

# EUR Short Duration Credit Fund

## OBJECTIVES AND PROCESS

- Seeks to maximise investment income whilst preserving capital
- Invests at least two-thirds of its assets in investment-grade euro-denominated short-term credit debt securities
- Has an average weighted duration of up to 3.5 years or less
- Invests at least two-thirds of its total assets in issuers that have a proprietary overall ESGiQ score that is favourable by meeting the threshold specified in our methodology and will exclude issuers that have less favourable or those that do not have an ESGiQ score, such as sovereign issuers, cash, derivatives and investments in underlying funds
- Uses fundamental credit research combined with active top-down allocation decisions within a controlled risk framework seeking to generate superior investment returns
- Uses a negative screen to exclude securities issued by companies based on their exposure to ESG risks
- Targets a carbon intensity that is lower than the benchmark
- May invest:
  - Up to one-third of its assets in currency-hedged non-euro-denominated debt securities and foreign agencies
  - Up to 10% of its assets in investment-grade asset-backed securities
  - Up to 10% of its assets in below-investment-grade debt securities
  - In derivatives for hedging, efficient portfolio management or for investment purposes

## Key Risks

**Debt securities risk**  
**Asset-backed securities risk**  
**ESG risk**  
**Contingent Convertible Bonds Risk**  
**Currency Risk**  
**Geographic concentration risk**  
**Global investment risk**  
**Leverage Risk**

## Calendar-year-performance (%)

**Past performance is not indicative of future results.**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Class A (EUR)*	6.02	-9.38	-0.73	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Class A-Dist (EUR)*	6.03	-9.39	-0.73	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bloomberg Euro Corporate Bonds (1-5 Y) Index <sup>1</sup>	6.39	-8.00	-0.08	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

## Performance (%)

	Annualized							Since Inception
	1 Month	3 Month	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	10Y	
Class A (EUR)	1.12	2.14	2.67	6.43	-0.81	—	—	-0.45
Class A-Dist (EUR)	1.11	2.13	2.66	6.42	-0.81	—	—	-0.45
Bloomberg Euro Corporate Bonds (1-5 Y) Index <sup>1</sup>	1.23	2.23	2.36	6.25	-0.19	—	—	0.19

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## Fund information

**Fund managers:** Henrietta Pacquement, CFA®; Alex Temple; and Christopher Burrows, CFA®

**Fund inception date:** 4 November 2011

**Asset class:** Global fixed income

**Financial year-end:** 31 March

**Fund size:** €204.58m (EUR)

**Base currency:** EUR

**Benchmark:** Bloomberg Euro Agg Corp 1-5Y TR EUR<sup>1</sup>

**Minimum investment (or equivalent value):** €1,000 (EUR)

**Management approach:** Actively managed

**SFDR:** Article 8<sup>†</sup>

<sup>†</sup>Promotes environmental and social characteristics but does not have a sustainable investment objective.

Investors should note that, relative to the expectations of the Autorité des Marchés Financiers, this fund presents disproportionate communication on the consideration of non-financial criteria in its investment policy.



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## Portfolio characteristics

	Fund
99% Monthly VaR	1.41%
Average credit quality	A-
Average Maturity (yrs)	3.00
Beta Against Index	0.98
Credit Spread (bps)	73
Credit-spread duration (yrs)	2.80
Ex-ante volatility (bps)	209
Ex-post volatility (bps)	232
Interest Rate duration (yrs)	2.60
Obligors	110
Yield to maturity	3.63%
Yield To Worst	3.51%

Sources: FactSet and Allspring Global Investments.

## Geographic allocation (%)

	Fund	Benchmark <sup>1</sup>
France	15.17	-3.43
United States	14.92	-3.74
United Kingdom	11.95	+4.92
Sweden	7.83	+4.31
Germany	6.63	-7.16
Netherlands	5.64	+0.65
Denmark	5.57	+3.59
Switzerland	5.19	+2.54
Belgium	4.06	+2.36
Italy	3.33	-2.79

## Distribution information

	12 Month Distribution	LastPaymentAmount	LastPaid	Frequency
Class A-Dist (EUR) Distributing	1.88%	0.15	9 Jul 2024	Monthly

The distribution yield is based on the actual distributions paid by the fund. The distribution yield is calculated by summing the fund's distributions over the preceding 12 months and dividing that figure by the applicable share price at the end of the period.

## Largest holdings (%)

	Fund
HSBC Holdings Plc	2.32
Cooperatieve Rabobank U.A.	2.05
BNP Paribas S.A.	1.85
Banque Federative du Credit Mutuel Societe anonyme	1.71
DNB Bank ASA	1.69
Zurcher Kantonalbank	1.67
Tesco Corporate Treasury Services Plc	1.67
Bank of America Corporation	1.52
UBS AG London Branch	1.51
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	1.44

Based on ending weights as of month-end. Source: Allspring Global Investments. The information shown is not intended to be, nor should it be construed to be, a recommendation to buy or sell an individual security.

## Sector weights (%)

	Fund	Benchmark <sup>1</sup>
Non-Financial corporates senior (IG)	45.95	-7.13
Banks	13.02	+3.29
Banks senior	11.38	+0.44
Banks IT2	4.22	-0.30
Non-Financial corporates hybrid (IG)	1.63	-1.70
Non-financial corporates hybrid (HY)	1.14	+1.14
Non-Financial corporates subordinated (IG)	0.99	+0.17
Insurance sub	0.78	-1.75
DM Sovereign	0.64	+0.64

Based on ending weights as of month-end. Source: Allspring Global Investments.

## Maturity distribution (%)

	Fund
0 - 3 years	56.58
3 - 5 years	28.40
5 - 7 years	11.43
Cash & equivalents	2.15

Based on ending weights as of month-end. Source: manager database.

## Credit rating allocation (%)

	Fund	Benchmark <sup>1</sup>
AAA/Aaa	0.00	0.55
AA/Aa	18.59	13.11
A/A	33.38	43.13
BBB/Baa	43.29	42.20
BB/Ba	1.14	—
Cash & equivalents	2.15	—

Based on ending weights as of month-end. Source: Allspring Global Investments.

## Credit asset class (%)

	Fund
Corp. (Inv. grade)	65.52
Bank capital (Inv. grade)	28.62
High yield bond	1.14
Government	0.64
Emerging markets (Inv. grade)	0.49
Cash & equivalents	2.15

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## Share Class Information

	Inception Date	Distribution Type	ISIN Code	Bloomberg ID	NAV	Annual mgmt fee	Ongoing charges / TER (%)**
Class A (EUR)	26 Feb 2020	Accumulating	LU2087619784	WESDCAE LX	98.04	0.70	0.850
Class A-Dist (EUR)	26 Feb 2020	Distributing	LU2087619867	WESDAED LX	95.53	0.70	0.850

\*\*The ongoing charges/total expense ratio (TER) reflects annual total operating expenses for the class, excludes transaction costs and is expressed as a percentage of net asset value. The figure shown is from current KID. The investment manager has committed to reimburse the Sub-Fund when the ongoing charges exceed the agreed upon TER. Ongoing charges may vary over time.

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### MSCI ESG SCORE

	Fund		Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	
	Value	Coverage	Value	Coverage
MSCI Overall Score	7.3	94%	7.2	96%

Data is sourced from MSCI ESG Research where companies are rated on a scale of 0 – 10 (0 - worst, 10 - best). Weighted average scores exclude effects of unrated securities.

### SUSTAINALYTICS ESG RISK SCORE

	Value	Coverage
Fund	19	96%
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	19	98%

ESG Risk Ratings measure exposure to and management of ESG risks. Lower risk scores reflect less ESG risk. Sustainalytics ESG Risk Scores measure ESG risks on a scale of 0 – 100 (0 - no ESG Risk, >40 - Severe ESG Risk).

### PRODUCT/ACTIVITY INVOLVEMENT (%)

	Fund	Benchmark <sup>1</sup>
Controversial Weapons	0.00	0.53
Oil Sands	0.00	0.00
Small Arms	0.00	0.12
Thermal Coal	0.00	0.76
Tobacco	0.00	0.67
UN Global Compact non-compliant	0.00	0.00

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### CARBON CHARACTERISTICS

	Fund		Benchmark <sup>1</sup>		% above / below benchmark
	Value	Coverage	Value	Coverage	
Carbon to value invested (metric tons CO2e/\$MM invested)*	60	76%	92	89%	-35%
Weighted average carbon intensity (metric tons CO2e/\$1MM revenues)*	63	90%	116	96%	-46%

\*Carbon emissions includes operational and first-tier supply chain greenhouse gas emissions. Data sourced from S&P Trucost Limited.

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