

Vontobel Fund - TwentyFour Sustainable Short Term Bond Income

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Market Commentary

- Credit spreads stayed contained, although government bond markets remained volatile.
- US Treasuries rallied through the first half of the month as markets priced in earlier and deeper interest rate cuts from the Federal Reserve, only to give back most of the gains after firmer inflation data and hawkish comments from policymakers.
- UK gilts underperformed again. Investors focused on the deteriorating fiscal outlook and the prospect of further downgrades from fiscal watchdog the Office for Budget Responsibility, leaving the UK curve vulnerable, despite some easing in headline inflation.

Portfolio Commentary

- The portfolio managers reduced exposure to US Treasury duration, rotating part of the Fund's US Treasury five-year holdings into US Treasury bills.
- Extensions were made in some corporate names to take advantage of increased credit curve steepness.
- The reopening of primary markets allowed the Fund to take advantage of new names made available by primary issuance.

Market Outlook and Strategy

- US Treasuries remain vulnerable to renewed volatility, with inflation risk and heavy supply likely to sustain curve-steepening pressures.
- Credit markets should stay resilient, with ample demand and stable corporate balance sheets keeping spreads anchored, despite limited valuation upside.
- The Fund's positioning remains geared towards harvesting carry in high-quality names, maintaining a defensive stance rather than chasing duration or spread tightening.

Cumulative Performance	1m	3m	6m	1y	Annualised			
					3y	5y	10y	Since Inception*
Class G	0.45%	1.33%	3.13%	5.40%	6.54%	2.71%	N/A	2.46%
SONIA + 250	0.53%	1.67%	3.41%	7.18%	7.29%	5.52%	N/A	5.18%

Discrete Performance	YTD	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Class G	4.51%	5.77%	6.52%	-4.21%	0.24%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
SONIA + 250	5.23%	7.87%	7.36%	3.97%	2.59%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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- Limited participation in the potential of single securities
- Success of single security analysis and active management cannot be guaranteed
- It cannot be guaranteed that the investor will recover the capital invested
- Derivatives entail risks relating to liquidity, leverage and credit fluctuations, illiquidity and volatility
- Interest rates may vary, bonds suffer price declines on rising interest rates
- High-yield bonds (non-investment-grade bonds/junk bonds) may be subject to greater market fluctuations, risk of default or loss of income and principal than higher-rated bonds

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