

# Swan Ultra Short-Term Bond – USD

## January 2023



### 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

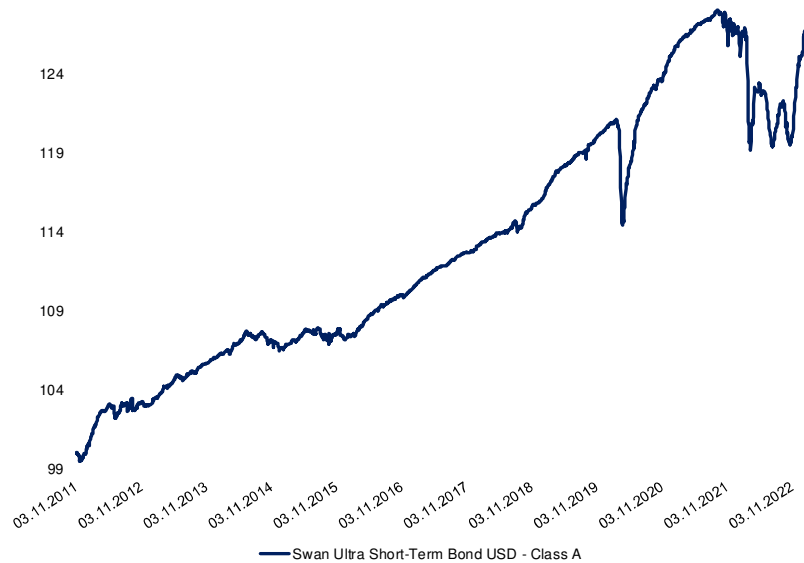
Conservative

Intermediate

High Reward

### Performance

MTD :	1.64%	Fund Assets (mln) :	302.4 €
Since inception	27.46%	1 Year Std Dev :	3.05%
Last 12 Months :	0.77%	1 Year Sharpe Ratio :	-0.43
NAVps :	USD 127.46	% of positive months :	77%



### Global market picture

Credit markets started 2023 with positive performances ranging from +3.91% for EM corp HY to +3.26% of the EU HY. The IG EUR market is also positive by +2.01% YTD. The short-term (1-3 year) H1WN global HY index also reports a performance of 2.71% YTD while the Global unconstrained (in terms of maturity) HY gained +3.59%. US CPI continued its march lower in December at 6.5% YoY, in tandem with European inflation that came back to single digit level at 9.2%. Inflation seems to have peaked in developed countries but central bankers on both side of the Atlantic remarked that they will "stay the course" on interest rate increases to cool their economies and fight higher prices level. Christine Lagarde was very vocal saying that financial markets "should revise their position" that ECB would slow down its rate rise, but market started the year on a very strong note thanks to better than expected economic outlooks: economists signaled a U-turn in sentiment that coupled with gas rationing fears ease should give Eurozone the opportunity to avoid recession in 2022, while a soft landing scenario could be the case for US. The 10 years bund yield was lower at +2.30% (-27bps in the month) in tandem with the 10 years Treasury that closed the month at 3.53% (-34bps). Oil was stable around 85\$ per barrel, while US dollar continued to weaken with DXY at 102. Thanks to the recent volatility spike we have been able to add several new credit stories at very interesting levels of credit spreads: our funds have a yield to maturity between 7.5% and 12%, combined with an average spread duration of below 16 months. The combination of higher diversification, higher credit quality and higher expected yields paves the way for extremely attractive returns in the next future.

### Yield-type strategy

The bucket generated a positive gross contribution to the monthly performance, with 97% of the positions (155 out of 160) 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 (14 months or 1.16 of spread duration), combined with a gross yield of 7.50% (in EUR) and z-spread of 473 basis points.

Period	Class C*	Class A	Portfolio info
MTD	1.61%	1.64%	# of Securities 160
YTD	1.61%	1.64%	% Weight 97.08%
6 months	6.05%	5.96%	Int Dur 0.75
1 year	1.02%	0.77%	Yield (gross) 7.50%
2022	-0.90%	-1.19%	Spread Duration 1.12
2021	1.57%	1.27%	Z-spread 473
2020	3.96%	3.84%	
2019	3.90%	3.94%	
2018	2.91%	2.66%	
2017	2.68%	2.43%	
2016	3.13%	2.88%	
2015	0.88%	0.63%	
2014	0.78%	0.53%	
2013	3.11%	2.86%	
2012	3.11%	2.86%	
2011	0.52%	0.27%	

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

### FX breakdown (fully hedged)

USD	26.33%	EU	28.46%
EUR	37.59%	US	8.04%
NOK	22.45%	Oth DEV	45.53%
SEK	10.30%	LATAM	1.31%
CHF	0.11%	EMEA	12.53%
GBP	3.22%	ASIA	4.13%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### Geographic breakdown

### Rating breakdown

AAA	0.00%	Real Estate - Dev Res	5.72%
AA	0.00%	Shipping - Gas	5.33%
A	0.00%	Banking	5.17%
BBB	9.88%	Real Estate - Mgmt Res	5.12%
	tot IG	Investments & Misc Finan	4.75%
BB	24.06%	Real Estate - Mgmt Comm	4.53%
B	15.17%	Shipping - Chemicals	4.41%
CCC	3.25%	Finance - NPL collector	4.21%
	tot HY	Automakers	3.65%
NR	47.64%	Air Transportation	3.42%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.00%</b>		

### Sector breakdown - Top 10

### Sicav Structure – Terms & Conditions

Domicile: Luxembourg

Inception Date: 3 November 2011

Minimum Investment: 1 share

Liquidity / Reporting: Daily

Fees: Class C 0.75% / Class A 1.00% Management Fee

15% Performance Fee (high water mark)

Promoter / Distributor: Corner Banca SA

Investment Manager: Swan Asset Management SA

Custodian Bank: State Street Bank Lux

Administrator Agent: State Street Bank Lux

Auditor: Ernst & Young

Bloomberg: class A: CBSBAUH LX, class C: CBSBCUH LX

ISIN: class A: LU0698400198, class C: LU0698400354

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