

# NB Distressed Debt Investment Fund Limited – Extended Life Shares ("NBDX")

#### **NBDX FUND OBJECTIVE**

NB Distressed Debt Investment Fund Limited's ("NBDDIF") primary objective is to provide investors with attractive risk-adjusted returns through long-biased, opportunistic stressed, distressed and special situation credit-related investments while seeking to limit downside risk.

NBDDIF's holdings are diversified across distressed, stressed and special situations investments, with a focus on senior debt backed by hard assets. The portfolio is managed by the Distressed Debt team at Neuberger Berman, which sits within what we believe is one of the largest and most experienced non-investment grade credit teams in the industry.

On 31 March 2015, the investment period of the Extended Life Share Class ("NBDX") expired and the assets of NBDDIF attributable to the Extended Life Shares were placed into the harvest period. There were no share buybacks during the quarter. Inception to date, distributions stand at \$326.9 million or 91% of original capital (income by way of dividend, capital by way of redemption and share buybacks).

The Extended Life Share Class is one of three classes of shares in NBDDIF. The others are the Ordinary Share Class and the New Global Share Class. The Ordinary Share Class was subject to an investment period which ended on 10 June 2013 and the New Global Share Class was subject to an investment period which ended on 31 March 2017. Separate factsheets are produced for those share classes.

#### FUND FACTS<sup>1</sup>

NAV Per Share: \$1 0258 \$0.5300 Share Price: Share Price Discount to NAV -48.3% \$23.4m Market Cap. Total NAV \$45.4m No. of issuers 9 April 2013 Launch Date: Base Currency: USD NAV Frequency: Daily Domicile: Guernsev Year End: 31 December Management Fee: NBDX:LN Bloomberg Ticker: GG00BR88RQ95 ISIN: Website www.nbddif.com Fund Type: Closed-ended Investment Company

#### NAV BRIDGE: 30 SEPTEMBER - 31 DECEMBER 2023



Source: Neuberger Berman

Beginning NAV and Closing NAV are based on published NAVs for NBDX and not on a per share basis Realised and Unrealised gain/loss includes intra-quarter adjustments that have no effect on YTD NAV.

FX Changes due to share class's exposure to foreign currencies. As detailed in its prospectus, the share class may, but is not required to, engage in currency hedging in connection with investments in assets not denominated in US dollars (the currency in which shares are denominated).

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Return of Capital includes distributions and share buybacks.

Figures presented are based on quarter-end published financial information and financial information provided by U.S. Bank Global Fund Services (Guernsey) Limited.

7 U.S. Bank Global Fund Services (Ireland) Limited, as administrator to NBDDIF (the "Administrator"). This NAV bridge has not been audited and figures are subject to change.

#### MANAGER COMMENTARY

For much of 2023, financial markets focused on stubborn inflation trends combined with a gradual deterioration in the cyclical economy. However, as fears of sticky inflation faded, expectations of rate cuts have soothed hard-landing concerns. Looking ahead, investors will continue to monitor multiple trends including economic growth dynamics, the ultimate destination of rates, and geopolitical events. All could lead to elevated volatility over the next 12 months and beyond. Given these circumstances, the timing and quantum of any financial impact on the portfolio remain difficult to predict. Despite the uncertainty, the investment manager remains committed to realising the investments in an orderly manner and winding down the share class as soon as practicable.

For regulatory reasons, the final 10% of the total return (NAV plus cumulative distributions) in respect of any class of participating shares in NBDDIF will be returned to shareholders with a final compulsory redemption of all the outstanding shares of that class.

While uncertainty in markets remains, we have reviewed the remaining investments to provide guidance on their realisable values. The investment manager uses economic, industry and issuer specific data to estimate the gross realisable value in downside, base case and upside scenarios for each investment in the portfolio. It currently estimates that the range of the aggregated realisable value for the investments in the portfolio is between 82% and 150% of the quarter-end market values of these investments, with a base case of 126%. The range is slightly lower compared to last quarter due a decrease in realisable values of a containers & packaging investment and an auto components investment. Shareholders should, however, note that: (i) the realisable values of the investments are calculated on a gross basis and, in particular, do not reflect any applicable third-party expenses; and (ii) this range of aggregate realisable values is an estimate only, with no guarantee that the value actually realised will be within this range. Further details on the risks relating to "forward looking information" are set out at the end of this announcement.

### Portfolio Update

NBDX ended the quarter with a NAV per share of \$1.0258 compared with \$1.0281 at the end of last quarter. NAV decreased -0.2% during the quarter, principally driven by a small decline in value of an auto components investment. At quarter-end, 90% of NBDX's NAV was invested in distressed assets (including net cash held in subsidiaries), with 10% held in cash and U.S. Treasury securities.

The remaining portfolio consists of 8 issuers across 6 sectors, including surface transport, financial intermediaries, containers & packaging, and oil & gas. There were no exits during the quarter. The ratio of distributions, both income and capital, to original capital, is 91%. Including the current NAV, the figure rises to 104%.

### Notable Events<sup>2</sup>

There were no notable events during the quarter:

#### Significant Value Change (+/- \$490,000)3

There were no significant value changes during the quarter.

Data as at 31 December 2023. Past performance is not indicative of future returns. All comments unless otherwise stated relate to NBDX.

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Source: Bloomberg, except where otherwise stated
 Notable corporate events may or may not result in an increase or decrease in the value of an NBDX investment or a change in NBDX's NAV per share. Please note that an investment may experience a change in value (positive or negative) during the quarter whether or not it was subject to a notable corporate event. Not all events involving existing investments are disclosed. In addition, certain corporate events may not have been disclosed due to confidentiality obligations.



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#### **FUND MANAGERS**

#### Michael Holmberg

32 years' investment experience

#### **Brendan McDermott**

15 years' investment experience

#### Ravi Soni

14 years' investment experience

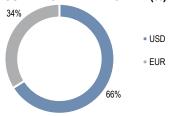
#### Directors:

John Hallam (Chairman) Michael Holmberg Christopher Legge Stephen Vakil

#### COUNTRY BREAKDOWN<sup>4,5</sup> (%)



#### CURRENCY BREAKDOWN<sup>4,5</sup> (%)



#### INVESTMENT TYPE5 (%)



#### SECTOR BREAKDOWN4(%)

SECTOR DIVENDOMM. (10)	
Surface Transport	33%
Containers and Packaging	17%
Oil & Gas	17%
Commercial Mortgage	11%
Financial Intermediaries	8%
Auto Components	3%
Net Cash and cash equivalents, U.S.	10%
Treasury securities and FX	

#### Portfolio Update (continued)

There were no exits during the quarter. Inception to date there have been 71 exits with a total return of \$70.9 million, weighted average IRR of 5% and weighted average ROR of 12%.

There were no distributions during the quarter. Inception to date a total of \$326.9 million or 91% of original capital has been distributed, via dividends, redemptions and share buybacks.

The investment manager has undertaken a review of all the investments in the light of a changed market. The table below provides an overview of the status of each of the remaining holdings in the portfolio.

We will continue to update shareholders as we gain further clarity on investment realisations.

HOLDING	INDUSTRY	% NAV <sup>6</sup>	INVESTMENT STATUS		
1	Surface Transport	23%	Awaiting mediation needed to unlock escrowed proceeds to pay claim		
2	Oil & Gas	17%	Sales process being run, closing expected in 1H24		
3	Containers and Packaging	15%	Profitability impacted by lower volumes; capital markets exit postponed until results regain momentum		
4	Commercial Mortgage	11%	Continue to lease space as we prepare for exit; we target a sale in 2024		
5	Surface Transport	10%	Litigation ongoing, no near-term resolution expected, exploring a secondary market sale		
6	Financial Intermediaries	8%	Seeking balance sheet transaction that will facilitate substantial capital return by 2024		
7	Auto Components	3%	Seeking secondary market buyer, requires healthy capital markets for reasonable value		
8	Containers and Packaging	2%	Profitability impacted by lower volumes, capital markets exit postponed until results regain momentum		
		90%			

As explained above, due to regulatory reasons, the final 10% of total return in respect of any class of participating shares in NBDDIF will be returned to shareholders with the final compulsory redemption of all the outstanding shares of that class

In the harvest period, we continue to focus on restructuring and monetising our investments, balancing timely realisations with maximising proceeds to our shareholders. Changes to timing are expected based on current market conditions and investment developments and will continue to be updated in these factsheets.

#### Share Buybacks

The share buyback programme was intended to narrow the discount during the investment period. At this point of the harvest period, our priority, taking into account shareholder feedback, is the return of capital. The Board intends to make distributions from investment realisations and not hold back cash for future share buyback programmes.

NBDDIF did not repurchase any shares in NBDX during the quarter. Inception to date, a total of 14,643,634 NBDX shares, or 4% of the original NBDX shares at a cost of \$12.1 million, have been repurchased and cancelled.

<sup>3.</sup> Industry categorisations determined by Neuberger Berman. Total Return determined by the Administrator and includes realised and unrealised gains and losses, expenses, FX gains and losses, and all income on investments according to US GAAP accounting. References in this factsheet to the market value of specific fund investments refers to the value determined in accordance with NBDX's valuation policy, which may include fair valued investments where third party prices are not available or are not considered accurate

Categorisations determined by Neuberger Berman and percentages determined by the Administrator, based on market value as of 31 December 2023.

Includes cash and accruals

<sup>6.</sup> Percentages do not include net cash and equivalents, which are detailed in the Sector Breakdown table



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#### PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION - TOP 8 HOLDINGS8

Holding	Industry	Current Instrument	Status	Country	% of NAV <sup>9</sup>	Primary Assets
1	Surface Transport	Trade Claim	Defaulted	Brazil	23%	Municipal Claim
2	Oil & Gas	Private Equity	Post-Reorg	US	17%	Ethanol Plant
3	Containers and Packaging	Private Equity	Post-Reorg	Luxembourg	15%	Manufacturing Plant and Equipment
4	Commercial Mortgage	Secured Loan	Defaulted	Netherlands	11%	Commercial Real Estate
5	Surface Transport	Secured Loan	Defaulted	Spain	10%	Concession
6	Financial Intermediaries	Private Notes	Defaulted	US	8%	Cash and Securities
7	Auto Components	Secured Loan	Post-Reorg	France	3%	Manufacturing Plant and Equipment
8	Containers and Packaging	Private Equity	Post-Reorg	Luxembourg	2%	Manufacturing Plant and Equipment
					90%	

Source: Bloomberg
 Categorisations determined by Neuberger Berman; percentages determined by Neuberger Berman and the Administrator. Please note that irrespective of the "sector" in which an investment is made, the underlying assets constituting the collateral for the investment comprise real estate assets in a majority of cases. As a result, NBDX's overall exposure to the real estate sector may be more than its actual direct exposure to that sector.
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