Swan Bond Opportunity – EUR April 2018



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105.76%

<u>Strategy</u>

The sub-fund aims to generate significant excess return vs 3m Euribor in combination with extremely low volatility. The strategy combines the "buy and hold" investment in a highly diversified and granular portfolio of liquid short-term fixed income securities with the opportunistic allocation of the promised average spread over risk free rate to a number of interest rate and FX active strategies.

Performance

 MTD:
 0.05%
 Fund Assets (mln):
 174.5 €

 Since inception
 16.24%
 1 Year Std Dev:
 0.28%

 Last 12 Months:
 0.31%
 1 Year Sharpe Ratio:
 2.32

NAVps: EUR 116.24 positive months %: 77%

Portfolio info # of Securities

% Weight

Risk Profile Conservative Intermediate High Reward

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Global market picture

Main topic of the month was the possible softening in growth, with CESI of G10 economies dipping below zero after recent highs at the end of 2017: investors did not seem to be excessively worried about this, and during April, European credit markets experienced a positive performance (H9PC Index +0.65%), in tandem with a positive movement of the Eurostoxx 50 (+5.21%); S&P500 also realized positive performance (+0.27%), reversing the correction started in February. Yield on 10 years Bund, after an initial rebound to 0.65%, pulled back to 0.55%, while flattening movement on US curve continued, with the 2 years/10 years maturity steepness reaching a multi years low of 50bps. On central banks' side, the ECB meeting did not bring significant changes in monetary policy: Draghi confirmed his confidence on inflation outlook, postponing any decision on QE to July/September meeting and signaling how the ECB is still on a data-watching mode. Important changes in rhetoric had been made by BoE Governor Carney, that after disappointing 1Q18 GDP data, flagged uncertainty about a possible rate hike in May, with markets that had to reduce the probability of such an event from close to 100% to below 10%. Emerging markets credit performance was negative (EMHB index -0.58%), with spread to worst 13bps wider at 366bps, notwithstanding Brent reached new highs at 75USD per barrel. Finally, the meeting between Kim Jong-Un and South Korea President Moon Jae-in was an historical event (last meeting took place in 2007), and paved the way for a possible summit between US and North Korea in June.

Yield-type strategy

The bucket generated a gross positive contribution to the monthly performance, thanks to 85% of the positions (76 out of 89) contributing positively. Positive contributions were homogeneously distributed, while there were not significant

Period	Pert.
MTD	0.05%
YTD	0.14%
6 months	0.11%
1 year	0.31%
2017	0.75%
2016	1.86%
2015	0.35%
2014	0.54%
2013	2.77%
2012	2.84%
2011	1.85%
2010	1.73%
2009	2.38%

FX breakdown (fully hedged)	
USD	45.54%
EUR	12.80%
NOK	17.90%
GBP	5.11%
SEK	6.40%
CHF	8.94%
AUD	3.30%
SGD	0.00%
TOTAL	100.00%

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Yield (gross)	1.87%
Spread Duration	0.80
Z-spread	233
Geographic breakdown	
EU	8.21%
US	0.20%
Oth DEV	31.14%
LATAM	4.61%
EMEA	40.31%
ASIA	15.51%

Rating breakdown		
AAA		0.00%
AA		0.00%
A		1.04%
BBB		36.44%
	tot IG	37.47%
BB		15.35%
В		16.45%
CCC		0.20%
	tot HY	32.01%
NR		30.52%
TOTAL		100.00%
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Sector breakdown - Top 10		
Banking	27.919	
Services	23.859	
Real Estate	21.719	
Energy	9.789	
Financial Services	5.099	
Supranational	2.619	
Transportation	1.939	
Agency	1.739	
Basic Industry	1.50%	
Foreign Sovereign	1.499	

negative contributions. The average life of the yield-type portfolio is very short (9 months or 0.75 of spread duration), combined with a yield of 1.87% and z-spread of 233 basis points.

Active Strategies

The bucket generated a positive contribution this month due to the short position on 10yrs Bund Future.

Sicav Structure – Terms & Conditions Domicile: Luxembourg Inception Date: 1 April 2009 Minimum Investment: 1 share

Minimum Investment: 1 share Liquidity / Reporting: Daily Fees: 1.00% Management Fee

15% Performance Fee (high water mark

Investment Manager: Swan Asset Management SA
Custodian Bank: State Street Bank Lux
Administrator Agent: State Street Bank Lux
Auditor: Ernst & Young

Bloomberg: class A: CBSWBOA LX, class C: CBSWBOC LX *ISIN:* class A: LU0417109773. class C: LU0417110193

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