

# Vontobel Fund – TwentyFour Strategic Income Fund

April 2021





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### TwentyFour Asset Management

### Fixed income specialist in Europe

- > All resources dedicated to one asset class, investment team are all fixed income specialists
- > 36 consecutive quarters of net inflows, with AUM of £18.7bn
- > Majority-owned by the Swiss-listed Vontobel Group, which supports and invests in our future

### Performance is our primary goal

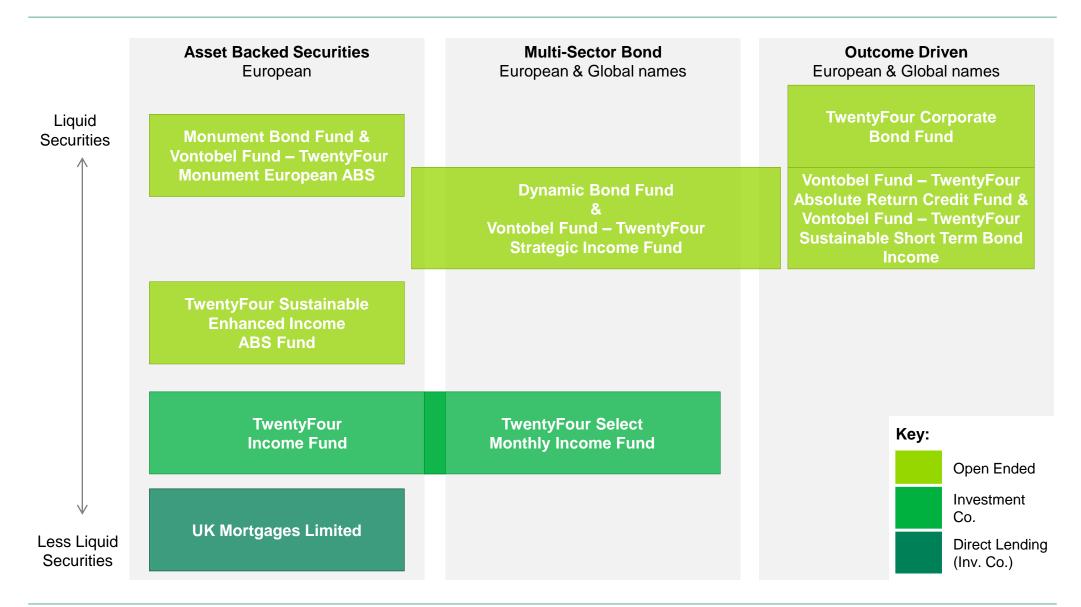
- > Committed to an active, high conviction approach to fund management
- > Long term continuity of investment team and process is paramount
- > Products created only when we believe we can add value (and we invest in them ourselves)

### · We build partnerships with our clients

- > We have a deep commitment to client service and transparency
- > We share our specialist fixed income insight through constant client engagement
- > Flat management structure and dynamic culture makes the most of our size and entrepreneurial spirit



### TwentyFour fund range





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## Comprehending the recovery

- The drivers that led the early recovery were a combination of enormous intervention, extreme value potential, and importantly ample liquidity, matched with some willing sellers primarily via new issues – with a hefty premium initially
- The **overwhelming drivers** in the last few months have been **technical factors**, with enormous inflows into credit markets coming from 3 principal but separate powerful sources:
  - 1. Policy makers around the globe intervening in markets
  - 2. New inflows into mutual funds and similar structures that invest in various types of credit
  - 3. Inflows into credit, primarily investment grade from the proceeds of selling government bonds
- The rapid development, approval and distribution of various vaccines is believed to be a game changer that should allow a gradual return to normal life in 2021 and in our view facilitate a strong global economic recovery
- Equally importantly it should **give governments around the world the confidence** to provide one more significant fiscal stimulus, knowing an end looks to be within reach





### The next phase, 2021

# If 2020 was all about markets rallying ahead of the fundamental recovery, we think 2021 will be the time that the economies catch up

- The huge market drivers of fiscal stimulus and ground breaking extraordinary monetary policy are expected to remain firmly in place while the vaccines are distributed
- We think 2021's recovery will look much more like the typical economic recoveries that we have seen in past cycles, albeit perhaps with more certainty
- Consequently there looks to be a very high degree of consensus in the market place
- However we don't believe now is the time to play contrarian
- Markets tend to do well when the direction of travel is so clear





## Don't get left behind by the pace of change

- The stand out feature that gripped markets in 2020 was the incredible pace of change, both in market pricing but also in the response from the authorities and the economic bounce
- These factors are all linked and additionally look to all be linked to the pace of the spread of the pandemic too
- This feature is not expected to change in 2021 so we think it remains important to act decisively and with conviction
- Waiting for the dip has not been, and is not thought to be, a good strategy
- We think it is likely that markets will make new highs, new tights in credit spread in 2021 which is miraculous given where we were less than a year ago and how long recoveries have typically taken in the past





## Default rates and ratings migration

- Ratings migration has historically been a good leading indicator for default rates and it
  was very negative in 2020 with Q2 being the worst
- Downgrades depending on agency were in the area of 10 per upgrade and consistent with what is normally seen during a deep recession
- The trend of downgrades has continued but the ratio of downgrades to upgrades has been improving steadily to the point that we think it is likely that we see more upgrades than downgrades by the end of 2021
- It is our view therefore that the default rate will peak in early 2021 and at a level that is materially better than first feared back in Q2 2020
- We anticipate European Speculative grade defaults to hit 4 pc or just above and return down to 3 pc or below by year end
- The US rate will be higher due to overall quality and sectoral biases, but we would not expect the default rate to go much above 7% and return to below 5 by year end





### Where are we now?

 The pace of change in credit spreads has been blindingly quick and in our view it's likely we will surpass the previous cycle lows in many sectors' spreads in 2021

Index	Wide spread at start of new cycle (bp)	Low basis point spread in old cycle	Todays spread over risk free (bp)
US IG	397	88	90
Euro IG	228	70	87
GBP IG	272	104	107
US HY	1,082	326	337
Euro HY	865	235	311
GBP HY	1,032	349	381
Coco	685	249	312





### Our outlook

- Our 2021 outlook for fixed income is predominantly about credit spread tightening across nearly all geographies and sectors with credit compression across ratings bands
- Investment grade spreads have already achieved the prior cycle lows and we expect them to set new tights
- However, much of this IG tightening could be nullified by risk free government bond yields steepening due to growing inflationary concerns
- In high yield there will be further spread contraction but not reaching the lows of the prior cycle in 2021. Being anchored to the shorter and mid parts of the yield curves they shouldn't be hampered by the risk free move higher so we expect the best returns to come from here
- We make a particular reference to financials who have weathered the crisis well and whose subordinated bonds deserve a material rerating
- In European ABS we favour CLO exposure to benefit from an improving default rate
- We remain cautious on government bond debt except for short term tactical reasons, but still hold short dated bonds for liquidity purposes





### A few things we are worried about?

- At this stage our main concern is rising government bonds yields, in particular the US curve
- Short and medium term bonds should remain more anchored with bear steepening at the long end likely to continue.
- Regulatory changes for industries that required pandemic support look possible
- We can't rule out further surprises on the pandemic front
- By 2021 year end, with markets anticipated to be making new highs, fiscal expansion could be replaced by fiscal discipline - will the market be ready for that?
- The Fed are convinced that any near-term inflation will be transient, however we believe that there are reasons not to be complacent about a change in expectations as 2021 progresses:
  - Rapid economic recovery led by a frustrated and buoyant consumer
  - Huge jump in money supply
  - Banks no longer contracting their balance sheets
  - Ultra easy monetary and fiscal policy in the face of sharp recovery



### Medium term drivers should be positive for credit investors



#### Interest rates

are likely to stay near zero for the majority of the next decade, perhaps even longer



### **Equity dividends**

aren't expected to be at prior cycle levels for several years



#### **Economic fundamentals**

should continue to improve and global GDP expected to return to and beyond levels seen in Q4 2019



#### Sources of income

will therefore become more scarce and the amount of income available suppressed



#### The intervention from authorities

will likely be here for multiple years



#### **Demand for fixed income**

expected to surpass what was experienced in the previous cycle



#### **Credit metrics**

should improve across the ratings spectrum as the recovery gains momentum and businesses are able to deleverage

### Feels inevitable that rates stay low and credit spreads grind tighter



## **Summary – The old pro cyclical playbook**

The **recovery** and rally in asset prices has been startlingly quick, but we think it's justified

Technical factors
have overwhelmed
and are expected to

have overwhelmed and are expected to remain highly supportive, and now fundamental factors are catching up and supporting valuations Those who missed out are left "buyers on dips" which should help to further underpin the current position

Structurally this recession looks to have left fixed income markets unhealthily imbalanced

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**Rates products** 

need to adjust yield higher to avoid investors disengaging 6

Long term opportunity

remains in credit assets which could fulfil the income demand for years to come 7

Embrace procyclicality but beware of timing and structural shifts to certain sectors

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Today's portfolio

should be particularly dynamic reflecting the market's rapid pace of change



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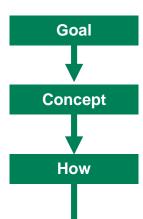
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# Vontobel Fund – TwentyFour Strategic Income Fund overview





Aims to provide an attractive level of income along with an opportunity for capital growth

A genuinely **unconstrained** and **unleveraged long only** bond fund, managed **independent of market indices** 

Seeks to combine the best sources of fixed income risks from around the globe in one portfolio

Active management of key risks, e.g. interest rate and credit durations

Highly focused on relative value and liquidity

Value added through security selection as well as from the top down

Risk reduction through a broad armoury of hedging tools

Outcome

Enables the fund to perform throughout the economic cycle



## Significant asset allocation changes

- Initially moving out of Government bonds and deploying cash into highly rated assets we thought looked cheap in comparison
- Average credit quality added was BBB and focussed on companies thought to have robust balance sheets in sectors liked by the PM team
- Now rotating some BBB's into lower rated exposures as we look to embrace pro cyclicality
- Average rating of purchases: March-October 2020: BBB- / November-now: BB\*
- £3.07bn\*\* equivalent of credit assets were added to the portfolio since mid March 2020 (69.45%)
- By end of March 2021, cash and risk free governments was ~15% from ~36% in March 2020
- Core government bonds are now in 2-yr UST, held for liquidity and flexibility purposes
- On top of this, we now have a ~6% position in 10-yr BTPs
- Credit spread duration of the portfolio increased from 2.61 years at the end of March 2020 to 4.04 years at the end of March 2021
- Core government bonds interest rates duration reduced to 1.43 years from 6.03 years over the same period
- While interest rate duration of the overall portfolio increased to 3.79 from 3.47

### High turnover has been a reflection of the fast moving markets

# Vontobel Fund – TwentyFour Strategic Income Fund vs. ICE Global Bond Index



	ICE Global Bond Index	Vontobel Fund – Twentyfour Strategic Income Fund	
Size	\$66.4 trillion	£4,390.06 million	
Number of issuers	4,857	171 (ex. ABS)	
Credit spread duration	N/A	4.04yrs	
Core govt bond interest rates duration	N/A	1.43yrs	
Overall interest rate duration	8.27yrs	3.79yrs	
Yield-to-worst	1.05%	3.81%	
Average rating	AA2	BBB-	
	Unmanaged	Actively managed	

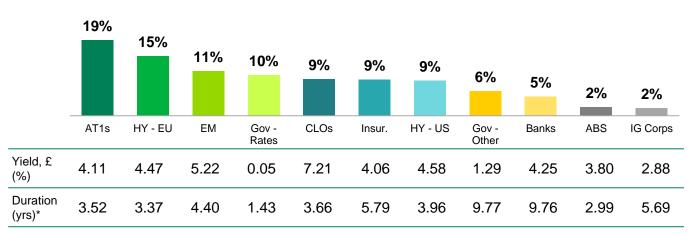
Yield for the Index is shown as the weighted-average of each bond's local currency yield with no FX hedging adjustments, while the yield for the fund is shown at hedged portfolio level and gross of expenses.

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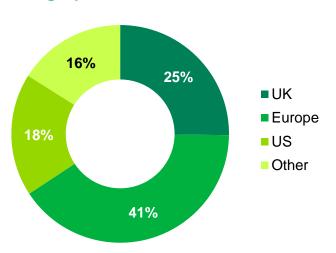
# Vontobel Fund – TwentyFour Strategic Income Fund portfolio positioning



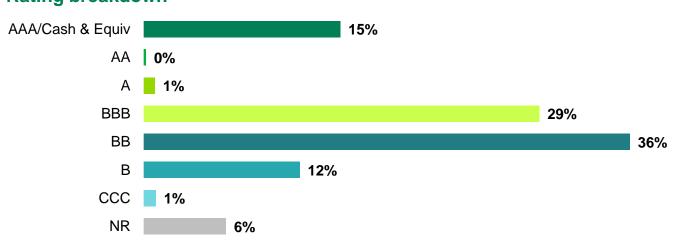




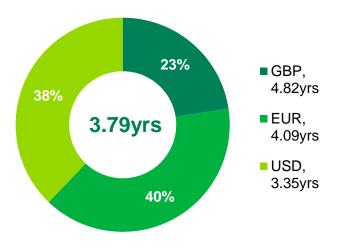
### Geographic breakdown



### Rating breakdown



### Interest rate duration by yield curve



<sup>\*</sup>Duration is Credit Spread for all sectors excluding Government Rates which is Interest Rate Duration. Geography for ABS calculated on a direct exposure basis. See Important Information slides for TwentyFour's credit rating methodology. Positioning numbers are rounded to nearest integer and therefore only approximate.



### Where next? Embracing pro-cyclicality

- History shows we need to do this to try to maximise returns as the cycle progresses, but timing is important
- Secondly we must not confuse cyclical downturn with structural change and disruption
  - > Beware of retail, automotive, travel, commercial property for example
- We are selectively going down the rating spectrum to try to capture the expected compression
- Main ways we are looking to embrace pro-cyclicality:
  - > Financials
  - > Unsecured vs secured
  - > Corporate hybrids
  - > CLOs
  - > Emerging markets
  - > Or simply extending credit spread duration

# Vontobel Fund – TwentyFour Strategic Income Fund performance



Cumulative performance	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years	5 years
Class G Acc	0.40%	0.67%	5.51%	19.19%	16.30%	34.77%

Discrete performance	YTD	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	Since Inception*
Class G Acc	0.67%	7.71%	9.59%	-2.36%	8.99%	5.90%	31.85%

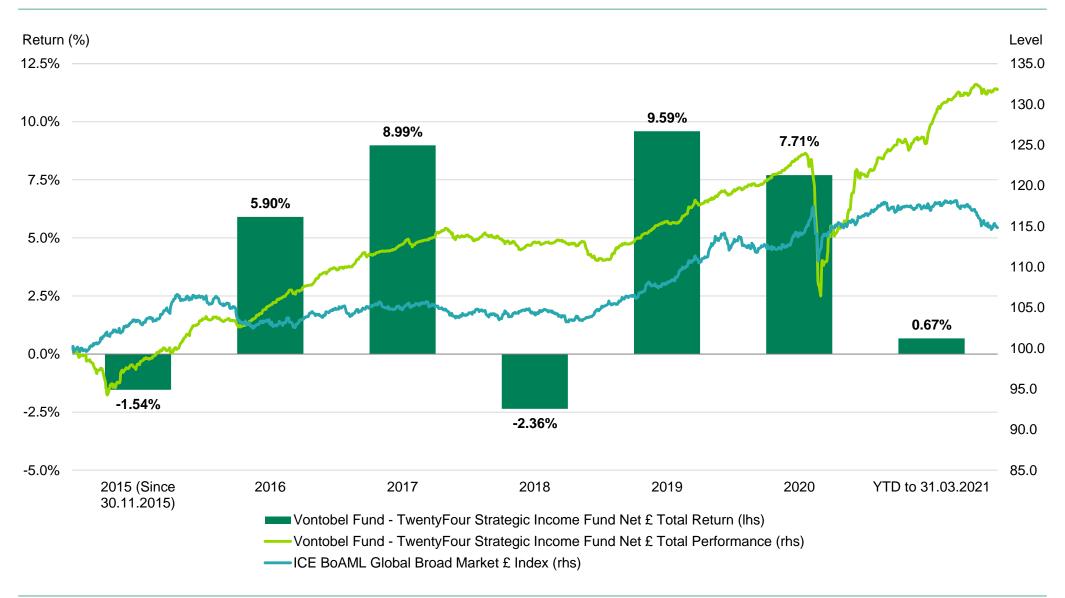
Rolling performance	03.20-03.21	03.19-03.20	03.18-03.19	03.17-03.18	03.16-03.17
Class G Acc	19.19%	-3.32%	0.93%	5.42%	9.93%

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# Vontobel Fund – TwentyFour Strategic Income Fund performance and annual total return





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Source: TwentyFour, ICE Indices; 31 March 2021



## **Vontobel Fund – TwentyFour Strategic Income Fund**

### **Key risks**

- All financial investment involves risk. The value of your investment isn't guaranteed, and its value and income will rise and fall. Investors may not get back the full amount invested.
- Past performance may not be a reliable guide to future performance, and the fund may not achieve its investment objective.
- Fixed income carries two main risks, interest rate risk and credit risk: (1) Where long term interest rates rise, there is a corresponding decline in the market value of bonds and vice versa; (2) Credit risk refers to the possibility that the issuer of the bond will not be able to repay the principal and make interest payments.
- Typically, sub-investment grade securities will have a higher risk of issuer default, and are generally considered to be more illiquid than investment grade securities.
- Investing in emerging markets may be affected by political developments, currency fluctuations, illiquidity and volatility.
- The fund can invest in structured credit products or asset-backed securities (ABS). The issuer of such products may not
  receive the full amounts owed to them by underlying borrowers, which would affect the value of the fund. Credit and
  prepayment risks also vary by tranche which may affect the fund's performance.
- The fund has the ability to use derivatives, including but not limited to FX forwards, for hedging and EPM purposes only.
   This may magnify gains or losses.
- The fund's investments may be subject to sustainability risks. Information on how sustainability risks are managed in this fund may be obtained from vontobel.com/SFDR.

# Vontobel Fund – TwentyFour Strategic Income Fund internal guidelines and range



	Current Internal Guidelines	Low*	High*	Current
Interest Rate Duration	0 – 7 years	2.48 years	4.56 years	3.79 years
Credit Duration	0 – 7 years	2.21 years	4.44 years	4.04 years
Average Rating	A – BB-	BB-	BBB+	BBB-
Financials	0 – 50%	30%	40%	32%
Asset Backed Securities	0 – 20%	11%	20%	11%
Emerging Markets	0 – 20%	0%	13%	11%
Currency	+/- 0.50%	0%	+/- 0.50%	0.5%

### Unconstrained by reach, constrained by risk control



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### **Portfolio management**



Mark Holman is one of the founding partners of TwentyFour Asset Management, and serves as the firm's Chief Executive Officer.

He sits on the firm's Executive Committee, which has the overall responsibility for the day-to-day running of the firm, as well as the Board of Directors, which sets the overall strategy and direction of the business.

Day-to-day, Mark is also a key member of the firm's Multi-Sector Bond team. He is a member of the firm's Investment Committee.

Mark has over 32 years of experience in fixed income markets gained across a variety of senior roles in asset management and investment banking, including positions at Barclays Capital, Lehman Brothers and Morgan Stanley.



**Eoin Walsh** is one of the founding partners of TwentyFour Asset Management, and a Portfolio Manager.

Eoin's main responsibility is managing the firm's Multi-Sector Bond team and corresponding funds. He also sits on the firm's Investment Committee.

Eoin has over 23 years of experience in fixed income markets and prior to joining TwentyFour was a portfolio manager at Citigroup Alternative Investments, managing over USD 75bn of fixed income assets.



**Gary Kirk** is one of the founding partners of TwentyFour Asset Management, and a Portfolio Manager.

He sits on the firm's Investment Committee, which sets the overall risk bias for the portfolios managed by the firm. Gary's main responsibility is managing the firm's Multi-Sector Bond team and corresponding funds.

Gary has over 33 years of experience in fixed income markets gained across a variety of senior roles in asset management and investment banking, including leadership positions at Daiwa Capital, Royal Bank of Canada, CDC and Wachovia Bank



**Felipe Villarroel** joined TwentyFour Asset Management in 2011 and is a Portfolio Manager in the Multi-Sector Bond team. Felipe's main responsibility is managing funds. He is also a member of the Investment Committee.

Prior to joining TwentyFour, Felipe worked as an Asset Allocation and Strategy Analyst at Celfin Capital in Chile, now part of the BTG Pactual group. There, Felipe took an active role in developing the team's strategic view of the global macro economy and asset classes.

Felipe graduated from Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile with a Bachelor's degree in Economics and Business Administration before obtaining a Master's in Finance from the London Business School. Felipe is also a CFA charterholder.



David Norris joined TwentyFour Asset Management in September 2018. Based in the New York office, he serves as the Head of US Credit as well as one of the portfolio managers of the Multi-Sector Bond team. He is a credit specialist with over 33 years' experience in fixed income markets gained across a variety of senior roles in asset management and investment banking in London, Frankfurt and New York.

He has held leadership positions in high yield, credit derivatives, structured products and global credit trading at Credit Agricole, BNP Paribas, Greenwich Capital and UBS. Once a member of the infamous New York Cosmos soccer team, David went on to earn degrees in business at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver and law from the University of Reading in the UK.



**Pierre Beniguel** joined TwentyFour Asset Management as a Portfolio Manager in April 2014.

Pierre manages TwentyFour's Multi-Sector Bonds funds, with a particular focus on European corporate bonds. Pierre has more than 10 years' experience in fixed income and previously worked in WestLB's credit trading and special situations divisions. He holds a degree in Mathematics & Economics from University College London.



Charlene Malik joined TwentyFour in September 2018 after spending 6 years on the sell-side at Citigroup and RBS after graduating from King's College London with a BSc in Computer Science.

She is working in the Multi-Sector Bond in a portfolio management role.

# **Vontobel Fund – TwentyFour Strategic Income Fund 2020 performance contribution**



Sector	Average holding	Net contribution per sector
ABS - CLOs	9.24%	0.54%
ABS - non CLOs	4.46%	0.16%
Banks - AT1s	18.38%	1.37%
Banks - non AT1s	6.57%	0.85%
Insurance	10.97%	1.56%
Government- Rates	9.15%	1.17%
Government - Other	5.63%	0.06%
High Yield - EU	9.26%	0.43%
High Yield - US	9.83%	0.42%
IG Corps	3.73%	0.72%
Emerging Markets	10.41%	0.81%
Total Return		7.71%

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### **Investment process**

### **Monthly**

#### **Economic & market views**

- Global macro analysis
- Central bank policy
- Credit outlook
- Rates outlook
- Global relative value analysis
- Performance review
- Upcoming events
- Hedging strategies

### Weekly

### **Portfolio targets**

- Credit duration
- Interest rate duration
- Yield curve position
- Sector weightings
- Geographical weightings

### **Daily**

#### **Portfolio construction**

- Idea generation / meeting borrowers
- Credit approval & monitoring
- Portfolio guidelines
- Use of 'Observatory' & 'Pathfinder'
- ESG factors
- Relative value
- Risk controls
- Liquidity

Determines key risk metrics and sector allocations for each portfolio

All investment professionals & risk

Validation of decisions made in the monthly investment committee

**Asset allocation committee** 

Bottom-up security selection with unanimous approval process

Portfolio management teams



# TwentyFour portfolio management team



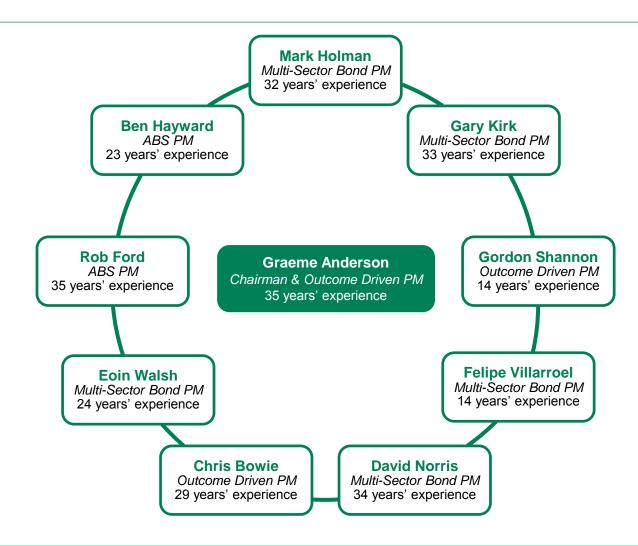


## **Multi-Sector Bond investment process**

**Asset Allocation Committee** Top down **Implementation Gary Kirk Eoin Walsh Mark Holman Felipe Villarroel Gary Kirk David Norris** John Lawler Mark Holman **Eoin Walsh Paul Kim** • 33 years' experience • 32 years' experience • 24 years' experience •21 years' experience • 34 years' experience • 33 years' experience Head of US Credit. Global Banks Global Banks **Security** selection **Felipe Villarroel George Curtis Doug Charleston Gordon Shannon Pierre Beniguel Aza Teeuwen** • 15 years' experience • 9 years' experience **Optimisation & Scott Crichton Charlene Malik Dillon Lancaster** execution •41 years' experience • 9 years' experience • 3 years' experience



### **Asset Allocation Committee**



Nimble and flexible ensuring themes and ideas can be swiftly reflected in portfolios



## **ESG** investment process and beliefs

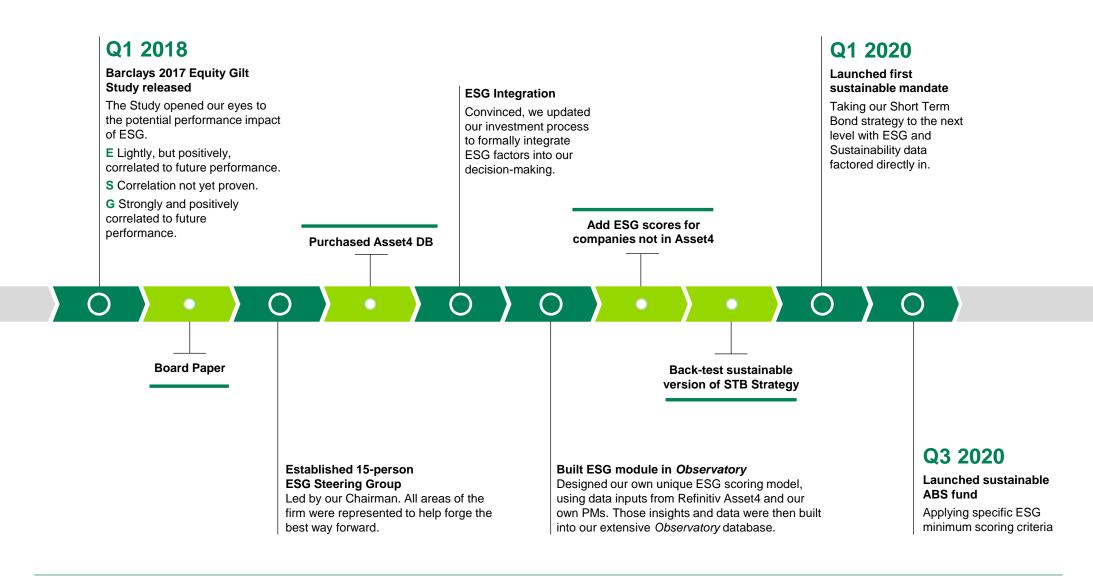
- We believe ESG factors can have a material impact on the future performance of credit assets
- We know that regulatory initiatives are pushing asset owners into more sustainable strategies
- We expect that significant capital will flow into companies that are seen as running sustainable businesses
- We estimate that there will be periods of outperformance and underperformance of sustainable strategies versus other strategies
- We recognise that not every client will want their capital to be managed on a sustainable basis, but ESG integration can still benefit risk-adjusted returns



Source: TwentyFour



## TwentyFour's ESG journey



Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

Source: TwentyFour March 2021

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# The importance of integration

# More accuracy

Integration simply means we consider ESG factors as part of our relative value decision alongside traditional methods of credit analysis, such as rating, leverage and competitive position.

# Total inclusion

We do not have a separate ESG team – that is not the 24 way. Every portfolio manager has to integrate ESG factors into their stock decisions and ESG implementation is a formal appraisal objective.

# Formalised assessment

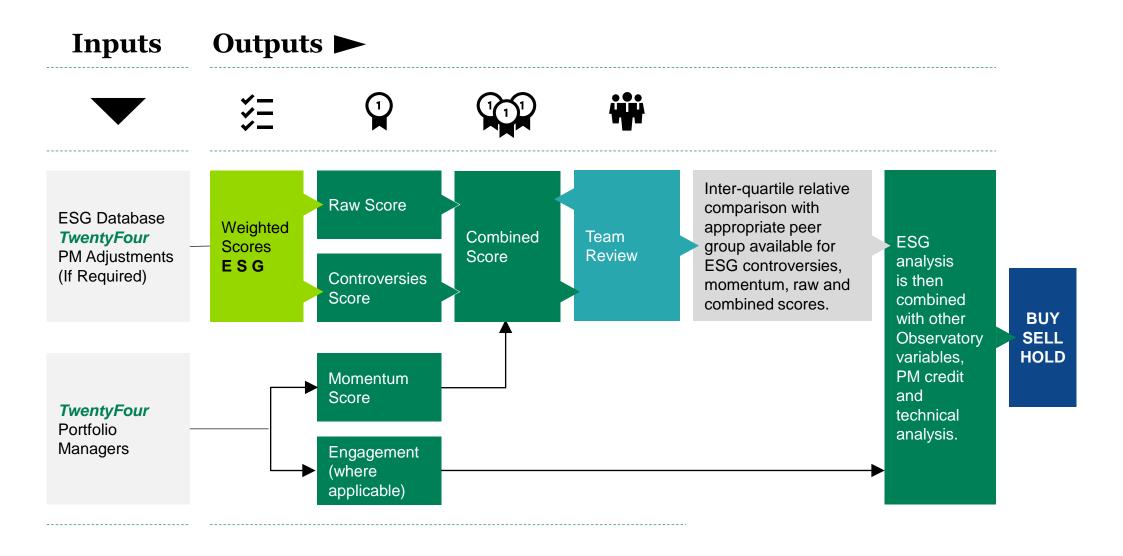
By formalising our views on Environmental, Social and Governance factors, we're able to integrate those views into our assessment of relative value. From there we determine the yield we would require from that potential investment. If the company looks risky on ESG factors, that would require a higher yield.

# Flexibility remains

For existing mandates, can we still buy bonds from companies that score poorly on ESG? Yes – but we would need to see a much higher yield to compensate for those additional risks.



# How we score companies for maximum effectiveness



Source: TwentyFour



## **Integrating ESG into our Observatory System**



- Downloads raw scores from our ESG Database Provider
- Can be overwritten with 24s own views including on company's own ESG 'momentum'
- Directly links to company write-ups and engagement where applicable



- The system then allows us to rank various factors in an industry relative context
- ESG scores can be combined with other technical analysis to create a view on credit worthiness
- Final trade decision can then be made on relative value

Source: TwentyFour



### TwentyFour industry recognition













BEST FUND OVER 3 YEARS ABSOLUTE RETURN GBP LOW





















Absolute Return Bond









Specialist Fixed Income Group of the Year

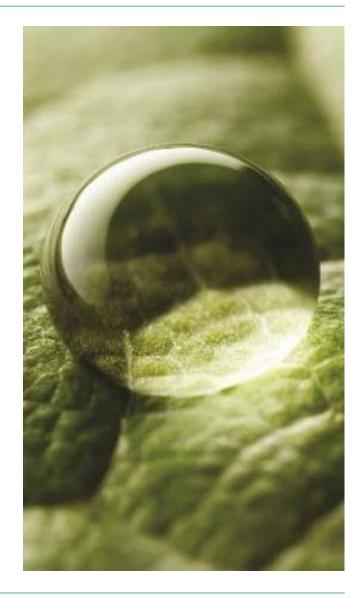




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### TwentyFour's indices glossary

Any index comparison is provided for informational purposes only and should not be used as the basis for making an investment decision. There are significant differences between client portfolios and the indices referenced including, but not limited to, risk profile, liquidity, volatility and asset composition. Please note, indices are not actively managed and it is not possible to invest directly into them.

#### Definitions:

ICE BofAML Global Bond Index – combines the ICE BofAML Global Broad Market Index with the ICE High Yield Index.

ICE BofAML Global Broad Market Index - tracks the performance of investment grade debt publicly issued in the major domestic and eurobond markets, including sovereign, quasi-government, corporate, securitized and collateralized securities.

ICE BofAML High Yield Index - tracks the performance of USD, CAD, GBP and EUR denominated below investment grade corporate debt publicly issued in the major domestic or eurobond markets.

ICE BofAML Global Corporate Index - tracks the performance of investment grade corporate debt publicly issued in the major domestic and eurobond markets. Qualifying securities must have an investment grade rating (based on an average of Moody's, S&P and Fitch), at least 18 months to final maturity at the time of issuance, at least one year remaining term to final maturity as of the rebalancing date and a fixed coupon schedule.

ICE BofAML Sterling High Yield Index - tracks the performance of sterling denominated below investment grade, but not in default, corporate debt publicly issued in the UK domestic or eurobond markets and includes issues with a credit rating of BBB or below, as rated by Moody's, S&P and Fitch.

ICE BofAML Euro High Yield Index - tracks the performance of euro denominated below investment grade, but not in default, corporate debt publicly issued in the euro domestic or eurobond markets and includes issues with a credit rating of BBB or below, as rated by Moody's, S&P and Fitch.

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ICE BofAML US Investment Grade Corporate Bond Index - incorporates investment grade, US dollar- denominated, fixed-rate, taxable corporate bonds. It includes USD denominated, publicly issued securities by US and non US issuers. Issuers included industrial, financial and utility entities.

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ICE BofAML UK Investment Grade Corporate Bond Index - incorporates investment grade, sterling- denominated, fixed-rate, taxable corporate bonds. It includes sterling denominated, publicly issued securities by UK and non UK issuers. Issuers included industrial, financial and utility entities.

ICE BofAML Contingent Convertibles (CoCo) Banking Total Return Index - provides a broad representation of the developed and emerging market bank CoCo issuance in GBP, EUR and USD. The Index tracks the performance and emergent issuance of Basel III compliant Additional Tier 1 (AT1) CoCos by banks.

ICE BofAML Euro Subordinated Financial Index – made up of 50% euro subordinated financials and 50% euro subordinated non-financials.

ICE BofAML Emerging Markets Corporate Bond Index - tracks the performance of US dollar-denominated emerging markets government debt publicly issued in the US domestic market.

Source: ICF Indices



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FTSE 100 Index - a capitalization-weighted index of the 100 most highly capitalized companies traded on the London Stock Exchange which pass screening for size, liquidity and free-float criteria. The equities use an investibility weighting in the index calculation. The index was developed with a base level of 1000 as of December 30, 1983.

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Euro Interbank Offered Rate (Euribor) - rates are based on the average interest rates at which a large panel of European banks borrow funds from one another. There are different maturities, ranging from one week to one year.

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