Swan Short-Term High Yield – USD September 2022



<u>Strategy</u>

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.

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Performance

 MTD:
 -1.35%
 Fund Assets (mIn):
 179.0 €

 Since inception
 21.24%
 1 Year Std Dev:
 5.05%

 Last 12 Months:
 -9.41%
 1 Year Sharpe Ratio:
 -2.04

 NAVps:
 USD 121.24 % of positive months:
 75%

			
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Global market picture — Swan Short-Term High Yield USD - Class A

Credit markets remained extremely negative with year to date performances ranging from -23.02% for EM corp HY to -15.32% of the EU HY. The IG EUR market is also negative by -15.07% YTD, mainly due to the rates component. The short-term (1-3 year) H1WN global HY index also reports a performance of -12.86% YTD while the Global unconstrained (in terms of maturity) HY lost -17.19% Inflation continued its march higher around the globe with US core CPI printing 6.3% YoY (6.1% expected) in tandem with Eurozone that exceeded expectations by 0.2% at 4.3% YoY. Faced with faster than expected rise in prices, central bankers further tightened their position against inflation: FED raised rates by 75bps for the time in a row, reinforcing its commitment to "higher lor longer" rates, clearly flagging its intention to keep monetary policy tight. ECB raised its main rate by 75bps, with Christine Lagarde saying that investors should not assume moves on this scale were "the norm", but there would be "several" rate rises in the coming months. The tension between Russia and Nato members further increased after the sabotage of both Nordstream 1 and 2, while Russia declared annexation of four Ukrainian regions. The 10 years bund yield was higher at +1.54% (+72bps in the month) while the 10 years Treasury closed the month at 3.20% (+54bps). Huge volatility was registered on UK Gilt market, where BOE was forced to intervene to avoid a "material risk to UK financial stability" after that Liz Truss government announced a fiscal plan that caused a spike of the 30 years yield to 5%. Thanks to recent volatility spike we have been able to add several new credit stories at very interesting level of credit spreads. The combination of higher diversification, higher credit quality and higher expected yields paves the way for attractive returns in the next future.

Active Portfolio

Credit Allocation Scoring (CAS) indicates a medium-long-dated allocation of 18.40%, flat relatively to the end of August (18.40%), Fund's actual exposure (beta and duration adjusted) is 26.49%, higher relatively to last month (24.32%). The mix between Strategic and Tactical positions is 0% Strategic and 100% Tactical. The fund has an estimated gross yield of 10.38% (in EUR), a low spread duration of 1.27 and a z spread of 867.

Yield-type bucket

The bucket generated a negative gross contribution to the monthly performance, with 51% of the positions (30 out of 59) 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 0.82 of spread duration).

Period	Class A	A Portfolio info		
MTD	-1.35%	# of Securities	114	
YTD	-8.48%			
6 months	-2.04%	% Weight	98.08%	
1 year	-9.41%			
2021	1.56%	Int Dur	0.62	
2020	4.46%			
2019	5.08%	Yield (gross)	10.38%	
2018	2.98%			
2017	2.96%	Spread Duration	1.27	
2016	4.84%			
2015	0.93%	Z-spread	867	
2014	0.81%			
2013	4.75%			

FX breakdown (fully hedged)		Geographic breakdown	
USD	25.29%	EU	22.59%
EUR	28.55%	US	5.75%
NOK	25.65%	Oth DEV	53.81%
SEK	19.76%	LATAM	0.23%
CHF	0.00%	EMEA	11.71%
GBP	0.75%	ASIA	5.91%
TOTAL	100.00%	TOTAL	100.00%

Rating breakdown		Sector breakdown - Top 10		
AAA		0.00%	Services	24.60%
AA		0.00%	Real Estate	21.40%
A		0.00%	Financial Services	8.47%
BBB		0.46%	Energy	7.62%
	tot IG	0.46%	Basic Industry	7.50%
ВВ		13.83%	Transportation	5.67%
В		16.80%	Leisure	4.43%
CCC		3.49%	Automotive	3.64%
	tot HY	34.13%	Healthcare	3.55%
NR		65.41%	Consumer Goods	3.48%
TOTAL		100.00%		

Strategic & Tactical buckets.

Tactical bucket generated a negative performance, with homogeneous contributions. Geographical allocation in EM was positive; picking was negative in EM and positive in EUR HY (overall positive).

Sicav Structure – Terms & Conditions

Domicile: Luxembourg

Inception Date: 18 December 2012

Minimum Investment: 1 share

Fees: Class C 0.90% / Class A 1.20% 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: CBASAUH LX
ISIN: class A: LU0860713980
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