

Charteris launches fund to protect from bond reversal

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Charteris has launched the FP Charteris Fixed Income fund for chief executive and chair **Ian Williams**.

The vehicle is structured as a strategic bond fund intended to protect against and actively profit from a falling bond market.

'If our analysis of the 40-year Gilt cycle is correct that process could be starting right now,' said Williams. 'As soon as February arrived gilts have been very weak. The 30-year Japanese government bond [has] seen a 35% rise in yield (1.05% to 1.4%) in 10 days.'

'If we go back to the bond collapse in 1994 gilts actually rose in price during January but collapsed as soon as February arrived.'

He added that the strategic mandate would have a 'significant exposure to floating rate notes'.

Williams (pictured above left with company co-founder Nick Taylor) formerly managed the CF Strategic Gilt fund on behalf of City Financial, before it was merged into the company's Defensive Global Bond fund in 2013.

The company has also announced the launch of the FP Global Macro Fund for fund manager Terry Farrow, investing in international equities with a bias toward emerging markets.