April 2025

**Investment Objective:** To outperform SONIA\* plus 2% over the longer term, principally through exploiting the pricing of closed-end funds.

# HEADLINES

## Introduction

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Share Price (pence)

327.0

# NAV Prem./Disc. 342.5 -4.5% nth FYTD 1y 3y 5y 10y

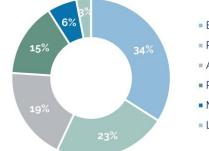
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MIGO Share Price	-4.1%	-5.3%	-5.3%	-6.9%	54.7%	103.4%
MIGO NAV	-2.4%	-5.4%	-5.4%	-4.4%	55.4%	90.8%
SONIA⁺	0.5%	7.1%	7.1%	20.4%	25.5%	41.9%

All performance shown in GBP Total Return as at 30 April 2025. Financial Year end 30 April \*SONIA \*2% Sterling Overnight Interbank Average administered by the Bank of England



## PORTFOLIO

## Sector Breakdown



## Equity (company shares)

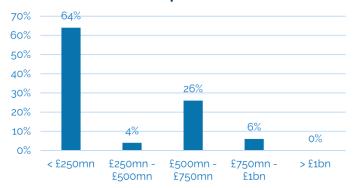
Property

- Alternatives
- Private Equity
- Mining
- Leasing

## **Top Ten Holdings**

	%
PRS REIT Plc	5.8
Chrysalis Investments Ltd	5.6
Baker Steel Resources Trust	4.9
Oakley Capital Investments	4.4
Phoenix Spree Deutschland Fund	3.9
VH Global Energy Infrastructure PLC	3.8
Georgia Capital Plc	3.8
VinaCapital Vietnam Opportunity Fund	3.8
Aquila European Renewables	3.7
Life Science Reit Plc	3.6
Total	43.3
No. of Holdings	52

## Market Cap Breakdown



All figures shown as % of Portfolio

# MANAGERS COMMENT

## MIGO's NAV fell by 2.4% in April

April was a tale of two halves. On April the 2<sup>nd</sup>, "Liberation Day" caused mayhem in the markets with President Trump announcing tariffs on the rest of the world. Stock markets and bond markets both fell sharply, and the gold price soared as investors fled to the safe haven. The second half of the month saw an extraordinary rebound as the majority of tariffs were delayed by 90 days. The Trust's net asset value held up well during the initial downturn but we did not see the same bounce in the latter part of the month. The share price performance was more disappointing as we saw a widening of MIGO's discount.

## Georgia Capital (CGEO)

CGEO had another outstanding month. At time of writing the company is up nearly 50% year-to-date and over 80% from its lows in October last year post the tumultuous election period. Georgia does not have a trade deficit with the US, so their economy is much more immune to the tariffs which are troubling other emerging and frontier markets. The buyback at the trust level and that of portfolio holding Lion Finance (previously Bank of Georgia) has been instrumental in performance and we are delighted to see CGEO showcasing how effective buybacks can be to the wider trust market.

## Phoenix Spree Deutschland (PSDL)

PSDL's reassuring results sent its shares higher. The trust is in the process of selling-off its portfolio of condominiums and has achieved prices of around €5,000/sqm for vacant flats and €3,500 for tenanted which is encouraging for valuations. Although there is still strong demand for rental properties in Berlin, continuing anti-landlord legislation has muted rental growth as well as leaving units vacant for sale. We believe PSDL's share price more than discounts these headwinds.

## Schroder British Opportunities Trust (SBO)

SBO was our worst performer. SBO has struggled to gain a following having a portfolio of both listed UK equities and private equity, a small market cap and two dominant shareholders of which Schroders is one of them. This makes the free float of the trust very small, and the lack of liquidity further puts off potential investors. SBO has somewhat blotted its copybook by suggesting a policy change where the trust would sell out of the equity portion and recycle this into private equity. Bringing forward the continuation vote from 2028 to 2027 has not reassured investors that they would be better off in a less liquid portfolio.

## Tufton Oceanic (SHIP)

Tariff concerns weighed on the shipping market and SHIP's share price fell 5.7%. Despite having no container ships so somewhat protected from the worst of the disruption, particularly between the US and China, charter rates have fallen as uncertainty has resulted in companies delaying or cancelling charters. Although the tariff reprieve is welcome, we anticipate charter rates are likely to stay muted for the foreseeable future. The sales of vessels at only a small discount to carrying value by peer Taylor Maritime Investments (TMI) is supportive of SHIP's reported NAV, while its management team have demonstrated judicious capital allocation skills over a number of cycles.

# STATISTICS

## Contributors / Detractors (in GBP)

Largest Contributors	Monthly Contribution bps	% Weight
Georgia Capital Plc	24	3.8
Phoenix Spree Deutschland Fund	22	3.9
Chrysalis Investments Ltd	19	5.6
AVI Japan Opportunity Trust Plc	14	2.7
Hansa Investment Company Ltd Registered A Non-Voting	12	2.2

Largest Detractors	Monthly Contribution bps	% Weight
Schroder British Opportunities Trust Plc	-40	2.4
Tufton Assets Limited GBP	-34	3.2
VH Global Energy Infrastructure PLC	-27	3.8
Duke Capital Limited	-24	0.1
VinaCapital Vietnam Opportunity Fund	-22	3.8

All figures shown as % of Portfolio

Trust Facts	
Launch Date	06 April 2004
Net Assets	£65.9m
Investment Manager	Asset Value Investors Limited
MIGO Shares in issue	19,246,377
Shareholder Services	Link Asset Services
Management Fee	0.65%
Website	www.migoplc.co.uk
Ticker Code	MIGO.LN
ISIN	GB0034365949

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Share Price TR	-4.1	-6.9	54.7	103.4
Net Asset Value TR	-2.4	-4.4	55.4	90.8
Numis All-share Index	-0.1	21.4	64.6	73.4
SONIA	0.5	20.4	25.5	41.9
CY Net Returns (%)	CYTD	2024	2023	2022
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Price	-7.1	5.7	2.6	-10.9
Price Net Asset Value	-7.1 -6.3	5.7 6.4	2.6 2.9	-10.9 -12.7

Capital Structure	
Ordinary Shares	19,246,377
Credit facility**	£10m
Gross Assets/Gearing	
Gross Assets/Gearing Gross Assets	£75.9m
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\*\* The amount drawn as at 31 August 2024 is £10m. Cost of borrowing is SONIA +1.45% on any drawn balance and 0.72% on any undrawn balance Performance Statistics: Source Morningstar

Source data for contributors and detractors is Factset

Financial Year end 30 April

All data is as of 30 April 2025 unless otherwise stated

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