

Swan Short-Term High Yield – CHF

July 2021



Strategy

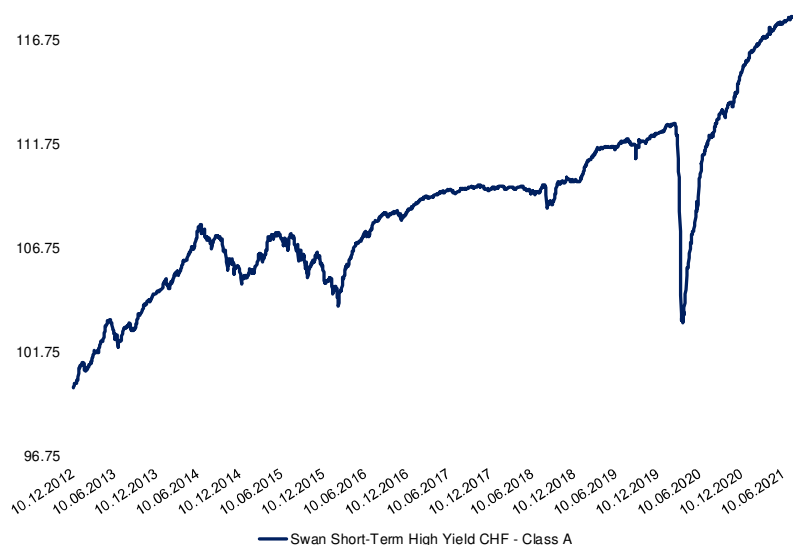
Swan Short-Term High Yield is the UCITS version of our Fixed Income Intermediate risk profile. Depending on market conditions, the strategy combines an highly diversified buy and hold portfolio of liquid short-term fixed income securities with an opportunistic allocation to longer dated securities in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

Risk Profile

Conservative

Intermediate

High Reward



Global market picture

During July European credit markets experienced a positive performance (H9PC Index +0.41%), in tandem with the movement of the Eurostoxx 50 (+0.62%) and S&P 500 (+2.27%). PCE core deflator was up 4% YoY in US, while consumer price rose 5.4% YoY (fastest pace since 2008), challenging the view that high inflation will be temporary. FOMC statement indicated that economy is moving toward the goals that FED set out to begin tapering, but the tone used by Jerome Powell during the press conference was less hawkish: he told that the labor market is still "some way away" from justifying tapering, postponing any decision to September/November meeting. European Central Bank did not change its monetary policy; changes were only made on the forward guidance but nothing on the QE or the PEPP: ECB will continue buy bonds and maintain its deeply negative rates in an effort to bring Eurozone out of its persistent pattern of sluggish inflation. In addition ECB terminated its strategy review (the first for 18 years) setting a new 2% inflation targets where "negative and positive deviation of inflations from target are equally undesirable", a shift that gives policymakers flexibility to keep rates at historic lows for longer. In this context, the 10 years bund yield was significantly lower at -0.46% (-25bps in the month), in tandem with the 10 years Treasury at 1.22% (-25bps in the month). Gold rose to 1814 \$ per ounce, while oil was stable at 76 USD per barrel supported by OPEC+ deal that limited increase in production. 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 June (18.40%). Fund's actual exposure (beta and duration adjusted) is 22.00%, lower relatively to last month (23.45%). The mix between Strategic and Tactical positions is 0% Strategic and 100% Tactical. The fund has an estimated gross yield of 2.92% (in EUR), a low spread duration of 1.02 and a z spread of 355.

Yield-type bucket

The bucket generated a positive gross contribution to the monthly performance, with 75% of the positions (55 out of 73) 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 very short (8 months or 0.68 of spread duration), with a combination of yield close to 2.52% and z-spread of 309.

Performance

MTD :	0.05%	Fund Assets (mln) :	241.24
Since inception :	17.76%	1 Year Std Dev :	0.86%
Last 12 Months :	5.08%	1 Year Sharpe Ratio :	7.03
NAVps :	CHF 117.76	% of positive months :	75%



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Period	Class C*	Class A	Portfolio info	
MTD	0.06%	0.05%	# of Securities	115
YTD	1.99%	1.86%	% Weight	99.81%
6 months	1.49%	1.39%	Int Dur	0.75
1 year	5.27%	5.08%	Yield (gross)	2.92%
2020	3.17%	2.94%	Spread Duration	1.02
2019	2.42%	2.17%	Z-spread	355
2018	0.59%	0.32%		
2017	1.16%	0.86%		
2016	3.59%	3.29%		
2015	0.17%	-0.13%		
2014	0.88%	0.58%		
2013	4.60%	4.30%		

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

FX breakdown (fully hedged)

USD	64.52%
EUR	13.75%
NOK	14.81%
SEK	6.80%
CHF	0.00%
GBP	0.12%
TOTAL	100.00%

Geographic breakdown

EU	6.40%
US	4.20%
Oth DEV	40.98%
LATAM	0.15%
EMEA	29.57%
ASIA	18.70%
TOTAL	100.00%

Rating breakdown

AAA	0.00%
AA	0.00%
A	0.00%
BBB	2.45%
	tot IG 2.45%
BB	20.73%
B	25.20%
CCC	1.65%
	tot HY 47.57%
NR	49.98%
TOTAL	100.00%

Sector breakdown - Top 10

Services	29.79%
Real Estate	26.75%
Basic Industry	9.96%
Banking	8.75%
Consumer Goods	3.71%
Leisure	3.47%
Energy	3.31%
Financial Services	2.93%
Transportation	2.54%
Retail	2.48%

Strategic & Tactical buckets.

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

Sicav Structure – Terms & Conditions

Domicile: Luxembourg

Inception Date: 11 December 2012

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

Auditor: Ernst & Young

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