

# Epsilon Fund - Emerging Bond Total Return I, EUR Accumulation



Data as of 04/30/2024

This Sub-Fund is managed by Eurizon Capital S.A.

<b>NAV (in EUR)</b>	133.29	<b>Fund Size (in EUR)</b>	1,044 mil	<b>Number of Holdings</b>	151
<b>Morningstar Rating <sup>TM</sup></b>	★★★★	<b>Fund Manager</b>	Luca Sibani		
Morningstar Rating <sup>TM</sup> referred to 03/29/2024					
<b>Class Unit Inception Date</b>	05/27/2008				

## Investment / Performance Objectives & policy

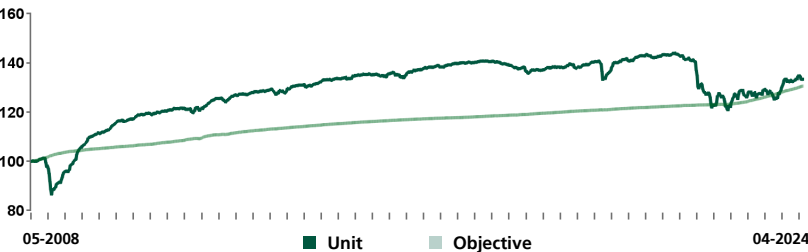
This Sub-Fund's net assets are invested mainly in short and medium term debt and debt-related instruments issued by governments and private companies located in Emerging Countries, including lower quality ("speculative grade") instruments.  
On an ancillary basis, the Sub-Fund's net assets may be invested in any other instruments, such as but not limited to UCITS (up to 10%) and cash, including term deposits with credit institutions.  
Your attention is called to the fact that this Sub-Fund may invest in financial instruments dealt in on the local and offshore Chinese markets and denominated in Renmimbi.  
The Sub-Fund may use derivatives financial instruments aiming at hedging risks, ensuring efficient portfolio management and/or investing according to the Investment Policy. The use of derivatives financial instruments for investment purposes may amplify the up and down fluctuations of the Sub-Fund's Net Asset Value per Unit.  
For more information read the Prospectus or Key Information Document (KID).

## Performance Objective

Bloomberg Euro Treasury Bills Index expressed in Euro + 1.30% (gross of management fees) p.a. over a time horizon of 36 months.

## Performance and NAV Evolution\*

### NAV Evolution since launch



### Cumulative and Annualized Performance

	Unit	Objective	Unit	Objective
	Cumulative		Annualized	
<b>YTD</b>	0.02%	1.47%	-	-
<b>1M</b>	-0.96%	0.38%	-	-
<b>3M</b>	0.23%	1.11%	-	-
<b>1Y</b>	4.75%	4.50%	-	-
<b>3Y</b>	-6.27%	6.93%	-2.13%	2.26%
<b>5Y</b>	-3.55%	8.85%	-0.72%	1.71%
<b>Since Launch</b>	33.29%	30.71%	1.82%	1.69%

### Fund Statistics

	6M	1Y	3Y	5Y	Since Launch
<b>Annualized Volatility Unit</b>	4.85%	4.61%	6.08%	5.08%	3.72%
<b>Sharpe Ratio</b>	1.83	0.34	-0.51	-0.22	0.34

### Annual Performance (Calendar Year)

	Unit	Objective
<b>2023</b>	6.29%	4.07%
<b>2022</b>	-11.63%	0.76%
<b>2021</b>	-0.71%	0.73%
<b>2020</b>	1.85%	0.91%
<b>2019</b>	2.30%	0.98%

\*Past performance and/or of relevant benchmark if applicable is not guarantee of future performance. The performances are net of ongoing charges and performance fees and exclude any entry and exit fees.  
Dividend reinvested / Dividend distributed (depending on the case).  
Reference period: YTD (year to date) from 01/01/2024 to the date of this reporting. The returns calculations do not take into account taxes applicable to an average professional client in his or her country of residence. When the currency presented differs from yours, there is a currency risk that may result in a decrease in value.

## Risk and Reward Profile



The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 3 years.  
The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay you.  
We have classified this product as 2 out of 7, which is a lower risk class.  
This rates the potential losses from future performance at a low level, and poor market conditions are very unlikely to impact the capacity to pay you.

For any further details on investment risks, please refer in particular to the Risks section of the Fund's Prospectus.

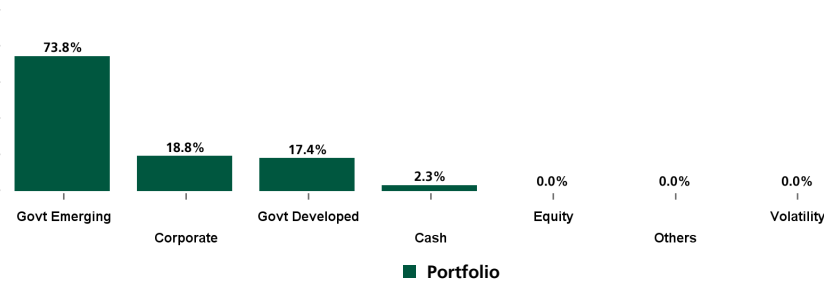
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## Portfolio Information

### Asset Breakdown\*



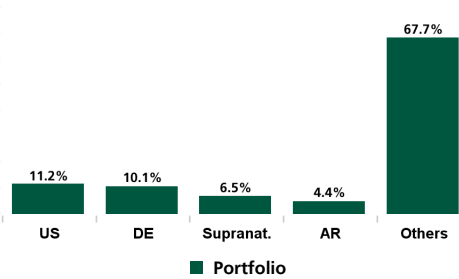
\*The Corporate asset class may include issues by local agencies or authorities that are equivalent to Corporate instruments issued in terms of creditworthiness. The Developed Governments asset class may include derivative financial instruments on interbank rates.

Derivatives	Weight
Currency	0.01%
Equity	-
Interest rate	11.71%

### Top 10 Holdings (excluding cash)

	Weight	Sector	Duration	Rating S&P
FUT US 10YR NOTE (CBT...	6.73%	-	-	-
FUT EURO-BUND FUTURE ...	4.98%	-	-	-
ARGENT 0 07/09/30	2.15%	Government	2.40	CCC
ARGENT 0 1/8 07/09/41...	1.91%	Government	6.03	CCC
PANAMA 3,875% 03/28	1.83%	Government	3.48	BBB
PARGUY 4,7% 03/27	1.73%	Government	2.65	BB+
KAZAKS 0,6% 09/26	1.52%	Government	2.31	BBB-
BRAZIL 2 7/8 06/06/25...	1.42%	Government	1.04	BB
COLOM 4,5% 01/26	1.41%	Government	1.62	BB+
IVYCST 6 3/8 03/03/28...	1.38%	Government	2.49	BB-

### Duration Contribution by Country



### Contribution to Duration by Maturity

	% Contrib.
0-1	1.64%
1-3	22.69%
3-5	22.09%
5-7	16.66%
7-10	13.09%
>10	23.84%
Total	100.00%

### Duration Evolution

	Portfolio
11-2023	4.49
12-2023	3.96
01-2024	3.98
02-2024	3.98
03-2024	4.00
04-2024	3.97

### Sector Allocation

	Portfolio
Treasury	14.71%
Government Related	
Agency	14.25%
Local Authority	-
Supranational	2.29%
Sovereign	64.24%
Corporate	
Industrial	4.12%
Financial Institutions	4.79%
Utility	-
Securitized	-

### Portfolio Characteristics

	Portfolio
Weighted Average Coupon	4.13%
Current Yield	4.89%
Average Rating	BB
Yield to Worst*	5.59%

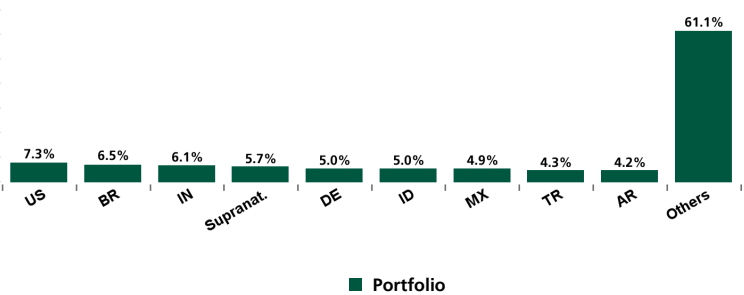
The portfolio Yield to Worst refers only to the component of fixed income and is calculated as a weighted average of returns of the single bond instruments, where the weighting takes place with respect to the value of the individual instrument. Returns hold account of the operating probabilities of the optional components possibly present in the bonds.

### Allocation by S&P Rating / Maturity\*

	0-1	1-3	3-5	5-7	7-10	>10	Total
AAA	1.37%	2.27%	0.52%	0.23%	4.98%	1.31%	10.68%
AA	-	1.67%	-	6.73%	-	-	8.40%
A	-	3.25%	0.49%	0.40%	-	0.56%	4.70%
BBB	1.95%	11.85%	10.55%	-	0.51%	1.60%	26.47%
BB	4.09%	14.19%	9.71%	4.00%	1.37%	1.60%	34.96%
B	-	4.38%	2.34%	-	-	0.61%	7.33%
Below B	-	1.70%	0.08%	2.15%	-	1.91%	5.84%
Total	7.41%	39.31%	23.69%	13.51%	6.86%	7.60%	

\*Instruments without ratings are excluded from the calculation.

### Geographical Breakdown by Issuer



The sum of the weights represents the total bond exposure, including derivative instruments.

Allocation subject to change. Reference in this document to specific securities should not be construed as recommendation to buy or sell these securities.

### Currency Risk Exposure\*

	Portfolio
TRY	4.20%
INR	1.85%
IDR	1.83%
JPY	1.51%
BRL	1.42%
MXN	1.16%
GBP	-1.35%
USD	-4.66%
Others	1.74%

\*The figure refers only to classes not covered by exchange rate risk.

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## Sustainability characteristics

### ESG score

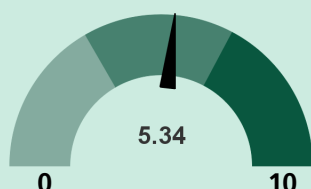
The ESG score considers environmental, social and governance factors based on data on the individual issuer provided by MSCI ESG, which are then aggregated according to the underlying securities in the portfolio. The same methodology is also applied to the product's investment universe.

### SFDR Category

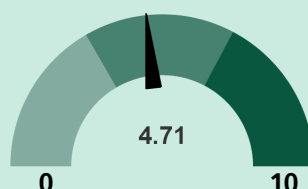
## Article 8

The fund is qualified pursuant to Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088; see the Sustainability Report for more details.

### ESG score Epsilon Fund - Emerging Bond Total Return I



### ESG score Investment universe



### Percentage of issuers involved in controversial sectors

0.00%  
Portfolio

### Percentage of critical issuers

0.07%  
Portfolio

Values other than zero may be due to (i) discontinued issuers, in the best interest of participants and in accordance with current legislation, (ii) issuers for which an engagement activity is in progress or (iii) indirect exposures.

Source: Internal processing of data provided by MSCI ESG Research  
 Survey period: 12-month rolling average

## Appendix

### Percentage of issuers involved in controversial sectors

Issuers operating in sectors deemed controversial (not "socially responsible"), to which restrictions or exclusions apply with respect to the entirety of the individual assets under management, are companies (i) that have a clear direct involvement in the manufacture of unconventional weapons; (ii) at least 25% of whose turnover is generated from thermal coal mining or power generation activities; (iii) at least 10% of whose turnover is generated from the exploitation of oil sands.

More specifically, unconventional weapons are understood as: anti-personnel mines; cluster bombs; nuclear weapons\*; impoverished uranium; biological weapons; chemical weapons; stealth cluster bombs; blinding lasers; incendiary weapons; white phosphorus.

These provisions do not apply to the activities permitted by the following treaties and/or conventions:

- The Ottawa Treaty (1997) which prohibits the use, stockpiling, production and transfer of anti-personnel mines; the Convention on Cluster Munitions (2008) which prohibits the use, stockpiling, production and transfer of cluster bombs;
- The Chemical Weapons Convention (1997) which prohibits the use, stockpiling, production and transfer of chemical weapons;
- The Biological Weapons Convention (1975) which prohibits the use, stockpiling, production and transfer of biological weapons;
- Regulation (EU) 2018/1542 concerning restrictive measures against the proliferation and use of chemical weapons;

These exclusions are also intended to comply with the requirements established by Law no. 220 of 9 December 2021 on measures to counter the financing of companies producing antipersonnel mines, cluster bombs and submunitions.

\*With regard to exclusions on nuclear weapons, issuers based in states that have adhered to the "Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty" stipulated on 1 July 1968 are not considered.

### Percentage of critical issuers

"Critical" issuers are those companies having a higher exposure to environmental, social and corporate governance risks, i.e. which have a lower ESG sustainability rating level (equal to "CCC" assigned by the specialized info-provider) in the equity and bond investment category and for which an escalation process has been activated, or is being assessed, which determines restrictions and/or exclusions with respect to the entirety of the individual assets under management ("ESG Binding screening").

### Percentage of issuers selected on the basis of positive and negative criteria

The weighting of issuers that comply with the specific positive and negative selection criteria identified by the Product, i.e. (i) issuers of green/sustainable bonds and (ii) companies publicly engaged in the energy transition process, particularly through the progressive reduction in Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions to reach climate neutrality by 2050 ("Net Zero" goal).

### Percentage of assets in government issuers meeting the screening criteria

The weight of government issuers that meet the selection criteria defined on the basis of the indicators of the "Sustainable Development Report" and Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 to monitor the principal adverse impacts relating to government issuers.

### Percentage of assets in ESG or sustainable investment type UCIs

This is understood as assets of UCITS that promote environmental and/or social characteristics pursuant to Article 8 of Regulation 2019/2088 or which pursue sustainable investment objectives pursuant to Article 9 of said Regulation.

### Carbon footprint

The value represents tonnes of carbon dioxide (direct - Scope 1 and indirect - Scope 2) of the investee companies in relation to their turnover.

### Sustainable investment

Weighting (i) of issuers with net positive alignment with at least 1 of the United Nations' 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) and no misalignment with any of the SDGs and (ii) of green, social and sustainability bonds.

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Investment Manager Commentary

Market Development

In April, the resilience of the global economy, accompanied by a rise in inflationary pressures in the United States, led the market to eliminate, one after the other, the rate cuts expected this year by the Fed and major central banks. In the US, it was the strength of domestic demand that surprised, while in the Eurozone and Asia, there were the first signs of economic recovery, as reflected in business and consumer confidence indicators. The most immediate consequence was the rise in bond yields, which was more pronounced at the short end of the US curve. During this period, all bonds performed poorly, including the less risky government instruments and investment grade corporate bonds. The uniqueness of the US economy led to a further strengthening of the dollar against the main G10 and emerging market currencies. Emerging market bond indices performed poorly in the month, mainly driven by investment grade debt, which is more sensitive to rising interest rates and the strength of the dollar: the hard currency government bond index (JPEmbig) fell 2.0%, while the corporate bond index (JP Cembi broad) lost 98 basis points. The GBI-EM local debt index was negative (-2.14%), as was the ELMI+ index, which was also negative by 65 basis points.

Performance and Investment Choices

No noteworthy changes were made in the course of the month. The liquidity component remained stable at around 1%. The Fund's spread duration remained just above 3 years, while its overall exposure to duration was under 4 years. The Fund put in a negative performance in April. All components contributed to the result: the currency component, the risk free component and the credit component, despite the very positive contribution from Argentinean issuers.

Outlook and Investment Strategy

Interest rates, particularly in the US, continued to weigh on performance and sentiment in the asset class, with flows turning negative after the timid signs of recovery seen in the previous month. In terms of growth, the geopolitical environment and restrictive monetary policies are putting pressure on manufacturing, with business confidence indices continuing to point to stagnation. However, technical factors, such as positioning and net funding expectations for 2024, should continue to prop up the asset class for the foreseeable future.

Source: Epsilon SGR S.p.A., the Investment Manager of the Sub-Fund.

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Fund Overview

Legal Status	Fonds Commun de Placement (FCP)/UCITS
Home jurisdiction of the Fund	Luxembourg
ISIN Code	LU0365358570
Class Unit Inception Date	05/27/2008
Valuation	Daily
Bloomberg Code	EURBDTR LX
Entry costs	-
Exit costs	-
Management fees and other administrative or operating costs	0.39% (of which management commission constitutes 0.25%)
Transaction costs	0.50%
Performance fees	The performance fee calculation is based on a comparison of the net asset value per unit against the High Water Mark where the High Water Mark is defined as the highest net asset value per unit recorded at the end of the five previous financial years, increased by the year-to-date return of the fund's hurdle rate. The actual amount will vary depending on how well your investment performs
Minimum amount	3,000,000 EUR
Taxes	The tax treatment depends on the individual circumstances of each investor and may be subject to change in the future. Please refer to your financial and tax advisor.
Management Company	Eurizon Capital S.A.
Investment Manager of the Sub-Fund	Epsilon SGR S.p.A.
Category	GLOBAL EMERGING MARKETS BOND - EUR BIASED

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The Sub-Fund is not an Index-tracking UCITS and then does not intend to passively replicate, track or leverage the performance of a Benchmark through synthetic or physical replication.

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