



Orionis Fund

Class G Preference Shares



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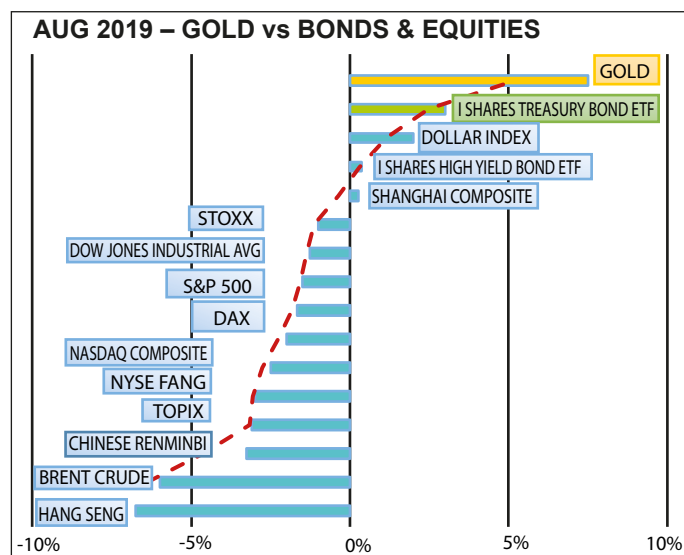
Investment Objective

Orionis fund carries active opportunistic trade of raw gold by integrating the supply chain in midstream artisanal gold mining and generating significant yield on investment. The fund does sourcing of gold in Western Africa, in particular Republic Of Mali.

The fund engages high quality professionals who are experienced in every step of purchase and sale of gold resulting in generating optimum yield. Security, transparency and traceability of the origin of raw gold or dore bars are at the heart of the process of Orionis. The fund has engaged precious metal agent who supervises the whole of operations. Transportation of gold and security is handled by best in class vaulting agent. The fund does investment only in raw gold sourcing and doesn't diversify outside its field of expertise.

Gold recorded strong performance in August '19

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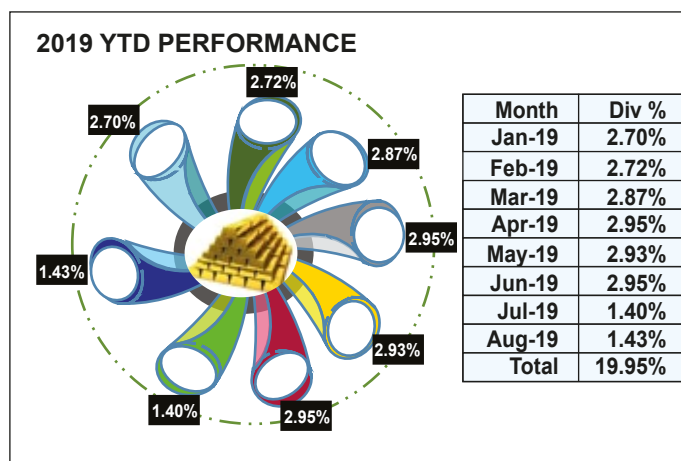
Gold has soared this year on increased demand for havens as the U.S.-China trade war damages global growth, prompting central banks including the Fed to adopt a more accommodative stance. Further the expected backdrop of future Fed Rate cuts also has resulted in investors boosting holdings in bullions. Gold has been a big winner in August gaining 7.3%.

Gold tends to appreciate on expectations of lower interest rates, which reduce the opportunity cost of holding non-yielding bullion. Experts said the overall long-term outlook for gold "remains strong" mainly due to uncertainties around the trade war between the US and China, concerns on a slowdown in global economic growth, and negative yields on bonds. Gold has soared this year on increased demand for havens prompting central banks including the Fed to adopt a more accommodative stance.

Monthly Results

Orionis Fund Ltd, Class G. continued its profitable operations and declared dividends of 1.43% for August 2019. The collective fund has been operating since 2015 and offers a 'monthly dividend payout fund' to its investors. With its current result, year till date performance of the fund was '19.95%'. Since its inception on January 2015, cumulative dividends declared is '142.52%'; an annualized average of 30.48%.

Results - YTD 2019



August results of the fund was below than its average past performance and was a result of rainy season in the mining region inhibiting Artisan mining. The fund historically during rainy season tend to have lower than historical yield which it recoups post rains. With its deep experience, fund strives to achieve high yield on capital through optimal mining sourcing and adhering to conflict free gold standards.

Results Summary (Since Inception)

Aug-19	YTD Aug'19	Since Inception
1.43%	19.95%	142.52%

Since its inception, the fund has returned cumulative dividends of '142.52%' resulting in annual average of '31.04%'.

Gold expects to cross \$1,600/- as Fed slashes rates

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Analysts expect gold to surge above \$1,600 an ounce as Federal Reserve embarks on a quartet of interest rate cuts to combat slowing U.S. growth and the fallout from the trade war with China flagging prospects for a significant rise in prices in the coming months. Quartet of rate cut events are expected to occur by June '20 which would push real rates to stay in the negative territory and raise appeal of gold investments. The four cuts would reduce the upper bound on the Fed's benchmark rate to 1.25%, in line with current forward rates at 1.2%. Lower interest rates and resurgent investor and central bank buying are expected to help gold prices crack above \$1,600.

Gold-backed ETFs added 122 tons of gold in August '19

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In August, global gold-backed ETFs and similar products had US\$6.0bn of net inflows across all regions, increasing their collective gold holdings by 122t to 2,733t. Gold backed ETFs added 13% to their holdings over the past three months driven mainly by the decrease in global rates. As the gold price in US dollars increased by an additional 7% in August, global assets under management (AUM) rose 12% to US\$134bn.

North America funds led August's flows, adding 78t (US\$3.8bn, 5.5% of AUM), surpassing Europe as the region with the most inflows in 2019. Inflows were driven primarily by SPDR® Gold Shares (+55t, US\$2.7bn, 7%) and iShares Gold Trust (+18t, US\$897mn, 6.3%). Low-cost gold-backed ETFs continued to grow, accumulating 2.3t during the month, bringing their joint holdings to an all-time high of 58t, worth US\$2.8bn. European-listed funds brought in 33t (US\$1.7bn, 2.8%), mainly via the UK as the pound continued to weaken and the probability of a "No-deal Brexit" became highly likely.

Global Markets

August saw global stock markets decline while perceived safe haven assets outperformed amid escalating worries over trade and growth. A closely-watched US bond market indicator suggested rising recession risk. In US, the treasury yield curve inverted for the first time since 2007, magnifying concerns that the economy may be heading into recession. Eurozone shares ended lower in August. Weak economic data from Germany contributed to heightened worries over global growth. The prospect of a no-deal Brexit rose in UK stood evident with the government unveiling plans for a lengthy prorogation of parliament.

Government bond yields declined significantly amid heightened concerns over US-China trade tensions and global growth. Over the month, the US 10-year yield fell 50bps, closing the month at 1.50%, a three-year low, while the two-year yield fell 37bps, also closing at 1.50%. The two-year yield fell slightly below the 10-year towards the end of the month, a yield curve inversion, indicating significant economic pessimism among bond investors. The Japanese market fell sharply in early August and then moved sideways to record a total return of -3.4%. Asia ex Japan equities were down as the US-China trade dispute escalated. The MSCI AC Asia ex Japan index returned -4.4% in the month. Hong Kong was among the weakest index markets as demonstrations continued. Emerging market equities lost value with further strengthening of the US dollar exacerbating wider risk aversion. The MSCI Emerging Markets Index decreased in value and underperformed the MSCI World. Amid rising uncertainty, those markets most sensitive to US dollar strength came under pressure. Government bond yields declined significantly amid heightened concerns over US-China trade tensions and global growth (bond prices and yields move inversely). Corporates underperformed government bonds, even as US dollar investment grade [2] saw its strongest monthly total return in three years. Investment grade corporate bonds' positive total returns were well supported by falling global yields, while high yield saw more modest positive returns.

By contrast, precious metals - gold posted robust returns as investors moved into perceived safe haven assets. With bond yields increasingly depressed, many investors that are taking off risk are heading into alternatives, like commodities. The second half of 2019 is filled with events, each of which has the potential to either disrupt or further fuel the rally in equities. Most important of them appears to be the stance of Federal Reserve. Gold enjoyed the safe-haven status and we remain overweight on gold as a risk hedge against ongoing political and potential inflationary risks. In the prevailing conditions, it's expected that gold will most likely have an increase in price in the wake of most creative central banks and most stagnant economic growth and we remain bullish on gold investments.

Investment Summary

Orionis Fund Ltd. has declared dividends of 1.43% for August 2019 resulting in year till date dividends of 19.95%. The fund historically returns lower than average during the monsoon period in Mali which it recoups post rains and we expect to reverse the trend of August post rains. We maintain our opinion that gold remains a risk hedge against ongoing political and potential inflationary risks and Orionis Fund offers an attractive opportunity for potential investors to earn monthly dividends by investing in this Gold Centric Collective Investment Scheme.

Abdul Jabbar Al Sayegh Chairman

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