

# Evli Nordic Corporate Bond B

Long-term fixed income fund that invests in Nordic corporate bonds.

## FUND MANAGER'S COMMENT



Inflation is slowing in Europe. The German 10-year yield fell to 2.30%. The corporate bond market continued to be strong and investment grade bond spreads narrowed by about 9 basis points. Among central banks, Switzerland unexpectedly cut its key interest rate and the Swedish central bank also announced that it is likely to lower interest rates in either May or June. The first rate cut by the ECB is still priced in for June 2024. In total, the ECB is expected to make cuts amounting to around 1 percentage point over the course of the year. Portfolio

companies have now reported their Q4 results from last year and the fund's average debt service ability improved with the new figures.

The fund's monthly return was +0.76% (B series), as interest rates fell and spreads narrowed. The best-performing bonds were from banks and real estate companies. The primary market was very active and the fund participated in new issues by Nibe, Cibus, NCC, Advise, Crayon, Stillfront, Electrolux Professional, Lantmännen, Jotun, Fortaco, DFDS, iLOQ, Gjensidige, Pelagia, and Valmet, among others. The attractiveness of Nordic bonds, particularly in local currencies, is good in relation to Europe due to more favorable pricing. The fund's yield level was 5.35% and the interest rate duration was 2.15.

## PERFORMANCE FROM STRATEGY START



Past performance is no guarantee of future returns.

## PERFORMANCE, %

	Fund	Benchmark	Difference
Year-to-Date	1.47	0.45	1.02
1 Month	0.76	0.79	-0.03
3 Months	1.47	0.45	1.02
6 Months	5.17	4.14	1.03
1 Year	8.17	5.48	2.69
3 Years, annualized return	0.34	-0.79	1.13
5 Years, annualized return	0.79	-0.01	0.80
Since Current Strategy Launch (31.3.2016)	13.45	0.61	12.84
Since Current Strategy Launch, annualized return	1.59	0.08	1.51
Since Launch (16.4.2007)	46.12	14.94	31.18
Since Launch, annualized return	2.26	0.82	1.44
2023	8.59	6.17	2.42
2022	-8.94	-8.35	-0.59
2021	1.53	-0.05	1.59
2020	0.15	1.01	-0.86

## BASIC INFORMATION

Fund Manager	Jani Kurppa
Benchmark	ICE BofA 1-5 Year Euro Corporate Index
ISIN	FI0008811997
CNMV Registry Number	1650
Fund Starting Date	16.4.2007
Current Strategy Starting Date	31.3.2016
Morningstar Fund Category™	EUR Flexible Bond
Morningstar Rating™	★★★★☆
SFDR	Article 8
Responsibility Score	AA
Carbon Footprint (t CO2e/\$M sales)	115
Subscription Fee, %	-
Redemption Fee, %	-
Management and Custody Fee p.a., %	0.75
Performance Fee, %	-
UCITS	Yes

## RISK AND REWARD PROFILE

Lower risk  
Typically lower rewards

Higher risk  
Typically higher rewards

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Read more about the fund risks and calculating the risk category from the Key Investor Document (KID).

## RECOMMENDED INVESTMENT HORIZON

at least 3 years

## KEY FIGURES, 12 MONTHS

	Fund	Benchmark
NAV per B Unit, EUR	146.117	-
Fund Size, EUR million	1,089.21	-
Volatility, %	1.62	2.35
Sharpe Ratio	2.86	0.81
Tracking Error, %	0.94	-
Information Ratio	2.85	-
R2	0.91	-
Beta	0.66	1.00
Alpha, %	3.33	-
TER, %	0.75	-
Portfolio Turnover	0.11	-
Modified Duration	2.15	2.62
Yield (YTM), %	5.35	3.81
YTW, %	5.29	3.72
OAS	226	-
Avg. Rating	BBB-	A-

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RESPONSIBILITY SCORES

The Fund's responsibility scores are an assessment of the Fund's holdings from a responsibility perspective. The Fund's rating scale from best to worst is AAA, AA, A, BBB, BB, B and CCC. The ESG ratings distribution of the Fund's holdings are based on MSCI's analysis. MSCI is an independent ESG research provider offering a comprehensive global database.

Responsibility Score	AA
Environment	A
Social	BBB
Governance	A
Coverage of the Analysis (%)	75

Excellent (AAA)

Very Good (AA)

Good (A)

Average (BBB)

Satisfactory (BB)

Weak (B)

Very Weak (CCC)

**ESG** means factors related to Environmental, Social and Governance issues.

**ESG Rating:** companies are analysed and measured by how well they manage key risks and opportunities arising from ESG factors. The assessment is done within the industry.

**Responsibility Score:** based on MSCI's methodology and taking into account the market value-weighted average of the fund's individual companies' ESG ratings.

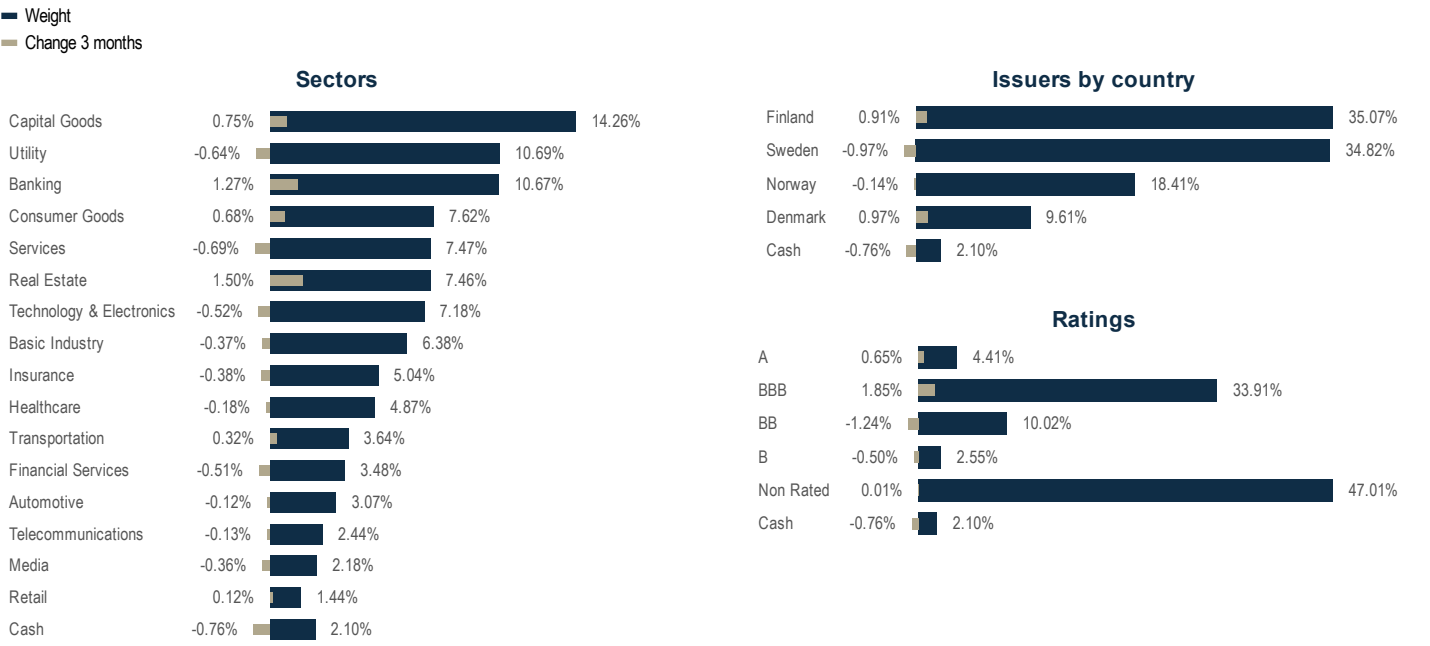
CARBON FOOTPRINT

Evli uses weighted average carbon intensity to measure the carbon footprint according to the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD). According to MSCI's analysis, the weighted average carbon intensity is categorized as following Very Low (0 to <15), Low (15 to <70), Moderate (70 to <250), High (250 to <525), and Very High (>=525).

Carbon Footprint	115 (t CO2e/\$M sales)
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[Read more about Fund's responsibility from its ESG-report >](#)

PORTFOLIO STRUCTURE



10 LARGEST INVESTMENTS

	%
Ellevio Ab 12.2.2025 2.875% At Maturity Fixed	2.45
Tietoevry Oyj 17.6.2025 2% Callable Fixed	2.43
Kemira Oy 30.3.2028 1% Callable Fixed	1.66
Kojamo Oyj 28.5.2029 0.875% Callable Fixed	1.43
Vattenfall Ab 26.5.2083 1.778% Callable Floating	1.43
Storebrand Livsf 30.9.2051 1.875% Callable Variable	1.37
Cargotec Oyj 23.9.2026 1.625% At Maturity Fixed	1.30
4,875 S-PANKKI OYJ 08/03-2024/2028	1.25
Sato-Oyj 24.2.2028 1.375% Callable Fixed	1.24
FISKARS OYJ ABP EUR 200M 5.125PCT FIXED RATE SUSTAIN.-LIN	1.23

10 LARGEST ISSUERS

	%
Ellevio AB	2.81
HUHTAMAKI OYJ	2.59
TIETOEVRY OYJ	2.43
Vattenfall AB	2.43
Nibe Industrier AB	2.32
CARGOTEC OYJ	2.13
KOJAMO OYJ	2.09
Storebrand Livsforsikring AS	1.83
KEMIRA OYJ	1.80
S-PANKKI OYJ	1.64

SHARE CLASS INFORMATION

Share Class	A	B	CB	IA	IB	QIA	BSEK	BNOK	IBUSD
Launch Date	16.4.2007	16.4.2007	18.1.2023	16.4.2007	16.4.2007	12.1.2021	23.5.2013	26.6.2019	26.6.2023
Currency	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR	SEK	NOK	USD
NAV 31.3.2024	78.310	146.117	108.637	92.041	155.150	92.913	1,225.729	1,067.731	108.072
Management and Custody Fee per Year, %	0.75	0.75	0.55	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.75	0.75	0.45
TER per Year, %	0.75	0.75	0.55	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.75	0.75	-
Sales Registration	FI,SE,ES,DE,LU	FI,SE,FR,ES,IT,DE,AT,LV,LT,EE,LU	FI,SE,DE	FI,SE,ES,DE,NL,LU	FI,SE,FR,ES,IT,DE,NL,AT,LU	FI,ES,LU,DE	FI,SE	FI,SE,NO	FI
ISIN	FI0008811989	FI0008811997	FI4000541677	FI0008812003	FI0008812011	FI4000456066	FI4000058862	FI4000390844	FI4000400007
Bloomberg	EVLALBA FH	EVLALBB FH	EVLALCB FH	EVLALIA FH	EVLALIB FH	EVNCBQE FH	EVLSKBH FH	EVLCCBN FH	EVLNCBU FH
WKN	A2N5ZZ	A2JDF4	A3D50X	A2N5Z0	A2JDF5	A3DJSP	-	-	-
Clean Share	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
Minimum Investment	5,000	1,000	1,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000	10,000	10,000,000
Profit Distribution	Annually	Accumulated	Accumulated	Annually	Accumulated	Quarterly	Accumulated	Accumulated	Accumulated
Target Investor	Retail	Retail	Retail	Institutional	Institutional	Institutional	Retail	Retail	Institutional

DICTIONARY

**Alpha** describes the effect of the portfolio manager's investment choices on the fund's return compared with the return of an index portfolio with corresponding market risk, i.e. the additional returns attained by the fund in relation to its market risk.

**Beta** describes the sensitivity of the fund's value to changes in the benchmark index. If the value of the benchmark index changes by one percent, the expected change in the fund's value is beta x 1 percent. On average, the fund's value will change more than the value of the benchmark index if the beta value is greater than 1. A beta value less than 1 indicates the opposite, i.e. that the fund's value will change less than the benchmark value.

**Carbon Footprint** Evli uses weighted average carbon intensity to measure the carbon footprint according to the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD). The funds holdings' carbon intensity figures are based on the emissions figures produced by MSCI.

**Duration** measures the average repayment term (in years) of a fixed income instrument. Modified duration indicates the price sensitivity of a fixed income security to changes in interest rates. The higher the duration number, the greater the interest rate risk of the fund portfolio.

**Information Ratio** describes the long-term ability of a portfolio manager to add value through active portfolio management. If the Information Ratio is zero, the long-term return of the fund equals that of the benchmark index. In practice this means that the fund has outperformed the benchmark index, on average, for five years out of ten. The higher the Information Ratio, the greater the probability that the fund will outperform its benchmark. With an IR of 0.5 the fund has outperformed the benchmark, on average, in seven years out of ten, and with an IR of 1.0 in 8.5 years out of ten.

**OAS** describes average credit spread to similar maturity government bonds in basis points (0.01 percentage points). Measures the excess yield of corporate bonds to risk free rate.

**Portfolio Turnover** is a measure of the length of time that a security remains in a portfolio during a given period. The portfolio turnover rate is calculated by subtracting the sum of subscriptions and redemptions of fund units (EUR S+T) from the sum of the securities bought and sold by the fund (EUR X+Y). The turnover is the abovementioned difference divided by the average market value of the fund, which has been calculated from the daily market values over the past 12 months. For example, if all assets have been sold and bought once it would equal to a turnover rate of 1. Portfolio turnover rate = ((X + Y) - (S + T)) / M x 100 / 2, where X = Securities bought, Y = Securities sold, S = Fund's fund units issued / subscribed, T = Fund's fund units cancelled / redeemed, M = Average total value of net assets.

**R2 (R-squared)** describes the extent to which the fund's performance is dependent on the performance of the benchmark index. R-squared is the square of the correlation coefficient.

**SFDR** In accordance with the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR), article 8 funds promote sustainability factors among other features, and article 9 funds aim to make sustainable investments. Other funds address only sustainability risks in their investments decisions (article 6 funds).

**Sharpe Ratio** indicates the size of return relative to risk taken. The Sharpe ratio measures the fund's return (with volatility of one percent) in excess of a risk-free return. The higher the Sharpe ratio, the more favorable the relationship between return and risk.

**TER** (Total Expense Ratio) is a measure of a fund's total expenses in relation to its average assets and is expressed as an annualized percentage. The expenses include all the fund's management and custody fees and any profit-related fees. Securities commissions are excluded. TER = A + B + C + D, where A = Management fee charged from the fund's assets, B = Custodian fee that may be charged separately from the fund's assets, C = Account maintenance and other bank charges that may be charged from the fund's assets, D = Any other fees which, according to the fund's rules, are charged directly from the fund's assets. As a rule, funds registered in Finland do not make such charges on top of trading fees.

**Tracking Error** indicates the risk of active portfolio management in relation to the risk of the benchmark index. The higher the number, the more the fund's performance differs from the benchmark's performance. If the tracking error is 5%, the fund's return will deviate in about two years out of three ± 5% of the benchmark's return. The tracking error is zero if the relative weights of the fund's investments are exactly the same as in the benchmark index. Tracking error increases if investment weights are changed relative to the weights of the benchmark index.

**Volatility** is a risk measure generally used in financial markets. It reflects variability in the return of an investment or a portfolio. The higher the volatility, the greater the variability in return and the risk involved. If the fund's expected return is 12% and the volatility is 20%, then the fund's return for two years out of three is 12 ± 20%, that is, between -8% and +32%. Volatility is calculated on the basis of the standard deviation of weekly returns and expressed as an annual percentage.

**Yield (YTM)** Estimated annual rate of return to maturity (yield to maturity).

**YTW** Lowest estimated annual rate of return, if bonds are callable before maturity date (yield to worst).

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Domicile	Finland
Trade Frequency	Daily
Clearing Time	Trade Date + 2
Cut Off Time	14:00 EET (Trade date)
Currency	EUR
Custodian	Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ) Helsinki branch
Auditor	Ernst & Young
NAV Calculation, Fund Registry Keeper and Fund Management Company	Evli Fund Management Company Ltd
GIPS Compliant	Yes
Orders In	Shares or currency