

# Swan Short-Term High Yield – EUR

## March 2021



### Strategy

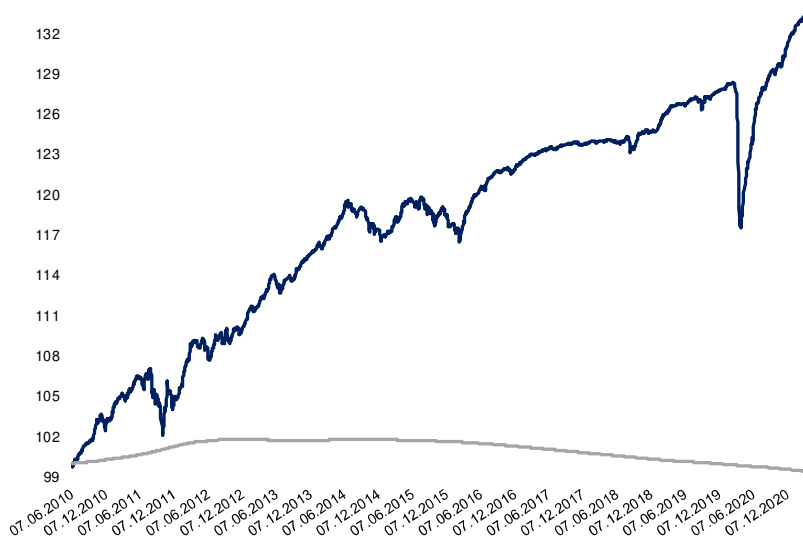
Swan Short-Term High Yield is the UCITS version of our Fixed Income Intermediate risk profile. Depending on market conditions, the strategy combines an highly diversified buy and hold portfolio of liquid short-term fixed income securities with an opportunistic allocation to longer dated securities in Global HY markets. Target Return is 3 months LIBOR + 250 bps.

### Risk Profile

Conservative

**Intermediate**

High Reward



### Global market picture

During March European credit markets experienced a positive performance (H9PC Index +0.50%), in tandem with the movement of the Eurostoxx 50 (+7.78%) and S&P 500 (+4.24%). After Biden's stimulus plan of 1.9 \$trn approval, the attention moved to the infrastructure package, with proposals ranging from \$2trn to \$4trn; the big question is how this plan will be funded: it could be a mix of higher taxes and increased deficit, with US growth that should be around 5.7% in 2021. Anti-COVID-19 mass vaccination campaign failed to gain pace in continental Europe: AstraZeneca vaccine has been stopped for some days by EMA, pending further investigations, while Pfizer reported delays on drug delivery; at this pace herd immunity could be reached at the end of the summer, posing risk on Eurozone growth rebound. Officials from both the FED and the ECB confirmed their commitment in supporting the economy during their meeting: the FOMC raised its growth forecast but did not signal any intention to change monetary policy, adding that eventual spike in inflation above the 2% core PCE target will be tolerated, while Christine Lagarde announced that PEPP program will be "conducted at a significantly higher pace" in the next quarter. In this context, the 10 years bund yield was slightly lower at -0.29% (-3bps in the month), while the 10 years Treasury was significantly higher at 1.72% (+31bps in the month). Oil was stable, with Brent @ 63 USD per barrel, while gold was a lower at 1698 \$ per ounce due to higher real yields. We think that this is still an interesting entry point for our strategy: current YTM gives us confidence on the capability to generate positive performance in line with targets during 2021; average maturity of the bonds in our portfolios is still around 1 year and should help reduce volatility in case of new episodes of market stress.

### Active Portfolio

Credit Allocation Scoring (CAS) indicates a medium-long-dated allocation of 18.40%, flat relatively to the end of February (18.40%). Fund's actual exposure (beta and duration adjusted) is 13.88%, higher relatively to last month (13.62%). The mix between Strategic and Tactical positions is 0% Strategic and 100% Tactical. The fund has an estimated gross yield of 3.24% (in EUR), a low spread duration of 0.95 and a z spread of 386.

### Yield-type bucket

The bucket generated a positive gross contribution to the monthly performance, with 78% of the positions (65 out of 83) contributing positively. The YTM remains attractive and conditions are always interesting in the short-term part of the credit curve. The average life of the YT portfolio is

### Performance

MTD :	<b>0.24%</b>	Fund Assets (mln) :	217.8 €
Since inception	<b>33.47%</b>	1 Year Std Dev :	1.53%
Last 12 Months :	<b>12.97%</b>	1 Year Sharpe Ratio :	8.93
NAVps :	EUR 133.47	% of positive months :	75%



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Period	Class C*	Class A	Portfolio info	
MTD	0.27%	0.24%	# of Securities	128
YTD	1.23%	1.15%	% Weight	100.23%
6 months	3.57%	3.47%	Int Dur	0.77
1 year	13.18%	12.97%	Yield (gross)	3.24%
2020	3.40%	3.21%	Spread Duration	0.95
2019	2.77%	2.52%	Z-spread	386
2018	0.93%	0.72%		
2017	1.53%	1.28%		
2016	4.29%	3.82%		
2015	1.12%	0.74%		
2014	1.20%	0.90%		
2013	4.96%	4.66%		
2012	5.49%	5.19%		
2011	2.13%	1.83%		
2010	3.65%	3.35%		

\*Class A adjusted for management fee difference used for periods before Class C inception.

### FX breakdown (fully hedged)

USD	69.47%
EUR	13.59%
NOK	11.09%
SEK	3.87%
CHF	0.07%
GBP	1.90%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### Geographic breakdown

EU	6.35%
US	6.10%
Oth DEV	35.08%
LATAM	2.05%
EMEA	34.23%
ASIA	16.19%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### Rating breakdown

AAA	0.00%
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A	0.00%
BBB	1.21%
	<b>tot IG 1.21%</b>
BB	22.60%
B	32.17%
CCC	0.16%
	<b>tot HY 54.93%</b>
NR	43.86%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### Sector breakdown - Top 10

Services	27.50%
Real Estate	19.05%
Banking	12.77%
Basic Industry	9.60%
Leisure	6.06%
Energy	4.31%
Financial Services	3.77%
Transportation	2.99%
Consumer Goods	2.91%
Automotive	1.97%

very short (8 months or 0.70 of spread duration), with a combination of yield close to 2.85% and z-spread of 352.

### Strategic & Tactical buckets.

Tactical bucket generated a positive performance, with homogeneous contributions. Geographical allocation in EM was negligible, while picking was positive both in EM and EUR HY.

### Sicav Structure – Terms & Conditions

Domicile: Luxembourg

Inception Date: 7 June 2010

Minimum Investment: 1 share

Liquidity / Reporting: Daily

Fees: Class C 0.90% / Class A 1.20% Management Fee

15% Performance Fee (high water mark)

Promoter / Distributor: Corner Banca SA

Investment Manager: Swan Asset Management SA

Custodian Bank: State Street Bank Lux

Administrator Agent: State Street Bank Lux

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