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## **FUND OBJECTIVE**

The fund aims to increase the value of your shares through a combination of growth and income from investments in high yield bonds (debt securities). High yield bonds have a lower credit rating because they carry a higher risk of not being paid back. High yield bonds typically offer a higher income to make them attractive to investors. The fund invests primarily in high yield bonds issued by US corporations and non-US corporations which conduct a majority of their activity in the US. The fund may also invest in securities of companies and governments located in emerging market (less developed) countries.

#### MANAGEMENT TEAM

Chris Kocinski, CFA

Senior Portfolio Manager

Joe Lind, CFA

Senior Portfolio Manager

Simon Matthews

Senior Portfolio Manager

#### **FUND FACTS**

Inception Date (Fund) 03 May 2006 Base Currency (Fund) Fund AUM (USD million) Domicile Vehicle Valuation Settlement (Subscription) 15:00 (Dublin Time) Trading Deadline Central Bank of Ireland Regulator Benchmark ICE BofA US High Yield Constrained Index (Total Return,

#### **CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE** Past performance does not predict future returns.



USD U Accumulating Class — Benchmark (USD)

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 USD 100 in the Benchmark(s) would have performed.

PERFORMANCE (%)	1111-	3111	1	10-	ı y-	3y-		y-	ioy-	31-7-
USD U Accumulating Class	1.15	1.50	) 1	.50	9.64	0.77	2.8	36	2.86	3.53
Benchmark (USD)	1.19	1.51	1	.51	11.06	2.21	4.0	01	4.36	4.95
12 MONTH PERIODS (%)									Mar22 Mar23	
USD U Accumulating Class	0.27	-4.44	13.00	0.99	5.29	-7.96	22.25	-1.30	-5.43	9.64
Benchmark (USD)	2.06	-3.96	16.87	3.70	5.93	-7.46	23.22	-0.30	-3.58	11.06

CALENDAR (%)	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	20245
USD U Accumulating Class	-5.43	13.98	5.04	-2.96	13.52	4.87	4.22	-12.16	11.04	1.50
Benchmark (USD)	-4 61	17 49	7 48	-2 27	14 41	6.07	5 35	-11 21	13 47	1 51

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1Performance to latest month end. YTD - Year to Date, SI - Since Inception.

2Returns for these periods are cumulative.

3Returns are annualised for periods longer than one year.

4Returns from 09 October 2012 to latest month end.

5Performance for the current calendar year is the year to date.

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# **TOP 10 ISSUERS % (MV)**

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Charter Communications	1.91
TransDigm Inc	1.60
Medline Industries Inc	1.43
Carnival Plc	1.40
CSC Holdings LLC	1.12
Tenet Healthcare	1.01
Frontier Communications	0.95
Level 3 Communications Inc	0.93
Vistra Energy Corp	0.88
NRG Energy Inc	0.75

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## **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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

**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.

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.

For full information on the risks please refer to the fund prospectus and offering documents, including the KID or KIID, as applicable.

# TOP 5 COUNTRY ALLOCATIONS % (MV)

Fund	Bmrk
85.06	86.78
3.08	4.49
1.66	0.92
1.49	2.34
0.94	0.62
	85.06 3.08 1.66 1.49

# TOP 5 SECTOR OVERWEIGHT ALLOCATIONS % (MV)

	Fund	Bmrk
Gas Distribution	7.18	4.68
Capital Goods	3.95	1.75
Automotive / Auto Parts	4.19	2.11
Real Estate / Homebuilders /	9.23	7.61
Building Materials		
Consumer Products / Services	9.37	7.79

## **SECURITY CREDIT QUALITY % (MV)**

	Fund	Bmrk
0 - 1 Year	8.37	4.27
1 - 2 Years	6.68	12.52
2 - 3 Years	17.74	18.74
3 - 4 Years	31.83	28.51
4 - 5 Years	24.55	21.37
5 - 6 Years	6.81	9.04
6 - 7 Years	3.16	3.57
7 - 8 Years	0.28	0.66
8 - 9 Years	0.26	0.44
9+ Years	0.32	0.87

**DURATION DISTRIBUTION % (MV)** 

	Fund	Bmrk				
BBB	2.54	0.50				
ВВ	42.32	50.05				
В	40.08	36.85				
CCC	12.60	11.76				
CC	0.46	0.83				
С	0.00	0.01				
Not rated	0.05	0.00				
Cash	1.96	0.00				
Credit quality ratings are based on the ICE Bank of America						

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## **SECTOR ALLOCATIONS % (MV)**

	Fund	Bmrk
Consumer Products / Services	9.37	7.79
Real Estate / Homebuilders /	9.23	7.61
Building Materials		
Gaming / Lodging / Leisure	7.67	7.46
Health Care	7.30	7.88
Gas Distribution	7.18	4.68
Technology / Electronics	5.67	5.65
Diversified Financial Services	5.49	7.88
Telecommunications	4.85	5.40
Energy	4.76	7.26
Automotive / Auto Parts	4.19	2.11

## CHARACTERISTICS

	Fund	Bmrk
Weighted Average Maturity	6.07	5.46
(years)		
Portfolio Price	95.81	93.18
Weighted Average Yield to	7.47	7.74
Worst (%)		
Weighted Average Yield to	7.62	7.88
Maturity (%)		
OAS (Basis points)	274	304
Weighted Average Duration	3.44	3.55
(years)		
Weighted Average Current Yield	6.88	6.63
(%)		
Average Credit Quality	B+	B+

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## **RISK MEASURES**

	3 years
Alpha (%)	-1.41
Tracking Error (%)	0.79
Beta	1.00
Sharpe Ratio	-0.18
Information Ratio	-1.81
R-Squared (%)	99.09
Standard Deviation	8.49

## **U SHARE CLASS PERFORMANCE**

Past performance does not predict future returns.

PERFORMANCE (%)6	Inception Date	1m	17	3m <sup>7</sup>	YTD <sup>7</sup>	1y <sup>7</sup>	Зу	<b>/</b> 8	5y <sup>8</sup>	10y <sup>8</sup>	SI8
USD U (Monthly) Distributing Class	02-05-2013	1.1	5	1.55	1.55	9.64	0.7	6	2.83	2.86	2.99
USD U Accumulating Class	09-10-2012	1.1	5	1.50	1.50	9.64	0.7	7	2.86	2.86	3.53
Benchmark (USD)	-	1.1	9	1.51	1.51	11.06	2.2	1	4.01	4.36	4.95°
12 MONTH PERIODS (%)	Inception Date	Mar 14 Mar 15	Mar 15 Mar 16	Mar 16 Mar 17	Mar 17 Mar 18	Mar 18 Mar 19	Mar 19 Mar 20	Mar 20 Mar 21	Mar 21 Mar 22	Mar 22 Mar 23	Mar 23 Mar 24
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<sup>7</sup>Returns for these periods are cumulative.

<sup>8</sup>Returns are annualised for periods longer than one year.

<sup>9</sup>Data shown since inception of the USD U Accumulating Class.

**<sup>10</sup>**Performance for the current calendar year is the year to date.

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## **U SHARE CLASS DATA**

Share Class	NAV	Initial Sales Charge (Max)	Ongoing Charges	Management Fee	Minimum Investment
USD U (Monthly) Dist	6.93	3.00%	1.02%*	0.90%	500,000
USD U Acc	14.90	3.00%	1.02%*	0.90%	500,000

Share Class	Inception Date	Morningstar Category™	ISIN	Bloomberg	VALOR
USD U (Monthly) Dist	02-05-2013	USD High Yield Bond	IE00B7Y5Q239	NBHYBUM ID	19489350
USD U Acc	09-10-2012	USD High Yield Bond	IE00B84LT637	NEHYUUA ID	19702086

<sup>\*</sup>The ongoing charge figure (incl. management fee) is based on the annual expenses for the period ending 31 December 2023.

Some share classes listed are subject to restrictions, please refer to the fund's prospectus for further details.

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## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

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Source: Neuberger Berman, Blackrock Aladdin and Morningstar.

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