### **Quarterly Report for**

## AmInstitutional Income Bond SRI (formerly known as AmInstitutional Income Bond) 30 June 2024





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#### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

Dear Unitholders,

We are pleased to present you the Manager's report and the unaudited quarterly accounts of AmInstitutional Income Bond SRI ("Fund") (formerly known as AmInstitutional Income Bond) for the financial period from 1 April 2024 to 30 June 2024.

#### Salient Information of the Fund

Name	AmInstitutional Income Bond SRI ("Fund") (formerly known as AmInstitutional Income Bond)						
Category/ Type	Wholesale Fixed Income / Income						
Objective	The Fund seeks to provide income* and to a lesser extent capital appreciation by investing primarily in fixed income instruments.						
	additional units (by	* Income distribution (if any) can be in the form of cash (by telegraphic transfer) or additional units (by reinvestment into units of the Fund).  Any material change to the investment objective of the Fund would require Unit					
Duration	The Fund was established on 18 February 2019 and shall exist for as long as it appears to the Manager and the Trustee that it is in the interests of the unitholders for it to continue. In some circumstances, the unitholders can resolve at a meeting to terminate the Fund.						
Performance Benchmark	Refinitiv BPAM Corporates (3-7 years) All Bond Index + 50 bps ("Refinitiv BPAM Corps 3Y-7Y All Bond Index + 50 bps") (Available at www.aminvest.com)  Note: The risk profile of the Fund may not be the same as the risk profile of the performance benchmark.  BPAM refers to Bond Pricing Agency Malaysia.						
Income Distribution Policy	Subject to the availability of income, distribution will be paid out at least twice every year and can be in the form of cash (by telegraphic transfer) or additional units (by reinvestment into units of the Fund).						
Breakdown of Unit	For the financial per	riod under review	, the size of the F	und stood at 826,	764,209 units.		
Holdings by	Size of holding	As at 30 J		As at 31 Ma			
Size		No of units held	Number of unitholders	No of units held	Number of unitholders		
	5,000 and below	-	-	-	-		
	5,001-10,000	-	-	-	-		
	10,001-50,000				-		
	50,001-500,000	-	-	-	-		
	500,001 and						
	above	826,764,209	3	743,361,570	3		

#### **Fund Performance Data**

#### Portfolio Composition

Details of portfolio composition of the Fund as at 30 June 2024, 31 March 2024 and for the past three financial years are as follows:

	As at	As at	As a	at 31 December	
	30.06.2024 %	31.03.2024 %	2023 %	2022 %	2021 %
Corporate bonds	87.16	88.66	88.09	92.31	94.90
Government Investment Issues	1.19	1.34	1.34	4.57	1
Malaysian Government Securities	1.15	1.29	1.29	2.47	-
Commercial Paper	-	-	-	-	2.28
Money market deposits and cash equivalents	10.50	8.71	9.28	0.65	2.82
Total	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

Note: The abovementioned percentages are calculated based on total net asset value.

## Performance Details

Performance details of the Fund for the financial periods ended 30 June 2024, 31 March 2024 and three financial years ended 31 December are as follows:

	FPE	FPE	FYE	FYE	FYE
	30.06.2024	31.03.2024	2023	2022	2021
Net asset value	30.00.202 <del>-</del>	31.03.2024	2020	LULL	2021
(RM'000)	872,492	784,633	778,012	527,887	436,036
Units in circulation		,	,	,	,
('000)	826,764	743,362	738,595	519,904	426,852
Net asset value					-
per unit (RM)	1.0553	1.0555	1.0534	1.0154	1.0215
Highest net asset					
value per unit					
(RM)	1.0580	1.0619	1.0541	1.0245	1.0452
Lowest net asset					
value per unit					
(RM)	1.0520	1.0536	1.0172	0.9980	1.0174
Benchmark					
performance (%)	1.17	1.62	7.54	2.65	0.96
Total return (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	1.09	1.40	6.56	2.74	0.94
- Capital growth					
(%)	-0.01	0.21	3.79	-0.54	-1.89
- Income					
distributions (%)	1.10	1.19	2.77	3.28	2.83
Gross distributions					
(sen per unit)	1.16	1.25	2.81	3.35	2.95
Net distributions					
(sen per unit)	1.16	1.25	2.81	3.35	2.95
Total expense ratio					
(%)(2)	0.05	0.05	0.22	0.22	0.22
Portfolio turnover					
ratio (times)(3)	0.09	0.10	0.42	0.59	0.76

Note:

- (1) Total return is the actual return of the Fund for the respective financial periods/years computed based on the net asset value per unit and net of all fees.
- (2) Total expense ratio ("TER") is calculated based on the total fees and expenses incurred by the Fund divided by the average fund size calculated on a daily basis.
- (3) Portfolio turnover ratio ("PTR") is calculated based on the average of the total acquisitions and total disposals of investment securities of the Fund divided by the average fund size calculated on a daily basis.

#### Average Total Return (as at 30 June 2024)

	AmInstitutional Income Bond SRI <sup>(a)</sup> %	Refinitiv BPAM Corps 3Y-7Y All Bond Index + 50 bps
One year	5.36	6.21
Three years	4.29	4.56
Five years	4.53	5.01
Since launch (18 February 2019)	4.81	5.34

#### **Annual Total Return**

Financial Years/Period Ended (31 December)	AmInstitutional Income Bond SRI <sup>(a)</sup> %	Refinitiv BPAM Corps 3Y-7Y All Bond Index + 50 bps
2023	6.56	7.54
2022	2.74	2.65
2021	0.94	0.96
2020	6.31	7.70
2019 <sup>(c)</sup>	6.77	7.11

- (a) Source: Novagni Analytics and Advisory Sdn. Bhd.
- (b) Refinitiv BPAM Corporates (3-7 years) All Bond Index plus 50 basis point ("Refinitiv BPAM Corps 3Y-7Y All Bond Index + 50 bps"). (Available at www.aminvest.com)
- (c) Total actual return for the financial period from 18 February 2019 (date of launch) to 31 December 2019.

The Fund performance is calculated based on the net asset value per unit of the Fund. Average total return of the Fund and its benchmark for a period is computed based on the absolute return for that period annualised over one year.

Note: Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance and that unit prices and investment returns may go down, as well as up.

## Fund Performance

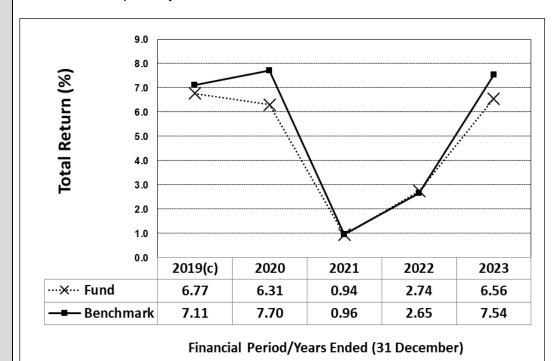
For the financial period under review, the Fund registered a return of 1.09% comprising of negative 0.01% capital and 1.10% income distributions.

Thus, the Fund's return of 1.09% has underperformed the benchmark's return of 1.17% by 0.08%.

As compared with the financial period ended 31 March 2024, the net asset value ("NAV") per unit of the Fund decreased by 0.02% from RM1.0555 to RM1.0553, while units in circulation increased by 11.22% from 743,361,570 units to

826,764,209 units.

The following line chart shows comparison between the annual performances of AmInstitutional Income Bond SRI *(formerly known as AmInstitutional Income Bond)* and its benchmark, Refinitiv BPAM Corps 3Y-7Y All Bond Index + 50bps, for the financial period/years ended 31 December.



Note: Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance and that unit prices and investment returns may go down, as well as up.

## Strategies and Policies Employed

The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing up to 100% of its NAV in fixed income instruments i.e. corporate bonds or sukuk and/or government securities and if the issuing entity is, or the issue is guaranteed by the Malaysian government, BNM or other related government agencies with a minimum bond credit rating of:

- RM-denominated fixed income instruments: A3 or its equivalent as rated by a local rating agency; and
- Non-RM-denominated fixed income instruments: BBB- or its equivalent as rated by a global rating agency.

#### Portfolio Structure

The table below is the asset allocation of the Fund as at 30 June 2024 and 31 March 2024.

	As at 30.06.2024 %	As at 31.03.2024 %	Changes %
Corporate bonds	87.16	88.66	-1.50
Government Investment Issues	1.19	1.34	-0.15
Malaysian Government Securities	1.15	1.29	-0.14
Money market deposits and cash			
equivalents	10.50	8.71	1.79
Total	100.00	100.00	

	As at 30 June 2024, the Fund has invested 87.16% of its NAV in the Corporate bonds, 1.19% in Government Investment Issues, 1.15% invested in Malaysian Government Securities (MGS) and the balance of 10.50% in money market deposits and cash equivalents.					
Cross Trades	There were no cross trades undertaken during the financial period under review.					
Distribution/ Unit Splits	During the financial period under review, the Fund declared income distributions, detailed as follows:					
	Date of distributions	Distributions per unit RM (sen)	NAV per unit Cum-Distributions (RM)	NAV per unit Ex-Distributions (RM)		
	30-Apr-24	0.42	1.0563	1.0521		
	31-May-24	0.64	1.0584	1.0520		
	28-Jun-24	0.10	1.0561	1.0551		
	There is no unit split de	eclared for the fina	ancial period under revi	ew.		
State of	There has been neithe	er significant chan	ges to the state of affa	irs of the Fund nor		
Affairs		t materially affect	any interests of the uni			
Rebates and Soft Commission	During the period, the management company did not receive soft commissions by virtue of transactions conducted for the Fund.					
Market Review	Treasuries (UST) as some reasons for the United rates. Apart from that, East also dented local above, Malaysian Governito to 16 basis points (bps)  Moving towards May, lower-than-expected United dovish tone from the (FOMC) meeting specific overnight Policy Rate monetary stance, post three sovereign bond to-cover (BTC) ratio boview that the US Fed towards end of the modes of the m	ticky inflation and d States (US) Fe thin market liquid bond market send rernment Securities) on a month-on-the Malaysian bond US Job data release US Fed in its ech. While Bank et (OPR) at 3.00 ditive sentiment in auctions which gastween 1.965x to is not in a rush to its not in a r	ken following a sell-of a resilient labor marked deral Reserve (Fed) to dity and rising geopolitical timent. Premised on all es (MGS) curve was remonth (MoM) basis.  market strengthened assed at the beginning post- Federal Open I Negara Malaysia (BN W during policy meeting local bond market was arnered strong demand 3.085x. As investors we cut rates, local bonds ne trend in the UST meeting the declined by 2-12bp quarter, Malaysian bordent in the UST as the dito 2.6% on a year-or ears. The MGS curve of the declined by 1 to 6bps on a Modern and the declined by 2 to 6bps on a Modern at the declined by 1 to 6bps on a Modern and 1 to 1 t	et have given more o stand pat on key al risk in the Middle I the developments epriced higher by 6 driven primarily by of the month and Market Committee M) maintained the ing with a neutral as reflected in the land recorded bidwere adjusting their weakened slightly barket. Overall, the s on a MoM basis.  Ind market further US economic data and core Personal and core Personal and core Personal and core personal experienced a bull		

#### Strong demand in long-end government bond auctions and corporate bond Market Outlook primary issuances suggest that domestic liquidity remains ample. Market participants continue to ignore the record low credit spreads, with continued strong demand in bonds yielding 4% and above. As domestic liquidity is expected to remain healthy and Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) is likely to stay pat on Overnight Policy Rate (OPR), we expect the local bond market to continue to trade in range bound. Current cheap funding cost should attract bond issuers to tap the market in coming months that will provide more investment opportunities. We maintain overweight on portfolio duration versus the benchmark, while prefer corporate bonds for more yield pick-up. A statement that For the financial period under review, the Fund has complied with the the fund has requirements of the Guidelines on Sustainable and Responsible Investment complied with Funds (SRI). **Guidelines on** Sustainable and Responsible Investment Funds during the reporting period **Descriptions on** As a SRI qualified fund, the investments of the Fund are subjected to the sustainability integration of the sustainability considerations. Please refer to "Strategies and considerations Policies Employed" section in this report for further information on the Fund's that have been sustainability considerations. adopted in the policies and strategies employed Descriptions of the SRI Fund's policies and strategies achieved during the reporting period which must include, but are not limited to the following (a-g):-(a) A review on For the financial period under review, the Fund incorporated sustainability sustainability considerations in securities or instruments selection (including instruments issued considerations of under their respective green, social and sustainability GSS bond framework), by the SRI Fund's investing in companies which are well governed and with positive environmental portfolio and social impact. Issuers of such securities or instruments are evaluated based on the sustainability considerations as disclosed in the section "ESG Assessment Methodology" and their disclosure of information pertaining to environmental and social impact. (b) The For the financial period under review, the Fund invested at least two-thirds (2/3) of the NAV of the Fund in securities or instruments (excluding Malaysian proportion of underlying government securities (MGS), cash, deposits and money market instruments) that investments that are in line with the sustainability considerations adopted by the Fund. are consistent with the SRI Fund's policies and strategies

(c) Where the SRI Fund's
underlying
investments are inconsistent with
its policies and strategies,
descriptions on steps undertaken
to rectify the
inconsistency

Not applicable as the Fund's underlying investments are consistent with its policies and strategies. That said, if the Fund's investments become inconsistent with its investment strategies or the Fund breaches the two thirds (2/3) asset allocation threshold in investments that are subjected to sustainability considerations, the Fund Manager will dispose and/or replace the investment(s) within seven (7) business days from the date of the breach.

#### (d) Actions taken in achieving the SRI Fund's policies and strategies

The Fund Manager continuously monitor and if required, rebalance the investments to ensure that at least two-thirds (2/3) of the NAV of the Fund are maintained in securities or instruments (excluding Malaysian government securities (MGS), cash, deposits and money market instruments) that are in line with the sustainability considerations adopted by the Fund.

# (e) A comparison of the SRI Fund's performance against the designated reference benchmark (if available)

Not applicable since the fund does not have a designated SRI benchmark.

#### (f) Descriptions on sustainability risk considerations and the inclusion of such risks in the SRI Fund's investment decision making process

#### Sustainability and Responsible Investment and Impact Risk

As the Fund has an intention to generate positive sustainable and responsible impact alongside a financial return ("impact"), the investor must be able to accept temporary capital losses due to the potentially restricted number of companies that the Fund can invest in due to those companies which may not meet the sustainability considerations requirement and, consequently, should view investment in the Fund as a long-term investment.

The Fund may seek to exclude holdings deemed inconsistent with the sustainability considerations. As a result, the investments of the Fund will be more limited than other funds that do not apply sustainability considerations. The Fund may be precluded from purchasing, or required to sell, certain investments that are inconsistent with its investment policy and sustainability considerations which might otherwise be advantageous to hold. The incorporation of sustainability considerations could result in performance that is better or worse than the performance of the other funds depending on the performance of the excluded investments and the investments included in place of such excluded investments.

This risk is mitigated via the investment strategy of the Fund such as by imposing minimum credit rating, active tactical duration management and by analyzing general market conditions. In addition, the Manager will use models that analyze and compare expected returns and assumed risk.

The Manager will also focus on securities or instruments that would deliver better returns and will consider obligations with more favourable or improving credit or industry outlook that provides the potential for capital appreciation.

	Greenwashing Risk
	Greenwashing is defined as making false, misleading or unsubstantiated claims in relation to environmental, social and governance credential of an investment product. The Fund may inadvertently invest into such products, without prior knowledge of the fraudulent claims. As greenwashing could result in reputational risk, regulatory fines, and/or withdrawal of the products, there could be a negative impact on the value of the Fund. In mitigating the greenwashing risk, there are governance and guidelines in place for assessing the sustainability of the sovereign or corporate issuer and depository financial institution. The ESG score prescribed to the sovereign or corporate issuer and depository financial institution are reviewed and approved by appropriate approving authorities internally, and updated periodically, i.e. at least once a year.
(g) Any other information, considered necessary and relevant by the issuer	No additional information deemed necessary to be disclosed.
(h) Where the SRI Fund has provided previous periodic reviews, a comparison between the current and at least the previous reporting period	For the current reporting period and the previous reporting period, the Fund has complied with the requirements of the Guidelines on Sustainable and Responsible Investment Funds (SRI) by investing at least two-thirds (2/3) of the NAV of the Fund in securities or instruments that are in line with the sustainability considerations adopted by the Fund.

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20 August 2024

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2024

	30.06.2024 (unaudited) RM	31.12.2023 (audited) RM
ASSETS		
Investments Deposit with licensed financial institution	780,865,000	705,804,172 30,131,507
Interest receivables Cash at banks	123,386 92,488,623	158,752 42,888,350
TOTAL ASSETS	873,477,009	778,982,781
LIABILITIES		
Amount due to Manager Amount due to Trustee	141,343 9.949	140,307 9,888
Distribution payables Sundry payables and accruals	826,764 7,427	812,455 8,300
TOTAL LIABILITIES	985,483	970,950
NET ASSET VALUE ("NAV") OF THE FUND	872,491,526	778,011,831
EQUITY		
Unit holders' capital Retained earnings	855,569,196 16,922,330	762,532,675 15,479,156
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS	872,491,526	778,011,831
UNITS IN CIRCULATION	826,764,209	738,595,403
NAV PER UNIT (RM)	1.0553	1.0534

## STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (Unaudited) FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 APRIL 2024 TO 30 JUNE 2024

	Note	01.04.2024 to 30.06.2024 RM	01.04.2023 to 30.06.2023 RM
INVESTMENT INCOME			
Interest income Net gains from investments:  - Financial assets at fair value through profit or		8,286,309	5,830,945
loss ("FVTPL")	1	772,359	2,179,950
	•	9,058,668	8,010,895
EXPENDITURE	·		_
Manager's fee Trustee's fee Audit fee Tax agent's fee Other expenses		(396,441) (29,733) (1,243) (821) (10) (428,248)	(274,611) (20,596) (1,247) (823) (893) (298,170)
Net income before taxation Taxation		8,630,420	7,712,725 -
Net income after taxation, representing total comprehensive income for the financial period		8,630,420	7,712,725
Total comprehensive income comprises the following:			
Realised income		8,942,561	6,422,948
Unrealised (loss)/gain		(312,141)	1,289,777
	•	8,630,420	7,712,725
Distributions for the financial period Net distributions	2	8,776,285	2,231,698
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Gross distributions per unit (sen)	2	1.16	0.42
Net distributions per unit (sen)	2	1.16	0.42

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (Unaudited) FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 APRIL 2024 TO 30 JUNE 2024

	Note	Unit holders' capital RM	Retained earnings RM	Total equity RM
At 1 April 2024		767,564,816	17,068,195	784,633,011
Total comprehensive income for				
the financial period		-	8,630,420	8,630,420
Creation of units		75,000,000	-	75,000,000
Reinvestment of distributions		13,004,380	-	13,004,380
Distributions	2	<u>-</u>	(8,776,285)	(8,776,285)
Balance at 30 June 2024		855,569,196	16,922,330	872,491,526
At 1 April 2023		543,965,574	702,321	544,667,895
Total comprehensive income for				
the financial period		-	7,712,725	7,712,725
Reinvestment of distributions		3,979,567	-	3,979,567
Distribution	2	<u> </u>	(2,231,698)	(2,231,698)
Balance at 30 June 2023		547,945,141	6,183,348	554,128,489

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited) FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 APRIL 2024 TO 30 JUNE 2024

	01.04.2024 to 30.06.2024 RM	01.04.2023 to 30.06.2023 RM
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING AND INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from sale of investments Purchases of investments Interest received Manager's fee paid Trustee's fee paid Payments for other expenses Net cash (used in)/generated from operating and investing activities	51,454,766 (105,413,500) 8,804,976 (397,141) (29,793) (10) (45,580,702)	51,448,412 (29,346,900) 6,480,801 (281,967) (20,709) (5,137) 28,274,500
CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITY		
Proceeds from creation of units  Net cash generated from financing activity	75,000,000 75,000,000	-
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE	29,419,298 63,069,325	28,274,500 17,680,083
END OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	92,488,623	45,954,583
Cash and cash equivalents comprise: Cash at banks	92,488,623	45,954,583

#### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 APRIL 2024 TO 30 JUNE 2024

#### 1. NET GAINS FROM INVESTMENTS

	01.04.2024 to 30.06.2024 RM	01.04.2023 to 30.06.2023 RM
Net gains on financial assets at FVTPL comprised:  - Net realised gains on sale of investments  - Net unrealised (loss)/gain on changes in fair value of	1,084,500	890,173
investments	(312,141)	1,289,777
	772,359	2,179,950

#### 2. DISTRIBUTIONS

Details of distributions to unit holders for the	financial periods a	are as follows:	
		01.04.2024 to 30.06.2024 RM	01.04.2023 to 30.06.2023 RM
Gross distributions per unit (sen)		1.16	0.42
Net distributions per unit (sen)		1.16	0.42
Financial period ended 30 June 2024			
Distributions Ex-date	Gross distributions per unit RM (sen)	Net distributions per unit RM (sen)	Total distributions RM
30 April 2024 31 May 2024 28 June 2024	0.42 0.64 0.10 1.16	0.42 0.64 0.10 1.16	3,142,237 4,807,284 826,764 8,776,285
Financial period ended 30 June 2023			
Distribution Ex-date	Gross distribution per unit RM (sen)	Net distribution per unit RM (sen)	Total distribution RM
28 April 2023	0.42	0.42	2,231,698

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 APRIL 2024 TO 30 JUNE 2024

#### 2. DISTRIBUTIONS (CONT'D.)

Gross distribution per unit is derived from gross realised income less expenses divided by the number of units in circulation, while net distribution per unit is derived from gross realised income less expenses and taxation divided by the number of units in circulation.

The distributions declared for the financial period ended 30 June 2024 were proposed before taking into account the net unrealised loss of RM312,141 arising during the financial period which is carried forward to the next financial period.

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