

# Swan Short-Term High Yield – USD

## April 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

### Performance

MTD :	<b>0.37%</b>	Fund Assets (mln) :	226.0
Since inception :	<b>32.68%</b>	1 Year Std Dev :	1.31%
Last 12 Months :	<b>10.40%</b>	1 Year Sharpe Ratio :	7.88
NAVps :	USD 132.68	% of positive months :	80%



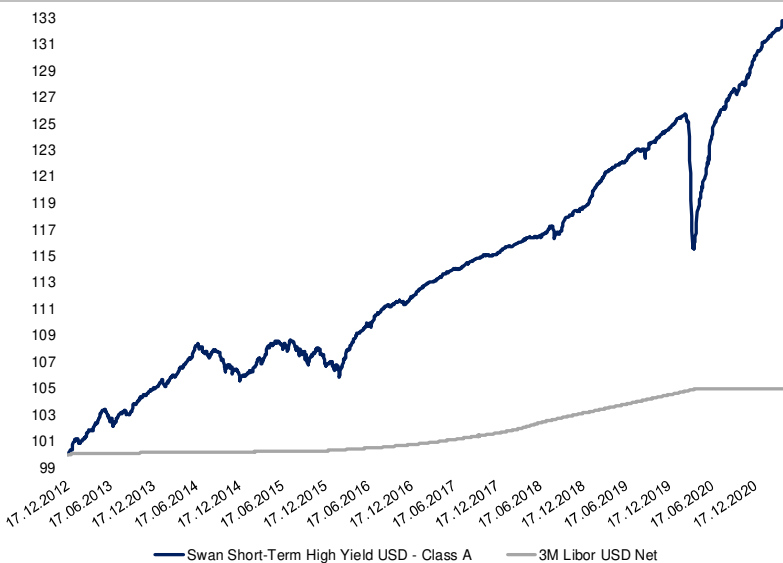
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### Global market picture

During April European credit markets experienced a positive performance (H9PC Index +0.64%), in tandem with the movement of the Eurostoxx 50 (+1.42%) and S&P 500 (+5.24%). Anti-COVID-19 mass vaccination campaign gathered pace in Europe: Italy reached the 500k inoculations per day, while Germany did better with 1mio jab in 24 hours. Notwithstanding this huge effort, cases are still elevated in Europe, and additional threat came from Indian variant that hit more than 360'000 persons in a single day in the Asian country. According to ECB projection Eurozone economy is likely to contract in the first quarter and then rebound 1.3% from April to June, while Christine Lagarde confirmed that "ample degree of monetary accommodation" is still necessary and an "ambitious and co-ordinated fiscal stance" from governments "remain crucial". US economy showed signs of strong recovery, posting the biggest monthly gain in retail sales in 10 years in addition to mounting evidence that labor market and economic activity are recovering quickly; GDP grew 6.4% in 1Q, bringing real GDP just 1% shy of its pre pandemic level. Biden's attention remained on the \$2.3tn infrastructure spending bill and \$1.8tn expansion of the social safety net, with the latter funded mainly with higher taxes on corporations and wealthy. In this context, the 10 years bund yield was higher at -0.20% (+9bps in the month), while the 10 years Treasury was lower at 1.63% (-11bps in the month). Oil jumped to 67 USD per barrel, while gold rebounded to 1769 \$ per ounce. 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 March (18.40%). Fund's actual exposure (beta and duration adjusted) is 15.14%, higher relatively to last month (13.88%). The mix between Strategic and Tactical positions is 0% Strategic and 100% Tactical. The fund has an estimated gross yield of 3.11% (in EUR), a low spread duration of 0.99 and a z spread of 362.

### Yield-type bucket

The bucket generated a positive gross contribution to the monthly performance, with 88% of the positions (68 out of 77) 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

Period	Class A	Portfolio info	
MTD	<b>0.37%</b>	# of Securities	125
YTD	<b>1.72%</b>	% Weight	100.30%
6 months	<b>3.77%</b>	Int Dur	0.79
1 year	<b>10.40%</b>	Yield (gross)	3.11%
2020	<b>4.46%</b>	Spread Duration	0.99
2019	<b>5.08%</b>	Z-spread	362
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	67.33%
EUR	13.60%
NOK	13.88%
SEK	3.52%
CHF	0.00%
GBP	1.67%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### Geographic breakdown

EU	6.86%
US	5.62%
Oth DEV	36.03%
LATAM	1.89%
EMEA	31.62%
ASIA	17.98%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### Rating breakdown

AAA	0.00%	
AA	0.00%	
A	0.00%	
BBB	1.14%	
	<b>tot IG</b>	<b>1.14%</b>
BB	22.93%	
B	30.97%	
CCC	0.68%	
	<b>tot HY</b>	<b>54.59%</b>
NR	44.27%	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	

### Sector breakdown - Top 10

Services	28.09%
Real Estate	21.02%
Banking	10.44%
Basic Industry	10.16%
Leisure	5.77%
Energy	4.33%
Financial Services	3.54%
Consumer Goods	2.88%
Transportation	2.62%
Automotive	1.72%

very short (9 months or 0.71 of spread duration), with a combination of yield close to 2.65% and z-spread of 313.

### 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: 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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