

# Swan Short-Term High Yield – USD

## January 2022



### Strategy

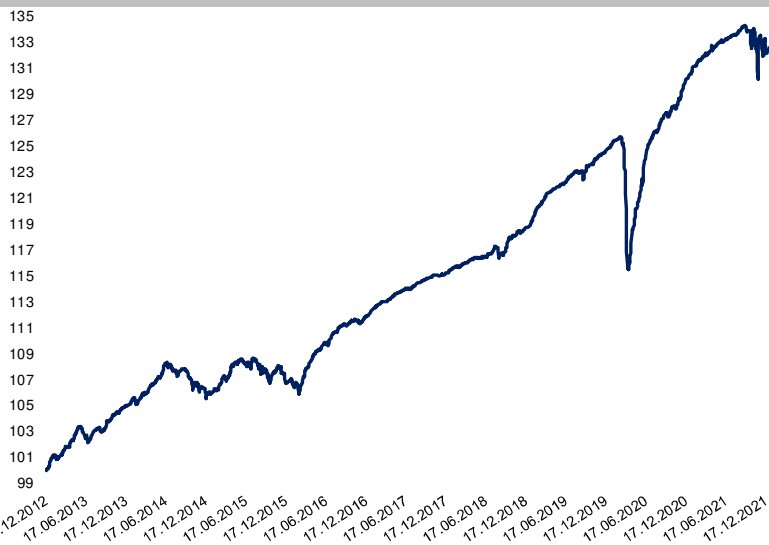
Swan Short-Term High Yield is the UCITS version of our Fixed Income Intermediate risk profile. Depending on market conditions, the strategy combines an highly diversified buy and hold portfolio of liquid short-term fixed income securities with an opportunistic allocation to longer dated securities in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

### Risk Profile

Conservative

**Intermediate**

High Reward



### Global market picture

— Swan Short-Term High Yield USD - Class A

During January, European credit markets experienced a negative performance (H9PC Index -1.45%), in tandem with the movement of the Eurostoxx 50 (-2.88%) and S&P 500 (-5.26%). COVID-19 cases were still high around the world but pressure on hospital were diminishing, with several European country lifting quarantine period and restrictions. Significant increase in inventories was one of the main driver of US 6.9% QoQ GDP growth in 4Q2021, while 1Q22 should be significantly lower at just 1.5%. After a strong third quarter, growth in Europe moderate to 0.3% QoQ, with only a modest 2% forecasted for 1Q22. On the other side inflation continued its march higher: core inflation in US reached 5.5% with no suggestion in details of a future slowing, while in Europe it reached the 2.6% YoY. FOMC commented strength in job market and strong inflation, supporting the case for a 25bps hike in March, with market speculating about a possible double hike of 50bps at next meeting: cumulatively FED forecasted three hikes in 2022, with three more in 2023 and another two in 2024. Markets will wait for the ECB reaction at February meeting, even if significant movement could materialize only at March meeting, when new staff projections will be available. In this context, the 10 years bund yield was higher at +0.01% (+19bps in the month, above zero for the first time since 2019), in tandem with the 10 years Treasury at 1.78% (+27bps in the month). The movement in rates had significant impact on markets, especially on the tech sector in US, with NASDAQ index loosing close to 9% during the month. Increasing tension between Russia and Ukraine supported oil that started the year on a positive note, closing the month at 91 USD per barrel (+17% MoM). Funds offers attractive returns for 2022, even if market volatility could persist in the first half of the year.

### Active Portfolio

Credit Allocation Scoring (CAS) indicates a medium-long-dated allocation of 18.40%, flat relatively to the end of December (18.40%). Fund's actual exposure (beta and duration adjusted) is 24.56%, lower relatively to last month (27.01%). The mix between Strategic and Tactical positions is 0% Strategic and 100% Tactical. The fund has an estimated gross yield of 5.90% (in EUR), a low spread duration of 1.22 and a z spread of 650.

### Yield-type bucket

The bucket generated a negative gross contribution to the monthly performance, with 61% of the positions (43 out of 71) 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 (10 months or 0.81 of spread duration), with a combination of yield close to 3.92% and z-spread of 452.

### Performance

MTD :	<b>-0.78%</b>	Fund Assets (mIn) :	220.2 €
Since inception	<b>31.45%</b>	1 Year Std Dev :	2.93%
Last 12 Months :	<b>0.20%</b>	1 Year Sharpe Ratio :	0.07
NAVps :	USD 131.45	% of positive months :	78%



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Period	Class A	Portfolio info	
MTD	<b>-0.78%</b>	# of Securities	113
YTD	<b>-0.78%</b>	% Weight	101.84%
6 months	<b>-1.54%</b>	Int Dur	0.58
1 year	<b>0.20%</b>	Yield (gross)	5.90%
2021	<b>1.56%</b>	Spread Duration	1.22
2020	<b>4.46%</b>	Z-spread	650
2019	<b>5.08%</b>		
2018	<b>2.98%</b>		
2017	<b>2.96%</b>		
2016	<b>4.84%</b>		
2015	<b>0.93%</b>		
2014	<b>0.81%</b>		
2013	<b>4.75%</b>		

### FX breakdown (fully hedged)

USD	52.27%
EUR	15.19%
NOK	17.81%
SEK	14.03%
CHF	0.00%
GBP	0.70%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### Geographic breakdown

EU	10.62%
US	4.42%
Oth DEV	46.92%
LATAM	0.74%
EMEA	19.49%
ASIA	17.82%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### Rating breakdown

AAA	0.00%
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A	0.00%
BBB	3.57%
<b>tot IG</b>	<b>3.57%</b>
BB	19.22%
B	20.78%
CCC	3.80%
<b>tot HY</b>	<b>43.80%</b>
NR	52.63%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### Sector breakdown - Top 10

Real Estate	36.44%
Services	22.60%
Energy	10.34%
Basic Industry	7.98%
Financial Services	5.27%
Banking	3.06%
Leisure	2.81%
Transportation	2.74%
Utility	2.31%
Consumer Goods	2.28%

### 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: 18 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)

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