

# Evli Short Corporate Bond IB

Fixed income fund that invests in short-maturity corporate bonds in a diversified manner.

## FUND MANAGER'S COMMENT



The market driver in March was once again a tug-of-war over when interest rates will be cut and by how much they will be reduced this year. So, in essence, there was not much new on offer. Interest rates will indeed be lowered and the ECB is likely to act – as Lagarde stated months ago – by the summer, providing support for sentiment from monetary policy. German yields fell slightly, with the 2-year dropping 5 basis points (bps) and the 5-year by 11 bps. The investment grade market tightened by 8 bps, while high yield widened by 16 bps.

The fund netted a return of 0.55% in March (B series). The real estate sector performed the best, as the industry's bonds continued to recover. Among individual names, Intrum was quite weak after the company announced that it had hired advisors to assist with balance sheet restructuring. However, the impact on the fund was relatively small, around 6 bps, due to its low weight. The primary market was active and we added bonds such as Valmet 2029, Progroup 2029, Nibe 2029, and Schaeffler 2030 to the portfolio.

With the onset of spring, carry is king. The yield on short corporate bonds remains very attractive with an inverted yield curve. Credit fundamentals are sound and the start of a rate cut cycle strongly supports risk sentiment. Thus, corporate bond investors will be able to enjoy a very favorable environment again this year.

## PERFORMANCE SINCE SERIES START



Past performance is no guarantee of future returns.

## PERFORMANCE, %

	Fund	Benchmark	Difference
Year-to-Date	0.83	1.24	-0.41
1 Month	0.57	0.58	-0.01
3 Months	0.83	1.24	-0.41
6 Months	4.15	2.26	1.88
1 Year	6.49	3.87	2.62
3 Years, annualized return	0.76	1.17	-0.41
5 Years, annualized return	1.15	0.54	0.61
Since Series Start (16.1.2017)	8.19	1.99	6.20
Since Series Start, annualized return	1.10	0.27	0.82
2023	7.66	3.04	4.61
2022	-6.12	-0.33	-5.79
2021	1.08	-0.55	1.63
2020	0.71	-0.39	1.10

## BASIC INFORMATION

Fund Manager	Juhamatti Pukka
Benchmark	ICE BofA 1-3 Year Euro Corporate Index
ISIN	FI4000233242
CNMV Registry Number	1463
Fund Starting Date	25.9.1997
Current Strategy Starting Date	1.6.2012
Morningstar Fund Category™	EUR Corporate Bond - Short Term
Morningstar Rating™	★★★★★
SFDR	Article 8
Responsibility Score	A
Carbon Footprint (t CO2e/\$M sales)	190
Subscription Fee, %	-
Redemption Fee, %	-
Management and Custody Fee p.a., %	0.35
Performance Fee, %	-
UCITS	Yes

## RISK AND REWARD PROFILE

Lower risk  
Typically lower rewards

Higher risk  
Typically higher rewards



Read more about the fund risks and calculating the risk category from the Key Investor Document (KID).

## RECOMMENDED INVESTMENT HORIZON

at least 2 years

## KEY FIGURES, 12 MONTHS

	Fund	Benchmark
NAV per IB Unit, EUR	108.191	-
Fund Size, EUR million	1,572.23	-
Volatility, %	1.63	0.36
Sharpe Ratio	1.80	0.78
Tracking Error, %	1.55	-
Information Ratio	1.69	-
R2	0.10	-
Beta	1.41	1.00
Alpha, %	2.51	-
TER, %	0.36	-
Portfolio Turnover	0.13	-
Modified Duration	2.06	1.81
Yield (YTM), %	4.61	3.89
YTW, %	4.58	3.79
OAS	170	-
Avg. Rating	BBB	-

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The Fund's responsibility scores are an assessment of the Fund's holdings from a responsibility perspective. The Fund's rating scale from best to worst is AAA, AA, A, BBB, BB, B and CCC. The ESG ratings distribution of the Fund's holdings are based on MSCI's analysis. MSCI is an independent ESG research provider offering a comprehensive global database.

Responsibility Score	A
Environment	A
Social	BBB
Governance	A
Coverage of the Analysis (%)	81

Excellent (AAA)

Very Good (AA)

Good (A)

Average (BBB)

Satisfactory (BB)

Weak (B)

Very Weak (CCC)

**ESG** means factors related to Environmental, Social and Governance issues.

**ESG Rating:** companies are analysed and measured by how well they manage key risks and opportunities arising from ESG factors. The assessment is done within the industry.

**Responsibility Score:** based on MSCI's methodology and taking into account the market value-weighted average of the fund's individual companies' ESG ratings.

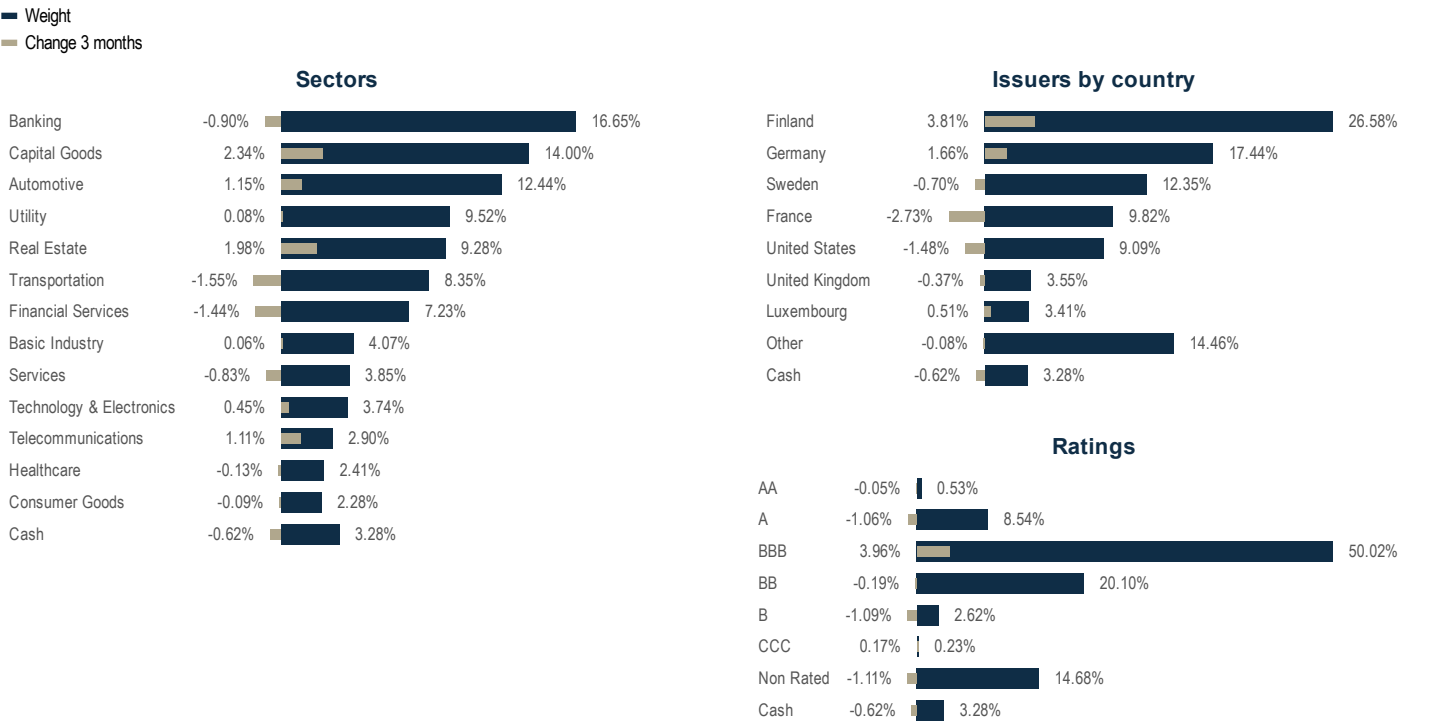
CARBON FOOTPRINT

Evli uses weighted average carbon intensity to measure the carbon footprint according to the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD). According to MSCI's analysis, the weighted average carbon intensity is categorized as following Very Low (0 to <15), Low (15 to <70), Moderate (70 to <250), High (250 to <525), and Very High (>=525).

Carbon Footprint	190 (t CO2e/\$M sales)
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Read more about Fund's responsibility from its ESG-report >

PORTFOLIO STRUCTURE



10 LARGEST INVESTMENTS

	%
Sato-Oyj 31.5.2024 1.375% Callable Fixed	1.63
Teollisuuden Voi 9.3.2026 1.125% Callable Fixed	1.62
Metso Outotec 7.12.2027 4.875% Callable Fixed	1.50
Finnair Senior Unsecured Fixed Rate Notes	1.49
Air France-Klm 31.5.2026 7.25% Callable Fixed	1.42
Deutsche Bank Ag 19.5.2026 4.5% At Maturity Fixed	1.33
Cred Agricole Sa 17.3.2027 2.625% At Maturity Fixed	1.32
Tdc Net As 31.5.2028 5.056% Callable Fixed	1.31
Santander Issuan 4.4.2026 3.25%	1.29
Hsbc Holdings 30.6.2025 3% At Maturity Fixed	1.28

10 LARGEST ISSUERS

	%
ZF Friedrichshafen AG	2.79
Ford Motor Credit Co LLC	2.77
Teollisuuden Voima Oyj	2.65
BNP Paribas SA	2.41
Deutsche Bank AG	2.39
Air France-KLM	2.33
FORTUM OYJ	2.18
Deutsche Lufthansa AG	2.15
HSBC Holdings PLC	2.04
KOJAMO OYJ	1.96

SHARE CLASS INFORMATION

Share Class	A	B	IB	BSEK
Launch Date	4. 12. 2000	25. 9. 1997	16. 1. 2017	31. 10. 2012
Currency	EUR	EUR	EUR	SEK
NAV 31. 3. 2024	14. 477	30. 541	108. 191	1, 209. 921
Management and Custody Fee per Year, %	0. 55	0. 55	0. 35	0. 55
TER per Year, %	0. 56	0. 56	0. 36	0. 56
Sales Registration	FI, SE, ES, DE, LU	FI, SE, FR, ES, IT, PT, DE, LT, LV, EE, LU	FI, SE, FR, ES, IT, PT, DE, NL, LU	FI, SE
ISIN	FI0008800503	FI0008800511	FI4000233242	FI4000043716
Bloomberg	EVLEBFA FH	EVLEBFB FH	EVLEIBE FH	EVLEBSH FH
WKN	A2P1EM	A0ND83	A2JDF7	-
Clean Share	No	No	Yes	No
Minimum Investment	5, 000	1, 000	10, 000, 000	10, 000
Profit Distribution	Annually	Accumulated	Accumulated	Accumulated
Target Investor	Retail	Retail	Institutional	Retail

DICTIONARY

**Alpha** describes the effect of the portfolio manager’s investment choices on the fund’s return compared with the return of an index portfolio with corresponding market risk, i.e. the additional returns attained by the fund in relation to its market risk.

**Beta** describes the sensitivity of the fund’s value to changes in the benchmark index. If the value of the benchmark index changes by one percent, the expected change in the fund’s value is beta x 1 percent. On average, the fund’s value will change more than the value of the benchmark index if the beta value is greater than 1. A beta value less than 1 indicates the opposite, i.e. that the fund’s value will change less than the benchmark value.

**Carbon Footprint** Evli uses weighted average carbon intensity to measure the carbon footprint according to the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD). The funds holdings’ carbon intensity figures are based on the emissions figures produced by MSCI.

**Duration** measures the average repayment term (in years) of a fixed income instrument. Modified duration indicates the price sensitivity of a fixed income security to changes in interest rates. The higher the duration number, the greater the interest rate risk of the fund portfolio.

**Information Ratio** describes the long-term ability of a portfolio manager to add value through active portfolio management. If the Information Ratio is zero, the long-term return of the fund equals that of the benchmark index. In practice this means that the fund has outperformed the benchmark index, on average, for five years out of ten. The higher the Information Ratio, the greater the probability that the fund will outperform its benchmark. With an IR of 0.5 the fund has outperformed the benchmark, on average, in seven years out of ten, and with an IR of 1.0 in 8.5 years out of ten.

**OAS** describes average credit spread to similar maturity government bonds in basis points (0.01 percentage points). Measures the excess yield of corporate bonds to risk free rate.

**Portfolio Turnover** is a measure of the length of time that a security remains in a portfolio during a given period. The portfolio turnover rate is calculated by subtracting the sum of subscriptions and redemptions of fund units (EUR S+T) from the sum of the securities bought and sold by the fund (EUR X+Y). The turnover is the abovementioned difference divided by the average market value of the fund, which has been calculated from the daily market values over the past 12 months. For example, if all assets have been sold and bought once it would equal to a turnover rate of 1. Portfolio turnover rate = ((X + Y) - (S + T)) / M x 100 / 2, where X = Securities bought, Y = Securities sold, S = Fund’s fund units issued / subscribed, T = Fund’s fund units cancelled / redeemed, M = Average total value of net assets.

**R2 (R-squared)** describes the extent to which the fund’s performance is dependent on the performance of the benchmark index. R-squared is the square of the correlation coefficient.

**SFDR** In accordance with the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR), article 8 funds promote sustainability factors among other features, and article 9 funds aim to make sustainable investments. Other funds address only sustainability risks in their investments decisions (article 6 funds).

**Sharpe Ratio** indicates the size of return relative to risk taken. The Sharpe ratio measures the fund’s return (with volatility of one percent) in excess of a risk-free return. The higher the Sharpe ratio, the more favorable the relationship between return and risk.

**TER** (Total Expense Ratio) is a measure of a fund’s total expenses in relation to its average assets and is expressed as an annualized percentage. The expenses include all the fund’s management and custody fees and any profit-related fees. Securities commissions are excluded. TER = A + B + C + D, where A = Management fee charged from the fund’s assets, B = Custodian fee that may be charged separately from the fund’s assets, C = Account maintenance and other bank charges that may be charged from the fund’s assets, D = Any other fees which, according to the fund’s rules, are charged directly from the fund’s assets. As a rule, funds registered in Finland do not make such charges on top of trading fees.

**Tracking Error** indicates the risk of active portfolio management in relation to the risk of the benchmark index. The higher the number, the more the fund’s performance differs from the benchmark’s performance. If the tracking error is 5%, the fund’s return will deviate in about two years out of three ±5% of the benchmark’s return. The tracking error is zero if the relative weights of the fund’s investments are exactly the same as in the benchmark index. Tracking error increases if investment weights are changed relative to the weights of the benchmark index.

**Volatility** is a risk measure generally used in financial markets. It reflects variability in the return of an investment or a portfolio. The higher the volatility, the greater the variability in return and the risk involved. If the fund’s expected return is 12% and the volatility is 20%, then the fund’s return for two years out of three is 12 ± 20%, that is, between -8% and +32%. Volatility is calculated on the basis of the standard deviation of weekly returns and expressed as an annual percentage.

**Yield (YTM)** Estimated annual rate of return to maturity (yield to maturity).

**YTW** Lowest estimated annual rate of return, if bonds are callable before maturity date (yield to worst).

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