# VIG Czech Short Term Bond Investment Fund

A series CZK MONTHLY report - 2023 OCTOBER (made on: 10/31/2023)



### INVESTMENT POLICY OF THE FUND

The Fund aims to increase the value of its assets under management and to provide investors with a higher yield than Czech bank deposits and short-term bonds over a period of 1 to 2 years. No individual investor's decisions can be made in the Fund. The Fund Manager selects portfolio elements in accordance with the above principles (Section 11). When making investment decisions, the tools of fundamental analysis and technical analysis are used, and the current market sentiment is also taken into account. The Fund primarily invests in discount treasury bills issued by the Czech State, sovereign bonds, bonds of quasi-sovereign companies, or bonds or deposit-like instruments issued by the Czech National Bank, the European Central Bank or the central bank of another Member State of the European Union. To a limited extent, the portfolio may include government securities, state-guaranteed bonds, corporate bonds (including those issued by financial institutions) and mortgage bonds with at least investment-grade credit rating. Investments may be made in Czech crowns or, to a limited extent, in other currencies. In the case of assets denominated in a currency other than Czech crowns, the Asset Manager shall strive to fully hedge foreign exchange risks (there cannot be a difference of more than 5% between the currency exposure of the derivative transaction and that of the asset to be hedged).

The Fund may enter into deposit and reportransactions, invest – to a limited extent – in units in collective investment undertakings, and derivatives may as well be used (for the purposes of hedging or building an efficient portfolio).

### MARKET SUMMARY

In October the Czech market focused on rate cuts and its exact timing. Domestic data came much weaker (headline CPI YoY was 6,9% vs 7,5% expected; weaker retail sales and GDP data) than expected, which fuelledfueled possible start of rate cuts already in November.

That said, a lot of arguments changed for sooner start of rate cut cycle: the extremely weak Q3 GDP data, the lower-than-expected PMI reading, the downside surprise in CPI and a more dovish Fed indicating a possible end to the tightening cycle had increased the possibility of a start of the easing cycle. In case of regional central bank: Poland cut much more much faster than expected before the local elections, and Hungary also decreased its base rate by 75bps (vs 50bps expected) in October, which would also support the Czech rate cuts. Romania remained on the sidelines, ruling out rate cuts in 2023, possibly delaying it till Q1 2024.

On the more negative side, US data has been still very strong in October, leading to further increase in long term bond yields not just in US, but all core yields were pushing higher, which deteriorated global sentiment towards risky assetts and CZK weakened a bit further slightly easing local monetary conditions.

It is a very close call, whether CNB will start its rate cutting cycle in November or not: incoming data and regional developments rather support a start, however given the expected mechanical reacceleration in headline inflation in the next print, and the generally more cautious stance of the CNB a hold at 7% may be still our base case for November, which would be a surprise for market participants.

Nevertheless, based on the weak domestic data, rate cut expectations and general market sentiment short term Czech government bonds performed really well in October: yield declined by 50-80bps, which lead to a nice performance of our fund in this month.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Fund Manager:	VIG Investment Fund Management Hungary
Custodian:	Erste Bank Hungary Zrt.
Main distributor:	VIG Investment Fund Management Hungary
Benchmark composition:	The fund has no benchmark
ISIN code:	HU0000731781
Start:	07/03/2023
Currency:	CZK
Net Asset Value of the whole Fund:	23,748,777 CZK
Net Asset Value of A series:	101,759 CZK
Net Asset Value per unit:	1.017591 CZK

ASSET ALLOCATION OF <sup>-</sup>	THE FUND
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Asset	weight
Assets with over 10% weight	
CZGB 2024/12/12 0% (Cseh Állam)	
CZGB 2026/06/26 1% (Cseh Állam)	
CZGB 2026/02/26 6% (Cseh Állam)	

#### DISTRIBUTORS

Conseq Investment Management, a.s., VIG Befektetési Alapkezelő Magyarország Zrt.

SUGGESTED MINIMUM INVESTMENT PERIOD						
3 mths	6 mths	1 yr	2 yr	3 yr	4 yr	5 yr

<b>RISK</b>	PROFILE					
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Lower risk

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NET YIELD PERFORMANCE OF THE SERIES				
Interval	Yield of note	Benchmark yield		
From launch	1.76 %			
1 month	1.03 %			
3 months	1.58 %			

## NET PERFORMANCE OF THE SERIES

# net asset value per share, 07/03/2023 - 10/31/2023 1,015 1,015 1,005 08/01/2023 09/01/2023 10/01/2023 VIG Czech Short Term Bond Investment Fund A series

Benchmark

RISK INDICATORS	
Annualized standard deviation of the fund's weekly yields- based on 1 year	0.60 %
Annualized standard deviation of the fund's weekly yields- based on 3 year	0.60 %
Annualized standard deviation of the fund's weekly yields- based on 5 year	0.60 %
WAM (Weighted Average Maturity)	1.44 years
WAL (Weighted Average Life)	1.48 years

TOP 10 POSITIONS			
Asset	Туре	Counterparty / issuer	Maturity
CZGB 2024/12/12 0%	zero coupon	Cseh Állam	12/12/2024 28.77 %
CZGB 2026/06/26 1%	interest-bearing	Cseh Állam	06/26/2026 28.58 %
CZGB 2026/02/26 6%	interest-bearing	Cseh Állam	02/26/2026 17.21 %

#### Legal declaration

The recent document qualifies as Portfolio Report according to the Kbftv. requirements. It contains the following elements based on the last net asset value of the reporting month: presentation of the assets of the fund regarding asset type of portfolio investment and regarding other categories detailed in its investment policy; list of assets (issuers) representing more than 10% of the portfolio; net asset value of the fund, including the cumulated and the calculated value per unit share. Investors are kindly advised, that past performance of the fund does not guarantee future performance. The returns presented are to be considered without applicable taxes, distribution fees and commissions, fees related to account keeping and other costs in relation with holding an investment fund unit. Information presented in the Portfolio report are for information purposes only, not intended to serve as investment advice, or any other offer. Investors are kindly advised to carefully read the Key Investors Document and Prospectus of the fund, in order to understand the risks of investing into the fund, and to be able to make an informed investor decision. The referred documents are available at the distribution locations and on the official website of VIG Fund Management Zrt. VIG Investment Fund Management Hungary | 1091 Budapest, Üllői út 1. | +36 1 477 4814 | alapkezelo@am.vig | www.vigam.hu

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