

# BOUSSARD & GAVAUDAN HOLDING LIMITED

## NOVEMBER 2017 NEWSLETTER

### I. COMPANY INFORMATION

General information	
Investment manager	Boussard & Gavaudan Investment Management LLP
Company domicile	Guernsey
Website	<a href="http://www.bgholdingltd.com">www.bgholdingltd.com</a>
Management fee	1.5% p.a.
Performance fee	20% with HWM

	SEDOL	ISIN	Reuters	Bloomberg
EUR Euronext	B1FQG45	GG00B1FQG453	BGHL.AS	BGHL NA
EUR LSE	B28ZZQ1	GG00B1FQG453	BGHL.L	BGHL LN
GBX LSE	B39VMM0	GG00B39VMM07	BGHS.L	BGHS LN
GBX Euronext	B39VMM1	GG00B39VMM07	BGHS.AS	BGHS NA

### II. OVERVIEW

Boussard & Gavaudan Holding Limited ("BGHL") is a Guernsey closed-ended investment company and is registered with the Dutch Authority for the Financial Markets as a collective investment scheme under article 1:107 of the Dutch Financial Markets Supervision Act. BGHL invests its assets in order to provide exposure to multiple alternative investment strategies managed by the Investment Manager. The investment objective is to seek to produce long-term appreciation of its assets. BGHL seeks to achieve this by investing in BG Fund ("the Fund"). In addition, a proportion of the net assets of BGHL may, at the discretion of the Investment Manager, be invested in other hedge funds and/or other financial assets selected by the Investment Manager. BGHL aims to generate a target annualized return in excess of 10% (net of all fees).



### III. SHARE INFORMATION as of 30 November 2017

Net Asset Value (NAV)	Euro share	Sterling share
Estimated NAV*	€ 23.4092	£20.6615
Estimated month to date return*	-1.10%	-1.03%
Estimated year to date return*	5.71%	6.28%
Estimated inception to date return*	134.09%	106.62%

Euro share	Amsterdam (AEX)	London (LSE)
Market close	€ 19.10	-
Premium / discount to estimated NAV	-18.41%	-

Sterling share	Amsterdam (AEX)	London (LSE)
Market close	-	£17.53
Premium / discount to estimated NAV	-	-15.18%

In the context of the current discount to NAV, the Company continues to purchase some of its own shares into treasury.

	Euro share	Sterling share
Shares issued	28,862,115	528,912
Shares held in treasury	-	-
Shares outstanding	28,862,115	528,912

	BGHL
Total value of the investments of BGHL based on the estimated NAV for the shares outstanding	€ 688 millions
Market capitalisation of BGHL based on the share price for the shares outstanding Amsterdam (AEX) market close for the Euro Share and London (LSE) market close for the Sterling share	€ 562 millions

\* Estimated figures

#### IV. BGHL TRACK RECORD

##### BGHL Track Record – Historical NAV Returns Summary (Net of Fees)

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	ITD
BGHL EUR NAV														
2006	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.27%	2.82%	5.15%	<b>5.15%</b>
2007	3.13%	1.45%	4.68%	0.73%	1.38%	-2.27%	0.85%	-2.21%	-0.32%	1.82%	-2.16%	-1.38%	5.56%	<b>11.00%</b>
2008	-2.10%	-0.01%	-2.32%	0.78%	1.29%	-2.98%	-1.19%	0.32%	-10.49%	1.67%	1.55%	1.09%	-12.30%	<b>-2.66%</b>
2009	3.34%	-0.17%	1.20%	5.01%	4.17%	0.92%	1.91%	2.63%	2.92%	1.47%	0.30%	0.69%	27.15%	<b>23.77%</b>
2010	1.35%	0.59%	1.62%	0.81%	-1.10%	1.00%	2.11%	-0.32%	0.79%	2.11%	0.04%	1.97%	11.49%	<b>37.99%</b>
2011	0.71%	0.57%	2.16%	0.01%	-0.05%	-0.85%	-0.80%	-0.20%	-2.17%	2.49%	-3.92%	-0.39%	-2.58%	<b>34.42%</b>
2012	3.90%	2.01%	-0.16%	0.54%	-0.61%	-0.32%	0.12%	1.29%	0.04%	0.83%	0.42%	1.08%	9.45%	<b>47.12%</b>
2013	0.89%	0.74%	-0.59%	0.24%	1.27%	0.83%	0.96%	0.47%	1.07%	1.57%	2.28%	3.14%	13.60%	<b>67.14%</b>
2014	2.81%	-0.01%	-0.74%	1.62%	1.53%	-0.58%	0.08%	0.52%	-1.08%	-0.93%	3.16%	0.37%	6.85%	<b>78.59%</b>
2015	2.96%	1.15%	-0.36%	1.12%	2.06%	-1.92%	3.56%	0.87%	-1.47%	0.80%	4.80%	1.25%	15.65%	<b>106.55%</b>
2016	0.48%	2.02%	1.18%	0.70%	1.68%	-0.59%	0.78%	0.47%	-0.01%	-1.08%	0.09%	1.32%	7.22%	<b>121.45%</b>
2017	0.59%	1.55%	0.08%	3.78%	1.16%	-0.07%	0.43%	-0.11%	-0.52%	-0.13%	-1.10%*		5.71%*	<b>134.09%*</b>
Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	ITD
BGHL GBP NAV														
2008	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.45%	-0.08%	-9.09%	0.16%	4.51%	3.69%	-2.84%	<b>-2.84%</b>
2009	1.88%	0.16%	0.52%	3.86%	3.22%	0.52%	1.62%	2.72%	2.97%	1.09%	0.28%	0.40%	20.91%	<b>17.48%</b>
2010	1.22%	0.40%	1.58%	0.72%	-1.43%	0.76%	2.01%	-0.36%	0.65%	1.97%	-0.17%	1.89%	9.57%	<b>28.72%</b>
2011	0.68%	0.37%	1.99%	-0.10%	-0.11%	-1.31%	-0.93%	-0.27%	-2.71%	2.37%	-4.46%	-0.45%	-5.00%	<b>22.28%</b>
2012	3.87%	2.14%	-0.32%	0.58%	-0.66%	-0.33%	0.13%	1.01%	0.04%	0.81%	0.39%	1.05%	8.98%	<b>33.26%</b>
2013	0.93%	0.71%	-0.60%	0.22%	1.11%	0.85%	0.94%	0.46%	1.05%	1.45%	2.20%	3.06%	13.04%	<b>50.64%</b>
2014	2.73%	-0.05%	-0.81%	1.60%	1.43%	-0.65%	0.04%	0.43%	-1.08%	-1.00%	2.46%	0.14%	5.29%	<b>58.61%</b>
2015	2.85%	1.10%	-0.41%	1.12%	1.91%	-1.97%	3.04%	0.91%	-1.41%	0.79%	4.31%	1.17%	14.08%	<b>80.95%</b>
2016	0.09%	2.09%	1.24%	0.75%	1.70%	-0.49%	0.84%	0.54%	0.04%	-1.02%	0.07%	1.38%	7.44%	<b>94.40%</b>
2017	0.63%	1.58%	0.13%	3.77%	1.29%	-0.06%	0.51%	-0.04%	-0.50%	-0.08%	-1.03%*		6.28%*	<b>106.62%*</b>

\* Estimated figures

## V. BGHL COMPOSITION

The proceeds have been invested in BG Fund (net of a certain amount retained by BGHL for working capital requirements and other requirements).

From 1 December 2017, BGHL is exposed to BG Fund up to approximately 108% of its net asset value. BGHL maximum possible exposure to BG Fund is 110% of its net asset value. In addition, BGHL has other investments.

### A. BG FUND

European markets were down in November with the Eurostoxx 50 -2.8% for the month. VStoxx finished the month at 13.5%, up from 12%. iTraxx Crossover (S28) ended the month at 231bps (6bps wider).

BG Fund finished the month down, -0.89% for the USD A share class with the negative performance arising predominantly from equity strategies and from volatility trading which continued to suffer from subdued market volatility.

#### Volatility strategies

##### *Mandatory convertible bond arbitrage*

Mandatory convertible bonds contributed +9bps this month, mostly due to a few positions trading slightly higher without any specific news flow.

##### *Convertible bond arbitrage*

Convertible bond contribution (excl. mandates) to the performance of the fund was flat in November in a very quiet environment. Most of the trading activity was linked to potential M&A and financial restructuring situations, however, no specific opportunities arose following these "special situations".

##### *Volatility Trading*

Realised volatility during November compared to 30d implied volatility at the end of October:

	30d Implied vol level on 31/10	Realised vol over the month	Difference
US	10.18	6.30	-3.88
EUROPE	11.99	7.20	-4.79

Change in implied volatilities across November:

Implied Vol	Oct. Vol Index Fut as of 31/10	Oct. Vol Index Fut as of 30/11	Vol move
US	12.18	11.67	-0.51
Europe	14.10	13.40	-0.70

Volatility trading contributed -38bps this month.

November was another month with subdued realised volatility and persistent roll down on the S&P500 and Eurostoxx50 volatility curves.

Given the reduced positioning in the vol book, the majority of this negative performance was due to Eurostoxx50 implied volatility substantially underperforming the S&P500 implied volatility. This difference has been primarily driven by hedging flows on the S&P500 supporting vol, while Eurostoxx50 saw vol selling from bank trading desks in

anticipation of structured product hedge rolls due in January. The position was further compounded by the outperformance of the S&P500 versus the Eurostoxx50 leading to “vol restriking” on the US options as investors reset hedges higher.

Carry on our vol spread position remains positive and we are retaining the position despite the mark-to-market volatility being experienced.

### **Equity strategies**

In November, our equity portfolio returned -98bps for the portfolio, mainly due to a difficult Q3 earnings season.

The biggest hit was on Playtech which suffered a sharp fall of 22% at the start of the month due to a 5% profit warning for 2017E which was attributed to:

- (i) a crackdown on online gambling in Malaysia that has effectively halted all revenues from the country since September (c.5% of group revenues) and
- (ii) worse than expected losses from the white label ‘Sun Bingo’ contract.

Management are confident that Malaysian revenues will return in H1 2018 and that the Sun Bingo contract is improving. The share price has recovered 10% since the bottom and has been trading well more recently. We continue to believe that the company is being fundamentally undervalued by the market and that the resolution of these one-off issues will allow the strong underlying performance to shine through. Furthermore, management are keen to put the balance sheet to work through further acquisitions and have a strong pipeline of potential deals.

On the positive side, our investments in the Telecom sector performed well following a solid set of earnings releases. In particular, Vodafone earnings showed signs of return to growth, and the shares finished the month up 6% while the FTSE 100 was down 1.8% and the Eurostoxx 50 down 2.8%. Telecoms as a whole also saw some rotation into the sector which helped support it despite the overall shakiness of the broader market in November.

### **Credit strategies**

#### ***Capital Structure Arbitrage***

Capital structure arbitrage was flat in November. The low volatility environment persisted despite an overall weaker tone in European equities. Credit as an asset class was more mixed and generally outperformed equity fueled by renewed dovishness from central banks. This backdrop did not offer new opportunities and has not favoured active trading around positions.

#### ***Credit long / short***

Credit long / short contributed +1bp in November.

Alongside other risky asset classes, credit markets experienced some volatility mainly due to several pieces of idiosyncratic news, notably around the Astaldi and Altice situations in European high yield. Towards the second part of the month the broader market decorrelated from those idiosyncratic situations to recoup some of its negative performance from early in November. Itraxx Xover S28 ended November at 231bps +6bps wider on the month but 20bps tighter than its widest close from earlier in November. One theme observed this month, was the notable outperformance of the financial sector versus corporates. The financial sector benefited in particular from a supportive Q3 reporting season from a credit standpoint, and also seems more immune than the corporate high yield to idiosyncratic risk contagion following further improvement in second tier peripheral banks. Itraxx Subfin S28 closed 4bps tighter at 112bps this month.

Limited specific news flows impacted our portfolio which outperformed the market primarily due to our strategies on financials.

## ***Credit special situations***

Our special situations positions contributed +21bps this month. The main contributor was CGG with key milestones obtained for the implementation of the financial restructuring plan. Firstly on 13 November 2017, the shareholders approved all the resolutions required to implement the financial restructuring plan after the approval granted by the creditors over the summer. Secondly, on 1 December 2017 the Commercial Court of Paris approved the plan and found the claims against it, filed by certain holders of CGG's convertible bonds, to be inadmissible. Subject to a similar favourable decision by the US bankruptcy Court, expected in December, the restructuring plan will be implemented in January including the rights issue to shareholders. The settlement and delivery of the various new securities contemplated under the restructuring plan is expected to occur by the end of February 2018.

## **Trading**

Trading contributed net +16bps; +7bps came from quantitative equity trading, +2bps from systematic trend following, +3bps from A.I. trading and +4bps from others.

## **B. DIRECT INVESTMENTS OTHER THAN BG FUND**

On top of its investment in BG Fund, BGHL has other investments. As of 30 November 2017, the net asset value of these investments represents less than 5% of the net asset value of BGHL.

### **Rasaland Investors ("RLI")**

RLI is a Malta-based holding company structured as a private equity fund in terms of fees and organisation and managed by BK Partners. RLI is dedicated to investing in land, hotels and high-end resort developments in Mexico.

RLI main asset is a majority interest in ACTUR its private subsidiary. ACTUR's other shareholders are Mexican public institutions. ACTUR owns land developing assets (Mandarina and Xala projects) and a minority interest in the publicly-traded company RLH Properties (ticker: RLHA:MM). RLH Properties owns majority interests in the Four Seasons hotel in Mexico City and in four hotels in Cancun (Fairmont hotel, Rosewood hotel, Banyan Tree and the Hyatt Andaz hotels and the Camaleon PGA Golf Course) and RLH Properties owns land lots in the Mandarin area on which the One & Only hotel and the Rosewood hotel are being developed.

Based on recent indications that BGHL would only be able to exit at a material discount to RLI's NAV, BGHL decided to mark down the position by -50% in May 2017. The position is valued at 50% of the NAV calculated by RLI's administrator.

In July 2017, BGHL purchased 9,075,135 shares of Rasaland. BGHL currently holds 19,075,103 shares which represents approximately 10.1% of the share capital of RLI.

### **GFI Informatique ("GFI")**

BGHL holds GFI shares. GFI is a major player in value-added IT services and software in Europe. GFI is listed on the Paris Euronext, NYSE Euronext (Compartment B) - ISIN Code: FR0004038099.

On 10 May 2017, Mannai Corporation ("Mannai") announced an agreement for the acquisition by Mannai of the remaining stakes held by Boussard & Gavaudan and Apax. The announcement is available here: [http://www.altamir.fr/news/press-releases.html?LANG=EN&langue=EN&LangUser=EN&RefACT=ACTUS-0-351&ACT\\_Type1=2&ID=ACTUS-0-48598&CLIENT=ACTUS-0-351](http://www.altamir.fr/news/press-releases.html?LANG=EN&langue=EN&LangUser=EN&RefACT=ACTUS-0-351&ACT_Type1=2&ID=ACTUS-0-48598&CLIENT=ACTUS-0-351).

In accordance with this agreement, BGHL sold two thirds of its position in July 2017 at a price of €8.00 per share for a total amount of €20,232,688 and is expected to sell the remaining third in June 2018 at a price of €8.50 per share for a total amount of €11,076,851.50.

## VI. BOUSSARD & GAVAUDAN INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT UPDATE

### A. TRANSACTION IN THE COMPANY'S SECURITIES

Please note that transactions in the Company's securities that have been performed by officers, directors and persons referred to in the section 5:60 of the Financial Supervision Act ("Wft") are reported:

- directly on the AFM website: [www.afm.nl](http://www.afm.nl) (professionals > registers > notifications > insider-transactions 5:60 wft);
- on the Company's website through a link to the AFM notification: [www.bgholdingltd.com](http://www.bgholdingltd.com) (Investment Manager > Regulatory information).

Transactions in the Company's own securities are also reported on:

- the AFM website: [www.afm.nl](http://www.afm.nl) (professionals > registers > notifications > price-sensitive press releases);
- the Company's website: [www.bgholdingltd.com](http://www.bgholdingltd.com) (Investor Relations > Financial announcements).

### B. BGIM'S AUM

As of 1 December 2017, BG Fund assets under management are €2.87bn.

Sincerely,

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## VII. ANNEXES ON BG FUND

Annex 1: Greeks		
Delta	10.1%	10.1 bps P&L variation for market +1%
Gamma	3.0%	delta variation for market +1%
Vega	11 bps	by vol point
Theta	-29 bps	by 30 days
Optional theta	-33 bps	by 30 days
Rho	-0.6 bps	for 1 bp of interest rates increasing
Credit sensitivity	-1 bps	for 1% of credit spreads widening (in relative)
Annex 2: Performance Attribution *		
<b>Volatility Strategies</b>		<b>-29 bps</b>
Mandatory convertible bond arbitrage		9 bps
Convertible bond arbitrage (incl. credit convertible bonds)		0 bps
Volatility trading		-38 bps
Warrant arbitrage		0 bps
<b>Equity Strategies</b>		<b>-98 bps</b>
Risk arbitrage / Special situations		-25 bps
Long / short trading with short-term catalyst & Value		-73 bps
<b>Credit Strategies</b>		<b>22 bps</b>
Credit long / short		1 bps
Capital structure arbitrage		0 bps
Credit special situations		21 bps
<b>Trading</b>		<b>16 bps</b>
Quantitative equity trading		7 bps
Systematic trend following		2 bps
Trading using A.I		3 bps
Other		4 bps
<b>Total</b>		<b>-89 bps</b>
Annex 3: Equity at Risk		
<b>Volatility Strategies</b>		<b>7.8%</b>
Mandatory convertible bond arbitrage		5.8%
Convertible bond arbitrage (incl. credit convertible bonds)		1.0%
Volatility trading		1.1%
<b>Equity Strategies</b>		<b>27.0%</b>
Risk arbitrage / Special situations		7.0%
Long / short trading with short-term catalyst & Value		19.9%
<b>Credit Strategies</b>		<b>3.6%</b>
Credit long / short		1.0%
Capital structure arbitrage		0.0%
Credit special situations		2.6%
<b>Trading</b>		<b>6.2%</b>
Quantitative equity trading		2.3%
Systematic trend following		2.5%
Trading using A.I		0.3%
Other		1.1%
<b>Cash Equivalents</b>		<b>1.2%</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>45.9%</b>

\* Estimated figures for USD A share class



#### Annex 4: Gross Exposure (in % of AUM) \*

Volatility Strategies		
Mandatory convertible bond arbitrage	Long	50.0%
	Short equity	47.6%
	Short credit	0.0%
Convertible bond arbitrage (incl. credit convertible bonds)	Long	5.0%
	Short equity	3.7%
	Short credit	0.0%
Volatility trading	Long	37.9%
	Short	52.4%
Equity Strategies		
Risk Arbitrage / Special Situations	Long	20.2%
	Short	9.0%
Long / Short trading with short-term catalyst / Value	Long	85.7%
	Short	77.1%
Credit Strategies		
Credit long / short	Long	7.1%
	Short	5.6%
Capital structure arbitrage	Long	0.0%
	Short	0.1%
Credit special situations	Long	3.4%
	Short	0.0%
Trading		
Quantitative equity trading	Long	11.3%
	Short	11.3%
Systematic trend following	Long	41.9%
	Short	10.2%
Trading using A.I	Long	2.5%
	Short	0.8%
Other	Long	3.5%
	Short	9.7%
Gross Exposure		496.0%

	Long	Short
Mandatory convertible bond arbitrage and Convertible bond arbitrage	$\sum$ market value long	$\text{Abs}(\sum[\text{delta equity} + \text{options}]) + \sum$ notional long for CDS
Volatility Trading	$\sum$ Abs (delta equity)	$\sum$ Abs (delta equity)
Warrant Arbitrage	$\sum$ delta long	$\sum$ Abs(delta short)
Equity Strategies and Trading	$\sum$ delta long	$\sum$ Abs(delta short)
Credit Strategies	$\sum$ market value long + $\sum$ Abs (notional short for CDS)	$\sum$ Abs(market value short) + $\sum$ notional long for CDS

\* Some trades initially in Credit long / short are now reported in Credit special situations

## Annex 5: Investment Manager's Track Record – Historical Returns Summary (Net of Fees)

### USD A Share Class

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	ITD <sup>(4)</sup>
<b>Sark Fund</b>														
2003	-	-	0.67%	0.70%	0.77%	0.94%	0.84%	0.97%	1.15%	1.46%	1.01%	0.15%	9.00%	<b>9.00%</b>
2004	1.00%	-0.17%	0.96%	0.13%	0.07%	-0.35%	-0.47%	-0.47%	-0.24%	-0.59%	1.16%	1.06%	2.08%	<b>11.27%</b>
2005	1.66%	1.08%	1.09%	-0.64%	0.31%	1.30%	1.22%	0.62%	1.06%	-0.32%	0.81%	0.89%	9.45%	<b>21.79%</b>
2006	-0.01%	1.64%	1.78%	1.08%	-0.29%	1.49%	0.56%	1.74%	2.83%	3.06%	2.64%	3.01%	21.29%	<b>47.72%</b>
2007	3.19%	1.58%	4.82%	0.89%	1.45%	-2.15%	0.97%	-2.12%	-0.22%	1.92%	-2.13%	-1.17%	6.97%	<b>58.02%</b>
2008	-2.12%	-0.07%	-2.57%	1.02%	0.98%	-2.52%	-1.50%	0.21%	-10.63%	0.16%	-2.97%	0.22%	-18.56%	<b>28.69%</b>
2009	1.71%	-0.31%	0.84%	4.87%	4.29%	0.72%	2.01%	3.26%	3.48%	1.11%	0.21%	0.46%	24.96%	<b>60.81%</b>
<b>BG Fund</b>														
2010	1.24%	0.36%	1.58%	0.73%	-1.41%	0.77%	2.16%	-0.33%	0.67%	2.05%	-0.15%	1.88%	9.92%	<b>76.77%</b>
2011	0.65%	0.35%	1.93%	-0.15%	-0.12%	-1.35%	-1.00%	-0.30%	-2.72%	2.56%	-4.41%	-0.40%	-5.04%	<b>67.86%</b>
2012	4.03%	2.13%	-0.23%	0.49%	-0.66%	-0.26%	0.14%	1.08%	0.01%	0.87%	0.46%	0.20%	8.49%	<b>82.12%</b>
2013	0.84%	0.65%	-0.69%	0.28%	1.19%	0.73%	1.02%	0.48%	1.16%	1.23%	1.97%	2.17%	11.56%	<b>103.17%</b>
2014	2.41%	0.06%	-1.01%	0.60%	1.18%	-1.07%	0.20%	0.85%	-0.69%	-0.34%	1.76%	0.25%	4.23%	<b>111.75%</b>
2015	2.10%	0.87%	-0.20%	1.01%	1.76%	-1.72%	2.60%	0.81%	-0.97%	0.51%	2.47%	1.12%	10.77%	<b>134.56%</b>
2016	0.05%	2.04%	1.35%	0.86%	1.64%	-0.55%	1.16%	0.52%	0.14%	-0.81%	0.03%	1.35%	8.03%	<b>153.39%</b>
2017	0.63%	1.59%	0.38%	3.93%	1.42%	0.09%	0.34%	0.05%	-0.36%	0.01%	-0.89%*		7.36%*	<b>172.04%*</b>

\* Estimated figures

<sup>(4)</sup> Inception to date figures starting 2010 combine Sark Fund, Boussard & Gavaudan Fund and BG Fund performances.

## EUR A Share Class

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	ITD <sup>(4)</sup>
Sark Fund														
2003	-	-	0.75%	0.76%	0.82%	1.04%	0.93%	1.06%	1.18%	1.55%	1.05%	0.17%	9.69%	<b>9.69%</b>
2004	1.07%	-0.12%	1.03%	0.22%	0.14%	-0.29%	-0.42%	-0.42%	-0.19%	-0.49%	1.18%	1.07%	2.81%	<b>12.77%</b>
2005	1.70%	1.06%	1.09%	-0.69%	0.27%	1.27%	1.16%	0.50%	1.00%	-0.44%	0.71%	0.77%	8.70%	<b>22.58%</b>
2006	-0.18%	1.56%	1.64%	0.86%	-0.47%	1.35%	0.40%	1.56%	2.73%	2.90%	2.34%	2.91%	18.99%	<b>45.85%</b>
2007	3.14%	1.46%	4.67%	0.74%	1.39%	-2.24%	0.87%	-2.20%	-0.31%	1.83%	-2.15%	-1.24%	5.85%	<b>54.38%</b>
2008	-2.08%	-0.01%	-2.35%	1.10%	1.13%	-2.33%	-1.39%	0.21%	-10.93%	-0.44%	-2.86%	0.18%	-18.58%	<b>25.69%</b>
2009	1.92%	-0.28%	0.90%	4.88%	4.10%	0.73%	1.99%	3.21%	3.48%	1.13%	0.22%	0.48%	25.13%	<b>57.27%</b>
2010	1.26%	0.37%	1.60%	0.74%	-1.49%	0.74%	2.01%	-0.34%	0.62%	2.02%	-0.14%	1.85%	9.56%	<b>72.31%</b>
BG Fund														
2011	0.65%	0.38%	1.94%	-0.09%	-0.07%	-1.27%	-0.95%	-0.24%	-2.86%	2.47%	-4.50%	-0.49%	-5.08%	<b>63.56%</b>
2012	4.01%	2.12%	-0.28%	0.47%	-0.71%	-0.26%	0.10%	1.03%	-0.01%	0.84%	0.43%	0.17%	8.12%	<b>76.84%</b>
2013	0.80%	0.65%	-0.71%	0.25%	1.19%	0.71%	0.99%	0.48%	1.11%	1.22%	1.97%	2.14%	11.31%	<b>96.85%</b>
2014	2.47%	0.05%	-1.01%	0.61%	1.21%	-1.06%	0.20%	0.86%	-0.71%	-0.36%	1.75%	0.27%	4.29%	<b>105.30%</b>
2015	2.22%	0.85%	-0.21%	0.93%	1.79%	-1.73%	2.58%	0.78%	-1.01%	0.47%	2.59%	0.96%	10.60%	<b>127.06%</b>
2016	0.00%	1.98%	1.21%	0.79%	1.62%	-0.65%	1.07%	0.43%	0.03%	-0.92%	-0.03%	1.21%	6.91%	<b>142.74%</b>
2017	0.51%	1.53%	0.26%	3.75%	1.24%	-0.06%	0.19%	-0.10%	-0.47%	-0.11%	-1.01%*		5.81%*	<b>156.84%*</b>

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Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	ITD
BG Fund														
2016	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.03%	1.26%	1.29%	<b>1.29%</b>
2017	0.57%	1.57%	0.32%	3.74%	1.37%	0.01%	0.26%	-0.01%	-0.46%	-0.06%	-0.96%*		6.44%*	<b>7.81%*</b>

\* Estimated figures

<sup>(4)</sup> Inception to date figures starting 2010 combine Sark Fund, Boussard & Gavaudan Fund and BG Fund performances.

## General Stress Tests

	Scenario	Description	Impact % of NAV
1	Delta - spot up	Spot : 10% ; Credit : 0% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 0%	2.80%
2	Delta - spot down	Spot : -10% ; Credit : 0% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 0%	-0.55%
3	Vega - vol up	Spot : 0% ; Credit : 0% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 0%	0.22%
4	Vega - vol down	Spot : 0% ; Credit : 0% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 0%	-0.20%
5	Credit spread widen	Spot : 0% ; Credit : 25% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 0%	-0.32%
6	Credit spread tighten	Spot : 0% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 0%	0.23%
7	Market crash 0.5	Spot : -5% ; Credit : 25% ; Vol : 15% ; Rates : 0%	-0.47%
8	Market crash 1	Spot : -10% ; Credit : 50% ; Vol : 30% ; Rates : 0%	-0.60%
9	Market crash 2	Spot : -20% ; Credit : 75% ; Vol : 50% ; Rates : 0%	-0.75%
10	Market crash 3	Spot : -30% ; Credit : 100% ; Vol : 70% ; Rates : 0%	-0.91%
11	Market crash, rates down 1	Spot : -10% ; Credit : 50% ; Vol : 30% ; Rates : -50%	-0.40%
12	Market crash, rates down 2	Spot : -20% ; Credit : 75% ; Vol : 50% ; Rates : -50%	-0.56%
13	Market crash, rates down 3	Spot : -30% ; Credit : 100% ; Vol : 70% ; Rates : -50%	-0.73%
14	Market crash, rates up 1	Spot : -10% ; Credit : 50% ; Vol : 30% ; Rates : 50%	-0.79%
15	Market crash, rates up 2	Spot : -20% ; Credit : 75% ; Vol : 50% ; Rates : 50%	-1.01%
16	Market crash, rates up 3	Spot : -30% ; Credit : 100% ; Vol : 70% ; Rates : 50%	-1.23%
17	Equity Credit decorrelation 1	Spot : 5% ; Credit : 25% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 0%	0.80%
18	Equity Credit decorrelation 2	Spot : 5% ; Credit : 25% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 0%	1.01%
19	Equity Credit decorrelation 3	Spot : 5% ; Credit : 25% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 0%	0.61%
20	Equity Credit decorrelation 4	Spot : -5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 0%	-0.02%
21	Equity Credit decorrelation 5	Spot : -5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 0%	-0.37%
22	Equity Credit decorrelation 6	Spot : 0% ; Credit : 25% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 0%	-0.10%
23	Equity Credit decorrelation 7	Spot : 0% ; Credit : 25% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 0%	-0.52%
24	Market rally 1	Spot : 5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 0%	1.15%
25	Market rally 2	Spot : 5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 0%	1.34%
26	Market rally 3	Spot : 5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 0%	1.55%
27	Market rally 4	Spot : 10% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 0%	2.87%
28	Market rally 5	Spot : 10% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 0%	3.03%
29	Market rally 6	Spot : 10% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 0%	3.20%
30	Market rally, Inflation 1	Spot : 5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 50%	0.95%
31	Market rally, Inflation 2	Spot : 5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 50%	1.15%
32	Market rally, Inflation 3	Spot : 5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 50%	1.36%
33	Market rally, Inflation 4	Spot : 10% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 50%	2.68%
34	Market rally, Inflation 5	Spot : 10% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 50%	2.65%
35	Market rally, Inflation 6	Spot : 10% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 50%	2.82%
36	Market rally, Inflation 7	Spot : 5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 100%	0.75%
37	Market rally, Inflation 8	Spot : 5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 100%	0.95%
38	Market rally, Inflation 9	Spot : 5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 100%	0.77%
39	Market rally, Inflation 10	Spot : 10% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 100%	2.13%
40	Market rally, Inflation 11	Spot : 10% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 100%	2.28%
41	Market rally, Inflation 12	Spot : 10% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 100%	2.45%
Worst			-1.23%

\* We changed our methodology for bumping rate curve to be more in line with the market reality

## Hedge Funds Liquidation Stress Tests

Stress tests' scenarios have been improved in order to take into account liquidity issues. This scenario aims at reflecting, to some extent, how the fund would react in distressed market environment (as was the case in late 2008). These stress tests combine the three following adjustments:

- Small and mid caps adjustment

In certain market conditions, small and mid caps beta may become much higher than its level in normal market conditions and thus the hedging of such positions may not be effective. To address this kind of circumstance we apply a corrective factor to the beta of small and mid caps. The factor applied on mid caps is 1.5 and 2 on small caps.

- Risk arbitrage adjustment

The risk of risk arbitrage positions is taken into account differently in case the market drops by more than 10%. We consider that one third of risk arbitrage positions will collapse.

- Liquidity adjustment

An average discount (realized in 2008) is applied to bond, convertible bond (including mandatory convertible bond) and loan prices in case credit spreads widen by more than 25%.

Mandatories: Adj. price =  $\text{Max}(\text{Shifted Price} - 5\% * \text{Max}(\text{Credit spread shift} - 25\%, 0), \text{Parity})$

Others : Adj. price =  $\text{Max}(\text{Shifted Price} - 5\% * \text{Max}(\text{Credit spread shift} - 25\%, 0), 0)$

	Scenario	Description	Impact % of NAV
1	Delta - spot up	Spot : 10% ; Credit : 0% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 0%	4.06%
2	Delta - spot down	Spot : -10% ; Credit : 0% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 0%	-1.83%
3	Vega - vol up	Spot : 0% ; Credit : 0% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 0%	0.22%
4	Vega - vol down	Spot : 0% ; Credit : 0% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 0%	-0.20%
5	Credit spread widen	Spot : 0% ; Credit : 25% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 0%	-0.32%
6	Credit spread tighten	Spot : 0% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 0%	0.23%
7	Market crash 0.5	Spot : -5% ; Credit : 25% ; Vol : 15% ; Rates : 0%	-1.10%
8	Market crash 1	Spot : -10% ; Credit : 50% ; Vol : 30% ; Rates : 0%	-2.25%
9	Market crash 2	Spot : -20% ; Credit : 75% ; Vol : 50% ; Rates : 0%	-4.70%
10	Market crash 3	Spot : -30% ; Credit : 100% ; Vol : 70% ; Rates : 0%	-6.83%
11	Market crash, rates down 1	Spot : -10% ; Credit : 50% ; Vol : 30% ; Rates : -50%	-2.04%
12	Market crash, rates down 2	Spot : -20% ; Credit : 75% ; Vol : 50% ; Rates : -50%	-4.51%
13	Market crash, rates down 3	Spot : -30% ; Credit : 100% ; Vol : 70% ; Rates : -50%	-6.65%
14	Market crash, rates up 1	Spot : -10% ; Credit : 50% ; Vol : 30% ; Rates : 50%	-2.44%
15	Market crash, rates up 2	Spot : -20% ; Credit : 75% ; Vol : 50% ; Rates : 50%	-4.96%
16	Market crash, rates up 3	Spot : -30% ; Credit : 100% ; Vol : 70% ; Rates : 50%	-7.16%
17	Equity Credit decorrelation 1	Spot : 5% ; Credit : 25% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 0%	1.43%
18	Equity Credit decorrelation 2	Spot : 5% ; Credit : 25% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 0%	1.64%
19	Equity Credit decorrelation 3	Spot : 5% ; Credit : 25% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 0%	1.23%
20	Equity Credit decorrelation 4	Spot : -5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 0%	-0.65%
21	Equity Credit decorrelation 5	Spot : -5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 0%	-1.01%
22	Equity Credit decorrelation 6	Spot : 0% ; Credit : 25% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 0%	-0.10%
23	Equity Credit decorrelation 7	Spot : 0% ; Credit : 25% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 0%	-0.52%
24	Market rally 1	Spot : 5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 0%	1.77%
25	Market rally 2	Spot : 5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 0%	1.97%
26	Market rally 3	Spot : 5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 0%	2.18%
27	Market rally 4	Spot : 10% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 0%	4.12%
28	Market rally 5	Spot : 10% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 0%	4.28%
29	Market rally 6	Spot : 10% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 0%	4.46%
30	Market rally, Inflation 1	Spot : 5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 50%	1.58%
31	Market rally, Inflation 2	Spot : 5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 50%	1.77%
32	Market rally, Inflation 3	Spot : 5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 50%	1.98%
33	Market rally, Inflation 4	Spot : 10% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 50%	3.94%
34	Market rally, Inflation 5	Spot : 10% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 50%	3.91%
35	Market rally, Inflation 6	Spot : 10% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 50%	4.08%
36	Market rally, Inflation 7	Spot : 5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 100%	1.38%
37	Market rally, Inflation 8	Spot : 5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 100%	1.57%
38	Market rally, Inflation 9	Spot : 5% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 100%	1.39%
39	Market rally, Inflation 10	Spot : 10% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : -10% ; Rates : 100%	3.39%
40	Market rally, Inflation 11	Spot : 10% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 0% ; Rates : 100%	3.54%
41	Market rally, Inflation 12	Spot : 10% ; Credit : -25% ; Vol : 10% ; Rates : 100%	3.71%
	<b>Worst</b>		<b>-7.16%</b>

**Annex 7: IFRS 13 Classification as of 31 October 2017**

	<b>% of NAV</b>	<b>Number of positions</b>
<b>Assets</b>		
Level 1	35.9%	186
Level 2	56.1%	1373
Level 3	1.6%	14
Cash & cash equivalents	72.4%	3
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>166.0%</b>	<b>1576</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Level 1	-62.6%	154
Level 2	-3.4%	54
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>-66.0%</b>	<b>208</b>
<b>Total Assets + Liabilities</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1784</b>

	<b>% of NAV</b>
• Encumbered cash and cash equivalents	
– Cash - Derivatives Clearing Organisation	6.5%
– Cash - Counterparties	4.0%
– Money market fund	2.1%
– Cash covering a short market value	0.0%
• Unencumbered cash and cash equivalents	
– Cash covering a short market value	54.3%
– Short-term papers < 90 days	5.4%
– Excess cash	0.0%
<b>Total Cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>72.4%</b>

In compliance with AIFMD, BGIM will report in the newsletter the information hereafter:

- The percentage of assets which are subject to special arrangements arising from their illiquid nature:

Nothing to report

- Any new arrangements for managing the liquidity of the AIF:

Nothing to report

- The current risk profile of the AIF and a description of the risk management systems employed by BGIM to manage market risk, liquidity risk, counterparty risk and other risks, including operational risk:

Please refer to this newsletter for the current risk profile of the Fund.

The backbone of the portfolio and risk management systems at BGIM relies on several components all interfaced together to ensure a full Straight Through Processing. The main system is FusionInvest provided by Mysis used for position keeping and risk management. FusionInvest is interfaced to a real time market data vendor for real time P&L and risk calculation. Another key system is Trade Smart, the Execution Management System provided by Trading Screen that is interfaced to an in-house implemented Order Management System, itself connected in real time to FusionInvest. All figures used for qualitative and quantitative risk management are produced out of FusionInvest.

- The gross investment exposure of the Company at any time may represent a maximum of 2 times the Net Asset Value at the time of investment.

	Maximum limit	Current usage
Commitment method	200%	110%
Gross method	200%	114%

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