Swan Ultra Short-Term Bond – EUR December 2021



Strategy

Swan Ultra Short-Term Bond is the UCITS version of our Fixed Income Conservative risk profile. The strategy invests in a highly diversified buy and hold portfolio of liquid short-term fixed income securities, with an average maturity of 1 year. Target Return is 3 months LIBOR + 150 bps.

Risk Profile Conservative **High Reward**

Performance

0.11% Fund Assets (mln): 380.3 € 1 Year Std Dev: Since inception: 21.88% 1.39% Last 12 Months: 0.59% EUR 121.88 positive months %:





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Global market picture

During December, European credit markets experienced a positive performance (H9PC Index +0.86%), in tandem with the movement of the Eurostoxx 50 (+5.79%) and S&P 500 (+4.36%). Surging COVID-19 cases linked to Omicron variant continued to impact economies: some European countries imposed new lock-down measures to limit impact on hospitals, while more vaccinated countries like Italy were still reluctant to issue fresh restrictions. Notwithstanding this new Covid wave, US economy should grow close to 7% in 4Q21 thanks to growth in inventories, while high vaccination rate should help Euro area GDP to return to the prepandemic levels by the end of 2022. During its meeting the FED announced that it will double the monthly pace of tapering: median forecast now signals three rate hikes in 2022. The ECB was not as hawkish as the FED, reiterating the view that inflation pressures are only transitory and that rates are unlikely to be raised in 2022. Inflation prints continued their march higher: in US CPI was 6.8% YoY (core +4.9% YoY), while Eurozone reached 4.9% and 2.6% respectively. In next months a significant increase to European inflation could come from energy prices: gas delivered Europe reached new highs in December, with prices up more than 800% in 2021. In this context, the 10 years bund yield was higher at -0.18% (+17bps in the month), in tandem with the 10 years Treasury at 1.51% (+7bps in the month). Oil partially recovered the loss experienced in November and closed the month at 78 USD per barrel. After a strong 2020, performances of our funds were below target, but we honored our mandate to generate positive performance for the 13th year in a row, since inception. Funds offers attractive returns for 2022, even if market volatility could persist in the first half of the year.

Yield-type strategy

The bucket generated a gross positive contribution to the monthly performance, with 80% of the positions (77 out of 96) 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 yield-type portfolio is very short (12 months or 0.97 of spread duration), combined with a gross yield of 4.16% (in EUR) and z-spread of 476 basis points

Period	Class C*	Class A
MTD	0.12%	0.11%
YTD	0.78%	0.59%
6 months	-0.60%	-0.68%
1 year	0.78%	0.59%
2021	0.78%	0.59%
2020	2.67%	2.58%
2019	1.59%	1.36%
2018	0.58%	0.39%
2017	0.92%	0.75%
2016	2.05%	1.86%
2015	0.58%	0.35%
2014	0.63%	0.54%
2013	3.00%	2.77%
2012	3.05%	2.84%
2011	2.07%	1.85%
2010	1.90%	1.73%
2009	2.63%	2.38%

Portfolio info	
# of Securities	137
% Weight	97.41%
Int Dur	0.10
Yield (gross)	4.16%
Spread Duration	0.94
Z-spread	476

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

FX breakdown (fully hedged))	Geographic breakdown	
USD	51.12%	EU	16.92%
EUR	11.47%	US	0.91%
NOK	17.91%	Oth DEV	48.42%
SEK	12.69%	LATAM	1.58%
CHF	1.84%	EMEA	17.40%
GBP	4.98%	ASIA	14.76%
TOTAL	100.00%	TOTAL	100.00%

Rating breakdown		
AAA		0.00%
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A		0.00%
BBB		9.14%
	tot IG	9.14%
BB		16.61%
В		19.77%
CCC		1.77%
	tot HY	38.15%
NR		52.71%
TOTAL		100.00%

Sector breakdown - Top 10		
Real Estate	28.12%	
Services	27.79%	
Basic Industry	6.84%	
Energy	6.00%	
Banking	5.85%	
Automotive	4.15%	
Financial Services	3.67%	
Leisure	3.63%	
Agency	2.43%	
Supranational	2.26%	

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