Aberdeen Standard SICAV II - Euro Corporate Bond Fund

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31 July 2022

Objective

The Fund aims to achieve a combination of income and growth by investing in bonds (which are like loans that can pay a fixed or variable interest rate) issued by governments, companies and other large organisations.

The Fund aims to outperform the iBoxx Euro Corporates Index (EUR) benchmark (before charges).

Portfolio securities

- The Fund invests at least 80% of its assets in Euro denominated investment grade bonds issued by corporations.
- The Fund may invest in a wide range of bonds (e.g. corporate bonds including high yield bonds, government backed securities, overseas bonds, index-linked bonds, floating rate notes (FRNs) and asset backed securities (ABSs) and/or money market instruments) in order to take advantage of opportunities identified by our investment team.
- Non-Euro denominated assets will typically be hedged back into Euros.
- The Fund may also invest in other transferable securities, money-market instruments, deposits, cash and near cash, derivatives (including currency forwards, interest rate and credit default swaps) and collective investment schemes.

Performance



Cumulative and annualised performance

	1 month	6 months	Year to date	1 year	3 years (p.a.)	5 years (p.a.)	10 years (p.a.)
Fund (gross) (%)	4,90	-7,10	-8,42	-9,97	-2,18	0,10	n/a
Fund (net) (%)	4,86	-7,31	-8,68	-10,40	-2,65	-0,38	n/a
Benchmark (%)	4,75	-6,99	-8,26	-9,86	-2,52	-0,25	n/a

Discrete annual returns - year to 31/7

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Fund (gross) (%)	-9,97	3,75	0,20	6,43	0,92	0,92	6,13	3,05	n/a	n/a
Fund (net) (%)	-10,40	3,25	-0,29	5,90	0,43	0,43	5,61	2,59	n/a	n/a
Benchmark (%)	-9,86	3,16	-0,39	6,02	0,57	0,27	5,58	2,36	n/a	n/a

Performance Data: Share Class B Acc EUR

Benchmark history: Benchmark – Markit iBoxx Euro Corporates Index (EUR)

Source: Aberdeen Standard Investments. Basis: Total Return, NAV to NAV, net of annual charges, gross income reinvested, (EUR).

Costs may increase or decrease as a result of currency and exchange rate fluctuations. This may impact what you might get back."Fund (Net)" refers to the actual unit price performance of the shareclass shown; "Fund(Gross)" adds back charges such as the annual management charge to present performance on the same basis as the Benchmark / Benchmark / portfolio constraining benchmark. All return data includes investment management fees, operational charges and expenses, and assumes the reinvestment of all distributions. The returns provided do not reflect the initial sales charge and, if included, the performance shown would be lower.

Past performance does not predict future returns.



Key facts	
Fund manager(s)	Craig MacDonald & Felix Freund
Fund launch date	25 September 2003
Share class launch date	24 June 2014
Management company	Aberdeen Standard Investments Luxembourg S.A.
Fund size	EUR 1,8bn
Number of holdings	347
Benchmark	Markit iBoxx Euro Corporates Index (EUR)
Yield to maturity exc derivatives ¹	3%
Entry charge (up to) ²	5,00%
Annual management charge	0,45%
Ongoing charge figure ³	0,57%
Minimum initial investment	EUR 100.000
Fund type	SICAV
Valuation point	13:00 (LUX time)
Base currency	EUR
Share class currency	EUR
Sedol	BNBNQX3
ISIN	LU1078093090
Bloomberg	STEBACE LX
Valoren	24735591
Domicile	Luxembourg

Risk and reward profile



Key risks

- (a) The value of investments and the income from them can fall and investors may get back less than the amount invested.
- (b) The fund invests in securities which are subject to the risk that the issuer may default on interest or capital payments.
- (c) The fund price can go up or down daily for a variety of reasons including changes in interest rates, inflation expectations or the perceived credit quality of individual countries or securities.

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Management process

- The Fund is actively managed.
- The benchmark is used as a reference point for portfolio construction and as a basis for setting risk constraints.
- In order to achieve its objective, the Fund will take positions whose weightings diverge from the benchmark or invest in securities which are not included in the benchmark. The investments of the Fund may deviate significantly from the components and their weightings in the benchmark.
- Due to the Fund's risk constraints, its performance profile is not ordinarily expected to deviate significantly from that of the benchmark over the longer term.
- abrdn integrate environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations within the investment process. Details of the Fixed Income ESG Integration Approach are published at www.abrdn.com under "Sustainable Investing".

Top Ten Holdings

Germany (Govt of) 0% 2031	1,3
Enel 8.75% 2073	1,3
ELM For Firmenich Intern 3.75% Perp	0,9
Indigo Group SAS 1.625% 2028	0,9
Morgan Stanley 0.406% 2027	0,9
Barclays 2% 2028	0,9
Germany (Govt of) 0% 2030	0,8
Royal Bank of Scotland Group 1.75% 2026	0,8
Citigroup 1.5% 2026	0,8
Total 1.75% Perp	0,8
Assets in top ten holdings	9,4

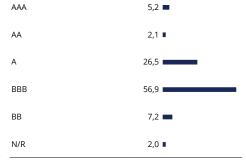
Sector (%)

Financials	37,0
Utilities	10,3
Real Estate	7,2
Health Care	6,5
Telecommunication Services	6,2
Consumer Discretionary	5,9
Energy	4,6
Government	4,5
Other	15,5
Cash	2,2 ■

Maturity (%)

0-5 years	59,5
5-10 years	33,3
10-15 years	3,2 ■
15-20 years	3,4 ■
25-30 years	0,6 1

Credit rating (%)



Source : abrdn 31/07/2022

Figures may not always sum to 100 due to rounding.

- (d) The fund invests in high yielding bonds which carry a greater risk of default than those with lower yields.
- (e) The fund invests in mortgage and assetbacked securities (which may include collateralised loan, debt or mortgage obligations (respectively CLOs, CDOs or CMOs)). These are subject to prepayment and extension risk and additional liquidity and default risk compared to other credit securities.
- (f) Convertible securities are investments that can be changed into another form upon certain triggers. As such, they can exhibit credit, equity and fixed interest risk. Contingent convertible securities (CoCos) are similar to convertible securities but have additional triggers which mean that they are more vulnerable to losses and volatile price movements and hence become less liquid.
- (g) The use of derivatives carries the risk of reduced liquidity, substantial loss and increased volatility in adverse market conditions, such as a failure amongst market participants. The use of derivatives may result in the fund being leveraged (where market exposure and thus the potential for loss by the fund exceeds the amount it has invested) and in these market conditions the effect of leverage will be to magnify losses.

Risk stats

Fund Volatility [^]	6,52
Information Ratio [^]	0,67
Tracking Error [^]	0,87
Effective duration (years)	4,81

Source: abrdn. ^ Three year annualised.

Derivative usage

- The Fund will routinely use derivatives to reduce risk or cost, or to generate additional capital or income at proportionate risk (Efficient Portfolio Management) or to meet its investment objective. Derivatives may be used to provide market exposures different to those that could be achieved through investment in assets in which the fund is primarily invested. Usage of derivatives is monitored to ensure that the fund is not exposed to excessive or unintended risks.

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¹Yield to Maturity as at 31/07/2022 is the yield that would be realised on a bond or other debt instrument if the security was held until the maturity date.

²These are the maximum charges that we might take out of your money before it is invested. In some cases, the charges may be less and you should speak to your financial advisor about this.

³The Ongoing Charge Figure (OCF), is the overall cost shown as a percentage of the value of the assets of the fund. It is made up of the Annual Management Charge (AMC) of 0.45% and other charges. It does not include any initial charges or the cost of buying and selling stocks for the fund. The Ongoing Charges figure can help you compare the annual operating expenses of different funds.

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