

# Why income remains king in 2025



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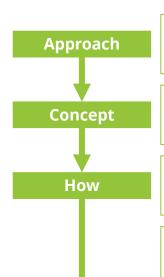


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## **TwentyFour Income Fund overview**





Aims to provide **attractive risk-adjusted returns of 6-9% per annum**, principally through **income distributions** with a minimum dividend target of **8pps** per annum after fees\*

A **closed-ended fund** that actively invests in typically **less liquid, higher yielding** UK and European asset-backed securities. **Returns are expected to increase in a rising interest rate environment** as the portfolio is **predominantly floating rate** 

Seeks to effectively track base rate (Floating rate notes linked to SONIA/LIBOR), reducing interest rate risk

**Flexible mandate** to seek value across the ABS market

Uninvested cash, surplus capital and/or assets may be invested on a temporary basis in cash and/or a range of assets including money market instruments and government bonds

**Investor-friendly structure** to help drive performance

**Efficient portfolio management techniques** can be employed such as currency hedging, interest rate hedging and use of derivatives such as credit default swaps, with the intention of **mitigating market volatility** 

Consequence

Aims to generate an attractive level of income through a flexible mandate by seeking value across the ABS market

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## **TwentyFour Income Fund information**



| Fund size                           | £836.8 million |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Launch date                         | 6 March 2013   |
| Current mark-to-market yield        | 11.30%         |
| Purchase yield                      | 11.89%         |
| Average credit rating               | BB-            |
| Interest rate duration              | 0.15yrs        |
| Credit spread duration              | 2.15yrs        |
| 3 year volatility¹                  | 7.40%          |
| Annualised performance since launch | 8.02%          |
| 2024 performance                    | 16.92%         |
| 2025 YTD performance                | 1.29%          |
| Investments (no. of issuers)        | 156            |
| Last 3 yearly realisation option    | October 2022   |
| 1 year average premium/ discount    | -3.56%         |

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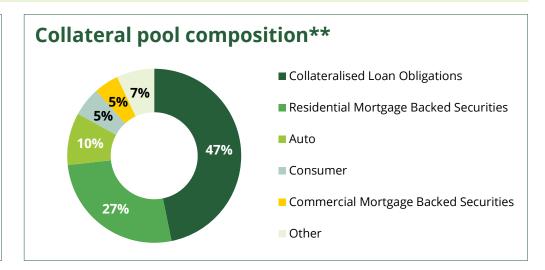
## **European ABS market overview**



## Size of market: €539 bn\* (€8bn issuance year to date)

#### **Themes**

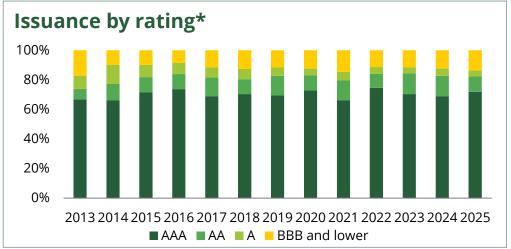
- Post QE, banks are increasingly using ABS as a funding tool, which increases diversification
- CLO amortisations and refinancings have resulted in increased AAA demand from CLO investors, especially from Japanese investors.
- Banks offer more mezzanine and junior bonds to investors to reduce capital requirements
- Liquidity has significantly improved following the UK Mini-budget sell off, which proved to be the biggest post-GFC test of liquidity



## Issuer geography

- UK, Netherlands and Spain are the largest issuers, but other core Europe and periphery also issue ABS
- CLOs include loans from a diverse range of geographies





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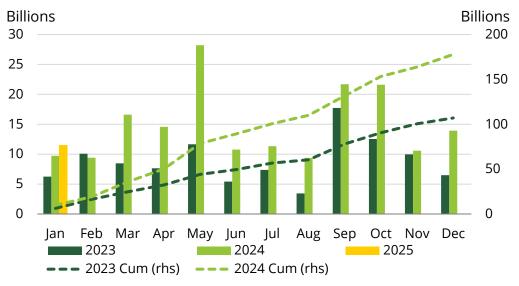
<sup>\*</sup>Data source: JPM International ABS, CB Research, Morgan Stanley; at as 31 January 2025

<sup>\*\*</sup>Other includes assets such as SME ABS, Leases, Credit Cards and Student Loans

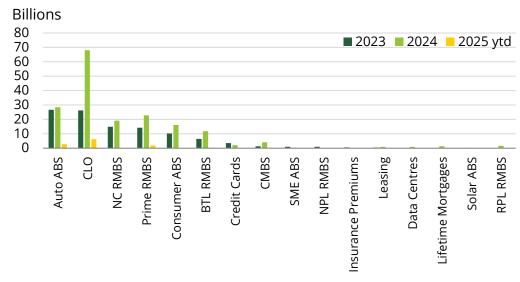
## A healthy growth in European ABS market



Issuance timeline, €m Strong growth, set to record post material post GFC record



## Issuance by sector CLO issuance far exceeds 2023 already





Increased bank issuance post QE



UK RMBS and CLOs are over half of all primary



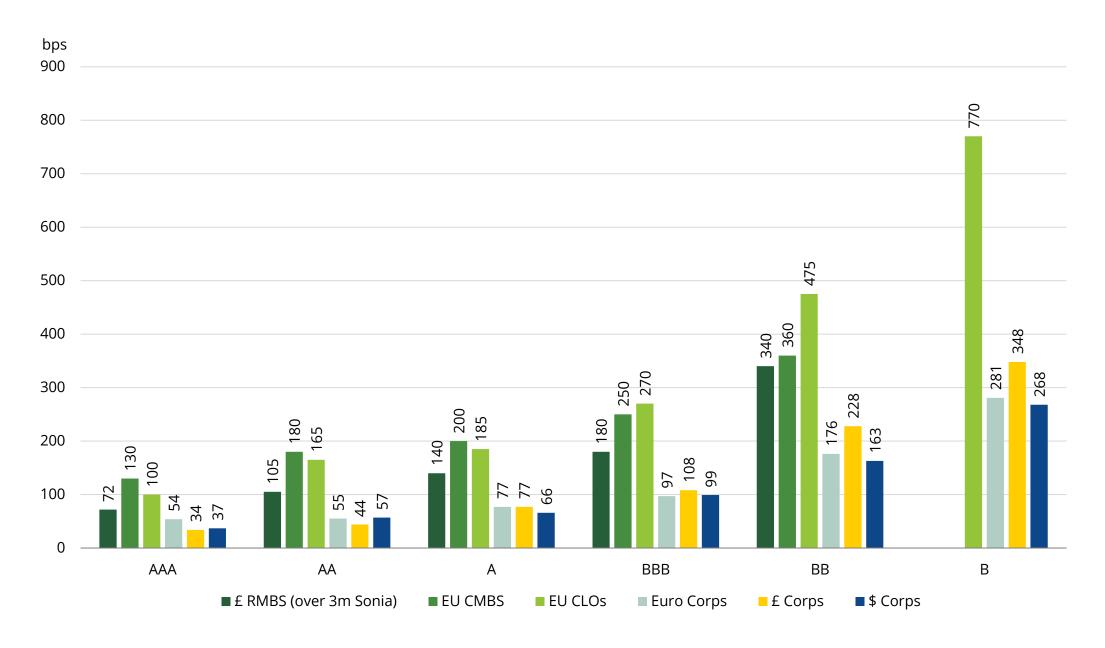
Elevated CLO volumes



Strong book coverage

## Relative value: ABS vs. corporate spreads by rating and asset class





## Relative value: ABS vs. corporate yields



| Asset class         | Average<br>rating | Yield (£) | Maturity<br>(years) | 2024 performance<br>(local ccy) |
|---------------------|-------------------|-----------|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| HY Mezz RMBS        | ВВ                | 8.2%      | 3.5                 | 14.4%                           |
| BB CLO              | ВВ                | 9.3%      | 7.2                 | 16.9%                           |
| B CLO               | В                 | 12.5%     | 7.2                 | 26.1%                           |
| Euro HY Corporate   | BB-               | 7.0%      | 3.7                 | 8.5%                            |
| GBP HY Corporate    | B-                | 7.5%      | 3.4                 | 10.7%                           |
| Euro Leverage Loans | В                 | 9.2%      | 5.0                 | 9.1%                            |
| AT1/Coco            | BB-               | 6.3%      | Perp                | 9.6%                            |

#### Forward yield (GBP)



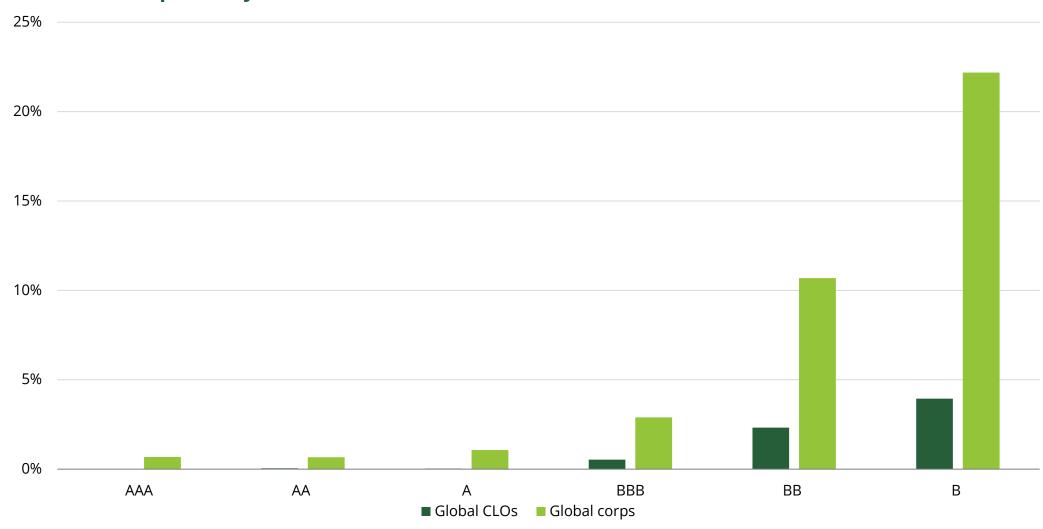
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Data source: ICE Indices, Bloomberg, CitiVelocity, Intex, BAML, Morningstar, TwentyFour; As at 31 January 2025

## **Default rates: CLOs vs. corporates**



10-year cumulative default rates of global CLOs and corporates between 1997-2023 and 1981-2023, respectively



Data source: S&P default study, 2023

## Themes & positioning



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**Carry** expected to drive returns over the **medium term** 



**Liquidity and flexibility** are increasingly important



A search for **yield** benefits higher spread products like **CLOs** 



We continue to favour **Secured Western European** assets



**Geopolitical risks** remain a key consideration



**Increasing diversification** as banks are using ABS more as a funding tool post QE



Need to maintain **stronger credit quality** 



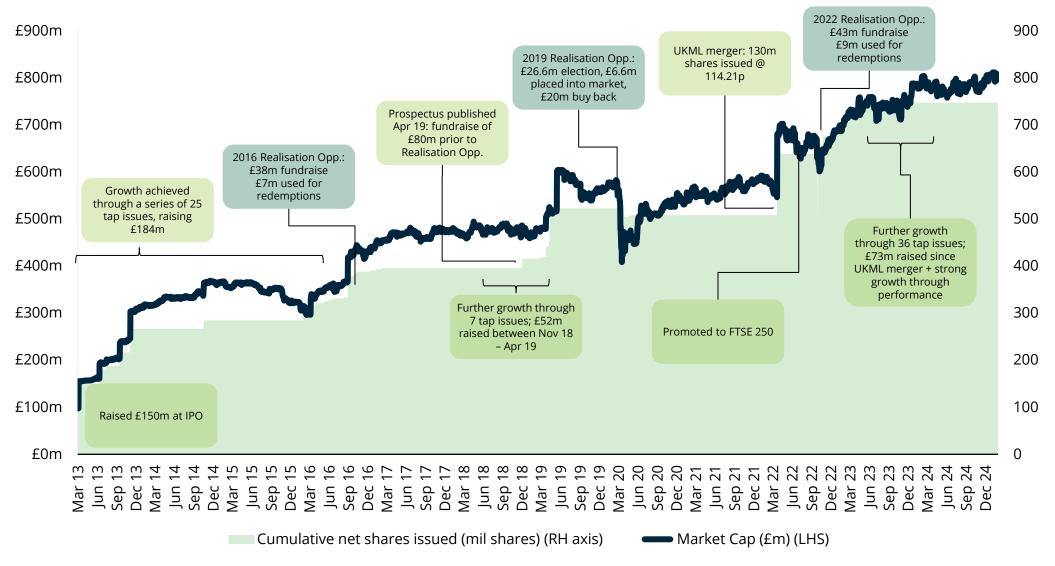
**Favour large and liquid platforms** with a proven track
record over new specialist lenders

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## TFIF's story since IPO



#### Issuance reduced in recent times but growth trajectory through performance remains



## TwentyFour Income Fund total return and yearly dividends





|                               |          |        |        |          |        |       |       | An      | nualised |       |            |
|-------------------------------|----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|-------|-------|---------|----------|-------|------------|
|                               | 1 month  | 3 m    | onths  | 6 months | 1 year | 3     | years | 5 years | 10 years | Since | inception* |
| NAV per share incl. dividends | 1.29%    | 3.     | 74%    | 6.57%    | 15.18% |       | 8.97% | 7.82%   | 6.51%    |       | 8.02%      |
| Discrete performance          | YTD 2025 | 2024   | 2023   | 2022     | 2021   | 2020  | 2019  | 2018    | 2017     | 2016  | 2015       |
| NAV per share incl. dividends | 1.29%    | 16.92% | 20.40% | -8.84%   | 7.85%  | 5.97% | 5.04% | 2.39%   | 13.51%   | 4.28% | -0.12%     |

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## Trade examples – what we like





#### **Mezz RMBS**

| Issue      | TOGET 2023-1ST1X E   |
|------------|--|
| Deal Size  | £420m  |
| Asset type | UK Non-Conforming RMBS   |
| Sponsor    | Together Mortgages   |
| Rating     | BB   |
| Maturity   | April 2027   |
| Yield £    | 10.4%  |
| Commentary | <ul> <li>Established lender with 50 years experience and a strong track record across residential and commercial lending</li> <li>Robust collateral performance, accompanied by very low losses</li> </ul> |



## **Significant Risk Transfers**

| Issue      | MUSSB 2024-2  |
|------------|---|
| Deal Size  | £1,500m   |
| Asset type | UK Corporate SRT  |
| Sponsor    | Lloyds Bank   |
| Rating     | NR  |
| Maturity   | November 2029   |
| Yield £    | 13.59%  |
| Commentary | <ul> <li>Strong portfolio of large corporates from the UK, average BBB rating</li> <li>Well capitalized issuer, 17.2% tier one ratio</li> </ul> |



#### **Junior RMBS**

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| Issue  | UKDAC KPF2   |
| <b>Invested Size</b>   | £10.9m   |
| Asset type   | UK Mortgage forward flow   |
| Sponsor  | Cornhill Mortgages 7   |
| Rating   | NR   |
| Maturity   | September 2029   |
| Yield £  | 13.8%  |
| Commentary   | <ul> <li>Prime BTL mortgage forward flow, with a current LTV of 75%, which has produced four public securitisations to date</li> <li>No losses realised following more than £1.7B of loan origination</li> </ul> |



#### **European B CLO**

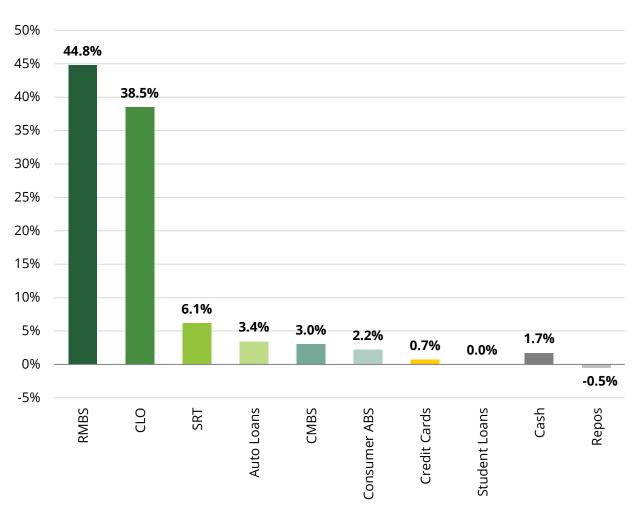
| Issue      | AVOCA 30X F  |
|------------|--|
| Deal Size  | €409m  |
| Asset type | European CLO   |
| Sponsor    | KKR  |
| Rating     | В  |
| Maturity   | October 2030   |
| Yield £    | 12.12%   |
| Commentary | <ul> <li>Managed by KKR, top tier European manager, retaining the subordinated notes</li> <li>Clean portfolio: 0% defaults and only 1.7% CCCs in the portfolio. B Tranche has 6.5% credit enhancement</li> </ul> |

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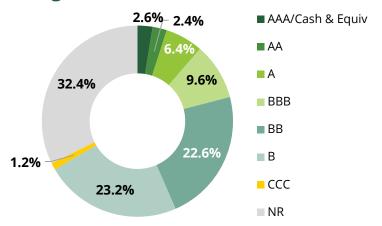
## TwentyFour Income Fund portfolio positioning



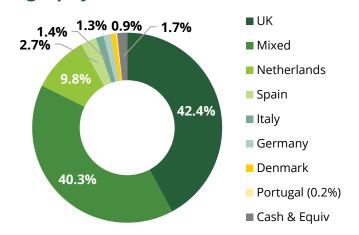




#### Rating breakdown\*\*



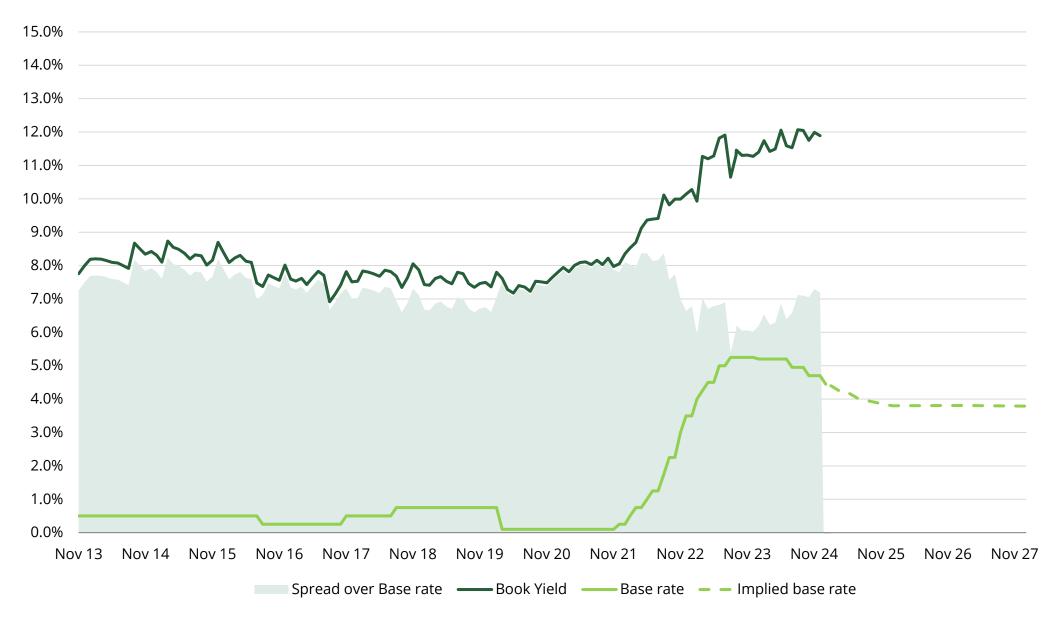
#### **Geography breakdown\*\***



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## TFIF's Current book yield vs. BoE cuts





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