

### **HSBC Global Investment Funds**

# GLOBAL HIGH INCOME BOND

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# Investment objective

The Fund aims to provide income by investing in a portfolio of higher yielding bonds.



## Investment strategy

The Fund is actively managed. In normal market conditions, the Fund will primarily invest in bonds and other similar securities issued by governments, governmentrelated entities, supranational entities and companies that are based anywhere in the world. This may include investment Grade bonds, non-investment grade bonds, and Asian and emerging market bonds. The Fund's asset allocation is managed with regard to the following neutral positions. Allocation may match these weights or be overweight and underweight based on the Investment Adviser's assessment of the best allocation to achieve the Fund's investment objective: 35% USD Emerging Market bonds, 20% US based investment grade corporate bonds, 15% US based high yield bonds, 15% Euro denominated investment grade corporate bonds hedged to USD, 15% Euro denominated high yield bonds hedged to USD. The Fund may invest up to 20% in asset-backed securities and mortgage-backed securities. The Fund may invest up to 10% in onshore Chinese bonds which are issued within the People's Republic of China and traded on the China Interbank Bond Market. The Fund may invest up to 10% in convertible bonds, up to 10% in contingent convertible securities and up to 10% in other funds. See the Prospectus for a full description of the investment objectives and derivative usage.



#### Main risks

- The Fund's unit value can go up as well as down, and any capital invested in the Fund may be at risk.
- The Fund invests in bonds whose value generally falls when interest rates rise. This risk is typically greater the longer the maturity of a bond investment and the higher its credit quality. The issuers of certain bonds, could become unwilling or unable to make payments on their bonds and default. Bonds that are in default may become hard to sell or worthless.
- The Fund may invest in Emerging Markets, these markets are less established, and often more volatile, than developed markets and involve higher risks, particularly market, liquidity and currency risks.

Key metrics		
NAV per Share		USD 12.95
Performance 1 r	nonth	2.80%
Yield to maturity	1	7.35%
Fund facts		
UCITS V complia	ant	Yes
Subscription mo	ode	Cash
Dividend treatm	ent	Accumulating
Dealing frequen	су	Daily
Valuation Time	17:00	0 Luxembourg
Share Class Bas	e Currency	USD
Domicile		Luxembourg
Inception date	12	October 2012
Fund Size	USE	840,690,723
Reference	100% Bloc	omberg Global
benchmark	Aggreg	jate Corporate
		USD Hedged
Managers		Jerry Samet
		John Jackson
	Jaymeso	on Paul Kumm

Fees and expenses	
Minimum initial investment (SG) <sup>1</sup>	USD 1,000,000
Maximum initial charge (SG)	3.100%
Management fee	0.625%
Codes	
ISIN	LU0524292264
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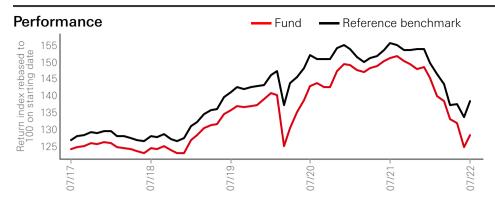
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Performance numbers shown are before netting off sales / realisation charges.

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Reference Performance Benchmark: Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Corporate USD Hedged since 1 Sep 2019. Prior to that, was 35% Bloomberg Barclays USD Emerging Markets 20% Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate Corporate Baa 15% Bloomberg Barclays US High Yield Ba 15% Bloomberg Barclays Euro Aggregate Corporate Baa Hedged USD 15% Bloomberg Barclays Euro High Yield BB Hedged USD. Source: HSBC Asset Management, data as at 31 July 2022



Performance (%)	YTD	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years ann	5 years ann
IC	-13.61	2.80	-3.63	-11.53	-15.09	-1.86	0.68
Reference benchmark	-10.05	3.35	0.72	-7.60	-11.09	-0.67	1.72

Calendar year performance (%)	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
IC	7.02	-2.49	12.84	7.51	-0.47
Reference benchmark	7.51	-1.67	12.38	8.26	-0.79

3-Year Risk Measures	IC	Reference benchmark
Volatility	9.25%	7.14%
Sharpe ratio	-0.27	-0.18
Tracking error	3.92%	
Information ratio	-0.30	

5-Year Risk Measures	IC	Reference benchmark
Volatility	7.52%	5.99%
Sharpe ratio	-0.08	0.08
Tracking error	3.06%	
Information ratio	-0.34	

		Reference	
Fixed Income Characteristics	Fund	benchmark	Relative
No. of holdings ex cash	573	15,071	
Average coupon rate	3.93	3.11	0.82
Yield to worst	7.08%	3.87%	3.21%
Option Adjusted Duration	5.28	6.60	-1.33
Modified Duration to Worst	5.83	6.57	-0.74
Option Adjusted Spread Duration	5.62	6.70	-1.08
Average maturity	8.12	9.19	-1.07
Rating average	BBB/BBB-	A-/BBB+	
Number of issuers	351	2115	

Credit rating (%)	Fund	Reference benchmark	Relative
AAA	2.87	1.11	1.76
AA	2.22	7.61	-5.38
A	9.15	41.18	-32.03
BBB	36.95	50.10	-13.15
ВВ	26.04		26.04
В	11.92		11.92
CCC	2.32		2.32
CC	0.19		0.19
С	0.21		0.21
D	0.06		0.06
NR	0.42		0.42
Cash	7.66		7.66

		Reference	
Asset allocation (%)	Fund	benchmark	Relative
USD Corporates	31.01	63.92	-32.92
EMD	24.98	4.34	20.64
EUR Corporates	24.12	22.36	1.76
ABS	8.95	0.02	8.93
US Treasuries	1.95		1.95
Others	1.33	9.36	-8.03
Cash	7.66		7.66

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Maturity Breakdown (Option Adjusted Duration)	Fund	Reference benchmark	Relative
0-2 years	0.06	0.15	-0.09
2-5 years	0.77	1.08	-0.31
5-10 years	1.50	1.87	-0.37
10+ years	2.94	3.50	-0.56
Total	5.28	6.60	-1.33

Currency Allocation (%)	Fund	Reference benchmark	Relative
USD	99.55	100.00	-0.45
EUR	0.52		0.52
AUD	0.00		0.00
ZAR	0.00		0.00
SGD	0.00		0.00
HKD	0.00		0.00
CAD	0.00		0.00
Other Currencies	-0.08		-0.08

Geographical Allocation (%)



Sector Allocation (%)	Fund	Reference benchmark	Relative
Financial	23.65	39.03	-15.38
Energy	11.72	6.10	5.62
Government	10.34	0.01	10.33
Consumer Non cyclical	7.34	16.03	-8.69
Consumer Cyclical	7.25	6.93	0.32
Communications	7.07	8.45	-1.38
Mortgage Securities	4.42		4.42
Basic Materials	4.29	2.74	1.55
Asset Backed Securities	4.26		4.26
Fund	4.06		4.06
Other Sectors	7.94	20.70	-12.76
Cash	7.66		7.66

Top 10 Holdings	Weight (%)
US TREASURY N/B 2.250 15/02/52	1.45
QUATRIM 5.875 15/01/24	0.88
DELTA/SKYMILES 4.750 20/10/28	0.87
CONTINENTAL RESO 4.900 01/06/44	0.78
EG GLOBAL 6.250 30/10/25	0.72
EAGLE INT GLO/RUYI US FI 7.500 01/05/25	0.69
UNTD AIR 20-1 A 5.875 15/10/27	0.69
UNITED NATURAL 6.750 15/10/28	0.67
GLB AIR LEASE CO 6.500 15/09/24	0.67
NCR CORP 5.250 01/10/30	0.58

Top 10 holdings exclude holdings in cash and cash equivalents and money market funds.

Source: HSBC Asset Management, data as at 31 July 2022

## Monthly performance commentary

#### **Fund Review**

July saw a broad market rebound, driving most credit markets higher with positive total returns and tighter spreads, retracing some of the negative returns from an exceptionally challenging first half of the year. Rates also fell across the curve in July adding an additional tail wind to total returns for fixed income. IG supply remained steady from the previous month with \$98.4 billion while HY saw \$1.8 billion issued. US IG flows stabilized with just -\$600 million while HY saw positive flows for the first time in 6 months with \$5.5 billion. Treasury yields fell over the month with the intermediate segment inverting further vs the short end. The US 2, 5, 10 and 30 year Treasuries yields moved -7, -36, -36 and -17 bps to end the month at 2.88%, 2.68%, 2.65% and 3.01% respectively. In this context the strategy delivered positive performance on an absolute basis gross of fees.

Overall, the fund saw positive absolute contributions to return from all asset segment in July apart from Securitized Credit. From an asset class perspective EUR Credit performed the best followed by US Credit while Securitized Credit and EM saw the weakest performance. The US segment saw positive relative return vs its investment universe while the EUR and EM segments saw negative return vs their investment universes over the month. The underweight to duration vs the investment universe was a drag on performance as rates fell over the month.

From a sector perspective the fund remains predominantly invested in corporate BBB and BB credit with an allocation to sovereigns at 10% and structured credit at 10%. From a credit perspective the fund has an average credit rating of BBB/BBB- with 59% investment grade which includes 8% cash and 41% below investment grade. Regionally, the strategy has exposure to US Credit 29%, EUR Credit 24%, EM 24% and Structured Credit 10%. The 3 top industry sector exposures are to financials, energy and communications. Financials offer attractive valuations and solid credit fundamentals given healthy balance sheets as a result of the sectors regulatory scrutiny following the Global Financial Crisis. Communications has increased at the expense of consumer cyclicals due to attractive valuations and its more defensive nature while higher quality energy looks attractive and remains supported by higher oil prices. The current portfolio duration is 0.3 years underweight the investment universe at 5.28 years on an option adjusted basis, with an underweight to the 0-2, 2-5 and 5-10 segments and an overweight to the 10+ year segments on a contribution to duration basis.

#### Outlook

The reverse in risk sentiment in July was in large part driven by the perception of a less hawkish Fed and a potential pivot away from inflation towards growth concerns as data pointed to a larger likelihood of a recession in the US and an almost certain recession in Europe. In fact, markets are now pricing in the potential of rate cuts in 2023. While we believe a recession in the US is now more than likely, we think it may be more difficult for the Fed to cut rates than what the market is anticipating, especially if inflation remains elevated. Company earning have been solid and credit fundamentals are still largely intact. Although markets have been buoyed by the recent rally, given the economic slowdown and threat of a recession we believe that spreads are more likely to test wider levels than move meaningfully tighter so despite still attractive valuations we still remain cautious. In global cross-over portfolios we continue to be cautious, especially given the outsized rebound in credit spreads in July. Over the course of the month, we continued to decrease credit exposure as spreads tightened. We have also reduced exposure to Securitized Credit. Even though the asset class has outperformed from a total return perspective, spread moves are on the higher beta end, and we are more comfortable with a combination of additional cash, EUR IG credit, and select EUR HY issued by US issuers. The Euro allocation is due to acknowledgement that EUR spreads have underperformed, representing value, as well as the attractive hedge carry when converting back to USD. From an industry allocation perspective, we are continuing to incrementally look at developed market non-cyclical rotations such as packaging and healthcare. From a duration perspective the portfolio has meaningfully reduced its underweight to duration but remains positioned with a flattener vs the investment universe.

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Source: HSBC Asset Management, data as at 31 July 2022

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-13.01

-14.03

-13.61

2.78

2.73

2.80

AM3HRMB CNH

AM3HSGD SGD

IC USD

Supplemental information sheet								
Performance (%)	YTD	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years ann	5 years ann	
AC SGD	-11.73	2.08	-3.65	-9.82	-13.88	-2.19	0.38	
AC USD	-13.95	2.73	-3.79	-11.82	-15.67	-2.52	0.00	
ACHCAD CAD	-14.02	2.72	-3.84	-11.92	-15.82	-2.84	-0.52	
ACHEUR EUR	-14.82	2.50	-4.35	-12.64	-16.89	-4.09	-2.09	
ACHGBP GBP	-14.14	2.66	-3.96	-12.02	-16.01	-3.27	-1.15	
ACHSGD SGD	-14.03	2.72	-3.83	-11.91	-15.78	-2.91	-0.55	
ADHEUR EUR	-14.83	2.49	-4.36	-12.64	-16.92	-4.08	-2.09	
AM2 SGD	-11.73	2.09	-3.65	-9.82	-13.87	-2.18	0.38	
AM2 USD	-13.94	2.74	-3.79	-11.82	-15.67	-2.52	0.01	
AM3HAUD AUD	-14.34	2.70	-4.03	-12.18	-16.19	-3.30	-0.65	
AM3HEUR EUR	-14.81	2.52	-4.34	-12.62	-16.89	-4.08	-2.08	

-3.49

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Calendar year performance (%)	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
AC SGD	-1.67	-1.22	10.56	4.96	0.83
AC USD	6.30	-3.15	12.07	6.79	-1.15
ACHCAD CAD	5.65	-3.95	11.20	6.24	-1.30
ACHEUR EUR	4.06	-5.91	8.71	5.02	-2.10
ACHGBP GBP	4.94	-4.81	10.11	5.58	-1.43
ACHSGD SGD	5.71	-4.00	11.21	6.09	-1.28
ADHEUR EUR	4.09	-5.92	8.71	5.06	-2.10
AM2 SGD	-1.66	-1.23	10.56	4.96	0.84
AM2 USD	6.31	-3.16	12.07	6.79	-1.15
AM3HAUD AUD	6.70	-3.55	10.86	5.67	-1.52
AM3HEUR EUR	4.07	-5.92	8.71	5.05	-2.10
AM3HRMB CNH			12.31	8.24	1.37
AM3HSGD SGD	5.71	-4.00	11.21	6.13	-1.28
IC USD	7.02	-2.49	12.84	7.51	-0.47

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	Share Class Base	Distribution			Annualised Yield based on ex-
Share class	Currency	Frequency	Dividend ex-date	Last Paid Dividend	dividend date
AC	USD				
ACHCAD	CAD				
ACHEUR	EUR				
ACHGBP	GBP				
ACHSGD	SGD				
ADHEUR	EUR	Annually	6 July 2022	0.212533	2.81%
AM2	USD	Monthly	27 July 2022	0.046040	6.73%
AM3HAUD	AUD	Monthly	27 July 2022	0.039756	6.38%
AM3HEUR	EUR	Monthly	27 July 2022	0.025068	4.01%
AM3HRMB	CNH	Monthly	27 July 2022	0.048730	7.46%
AM3HSGD	SGD	Monthly	27 July 2022	0.044364	6.36%
IC	USD				

The above table cites the last dividend paid within the last 12 months only.

Dividend is not guaranteed and may be paid out of capital, which will result in capital erosion and reduction in net asset value. A positive distribution yield does not imply a positive return. Past distribution yields and payments do not represent future distribution yields and payments. Historical payments may comprise of distributed income, capital, or both

The calculation method of annualised yield prior to August 2019 is the simple yield calculation: (dividend amount / NAV per share or units as of ex-dividend date) x n; The calculation method of annualised yield from August 2019 is the compound yield calculation: ((1 + (dividend amount / ex-dividend NAV))^n)-1, n depends on the distributing frequency. Annually distribution is 1; semi-annually distribution is 2; quarterly distribution is 4; monthly distribution is 12. The annualised dividend yield is calculated based on the dividend distribution on the relevant date with dividend reinvested, and may be higher or lower than the actual annual dividend yield.

Investors and potential investors should refer to the details on dividend distributions of the Fund, which are available on HSBC Asset Management (Singapore) Limited website.

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			Share Class				
Share class	Inception date	ISIN	Base Currency	Minimum Initial Investment	NAV per Share	Management fee	Distribution type
AC	28 July 2010	LU0524291613	USD	USD 5,000	14.82	1.250%	Accumulating
ACHCAD	7 November 2016	LU0871578497	CAD	USD 5,000	10.06	1.250%	Accumulating
ACHEUR	19 February 2013	LU0807188023	EUR	USD 5,000	10.17	1.250%	Accumulating
ACHGBP	28 October 2016	LU0871578570	GBP	USD 5,000	9.70	1.250%	Accumulating
ACHSGD	2 November 2011	LU0669553462	SGD	USD 5,000	13.63	1.250%	Accumulating
ADHEUR	20 June 2014	LU0807187991	EUR	USD 5,000	7.73	1.250%	Distributing
AM2	28 July 2010	LU0524291456	USD	USD 5,000	8.56	1.250%	Distributing
AM3HAUD	5 September 2012	LU0798789102	AUD	USD 5,000	7.77	1.250%	Distributing
AM3HEUR	13 September 2012	LU0798789284	EUR	USD 5,000	7.71	1.250%	Distributing
AM3HRMB	19 April 2018	LU1086681993	CNH	USD 5,000	8.19	1.250%	Distributing
AM3HSGD	25 October 2011	LU0669553546	SGD	USD 5,000	8.71	1.250%	Distributing
IC	12 October 2012	LU0524292264	USD	USD 1,000,000	12.95	0.625%	Accumulating

Different classes may have different performances, dividend yields and expense ratios. For hedged classes, the effects of hedging will be reflected in the net asset values of such classes. Expenses arising from hedging transactions may be significant and will be borne by the relevant hedged classes. Hedged class performs the required hedging on a best efforts basis.

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