# BlueBay Global High Yield Bond Fund\*

January 2022

# Fund Performance (%) Gross of Fees (USD)1

For Professional Investors Only

|                                                                         | 1M    | 3M    | YTD   | 1YR   | 3YR <sup>2</sup> | 5YR <sup>2</sup> | 10YR <sup>2</sup> | Sl <sup>23</sup> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| BlueBay Global High Yield Bond Fund                                     | -2.24 | -1.94 | -2.24 | -0.69 | 7.61             | 6.30             | 6.72              | 6.76             |
| ICE BofA Merrill Lynch Global High Yield Constrained Index <sup>6</sup> | -2.41 | -2.04 | -2.41 | 0.32  | 5.64             | 5.07             | 6.41              | 6.32             |
| Alpha                                                                   | 0.17  | 0.10  | 0.17  | -1.01 | 1.97             | 1.23             | 0.31              | 0.44             |

#### **Review & Outlook**

#### Contributors

- The underweight allocation to cyclicals was a contributor to excess returns, driven by the underweight to automotives, which continued to face challenges from supply-chain disruptions.
- US Treasury futures were additive to fund performance, as the yield on the US 10-year Treasury climbed from 1.51% to 1.78% over the month.
- Preference to be overweight B rated credit relative to BB rated credit was beneficial to excess returns.

### Detractors

- The top single-name detractor was Zhenro Property Group, the only holding within the Chinese real estate complex. However, overall performance from the real estate sector was a modest contributor to excess returns.
- The financial services sector was a source of underperformance, with Unifin Financiera and SoftBank Group the top detractors.

#### Outlook

- We see the following macroeconomic themes affecting global leveraged markets: policy normalisation from central banks due to higher inflation prints, a rise in geopolitical tensions between Russia and Ukraine, and fading concerns about the Omicron variant.
- Overall risk positioning while constructive remains cautious, despite the recent reset in valuations.
- Our current bias is to be patient in adding risk to strategies, as we have sufficient dry power to exploit the opportunities that we believe will arise from the greater dispersion and volatility in markets.
- The expected low-default environment across the wider leveraged-finance asset class is reflected in our down-in-quality bias across portfolios.
- In terms of regional exposure, we are overweight core US and European credit markets relative to an underweight bias to emerging markets.
- The themes affecting sector positioning are the tightening policy mix and rising input costs. On the latter, we expect most companies to successfully pass these costs on to end customers. However, with an uncertain path, we are looking to be overweight in the least-affected sectors.

### **Investment Objective**

To achieve a total return in excess of the ICE BAML Global High Yield Constrained Index from a global portfolio of fixed income securities

### **Investment Strategy**

- The Fund invests predominantly in fixed income securities issued by subinvestment grade companies globally with at least 50% in US domiciled entities
- The Fund seeks to generate excess returns primarily via security selection;
   based upon high quality, proprietary research
- The Fund meets the conditions set out in Article 6 of the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation as Sustainability Risks are integrated into the investment decision making process. Full details of the Fund's ESG framework are available online to www.bluebay.com/en/investment-expertise/esg/ approach/

### Calendar Year Performance (%) Gross of Fees¹ (USD)

|           | 2021  | 2020  | 2019  | 2018  |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Fund      | 1.73  | 11.15 | 16.13 | -0.89 |
| Benchmark | 3.04  | 6.47  | 14.54 | -1.88 |
| Alpha     | -1.31 | 4.68  | 1.60  | 1.00  |

# Cumulative Relative Performance<sup>3</sup> Gross of Fees<sup>1</sup> (USD)



Past performance is not indicative of future results.

### Fund Characteristics7

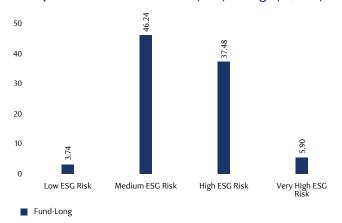
|                                              | Fund   | Benchmark <sup>6</sup> |
|----------------------------------------------|--------|------------------------|
| Weighted interest rate duration (yrs)        | 3.64   | 4.13                   |
| Weighted spread duration (yrs)               | 3.84   | 4.05                   |
| Weighted yield to worst (%)                  | 5.81   | 5.37                   |
| Weighted yield to worst non-cash diluted (%) | 6.17   | 5.37                   |
| Weighted spread                              | 466.00 | 413.00                 |
| Weighted coupon (%)                          | 5.56   | 5.26                   |
| Weighted coupon non-cash diluted (%)         | 5.90   | 5.26                   |
| Total no. of issuers                         | 148    | 1,711                  |
| Weighted rating                              | BB-    | BB-                    |
| Average position (%)                         | 0.49   | 0.03                   |
| FRNS and loans (%)                           | 0.45   | N/A                    |

Note: Defaulted securities are excluded from Spread and Yield calculations.

### Risk Statistics<sup>4</sup>

| Standard Deviation | 6.20% |
|--------------------|-------|
| Tracking Error     | 1.88% |
| Information Ratio  | 0.23  |

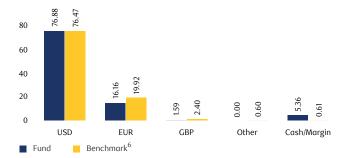
# BlueBay: Issuer Fundamental ESG (risk) Ratings (%, NAV)



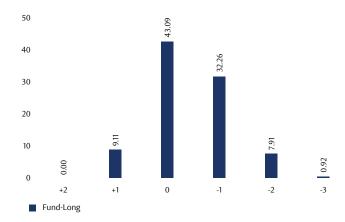
# Top 5 Issuers (%)

| Issuer                       | Weight<br>(absolute) | Weight<br>(relative) | BlueBay ESG<br>Fundamental<br>(Risk) Rating <sup>8</sup> | BlueBay<br>Investment<br>ESG score <sup>9</sup> |
|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Petroleos<br>Mexicanos       | 3.00                 | 1.00                 | Very High ESG<br>Risk                                    | -1                                              |
| SoftBank Group<br>Corp       | 1.33                 | 0.58                 | High ESG Risk                                            | -2                                              |
| Occidental<br>Petroleum Corp | 1.32                 | 0.25                 | High ESG Risk                                            | -1                                              |
| Banco Santander<br>SA        | 1.19                 | 1.19                 | Medium ESG<br>Risk                                       | 0                                               |
| Vistra Corp                  | 1.16                 | 1.16                 | High ESG Risk                                            | -1                                              |

# Currency Breakdown (Before Hedging %, NAV)



# BlueBay: Security Investment ESG Scores (%, NAV)

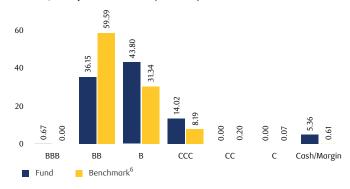


# Top Sector Relative Weights (%)

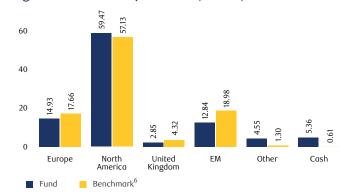
| Overweights        |      |
|--------------------|------|
| Energy             | 5.52 |
| Media              | 3.53 |
| Banking            | 3.23 |
| Financial Services | 2.33 |
| Services           | 1.76 |

| Underweights       |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| Automotive         | -3.75 |
| Real Estate        | -3.34 |
| Leisure            | -2.93 |
| Healthcare         | -2.63 |
| Telecommunications | -2.62 |

# Credit Quality Breakdown (%, NAV)



# Regional Breakdown by Domicile (%, NAV)



### **Fund Facts**

| Total fund size <sup>5</sup> | USD 2,074m                                                                                                                                      |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Inception date               | 02 November 2010                                                                                                                                |
| Base currency                | USD                                                                                                                                             |
| Benchmark                    | ICE BofA Merrill Lynch Global High Yield<br>Constrained Index                                                                                   |
| Fund legal name              | BlueBay Funds - BlueBay Global High Yield<br>Bond Fund                                                                                          |
| Share classes                | Information on available Share Classes and<br>eligibility for this Fund are detailed in the<br>BlueBay Funds Prospectus and Application<br>Form |
| Fund type                    | UCITS                                                                                                                                           |
| Domicile                     | Luxembourg                                                                                                                                      |
| Investment manager           | BlueBay Asset Management LLP                                                                                                                    |

### Team

|                                        | Joined BlueBay | Investment industry experience |
|----------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| Andrzej Skiba                          | February 2005  | 20 years                       |
| Justin Jewell                          | April 2009     | 20 years                       |
| Tim Leary                              | January 2012   | 16 Years                       |
| Size of team                           |                | 33 investment professionals    |
| Average investment industry experience |                | 17 years                       |

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- Since Inception
  Risk statistics are annualized and calculated using weekly data points since inception. Risk statistics will be produced once there are 3 complete months of data available; for meaningful results risk statistics will be produced once there are a complete months of data available; for including in results a minimum sample of 36 data points is recommended and where history is less than 3 years caution should be taken with the interpretation and representation of this data. Returns for periods of less than 1 year have not been annualised in accordance with current industry standard reporting practices.

  The Fund AUM is stated on a T+1 basis and includes non-fee earning assets.

  Benchmark:ICE BofA Merrill Lynch Global High Yield Constrained Index

  All weighted calculations since April 2008 exclude non-interest rate bearing assets and non-debt related instruments.

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