

BlueBay Investment Grade ESG Bond Fund

Investment objective

The fund is actively managed and targets better returns than its benchmark, the iBoxx Euro Corporates Index, while taking into account Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") considerations.

Investment strategy

- There are no restrictions on the extent to which the fund's portfolio and performance may deviate from the ones of the benchmark.
- At least two-thirds of the fund's investments will be in fixed income bonds rated investment grade and issued by governments, banks and corporates based in European countries with a sovereign investment grade rating.
- Up to 15% of the fund's assets may be invested in fixed income bonds rated below investment grade, provided that such bonds are not rated below B-/B3 or an equivalent rating by a credit rating agency.

Fund performance (%) Gross of fees (EUR)¹

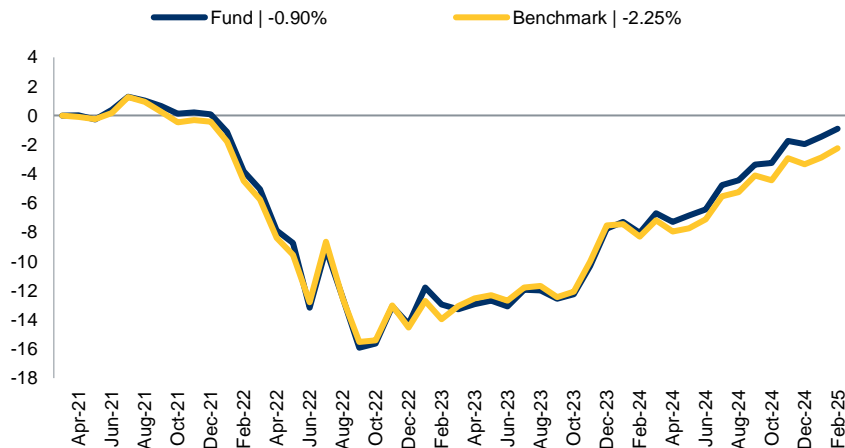
	1 M	3 M	YTD	1 Y	3 Y	5 Y	10 Y	SI*
Fund	0.56	0.85	1.07	7.75	1.00	-	-	-0.24
Benchmark	0.64	0.69	1.11	6.59	0.77	-	-	-0.59
Relative	-0.08	0.17	-0.04	1.15	0.23	-	-	0.36

Calendar year performance (%) Gross of fees (EUR)¹

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Fund	6.28	7.65	-14.38	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Benchmark	4.54	8.19	-14.17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

iBoxx EUR Corporates - TREUR is the benchmark for the Fund. The inception date for the Fund is 28 April 2021. *SI – Since inception.

Cumulative performance Gross of fees (EUR) since inception¹



Risk statistics²

	Fund
Standard deviation (%)	4.57
Tracking error (%)	1.60
Information ratio	0.21

Contributors

- Overweight technology, media and telecommunications
- Overweight utilities

Detractors

- Overweight senior banks and healthcare

Past performance does not predict future returns.

Outlook

- Writing an outlook amid the President Trump tariff and tweet turbulence is challenging. There remains much uncertainty in the macroeconomic backdrop, which likely means further volatility ahead.
- In the US, tariff news has created some growth concerns, but we see them impacting inflation more than growth, so are biased towards a short US duration position. In Europe, we see the increased fiscal spending on defence and infrastructure pushing up growth and inflation. In Japan, we prefer to play our story through a long yen position, where appropriate.
- In corporates, we used recent spread tightening to reduce our relative long position towards a flat risk position. US corporate spreads are close to all-time tights, while European spreads are back to their post-Ukraine invasion lows.
- We continue to prefer European corporates over the US. Our bias is to get our higher-beta exposure through the subordinated debt of top-tier banks and corporate hybrid bonds, rather than cyclical risk.

Past performance does not predict future returns. The return of your investment may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations if your investment is made in a currency other than that used in the past performance calculation. Fees and other expenses will have a negative effect on investment returns. Performance shown for 1 year periods onwards are annualised figures.

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Source: RBC Global Asset Management, iBoxx Indices as at 28 February 2025. This report is incomplete without the Legal Disclaimer included on the last page.

Fund characteristics

	Fund	Benchmark
Weighted interest rate duration (years)	4.46	4.36
Weighted spread duration (years)	4.98	4.36
Beta adjusted spread duration (years)	5.10	4.34
Yield to worst (%)	3.04	3.05
Number of issues	118	3,977
Number of issuers	85	884
Weighted rating	A-	A-

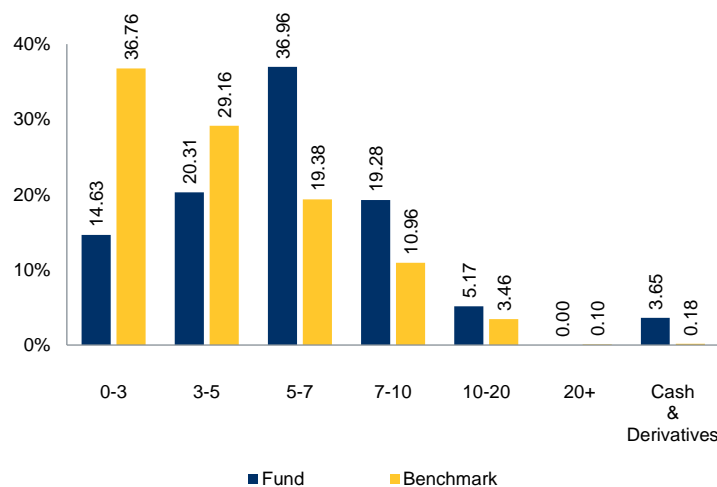
Top sector spread duration contribution relative to benchmark

Overweights		Underweights	
Banks	0.45	Oil & Gas	-0.15
Industrial Goods & Services	0.36	Food & Beverage	-0.14
Technology	0.24	Insurance	-0.13
Media	0.20	Telecommunications	-0.12
Real Estate	0.13	Personal & Household Goods	-0.12

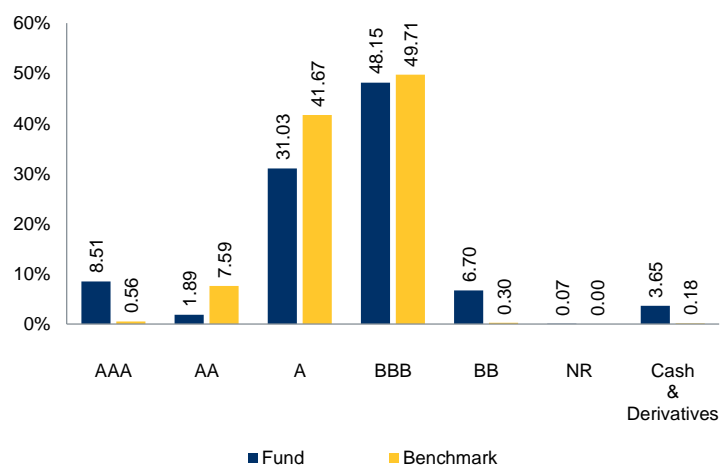
Top country spread duration contribution relative to benchmark

Overweights		Underweights	
United Kingdom	0.62	Germany	-0.28
United States	0.60	France	-0.18
Spain	0.14	Italy	-0.09
Denmark	0.09	Canada	-0.05
Australia	0.08	Belgium	-0.05

Interest rate duration distribution by maturity (years)



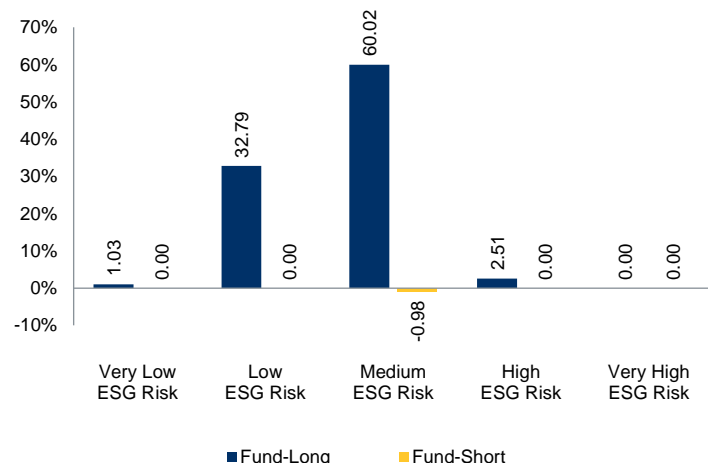
Credit quality breakdown (% NAV)



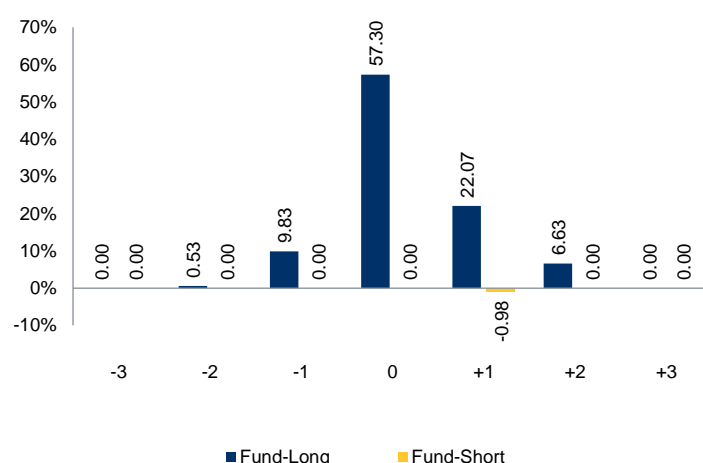
Important risk considerations

- At times, the market for investment grade bonds may dry up, which could make it difficult to see these bonds, or the fund may only be able to sell them at a discount.
- There may be cases where an organisation with which we trade assets or derivatives (usually a financial institution such as a bank) may be unable to fulfill its obligations, which could cause losses to the fund.
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BlueBay: Issuer fundamental ESG (risk) ratings (ESG Risk Ratings)³



BlueBay: Security investment ESG scores (ESG Scores)⁴



Top 3 long issuers by spread duration contribution^{3, 4}

Issuer	Years (absolute)	Years (relative)	ESG Risk Ratings	ESG Scores
Siemens Financieringsmaatschappij NV	0.22	0.17	Medium	+2
HSBC Holdings PLC	0.20	0.17	Medium	0
Motability Operations Group PLC	0.19	0.18	Low	0

Fund information

Investment manager	RBC Global Asset Management (UK) Limited	Fund type	UCITS
Base currency	EUR	Fund domicile	Luxembourg
Fund inception date	28 April 2021	SFDR	Article 8
Fund size (EUR)	21 m	Benchmark	iBoxx EUR Corporates - TREUR
Portfolio Manager(s)	Andrzej Skiba, CFA; Marc Stacey; Tom Moulds		

The Funds AUM is stated on a T+1 basis and includes non-fee earning assets. The benchmark is hedged into the Share Class currency where relevant.

The Fund meets the conditions set out in Article 8 of the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation as it promotes environmental/social characteristics through binding requirements as a key feature. Full details available online: <http://www.rbcbay.com/en-gb/institutional/what-we-do/funds/sustainability-related-disclosures/>

NOTE: This Article designation is a self-classification by RBC Global Asset Management (UK) Limited and effect from 28 April 2021.

Notes

- While gross of fees figures would reflect the reinvestment of all dividends and earnings, it would not reflect the deduction of investment management and performance fees. An investor's returns will be reduced by the deduction of applicable fees which will vary with the rate of return on the strategy. For example, if there was an annualised return of 10% over a 5-year period then the compounding effect of a 0.60% management fee and a 0.20% performance fee would reduced the annualised return to 9.32% (figures used are only to demonstrate the effect of charges are not an indicator of future performance). In addition the typical fees and expenses charged to a strategy will offset the strategy's trading profits. A description of the specific fee structure for each BlueBay strategy is contained in the strategy's prospectus.
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