



Investment Manager Comments

The RIO ARC Bullion Account (USD) has remained unchallenged as the world's top performing physical gold investment in USD terms. The returns generated to date have secured the Accounts position at the top of its category.

During August physical gold fell 1.94% in USD terms whilst the ARC lost very little ground in comparison down only 0.07% in the same period. As such the Account yet again outperformed its bench mark (namely physical Gold).

Trading executed in August - On the 9th August I Sold 15% of bullion held @ \$1,213.57 this was done to have cash ready to buy in to perceived downside. The move was proven justified as I was able to reacquire the gold sold at @ \$1,185.16 on the 15th.

As for the bullion market, gold remains in an oversold and under bought position. As I said in July bullion is likely to move back into previous trading range in the coming weeks, as such there is additional upside potential for the shiny metal going forward.

I reiterate that gold remains one of the few real alternatives to fiat money. Today more and more investors are starting to doubt that they can trust central banks. Personally, I do not trust fiat currencies and would draw attention to the fact that recent statistics confirm that more and more investment professionals are falling in line with my train of thought. Many such people are now looking for other options and, without doubt, gold is one solution. Soon the retail investor is likely to embrace this and, should this happen, it will overwhelm the central banks and their ability to suppress the price of bullion.

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