### THAMES RIVER CAPITAL



#### **MONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

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#### **GLOBAL CREDIT MARKETS**

#### **Interview with Michael Mabbutt**

There is a widely held view that sovereign emerging market bonds are richly priced at present, after having experienced a major rally over the past year and a half. To what extent has this driven the performance of the Hillside Apex Fund, and what is your current exposure to this specific asset class?

We generally think and report in terms of investor groups and regions; however, our current exposure to coupon-paying sovereign emerging market bonds is 17%. Broadly the rest of the portfolio consists of a 10% short position in US Treasuries, which we might increase; 29% in distressed securities, which includes corporate distressed securities in emerging and developed countries, as well as sovereign distressed; and we have corporate coupon-paying in securities, the bulk of which is in emerging markets. The fund's total exposure net of the Treasury position is 73% long and the fund's duration is about one year. As far as performance drivers are concerned, with hindsight the easy way to have made money over the last eighteen months was just to buy the EMBI+ with leverage and go home. Instead, we have made money the hard way. In 2003 the fund's performance slightly lagged the EMBI+ but the fund's volatility was less than half that of the index. Only about a fifth of our performance came from sovereign coupon-paying bonds; about a quarter came from corporate coupon-paying bonds, and over half came from our distressed security positions.

## How are you seeing the risks in sovereign emerging market bonds right now?

Firstly, spreads are tight. If you exclude Argentina from the equation, which you need to do as they are in default, the spread of the EMBI+ over US Treasuries is about 350 basis points. To give some context, this spread got to about 300bps back in 1997-98, and it was at 300 again on January 8<sup>th</sup> this year, but it has widened out since. With spreads close to their all-time lows, there's a valuation risk.

A second area of risk is Brazil. We still don't think Brazil is out of the woods in spite of what is suggested by the price action of the bonds. Brazil's debt to GDP ratio at the end of 2002 was 55%, at the end of last year 58%, and this year a number of forecasts suggest that it could be closer to 60%. So on the surface you've got a country whose debt dynamics are still moving in the wrong The market was overly direction concerned with the Lula risk and prices clearly over-shot on the downside. However that perception has shifted dramatically and it is probable that now all the good news is in the price of Brazil sovereign bonds. Although the economy under Lula has done better than people feared back in 2002, the country's debt dynamics still make it vulnerable to external and internal shocks.

The third risk is US rates: when will they go up and by how much? The effect of rising risk-free rates would ripple across global credit markets, but highly indebted countries would be more affected than less indebted countries. US 10-vear Treasury yields reached a low last year of close to 3% and they're currently about 100bps higher at about 4%, but that is still close to historic lows. We think that Treasuries are behaving remarkably well, given a combination of four factors: the manner in which the equity markets are behaving, signalling growth; the weak dollar, which you would normally associate with higher yields; the US current account deficit; and the US budget deficit. So why haven't Treasuries been subject to a much greater sell-off? The answer is that Asian central banks are recycling their current account surpluses back into dollar assets. The recycling process does not need to reverse for there to be a problem; all that is required is for the process to stop.

The fourth risk for bonds is that the global economic recovery seems to be reasonably synchronised. Every area of the world, barring a few exceptions, is recovering and we haven't seen that level of synchronicity for quite a while, possibly decades. That synchronicity could have an explosive effect on bond yields at

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#### **HEDGE+ LAUNCH**

Hedge+ started trading on the London Stock Exchange on 23rd February, having raised an initial £45 million through a placing and public offer for subscription.

#### KINGSWAY € CLASS THROUGH HIGH WATERMARK

Kingsway Fund reached a new high watermark at the end of February.

### TOPAZ ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Topaz Fund +31.2% after its first year.

### GLOBAL BOND PAYS FIRST DIVIDEND

Global Bond Fund announced its first dividend, payable on 24 March.

#### **NEW APPOINTMENTS**

Helen Pike joined the Global Fixed team as a dealer in February.

Michael Sell joined the Global Emerging Markets team as a fund manager in February.

James Pratt joined the Japan team as an analyst in March.

# NEW ADMINISTRATOR CONTACT FOR TRTF AT IFMI

Brigit Ryan has been replaced by Siobhan Whelan as the dealing contact for Thames River Traditional Funds.

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#### THAMES RIVER CAPITAL **Multi-Manager** Fixed Income **Equities** (\$288m) Global Global Emerging Europe Japan **Fixed Markets** Credit (\$1,74<mark>3m</mark>) (\$328m) (\$598m) (\$154m) (\$781m) Hillside **Equity** Distressed Kingsway Nevsky Topaz Sentinel Edo Warrior Focus **UCITS** Global Global Eastern European Emerging European Japan Nations European Markets





### Thames River KINGSWAY Fund

(Thames River Global Funds Limited)

#### LONG / SHORT EUROPEAN EQUITY

#### Fund Performance to 29 Feb 2004

NAV per share

Class A €2,522.57

Class B \$1,941.57

#### **€ Statistics Since Inception**

Annualised Return	+20.3%
Volatility (Standard Deviation)	12.4%
Worst Draw dow n	-3.5%
Sharpe Ratio (3.49%*)	1.28
Sortino Ratio (MAR = 0%)	9.04

Source: Bloomberg, Pertrac (\*risk free rate - Euro Libor)

#### **Sector Allocation**

#### **Exposure as a % of Fund's NAV**

Style Groupings	Long	Short	Gross	Net
Financial	29.2	-2.6	31.8	26.6
Defensive	13.2	0.0	13.2	13.2
Grow th	7.1	0.0	7.1	7.1
TMT	24.3	-3.5	27.8	20.8
Cyclical	16.4	-6.4	22.8	10.1
Futures	0.0	-35.6	35.6	-35.6
TOTAL	90.2	-48.1	138.3	42.1

#### **Return History**

€	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	+2.76	+0.68											+3.45
03	-0.35	-0.61	+0.82	-1.12	+0.32	-0.48	+0.25	+1.20	-1.93	-0.01	-0.31	+0.05	-2.18
02	+0.03	-0.10	+2.01	+0.20	-0.06	+0.13	+1.84	+3.21	-0.99	+1.63	+0.71	-0.68	+8.14
01	+1.38	-2.08	+0.13	+1.45	+1.02	+1.10	-0.27	-0.15	-2.34	-0.73	+1.19	+1.22	+1.84
00	+0.02	+17.19	+3.62	-1.88	-0.13	+1.00	+3.43	+1.39	+2.31	+1.55	+1.74	+1.20	+34.84
99			+2.23	+11.08	-0.17	+4.26	+6.62	+2.06	+1.84	+1.47	+10.26	+14.53	+67.83
US\$	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	+2.67	+0.70											+3.39
03	-0.53	-0.71	+0.73	-1.28	+0.26	-0.57	+0.15	+1.06	-2.01	-0.11	-0.45	+0.03	-3.39
02	-0.13	-0.20	+2.08	+0.09	-0.20	-0.09	+1.77	+3.09	-1.11	+1.55	+0.60	-0.84	+6.74
01	+1.48	-2.13	+0.12	+1.34	+0.97	+1.12	-0.29	-0.16	-2.41	-0.87	+1.05	+1.10	+1.22
00	-3.45	+17.23	+1.96	-6.35	+2.69	+2.62	+1.14	-2.47	+2.33	-2.87	+2.41	+1.43	+15.98
99			+0.99	+9.05	-1.56	+3.57	+10.28	+0.70	+2.99	+0.17	+5.46	+14.36	+55.12

Note: NAV per share monthly return calculated net of fees. Source: International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd

#### **Adviser Commentary**

European markets rose over the month with the FTSE Eurotop 300 Index rising by 2.87%. Economic data from both the US and Europe came in below expectations but on balance continued to be positive indicating stronger growth. In the US, consumer confidence disappointed for the second consecutive month whilst non-farm payroll data for January was below expectations for the third successive month. In addition, the ISM manufacturing survey posted its largest fall for a year in February, clearly suggesting fading momentum. Within Europe, the PMI manufacturing survey also undershot, being unchanged in February, but was still above the key 50 level at 52.5 indicating that there was still economic growth.

Signs of risk aversion appeared in equity markets in February. Defensive markets and sectors outperformed their higher beta counterparts. For example the UK FTSE 100 rose by 4.3% (in euros) compared to a fall of 1% in the German DAX Index. On a sectoral level property, tobacco and food retailers performed strongly whilst autos, software and electronics were the weakest performers.

The Kingsway Fund rose by 0.68% over the month. Net exposure was broadly unchanged, declining by 1.9% to 42.1%. On a beta adjusted basis, net exposure declined from 50.8% to 42.6%. In terms of contribution, the long book contributed 2.2% and the short book a negative 1.0%. The balancing items were foreign exchange and borrowing charges. Within the portfolio, exposure to all the style groupings was increased, apart from TMT. The exposure to TMT was decreased from 14.1% in the previous month to 3.5% in view of the sector's strong performance and high rating.

**Tony Zucker** 

#### **Fund Objective**

The fund is a long/short European equity fund aiming to maximise absolute returns which do not depend to any substantial degree on favourable or unfavourable economic conditions. The fund invests predominantly in large capitalisation blue chip European companies.

#### Charges

Initial Charge up to 5% Management Fee 1.5% p.a. Performance Fee 20%

**Fund Size** €208.5m (as at 01.03.04) **Share Classes** € (base) / US\$ (hedged) **Launch Price** €1,000 / \$1,000 **Launch Date** 8 March 1999 **Minimum** €/\$ 100,000 **Dealing** Monthly **Domicile** Cavman Islands Listing Irish Stock Exchange

Roll-Up

#### Manager

Thames River Capital Holdings Limited

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**Administrator** 

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#### **Prices Available From**

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**Unit Type** 



### Thames River EUROPEAN Fund

(Thames River Traditional Funds plc)

#### LONG ONLY EUROPEAN EQUITY



#### **Fund Performance to 29 Feb 2004**

	NAV per share	Feb 2004	YTD
€ Class	€16.95	+1.44%	+4.95%
£ Class	£11.34	-0.53%	-0.26%

#### **Annual Return**

I	2003		2002		2001		2000		1999*	
	Fund	B'mark	Fund	B'mark	Fund	B'mark	Fund	B'mark	Fund	B'mark
	+13.65%	+20.04%	-26.45%	-31.53%	-15.11%	-17.86%	+7.87%	+0.65%	+41.14%	+31.38%
l	+22.79%	+29.74%	-21.59%	-27.04%	-17.41%	-20.05%	+8.17%	+1.72%	+32.20%	+22.18%

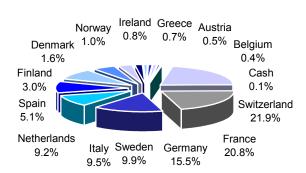
<sup>\*31</sup> March 1999 to 31 December 1999. Refer to Page 25 for monthly return history vs benchmark.

#### **€ Statistics Since Inception**

Annualised Return	+2.4%
Volatility (Standard Deviation)	20.1%
Information Ratio	0.51

Note: NAV per share monthly return calculated net of fees Benchmark - FTSE World Europe ex UK Index Source: International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd, Bloomberg, Pertrac

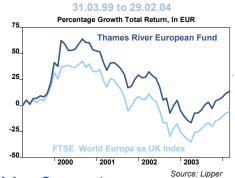
#### **Geographic Allocation**



#### **Sector Allocation**



#### **NAV** per share Price Performance



#### **Top Ten Holdings** 3.9% 2. Novartis 3.6% 3. UBS 3.5% 4. Roche 3.2% 5. Nestlé 3.0% 6. Nokia 3.0% 7. Ericsson 2.8% 8. Unilever 2.2% 9. Philips 2.2% 10. Societe Generale 2 2%

#### **Adviser Commentary**

European markets rose over the month with the FTSE World Europe ex UK Index rising by 1.81%. Economic data from both the US and Europe came in below expectations but on balance continued to be positive indicating stronger growth. Signs of risk aversion appeared in equity markets in February. Defensive markets and sectors outperformed their higher beta counterparts. For example the UK FTSE 100 rose by 4.3% (in euros) compared to a fall of 1% in the German DAX Index. On a sectoral level property, tobacco and food retailers performed strongly whilst autos, software and electronics were the weakest performers.

The Cyclical style group was reduced during the month to an underweight position. With leading economic indicators at or near historic peaks, the opportunity was taken to reduce investments in chemicals (BASF, Bayer), autos (Renault, Continental) and building materials (Holcim and Lafarge). The proceeds from the Cyclical sales were reinvested in Defensives and Growth thereby reducing the underweight in these style groups. In Defensive new holdings were taken in RWE and Union Fenosa while in Growth new positions were taken in Aventis, Schering and Hennes & Mauritz. Elsewhere, in Financials, several life assurance stocks were either sold or reduced (Aegon, Allianz, ING) while exposure to reinsurance was increased via new holdings in Hannover Re and Munich Re. In banking, sales were made in ABN, AIB, BPU, Banca Intesa, BSCH and Commerzbank with part of the proceeds reinvested in BBVA, Bank Austria and Deutsche Bank. Finally in TMT new holdings were taken in Atos and Reed Elsevier while sales occurred in Portugal Telecom and Thomson.

#### **Tony Zucker / Neville Reeves**

#### **Fund Objective**

The fund aims to achieve capital growth through investment in European markets. The core focus is on large capitalisation European stocks. Investments will primarily be in equity securities although bonds and warrants are allowed.

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#### Charges

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Initial Charge up to 5% Management Fee 1.75% p.a.

Fund Size €160.1m (as at 29.02.04)
Share Classes € (base) / £ (unhedged)
Launch Price €14.95 or £10

 Launch Date
 31 March 1999

 Minimum
 €35,000 or £25,000

 Positive
 Positive

Dealing Daily
Domicile Dublin

Legal Status UCITS (FSA recognised)
Listing Irish Stock Exchange
Unit Type Distribution\*

\*this fund will apply for distributor status annually

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### Thames River EUROPEAN NATIONS Fund

(Thames River Traditional Funds plc)

### LONG ONLY PAN EUROPEAN EQUITY

#### Fund Performance to 29 Feb 2004

	NAV per share	Feb 2004	YTD
€ Class	€17.66	+3.09%	+7.36%
£ Class	£11.21	+1.17%	+2.00%

Note: NAV per share monthly return calculated net of fees Benchmark - FTSE World Europe Index Source: International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd, Bloomberg

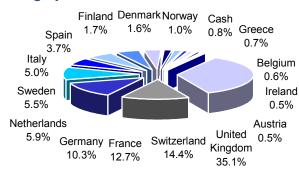
#### **Annual Return**

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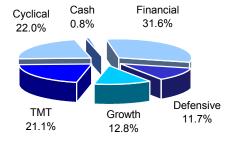
Fund	B'mark
+9.67%	+13.31%
+9.90%	+13.52%

<sup>6</sup> June 2003 to 31 December 20003. Refer to Page 25 for monthly return history vs benchmark.

#### **Geographic Allocation**

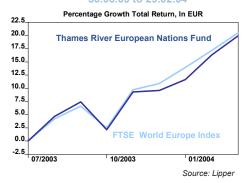


#### **Sector Allocation**



#### **NAV per share Price Performance**

30.06.03 to 29.02.04



	Top Ten Holdings	,
1.	Vodafone	3.2%
2.	HSBC	3.1%
3.	Total	2.7%
4.	UBS	2.6%
5.	BP	2.4%
6.	Novartis	2.3%
7.	Banco Bilbao Vizcaya	2.1%
8.	Nestlé	1.8%
9.	Unilever	1.8%
10.	Nokia	1.7%

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#### **Adviser Commentary**

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The proceeds from the Cyclical sales were reinvested in Defensives and Growth thereby reducing the underweight in these style groups. In Defensive new holdings were taken in BATS, Scottish & Newcastle, National Grid and RWE while in Growth new positions were taken in Aventis, Schering and Hennes & Mauritz.

Elsewhere, in Financials, several life assurance stocks were sold or reduced (Aegon, Allianz, ING) while exposure to reinsurance was increased via new holdings in Hannover Re and Munich Re. In banking, the holding in BSCH was switched to BBVA as was ABN Amro into Deutsche Bank. Finally in TMT new holdings were taken in Atos and Reed Elsevier while profits were taken in BskyB and Reuters.

#### **Tony Zucker / Neville Reeves**

#### **Fund Objective**

The fund aims to achieve capital growth through investment in Pan European markets (inc UK). The core focus is on large capitalisation European stocks. Investments will primarily be in equity securities although bonds and warrants allowed.

#### **Charges**

Initial Charge up to 5% Management Fee 1.75% p.a.

€7.1m (as at 29.02.04) **Fund Size Share Classes** € (base) / £ (unhedged) €15 or £10 **Launch Price Launch Date** 6 June 2003 **Minimum** €35,000 or £25,000 **Dealing** Daily **Domicile** Dublin **Legal Status** UCITS (FSA recognised)

Irish Stock Exchange Listing **Unit Type** Distribution\*

\*this fund will apply for distributor status annually

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### Thames River NEVSKY Fund

(Thames River Nevsky Fund Limited)

#### LONG / SHORT EASTERN EUROPEAN EQUITY

#### Fund Performance to 29 Feb 2004

NAV per share

\$2,610.41 Class A

#### **\$ Statistics Since Inception**

Annualised Return	+31.6%
Volatility (Standard Deviation)	13.1%
Worst Draw dow n	-7.6%
Sharpe Ratio (2.60%*)	1.99
Sortino Ratio (MAR = 0%)	5.27

Source: Bloomberg, Pertrac (\*risk free rate - SSB 3 Month T-Bill)

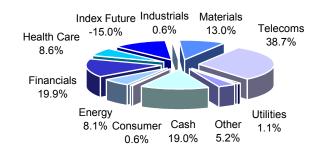
#### **Geographic Allocation Exposure as a % of Fund's NAV**

	Long	Short	Net
Austria	1.9	-1.2	0.7
Czech Republic	20.0	0.0	20.0
Hungary	12.8	-5.7	7.1
Poland	21.8	-4.2	17.6
Russia	34.5	-4.2	30.3
Turkey	8.1	0.0	8.1
Others	8.7	-17.0	-8.3
<b>Equity Total</b>	107.8	-32.3	75.5
Turkey	4.0		4.0
Debt Total			4.0
Gold			2.7
Copper			-3.5
Crude Oil			2.0
Commodity Total			1.2
Euro			-26.2
Net EMEA Currencies			1.0
US Dollar			44.3
Cash Total			19.1

#### **Return History**

US\$	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	+5.02	+5.50											+10.80
03	+1.41	+1.14	-1.94	+7.63	+4.66	-0.54	+1.30	+6.27	+2.38	+2.27	+2.49	+5.72	+37.61
02	+8.61	-0.15	+6.70	+7.20	+2.22	-3.69	-4.07	+2.73	-0.33	+3.81	+6.80	-2.46	+29.73
01	+6.22	-4.01	-0.81	+4.28	+3.90	+2.04	-0.65	+2.13	-1.80	+3.83	+6.10	+4.86	+28.67
00										-0.65	-5.96	+9.78	+2.56
Note: NAV per share monthly return calculated net of fees. Source: International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd													

#### **Net Sector Allocation**



#### **Adviser Commentary**

A strong month as buoyant global liquidity conditions combined with positive region-specific macro and company news to push equity prices higher. The main beneficiaries of this trend were Russia and Central Europe.

In Russia firm oil prices continue to fuel one of the world's largest current account surpluses, which is now running above 10% of GDP. This is putting intense upward pressure on the rouble, which the Central Bank is resisting - Asian style - with massive currency intervention. We remain long rouble/domestic consumption plays and short the exporters. In Central Europe entry to the EU in May is now firmly coming back into focus with the return of equity buying interest from large German institutions. This is providing firm support to the markets. We remain committed to our Central European portfolio which we believe offers exceptional value relative to the low - and declining - cost of capital.

With the Fed remaining at 1% and Asian central banks recycling their current account surpluses into financial market instruments, global liquidity remains buoyant. We continue to monitor the risk of this liquidity causing an inflation problem, or any sign that the Chinese authorities aim to rein in China's rapid growth. However, until either of these risks become an immediate problem we will remain toward the top end of our 20-80% net long range.

#### **Martin Taylor / Rory Landman**

#### **Fund Objective**

The investment objective of the fund is to maximise absolute returns by investing both long and short mostly in the securities of Eastern European, Middle Eastern and African (EMEA) issuers or issuers with a significant economic exposure to those regions established elsewhere.

#### **Charges**

Initial Charge up to 5% Management Fee 1.5% p.a. Performance Fee

**Fund Size** \$254.8m (as at 01.03.04) **Share Classes** US\$ (base) **Launch Price** \$1,000 Launch Date 29 September 2000 \$100.000 Minimum **Dealing** Monthly **Domicile** Cayman Islands Listing Irish Stock Exchange **Unit Type** 

#### Manager

Thames River Capital Holdings Limited

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**Fund Status** 



Roll-Up

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### Thames River EASTERN EUROPEAN Fund

(Thames River Traditional Funds plc)

#### LONG ONLY EASTERN EUROPEAN EQUITY

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#### **Fund Performance to 29 Feb 2004**

	NAV per share	Feb 2004	YTD	
\$ Class	\$27.89	+8.86%	+14.54%	

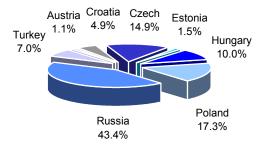
#### **\$ Statistics Since Inception**

Annualised Return	+35.0%
Volatility (Standard Deviation)	24.1%
Information Ratio	1 63

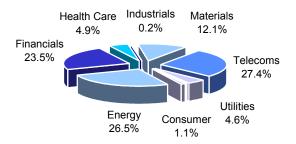
Note: NAV per share monthly return calculated net of fees Benchmark - FTSE BEMI Greater Eastern Europe Index (Russia 50% diluted) (BEMI GEEI Index up to 31.12.01)

Source: International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd. Pertrac

#### **Geographic Allocation**



#### **Sector Allocation**



#### **Annual Return**

2003		2002		2001		2000*	t
Fund	B'mark	Fund	B'mark	Fund	B'mark	Fund	B'mark
+58.22%	+44.98%	+29.44%	+17.90%	+13.78%	+2.30%	+4.50%	-1.12%

\*31 October 2000 to 31 December 2000 (although the official launch was 13th October, the fund did not reach its target level of investment until the end of the month). Refer to Page 25 for monthly return history vs benchmark.

#### **NAV per share Price Performance**

31.10.00 to 29.02.04



#### **Adviser Commentary**

A strong month as buoyant global liquidity conditions combined with positive region-specific macro and company news to push equity prices higher. The main beneficiaries of this trend were Russia and Central Europe.

In Russia firm oil prices continue to fuel one of the world's largest current account surpluses, which is now running above 10% of GDP. This is putting intense upward pressure on the rouble, which the Central Bank is resisting - Asian style - with massive currency intervention. We remain long rouble/ domestic consumption plays and short the exporters. In Central Europe entry to the EU in May is now firmly coming back into focus with the return of equity buying interest from large German institutions. This is providing firm support to the markets. We remain committed to our Central European portfolio which we believe offers exceptional value relative to the low - and declining - cost of capital.

With the Fed remaining at 1% and Asian central banks recycling their current account surpluses into financial market instruments, global liquidity remains buoyant. We continue to monitor the risk of this liquidity causing an inflation problem, or any sign that the Chinese authorities aim to rein in China's rapid growth. However, until either of these risks become an immediate problem we will remain fully invested.

#### **Eoghan Flanagan / Martin Taylor**

#### **Fund Objective**

The investment objective of the fund is to achieve capital appreciation through investment in Eastern European markets.

#### Charges

Initial Charge up to 5% Management Fee 1.75% p.a.

Performance Fee 20% of any absolute outperformance of the FTSE BEMI

Greater Eastern Europe Index (Russia 50% diluted), with a high water mark.

\$110.7m (as at 29.02.04) **Fund Size Share Classes Launch Price Launch Date** 

\$10 13 October 2000 **Minimum** \$35,000 Dealing Daily

US\$ (base)

**Domicile** Dublin **Legal Status** UCITS (FSA recognised)

Listing Irish Stock Exchange Distribution\* **Unit Type Fund Status** Closed

\*this fund will apply for distributor status annually

#### Manager

Thames River Capital Holdings Limited

**Investment Adviser** 

Thames River Capital (UK) Limited

#### Custodian

Barings (Ireland) Limited

#### **Administrator**

International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd

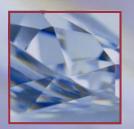
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### **Thames River TOPAZ Fund**

(Thames River Topaz Fund Limited)

#### LONG / SHORT GLOBAL EMERGING MARKET EQUITY

#### Fund Performance to 29 Feb 2004

NAV per share

Class A \$1,312.22

Class B €1,320.02

### Geographic Allocation Exposure as a % of Fund's NAV

	Long	Short	Net
Argentina	0.7	0.0	0.7
Brazil	7.2	-1.0	6.1
China	2.6	-1.0	1.5
Croatia	1.6	0.0	1.6
Czech Republic	4.5	0.0	4.5
Hong Kong	3.4	-0.6	2.8
Hungary	1.9	0.0	1.9
India	7.1	-0.4	6.6
Indonesia	0.5	0.0	0.5
Malaysia	2.8	0.0	2.8
Mexico	4.8	0.0	4.8
Peru	0.5	0.0	0.5
Poland	2.3	0.0	2.3
Russia	4.3	0.0	4.3
South Korea	20.2	-0.9	19.3
Taiw an	17.0	-0.7	16.3
Thailand	0.7	0.0	0.7
Turkey	1.5	0.0	1.5
Other	0.7	-7.9	-7.3
Equity Total	83.9	-12.5	71.4
Brent Crude	1.9	0.0	1.9
Gold	2.7	0.0	2.7
Commodity Total	4.6	0.0	4.6
USD			25.6
Yen / Euro / Sterling			-6.5
Local			4.8
Cash Total			23.9

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US\$	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	+2.75	+2.33											+5.14
03			-0.30	+1.38	+1.23	+2.30	+2.93	+4.83	+0.85	+4.63	+0.04	+4.67	+24.80
€	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	+2.80	+2.31											+5.18
03			-0.24	+1.25	+1.40	+2.42	+3.03	+5.04	+0.87	+4.72	+0.09	+4.57	+25.50
Note: NAV per share monthly return calculated net of fees. Source: International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd.													

#### **\$ Statistics Since Inception**

Annualised Return	+31.2%
Volatility (Standard Deviation)	6.1%
Worst Draw dow n	-0.3%
Sharpe Ratio (1.02%*)	4.37
Sortino Ratio (MAR = 0%)	91.58

Source: Bloomberg, Pertrac (\*risk free rate - SSB 3 Month T-Bill)

#### **Adviser Commentary**

Positive momentum continued in global emerging markets in February, as global monetary conditions remained easy and growth indicators in emerging markets remained firm. Economic indicators in the US and Euroland were subdued giving investors comfort that despite the Fed's change in wording in January, short term interest rates would stay low for some time. Meanwhile in the currency markets, BoJ intervention combined with renewed speculation on a rate cut in Euroland, led to a strong rally in the dollar from intra-month lows.

We remain cautious on China on valuation grounds, particularly given new equity issuance. Elsewhere in Asia, Korean domestic indicators continue to recover suggesting that we may soon see a resurgence in domestic demand. We continue to see strong growth in India, although we have medium term concerns about India's poor fiscal situation and excessively low long-term interest rates. Valuations in Emerging Europe remain interesting and EU accession in May should encourage more portfolio investors into the region. Brazil was disappointing in February as political scandal threatened to unravel the credibility of the Lula government, and the Central Bank maintained its hawkish stance on interest rates.

The two key risks to the portfolio remain US inflation and a Chinese slowdown. However in the US there remain few signs of inflation, while in China we continue to think that investment will switch from overheated areas, to infrastructure projects to remove bottlenecks and that domestic consumption should remain robust. Given the above we remain positive about the outlook for our markets, and happy to remain towards the upper end of our net long range of 20-80%.

#### **Rory Landman / Howard Thomas**

#### **Fund Objective**

The fund aims to maximise absolute returns by investing both long and short predominantly in the securities of global emerging market issuers or issuers established elsewhere with a significant economic exposure to global emerging market countries.

#### Charges

Initial Charge up to 5% Management Fee 2% p.a.
Performance Fee 20%

\$306.4m (as at 01.03.04) **Fund Size Share Classes** US\$ (base) / € (hedged) \$1,000 / €1,000 **Launch Price Launch Date** 14 March 2003 **Minimum** \$/€ 100,000 Monthly Dealing **Domicile** Cayman Islands Listing Irish Stock Exchange **Unit Type** Distribution\* **Fund Status** Closed

\*this fund will apply for distributor status annually

#### Manager

Thames River Capital Holdings Limited

**Investment Adviser** 

Thames River Capital (UK) Limited

**Prime Broker** 

Morgan Stanley & Co International

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### Thames River GLOBAL EMERGING MARKETS Fund

(Thames River Traditional Funds plc)

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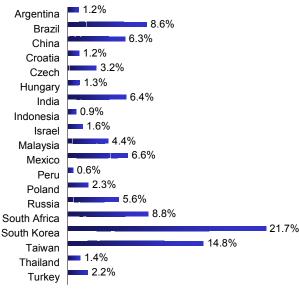
#### LONG ONLY GLOBAL EMERGING MARKET EQUITY

#### **Fund Performance to 29 Feb 2004**

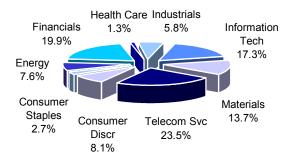
	NAV per share	Feb 2004	YTD
\$ Class	\$17.31	+4.97%	+9.42%
€ Class	€14.89	+4.56%	+10.95%
£ Class	£14.57	+2.61%	+5.66%

Note: NAV per share monthly return calculated net of fees Source: International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd

#### **Geographic Allocation**



#### **Sector Allocation**



#### **Annual Return**

#### 2003\*

Fund B'mark +58.20% +60.44% +34.20% +36.81% \*4 April to 31 December 2003. Refer to Page 25 for monthly return history vs benchmark. +37.90% +40.34%

#### **NAV per share Price Performance**

30.04.03 to 29.02.04



#### **Adviser Commentary**

Positive momentum continued in global emerging markets in February, as global monetary conditions remained easy and growth indicators in emerging markets remained firm. Economic indicators in the US and Euroland were subdued giving investors comfort that despite the Fed's change in wording in January, short term interest rates would stay low for some time. Meanwhile in the currency markets, BoJ intervention combined with renewed speculation on a rate cut in Euroland, led to a strong rally in the dollar from intra-month lows.

We remain cautious on China on valuation grounds, particularly given new equity issuance. Elsewhere in Asia, Korean domestic indicators continue to recover suggesting that we may soon see a resurgence in domestic demand. We continue to see strong growth in India, although we have medium term concerns about India's poor fiscal situation and excessively low long-term interest rates. Valuations in Emerging Europe remain interesting and EU accession in May should encourage more portfolio investors into the region. Brazil was disappointing in February as political scandal threatened to unravel the credibility of the Lula government, and the Central Bank maintained its hawkish stance on interest rates.

The two key risks to the portfolio remain US inflation and a Chinese slowdown. However in the US there remain few signs of inflation, while in China we continue to think that investment will switch from overheated areas, infrastructure projects to remove bottlenecks and that domestic consumption should remain robust.

#### Rory Landman / Katie Blacklock

#### **Fund Objective**

The fund is a global emerging markets fund which aims to achieve capital appreciation through investment primarily in global emerging market countries.

#### **Charges**

Initial Charge Management Fee Performance Fee

up to 5% 1.75% p.a.

20% of any absolute outperformance of the MSCI Total Return Series

Emerging Markets Free Index, with a high water mark.

**Fund Size** \$109.0m (as at 29.02.04) **Share Classes** US\$ (base) / € / £ (unhedged)

**Launch Price** \$/€/£ 10 **Launch Date** 4 April 2003 \$/€ 15,000 / £10,000 **Minimum** 

Dealing Daily **Domicile** Dublin

**Legal Status** UCITS (FSA recognised) Listing Irish Stock Exchange

**Unit Type** Distribution\* \*this fund will apply for distributor status annually

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**Investment Adviser** 

Thames River Capital (UK) Limited

#### Custodian

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### **Thames River EDO Fund**

(Thames River Edo Fund Limited)

### LONG / SHORT JAPANESE EQUITY

#### **Fund Performance to 29 Feb 2004**

**NAV** per share

Class A \$1,198.31 €1.212.75 Class B

Class C ¥142,265.31

#### **\$ Statistics Since Inception**

Annualised Return	+15.6%
Volatility (Standard Deviation)	5.7%
Worst Draw dow n	-1.5%
Sharpe Ratio (1.08%*)	2.39
Sortino Ratio (MAR = 0%)	9.77

Source: Bloomberg, Pertrac (\*risk free rate - SSB 3 Month T-Bill)

#### Ton Ten Positions (in alphabetical order)

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Itochu	Sankyo
Mitsubishi Tokyo Financial Group	Shimizu
Mitsui Fudosan	Sony
Nissay Dow a	Sumitomo Trus
Orix	Toppan Printing

#### **Sector Allocation Top Ten by Gross Exposure**

#### **Exposure as a % of Fund's NAV**

	Long	Short	Gross	Net
⊟ectric Machinery	10.5	-2.4	12.8	8.1
Other Finance	8.0	0.0	8.0	8.0
Wholesale	7.6	0.0	7.6	7.6
Banks	6.1	0.0	6.1	6.1
Machinery	5.4	0.0	5.4	5.4
Retail	4.4	0.0	4.4	4.4
Real Estate	4.2	0.0	4.2	4.2
Transport	4.0	0.0	4.0	4.0
Land Transport	2.7	0.0	2.7	2.7
Info & Communications	1.0	-1.0	2.0	0.0
Other Sectors	15.3	-5.6	20.9	9.6
Index Future	0.0	-4.7	4.7	-4.7
Total	69.1	-13.6	82.7	55.5

#### **Return History**

US\$	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	+1.46	+1.27											+2.75
03	+1.26	-0.03	-1.47	+0.57	+0.61	+4.00	+1.36	+5.01	+1.37	+2.22	+0.17	+1.35	+17.54
02												-0.78	-0.78
€	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	+1.53	+1.32											+2.87
03	+1.20	+0.11	-1.31	+0.68	+0.81	+4.13	+1.34	+5.18	+1.37	+2.32	+0.22	+1.36	+18.68
02												-0.67	-0.67
¥	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	+1.38	+1.27											+2.67
03	+1.06	-0.08	-1.56	+0.51	+0.49	+4.01	+1.26	+4.86	+1.29	+2.16	+0.13	+1.24	+16.33
02												-0.74	-0.74

Note: NAV per share monthly return calculated net of fees. Source: International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd

#### **Adviser Commentary**

The market vacillated for much of the month, as continuing unwind of crossshareholdings and pension fund liquidations by domestic investors ahead of the fiscal year end in March was matched by ongoing buying by foreign investors. Volume and value traded remained at healthy levels, with strength seen in a range of sectors related to the domestic economy (e.g. non-bank financials, construction, real estate and retail), while certain exporting sectors such as electricals and precision instruments fared badly.

Economic newsflow remained almost uniformly good. GDP in the 4th quarter of 2003 rose at an annualised rate of 7.0% in real terms, suggesting considerable momentum coming in to the current year. Data on housing starts, machinery orders and retail sales in January similarly exceeded consensus expectations by a comfortable margin. Trade data showed the surplus remaining at a high level, a fact somewhat at odds with the movement of the yen, which recorded falls of over 3% against both the US dollar and the euro, as continuing intervention by the Bank of Japan in the foreign exchange markets finally persuaded some yen bulls to close their positions. At a corporate level, results for the quarter ending December again exceeded expectations on the upside, with top line growth supplementing the benefits of ongoing restructuring and cost-cutting to maintain robust earnings momentum.

In February, the Edo Fund produced a positive return of 1.27% in yen terms. Long equities contributed 2.07%, while short equities cost 0.03% and futures cost 0.77%. Gross exposure increased to 129.0%, or 143.4% on a beta adjusted basis, while net exposure declined to 41.3%, or 55.4% on a beta adjusted exposure. The approach of the end of the fiscal year should see a considerable reduction in selling by domestic institutions. This fact, combined with the continuing positive newsflow at both an economic and corporate level, should result in continuing strength in the equity market. We shall therefore be using any periods of short-term consolidation to increase our net **Huw Llewellyn / Rod Birkett** exposure.

#### **Fund Objective**

The investment objective of the fund is to maximise absolute returns by investing both long and short primarily in the securities of Japanese issuers.

#### **Charges**

Initial Charge up to 5% Management Fee 1.5% p.a. Performance Fee 20%

\$192.5m (as at 01.03.04) **Fund Size** 

Share Classes ¥ (base) / US\$/€ (hedged) Launch Price \$/€ 1,000 / ¥120,000 Launch Date 29 November 2002

\$/€ 100,000 / ¥ equivalent Minimum

Dealing Monthly **Domicile** Cayman Islands

Listing Irish Stock Exchange **Unit Type** Distribution\*

\*this fund will apply for distributor status annually

#### Manager

Thames River Capital Holdings Limited

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**UBS AG** 

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### Thames River JAPAN Fund

(Thames River Traditional Funds plc)

#### LONG ONLY JAPANESE EQUITY

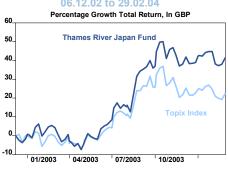
**S&P RATED** 

#### **Fund Performance to 29 Feb 2004**

	NAV per share	Feb 2004	YTD
€ Class	€13.47	-0.44%	+4.34%
£ Class	£14.13	-2.42%	-0.70%

#### **NAV per share Price Performance**

06.12.02 to 29.02.04



Source: Lipper

#### **Largest Overweights**

#### Weights as a % of Fund's NAV

	Fund	Index Relative
Other Finance	8.8	2.5 +6.3
Wholesale	9.5	3.5 +6.1
Machinery	7.5	3.4 +4.1
Securities	6.0	2.4 +3.6
Real Estate	4.9	1.4 +3.5

#### **Largest Underweights**

#### Weights as a % of Fund's NAV

	Fund	Index	Relative
Info & Communication	1.2	9.9	-8.7
Transport Equipment	4.5	10.5	-6.0
⊟ectric / Gas	0.0	4.0	-4.0
Foods	0.0	2.5	-2.5
Electric Machinery	12.9	15.3	-2.4

#### **Annual Return**

2003	2002*
Fund B'mark	Fund B'mark
+30.40% +15.78%	-1.00% -1.76%
+41.31% +25.12%	+0.70% -0.25%

<sup>\*6</sup> December 2002 to 31 December 2002. Refer to Page 25 for monthly return history vs benchmark

#### **€ Statistics Since Inception**

Annualised Return	+26.9%
Volatility (Standard Deviation)	24.7%
Information Ratio	1.54

Note: NAV per share monthly return calculated net of fees Benchmark - Topix Index

#### Source: International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd, Bloomberg, Pertrac

#### **Top Ten Holdings** Mitsui Fudosan 3.7% ltochu 3.7% Sumitomo Trust & Banking 3.7%

4. Mitsubishi Tokyo Financial Group 3.6% 5. Orix 3.5% 6. Daiw a Securities 3.0% 7. Mitsubishi Securities 3.0% 2.9%

8. Shimizu 9. Nissay Dow a General Insurance 2.9% 10. Sony 2.9%

#### **Adviser Commentary**

The market vacillated for much of the month, as continuing unwind of cross-shareholdings and pension fund liquidations by domestic investors ahead of the fiscal year end in March was matched by ongoing buying by foreign investors. Volume and value traded remained at healthy levels, with strength seen in a range of sectors related to the domestic economy (e.g. non-bank financials, construction, real estate and retail), while certain exporting sectors such as electricals and precision instruments fared badly.

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Economic newsflow remained almost uniformly good. GDP in the 4th guarter of 2003 rose at an annualised rate of 7.0% in real terms, suggesting considerable momentum coming in to the current year. Data on housing starts, machinery orders and retail sales in January similarly exceeded consensus expectations by a comfortable margin. Trade data showed the surplus remaining at a high level, a fact somewhat at odds with the movement of the yen, which recorded falls of over 3% against both the US dollar and the euro, as continuing intervention by the Bank of Japan in the foreign exchange markets finally persuaded some yen bulls to close their positions. At a corporate level, results for the quarter ending December again exceeded expectations on the upside, with top line growth supplementing the benefits of ongoing restructuring and cost-cutting to maintain robust earnings momentum.

In February, the Japan Fund fell by 0.44% in euro terms, which compares with a rise of 0.03% by the Topix index in euro terms. Principal overweight positions were in non-bank financials, wholesalers and the machinery sector. The underweight position in the telecommunications sector was sharply increased during the month, and maintained at high levels in the transport equipment, pharmaceutical and utilities sectors. The approach of the end of the fiscal year should see a considerable reduction in selling by domestic institutions. This fact, combined with the continuing positive newsflow at both an economic and corporate level, should result in continuing strength in the equity market. The fund is therefore likely to remain fully invested. **Huw Llewellyn / Rod Birkett** 

#### **Fund Objective**

The investment objective of the fund is to achieve capital appreciation through investment primarily in Japan.

#### **Charges**

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Initial Charge up to 5% Management Fee 1.75% p.a. Performance Fee

10% of any absolute outperformance of the Topix Index, with

a high water mark.

(€) IE0032122008 (£) IE0032122115 Sedol (LSE)

**Fund Size** €109.2m (as at 29.02.04)

**Share Classes** € / £ (both unhedged) **Launch Price** €/£ 10

**Launch Date** 6 December 2002 **Minimum** € 15,000 / £10,000

Dealing Daily **Domicile** Dublin

**Legal Status** UCITS (FSA recognised) Listing Irish Stock Exchange

**Unit Type** Distribution\*

(£) 3232532

\*this fund will apply for distributor status annually

#### Manager

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FT (Mex ID)	(€) TFJF	(£) TFJS	Sedol (ISF)	(€) 3212200	(£) 3212211			

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### Thames River HILLSIDE APEX Fund

(Thames River Global Funds Limited)

### LONG / SHORT GLOBAL CREDIT **Emerging Markets, High Yield & Distressed**

#### Fund Performance to 29 Feb 2004

NAV per share

\$2.115.22 Class A

Class B € 1,142.83

#### **\$ Statistics Since Inception**

Annualised Return	+14.4%
Volatility (Standard Deviation)	11.0%
Worst Draw dow n	-17.6%
Sharpe Ratio (3.52%*)	0.96
Sortino Ratio (MAR = 0%)	1.18

Source: Bloomberg, Pertrac (\*risk free rate - SSB 3 Month T-Bill)

#### **Asset Allocation (net exposure)** by Region and Investor Group

	Dedicated	Crossover	Periphery	Distressed	Total
Latin America	-	16.8	-1.9	7.2	22.1
EMEA	11.4	5.8	3.3	5.6	26.1
Developed	-	4.7	4.9	13.5	23.1
Asia	-	1.8	8.3	2.7	12.8
Total	11.4	29.1	14.6	29.0	84.1

The above table excludes a short position in US Treasuries of -10%.

#### **Asset Allocation (net exposure)** by Performing vs Distressed

Sove	ereign	Corp	Total	
Performing	Distressed	Performing	Distressed	
17.1	7.2	37.9	21.9	84.1

#### **Return History**

US\$	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	+1.60	+0.96											+2.58
03	+0.28	+1.83	+0.95	+3.18	+3.99	+1.76	+0.85	+1.53	+2.21	+2.01	+0.40	+1.62	+22.59
02	+3.59	+1.31	+0.88	+3.39	+0.61	-1.83	-2.02	+3.68	-0.41	+1.86	+1.48	+0.88	+14.05
01	+4.17	+0.53	-1.31	+2.01	+0.45	+1.96	+2.32	+2.43	-2.44	+1.69	+2.92	+1.23	+16.96
00	+1.91	+6.22	+5.73	-2.92	-2.77	+7.70	+6.42	+5.01	+1.03	-4.14	-1.78	+2.94	+27.32
99	-15.20	-2.80	+3.18	+2.85	-3.79	+1.38	-0.77	-0.74	+1.02	+3.55	+2.45	+6.16	-4.39
98								+0.20	-2.22	+2.31	+3.02	+0.28	+3.58
€	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	+1.68	+1.01											+2.71
03						+1.95	+1.16	+1.56	+2.10	+2.08	+0.40	+1.52	+11.26

Note: NAV per share monthly return calculated net of fees. Source: International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd

#### **Adviser Commentary**

The fund's \$ share performance during February was up 0.96%. The JP Morgan Emerging Markets Bond Index Plus (EMBI+) was up 0.22%. Equity markets were up again with the S&P500 returning +1.4% and the Eurotop 300 +2.9%. US Treasury yields fell, resulting in a positive return of +1.3%.

Credit markets paused after the strong issuance in January and a change in the language used by the US Federal Reserve suggesting that rates might rise sooner than expected. Brazil was particularly affected - the move being exaggerated by a local political scandal regarding election and project financing. The fund's performance in February benefited from a Latin American distressed position that was bought in the third quarter last year. We continue to benefit from our strategy of "cherry-picking" in the global credit markets.

This month we are introducing a table that shows the fund's exposure to the four main areas of the global credit markets - sovereign performing and distressed as well as corporate performing and distressed. The figures show our aversion to the sovereign coupon-paying markets, a stance we have maintained so far in 2004. It also explains why the fund has been relatively insensitive to the recent market gyrations.

We have also introduced a short position in 10-year US Treasuries. The rationale for this is to provide a degree of protection for the fund, in the event of a rise in Treasury yields.

#### Michael Mabbutt / Bernt Tallaksen

#### **Fund Objective**

The fund is a global credit fund focusing on directional and spread strategies in emerging markets, high yield and distressed debt. The aim is to maximise absolute returns which do not depend to any substantial degree on favourable or unfavourable economic conditions.

#### **Charges**

Bloomberg

Initial Charge up to 5% Management Fee 1.5% p.a. Performance Fee 20%

**Fund Size** \$255.5m (as at 01.03.04) **Share Classes** US\$ (base) / € (hedged) Launch Price \$1,000 on 31 July 1998

**Launch Price** €1,000 on 31 May 2003

**Minimum** \$/€ 100,000 Dealing Monthly

**Domicile** Cayman Islands Listing Irish Stock Exchange

Roll-Up

#### Manager

Thames River Capital Holdings Limited

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#### Custodian

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### Thames River HIGH INCOME Fund

(Thames River Traditional Funds plc)

### LONG ONLY GLOBAL CREDIT **Emerging Markets, High Yield & Distressed**

S&P RATED

#### Fund Performance to 29 Feb 2004

	NAV per share	Feb 2004	YTD		
€ Class	€13.37	+0.53%	+1.82%		
£ Class	£12.94	+0.78%	+2.13%		
\$ Class	\$12.50	+0.48%	+1.66%		

#### **Annual Return**

2003	2002	2001	2000*		
Fund B'mark	Fund B'mark	Fund B'mark	Fund B'mark		
+24.28% +26.73%	+17.51% +14.37%	+18.14% +1.58%	+3.85% +7.39%		
+25.51% +27.83%	+17.28% +14.90%				
+23.38% +25.66%	+15.81% +13.12%				

\* 26 June 2000 to 31 December 2000. Refer to Page 24 for dividend information and Page 25 for monthly return history vs benchmark.

#### **€ Statistics Since Inception**

Annualised Return	+17.9%
Volatility (Standard Deviation)	6.3%
Sharpe Ratio (3.55%*)	2.10

Note: NAV per share monthly return calculated net of fees and includes reinvestment of gross dividends.

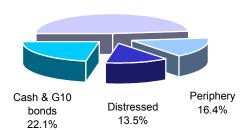
Benchmark: JP Morgan EMBI Global, hedged into the base currency of the

relevant share class

Source: International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd, TRC, Pertrac (\*risk free rate -Euro Libor)

#### **Asset Allocation by Investor Group**

Crossover 48.0%



#### **Exposure:**

#### **Top 3 Holdings by Investor Group**

Dedicated	Crossover	Periphery	Distressed
-	Brazil 11.8%	Turkey 6.5%	Developed 6.7%
	Russia 5.1%	Indonesia 3.4%	LatAm 4.1%
	Ukraine 5.0%	Korea 3.4%	EMEA 1.6%

# **NAV** per share Price Performance 26.06.00 (rebase to €100) to 29.02.04 Thames River High Income Fund

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Source: Bloombera, TRC

#### Spread Duration .... 2.4% Income Yield ..... 5.8% Maturity Yield ...... 7.3%

Note: The yields quoted are based on existing assets at time of going to press and will fluctuate depending on asset allocation. Yields are quoted net of fees and estimated expenses and are not guaranteed. Non-paying assets are assumed to have income yields of zero and maturity yields of 15% per annum.

#### **Adviser Commentary**

The fund's € share performance during February was up 0.53% versus the JP Morgan Emerging Markets Bond Index Global, hedged in euros, which rose 0.41%.

Credit markets paused after the strong issuance in February and a change in the language used by the US Federal Reserve suggesting that rates might rise sooner than expected. Brazil was particularly affected - the move being exaggerated by a local political scandal regarding election and project financing. The fund's performance in February benefited from a Latin American distressed position that was bought in the third quarter last year. We continue to benefit from our strategy of "cherry-picking" in the global credit markets.

Our small exposure to Brazilian sovereign bonds was sold and the Turkish Lira exposure was fully hedged after a strong rally that began in the fourth quarter last year. Exposure to Brazilian corporate bonds was maintained. Venezuela was sold as doubts surfaced that the referendum would go ahead. Cash and G10 bonds increased from 17% to 22% of the fund.

#### Michael Mabbutt / Bernt Tallaksen

#### **Fund Objective**

The fund is a global credit fund focusing on emerging markets, high yield and distressed debt. The fund aims to maximise total return subject to providing a high level of income relative to bonds issued by countries participating in the euro.

#### Charges

Initial Charge up to 5% Management Fee 1.5% p.a.

Daily **Domicile** Dublin

#### \$342.3m (as at 29.02.04) **Fund Size Share Classes** US\$ (base) / €/£ (hedged)

**Launch Price** €10 on 26 June 2000 **Launch Price** £10 on 28 December 2001 **Launch Price** \$10 on 28 December 2001

**Minimum** €/£/\$ 10,000 **Legal Status** UCITS (FSA recognised) Listing Irish Stock Exchange

**Dividends** Quarterly (Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct) **Unit Type** Distribution\*

\* this fund will apply for distributor status annually

#### Manager

Thames River Capital Holdings Limited

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### Thames River GARRET Fund

(Thames River Garret Fund Limited)

### LONG / SHORT GLOBAL FIXED - OECD Sovereigns

#### Fund Performance to 29 Feb 2004

	NAV per share	Feb 2004		
Class A	\$992.65	-0.48%		
Class B	€ 994.15	-0.43%		
Class C	£997.75	-0.27%		

#### **Regional Bond Allocation**

Bonds	Long	Short	Net
US	0.0	-21.8	-21.8
Denmark	3.4	0.0	3.4
Germany	3.4	0.0	3.4
France	3.6	0.0	3.6
Holland	3.1	0.0	3.1
South Korea	5.0	0.0	5.0
Hong Kong	3.4	0.0	3.4
South Africa	5.0	0.0	5.0
Australia (Index Linked)	5.1	0.0	5.1
Total	32.0	-21.8	10.2

#### **Currency Allocation**

Currency	Long	Short	Net
Yen	12.0	0.0	12.0
Thai Bhat	5.0	0.0	5.0
Hong Kong Dollar	3.5	0.0	3.5
Korea	5.0	0.0	5.0
Australia	5.0	0.0	5.0
US Dollar	0.0	-30.5	-30.5
Total	30.5	-30.5	0.0

#### **Estimated Volatility 6.54%**

#### **Return History**

US\$	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	-0.37	-0.48											-0.85
03												+0.12	+0.12
€	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	-0.30	-0.43											-0.72
03												+0.14	+0.14
£	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	-0.14	-0.27											-0.41
03												-0.19	-0.19

Note: NAV per share monthly return calculated net of fees. Source: International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd

#### **Adviser Commentary**

The global bond markets continued to be well supported during the month of February with US Treasuries leading the way as 10 year bonds rallied from 4.13% to 3.97%. The economic data continued to look strong as the fourth quarter 2004 GDP growth in the US was revised up slightly from 4.0% to 4.1% and the surveys, in particular the ISM surveys, suggested that the positive economic momentum had carried on into the new year. The bond market gained its support predominantly from the view that the jobless recovery would lead the Fed to remain on hold with 1% short rates for a while longer. In addition, the market continued to be supported by proceeds from foreign exchange intervention by the Bank of Japan (BoJ) as it was thought that 40% of the Treasury refunding was bought by the BoJ. The other major highlight of the period was the success of the BoJ in weakening the yen against sterling, the dollar and the euro. Sterling continued to enjoy its high yield status and was the best performing of the major currencies.

The fund returned -0.45% in the month of February mainly due to the strength of the US bond market and the weakness of the yen. Both positions were affected by the significant scale of foreign exchange intervention by the BoJ. During January and February the central bank bought US\$100 billion versus the yen, over half the entire intervention of last year, in order to weaken the yen to help the Japanese economic recovery. Intervention proceeds were invested in the US Treasury market. On the positive side, the fund's long positions in the front end of the European markets, where it was felt the economic back drop was weaker and therefore more supportive for bonds, and the Australian inflation protection bonds and the position in Hong Kong bonds performed well.

We continue to have a high conviction that bond yields in the major markets will rise significantly during the course of this year as the synchronised global recovery picks up further momentum and look to add to currency positions which reflect the strength in the Asian economy.

#### Paul Thursby / Peter Geikie-Cobb

#### **Fund Objective**

The fund is a global fixed income fund aiming to deliver positive returns that do not depend to any substantial degree on favourable or unfavourable economic conditions. It may invest in fixed or variable rate securities traded on any markets in the world by employing relative value strategies seeking to exploit inefficiencies and distortions in value.

#### **Charges**

Initial Charge up to 5% Management Fee 1.5% Performance Fee 20%

Fund Size \$27.3m (as at 01.03.04) Share Classes US\$ (base) / €/£ (hedged)

Launch Price \$/€ /£1,000

Launch 28 November 2003

Minimum \$/€ 100,000 or £ equivalent

**Dealing** Monthly

Domicile Cayman Islands
Listing Irish Stock Exchange

Unit Type Roll-up

#### Manager

Thames River Capital Holdings Limited

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**Prime Broker** 

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### Thames River GLOBAL BOND Fund

(Thames River Traditional Funds plc)

LONG ONLY GLOBAL FIXED - OECD Sovereigns

S&P RATED

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#### Fund Performance to 29 Feb 2004

	NAV per share	Feb 2004	YTD
£ Class	£10.01	-0.40%	-0.20%
€ Class	€ 9.96	-0.60%	-0.40%
\$ Class	\$9.95	-0.70%	-0.50%

Refer to Page 24 for dividend information and Page 25 for monthly return history vs benchmark.

Note: NAV per share monthly return calculated net of fees Benchmark - 50% FTSE Gilt Index / 50% Citigroup Global Government Bond Index in Sterling

Source: International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd, Bloomberg

#### **NAV per share Price Performance**

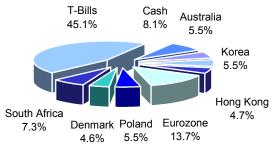


Duration ...... 1.64 years Maturity Yield ..... 3.42%

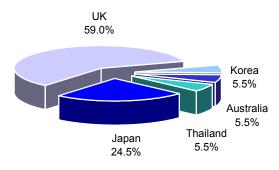
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Source: Lipper

#### **Bond Allocation**



#### **Currency Allocation**



#### **Adviser Commentary**

The global bond markets continued to be well supported during the month of February with US Treasuries leading the way as 10 year bonds rallied from 4.13% to 3.97%. The economic data continued to look strong as the fourth quarter 2004 GDP growth in the US was revised up slightly from 4.0% to 4.1% and the surveys, in particular the ISM surveys, suggested that the positive economic momentum had carried on into the new year. The bond market gained its support predominantly from the view that the jobless recovery would lead the Fed to remain on hold with 1% short rates for a while longer. In addition, the market continued to be supported by proceeds from foreign exchange intervention by the Bank of Japan (BoJ) as it was thought that 40% of the Treasury refunding was bought by the BoJ. The other major highlight of the period was the success of the BoJ in weakening the yen against sterling, the dollar and the euro. Sterling continued to enjoy its high yield status and was the best performing of the major currencies.

The fund performed in line with the benchmark during February, -0.40%. The main negative factor was the underweight duration position of 1.6 years for the fund against an index duration of 6.5 years, as the major bond markets continued to perform well. However, offsetting this was the currency weighting of the fund which remained high in sterling, approximately 60% during the period, versus a zero weighting in both the euro and the dollar.

The key for bond and currency markets going forward is the economic recovery in Japan. In previous and more recent US recoveries the Fed has been able to adopt a loose monetary policy in the knowledge that the rest of world would rely on the US as the engine for global growth. We believe that not only is the recovery in Japan sustainable but that Japan is at last coming out of its deflationary spiral and that the rest of Asia is growing robustly. In a period of synchronised global economic growth the likelihood of the US importing some inflation, particularly at a time when productivity is falling, is very real and we continue to expect a significant sell off in bond markets this year. As always, timing will be crucial. In addition, we continue to believe that the Asian growth story will be a major theme driving currency markets this year. During the month of February we took advantage of the strength of sterling to add to the Yen, the Korean won and the Australian dollar as the west begins to re-price against Asia through the currency markets.

#### Fund Objective

The fund aims to achieve a total return primarily through investment in debt securities and instruments which may be either fixed, floating rate or index / inflation linked, issued or guaranteed by EU/OECD Issuers.

#### **Charges**

Initial Charge up to 5% Management Fee 1%

Performance Fee 10% of any absolute outper-

formance of benchmark (see above), with a high watermark.

Fund Size £68.3m (as at 29.02.04)
Share Classes £ (base) / €/US\$ (hedged)

 Launch Price
 £/€/\$ 10

 Launch
 24 October 2003

 Minimum
 £5,000 or €/\$ 7,500

 Legal Status
 UCITS (FSA recognised)

Dealing Daily
Listing Irish Stock Exchange

Dividends Quarterly (Mar, Jun, Sep, Dec)
Unit Type Distribution\*

\*this fund will apply for distributor status annually

#### Paul Thursby / Peter Geikie-Cobb

#### Manager

Thames River Capital Holdings Limited

#### **Investment Adviser**

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# Thames River SENTINEL Fund (Thames River Alternative Strategies Limited)

ON-DIRECTIONAL MULTI-MANAGER

#### **Fund Performance to 29 Feb 2004**

Est. NAV per share

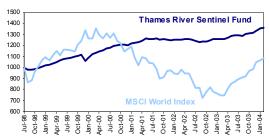
Class A \$1,362.26 Class C £1,068.93

\$ Statistics	Since Jan 03	Since Inception
Annualised Return	+7.1%	+5.7%
Volatility (Standard Deviation)	2.2%	3.6%
Worst Draw dow n	-0.5%	-5.1%
Correlation with Bonds*	0.55	0.06
Correlation with Equities†	0.42	0.13

<sup>\*</sup> Lehman Aggregate Bond Index † MSCI World Index Source: Bloomberg, Pertrac

#### **NAV per share Price Performance**

31.07.98 (rebased to \$1,000) to 29.02.04



<sup>\*</sup>Source: Pertrac, TRC

#### **Top Five Holdings**

	Strategy	Month %	YTD%
Levco*	Multi Strategy	+0.04%	+1.08%
Castlerigg*	Multi Strategy	+0.15%	+3.02%
CQS	Convertible Arbitrage	+0.98%	+4.30%
Highbridge	Convertible Arbitrage	+1.27%	+3.18%
DKR Rel. Value*	Multi Strategy	+0.01%	+2.03%

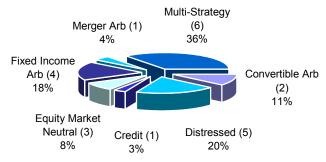
<sup>\*</sup>Estimate. Note: YTD figures relate to current underlying managers which may not have been held in the portfolio for the whole of this period.

#### **Return History** US\$ Jan Feb Mar Jun Jul Aug Oct Nov Dec YTD +1.82 +2.25 04 +0.4203 -0.17 +0.24 +5.90 +0.07+0.89+1.21 +0.54-0.21-0.24+1.34+0.63 +0.47+0.9902 +0.30 -0.19 +0.24 +0.19 +0.28 -0.49 -1.09 -0.40+0.36 -0.08 +0.67 +0.95 +0.73 01 +1.38 +0.73 +0.41 +0.81 +1.30 -0.18 -0.17 +0.37 -0.61 +0.26 -0.25 -0.30 +3.80 00 +2.64 +3.05 +1.34 +0.84 +0.88 +1.27 +0.85 +1.11 +0.64 +0.37 -0.11 -0.18 +13.40 99 +0.96 +0.83+1.07 +1.27 +1.21 +1.26 +0.83+0.42 +0.88 +0.53 +1.03 -5.07 +5.16 98 +0.89 -2.15-0.14+0.59+1.44 +1.19

£	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	+1.88	+0.62											+2.52
03						+0.73	-0.27	-0.07	+1.34	+0.78	+0.54	+1.15	+4.27

NAV per share monthly return calculated net of fees. Source: International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd **Note: Ken Kinsey-Quick took over management of the fund in January 2003.** 

#### **Asset Allocation by Strategy**



Note: (x) denotes number of managers. Allocations are shown post new month dealing.

#### **Adviser Commentary**

February was a more subdued month for Sentinel, after January's strong performance, with the fund returning an estimated 41 basis points. All the main strategies were positive for the month, although at the individual manager level there were four modest negative numbers. The main strategy contributions were from the fixed income arbitrage, convertible arbitrage and distressed managers. The individual returns ranged from +2.5% (BlueCrest) down to -0.9% (Sabre Style Arbitrage). Four multi-strategy managers, representing 27% of the fund, were grouped between -0.20% and +0.20%.

No changes were made to the portfolio at the end of February, and the fund remains invested with 22 managers.

#### Ken Kinsey-Quick / Alex Kuiper

#### **Fund Objective**

Sentinel aims to achieve consistent absolute returns by investing in a portfolio of predominately non-directional hedge style managers.

Return target over a cycle: 5-10% p.a. (target) Volatility tolerance: 5% standard deviation Loss Target: No losing 3 months

Charges

Initial Charge up to 5% Management Fee 1.5% p.a. Performance Fee 5%

 Fund Size
 \$34.0m (as at 01.03.04)

 Share Classes
 US\$ (base) / €/£ (hedged)

 Launch Price
 \$1,000 on 31 July 1998

**Launch Price** £1,000 on 31 May 2003 **Minimum** \$/€ /£ 10.000

Dealing Monthly

Domicile Cayman Islands

Unit Type Roll-up

#### Manager

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# Thames River WARRIOR Fund (Thames River Alternative Strategies Limited)

IRECTIONAL MULTI-MANAGER

#### Fund Performance to 29 Feb 2004

Est. NAV per share

Class A \$1,418.78 Class B € 1,094.51 Class C £1,108.81

\$ Statistics	Since Jan 03	Since Inception
Annualised Return	+13.1%	+6.5%
Volatility (Standard Deviation)	2.7%	7.4%
Worst Draw dow n	0.1%	-11.9%
Correlation with Bonds*	0.73	0.03
Correlation with Equities†	0.45	0.48

<sup>\*</sup> Lehman Aggregate Bond Index † MSCI World Index Source: Bloomberg, Pertrac

### Return History

US\$	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	+1.36	+1.07											+2.45
03	+0.42	+0.58	+0.22	+1.16	+1.75	+0.82	-0.45	+0.63	+2.16	+1.14	+1.20	+2.46	+12.73
02	+0.09	-0.10	+1.70	+1.65	+1.19	-3.47	-1.45	-0.53	-0.75	-1.08	+0.54	+0.25	-2.05
01	+1.76	-1.31	-1.37	+0.47	+0.18	-0.51	-0.90	-1.00	-3.51	-0.66	-3.26	+2.30	-7.70
00	+3.17	+8.82	-1.14	-1.65	-2.19	+2.25	-0.37	+3.09	+0.16	-0.91	-3.90	+3.27	+10.43
99	+1.04	-0.69	+3.18	+2.58	+0.13	+2.88	+0.52	+0.58	+1.21	+1.82	+4.15	+1.84	+20.92
98								-4.88	+1.10	-0.14	+1.87	+4.04	+1.77
€	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Λιια	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	+1.40	+1.12	IVIAI	Apı	iviay	Juli	Jui	Aug	Sep	OCI	INOV	Dec	+2.54
03	+1.40	+1.12					-0.46	+0.64	+1.88	+1.11	+1.13	+2.28	+6.74
03							-0.40	+0.04	+1.00	Ŧ1.11	+1.13	+2.20	+0.74
£	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	+1.46	+1.27											+2.75
03						+0.70	-0.75	+0.71	+2.11	+1.24	+1.27	+2.42	+7.92

NAV per share monthly return calculated net of fees. Source: International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd Note: Ken Kinsey-Quick took over management of the fund in January 2003.

#### **NAV per share Price Performance**

31.07.98 (rebased to \$1,000) to 29.02.04



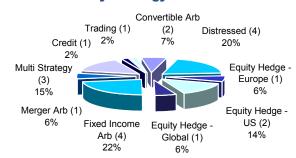
<sup>\*</sup>Source: Pertrac. TRC

#### **Top Five Holdings**

	Strategy	Month %	YTD %
Castlerigg*	Multi Strategy	+0.15%	+3.02%
Lafayette Street*	Equity Hedge - US	+1.67%	+5.39%
Cantillon World	Equity Hedge - Global	+5.13%	+2.09%
Crescendo Europe	Equity Hedge - Europe	+1.83%	+4.93%
Manager 1*	Fix ed Income Arb	+4.84%	+4.23%

<sup>\*</sup>Estimate. Note: YTD figures relate to current underlying managers which may not have been held in the portfolio for the whole of this period.

#### **Asset Allocation by Strategy**



Note: (x) denotes number of managers. Allocations are shown post new month dealing.

#### **Adviser Commentary**

Warrior had an on-target month up 1.07% with performance led by Cantillon (+5.1%), BlueCrest (+4.8%) and Contrarian (+2.8%). The worst and only negative performer was King St (-0.2%). Strong equity markets were a significant contributor to returns with most other strategies, especially arbitrage related, having a quiet month after an exceptional January.

No manager redemptions occurred at month end but three new funds were added: BlueCrest (macro), Lydian (convertible bond arbitrage) and London Diversified (fixed income arbitrage). The top 5 and top 10 managers represent 48% and 78% of NAV respectively.

#### Ken Kinsey-Quick / Alex Kuiper

#### **Fund Objective**

Warrior aims to achieve consistent absolute returns by investing in a portfolio of directional and nondirectional hedge style managers.

Return target over a cycle: 10-15% p.a. (target) Volatility tolerance: 10% standard deviation Loss Target: No losing 12 months

#### Charges

Initial Charge up to 5% Management Fee Performance Fee 5%

 Fund Size
 \$53.7m (as at 01.03.04)

 Share Classes
 US\$ (base) / €/£ (hedged)

 Launch Price
 \$1,000 on 31 July 1998

 Launch Price
 £1,000 on 31 May 2003

 Launch Price
 €1,000 on 31 July 2003

 Minimum
 \$/€ /£ 10,000

 Dealing
 Monthly

Domicile Cayman Islands
Unit Type Roll-up

#### Manager

Thames River Capital Holdings Limited

#### **Investment Adviser**

Thames River Capital (UK) Limited

#### Custodian

The Bank of Bermuda Limited / HSBC Republic Bank (Suisse) SA

#### Administrator

International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd

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 Datastream
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 B(€) 27561K
 C(£) 27337R

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 B(€) TFWFB
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 Lipper
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### hames River EQUITY FOCUS Fund

Thames River Alternative Strategies Limited)

### OCUSED EQUITY LONG/SHORT MULTI-MANAGER

#### Fund Performance to 29 Feb 2004

Est. NAV per share

Class A €1,086.44 Class B \$1,041.15 Class C £1,063.10

Class D

#### **\$ Statistics Since Inception**

SEK 10,280.77

Annualised Return	+8.4%
Volatility (Standard Deviation)	4.1%
Worst Draw dow n	-0.5%
Correlation with Bonds*	-0.36
Correlation with Equities†	0.89

Lehman Aggregate Bond Index † MSCI World Index Source: Bloomberg, Pertrac

	Long	Short	Gross	Net
Cantillon	148%	70%	218%	78%
Elm Ridge	77%	65%	142%	12%
Greenlight	103%	48%	151%	55%
Speedw ell*	136%	63%	199%	73%
Portfolio	104%	54%	158%	50%

<sup>\*</sup>As at 31 01 2004

#### **Core Holdings**

	Strategy	Month %	YTD%
Greenlight	Equity Hedge - US	+1.40%	+3.29%
<b>Cantillon World</b>	Equity Hedge - Global	+5.13%	+2.09%
Elm Ridge	Equity Hedge - US	+0.80%	+2.75%
Speedwell*	Equity Hedge - Japan	-1.88%	-4.58%

<sup>\*</sup>Estimate

Note: YTD figures relate to current underlying managers which may not have been held in the portfolio for the whole of this period.

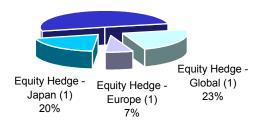
#### **Return History** Sep Oct Nov Dec Feb Mar Jun Jul Aug YTD Jan Apr May 04 -0.46+1.19 +0.73 03 -0.07 +1 22 +0.56 +0.83 +140-0.16 +1.95 -0.30+2 21 +7.86 US\$ Mar Jul Oct Dec YTD Jan Feb Apr Mav Jun Sep Nov 04 -0.52+1.09 +0.57 03 -0.21 +1.74 -0.27+2.24 +3.53 Feb Mar Jun Jul Sep Oct YTD £ Jan Apr Mav Aua Nov Dec 04 -0.44 +1.29 +0.84 03 +1.40-0.14+1.89 -0.24+2.43 +5.42 SEK Feb Jun Oct YTD Jan Mar Apr Mav Sep Nov Dec Aua 04 +0.78 -0.41+1.19

NAV per share monthly return calculated net of fees. Source: International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd

#### **Asset Allocation by Strategy**

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Equity Hedge -US (3) 50%



Note: (x) denotes number of managers. Allocations are shown post new month dealing.

#### **Adviser Commentary**

Equity Focus had a reasonable month up 1.2%. This was on the back of a strong equity market up 1.7% over the same period. Cantillon World led the way (+5.1%) and all the other managers were positive except Speedwell (-1.9%).

No changes were made to the portfolio at month end.

#### Ken Kinsey-Quick / Alex Kuiper

-0.35

+2.37

+2.01

#### **Fund Objective**

Equity Focus invests predominantly in a focused portfolio of equity long / short hedge style fund managers on a global basis.

Return target over a cycle: Greater than MSCI-W Volatility tolerance: Less than MSCI-W

Loss Target: No losing 12 month period

#### **Charges**

Initial Charge up to 5% Management Fee 1.25% p.a. Performance Fee 10%

#### €15.6m (as at 01.03.04) **Fund Size**

**Share Classes** € (base) / US\$/£/SEK (hedged) **Launch Price** €1,000 on 31 March 2003 **Launch Price** \$1,000 on 31 August 2003 **Launch Price** £1,000 on 31 July 2003 **Launch Price** SEK 10,000 on 31 Oct 2003 Minimum \$/€ /£ 50.000 or SEK500.000

**Dealing** Monthly **Domicile** Cayman Islands

**Unit Type** Roll-up

#### Manager

Thames River Capital Holdings Limited

#### **Investment Adviser**

Thames River Capital (UK) Limited

#### Custodian

The Bank of Bermuda Limited / HSBC Republic Bank (Suisse) SA

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### hames River DISTRESSED FOCUS Fund

Thames River Alternative Strategies Limited)

#### OCUSED DISTRESSED MULTI-MANAGER

#### Fund Performance to 29 Feb 2004

**Est. NAV** per share

Class A \$1,094.55 €1,097.35 Class B Class C £1,106.17 SEK 10,486.11 Class D

#### **\$ Statistics Since Inception**

Annualised Return	+14.5%
Volatility (Standard Deviation)	1.7%
Worst Draw dow n	0.0%
Correlation w ith Bonds*	0.39
Correlation with Equities†	0.29

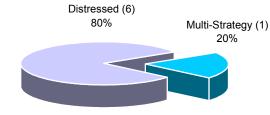
<sup>\*</sup> Lehman Aggregate Bond Index † MSCI World Index Source: Bloomberg, Pertrac

#### **Return History**

US\$	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	+1.72	+0.36											+2.09
03							+0.61	+0.93	+1.58	+1.47	+0.95	+1.47	+7.22
€	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	+1.81	+0.41	IVIAI	Apı	iviay	Juli	Jui	Aug	Sep	OCI	INOV	Dec	+2.23
03		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •					+0.70	+1.05	+1.46	+1.55	+0.90	+1.47	+7.34
£	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	+1.83	+0.56											+2.40
03							+0.80	+1.12	+1.59	+1.61	+1.10	+1.55	+8.03
SEK	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
04	+1.87	+0.46									4.04		+2.34
03											+1.04	+1.41	+2.46

NAV per share monthly return calculated net of fees. Source: International Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd

#### **Asset Allocation by Strategy**



Note: (x) denotes number of managers. Allocations are shown post new month

#### **Core Holdings**

	Strategy	Month %	YTD%
King Street	Distressed - US	-0.21%	+2.48%
Castlerigg*	Multi Strategy	+0.15%	+3.02%
Avenue Asia*	Distressed - Asia	+1.36%	+3.00%
Cerberus*	Distressed - US	+0 48%	+1 48%

\*Estimate

Note: YTD figures relate to current underlying managers which may not have been held in the portfolio for the whole of this period.

#### **Adviser Commentary**

Distressed Focus returned an estimated +0.36% return for February. Strong contributions were made by both our orphan equity manager (+2.7% estimated) and our distressed Asian debt manager Avenue Asia (+1.4% estimated). Both contributed a little under 20 basis points to gross performance for the month. The rest of the managers ranged between an estimated -0.23% (King Street) to an estimated +1% (ORN European Distressed Debt).

No changes were made to the portfolio at the end of February. We expect to make an additional wildcard allocation at the end of March. We are planning to soft close the fund at the \$50m level, until further opportunities for capacity with our core managers arise.

#### Ken Kinsey-Quick / Alex Kuiper

#### **Fund Objective**

Distressed Focus will invest predominantly in a focused portfolio of hedge style fund managers whose strategy is to invest in distressed securities. Return target over a cycle: Greater than MSCI-W Volatility tolerance: Less than MSCI-W Loss Target: No losing 12 month period

#### **Charges**

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Initial Charge up to 5% Management Fee 1% p.a. Performance Fee 10%

**Fund Size** \$38.7m (as at 01.03.04) **Share Classes** US\$ (base) / €/£/SEK (hedged) **Launch Price** \$/€/£ 1,000 on 30 June 2003 **Launch Price** SEK10,000 on 31 October 2003 **Minimum** \$/€ /£ 50,000

**Dealing** Monthly **Domicile** Cayman Islands **Unit Type** Roll-up

#### Manager

Thames River Capital Holdings Limited

#### **Investment Adviser**

Thames River Capital (UK) Limited

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### Thames River HEDGE+

(Thames River Multi Hedge PCC Limited)\*

#### **DIRECTIONAL MULTI-MANAGER**

\*Closed-ended protected cell company incorporated in Guernsey

#### **Fund Performance** to 29 Feb 2004

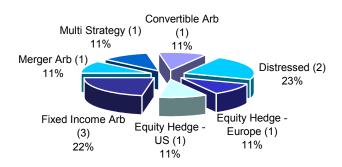
NAV Since Inception per share

£ Class £0.98

**€** Class €0.98

Retu	rn H	istory	/											
	£	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Price	04		102.75											
Price %	04		-											-
NAV	04		0.98											
NAV %	04		-											-
	€	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Price	04		102.00											
Price %	04		-											-
NAV	04		0.98											
NAV %	04		-											-

#### **Asset Allocation by Strategy**



Note: (x) denotes number of managers. Allocations are shown post new month dealing

#### **Top Five Holdings**

	Strategy	Month %	YTD%
Lydian Overseas	Convertible Arbitrage	-0.42%	+0.52%
Contrarian Equity	Distressed	+2.66%	+6.00%
Paulson International	Merger Arbitrage	+0.43%	+3.04%
Crescendo Europe	Equity Hedge - Europe	+1.83%	+4.93%
Lafayette Street	Equity Hedge - US	+1.67%	+5.39%

Note: Figures relate to current underlying managers which may not have been held in the portfolio for the whole of this period.

#### **Adviser Commentary**

As this is our first newsletter, we thought it sensible to recap our investment strategy for the fund. The portfolio is divided into two parts: the core portfolio and the seeding portfolio. Each portfolio is managed on a stand alone basis although for risk management purposes we combine the two.

The core portfolio has the lion's share of the assets and ranges from 67-100% of total assets. This portfolio is highly focused in established hedge funds and consists of 5 to 15 funds. Individual fund weightings range from 5-15%. In other words, we are actively embracing more specific risk to achieve our double digit return target.

The seeding portfolio is opportunistic and can represent up to 33% of total assets in time. The portfolio is more diversified than the core portfolio with individual fund weightings ranging from 3-5% to compensate for the higher risk associated with start-ups. We believe that the extra performance start-ups exhibit, combined with the additional economic benefits we can negotiate with these seedings, will enable this seeding portfolio to achieve our double digit return target.

Manager

Custodian

Sponsor / Broker

**UBS Investment Bank** 

**Administrator** 

We expect the portfolio to be fully invested by end of March.

Ken Kinsey-Quick / Alex Kuiper

#### **Fund Objective**

Hedge+ aims to maximise capital appreciation, in all market conditions, through hedge fund and related investments

Return target over a cycle: annualised double

digit returns

Volatility tolerance: 8% standard deviation

Loss target: No losing 12 months

**Charges** 

Initial Charge nil Management Fee 1.5% p.a. Performance Fee 10% (5% hurdle)

**Fund Size** £45m **Share Classes** 

£ / € (both hedged vs US\$) Dealing Commenced 23 February 2004

Opening Price / NAV £0.98 / €0.98 **Minimum** None

**Dealing** Live (daily) **Domicile** Guernsey London / Guernsey Listinas

**Initial GBP Shares Issued** 41,792,831 **Initial Euro Shares Issued** 4.815.000

Guernsey International Fund Managers **CREST Agent** Computershare Investment Services PLC

HSBC Private Bank (Guernsey) Limited

Thames River Capital (UK) Limited

#### **Prices Available From**

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some point.

Talk me through the non-sovereign credit portion of the fund. What is your thinking on the opportunity set and valuation levels?

One of the advantages of the distressed securities part of the portfolio is that they behave more like equities than bonds, which is an attractive attribute when there is a real risk of a rise in yields globally. However valuations of distressed securities are not equally compelling in all regions. Asian distressed debt has had a huge rally in the last couple of years. Money has poured into the region and it has become quite expensive in our opinion. Consequently we've moved out of Asia and into Europe and Latin America, where we're still finding plenty of opportunities. By way of example, we recently bought a Mexican company at a price of about 70 and the company repaid that loan above par. These opportunities exist but you've got to be in a position to find them and you have to have the skills to analyse them. Similarly with the coupon-paying corporate debt portion of the fund: there are still corporates out there yielding 8%-12% per annum, depending on credit quality, but they are mostly not well followed by the investment community and you have to do a lot of homework. Valuations are looking okay; you've just got to be very selective and "cherry-pick".

Speculative grade markets do run into trouble, that's why we can earn potentially high returns. If a big country like Brazil were to have difficulties at some point, it would create a new set of opportunities for us. One potential opportunity that we are currently monitoring is the Dominican Republic, which is in trouble. It's a difficult one to judge now, but there may be good opportunities to buy into very low bond prices if there were to be a debt restructuring. Our opportunity set might expand if the Fed started tightening. We think it's possible that there will be a big sovereign, regional or sector shakeout in the next twelve to eighteen months. We know from experience that these sorts of crises do create opportunities.

If there were to be a flight-to-quality panic, credit markets could be severely affected, especially given big global banks' recent appetite for yield.

I wouldn't want to give the impression that the fund is totally robust against sovereign problems, but there are a number of factors that work in our favour. Distressed securities are more sheltered under that scenario because of the nature of the holders of those securities. They tend to be research-driven seekers of long-term intrinsic value. A good example of how these securities respond in periods of high uncertainty was September 11th: the events didn't disturb the distressed universe much. However, other securities would be more sensitive to a flight to quality, were there to be one, as Treasuries would rally and spreads on credit markets could widen dramatically. There are two ways we manage this risk in the fund. Firstly, we are well diversified; for example, we own corporate bonds representing nine different industries in four regions around the world, and we seldom exceed positions of 2.5%-3% in any one corporate. second point is one of selection. Our chief concern when buying a couponpaying corporate is the sustainability of the coupon payment. This can mean that you are better off owning selected corporates than owning the sovereign. In Argentina in September last year, when they proposed a 75% haircut on the principal of external sovereign debt, (much greater than the market expected) sovereign debt prices fell from about 35c to 25c. However the Argentinean corporates we held rallied between 1% and 8% over the same period. More recently in Brazil, where there's been a political scandal, the very long dated 2040 benchmark sovereign bond fell almost 20 points, and the corporates, some of which we own, generally fell less than half that.

In a crisis, though, short-term liquidity preference can overwhelm longer-term valuation criteria and reduce the benefits of selection. And that preference can be forced upon one by investors, risk managers or margin clerks.

An important point to make is that while a flight-to-quality crisis is possible we do not believe that it is likely. We can only invest on the basis of what we regard as likely events. We can partially hedge the portfolio to give us some protection in various scenarios, but to run the portfolio with only disaster in mind would not be prudent. I think what's important with

regard to these low-probability/highimpact scenarios, is that you've got to think about them a lot, which we do, and you've got to have a plan of execution should the signs indicate that there is a rising probability of the event occurring.

We do have a number of tools at our disposal. First is speed of execution. By being small we have an execution advantage. September 11<sup>th</sup> is perhaps a We raised cash good illustration. aggressively during the first couple of days of trading after the markets opened. The fund dropped about 2%-3% while the market fell by around 8%. We limited our losses because of the selling we did. The point is that we had the ability to sell because of our small size. Second is our ability to short the sovereign bonds. Using sovereigns to hedge against the other positions is something we've done before. Other investors do this, which partly explains why sovereigns can fall quicker than corporates in a crisis.

## What might be some signs of a rising probability of particularly nasty conditions?

I think you have to watch equity markets. It would not be a healthy signal for the credit markets, given where yields are now, if equity markets started collapsing again. Also, I'd be concerned if Treasury yields started to move more convincingly towards 4.5%.

It is apparent that you have a diminished risk appetite, reflected in the fact that the fund's exposure has been reduced from about 110% net long in the middle of 2003 to closer to 70% today.

We've wound our necks in slowly; it hasn't been a recent decision. We've been cautious on the main sovereign coupon-paying markets since June last year and we feel more strongly now. It was a bit premature to get cautious then but we're not inclined to change that view now when

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### Thames River TRADITIONAL FUNDS **Dividend Information**

High Inco	ome Fund Divi	dends (€ per share)	Dividends	(£ per share)		Dividends	(\$ per share)	
Ex-date	Payable	Amount	Ex-date	Payable	Amount	Ex-date	Payable	Amount
02.01.04	29.01.04	€0.22	02.01.04	29.01.04	£0.21	02.01.04	29.01.04	\$0.205
01.10.03	29.10.03	€0.220	01.10.03	29.10.03	£0.210	01.10.03	29.10.03	\$0.205
01.07.03	29.07.03	€0.200	01.07.03	29.07.03	£0.195	01.07.03	29.07.03	\$0.190
01.04.03	30.04.03	€0.200	01.04.03	30.04.03	£0.195	01.04.03	30.04.03	\$0.190
02.01.03	29.01.03	€0.225	02.01.03	29.01.03	£ 0.215	02.01.03	29.01.03	\$ 0.215
01.10.02	30.10.02	€0.225	01.10.02	30.10.02	£ 0.215	01.10.02	30.10.02	\$ 0.215
01.07.02	31.07.02	€0.225	01.07.02	31.07.02	£ 0.215	01.07.02	31.07.02	\$ 0.215
02.04.02	30.04.02	€0.165 <sup>(2)</sup>	02.04.02	30.04.02	£ 0.19 (2)	02.04.02	30.04.02	\$ 0.19 <sup>(2)</sup>
01.02.02	27.02.02	€ 0.25	01.02.02	27.02.02	£ 0.05 <sup>(1)</sup>	01.02.02	27.02.02	\$ 0.05 <sup>(1)</sup>
01.11.01	27.11.01	€ 0.25						
01.08.01	28.08.01	€ 0.25						
01.05.01	25.05.01	€ 0.30						
01.02.01	26.02.01	€ 0.30						
01.11.00	30.11.00	€ 0.40 <sup>(1)</sup>						

- (1) Long first period (4 months)
- (2) Short period (2 months)
- Historic € share dividend yield: 6.4% (+)
- (1) Short first period (1 month)
- (2) Short period (2 months)

- (1) Short first period (1 month)
- (2) Short period (2 months)

(+) Previous 12 months' dividends, divided by the current Fund price (excluding equalisation) Next dividend: ex-date beginning of April 2004, pay date end of April 2004

<b>Global Bond</b>	Fund Dividen	ds (£ per share)
Ex-date	Payable	Amount
01.03.04	24.03.04	£0.083

<b>Dividends</b>	(€ per share)	
Ex-date	Payable	Amount
01.03.04	24.03.04	€0.091

Dividends (	per share)	
Ex-date	Payable	Amount
01.03.04	24.03.04	\$0.094

Historic £ share dividend yield: 3.9% (+)

Next dividend: ex-date beginning of June 2004, pay date end of June 2004

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it's more expensive. We are frustrated with ourselves for being over-cautious for too long; however, as the yield spreads get tighter we're inclined to maintain this stance and continue making money the hard way, which involves cherry-picking sovereigns and corporates around the world.

#### Is there anything else that you'd care to talk about?

Yes, a couple of things. Firstly, last year we added a euro share class to the existing dollar class and we intend adding a sterling class in April. The beauty of this

is that it allows investors to take a currency view and switch between currency classes, and to do so at exchange rates that are probably better than one could obtain as an individual. Secondly, we're looking to hire an experienced economist with a PhD. With such an added resource we could comfortably increase the size of the fund to \$350m from its current \$240m. This person would allow us to cover a larger number of sovereigns in greater depth, thereby increasing the number of opportunities (both long and short) as well as increasing the diversity of the fund. This interview was conducted on

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### Thames River TRADITIONAL FUNDS **Performance History**

	EAN F	UND (€	Clas	s) vs F	ISE W	orid E	urope (	ex UK	ındex					JAPAN	FUND	(€ Cla	ss) vs	Topix	Index	in €						
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec*
1-04	+3.47	+1.44											+4.95		+4.80	-0.44										
x-04	+3.51	+1.81											+5.39			+0.05										
-03	-5.56	-4.62		+10.75	+0.43			+2.26	-5.78	+7.45	+1.48		+13.65	Fund-03	-1.52	+0.92	-8.33	-2.55		+14.12		+18.27	+0.88	+8.37	-6.99	+2.14
c-03	-5.29	-4.58		+13.31	+1.58		+5.00	+2.50	-4.61	+6.86	+1.82	+3.22		Index-03	-6.05	+1.09	-4.71	-1.66	-0.49	+10.52	+5.07	+13.75	+0.62	+4.27	-7.51	+1.56
-02	-1.97	+0.42	+3.89		-1.87	-6.53		+1.53	-13.47	+7.75	+5.17	-9.20		Fund-02												-1.00
(-02 -01	-2.46 -0.53	-0.29 -6.80	+5.03 -5.17	-4.20 +5.15	-2.51 +0.29	-8.06 -1.85		+0.60 -4.11		+10.76 +1.49	+5.94	-9.49 +3.37		Index-02												-1.76
-01 (-01	+1.54	-0.80 -7.82	-4.93	+6.72	-1.12		-2.41 -3.17	-4.11 -6.58	-9.86 -12.33	+5.18	+5.41 +5.56	+3.35		JAPAN	FUND	(£ Cla	ss) vs	Topix	Index	in £						
-00		+18.00	-2.10	-3.66	-0.04	+0.70		+2.90	-2.00	-0.08	-4.30	-0.78			Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec*
c-00	-4.60	+8.95	+0.63	+0.80	-1.10		+1.78	+2.46	-4.20	+2.38	-5.04			Fund-04	+1.76	-2.42	mai	МРІ	may	oun	o ai	Aug	ОСР	001	1101	500
-99		10.00	. 0.00	+5.15	-4.01	+5.37	+0.44	+2.13	-0.92	+2.79		+15.62		Index-04	+0.25	-2.07										
c-99				+5.05		+3.78		+3.25		+4.67			+31.38		-0.89	+4.51	-7.00	-1.65	+2.94	+10.39	+6.37	+16.48	+2.01	+6.50	-5.41	+3.12
				. 0.00	0.01		2.01	10.20	1.20	1.01			-01100	Index-03	-5.25	+5.20	-3.65	-0.65	+2.50			+11.86		+2.51	-6.04	+2.70
ROP	EAN F	UND (£	Clas	s) vs F	TSE W	orld E	urope	ex UK	Index					Fund-02												+0.70
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr		Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	Index-02												-0.25
-04	+0.26	-0.53	Mai	Apı	way	oun	oui	Aug	Ocp	OUL	NOV	Dec	-0.26	*06.12.02	(fund laur	nch) to 31	.12.02									
c-04	+0.27	-0.11											+0.16	HIGH I	NCOME	EIIME	/e CI	acc) w	- ID M	oraon l	EMBI 4	Slobal I	Inday b	hodaod	into f	
-03	-5.40	-0.11	-1.71	+11.98	+3.22	-0.10	+6.04	+1.42	-4.87	+5.02	+3.19	+3.27		піоп і			•									
c-03	-5.11	-0.03		+14.60	+4.44	+0.58		+1.62	-3.68	+4.44	+3.58	+4.35		F . 104	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun*	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
-02	-2.37	+0.87	+4.04	-1.90	+1.35	-5.15	-13.58	+2.54	-14.24	+8.54	+6.27	-7.40	-21.59	Fund-04		+0.53										
c-02	-2.88	+0.10	+5.21	-3.30	+0.68	-6.70	-15.67	+1.64	-16.84	+11.57	+7.00	-7.71	-27.04	Index-04 Fund-03	+0.58	+0.41	. 4 40	.0 47		.4.50	0.00	.4.00	.4.00	. 0. 00	.4.00	.0.77
-01	+0.70	-6.60	-7.51	+4.74	-3.45	-0.95	-0.48	-2.18	-10.80	+1.48	+6.83	+0.68	-17.41	Index-03	+0.49	+3.26	+1.19	+3.17	+3.66		-0.80					+2.77
c-01	+2.82	-7.65	-7.28	+6.34	-4.79	-3.04	-1.25	-4.70	-13.25	+5.12	+7.02	+0.70	-20.05	Fund-02	+1.75 +3.87	+3.29 +2.41	+1.70 +2.27	+5.78 +2.56	+4.22 +0.26	+0.06 -2.10	-3.48 -0.59		+3.57 -0.27	+0.55 +2.12		+3.00 +0.26
-00	-6.81	+20.45	-4.04	-6.11	+6.81	+1.47	+1.45	+2.11	-4.66	-2.24	+0.64	+1.56	+8.17	Index-02	+3.87	+3.84	+2.27	+2.56	-0.42	-2.10 -4.96	-0.59 -4.44		-0.27 -2.69	+6.25		+3.18
c-00	-7.41	+10.08	-1.03	-2.13	+5.38	+1.81	-0.55	+1.19	-6.42	+0.14	-0.10	+1.97	+1.72	Fund-01	+4.71	+0.88	-0.19	+0.68	+1.60	+3.05	+1.81	+7.42	-2.69 -2.63		+2.94	+3.18
-99				+3.20	-4.84	+5.91	+1.25	+2.18	-2.42	+1.52		+14.66		Index-01	+4.71	-1.37	-1.15	-0.50	+2.44	+1.56	-5.14		-3.23	+0.13		+1.27
(-99				+3.22	-4.28	+4.39	-1.71	+2.65	-2.82	+3.68	+5.82	+10.13	+22.18	Fund-00	14.71	1.01	1.10	0.00	. 2.44	-0.10	+2.50		-1.77	-2.94	-1.13	+2.78
														Index-00						+1.08	+2.72					
OP	EAN N	IATION	S FUN	ID (€ C	lass)	vs FTS	E Worl	ld Euro	pe Ind	ex				*26.06.00	(fund laur	nch) to 30	.06.00									
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun*	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	шен	NCOME			\				^! - b - ! !			6	
-04	+4.13	+3.09											+7.36	піспі			-					Global I				
c-04	+2.82	+2.82											+5.72	F . 104	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
-03						-1.80	+4.68	+2.59	-4.87	+6.98	+0.25	+1.92	+9.67	Fund-04		+0.78										
(-03						-0.59	+4.23	+2.28	-3.85	+7.06	+1.06	+2.77	+13.31	Index-04	+0.68	+0.51	. 4 0 4	. 0 05	. 0. 00	. 4 00	0.00	. 4 77	.4.05	.0.45	. 4 00	. 0 00
			_											Fund-03 Index-03	+0.60	+3.31	+1.34	+3.35		+1.33	-0.63					+2.96
ROP	EAN N	IATION	S FUN	ID (£ C	lass)	vs FTS	E Worl	ld Euro	pe Ind	ex				Fund-02	+1.82 +3.50	+3.35 +2.14	+1.76 +2.19	+5.85 +2.84	+4.29 +0.28	+0.13 -2.02	-3.45 -0.72		+3.66 -0.28			+3.11 +0.36
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun*	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec		Index-02		+3.88	+0.23		-0.38		-4.40					+3.23
-04	+0.82	+1.17											+2.00	IIIUUX UL	11.55	13.00	10.23		-0.50	-4.55	-4.40	17.43	-2.03	10.23	12.51	10.20
c-04	-0.40	+0.88											+0.47	HIGH I	NCOME	FUND	) (US\$	Class	) vs JP	Morga	an EMI	BI Glob	al Inde	ex hedg	ged int	о\$
1-03						-2.80			-4.03	+4.60	+2.01	+3.00			Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
<b>x-03</b>	/fund law	nch) to 30	06 03			-1.94	+4.88	+1.40	-2.90	+4.64	+2.81	+3.90	+13.52	Fund-04		+0.48										
0.00	(lullu laul	11011) 10 30	.00.00											Index-04		+0.35										
TE	RN EU	ROPEA	N FU	ND (US	\$ Clas	s) vs l	FTSE E	вемі G	reater	Easte	n Euro	pe Inc	lex**	Fund-03		+3.08	+1.09	+3.28	+3.89	+1.19	-0.94		+2.13			+2.71
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aua	Sep	Oct*	Nov	Dec	YTD	Index-03 Fund-02	+1.65 +3.50	+3.20 +2.14	+1.62 +2.19	+5.70 +2.74	+4.15 +0.18	+0.00 -2.21	-3.54 -0.82		+3.51 -0.28	+0.49 +1.96		+2.94 +0.18
-04	+5.22	+8.86						9					+14.54	Index-02												+3.07
c-04	+4.34	+7.50											+12.17	mack-uZ	+1.85	+3.75	+0.11	+0.98	-0.52	-5.04	-4.53	+7.32	-2.77	+6.15	+2.84	-5.07
-03	-1.23	+1.71	-3.75	+15.19	+9.68	-0.90	+0.91	+11.54	+4.29	+1.37	+1.49	+8.22	+58.22	GLOBA	L BON	D FUN	D (£ C	lass) v	rs 50%	FTSE	Gilt /	50% Ci	tigrou	p Globa	al Gov	Bond
c-03	-3.30	+2.48	-3.34	+15.32	+8.68	-1.42	-0.56	+12.38	+1.28	-1.23	+0.92	+8.27	+44.98				•	-,								
-02	+10.18	-2.82	+9.03	+8.86	+2.12	-7.39	-7.70	+6.37	-3.14	+7.58	+7.66	-2.22	+29.44		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct*	Nov	Dec
c-02	+8.36	-5.53	+8.68	+9.22	+0.88			+5.88	-3.02	+7.59	+4.04	-0.37	+17.90	Fund-04	+0.20	-0.40										
-01	+5.74	-9.41	-4.60	+6.70	+5.99			+0.71		+12.13	+9.16	+6.16			-0.83	-0.39										
ι-01	+3.58	-9.20	-6.71	+5.87	+8.84	-5.31	-7.60	+0.11	-9.51			+6.16		Fund-03										+0.00		+0.60
-00											-10.29			Index-03										-0.60	-0.50	+0.98
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ВА	LEME	RGING	MAR	KETS F	UND (	US\$ C	lass) v	s MSC	I Total	Retur	n Seri	es Em	erging		Jan			Apr	May	Jun_	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct*	Nov	Dec
	s Free													Fund-04		-0.60			,			9	,			
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr*	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec		Index-04												
-04	+4.24													Fund-03										+0.00	-0.50	+0.50
-04	+3.49	+4.59							_				+8.24	Index-03										-0.63	-0.65	+0.83
-03						+6.30			+0.45					GLOBA	I BON	D EIIN	n /s ^	lace) .	/e EN9/	ETCE	Gilé /	50% C:	tiaro	n Glab	al Gav	Rond
				+5.40	+7.15	+5.67	+6.22	+6.69	+0.73	+8.51	+1.22	+7.24	+60.44				•			FIJE	SHT /	JU 76 UI	ugrou	9100	ai G0V	oua
	LEME	RGING	MAR	KETS F	UND (	€ Clas	s) vs N	NSCI T	otal Re	eturn S	eries	Emera	ing	in US\$	Jan Jan	_		Apr		lun_	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct*	Nov	Dec
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-03 BA	s Free		Mar	Apr*	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	Index-04		-0.70										
c-03 BA		Feb											+10.95	Fund-03	1.07	0.04								+0.00	-0.50	+0.50
x-03 DBA ket	s Free												+8.96	Index-03											5.00	
c-03 BA ket	s Free Jan	+4.56																						-0.65	-0.73	+0.76
x-03 DBA	<b>Jan</b> +6.11	+4.56		-1.60	-0.10	+8.85	+8.88	+11.33		+10.59		+1.28	+34.20	*24,10.03	(fund laur	nch) to 31	.10.03 (F	Benchmar	k perform	ance is e	stim ated			-0.65	-0.73	+0.76
-03 BA ket -04	<b>Jan</b> +6.11	+4.56			-0.10 +1.66		+8.88 +8.56			+10.59 +9.18		+1.28 +2.34		*24.10.03	(fund laur	nch) to 31	.10.03 (E	Benchmar	k perform	ance is e	stimated	)		-0.65	-0.73	+0.76
-03 BA ket -04 -04 -03 -03	<b>Free</b> Jan +6.11 +4.34	+4.56 +4.43	MAP	+1.14	+1.66	+8.28	+8.56	+9.29	-5.30	+9.18	-2.12	+2.34	+36.81	*24.10.03	(fund laur	nch) to 31	.10.03 (E	Benchmar	k perform	ance is e	stimated	)		-0.65	-0.73	+0.76
-03 BA (et: -04 -03 -03	Jan +6.11 +4.34	+4.56 +4.43 RGING	MAR	+1.14	+1.66	+8.28	+8.56	+9.29	-5.30	+9.18	-2.12	+2.34	+36.81	*24.10.03	(fund laur	nch) to 31	.10.03 (E	Benchmar	k perform	ance is e	stim ated	)		-0.65	-0.73	+0.76
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+0.10 +2.80 +5.44 +9.86 +10.23 -5.02 +8.01 -0.07 +2.38 +37.90 +2.72 +4.69 +4.73 +9.23 +8.83 -4.51 +6.37 -0.32 +3.53 +40.34

\*04.04.03 (fund launch) to 30.04.03

Fund-03

# Thames River MULTI-MANAGER FUNDS Performance History

NTIN	EL FU	IND (C	LASS	A - \$)										EQUITY	FOC	US FU	ND (CI	LASS A	- €)								
nd-04 nd-03 nd-02 nd-01 nd-00 nd-99 nd-98	Jan +1.82 -0.17 +0.30 +1.38 +2.64 +0.96	Feb +0.42 +0.24 -0.19 +0.73 +3.05 +0.83	+0.07 +0.24 +0.41 +1.34 +1.07	+0.89 +0.19 +0.81 +0.84 +1.27		+0.54 -0.49 -0.18 +1.27 +1.26	-0.21 -1.09 -0.17 +0.85 +0.83	-0.24 -0.40 +0.37 +1.11 +0.42 -2.15	+1.34 +0.36 -0.61 +0.64 +0.88 -0.14	+0.63 -0.08 +0.26 +0.37 +0.53 +0.59	+0.47 +0.67 -0.25 -0.11 +1.03 +1.44	-5.07	YTD +2.25 +5.90 +0.73 +3.80 +13.40 +5.16 +0.89 Est	Fund-04 Fund-03	Jan -0.46 FOC	<b>Feb</b> +1.19	Mar	-0.07	+1.22	<b>Jun</b> +0.56	+0.83	+1.40 Aug	-0.16 Sep	Oct +1.95 Oct +1.74	-0.30 Nov -0.27	Dec +2.21	Y + +
NTIN			LASS											EQUITY	FOC	US FU	ND (CI	LASS C	- £)								
nd-03	<b>Jan</b> +1.88	<b>Feb</b> +0.62	Mar	Apr	May	<b>Jun</b> +0.73	-0.27	-0.07	+1.34	+0.78	+0.54	+1.15	+2.52 +4.27 Est	Fund-04 Fund-03	<b>Jan</b> -0.44	<b>Feb</b> +1.29	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	<b>Aug</b> +1.40	-0.14	+1.89	Nov -0.24	<b>Dec</b> +2.43	+ +
RRI			LASS									_		EQUITY	FOC	US FU	ND (CI	LASS D	- SEK	3)							
nd-03 nd-02	+1.36 +0.42 +0.09 +1.76	+1.07 +0.58 -0.10 -1.31	+0.22 +1.70 -1.37	+1.16 +1.65 +0.47		+0.82 -3.47 -0.51	-0.45 -1.45 -0.90	+0.63 -0.53 -1.00	+2.16 -0.75 -3.51	+1.14 -1.08 -0.66	+1.20 +0.54 -3.26	+0.25	+2.44 +12.73 -2.05	Fund-04 Fund-03		<b>Feb</b> +1.19	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	-0.35	<b>Dec</b> +2.37	<b>Y</b>
	+3.17	+8.82	-1.14	-1.65	-2.19	+2.25	-0.37	+3.09	+0.16	-0.91	-3.90	+3.27	-7.70 +10.43	DISTRE	SSED	FOCU	S FUN	ID (CLA	ASS A	- US\$)							
d-99 d-98	+1.04	-0.69	+3.18	+2.58	+0.13	+2.88	+0.52	+0.58 -4.88	+1.21 +1.10	+1.82 -0.14	+4.15 +1.87	+1.84 +4.04	+20.92 +1.77 Est	Fund-04 Fund-03	<b>Jan</b> +1.72	<b>Feb</b> +0.36	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	<b>Jul</b> +0.61	+0.93	<b>Sep</b> +1.58	+1.47	<b>Nov</b> +0.95	Dec +1.47	+ +
RRI	OR FU	ND (C	LASS	В - €)																•	•		•				
d-04	<b>Jan</b> +1.40	Feb +1.12	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD +2.54	DISTRE	Jan	Feb	Mar		May	- €) Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Υ
d-03							-0.46	+0.64	+1.88	+1.11	+1.13	+2.28	+6.74 Est	Fund-04 Fund-03	+1.81	+0.41					+0.70	+1.05	+1.46	+1.55	+0.90	+1.47	1
RRI	OR FU	ND (C	LASS	C - £)										DISTRE	SSED	FOCU	S FUN	ID (CLA	SS C	- £)							
N-04	<b>Jan</b> +1.46	Feb +1.27	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD +2.75		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Υ
id-04	11.40	11.27				+0.70	-0.75	+0.71	+2.11	+1.24	+1.27	+2.42	+7.92 Est	Fund-04 Fund-03		+0.56					+0.80	+1.12				+1.55	4
														DISTRE	SSED	FOCU	S FUN	ID (CL	ASS D	- SEK)							
ote: N	AV per	share	monthly	return (	calculat	ed net o	of fees.	Source	: Interna	ational F	- und Ma	anagers	3	Fund-04 Fund-03	<b>Jan</b> +1.87	<b>Feb</b> +0.46	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	<b>Nov</b> +1.04	Dec +1.41	Y + +



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