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#### **KEY DATA**

MANAGEMENT COMPANY	Generali Investments
	Luxembourg S.A.
INVESTMENT MANAGER	Generali Investments
	Partners S.p.A Società
	di gestione del risparmio
FUND MANAGER	Fabrizio VIOLA
BENCHMARK	100% BARCLAYS EURO
	AGG 1-3Y CORP. (TR)
FUND TYPE	Sicav
DOMICILE	Luxembourg
SUB-FUND LAUNCH DATE	15/07/2009
SHARE CLASS LAUNCH	04/00/0000
DATE	01/09/2009
FIRST NAV DATE AFTER	
DORMANT PERIOD	No dormant period
CURRENCY	Euro
CUSTODIAN BANK	<b>BNP</b> Paribas Securities
	Services Luxembourg
ISIN	LU0438548363
BLOOMBERG CODE	GSTECCC LX
VALUATION	
AUM	192.67 M EUR

#### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICY

The objective of the Fund is to outperform its Benchmark investing in short term corporate debt securities denominated in Euro. The Fund shall invest at least 70% of its net assets in short term corporate bonds with a maturity up to 3 years, denominated in Euro. The Fund shall invest at least 51% of its net assets in securities with Investment Grade Credit Rating. The Fund may invest up to 49% of its net assets in securities with Sub-Investment Grade Credit Rating, or, that are in the opinion of the Investment Manager, of comparable quality. The Investment Manager will be applying simultaneously the following Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) criteria process on an

ongoing basis to select securities, covering at least 90% of the Fund's portfolio (excluding debt securities issued by public or quasi-public issuers). The issuers of securities in which the Fund may invest will be subject to a proprietary ethical filter. The average ESG rating of the Fund shall constantly be higher than the average ESG rating of its initial investment universe after eliminating 20% of the initial securities ranking the worst in terms of ESG scoring.

#### PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2022



23/11/2021: Change of investment policy and name (former name: GIS Euro Corporate Short Term Bonds)

	1M	YTD	1YR	3YR	5YR	3YR P.A.	5YR P.A.
Portfolio	-1.29	-1.73	-2.06	1.84	1.18	0.61	0.24
Benchmark	-0.70	-0.94	-0.89	0.65	0.99	0.22	0.20
Excess return	-0.59	-0.79	-1.17	1.19	0.20	0.39	0.04
	SI	SI P.	.A. 2021	2020	2019	2018	2017

Portfolio	20.03	1.47	-0.34	3.22	1.49	-1.55	0.46
Benchmark	24.49	1.77	0.03	0.69	1.34	-0.24	0.51
Excess return	-4.46	-0.30	-0.37	2.54	0.15	-1.31	-0.04

	02/22-02/21	02/21-02/20	02/20-02/19	02/19-02/18	02/18-02/17
Portfolio	-2.06	3.17	0.79	-0.85	0.20
Benchmark	-0.89	0.64	0.92	0.09	0.25
Excess return	-1.17	2.53	-0.12	-0.93	-0.05

#### **KEY FEATURES**

- Active approach to investments in high quality, Euro denominated, IG corporate bonds with • max. 3 years maturity
- Benefits from the expertise of our renowned credit team
- Value added through securities selection and intra-sectors bets supported by proprietary bottom-up research
- SFDR Classification Art. 8: The fund promotes, among other characteristics, environmental or social ones, or a combination of those characteristics, provided that the companies in which the investments are made follow good governance practices.

Past performance is not a guide to future performance and may be misleading. The performances are shown net of fees and expenses over the relevant period. All performance figures reflect the reinvestment of dividends and do not take into account the commissions and costs incurred on the issue and redemption of shares/parts Please see the important information at the end of this document. Investing in the fund/sub-fund involves risks including the possible loss of capital. Please read the KIIDs and the prospectus to find out about these risks. Legal information concerning the fund/sub-fund are available on the website: www.generali-investment.com

NAV PER SHARE 120.03 EUR HIGHEST NAV OVER THE 122.99 EUR LAST 12 MONTHS LOWEST NAV OVER THE 119.95 EUR LAST 12 MONTHS FEES SUBSCRIPTION FEE max. 5%

REDEMPTION FEE	max. 1%
PERFORMANCE FEE	n.a.
ONGOING CHARGES	0.76%

0.60%

max. 5%

### **CATEGORY AND RISK PROFILE**

MANAGEMENT FEE

**CONVERSION FEE** 

CATEG	ORY	Fixed Income				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Lower ri Potentia		rewards		Potentia		l <mark>igher risk</mark> er rewards

The risk and reward category shown is not guaranteed to remain unchanged and the categorisation of the sub fund may shift over time. For more information about risk, please see the KIID and Prospectus



# FUND MANAGER'S COMMENTS

During February we put in place the following trading strategies:

o No major trades on the cash side this month as we adopted a more patient approach to incoming volatility. The neutralization of the duration worked quite well in February and we turned short duration by 0.40Yr at the beginning of March.

o Concerning Russia and Ukraine we confirm that we have zero direct exposure and a manageable exposure to issuers with operations in Russia. Of course, those issuers are not immune from repricing but according to prevailing market views, they are now becoming definitively cheap on a relative value perspective.

o Concerning derivatives, we still hold a short on Lufthansa (leverage usage 1%). We still hold some single name shorts on issuers like Anglo American and Standard Chartered (leverage usage 2.7% by name). We closed in gain the short trade on LVMH. We also sold volatility via a payer on ITRX Main with strike 70 maturing in June, a trade needed to get carry selling credit volatility.

Finally the unexpected occurred and we are now experiencing a war in the eastern side of Europe. This is a difficult to explain situation on a humanitarian front with even financial markets that demonstrate themselves quite reluctant to price all bed news coming from the battlefield. At the time of writing this report we are however even discounting a nuclear threat. A repricing of high beta is an obvious situations and what is now crucial is to avoid redemptions and force selling. As we think dispersion will increase, we maintain our portfolios concentrated on major conviction ideas, among which a long on subordinated financials, selected corporate hybrids with short call dates, long on insurance subs and financials senior non-preferred. We try to add, when feasible, green and sustainable bonds into the portfolio benefitting of the primary flows, to provide a more stable profile to the funds. High Yield rated bonds are kept constant at 9.3%.

#### Market and outlook

During February the monthly "excess return" of Euro investment grade corporate bonds has been -1.87%, while the 1-3 year maturity bucket segment has been -0.61%. Market levels indicates that the yield to worst of Euro IG bonds stands at 1.25%, higher by 50 bps versus previous month. Subordinated financials plus insurance stand at 2% while corporate hybrids investment grade at 2.6% on average. The yield curve steepened 10 basis points to 142 bps, with the 1-3 year segment yielding 0.55% and the 10+ years yielding +1.97%.

Financial markets had a tough start of the year with most asset classes, from fixed income to equities, posting material total return losses amid high levels of volatility. Corporate bonds managed to hold relatively steady until mid-February when spreads began to crack under the pressure of the war in Ukraine and the new risks of stagflation. Inflations is indeed difficult to be stopped as it comes from supply bottlenecks and energy prices, two elements that are designed to stay with us for longer. Central banks could became more patient (in particular in Europe), but this is just a minor relief for financial markets and risky assets. Anyway, the situation is in constant evolution and we cannot rule out further rapid swings of sentiment in next weeks. As the war progresses and elevated costs in terms of victims, it's also possible that a diplomatic solutions could be found+ at the expenses of lightening recent heavy sanctions to Russia. In this case we should also be prepared to a massive rally and a consolidation of core rates in the pre-war territory.

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# HOLDINGS & TRANSACTIONS

#### **TOP 10 FIXED INCOME**

HOLDING	SECTOR	RATING	GROSS %
ALLIANZ SE 4.75 PERP	Financials	A	4.40%
TOTALENERGIES SE PERP	Energy	A-	3.17%
VODAFONE GROUP 01/03/79	Communication Services	BB+	3.14%
AXA SA 5.125 07/04/43	Financials	BBB+	3.11%
AVIVA PLC 07/05/43	Financials	BBB+	2.89%
MBANK 1.058 09/05/22	Financials	BBB	2.62%
BARCLAYS PLC 0.625 11/14/23	Financials	BBB	2.61%
LLOYDS BK GR PLC 01/15/24	Financials	BBB+	2.61%
ING GROEP NV 0.1 09/03/25	Financials	A-	2.55%
AQUA + INV (ZURI 4.25 10/02/43	Financials	A	2.22%
Total Top 10 (%)			29.31%
Total Top 20 (%)			49.54%

#### TOP 3 SALES OVER THE LAST MONTH

AXA SA 5.125 07/04/43

### TOP 3 PURCHASES OVER THE LAST MONTH

INTESA SANPAOLO 2.625 06/20/24					
BARCLAYS PLC 0.75 06/09/25					

# RATIOS

#### **PERFORMANCE AND RISK ANALYSIS - SYNTHESIS**

	1YR	3YR	5YR	SI
Standard Deviation Ptf	1.00	3.19	2.50	1.86
Standard Deviation Bmk	0.88	1.50	1.19	1.14
Tracking Error	0.46	2.00	1.58	1.05
Alpha	-0.02	-0.00	-0.01	-0.02
Beta	1.01	1.89	1.85	1.79
R-squared	0.79	0.78	0.77	0.76
Information Ratio	-2.25	0.22	0.04	-0.27
Sharpe Ratio	-1.46	0.34	0.26	0.33
Treynor Ratio	-1.48	0.26	-0.64	-1.03
Sortino Ratio	-1.69	0.46	0.35	0.45

#### MODIFIED DURATION EVOLUTION



#### DRAWDOWN

	SINCE INCEPTION
Maximum drawdown (%)	-5.7
Peak to trough drawdown (dates)	Nov 17 - Mar 20
Length (in days)	868
Recovery Period (in days)	77
Worst Month	March 2020
Lowest Return	-4.7
Best Month	April 2020
Highest Return	3.2

## FINANCIAL RATIO - FIXED INCOME

	FUND	BENCHMARK
Z-Spread	160.53	57.63
DTS (Duration Times Spread)	426.24	114.17
Average Rating (2nd best)	BBB	BBB+
Modified Duration	1.50	1.83
Effective Duration	1.56	1.85
Average Time to Maturity	1.48	1.99
Yield to Maturity	2.64	0.72
Current Yield	2.30	0.12
Average Coupon	2.33	1.40

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## **BREAKDOWNS**

Fund Benchmark Relative

COUNTRY	I	NET	RELATIVE		
	22.2%		12.2%		
United Kingdom	10.0%				
	18.4%		0.9%		
France	17.5%				
	12.9%		-1.8%		
Germany	14.7%				
	12.6%		7.4%		
Italy	5.2%				
	9.1%		3.8%		
Netherlands	5.4%				
	7.8%		4.7%		
Sweden	3.2%				
	5.1%		-1.0%		
Spain	6.1%				
	10.6%		-27.3%		
Others	38.0%				
	1.3%				
Cash					

RATINGS (2ND BEST)	NI	ET RELATIVE
		-0.1%
AAA	0.1%	
	0.8%	-5.8%
AA	6.6%	•
	16.1%	-21.9%
A	38.0%	
	71.1%	15.8%
BBB	55.3%	
	11.5%	11.4%
BB	0.0%	
	-0.6%	-0.6%
Not Available		
	1.3%	
Cash		

SECTOR		NET	RELATIVE
Financials	65.8% 43.5%		22.3%
Communication Services	8.2% 5.6%	•	2.6%
Real Estate	7.8% 3.7%	•	4.1%
Energy	5.2% 3.3%	P	1.9%
Industrials	4.3% 7.6%	•	-3.3%
Utilities	3.3% 5.6%	•	-2.3%
Consumer Discretionary	2.9% 12.3%		-9.4%
Others	1.2% 18.3%		-17.1%
Cash	1.3%		

MATURITY

MATURITY	NE	T RELATIVE
0-1Y	32.7% 6.8%	25.9%
1-3Y	57.1% 93.2%	-36.1%
3-5Y	8.0%	8.0%
5-10Y	1.6%	1.6%
Not Available	-0.6%	-0.6%
Cash	1.3%	

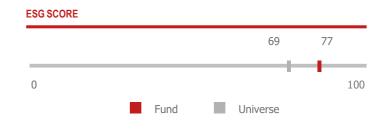
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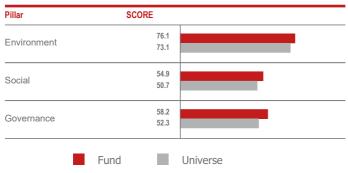
# **ESG REPORTING**



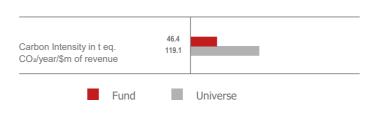
	FUND	UNIVERSE	
Coverage	96.93%	98.89%	



### SCORES BY PILLAR



## **CARBON INTENSITY**



## **ESG INDICATORS**

		FUND	UNIVERSE	FUND COVERAGE
Carbon Intensity (1)	Environment	46.39	119.14	95.41%
Severe controversies related to labour management (2)	Human Rights	3.89	3.67	95.41%
Percentage of women in the workforce	Social	46.08%	40.99%	60.93%
Independency of board of directors	Governance	82.39%	81.48%	94.04%

The portfolio should show a better result on at least these two indicators relative to its initial investment universe.

(1) The first indicator with a coverage of at least 90%, (2) while the second one should be covered at a minimum of 70%.

Source: Generali Insurance Asset Management S.p.A. Società di gestione del risparmio. The carbon intensity is a weighted average scope 1 + 2 intensity in tonnes per million USD of revenues of all issuers covered for the indicator. The coverage percentage is provided for the corporate, supranationals and agencies entities in portfolio (sovereign debt excluded).

# GENERALI INVESTMENTS SICAV SRI EURO CORPORATE SHORT TERM BOND - CX 28 February 2022



#### **DEALING DETAILS**

CUT OFF TIME	T at 1 pm (T being the dealing day)
SETTLEMENT	T+3
VALUATION	Daily
NAV CALCULATION	Day +1
NAV PUBLICATION	Day +1

# **ESG Glossary**

ESG Coverage: Percentage of the portfolio covered by an extra-financial analysis also called "ESG analysis" as the main pillars are: Environment, Social and Governance.

**Carbon intensity** (tCO2 eq./million \$): we are referring to the equivalent of the number of tons of carbon dioxide (CO2) that it takes to a company to make one unit of revenue (1 million \$) per year. The methodology used includes both Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions where Scope 1 covers direct emissions from owned or controlled sources while Scope 2 covers indirect emissions from the generation of purchased electricity, steam, heating and cooling consumed by the reporting company.

**ESG score**: ESG scores are designed to transparently and objectively measure a company's relative extra-financial performance, commitment and effectiveness across 35 main criteria based on publicly reported data. Based on those criteria, each sector has its own materiality matrix that allows companies ESG scoring taking into account the most material issues within each sector. However, the ESG scores relies on Environment (climate change, energy efficiency...), Social (human resources management, employees' health & safety...) and Governance (composition & diversity of governance bodies, executive compensation...) pillars.

The ESG approach has the main following restraints:

- The availability of data to conduct an ESG analysis
- The quality of the data used in the assessment of ESG quality and impact as there are no universal standards related to ESG information and third party verification is not systematic
- The comparability of data, as not all companies publish the same indicators;
- The use of proprietary methodologies, which relies on the experience and skills of the asset manager's staff

For more details on the ESG investment process, ESG approach and ESG criteria, please refer to the prospectus

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