

Monthly review

In April, against a backdrop of higher-than-expected inflation and growth, rates rose, especially in the US, where the number of expected cuts by the Federal Reserve was significantly reduced compared to the previous month. This change of scenario was also reflected in credit spreads, which began to widen, especially on higher beta segments, not only in dollars but also in euros, despite the ECB's statements continuing to support the hypothesis of a beginning to rate easing as early as the June meeting. In the euro area, Investment Grade and Subordinates underperformed by about 1 point, with CoCos underperforming all other segments. In contrast, the aggregate results in High Yield were only marginally negative, but with a gap of about half a point between BB and B, with the latter reversing the outperformance trend of recent months. In this context, the strategy performed negatively but broadly in line with the benchmark. Against new subscriptions, amounting to around 5% of assets, taking advantage of the rise in rates, the weight of the Investment Grade segment was increased, especially on 6-7 year maturities, closing the negative duration gap with respect to the index maintained until the end of March. High Yield valuations continue to remain unattractive, especially in the face of increasing idiosyncratic risks related to potential debt restructurings on some issuers. On the other hand, the retracement shown by AT1 instruments could offer an upside opportunity for the segment. Looking forward, we thus believe that the conditions continue to be in place to gradually increase portfolio duration, taking advantage of the retracement of rates, and to maintain an overweight on subordination risk.

Key fund information

Assogestioni category	Euro bond corporate investment grade fund
Inception date	31/03/2009
Nav (Euro)	291,100
Strategy AUM (in Euro)	149.675.646
Benchmark	ICE BofAML Euro Corporate

Performance	Fund	Benchmark
YTD	-0,22%	-0,67%
Last week	-0,28%	-0,32%
Last month	-0,79%	-0,81%
Last 3 months	-0,12%	-0,04%
1 year	5,56%	4,62%
3 years (*)	-2,60%	-2,40%
5 years (*)	-1,10%	-0,72%
Since inception (*)	2,43%	3,01%

(*) Compound annual return

Risk statistics

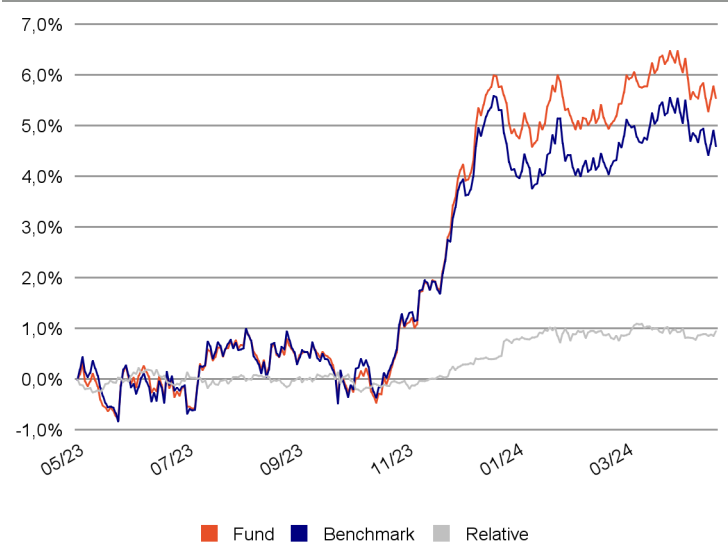
Standard deviation	4,35%	Sharpe ratio	-0,58
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VaR	-7,18%	Beta	0,83
Tracking error volatility	1,55%	Correlation	0,95
Effective duration	4,54		

Asset class

Bonds	95,3%
Liquidity	4,7%
Shares	-
	-
Total	100,0%

Currency exposure	Gross exp.	Coverage	Net exp.
Euro	99,2%	0,7%	99,9%
Dollar	0,8%	-0,7%	0,1%
Emerging countries	0,0%	-	0,0%
Europe ex Euro	0,0%	-	0,0%
Global	-	-	-
Japanese Yen	-	-	-
Pacific ex Japan	0,0%	-	0,0%
	-	-	-
Total	100,0%	-	100,0%

Regional Exposure	Bond	Derivat.	Total
America	5,4%	-	5,4%
Emerging countries	-	-	-
Europe ex Italy	73,5%	-	73,5%
Italy	16,4%	-	16,4%
Japan	-	-	-
Pacific ex Japan	-	-	-
Total	95,3%	0,0%	95,3%

Performance over last year


Credit Rating	Corp	Govt	Conv	Total
AAA	-	-	-	-
AA	-	-	-	-
A	27,5%	-	-	27,5%
BBB	55,8%	1,3%	-	57,1%
BB	10,0%	-	-	10,0%
B	0,7%	-	-	0,7%
<CCC	-	-	-	-
NR	0,0%	-	-	0,0%
Total	94,0%	1,3%	-	95,3%

Maturity Profile			
0 - 0,5 years	1,4%	3 - 5 years	53,3%
0,5 - 1 years	-	5 - 7 years	29,4%
1 - 2 years	3,5%	7 - 10 years	9,2%
2 - 3 years	3,2%	> 10 years	-

Fund technicals	
Management Company	Ersel Gestion Internationale SA
Investment Manager	Ersel Asset Management Sgr SpA
Custodian bank	Caceis Bank Luxembourg SA
Independent auditors	Ernst & Young S.A.
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Base currency	Euro
ISIN code	LU0012092481
Bloomberg code	GLBRBND LX
Frequency of NAV calculations	Daily

Main securities in the portfolio	
SOC.GEN EUR 11/31 MCP CALL 30	2,82%
DEUTSCHE BK EUR 11/30 MCP CALL 29	2,35%
BNP PARIBAS EUR 04/32 2,1%	2,34%
CAIXABANK EUR 11/30 MCP CALL 29	2,19%
B.CO SABADELL EUR 06/29 MCP CALL 28	2,18%
ABANCA CORP EUR 04/30 MCP CALL 29	2,14%
THALES EUR 10/31 4,25% CALL 31	2,12%
LLOYDS BK EUR 01/29 MCP CALL 28	2,08%
HSBC HLDG EUR 03/28 MCP CALL 27	2,06%
COMMERZBANK EUR 01/31 MCP CALL 30	2,06%

Investment objective

The Fund seeks to grow capital and to generate income. In order to achieve the above said aims the Fund invests mainly in bonds, debt securities and credit instruments issued by companies in any sector whatsoever and more than 50% of its assets in "investment grade" credit instruments. The Fund may invest in instruments denominated in currencies other than the Euro.

Charges	
Minimum amount of the first subscription:	2.500 euro
Minimum amount of subsequent subscriptions:	250 euro
Entry charge:	None
Exit charge:	None
Maximum management fees:	0.8% on an annual basis
Performance fee:	Calculated quarterly on 20% of the positive difference between the net return of the Fund and its reference index: 90% Merrill Lynch EMU Corporate Large Cap Index and 10% Merrill Lynch Euro Government Bill Index

Risk level						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

The synthetic risk indicator assumes that the product is held for 5 years and is an indicative indication of the level of risk of this product compared to other products.

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