

# BlueBay Total Return Credit Fund

## Investment objective

The fund is actively managed and does not reference any benchmark. The fund invests in a wide range of fixed income bonds globally, including emerging markets while taking into account Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") considerations.

## Investment strategy

- The fund is expected to invest predominately in fixed income bonds of any rating which pay a comparatively high income. The fund may also invest in convertible bonds that pay a fixed interest.
- The fund may invest up to 20% of its net assets in asset-backed securities ("ABS").
- The fund may invest up to 20% of its net assets in mainland China. The fund will be actively exposed to both USD and non-USD investments, including currencies of emerging market countries.
- The Fund meets the conditions set out in Article 8 of the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation as it promotes environmental/social characteristics through binding requirements as a key feature. Full details available online: [www.rbcbluebay.com/en-gb/institutional/what-we-do/funds/sustainability-related-disclosures/](http://www.rbcbluebay.com/en-gb/institutional/what-we-do/funds/sustainability-related-disclosures/)

## Fund performance (%) Gross of fees (USD)<sup>1</sup>

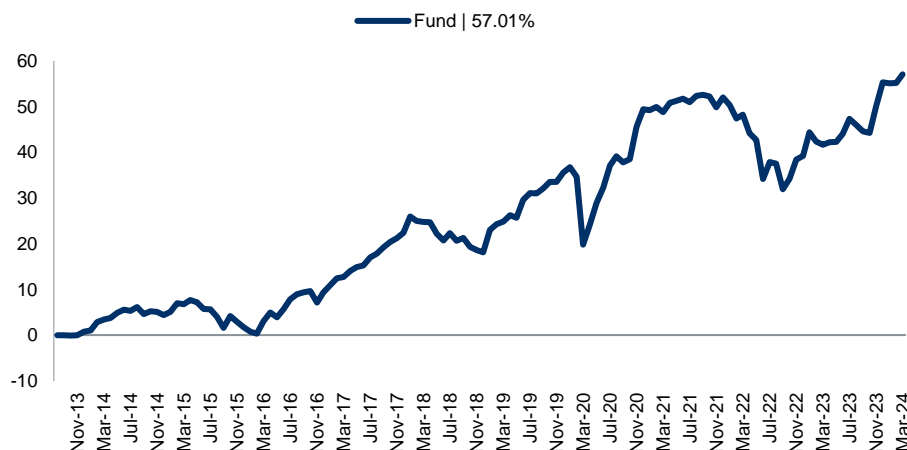
	1 M	3 M	YTD	1 Y	3 Y	5 Y	10 Y	SI*
Fund	1.19	1.12	1.12	10.86	1.82	4.70	4.26	4.42

## Calendar year performance (%) Gross of fees (USD)<sup>1</sup>

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Fund	11.59	-8.44	1.72	10.25	14.75	-3.50	11.87	7.50	-2.49	3.56

The inception date for the Fund is 22 October 2013. \*SI – Since inception.

## Cumulative performance Gross of fees (USD) since inception<sup>1</sup>



## Risk statistics<sup>2</sup>

	Fund
Standard deviation (%)	6.31

## Performance

- March saw positive returns across fixed-income indices, helped by a combination of lower underlying core government bond yields, tighter corporate spreads and, of course, the positive from the carry/income. Over the month, economic data released continued to be robust, especially in the US, while all three major central banks met and kept rates on hold, as expected. Against this backdrop, it was a positive month for the fund, driven by CoCos and emerging-market debt (EMD) hard currency. EMD local currency was the only detractor, with a strong US dollar proving to be a headwind to the sub-asset class. Hedges were flat.

## Outlook

- As economic data continues to print with a resilient tone, we have begun to put a larger weight on the possibility of a soft landing in the US, although the story is a little more unclear in the EU. In this context, we still believe both major central banks will cut rates in the second half of this year, with June looking the most likely, which should bolster returns for fixed income. Despite the positive performance of risk assets year to date, we see little that could meaningfully derail this rally as we move into quarter two.

**Past performance does not predict future returns.** The return of your investment may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations if your investment is made in a currency other than that used in the past performance calculation. Fees and other expenses will have a negative effect on investment returns. Performance shown for 1 year periods onwards are annualised figures.

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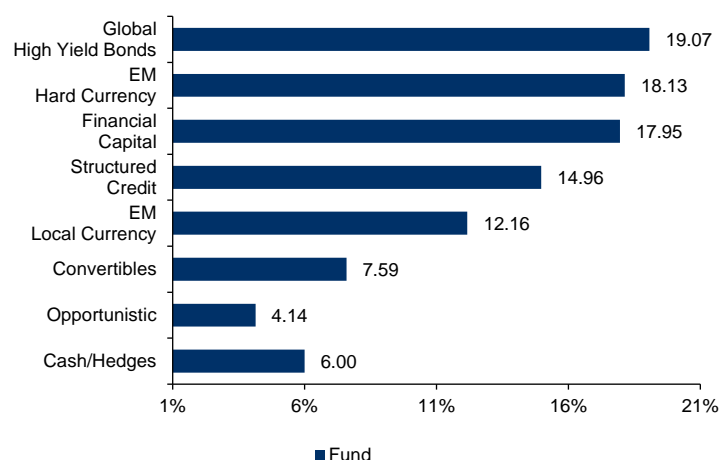
Source: RBC Global Asset Management as at 31 March 2024. This report is incomplete without the Legal Disclaimer included on the last page.

## Fund characteristics

	Fund
Weighted interest rate duration (years)	3.31
Weighted spread duration (years)	3.00
Weighted running yield (%)	6.17
Yield to maturity (%)	7.00
Yield to worst (%)	6.88
Years to maturity (years)	6.79
Number of issuers	266
Weighted rating	BB+

We have updated our yield calculations for derivatives to reflect the higher rate environment better.

## Asset allocation (% , NAV)



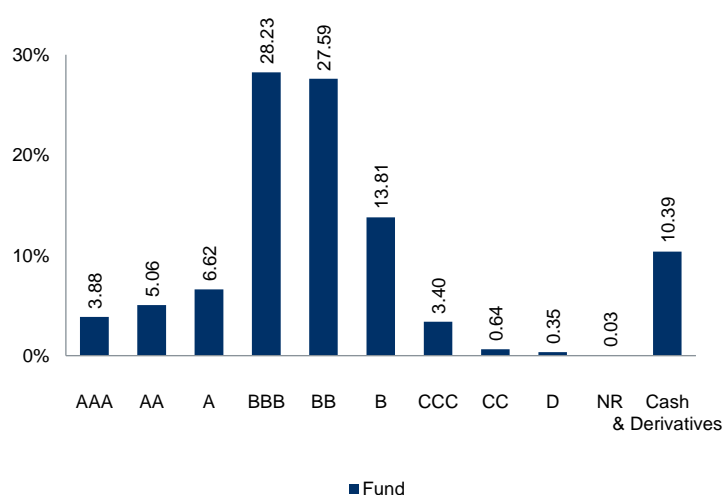
## Contribution summary (% , NAV)

	1M	YTD
Global High Yield Bonds	0.19	0.26
Structured credit	0.11	0.46
Financial Capital	0.38	0.49
Convertibles	0.16	0.10
EMD Hard Currency (Agg)	0.34	0.41
EMD Local Currency	-0.09	-0.53
Macro Hedge	-0.03	-0.31
Opportunistic	0.09	0.16
Cash	0.03	0.08
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.19</b>	<b>1.12</b>

## Regional breakdown (% , NAV)

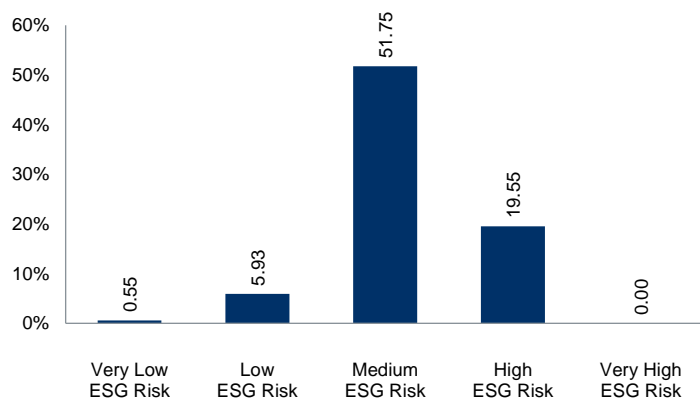
	Fund
Europe ex UK	28.18
North America	21.93
Latin America	12.68
United Kingdom	9.17
Eastern Europe	6.48
Africa / Middle East	5.76
Asia ex Japan	4.63
Other	0.59
Japan	0.18
Cash & Derivatives	10.39

## Credit quality breakdown (% , NAV)

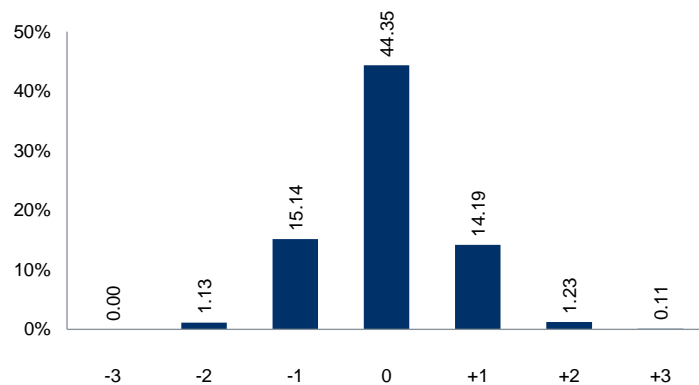


## Important risk considerations

- At times, the market for emerging market bonds, high yield bonds, or convertible bonds may dry up, which could make it difficult to sell these bonds, or the fund may only be able to sell them at a discount.
- There may be cases where an organisation with which we trade assets or derivatives (usually a financial institution such as a bank) may be unable to fulfil its obligations, which could cause losses to the fund.
- Investing in high yield bonds offers you the chance to gain higher returns through growing your capital and generating income. Nevertheless, there is a greater risk that the organization which issued the bond will fail, which would result in a loss of income to the fund along with its initial investment.
- RBC BlueBay could suffer from a failure of its processes, systems and controls – or from such a failure at an organisation on which we rely in order to deliver our services – which could lead to losses for the fund.

BlueBay: Issuer fundamental ESG risk ratings<sup>3</sup>

■ Fund-Long

BlueBay: Security investment ESG scores<sup>4</sup>

■ Fund-Long

Top 5 holdings (% NAV)<sup>3, 4</sup>

Holding	Weight (absolute)	Weight (relative)	ESG Risk Rating	ESG Score
T 4 5/8 02/28/25	2.48	2.48	Medium	0
BNP 7 3/4 08/29 PERP 144A	1.95	1.95	Medium	0
ISPIM 7 3/4 01/27 PERP REGS	1.12	1.12	Medium	+1
CABKSM 5 7/8 10/27 PERP REGS	1.05	1.05	Medium	0
HSBC 4.856 05/33 REGS	1.00	1.00	Medium	0

## Fund information

Investment manager	RBC Global Asset Management (UK) Limited	Fund type	UCITS
Base currency	USD	Fund domicile	Luxembourg
Fund inception date	22 October 2013	SFDR	Article 8
Fund size (USD)	532 m	Benchmark	-
Portfolio Manager(s)	Multi-Asset Decision Group		

The Funds AUM is stated on a T+1 basis and includes non-fee earning assets. The benchmark is hedged into the Share Class currency where relevant.

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