

# Fidelity Global Bond Multi-Asset Base Fund

Annual Management Report of Fund Performance March 31, 2024

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Certain portions of this report, including, but not limited to, "Results of Operations" and "Recent Developments", may contain forward-looking statements about the Fund, including its strategy, risks, expected performance and condition. Forward-looking statements include statements that are predictive in nature, that depend upon or refer to future events or conditions, or that include words such as "expects", "anticipates", "intends", "plans", "believes", "estimates" and similar forward-looking expressions or negative versions thereof.

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## Annual Management Report of Fund Performance as at March 31, 2024 Fidelity Global Bond Multi-Asset Base Fund

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Securityholders may also contact us using one of these methods to request a copy of the investment fund's proxy voting policies and procedures, proxy voting disclosure record or quarterly portfolio disclosure relating to the investment fund.

## **Management Discussion of Fund Performance**

## **Investment Objective and Strategies**

Investment Objective: Fidelity Global Bond Multi-Asset Base Fund (Fund) aims to provide a steady flow of income and the potential for capital gains. It invests primarily in foreign fixed income securities, including government and non-government bonds, and corporate bonds.

Strategies: The Fund's portfolio managers use the Bloomberg Global Aggregate Bond Index (Benchmark) as a guide to structuring the Fund and selecting investments. While the portfolio managers run the Fund to have overall interest rate risk similar to that of the Index, the Fund's specific investments may or may not be included in the Index. The Fund's assets are allocated among issuers of different market sectors, industries, as well as maturities based on the portfolio managers' view of the relative value of each sector or maturity. When buying and selling fixed income securities, the portfolio managers analyze each security's features, its current price compared to its estimated long-term value, the credit quality of the issuer, and any short-term trading opportunities resulting from market inefficiencies. The non-government bond portion of the portfolio includes bonds issued by government agencies and supranational entities. The Fund may invest in fixed income securities of any quality or term, and asset backed, and mortgage backed securities. Currently, the portfolio managers use derivatives for hedging and non-hedging purposes. Derivatives may include credit default swaps, currency forward contracts, non-deliverable forwards, future contracts, interest rate swaps and options.

## Risk

The risks associated with investing in this Fund remain as discussed in the prospectus. Any changes to the Fund over the period have not affected the overall level of risk of the Fund.

The Fund is suitable for medium-term investors who want to seek income from their investment. To invest in the Fund, investors should be willing to accept a low to medium level of risk. The suitability of the investment has not changed from what has been disclosed in the prospectus.

## **Results of Operations**

Securities of this Fund are only available for purchase by other funds and accounts managed or advised by Fidelity, and are not available for public purchase.

Fidelity Global Bond Multi-Asset Base Fund, Series O, returned 1.8%, for the one-year period ended March 31, 2024. During the review period, global bonds, as represented by the Bloomberg Global Aggregate Bond Index, returned 0.5% (in Canadian dollar terms).

Market overview:

Global investment-grade bonds, as broadly represented by the Bloomberg Global Aggregate Bond Index, returned 0.5% in Canadian dollar terms and 0.5% in U.S. dollar terms, for the one-year period ended March 31, 2024.

Global investment-grade bonds advanced modestly in Canadian and U.S. dollar terms over the period under review. Following historic global monetary tightening in some countries throughout 2022 and for most of 2023, investor sentiment shifted in the fourth quarter of 2023 to a view that policy rates had peaked, and policymakers may cut rates in 2024. This bolstered the global investment-grade and sovereign bonds market. Robust earnings, a slowing in the pace of inflation and resilient late-cycle expansion of the U.S. economy aided risk assets, including high-yield bonds which outperformed investment-grade bonds. Earlier in the review period, leading central banks in developed markets raised interest rates to combat rising inflation. Consequently, inflation declined at a steady pace across most of the developed world, falling from 5.0% in March 2023 to 3.2% in February 2024 in the U.S., and from 7.0% in April 2023 to 2.6% in February 2024 in Europe, prompting the U.S. Federal Reserve (the Fed) and European Central Bank (the ECB) officials to signal their willingness to lower interest rates. Elsewhere, the Bank of Japan remained an outlier and maintained its negative interest rate policy for most of the review period. However, it ended negative rates policy and enacted the first rate increase in 17-years, raising the interest rate from -0.1% to a target range of 0%-0.1% in March 2024. In contrast, the People's Bank of China reduced its benchmark lending rates and announced supportive policy measures to stimulate the economy which has experienced a prolonged real estate crisis, weak consumer spending and tumbling credit growth.

Factors affecting performance:

The Fund outperformed its benchmark during the review period. The Fund's investments in, and higher-than-benchmark allocation to, corporate bonds, particularly in the financials and industrials sectors, contributed to relative returns. In contrast, the Fund's investments in EU supranational bonds modestly detracted from relative returns.

Portfolio changes:

Over the review period, portfolio managers Lisa Easterbrook, Andrew Lewis, Michael Foggin and Jeff Moore reduced the Fund's investments in the financials and industrials sectors. In contrast, the Fund's exposure to securitized credit was increased.

At the end of the period, the Fund had its largest country allocation to the U.S. because of the relative attractiveness of this region.

Derivatives disclosure:

During the period, the Fund engaged in futures contracts, in a manner consistent with its investment objective and strategies, to manage the Fund's cash balance while the portfolio management team sought out other investment opportunities.

## Fidelity Global Bond Multi-Asset Base Fund Management Discussion of Fund Performance – continued

During the period, the Fund engaged in forward foreign currency contracts, in a manner consistent with its investment objectives and strategies, to hedge against the effect of currency fluctuations on the investment returns of the Fund. The use of forward contracts in this manner does not completely eliminate the impact of currency fluctuations on returns.

## **Recent Developments**

Global bond portfolio managers Andrew Lewis, Lisa Easterbrook, Michael Foggin and Jeff Moore note that they are less concerned about global growth in 2024 than they were, though they believe some countries' recoveries remain fragile. The portfolio managers believe the European Central Bank is likely to start cutting rates this year due to falling inflation, and if a recession occurs, that could point to larger cuts. In the U.S., the managers note that the economy has been remarkably resilient, but falling inflation means we may see rate cuts in 2024, although some inflation stickiness could remain, in their view. The managers remain overweight in these two regions and continue to have underweight exposure to China, where they believe economic challenges will persist. In terms of risks, the managers observe that should there be a combination of slowing growth and rising yields, this could pressure certain sectors, including property companies and smaller U.S. banks.

Fidelity Balanced Private Pool and Fidelity Balanced Income Private Pool became holders of more than 10% of the outstanding securities of the Fund in the period ending March 31, 2024.

Portfolio manager Jeff Moore has made the personal decision to retire at the end of 2024. Jeff will remain focused on co-managing the Fund until retirement and will play an instrumental role during the transition to help our clients be well positioned for the future. Fidelity is developing a transition plan and there are no expected changes to the investment objective and strategies as a result of Jeff's retirement.

Effective September 19, 2023, Anne Bell of Mississauga, Ontario, became a member of the Independent Review Committee (IRC).

## **Related Party Transactions**

## Manager and Portfolio Adviser

The Fund is managed by Fidelity Investments Canada ULC (Fidelity). Fidelity is part of a broader collection of companies collectively known as Fidelity Investments.

Fidelity provides or arranges for the provision of all general management and administrative services required by the Fund in its day—to—day operations, bookkeeping, record—keeping and other administrative services for the Fund.

Fidelity is the portfolio adviser to the Fund and it provides investment advisory services to the Fund. Fidelity has entered into sub-advisory agreements with a number of entities, including Fidelity Management & Research Company LLC and FMR Investment Management (UK) Limited, to provide investment advice with respect to all or a portion of the investments of the Fund. The sub-advisors arrange for acquisition and disposition of portfolio investments, including all necessary brokerage arrangements. The Fund is only offered in Series O securities and is only available to: (i) institutional investors who may be individuals or financial institutions who have been approved by Fidelity and have entered into Series O fund purchase agreements with Fidelity; or (ii) other funds and accounts managed or advised by Fidelity. The Fund does not pay management and advisory fees, or other operating expenses, other than certain specified fund costs, including taxes, brokerage commissions and interest charges.

## Independent Review Committee, Cross-Trading and In specie Transactions

## Independent Review Committee

Fidelity has established an independent review committee (IRC) that acts as an impartial and independent committee to review and provide recommendations or, if appropriate, approvals respecting conflict of interest matters referred to it by Fidelity. The IRC prepares, at least annually, a report of its activities for securityholders of the Fund. The report is available at www.fidelity.ca or at the securityholder's request at no cost by contacting Fidelity, using the contact information available on the final page of this document.

## **Cross-Trading and In specie Transactions**

The Fund received the approval and standing instructions from the IRC in order to:

(i) engage in cross-trading, which is a form of interfund trading. A cross-trade occurs when the Fund purchases or sells portfolio securities from or to another Fund, a U.S. fund or a separately managed account, through a broker;

(ii) permit the Fund, in certain circumstances, to purchase and redeem Fund securities in consideration for securities rather than cash of another investment fund not governed by NI 81-102, or a separately managed account, managed by Fidelity.

For each of the transactions in (i) and (ii) above, the IRC's standing instructions require Fidelity to act in accordance with its associated policies and procedures and applicable law, and comply with the conditions in each of the exemptive relief orders received, which, in the case of cross-trading, requires additional periodic reporting to the Ontario Securities Commission. The standing instructions also require that investment decisions in respect of these transactions (a) are free from any influence by an entity related to Fidelity and without taking into account any consideration relevant to an entity related to Fidelity; (b) represent the business judgment of Fidelity uninfluenced by considerations other than the best interests of the Fund; (c) comply with the applicable policies and procedures of Fidelity; and (d) achieve a fair and reasonable result for the Fund.

## **Financial Highlights**

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the period end of the years shown. This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual and/or unaudited semi-annual financial statements. Please see the front page for information about how you can obtain the Fund's annual or semi-annual financial statements.

### Fidelity Global Bond Multi-Asset Base Fund Series O

Periods ended March 31,	2024	2023		2022	2021	2020
The Series' Net Assets per Security A						
Net assets, beginning of period <sup>B</sup>	\$ 8.25	\$ 8.98	\$	9.80	\$ 10.21	\$ 10.03
Increase (decrease) from operations:						
Total revenue	.32	.28		.22	.26	.26
Total expenses (excluding distributions)	-	-		(.01)	-	-
Realized gains (losses)	(1.07)	(.57)		(.20)	.04	.51
Unrealized gains (losses)	 .85	(.14)	_	(.63)	(.38)	(.11)
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>B</sup>	.10	(.43)		(.62)	(.08)	.66
Distributions:						
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	(.31)	(.30)		(.25)	(.18)	(.47)
From dividends	-	-		-	-	-
From capital gains	-	-		-	(.17)	-
Return of capital	 		_	-		-
Total distributions <sup>B,C</sup>	(.31)	(.30)		(.25)	(.35)	(.47)
Net assets, end of period <sup>B</sup>	\$ 8.08	\$ 8.25	\$	8.98	\$ 9.80	\$ 10.21
Ratios and Supplemental Data						
Net asset value (OOOs) D.E	\$ 3,080,434	\$ 4,841,076	\$	6,042,700	\$ 6,327,400	\$ 6,157,097
Securities outstanding <sup>D</sup>	381,287,721	586,738,787		672,906,432	645,653,059	603,045,737
Management expense ratio	-%	-%		-%	-%	-%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions	-%	-%		-%	-%	-%
Trading expense ratio <sup>F</sup>	-%	-%		-%	-%	-%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>6</sup>	202.16%	43.41%		114.78%	126.94%	104.05%
Net asset value per security, end of period	\$ 8.0773	\$ 8.2510	\$	8.9791	\$ 9.8041	\$ 10.2124

\* This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual and/or unaudited interim financial statements. The net assets attributable to securityholders per security presented in the financial statements may differ from the net asset value calculated for fund pricing purposes. An explanation of these differences can be found in the notes to financial statements.

<sup>B</sup> Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of securities outstanding at the relevant time. The increase (decrease) from operations is based on the weighted average number of securities outstanding over the financial period. This table is not intended to be a reconciliation of beginning to ending net assets per security.

C Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional securities of the Fund, or both, and excludes any applicable distributions of management fee reduction to securityholders. Distributions are presented based on management's best estimate of the tax character.

<sup>D</sup> This information is provided as at period end of the year shown.

E Prior period amounts may have been adjusted.

F The trading expense ratio represents total commissions, other portfolio transaction costs and dividends and interest expense on securities sold short expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period, including the Fund's pro-rata share of estimated trading costs incurred in any underlying investment fund, if applicable.

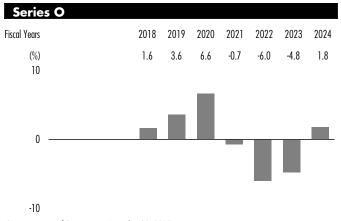
<sup>6</sup> The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio adviser manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the year. The higher the Fund's portfolio turnover rate in a year, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the year, and the greater chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high portfolio turnover rate and the performance of the Fund. The portfolio turnover rate is calculated based on the lesser of purchases or sales of securities divided by the weighted average market value of portfolio turnover rate includes any proceeds from a short sale in the value of securities and the cost of covering a short sale in the value of purchases of securities. For periods greater than six months, but less than a full fiscal year, the portfolio turnover rate is annualized. The portfolio turnover rate excludes any adjustment for in-kind transactions.

## Fidelity Global Bond Multi-Asset Base Fund Past Performance

The performance information shown assumes that all distributions made by the Fund in the periods shown were reinvested in additional securities of the Fund. The performance information does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or other optional charges that would have reduced returns or performance. How the Fund has performed in the past does not necessarily indicate how it will perform in the future.

## Year-by-Year Returns

The following bar chart shows the Fund's annual performance for each of the years shown, and illustrates how the Fund's performance was changed from year to year. In percentage terms, the bar chart shows how much an investment made on the first day of each financial year would have grown or decreased by the last day of each financial year.



Commencement of Operations is November 30, 2017

## **Annual Compound Returns**

This table shows the Fund's historical annual compound total returns for the periods indicated, compared with the Fund's benchmark, the Bloomberg Global Aggregate Bond Index, as described below.

	Past 1	Past 3	Past 5	Since
Average Annual Total Returns	year	years	years	Inception
Series 0	1.8%	(3.0)%	(0.7)%	0.2%
Bloomberg Global Aggregate Bond Index	0.5%	(2.4)%	(0.9)%	0.1%

A discussion of Fund performance can be found in the Results of Operations section of this report. The Bloomberg Global Aggregate Bond Index covers the most liquid portion of the global investment grade fixed-rate bond market, including government, credit and collateralized securities. On August 24, 2016, Bloomberg purchased the Barclays family of benchmark indices. As part of this transaction, all Barclays benchmark indices have been co-branded as the Bloomberg Barclays Indices for an initial period of 5 years. Effective August 24, 2021, the Bloomberg Barclays fixed income benchmark indices were rebranded as the Bloomberg Indices. This change occurred as planned at the end of the five-year period following Bloomberg's acquisition of Barclays Risk Analytics and Index Solutions (BRAIS) in August of 2016.

## Fidelity Global Bond Multi-Asset Base Fund Summary of Investment Portfolio as at March 31, 2024

## **Geographic Mix**

	% of Fund's Net Assets as at March 31, 2024	% of Fund's Net Assets as at March 31, 2023
United States of America	45.9	39.5
Germany	9.0	15.8
United Kingdom	6.8	7.9
China	5.8	4.7
Japan	4.7	2.4
France	2.3	2.6
Switzerland	2.2	2.1
Australia	1.9	3.2
Korea (South)	1.6	1.5
Canada	1.5	2.3
Ireland	1.5	2.4
Netherlands	1.5	1.1
Multi-National	1.2	0.1
Spain	1.0	1.1
Hong Kong	1.0	1.0
Others (Individually Less Than 1%)	9.2	9.3
Cash and Cash Equivalents	7.5	1.8
Net Other Assets (Liabilities)	(4.6)	1.2
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## **Maturity Diversification**

Years	% of Fund's Net Assets as at March 31, 2024	% of Fund's Net Assets as at March 31, 2023
0-1	9.2	2.3
1 – 3	11.1	8.1
3 - 5	18.0	10.3
Over 5	63.8	67.1

Derivative Exposure		
	% of Fund's Net Assets as at March 31, 2024	% of Fund's Net Assets as at March 31, 2023
Futures Contracts	0.0	1.2
Forward Foreign Currency Contracts	0.0	(0.4)

Futures Contracts percentage is calculated by dividing the sum of the notional amount by total net assets.

Forward Foreign Currency Contracts percentage is calculated by dividing the net unrealized gain/loss of all contracts held by total net assets.

## **Quality Diversification**

	% of Fund's Net Assets as	% of Fund's Net Assets as
	at March 31, 2024	at March 31, 2023
AAA	40.4	37.0
AA	2.1	1.6
Α	7.5	4.4
BBB	19.3	20.6
BB and Below	2.7	13.4
Not Rated	25.1	20.0
Equities	0.0	0.0
Short-Term Investments and Net Other Assets	2.9	3.0

We have used ratings from Moody's Investors Service, Inc. Where Moody's® ratings are not available, we have used S&P® ratings. All ratings are as of the date indicated and do not reflect subsequent changes.

Where applicable, the information in the above tables includes the Fund's pro-rata share of the investment in any Fidelity managed underlying fund. Comparative balances, as applicable, have been reclassified from country of incorporation to country of risk to align with current period presentation. All tables within the Summary of Investment Portfolio section, except the Top Issuers table, contain audited annual information.

#### **Top Issuers** % of Fund's Net Assets 32.8 1. U.S. Treasury Obligations Peoples Republic of China 5.8 2. Fidelity Canadian Money Market Investment Trust - Series O 5.7 3. Japan Government 4.7 4. 5. Uniform Mortgage Backed Securities 3.3 KfW 2.6 6. 7. United Kingdom, Great Britain and Northern Ireland 2.2 8. German Federal Republic 1.9 9. Fidelity U.S. Money Market Investment Trust - Series O 1.8 10. Ginnie Mae 1.7 11. Korean Republic 1.6 Canadian Government 1.5 12. 13. Fannie Mae 1.4 14. European Investment Bank 1.2 15. Freddie Mac 1.0 16. Southern Co. 1.0 Australian Commonwealth 17. 1.0 Argentum Netherlands BV 0.8 18. British American Tobacco PLC \* 19. 0.8 20. Indonesian Republic 0.8 21. QBE Insurance Group Ltd. 0.7 22. Barclays PLC 0.7 23. Intesa Sanpaolo SpA 0.7 **BNP** Paribas SA 0.6 24. GTC Aurora Luxembourg SA 0.6 25. 76.9

\* Equity Issuer Total Fund Net Assets \$3,080,434,000

## Summary of Investment Portfolio as at March 31, 2024 - continued

The summary of investment portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the investment fund. The most recent annual report, semi-annual report, quarterly report, fund facts document or simplified prospectus for the investment fund and/or underlying fund is available at no cost, by calling 1-800-263-4077, by writing to us at Fidelity Investments Canada ULC, 483 Bay St. Suite 300, Toronto ON M5G 2N7 or by visiting our web site at www.fidelity.ca or SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca.



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