

# Neuberger Berman European High Yield Bond Fund

USD A (Monthly) Distributing Class

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## FUND OBJECTIVE

The fund seeks to maximise current income whilst preserving capital from investments in European high yield bonds (debt securities). The fund invests primarily in high yield bonds which are denominated in a European currency or; issued or guaranteed by a European corporation or non-European corporations which conduct a majority of their activity in Europe.

## MANAGEMENT TEAM

**Simon Matthews**

Senior Portfolio Manager

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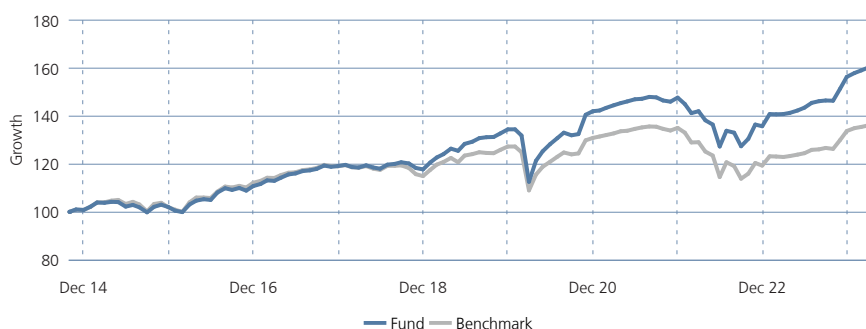
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## FUND FACTS

Inception Date (Fund)	27 June 2014
Inception Date (Share Class)	31 October 2014
Base Currency (Fund)	EUR
Currency (Share Class)	USD
Fund AUM (EUR million)	486.76
NAV	9.21
Domicile	Ireland
Vehicle	UCITS
Valuation	Daily
Settlement (Subscription)	T+3
Trading Deadline	11:00 (Dublin Time)
Regulator	Central Bank of Ireland
Management Fee	1.20%
Ongoing Charge (incl. management fee)*	1.40%
Bloomberg	NBEUAMD ID
ISIN	IE00BNH73J48
Morningstar Category™	Other Bond
Benchmark	ICE BofA European Currency Non-Financial High Yield 3% Constrained Index (Total Return, EUR)

## CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE

Past performance does not predict future returns.



This chart shows how an investment of USD 100 in the fund on its inception date would have performed and compares it against how a hypothetical investment of EUR 100 in the Benchmark(s) would have performed.

PERFORMANCE (%) <sup>1</sup>	1m <sup>2</sup>	3m <sup>2</sup>	YTD <sup>2</sup>	1y <sup>2</sup>	3y <sup>3</sup>	5y <sup>3</sup>	10y <sup>3</sup>	SI <sup>3,4</sup>
Fund	0.05	1.42	2.49	13.37	3.28	4.87	-	5.10
Benchmark	-0.07	0.73	1.66	10.29	0.58	2.10	-	3.30

12 MONTH PERIODS (%)	Apr14 Apr15	Apr15 Apr16	Apr16 Apr17	Apr17 Apr18	Apr18 Apr19	Apr19 Apr20	Apr20 Apr21	Apr21 Apr22	Apr22 Apr23	Apr23 Apr24
Fund	-	0.52	9.21	4.48	5.88	-4.05	20.00	-4.98	2.27	13.37
Benchmark	-	1.18	8.91	3.32	2.84	-5.73	15.70	-6.29	-1.56	10.29

CALENDAR (%)	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 <sup>5</sup>
Fund	1.16	8.61	7.55	-1.16	14.31	5.60	4.06	-8.12	15.17	2.49
Benchmark	1.15	10.12	6.16	-3.46	10.74	2.85	3.23	-11.70	12.11	1.66

The fund is actively managed, which means that the investments are selected at the discretion of the investment manager. The Benchmark is used for performance comparison purposes. The fund's investment policy restricts the extent to which the fund's holdings may deviate from the benchmark, but the fund is not exclusively limited to the securities of the benchmark.

<sup>1</sup>Performance to latest month end. m - month, YTD - Year to Date, y - year, SI - Since Inception.

<sup>2</sup>Returns for these periods are cumulative.

<sup>3</sup>Returns are annualised for periods longer than one year.

<sup>4</sup>Returns from 31 October 2014 to latest month end.

<sup>5</sup>Performance for the current calendar year is the year to date.

Fund performance is representative of the USD A (Monthly) Distributing Class and has been calculated to account for the deduction of fees. Investors who subscribe in a currency other than the base currency of the fund should note that returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. **Fund performance does not take account of any commission or costs incurred by investors when subscribing for or redeeming shares.** Where a benchmark is shown, the benchmark shown is provided in the base currency of the fund and therefore may not be a fair representative comparison to the hedged currency share class shown. The difference in the currency exposure and currency fluctuations in an unhedged benchmark may cause an unintended differential in any performance or risk comparison.

## TOP 10 ISSUERS % (MV)

	Fund
Telecom Italia	2.66
Electricite de France	2.53
Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd	2.39
Telefonica	2.21
Faurecia	1.88
Virgin Media Inc	1.82
Ineos Styrolution Group GmbH	1.59
Bellis Acquisition Company Plc	1.55
Verisure Holding AB	1.53
Lorca Holdco Ltd	1.48

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## TOP 5 COUNTRY ALLOCATIONS % (MV)

	Fund	Bmrk
United Kingdom	20.31	14.53
Germany	14.97	11.50
France	14.33	21.21
United States	10.48	9.70
Spain	7.31	6.39

## DURATION DISTRIBUTION % (MV)

	Fund	Bmrk
0 - 1 Year	9.18	3.18
1 - 2 Years	15.92	22.69
2 - 3 Years	21.33	24.91
3 - 4 Years	27.02	29.56
4 - 5 Years	17.69	12.62
5 - 6 Years	6.30	4.72
6 - 7 Years	2.56	1.82
7 - 8 Years	0.00	0.11
9+ Years	0.00	0.39

## TOP 5 SECTOR ALLOCATIONS % (MV)

	Fund	Bmrk
Telecommunications	17.14	16.95
Retail	11.52	8.93
Services	10.45	7.94
Healthcare	9.25	8.67
Basic Industry	9.18	7.33

## SECURITY CREDIT QUALITY % (MV)

	Fund	Bmrk
BBB	1.95	0.12
BB	47.74	65.18
B	42.49	28.74
CCC	5.73	5.47
CC	0.14	0.31
C	0.00	0.18
Not rated	0.39	0.00
Cash	1.57	0.00

Credit quality ratings are based on the ICE Bank of America ("ICE BofA") Master High Yield Index composite ratings. The ICE BofA composite ratings are updated once a month on the last calendar day of the month based on information available up to and including the third business day prior to the last business day of the month. The ICE BofA composite rating algorithm is based on an average of the ratings of three agencies (to the extent rated). Generally the composite is based on an average of Moody's, S&P and Fitch. For holdings that are unrated by the ICE BofA Index composite, credit quality ratings are based on S&P's rating. Holdings that are unrated by S&P may be assigned an equivalent rating by the investment manager. No NRSO has been involved with the calculation of credit quality and the ratings of underlying portfolio holdings should not be viewed as a rating of the portfolio itself. Portfolio holdings, underlying ratings of holdings and credit quality composition may change materially over time.

## RISK MEASURES

	3 years
Alpha	2.64
Tracking Error (%)	0.91
Beta	0.99
Sharpe Ratio	0.09
Information Ratio	2.96
R-Squared (%)	98.58
Standard Deviation	7.85

## CHARACTERISTICS

	Fund	Bmrk
Weighted Average Maturity (years)	13.23	12.54
Portfolio Price	95.53	91.90
Weighted Average Yield to Worst EUR (%)	6.38	6.61
Weighted Average Yield to Worst USD (%)	8.07	8.50
Weighted Average Yield to Maturity (%)	6.76	6.76
OAS (bps)	328	353
Weighted Average Duration (years)	3.06	3.06
Weighted Average Current Yield (%)	5.47	4.81
Average Credit Quality	BB-	BB-

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## A SHARE CLASS DATA

Share Class	Currency	Inception Date (Share Class)	ISIN	Bloomberg	Fund Price	Last Distribution	Annual Yield
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Some share classes listed are subject to restrictions, please refer to the fund's prospectus for further details.

Investors who subscribe in a currency different from their local currency should note that the costs may increase or decrease as a result of currency and exchange rate fluctuations.

Before subscribing please refer to the Prospectus.

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<sup>#</sup> Hedged Share Class. Hedged share classes which are designated in a currency other than the base currency of the fund, are hedged into the base currency. For details please refer to the prospectus.

Fund price is as of the date of the factsheet. Please note that the last distribution quoted is the dividend payout per share on the relevant share class's last distribution date which varies (monthly, weekly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually) and may be different from the date of the factsheet.

The annual yield figure quoted is the distribution yield, calculated by multiplying the dividend by pay periods, dividing by the net asset value (NAV) of the last distribution date and then multiplying by 100%. It is for reference only and is not indicative of the return of the Fund's future dividend to be received by investors.

In respect of distributing share classes, the Directors of the Company may at their discretion pay dividends out of the capital of the Fund. Dividends paid out of capital amount to a return or withdrawal of part of an investor's original investment or from any capital gains attributable to that original investment. Such dividends may result in an immediate decrease in the net asset value (NAV) of the relevant shares. Dividends are not paid for all share classes and are not guaranteed. A positive distribution yield does not imply a positive return, and some share classes listed are subject to further restrictions. Please refer to the Fund's prospectus for further details.

## RISK CONSIDERATIONS

**Market Risk:** The risk of a change in the value of a position as a result of underlying market factors, including among other things, the overall performance of companies and the market perception of the global economy.

**Liquidity Risk:** The risk that the fund may be unable to sell an investment readily at its fair market value. In extreme market conditions this can affect the fund's ability to meet redemption requests upon demand.

**Emerging Markets Risk:** Emerging markets are likely to bear higher risk due to a possible lack of adequate financial, legal, social, political and economic structures, protection and stability as well as uncertain tax positions which may lead to lower liquidity. **The NAV of the fund may experience medium to high volatility due to lower liquidity and the availability of reliable information, as well as due to the fund's investment policies or portfolio management techniques.**

**Credit Risk:** The risk that bond issuers may fail to meet their interest repayments, or repay debt, resulting in temporary or permanent losses to the fund.

**Interest Rate Risk:** The risk of interest rate movements affecting the value of fixed-rate bonds.

**Derivatives Risk:** The fund is permitted to use certain types of financial derivative instruments (including certain complex instruments). This may increase the fund's leverage significantly which may cause large variations in the value of your share. Investors should note that the fund may achieve its investment objective by investing principally in Financial Derivative Instruments (FDI). There are certain investment risks that apply in relation to the use of FDI. The fund's use of FDI can involve significant risks of loss.

**Counterparty Risk:** The risk that a counterparty will not fulfil its payment obligation for a trade, contract or other transaction, on the due date.

**Operational Risk:** The risk of direct or indirect loss resulting from inadequate or failed processes, people and systems including those relating to the safekeeping of assets or from external events.

**Currency Risk:** Investors who subscribe in a currency other than the base currency of the fund are exposed to currency risk. Fluctuations in exchange rates may affect the return on investment. Where past performance is shown it is based on the share class to which this factsheet relates. **If the currency of this share class is different from your local currency, then you should be aware that due to exchange rate fluctuations the performance shown may increase or decrease if converted into your local currency.**

**Concentration Risk:** The fund's investments may be concentrated in a small number of investments and its performance may therefore be more variable than the performance of a more diversified fund.

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The fund complies with the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (the "SFDR") and is classified as an Article 8 SFDR fund. Neuberger Berman believes that Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") factors, like any other factor, should be incorporated in a manner appropriate for the specific asset class, investment objective and style of each investment strategy.

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Source: Neuberger Berman, Blackrock Aladdin, Bloomberg and Morningstar.

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