## GLOBAL MULTI ASSET INCOME - DX

## **28 February 2022**

Marketing communication



#### **KEY DATA**

MANAGEMENT COMPANY	Generali Investments Luxembourg S.A.
INVESTMENT MANAGER	Generali Investments Partners S.p.A Società di gestione del risparmio
FUND MANAGER	Cedric BARON
FUND TYPE	Sicav
DOMICILE	Luxembourg
SUB-FUND LAUNCH DATE	21/12/2016
SHARE CLASS LAUNCH DATE	21/12/2016
FIRST NAV DATE AFTER DORMANT PERIOD	No dormant period
CURRENCY	Euro
CUSTODIAN BANK	BNP Paribas Securities Services Luxembourg
ISIN	LU1357655627
BLOOMBERG CODE	GEEUMDX LX
VALUATION	
AUM	145.31 M EUR
NAV PER SHARE	105.72 EUR
HIGHEST NAV OVER THE LAST 12 MONTHS	111.91 EUR
LOWEST NAV OVER THE LAST 12 MONTHS	101.28 EUR
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LAST 12 MONTHS	101.28 EUR max. 5%
LAST 12 MONTHS FEES	
LAST 12 MONTHS FEES SUBSCRIPTION FEE	max. 5%
LAST 12 MONTHS FEES SUBSCRIPTION FEE MANAGEMENT FEE	max. 5% 1.25%
LAST 12 MONTHS FEES SUBSCRIPTION FEE MANAGEMENT FEE CONVERSION FEE	max. 5% 1.25% max. 5%
LAST 12 MONTHS  FEES  SUBSCRIPTION FEE  MANAGEMENT FEE  CONVERSION FEE  REDEMPTION FEE	max. 5% 1.25% max. 5% max. 3%

#### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICY

The objective is to achieve long-term capital appreciation and generate a stable level of income, by allocating globally across different assets classes with attractive yields. The Fund's net assets shall be essentially allocated globally between different assets including, but not limited to, equity, government and corporate bonds, Money Market Instruments and in time deposits. The allocation between the above asset classes is mostly determined on the basis of macroeconomic analyses, quantitative models and risk indicators. In particular, the Fund shall invest in instruments such as, but not limited to, equities and equity-linked securities, real estate investment trusts ("REITs"), debt instruments of any kind, UCITS, UCIs, derivative instruments such as, but not limited to, index or single name futures, dividend futures, total return swaps ("TRS"), credit default swaps ("CDS") and equity options. The Fund exposure to Sub-Investment Grade Credit Rating securities may not exceed 50% of its net asset. Investment in contingent convertible bonds ("CoCos") is allowed up to 10% of the Fund's net assets. The Fund may use financial instruments and derivatives for hedging, for efficient portfolio management and for investment purposes.

### PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2022



	1M	YTD	1YR	3YR	5YR	3YR P.A.	5YR P.A.
Portfolio	-3.38	-5.54	4.51	6.17	4.07	2.02	0.80

	SI	SI P.A.	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Portfolio	5.72	1.08	11.52	-3.35	8.37	-9.95	6.37

	02/22-02/21	02/21-02/20	02/20-02/19	02/19-02/18	02/18-02/17
Portfolio	4.51	1.61	-0.01	-4.12	2.23

## CATEGORY AND RISK PROFILE

CATEG	GORY Multi Asset					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Lower risk Potentially lower rewards					igher risk r 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.

### KEY FEATURES

- A flexible asset allocation to react to markets' movements and diversify globally
- Focuses on income generation without sacrificing long term capital growth
- Targets an income distribution of 4% per annum\*
- The investment process includes a mechanism to reduce market's volatility: objective of 6% maximum annualised volatility
- Investors can benefit from quarterly income distribution\*\*
- \* Please note that the indicated percentage represents a target and the performance is not quaranteed.
- \*\* Income will be distributed to investors who subscribed the distribution share classes.

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### **FUND MANAGER'S COMMENTS**

In February, the world has been shocked by Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Markets have reacted violently to the incursion: the ruble and Russian equities plummeted on news of the aggression, and risk premia and energy prices soared on fears of new supply disruption threatening both the energy complex and the global recovery. President Putin escalated the crisis despite severe economic and military costs. While he declared the demilitarisation of Ukraine a key goal, his true plans remain opaque. Hopes that he may only try to achieve a better negotiation position to stop NATO's expansion have been dashed. It is not clear either that the demilitarisation simply aims at securing the full separatist control of the Donbas provinces. Putin will likely try to impose a provinces in Ukraine and may even annex the country; given the size of Ukraine and its army, this may mean prolonged fights and human victims.

In the US, the small reliance on energy import and limited trade as well as financial exchange with Russia reduce the direct impact from the war in Ukraine. The main threat is that the surge in commodity prices and global inflation adds to the unabated domestic pressures. Therefore, despite some tentative signs that supply bottlenecks are easing, we expect CPI inflation to stay above 7% yoy for the next couple of months at least. High prices (especially for fuels and commodity, but recently also food) are heavily affecting confidence, which has dropped to an 8-year low in February. Fundamentals remain supportive to domestic demand, especially the labour market, which further buoyed by the fast reduction in COVID cases. Risks remains tilted toward more inflation rather than to weaker growth. Geopolitics should not derail the Fed's monetary normalisation path, which will be paused or delayed only if an escalation triggers a global recession or threatens financial conditions.

In the euro area, the Russian invasion of Ukraine deteriorated the outlook. The direct trade link is relatively small but soaring energy prices will significantly lift inflation and dent purchasing power. Bottlenecks in certain industrial sectors are likely. That said, as Covid-19 measures have been relaxed during the month, the composite PMI rose to 55.8, the strongest reading since September. The labour market is in good shape, households still have huge pandemic-related excess savings they can deploy, and the further unwinding of stringency measures will also support activity. Inflation has reached a new high in January, at 5.5%, and is likely to persist at high level. Yet, headwinds to activity, deteriorating financing conditions and huge uncertainties will likely make the Governing Council less decisive on the future policy path. Fiscal spending is also set to increase marginally versus previous estimates.

In the past month, 10-year Bund yields have risen by 15 bps and 10-year US yields by 6 bps. The upward movement in yields has been more pronounced in peripherals countries. The Italian spread increased by 25 bps and the Spanish one by 26 bps.

Both the European Investment Grade (IG) credit spread and the High Yield (HY) one widened by 41 and 78 bps, respectively.

In the US movements were more contained: the IG spread increased by 20 bps and the HY one by 14 bps.

As the Ukraine crisis turned to the worse, equity market had another negative month. The MSCI World was down by 2.5%, the S&P500 by 3% and the Euro Stoxx 50 by 5.9%. Currently, earnings and margins remain safe, but risks are tilted to the downside given the chance to see lower GDP growth ahead, triggered by even higher energy prices and inflation hurting sentiment.

#### **Portfolio Activity**

The government bond weight increased by 2.99% in February mainly in core Europe (France and Germany +1.44%). This asset class remained underweighted compared to the strategic asset allocation (14.66% end of February vs 30% in the Strategic Asset Allocation). All the regions are underweighted but US remains, by far, the highest exposure. However, we keep some exposure to this asset class as safe haven assets bring diversification to equity like exposures in a context where tail risks remain elevated (bad news on the geopolitical front, China credit issues, risk of more hawkish central banks). This bucket contribution was mute over the month (-2 bps).

Over the month, the weight of the investment grade increased by +1.28% at 7.97% The IG exposure remains below the neutral allocation (at 10%). We intend to benefit from a price appreciation and an attractive carry in the medium term, but we think that the spread compression is now limited while the risk of higher risk is important, hence the current underweight. The IG bucket contribution was slightly negative in February, mainly due to its European exposure and uncertainty due to the escalation in the Ukrainian conflict (-20bps).

The High Yield bucket slightly decreased in February (from 21.2% to 20.85%) while the emerging market debt exposure decreased by -7bps with an allocation at a 2.02%. The exposure to the HY segment and the Emerging market Debt remains below to its neutral allocation (22.87% vs 30%). This bucket had a negative contribution of -59bps.

The equity bucket contribution was negative in February (-1.01%) as global markets have decreased significantly during the month. This asset class has been decreased during the month to lower the risk in the portfolio due to uncertainty. We finished the month below the S.A.A (current weight at 27.8% vs. S.A.A at 30%).

We keep a decent exposure to dividend futures within this bucket despite the geopolitical context. The pocket remains attractive due to still positively oriented fundamentals. During the month, those opportunistic positions had a negative contribution (-1.22%).

#### Outlook

The view is cautious on equities at the asset class level over the short term. We continue to favor this asset class over the medium term as it should continue to benefit from the positive trend and because we think that the combination of a strong economic growth above long term trend, low real yields and the lack of alternative for investors will be favorable to risky assets. However, on a short-term basis, with the war in Ukraine, its strong economic impact and a more hawkish tone from the Fed, the risk off mood could continue during the next weeks of the year. As such, the view is more mixed.

Government bond returns look asymmetric to the downside in core countries given the interest rates level and the cost of carry in Europe due to negative real interest rates. The case is slightly different in the US where carry is positive and growing. The recent increase in interest rates may be a positive argument for the attractiveness of this asset class as in some regions, the current downside appears more limited while the carry remains interesting.

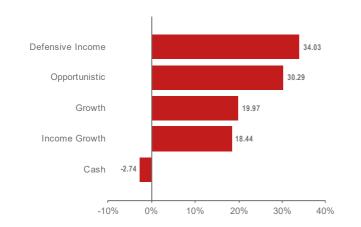
The view on corporate credit segment is still slightly negative. The duration risk limits our appetite for rate sensitive assets in an environment of tightening financial conditions from Central Banks. The HY carry is more attractive but the risk of further default of payment increased in a less clear environment.

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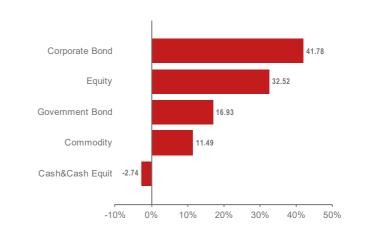
## **BREAKDOWNS**

### **BREAKDOWN BY STRATEGY**



BREAKDOWN ALLOCATION	GEOGRAPHICAL AREA	%
Defensive Income	Eurozone	20.45
	North America	12.13
	UK	1.44
Defensive Income Total		34.03
Income Growth	Eurozone	8.84
	North America	6.75
	Emerging markets	2.10
	UK	0.74
Income Growth Total		18.44
Growth	Eurozone	7.28
	North America	6.82
	Emerging markets	0.97
	Japan	2.30
	UK	2.58
Growth Total		19.97
Opportunistic	Call Spread EuroStoxx 50	2.33
	Call Spread EuroStoxx Bank	(1.81)
	Call Spread Volatility	(0.58)
	Commodity	11.49
	Euro Stoxx Banks Dividend	1.95
	EuroStoxx 50 Dividend	6.49
	FTSE 100 Dividend	3.08
	Luxury strat	1.03
	Put Spread EuroStoxx 50	4.18
	Put Spread MSCI Emerging	0.87
	US Equity - long optional	1.22
Opportunistic Total		30.29
Cash Total		(2.74)
Total		100

### **BREAKDOWN BY ASSET CLASS**



BREAKDOWN ALLOCATION	GEOGRAPHICAL AREA	%
Government Bond	Eurozone	4.54
	North America	10.42
	Emerging markets	2.10
	UK	(0.13)
Government Bond Total		16.93
Corporate Bond	North America	12.01
	Eurozone	27.44
	UK	2.32
Corporate Bond Total		41.78
Equity	Eurozone	18.91
	North America	4.65
	Emerging markets	0.97
	Japan	2.30
	UK	5.67
Equity Total		32.52
Commodity Total		11.49
Cash&Cash Equit Total		(2.74)
Total		100

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#### PERFORMANCE AND RISK ANALYSIS - SYNTHESIS

	1YR	3YR	5YR	SI
Standard Deviation Ptf	5.90	11.42	9.56	9.40
Sharpe Ratio	1.10	0.26	0.16	0.19
Sortino Ratio	1.81	0.33	0.20	0.24

#### **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

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