

## BCGE SYNCHRONY INSTITUTIONAL FUND – BCGE Synchrony Finest of™ LPP Bonds

Finalisation of the debt swap deal that enabled Greece to avoid a default on its debt repayments restored some semblance of calm to the markets. Against this backdrop, Confederation and domestic corporate bonds once again found themselves moving in parallel with each other. Government bond yields moved upwards by around 6 basis points across the board of maturities, with 9- and 10-year paper proving the exceptions, while swap rates increased on average by 10bp the length of the yield curve. The absence of any Confederation bonds in the sub-fund's portfolio had a positive impact, unlike the lack of foreign sovereign bonds denominated in Swiss francs. This latter category, which has a weighting of close to 15% in the benchmark index, notched up a gain of 0.47% for March, so this dented the sub-fund's performance. In the end, the sub-fund's NAV declined by 0.28% in March compared to the benchmark's 0.1% decrease.

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