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# EDR FUND - BOND ALLOCATION MONTHLY DETAILED REVIEW

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## PERFORMANCE (1 EUR Share)

	Fund	Index <sup>1</sup>	Out/Under perf.
MTD	+1,13%	+1,13%	-0,00%
YTD	-0,18%	-0,09%	-0,08%
1Y	+7,98%	+5,37%	+2,61%
3Y annualised	-0,64%	-3,58%	+2,94%
5Y annualised	+1,02%	-1,02%	+2,04%
2023	+6,80%	+7,67%	-0,87%
2022	-8,56%	-16,07%	+7,51%
2021	+0,37%	-2,21%	+2,58%
Since inc. annualised <sup>2</sup>	+2,57%	+1,48%	+1,09%

## MARKET COMMENT

- The first quarter of 2024 closed with a degree of homogeneity overall: rising rates on both sides of the Atlantic, and credit spreads compressing. In fact, the strength of the US economy, underlined by an ISM manufacturing index above 50. And even if the leading employment indicators continue to point to less and less wage pressure, the unemployment figure remains well below 4%. These elements have prompted the FED to review its rate-cutting plans. Over the quarter, the probability of rate cuts fell from 6/7 cuts in 2024 to less than 3. Similarly, composite PMI figures for Europe returned to 49.9, giving ground to the "soft landing" scenario, or even recession averted for the most optimistic. The US 10-year yield closed at 4.20% (3.88% at end-Dec. 2023), while its German counterpart stood at 2.30%, up 28bp over the quarter, but still down 10bp in March.
- Over the quarter, credit markets stood out for their strong resilience, as illustrated by tighter credit premiums on IG ratings 112bp (-10bp over the month, -25bp over the quarter). In HY, the annual trend remains good, with premiums at 350bp, down from 400bp at the end of the year.
- However, the second half of March was marked by the resurgence of a certain idiosyncratic volatility, with issuers such as Altice France, Ardagh, Atos and Intrum suffering from a high debt burden and seemingly moving towards debt restructuring. It should also be noted that the uncertainties raised over German banks such as PBB, Areal and LBBW due to their exposure to US commercial real estate have been partly resolved, with results and provisioning underlining the ability of these banks to manage their exposure. However, these few rumblings did not dampen investor appetite, with strong primary transactions in all segments, as investors remained buyers of yield overall (see Focus of The Month).
- Lastly, we note a return of some tension in oil prices, with WTI and Brent back above \$83 and \$87 respectively. In addition to improving business indicators, this has contributed to the rise in inflation breakevens over the month.

## CHARACTERISTICS

	Fund	Index <sup>1</sup>
AUM (€m)	1 631	
YtW <sup>3</sup>	5,1	3,3
YtM <sup>3</sup>	5,2	3,3
Modified Dur.	7,2	6,0
Spread Dur.	3,5	6,0
Average Rating	BBB-	A
<b>Sustainability</b>		
SFDR	Article 8	
ESG Rating <sup>4</sup>	10,8	10,5

1: 50% BarCap Euro-Aggregate Corporates (EUR) + 50% BarCap Euro-Aggregate Treasury (EUR)/ 2: as of 02/14/2013 strategy launch/ Annualised performance  
3: excluding future on rates, CDS, SWAP, IRF, TRS/ 4: MSCI and Internal data and vs. Investment universe

## FOCUS OF THE MONTH

## Credit Spread tightening

Since the start of the year, credit spreads have continued the tightening trend that began several quarters ago.

After a correction in the first couple of weeks of the year, following a year-end exuberance move, credit spreads have resumed their tightening. They are now close to a 3 year low in many asset classes.

Despite this, investors' interest remains high, as most are buyers of yield overall, wanting to lock historically higher government bond yield with the additional spread component.

For our part, we remain positioned on credit spreads, still at the upper end of our room to maneuver, although we

are favoring sectors that have still some compression ground to cover.

Date - 03/28/24	Curent Yld level	12/29/23 Spread level	Current Spread level	Range YTD	Δ YTD	Δ 1M
EUR IG	3,66	138	114	110 / 146	-24	-7
US IG	5,30	99	90	88 / 105	-9	-6
EUR HY	7,56	381	347	327 / 440	-34	8
US HY	7,66	323	299	292 / 360	-24	-11
EM Sovereign HC	7,74	383	341	335 / 411	-42	-24
EM Credit HC	6,96	281	231	223 / 282	-50	-15

Sources: EDRAM (FR), Bloomberg, as of 03/28/24

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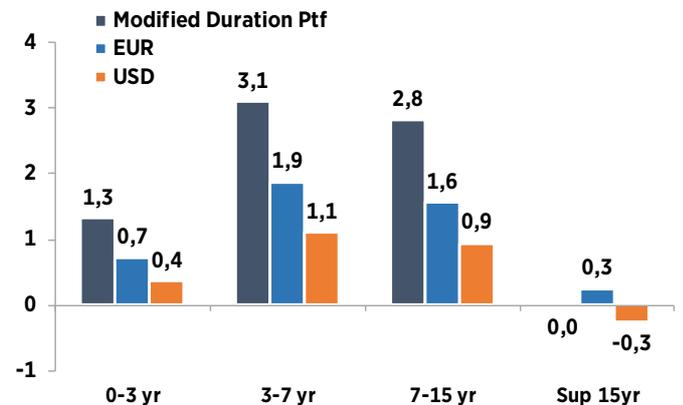
- Over the period, we maintained our Modified Duration above 7 years. At the beginning of the month, we had slightly strengthened the short end against the 10-year, but overall our positioning remains mainly on 5- and 10-years. In geographical terms, the USD curve was strengthened from 0.7 years to 2.3 years, given its widening versus German rates.
- IG corporate bonds continue to perform well. French and Italian government bonds suffered at the end of the month following the publication of higher deficit expectations. We have no duration exposure left to Italy nor France sovereigns, having taken profits on our OAT-Bund spread tightening position earlier in the month.

## BREAKDOWN BY FIXED INCOME SECTORS

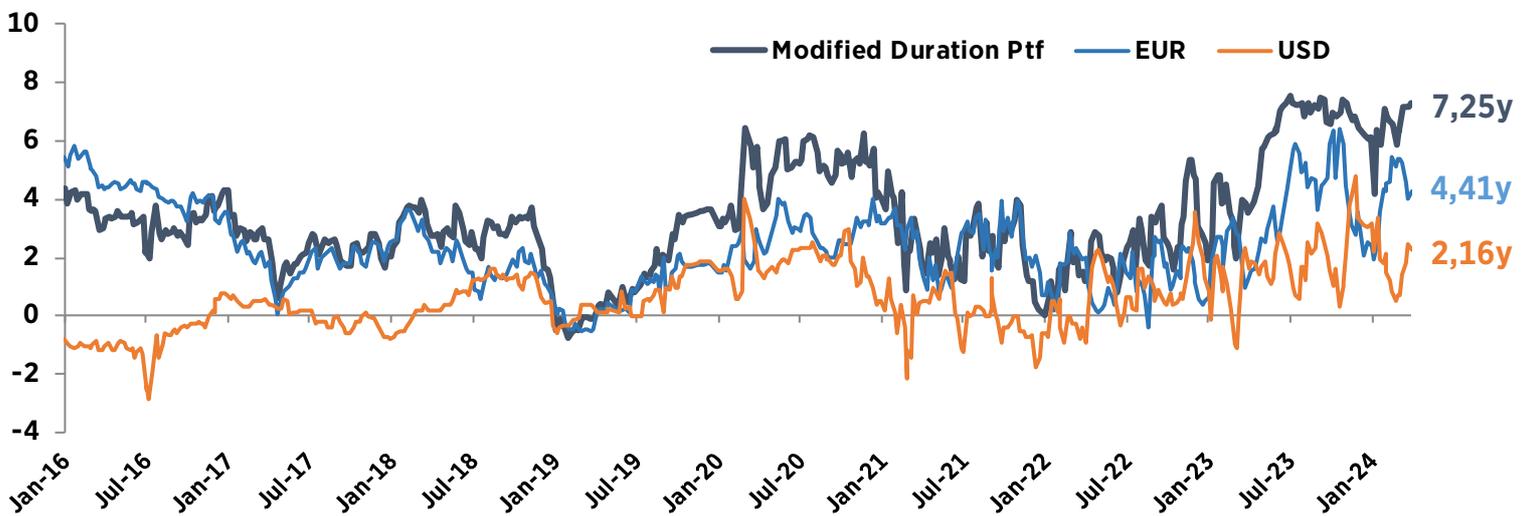
	Investment	CDS*	TRS*	Exposure
Cash / short term papers	5,5%			5,5%
Government Bonds	10,3%			10,3%
Sub Fin	12,3%			12,3%
High Yield Corp	24,9%	-0,6%		24,3%
Corp Investment Grade	30,1%			30,1%
Inflation Linked Bonds	0,0%			0,0%
Emerging Sovereigns	12,2%	-1,3%		10,9%
Emerging Corp	4,2%			4,2%
Convertibles bonds	1,0%			1,0%
Macro hedge		-2,0%		-2,0%

(\*) : CDS : Credit Default Swaps, TRS : Total Return Swaps

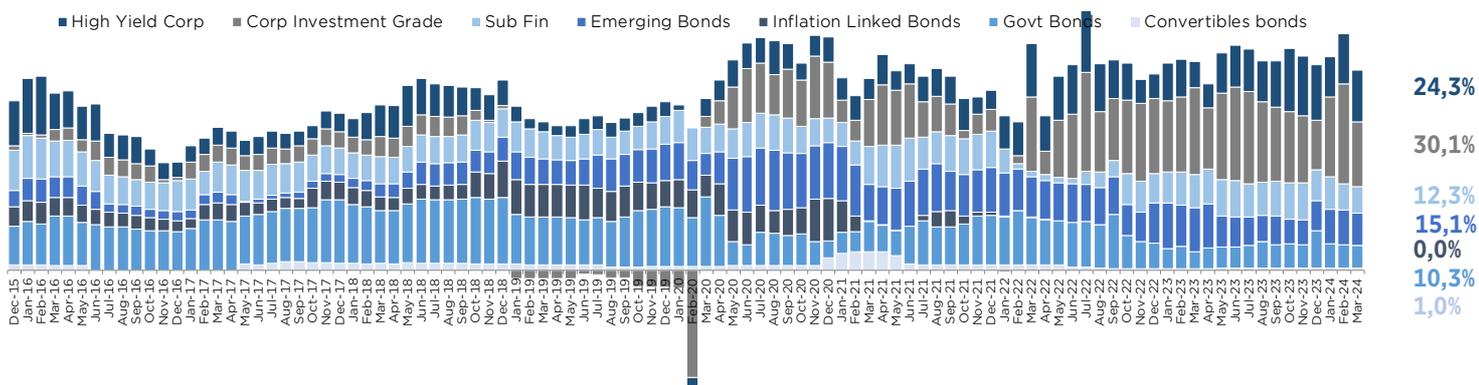
## BREAKDOWN BY MATURITY



## MODIFIED DURATION BREAKDOWN BY YIELD CURVE



## EVOLUTION OF THE EXPOSURE



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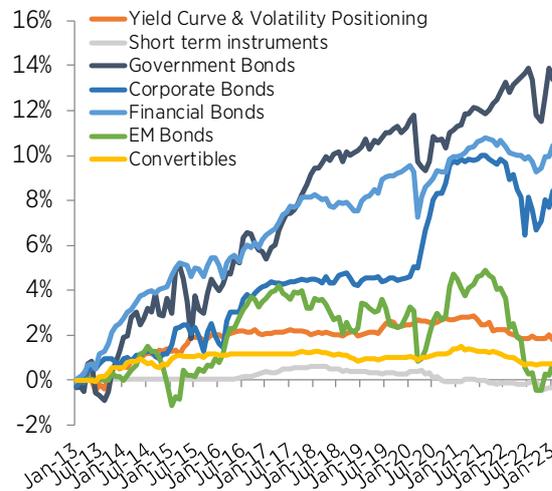
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## PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS



## PERFORMANCE CONTRIBUTION (gross of fees)

CONTRIBUTION OVER  
THE MONTH

Government Bonds	+0,29%
Financial Bonds	+0,24%
Corporate Bonds	+0,44%
EM Bonds	+0,31%
Yield Curve & Volatility Positioning	-0,00%
Convertibles	+0,01%
Short Term instruments & FX Hedging	+0,01%

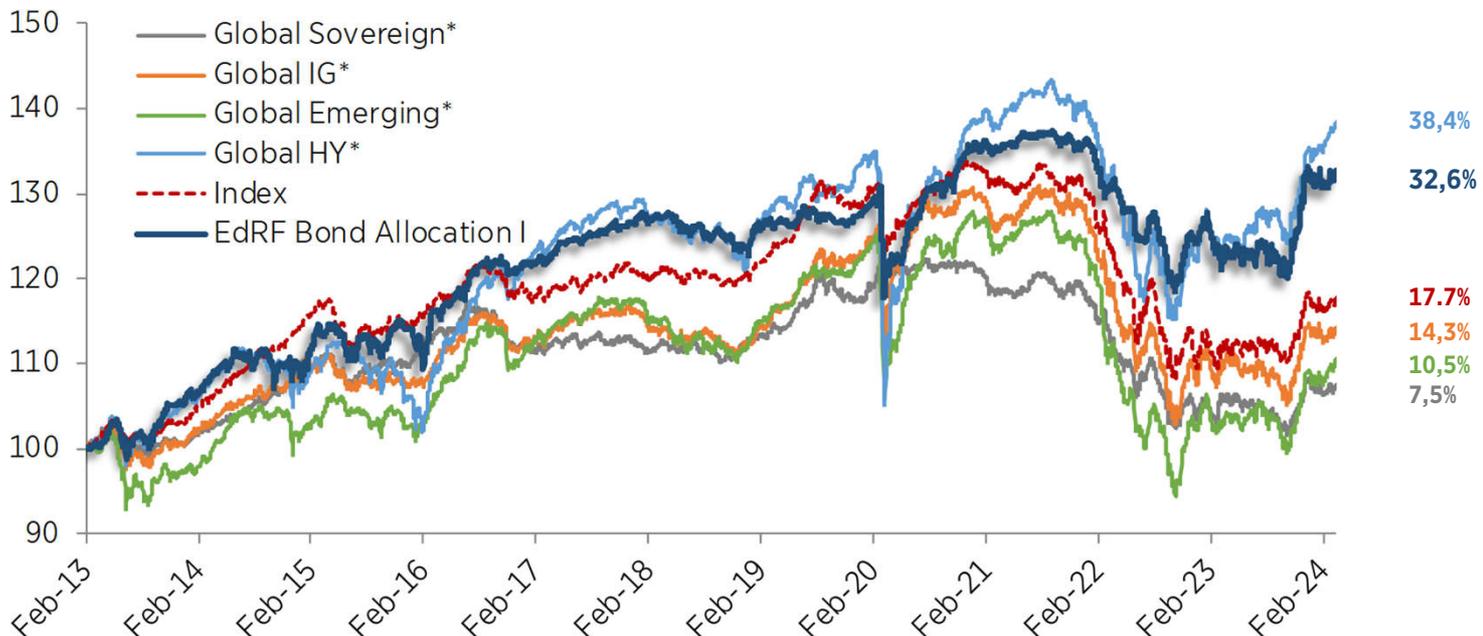
## RISK INDICATORS (I EUR Share)

	Fund	Index
Volatility 1y. (%)	6,44	5,04
Volatility 3y. (%)	6,16	6,92
Volatility 5y. (%)	6,03	6,21
Sharpe Ratio 1y.	0,74	0,17
Sharpe Ratio 3y.	-0,31	-0,70
Sharpe Ratio 5y.	0,08	-0,26
Max. drawdown (%)	-13,5	
Period	In Progress	
Recovery	In Progress	

## MONTHLY PERFORMANCE COMMENT

- Over the month, the portfolio positive risk positioning continued to pay off and carry continued to support performance, in line with the fund's yield level. Overall the fund performance is aligned with its reference index.
- The fund's performance in 2023 enabled it to recover a large part of its negative performance in 2022. Thanks to its flexibility, the fund confirms its more resilient behavior than most bond indices. The next few quarters should enable us to fully correct this 2022 performance, and even benefit from the expected fall in rates.

## PERFORMANCE (I EUR SHARE) vs FIXED INCOME INDICES SINCE STRATEGY OVERHAUL (02/14/13)





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	Sub shares	Investors involved in marketing	Initial minimum subscription	Distribution / Accumulation	Maximum entry fees	Maximum exit fees	Actual management fees	Performance fees	Benchmark
<b>Class A</b>	CHF H LU1426148802 EUR LU1161527038 GBP H LU1426148984 USD H LU1426148711	Individual investors	1 Share	Accumulation	1%	-	0,8%	15%	Benchmark*
<b>Class B</b>	CHF H LU1426149289 EUR LU1161526907 GBP H LU1426149362 USD H LU1426149107	Individual investors	1 Share	Distribution	3%	-	0,8%	15%	Benchmark*
<b>Class CR</b>	EUR LU1781816704 USD H LU1790341827	Individual investors	1 Share	Accumulation	1%	-	0,6%	15%	Benchmark*
<b>Class CRD</b>	EUR LU1873123290	Individual investors	1 Share	Distribution	1%	-	0,6%	15%	Benchmark*
<b>Class I</b>	CHF H LU1426149875 EUR LU1161526816 USD H LU1426149792	Institutional investors	500 000	Accumulation	-	-	0,4%	15%	Benchmark*
<b>Class J</b>	EUR LU1161526733 GBP H LU1426150451 USD H LU1426150295	Institutional investors	500 000	Distribution	-	-	0,4%	15%	Benchmark*
<b>Class K</b>	CHF H LU1426150881 EUR LU1161526659	Institutional investors	500 000	Accumulation	-	-	0,6%	-	Benchmark*
<b>Class N</b>	CHF H LU1426151186 EUR LU1426150964 USD H LU1426151004	Institutional investors	20 000 000	Accumulation	-	-	0,4%	-	Benchmark*
<b>Class O</b>	EUR LU1648208582 USD H LU1648208749	Institutional investors	20 000 000	Distribution	-	-	0,4%	-	Benchmark*
<b>Class PE</b>	EUR LU1981742973	Institutional investors	80 000 000	Accumulation	-	-	0,35%	-	Benchmark*
<b>Class R</b>	EUR LU1161526576 USD H LU1161526493	Individual investors	1 Share	Accumulation	1%	-	1%	-	Benchmark*
<b>Class RS</b>	EUR LU1832174707 USD H LU1832174616	Individual investors	1 Share	Accumulation	3%	-	1,4%	-	Benchmark*

## RISK AND REWARD PROFILE (Share I - EUR)



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