

# J. Safra Sarasin JSS Bond - USD High Yield C USD acc



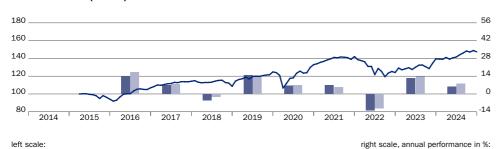
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#### **Fund Portrait**

The JSS Bond - USD High Yield aims to deliver the highest total return. To achieve this, the sub-fund invests globally (including in emerging markets) in USD-denominated debt securities with non-investment grade rating. A non-investment grade rating is understood to be a rating lower than BBB- (Standard & Poor's) or Baa3 (Moody's). "Emerging markets" are generally defined as the markets of countries that are developing into modern industrial economies and therefore have high growth potential but also increased risk. The sub-fund may also invest up to 15%, directly or indirectly, in different equity securities such as ordinary and preferred shares.

The Sub-Fund is actively managed without replicating any benchmark. However, the Sub-Fund is managed with reference to Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Capped TR Index (the "Benchmark").

#### Net Performance (in USD) as of 31.12.2024



Fund Benchmark (BM): Bloomberg Barclays US Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Capped TR Index

	1 Month	3 Months	YTD	1 year	3 years p.a.	5 years p.a. 10	years p.a.
Fund	-0.98%	-0.63%	5.66%	5.66%	1.24%	3.39%	n.a.
BM	-0.43%	0.17%	8.19%	8.19%	2.92%	4.20%	n.a.

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	Since Inception
Fund	12.43%	-12.65%	6.83%	6.56%	14.89%	47.42%
BM	13.44%	-11.18%	5.26%	7.05%	14.32%	61.39%

Past performance does not guarantee future returns. The performance shown does not take account of any commissions and costs charged when subscribing and redeeming units.

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#### **Top Ten Holdings**

Performance indexed

Ford Motor Co.	2.08%
Charter Communications, Inc.	2.01%
TransDigm, Inc.	1.61%
Hub International Ltd.	1.57%
Cloud Software Group, Inc.	1.08%

1011778 BC Unltd. Liability Co.	1.08%
Medline Borrower LP	1.08%
Tenet Healthcare Corp.	1.03%
Allied Universal Holdco LLC	1.03%
Clarios Global LP / Clarios US Finance Co	1.02%

Top 10 positions: 13.59%

# Portfolio Allocation & Ratings Breakdown

BB and Higher Rated	30.61%		
B Rated	38.22%		
CCC+ and Lower Rated		22.51%	
Equity Exposure			5.43%
Cash and Other			3 23%

# Top 10 Industry Exposure

12.72%		Technology
7.87%		Insurance - P&C
6.78%		Cable & SatellBroadcast.
5.79%		Automotive
5.16%		Gaming
4.78%		Health Care
4.41%		Packaging
4.33%		Oil & Gas Midstream
4.08%		Consumer Cyclical Services
	44.08%	Other

#### **Fund Overview**

Net asset value per share	147.42
Fund size in millions	170.82
Investment company	J. Safra Sarasin Fund
Ma	nagement (Luxembourg) S.A
Depositary	CACEIS Investor Service
	Bank S.A., Luxembourg
Portfolio management	Federated Investment
	Counseling, Pittsburgh US
Portfolio manager	Mark Durbiand
Domicile of fund	Luxembourg
ISIN code	LU1184840962
Swiss SecNo.	27 026 228
Bloomberg	SAUHYCA L
Launch date Share class	31 March 2015
Launch date Sub-Fund	31 March 2015
End of fiscal year	June
Ongoing charges*	1.43%
Management fee	1.10%
Reference currency	USI
Dividend payment	none (reinvesting
Sales fee	max. 3.00%
Exit charge	0.0%
Legal structure	SICA
Benchmark (BM) Bloom	berg Barclays US Corporate

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\*The costs of managing the sub-fund are calculated quarterly in arrears and may vary. Detailed information on

these costs and any additional costs can be found in the

High Yield 2% Issuer Capped TR Index

Sales Prospectus / KID.

### **Settlement Details**

Subscriptions/Redemptions	daily
Notice Period subs/reds	n.a.
Settlement subs / reds	T+2 / T+2
Order cut-off (CET)	12:00
Swing Pricing	yes
Min. Initial Investment	n.a.

Statistical Ratios	Fund	Benchmark
Volatility	9.00%	8.47%
Beta	1.05	n.a.
Sharpe Ratio	-0.30	-0.12
Information Ratio	-1.38	n.a.
Tracking Error	1.22%	n.a.
Yield to Worst	6.80%	n.a.

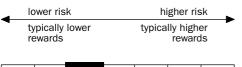
The statistical ratios are calculated on the basis of the previous months (36 months, basis USD). Risk-free interest rate: 3.90%

#### Bonds Portfolio Ratios

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Average Rating	В
Modified Duration	3.70
Yield to Worst	6.80%

# Risk and reward profile

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The risk and reward category shown is based on historical data and can not be used as a reliable indicator of the future risk profile of the fund. The classification of the fund may change over time and is not a guarantee.



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#### Review

The high-yield bond market declined 0.43% in December, with office REITs, refining, and consumer products sectors generating the weakest returns. By credit rating, the BB-rated sector declined 0.65%, the B-rated sector was down -0.31%, and the CCC-rated sector returned 0.09% for the month. Corporate credit quality remains solid. According to JP Morgan, the LTM par-weighted US high-yield default rate, including distressed exchanges, increased to 1.47%. This compares to the long-term average of approximately 3.4%. Excluding distressed exchanges, the default rate was 0.36%.

#### Outlook

The US high yield market has remained remarkably resilient on the back of the strong performance of the domestic economy. The economy should get further support as the US Federal Reserve has begun its long-awaited easing cycle, and signs point toward a resurgence of "animal spirits" on the heels of Donald J. Trump's reelection. High yield fundamentals are strong, with credit quality at/near all-time highs, and the percentage of high-yield bonds that are secured by collateral (versus unsecured) is at an all-time high as well. Technical factors have also been favourable as supply/demand conditions remain positive. However, economic concerns in China, Germany, and the UK, a surging US dollar, and the potential for US tariffs are all worth watching.

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