## **DNCA INVEST**

# **ALPHA BONDS**

INTERNATIONAL MULTI-STRATEGIES BONDS



### Investment objective

The Sub-Fund seeks to provide, throughout the recommended investment period of more than three years, a higher performance, net of any fees, than the €STR index plus 1.20%. This performance objective is sought by associating it to a lower annual volatility than 5% in normal market conditions.

To achieve its investment objective, the investment strategy is based on active discretionary management.

### Financial characteristics

NAV (€)	121.70
Net assets (€M)	13,721
Bloomberg liquidity score	90.7%
Average modified duration	2.57
Average yield	4.30%
Volatility ex ante	1.97%
Average rating	A+

### **Performance** (from 14/12/2017 to 31/10/2024)



### Annualised performances and volatilities (%)

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			1 year	3 years	5 years	Since inception
B Share			+4.94	+5.18	+3.88	+2.89
Reference Index			+5.06	+3.88	+3.16	+2.89
B Share - volatility			2.10	3.15	4.15	3.79
Reference Index - volatility			0.19	0.18	0.16	0.14
Cumulative performar	nces (%)					
	1 month 3	3 months	YTD	1 year	3 years	5 years
B Share	-0.55	+0.06	+3.28	+4.94	+16.40	+20.96
Reference Index	+0.38	+1.19	+4.21	+5.06	+12.13	+16.83
Calendar year perform	nances (%	)				
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
B Share	+4.77	+5.84	+4.31	-0.71	+2.71	-0.25
Reference Index	+5.14	+2.10	+2.06	+2.09	+2.16	+2.20
The performances are calculated	d net of any fe	ees by DNC	A FINANCE.			

### Risk indicator



Synthetic risk indicator according to PRIIPS. 1 corresponds to the lowest level and 7 to the highest level

	1 year	3 years	5 years	inception
Sharpe Ratio	2.35	1.64	0.93	0.76
Tracking error	2.12%	3.16%	4.16%	3.79%
Correlation coefficient	-0.05	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
Information Ratio	-0.06	0.41	0.17	0.00
Beta	-0.53	-0.26	-0.27	-0.16

Main risks: risk of capital loss, interest-rate risk, risk relating to discretionary management, credit risk, inflation rate depreciation risk, inflation risk, counterparty risk, risk related to investing in speculative securities, risk of investing in derivative instruments as well as instruments embedding derivatives, convertible securities risk, specific Risks linked to Convertible, Exchangeable and Mandatory Convertible Bonds, risk related to exchange rate, liquidity risk, high volatility risk, equity risk, sustainability risk

Data as of 31 October 2024 1/7

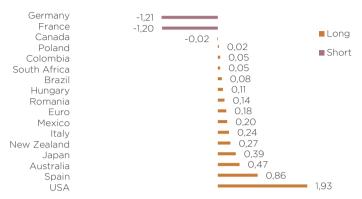
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### Modified duration evolution



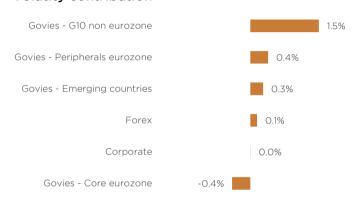
## Modified duration by country



# Performance contribution MTD Past performance is not a guarantee of future performance

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Performance Contribution	-0.57%
Govies - Core eurozone	+0.62%
Govies - Peripherals eurozone	-0.12%
Euro Interest Rate Swaps	-0.08%
CDS eurozone	+0.00%
Govies - G10 non eurozone	-0.78%
Interest Rate Swaps exc. Euro	-0.07%
CDS exc. Euro	+0.01%
Govies - Emerging countries	-0.12%
Cash and equivalents	-0.02%

### Volatity contribution



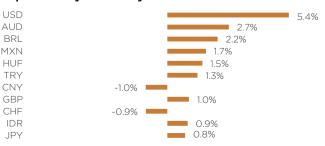
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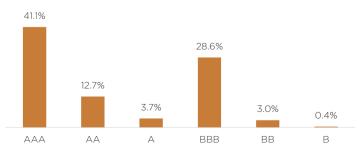
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### **Exposure by currency**



# **Exposure by rating**



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### Portfolio managers comments

While global economic sentiment seems to be struggling, as shown by the leading indicators: PMI, ISM and confidence indices, the economic statistics published show that the global economy is continuing to expand. In the United States, third-quarter GDP continued its upward trend, growing at an annualised rate of close to 3%, largely supported by household consumption. Against a complicated political backdrop, with European states struggling to reach agreement and Chinese competition weighing more than ever on the competitiveness of the old continent, European growth continued its sluggish advance in the third quarter. On both sides of the Atlantic, the job market remains solid and wage rises continue to support both consumption and savings.

As far as inflation is concerned, October once again showed that although the short-term disinflation process is not under threat - largely helped by low commodity prices - there is still room for a stir, which explains the caution shown by central bankers in both their decisions and their statements.

Yet all these themes have taken a back seat this month. Indeed, the imminence of the US election has taken over the markets, and central bank endpoints, particularly in the US, have continued to fluctuate with the polls, rather than with economic data.

At the heart of this analysis is the US fiscal outlook. The growing likelihood of a Donald Trump victory seems to be worrying the more dovish players in the market, who are revising their rate cut expectations upwards for the year ahead. For the time being, nothing is certain, but the market seems to have chosen sides. Across Europe, the fiscal situation is better, even if pockets of concern remain and are weakening an already febrile union.

October was thus marked by upward revisions to interest rates. ECB rate expectations ended the month at 2%, close to neutral, while the spectre of a second Trump term pushed the Fed's terminal rate to 3.50%. The US-Europe spread is therefore on the rise again for the first time since the spring.

Against this backdrop, we are maintaining a low duration, close to 2. Indeed, despite RATPs continuing to rise slowly, duration still does not appear attractive. This is why we remain short nominal rates, particularly in France and Germany, although we reduced the magnitude of this position in October. We prefer to maintain our exposure to duration via inflation-linked bonds, mainly in the United States, and emerging market debt in hard currencies. In terms of ex-ante volatility, the fund remains below 2%, pending opportunities that may arise between now and the end of the year.

Text completed on 13/11/2024.



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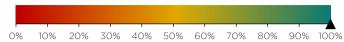


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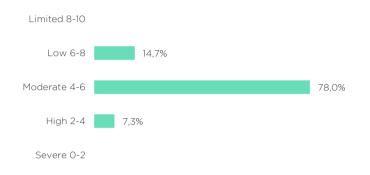


### ABA coverage rate+(100%)

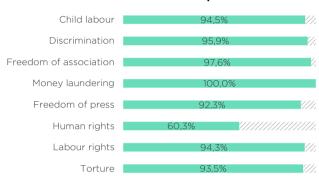


Average ESG Score: 5.0/10

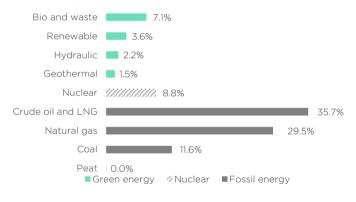
#### ESG risk breakdown(1)



### International norm based compliance



### Energy supply mix breakdown



### Carbon intensity

	Amount
Production intensity (tCO <sub>2</sub> /M Euros Debt)	314.3
Production intensity (tCO <sub>2</sub> /M Euros GDP)	362.8

### Sustainablity engagements

	Weight	portfolio
UN Paris agreement (COP 21)	100%	16
UN biodiversity convention	65.2%	15
Coal phase out	76.4%	10
Signatory to the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Agreement	90.4%	15

## **Analysis methodology**

We develop proprietary models based on our expertise and conviction to add tangible value in the selection of portfolio securities. DNCA's ESG analysis model, Above & Beyond Analysis (ABA), respects this principle and offers a rating that we control the entire construction. Information from companies is the main input to our rating. The methodologies for calculating ESG indicators and our responsible investor and engagement policy are available on our website by clicking here.

(1) The rating out of 10 integrates 4 responsibility risks: governance, environmental, social and societal. Regardless of their geographical area, 15 indicators are evaluated such as democratic life, climate change, education and employment, health, living conditions, freedoms and respect for fundamental rights, inequalities...

<sup>(2)</sup> Total energy supply means the overall supply of energy for all activities on the territory of the country, but excluding international aviation and maritime bunkers. It includes energy needs for energy transformation (including generating electricity from combustible fuels), support operations of the energy sector itself, transmission and distribution losses, final energy consumption (industry, transport, households, services, agriculture, ...) and the use of fossil fuel products for non-energy purposes (e.g. in the chemical industry). It excludes international aviation and maritime bunkers, but it might include other fuels purchased within the country that are used elsewhere (e.g. "fuel tourism" in the case of road transport).

Countries in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>+</sup> The coverage rate measures the proportion of issuers (government bonds) taken into account in the calculation of the extra-financial indicators. This measure is calculated as a % of the fund's net assets adjusted for cash, money market instruments, derivatives and any vehicle outside the scope of "listed government bonds". The coverage rate of the portfolio and the benchmark is identical for all indicators presented.

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### Administrative information

Name: DNCA INVEST Alpha Bonds ISIN code (Share B): LU1694789535

SFDR classification: Art.8 Inception date: 14/12/2017

Investment horizon: Minimum 3 years

Currency: Euro

Country of domicile: Luxembourg

Legal form: SICAV

Reference Index: €STR + 1.20% Valuation frequency: Daily

Management company: DNCA Finance

Portfolio Managers: Pascal GILBERT François COLLET Fabien GEORGES Paul LENTZ

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Minimum investment: None Subscription fees: - max Redemption fees: -Management fees: 1.40%

Ongoing charges as of 31/12/2023: 1.50% Performance fees: 20% of the positive performance net of any fees above the index: €STR + 1.20% with High Water Mark

Custodian: BNP Paribas - Luxembourg Branch

Settlement: T+2

Cut off: 12:00 Luxembourg time

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#### Glossary

Beta. Measures the average extent to which a fund moves relative to the broader market. The beta of a market is 1. A fund with a beta of more than 1 moves on average to a greater extent than the market. A fund with a beta of less than 1 moves on average to a lesser extent. If beta is a minus number, it is likely that the stock and the market move in opposite

Bloomberg liquidity Score. The Bloomberg Liquidity Score reflects the security's centile rank, and is represented with a relative value between 1 and 100. A score of 100 is the most

liquid, with the lowest average liquidation cost for a range of volumes.

Correlation coefficient. The correlation coefficient is a measure of correlation. It is used to determine the relationship between two assets over a given period. A positive coefficient means that the two assets move in the same direction. Conversely, a negative coefficient means that the assets move in the opposite direction. The correlation or decorrelation can be more or less strong and varies between -1 and 1.

Derivatives. The collective name used for a broad class of financial instruments that derive their value from other underlying financial instruments. Futures, options and swaps are all pes of derivative.

Maturity. The time when a bond or other debt instrument is due to for redemption (is due to mature); or the length of time between the issue of such an instrument and the date it is redemption (the maturity date).

Sensitivity. The sensitivity of a bond measures the change in its percentage value induced by a given change in interest rates.

Sharpe Ratio. The Sharpe ratio measures the excess return over the risk-free money rate of an asset portfolio divided by the standard deviation of that return. It is therefore a measure of the marginal return per unit of risk. It is used to measure the performance of managers with different risk policies.

Sharpe Ratio. A way of measuring the historical risk-adjusted return on an investment. It is the average previous return minus the risk-free return, divided by the standard deviation (a measure of risk that looks at the diversion of actual returns from expected returns).

Tracking error. Tracking Error is a measure of how closely an investment portfolio follows the index against which it is benchmarked. It is the difference in the return earned by a portfolio and the return earned by the benchmark against which the portfolio is constructed. For example, if a bond portfolio earns a return of 5.15% during a period when the portfolio's benchmark (say, for example, the Lehman Brothers Index) produces a return of 5.06%, the tracking error is .09%, or 9 basis points.



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