

Principal Finisterre

**FINISTERRE EMERGING MARKETS DEBT TOTAL RETURN FUND**

# Monthly Commentary

January 2026

## Investment Manager

Principal Global Investors (Australia) Limited  
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## Sub-Advisor

Principal Global Investors (Australia) Limited, the Investment Manager, has delegated the day-to-day investment management of the Finisterre EMD Total Return Fund (Fund) to Finisterre Capital (Finisterre), an internal investment management group and trading name of Principal Global Investors (Europe) Limited, the Sub-Advisor. The Sub-Advisor will assume primary responsibility for discretionary portfolio management for the Fund subject to the oversight of the Investment Manager.

## Investment objective

The Fund seeks to generate total returns through income and capital appreciation, while limiting volatility and potential capital losses

## Fund facts

Fund size \$630M (AUD)  
Base currency AUD  
Fund domicile Australia  
Pricing Daily

## Fund Facts

Seed date 20 July, 2021  
Currency AUD  
Hedging -  
Minimum investment \$500,000  
Management fee(s) 85 Basis Points  
Income distribution Quarterly

## Fund Performance (%)

	1M	3M	1YR	3YR	5YR	SI*
Fund Net Performance	1.33	2.49	12.69	9.75	-	4.62

\*This figure represents the annualised performance of the Fund since inception - 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2021.

## Fund analysis

	Fund
Average Duration	4.30
Average Maturity (Years)	6
Current Yield	6.65
Yield to Worst	9.26
Yield to Maturity	9.51

Any yields quoted on the fact sheet are calculated at portfolio level gross of tax and expenses.

- Current Yield is the annual interest earned on the underlying bonds divided by the market price of the underlying portfolio of bonds. The figure is not the dividend yield received by the investors and is subject to change depending on the underlying portfolio of bonds.
- Yield to Worst is the lowest potential yield that can be received on a bond without the issuer actually defaulting. The yield to worst is calculated by making the worst-case scenario assumptions on the issue.
- Yield to Maturity is a concept used to determine the rate of return an investor will receive if a long-term, interest-bearing investment, such as a bond, is held to its maturity date. Please note that this is not the return or dividend to be received by investors in the fund.

## Credit quality net (%)

	Fund
AAA	-
AA	0.44
A	-9.94
BBB	19.62
BB	24.87
B	12.69
CCC and below	5.81
Not Rated	5.28

Credit Quality refers to the credit ratings for the underlying securities in the Fund as rated by Standard & Poor's, Fitch or Moody's Investors Service, and typically range from AAA/Aaa (highest) to C/D (lowest). If Moody's, Fitch and S&P assign different ratings, the second highest rating is used. Ratings methodologies and individual ratings can change over time.

## Top 10 gross exposure (%)

	Fund
CHINA BANKING SECTOR CDS	-14.08%
UNITED STATES HY CORP CDS INDEX	-11.88%
CNH CURRENCY	3.91%
KRW CURRENCY	3.80%
TRY CURRENCY	3.73%
COLOMBIA CDS	-2.85%
EGYPT LOCAL SOVEREIGN	2.77%
BRAZIL LOCAL SOVEREIGN	2.68%
CZK CURRENCY	2.68%
ROMANIA SOVEREIGN CREDIT	2.67%

\* Excludes FX hedges, bond futures, US T-Bills, US T-Notes and cash.

## Top 5 issuer gross exposures (%)

	(% nav)
IVANHOE MINES LTD	0.96
ALDAR PROPERTIES PJSC	0.95
CZECHOSLOVAK GROUP AS	0.95
LEVIATHAN BOND LTD	0.91
VEON HOLDINGS BV	0.90

## Top 5 Sovereign exposures (%)

	(% nav)
ROMANIA (REPUBLIC OF)	2.67
UKRAINE REPUBLIC OF (GOVERNMENT)	1.89
HUNGARY (GOVERNMENT)	1.66
PETROLEOS DE VENEZUELA SA	1.38
EGYPT (ARAB REPUBLIC OF)	1.35

## Regional allocation (net exposure %)

	Fund
LATAM	27.65
AFRICA	24.30
EASTERN EUROPE	20.27
MIDDLE EAST	16.05
ASIA	-0.00
INDEX SNAT	-9.64

## Local currency exposures (Top 5 by net %)

	Fund
TRY	4.63
CNH	3.91
KRW	3.80
BRL	3.60
PEN	3.18

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