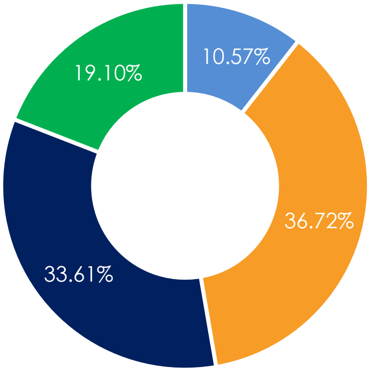
- Cash

CREDIT RATING



- AAA
- AA
- A
- BBB

CREDIT SPREADS

Credit spreads widened sharply in early April as equity markets deteriorated. Using Australian Major Bank 5yr senior spreads as a reference, levels widened from 83bps on April 1st to 110bps by April 9th. However, as President Trump began to unwind his tariff measures, spreads retraced, finishing the month at 90bps. A similar trajectory played out in subordinated debt, with 5yr call spreads widening from 160bps to 210bps before recovering to 180bps by month-end. Interestingly, credit default swap indices were less volatile than anticipated. Much of the move had already occurred in March as markets priced in the risk of "Liberation Day." While month-on-month changes were modest, this masked intra month moves. iTraxx Australia, for instance, peaked at 110bps on April 9th. Given the central role of the U.S. in tariff escalation and the potential domestic impact, it was somewhat surprising to see CDX US IG spreads peak at only 85bps, before tightening to 67bps by the end of April.

AS AT 30TH APRIL 2025	PRICE	CHG ON MTH
ITRAXX AUSTRALIA 5YR	0.91%	0.03%
ITRAXX EUROPE 5YR	0.67%	0.03%
ITRAXX EUROPE XOVER 5YR	3.42%	0.14%
CDX US IG 5YR	0.67%	0.06%
CDX US HY 5YR	4.05%	0.29%

FUND METRICS

The Fund's MoM metrics were largely unchanged. Given the longer than benchmark interest rate duration (IRD) positioning and the portfolio's high credit quality, we remained comfortable with its composition throughout the period of volatility. While the longer IRD helped offset some of the impact from widening credit spreads, it was not sufficient to fully counter the drag on performance from credit. Credit spreads peaked on April 9th and have since stabilised and begun to tighten. Amid heightened volatility, the primary market remained largely closed during April, leading to reduced trading volumes for the Fund. However, the United States and European primary markets have since reopened, and we expect the Australian market to follow in early May. We are encouraged by our recent engagement with potential labelled bond issuers who are considering entering the AUD market.

AS AT 30TH APRIL 2025	FUND	BENCH-MARK
INTEREST RATE DURATION	2.58	2.38
CREDIT DURATION	3.00	2.38
YIELD TO MATURITY	4.40%	3.65%
YIELD TO WORST	4.35%	3.65%
BLOOMBERG COMPOSITE RATING (weighted average)	A	AA+

**Using the Morningstar methodology for Average Credit Quality*

NEW ISSUES

Amid widening credit spreads and elevated market volatility, the labelled AUD new issue market was very quiet in April. Just the two AUD labelled bonds issued in for total volume 2.75b.

ISSUER	Bond Type	Issue Date	Issue Size $M	Fixed/ Floating	Maturity
SOUTH AUSTRALIA POWER NETWORKS	Green	19-Mar-25 19-Mar-25	285 250	Fixed Fixed	27-Mar-28 27-Mar-35

Issuer	SA Power Networks
Currency	AUD
Sector	Utility
SDG Alignment	
Eligible Projects	• Distribution assets (Stobie poles, powerlines and underground cables, and streetlights). • Consumer energy resources (including residential and commercial solar and wind generation, storage batteries, virtual power plants (VPP) and electric vehicles (EVs)). • Distribution System Operator capabilities. • Smart metering and network management. • Energy storage solutions (such as batteries, VPPs, EVs, large, embedded generators and microgrids.

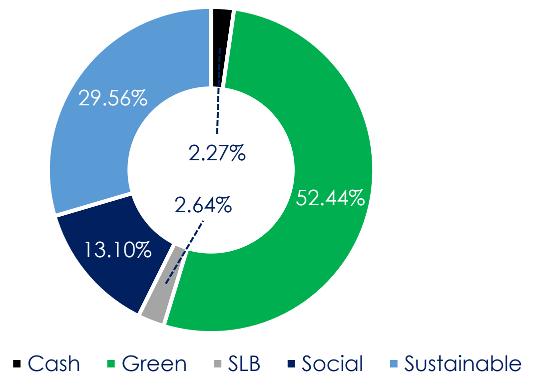
March 19th South Australia Power Network (ETSA) launched a new dual-tranche AUD denominated green bond. ESTA was the first Australian non-financial corporate issuer in 2024 and also again in 2025.

The reported use of proceeds will potentially include:

- Annual GHG emissions reduced/avoided in tonnes of CO_2e.
- Capacity of renewable energy plant(s) to be served by distribution systems (MW).
- Percentage of renewable energy capacity in South Australia.
- Number of customers with new Consumer Energy Resources.
- Annual energy savings in MWh/GWh (electricity and GJ/TJ (other energy savings)).
- Number of clean vehicles deployed (e.g. electric).

GREEN, SUSTAINABLE & SOCIAL

BOND TYPE



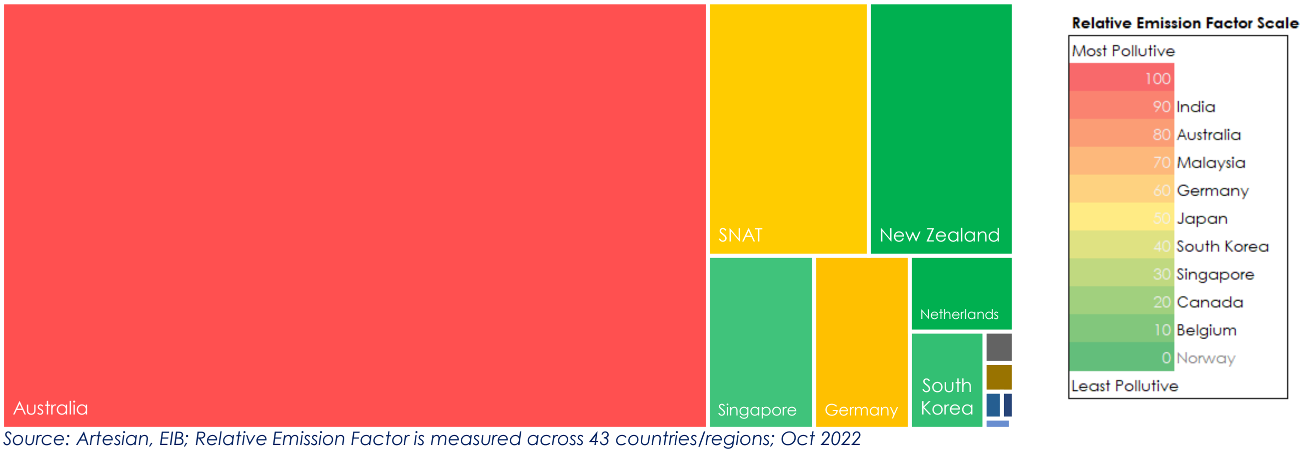
CARBON ABATEMENT

	Fund
April's estimated carbon abatement	579 tCO2e*
Since inception estimated carbon abatement[1]	52,019 tCO2e*
% of Fund used in this estimation	31%

One of the primary goals for the Fund is to report regularly on the impact that the bonds we have invested in are having on the environment. As issuers report their use of proceeds achievements, we update our records and this should also lead to a continual increase in the 31% of the Fund used to calculate the carbon abatement.

Equivalent to **24,386 cars**** off the road for a year, since fund inception

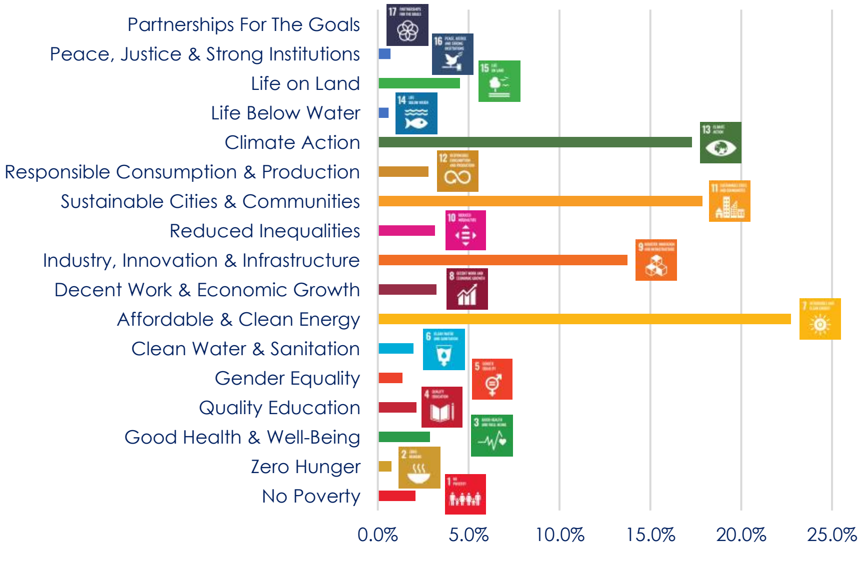
ALLOCATION OF FUNDS HEATMAP



Source: Artesian, EIB; Relative Emission Factor is measured across 43 countries/regions; Oct 2022

The heatmap above shows which countries the Fund is allocating capital to, to improve the global green economy. The Relative Emission Factor Scale shows how dirty the energy grid of each country is. It is a normalised scale of the baseline emission factor for electricity generation across 43 major countries - how much gCO2e/kWh is emitted. In essence, the more green capital investors can channel to higher pollutive countries, the higher the impact per dollar.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



The Sustainable Development Goals are the blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all. They address the global challenges we face, including poverty, inequality, climate change, environmental degradation, peace and justice. When mapping the SDG's per bond held in the Fund, we take a conservative approach. If one bond targets more than one SDG, then the allocation is split evenly between the SDGs and then portfolio weighted. Unsurprisingly, the Fund is most aligned with Clean Energy, Climate Action and Sustainable Cities, making up 57% of the Fund's targeted SDGs. The Fund currently supports 17 of the 17 SDGs.

IMPACT SINCE INCEPTION

163,313

Trips made on clean & sustainable transportation.

103,896,540

Litres of water saved.

18,621

Square metres of green energy efficient buildings financed.

91

People provided with access to water & sanitation.

24

Affordable housing dwellings financed.

3,370

People provided with access to education.

93%

Female representation on board of Fund holdings.

177

Jobs created or preserved.

43%

Fund bond issuers supporting TCFD.

13%

Fund bond issuers supporting PCAF.

83%

More than one female on board of Fund holdings.

The figures above are not actuals they are estimates using pro rata calculations taken from issuers use of proceeds reports, done on a best-efforts basis.

NOTES

**We take a conservative approach to estimating the carbon abatement of our portfolio holdings. If we own a bond that has not yet produced a use of proceeds report or something similar, we don't report any carbon abatement whatsoever. For those issuers who have produced a use of proceeds report, we pro rata the Fund's allocation of the reported carbon abatement. We use the previously reported 12-month carbon abatement figures to project the following 12 months and update those as soon as a new report from the issuer is produced.*

***As per the ABS's latest Survey of Motor Vehicle Use (link as of 20 Mar'19), Passenger Vehicles in Australia on average travelled 12,600km a year in 2018. As per NTC's latest emission intensity paper (link; as of Jun'20). Passenger Vehicles in Australia on average had an emission intensity of 169g/km in 2019 (or 169.8g/km in 2018). As a result, we defined the carbon footprint of an average passenger vehicle in Australia as 2.14t CO_2e per year being [(169g/km x 12,600km) / 1,000,000].*

The impact metrics published in this document reflects the proprietary methodology developed by Artesian for the collection, evaluation, calculation and harmonization of thematic ESG indicators that are aligned with United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. Actual data and estimated data are both analysed based on companies' disclosures including but not limited to "Use of Proceeds", "Impact Report" and "Second-party Verification", as well as engagement with the companies themselves.

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