

# FTGF Western Asset

# US High Yield Fund Class PR Acc. (USD)

#### **Fund details**

#### **Summary of Investment Objective:**

The fund's goal is to provide a high level of income.

The fund will invest at least 70% of its assets in lower rated bonds issued in US Dollars. Such investment may be directly in such shares or indirectly via investments in other investment funds.

The value of investments and the income from them may go down as well as up and you may not get back the amount you originally invested.

Fund inception date: 27.02.2004
Performance inception date: 28.06.2007

Reference Benchmark:

Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield - 2% Issuer Capped Index (USD)

Morningstar Category peer group:

USD High Yield Bond

ISIN IE00B23Z9K88 SEDOL B23Z9K8

Portfolio statistics	
Total net assets	103,61m USD
Month end Net Asset Value (NAV)	175,45 USD
Number of holdings	265
Percentage of top ten holdings	10,77

## Risk statistics (weighted average)\*

Life	5,38 years
Effective Duration	3,72 years
Credit Quality	B+

## **Charges**

Minimum initial investment	15,000,000 USD
Entry charge	None
Exit charge	None
Ongoing charge	0.57%
Performance fee	None

The charges are the fees the fund charges to investors to cover the costs of running the Fund. Additional costs, including transaction fees, will also be incurred. These costs are paid out by the Fund, which will impact on the overall return of the Fund. Fund charges will be incurred in multiple currencies, meaning that payments may increase or decrease as a result of currency exchange fluctuations.

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# **Cumulative performance (%)**

	Year to Date	1-Mon	3-Mon	1-Yr	3-Yr	5-Yr	Since inception
Class PR Acc.	5.22	-0.84	1.48	9.16	2.68	13.77	113.26
Benchmark (USD)	5.87	-1.19	0.46	10.28	5.35	15.63	156.76
Morningstar Category (USD)	4.36	-1.21	0.13	8.55	2.70	9.64	_

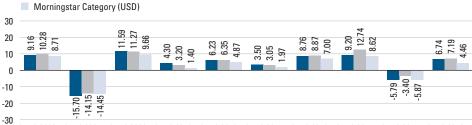
#### Calendar year performance (%)

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Class PR Acc.	-13.24	5.65	7.48	16.46	-2.88
Benchmark (USD)	-11.18	5.26	7.05	14.32	-2.08
Morningstar Category (USD)	-11.02	4.02	5.01	12.54	-2.97

#### Rolling 12 months performance (%)

Class PR Acc.

Benchmark (USD)



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The share class was activated on 08 November 2010 and received the Total Net Assets from the merged Legg Mason Institutional Funds plc Western Asset US\$ High Yield Bond Fund Institutional Class Accumulation USD (predecessor class) on 19 November 2010. The performance history includes that of the predecessor class from its inception on the 28 June 2007. The accepting and merged classes had the same fixed annual expenses (investment management fee, and the custody and administration fees) and substantially similar investment objectives and policies.

#### Top ten holdings (%)

Holding	Coupon	Maturity	%
UNITED RENTALS NO	5.250	2030	1.29
FIRST QUANTUM MIN	8.625	2031	1.27
Barclays PLC	8.000	2172	1.24
BATH & BODY WORKS INC	7.500	2029	1.23
ALLEN MEDIA LLC	10.500	2028	1.03

Holding	Coupon	Maturity	%
GLOBAL AIR L	6.500	2024	0.99
Caesars Entertain	7.000	2030	0.96
SUNNOVA ENERGY	5.875	2026	0.94
ROCKETMTGE CO- ISSUER	4.000	2033	0.94
VERICAST MERGER	11.000	2026	0.87

### Country allocation (%)

United States	77.61
Canada	4.00
Cayman Islands	3.68
United Kingdom	3.45
Macau	1.73

Italy	1.58
Other	1.56
France	1.50
Israel	1.36
Other Inc. Cash and Cash Equivalents	3.53

Percentages are based on total portfolio as of date displayed and are subject to change at any time. Holdings and allocations breakdowns are provided for information purposes only and should not be deemed a recommendation to buy or sell the securities mentioned or securities in the industries shown. Source: Franklin Templeton

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Credit quality breakdown (	%)
BBB	5.51
BB	33.73
В	42.93
CCC	16.45
CC	0.74
С	0.37
Not Rated	0.22
Cash & Cash Equivalents	0.05

#### **Investment risks**

The fund does not offer any capital guarantee or protection and you may not get back the amount invested.

The fund is subject to the following risks which are materially relevant but may not be adequately captured by the indicator:

Sustainability: The fund's integration of sustainability risks in the investment decision process may have the effect of excluding profitable investments from the investment universe of the fund and may also cause the fund to sell investments that will continue to perform well. A sustainability risk could materialise due to an environmental, social or governance event or condition which may impact the fund's investments and negatively affect the returns of the fund.

**Bonds:** There is a risk that issuers of bonds held by the fund may not be able to repay the investment or pay the interest due on it, leading to losses for the fund. Bond values are affected by the market's view of the above risk, and by changes in interest rates and inflation.

**Liquidity:** In certain circumstances it may be difficult to sell the fund's investments because there may not be enough demand for them in the markets, in which case the fund may not be able to minimise a loss on such investments.

**Low rated bonds:** The fund may invest in lower rated or unrated bonds of similar quality, which carry a higher degree of risk than higher rated bonds.

**Geographical focus:** This fund invests primarily in the United States, which means that it is more sensitive to local economic, market, political or regulatory events in the United States, and will be more affected by these events than other funds that invest in a broader range of regions.

**Interest rates:** Changes in interest rates may negatively affect the value of the fund. Typically as interest rates rise, bond values fall

**Derivatives:** The use of derivatives can result in greater fluctuations of the fund's value and may cause the fund to lose as much as or more than the amount invested.

**Fund counterparties:** The fund may suffer losses if the parties that it trades with cannot meet their financial obligations.

Convertible Securities: The value of convertible securities tends to decline as interest rates increase and increase as interest rates decline as well as be more volatile than non-convertible debt securities due to its relationship with the underling equity. They are also generally not as senior as non-convertible debt securities and typically have lower ratings. Contingent convertible securities have additional risks to this due to more difficult valuation and discretionary coupon payments. There are no assurances of capital repayment.

**Fund operations:** The fund is subject to the risk of loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes, people or systems or those of third parties such as those responsible for the custody of its assets.

Complete information on the risks of investing in the Fund are set out in the Fund's prospectus.

A temporary negative cash position may be due to (1) unsettled trade activity (2) permitted purposes, such as borrowing or derivatives use, if allowed by the prospectus.

Sector breakdown (%)			
Consumer Cyclical	24.72	Technology	7.51
Finance	15.34	Energy	6.89
Communications	13.83	Structured	5.79
Consumer Non Cyclical	7.84	Transportation	4.46
Capital Goods	7.70	Other Inc. Cash and Cash Equivalents	5.92

#### **Definitions**

Life: The average number of years for which each component of unpaid principal on a bond, loan or mortgage remains outstanding. The weighted average life calculation provides an aggregate figure that shows how many years it will take to pay off half the outstanding principal on a bond portfolio.

**Effective duration:** Average Duration equals the weighted average maturity of all the cash flows in the portfolio and gives an indication of the sensitivity of a portfolio's bond prices to a change in interest rates. The higher the duration, the more sensitive the portfolio is to interest rate changes. Effective Duration is a calculation for bonds with embedded options (Not every portfolio will purchase bonds with embedded options). It takes into account the expected change in cash flows caused by the option, as interest rates change. If a portfolio does not hold bonds with embedded options, then the Effective Duration will be equal to the Average Duration.

Credit quality breakdown: Nationally Recognised Statistical Rating Organisations (NRSROs) assess the likelihood of bond issuers defaulting on a bond's coupon and principal payments. The weighted average credit quality by Western Asset Management assigns each security the higher rating from three NRSROs (Standard & Poor's, Moody's Investor Services and Fitch Ratings, Ltd.). If only one NRSRO assigns a rating, that rating will be used. Securities that are not rated by all three NRSROs are reflected as such. The lower the overall credit rating, the riskier the portfolio. The credit rating is expressed as a regular letter rating (from high to low quality): AAA, AA, A, BBB, BBB, ...D.

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