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#### Investment objective

The Sub-Fund's investment objective is to maximize the total return from a combination of income and capital growth by investing in fixed income securities. The Sub-Fund seeks to outperform the Bloomberg Euro-Aggregate Corporate Index (Bloomberg ticker: LECPTREU Index) on the recommended investment period.

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

#### **Financial characteristics**

NAV (€) Net assets (€M)	109.30 624
Number of issuers	192
Average modified duration	3.82
Net modified duration	4.04
Average maturity (years)	4.43
Average yield	4.70%
Average rating	BBB-

#### Performance (from 10/10/2017 to 31/10/2024)



<sup>(1)</sup>Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Corporate Index Past performance is compared to a benchmark (FTSE MTS Global) which changed on 03/02/2022 to

the Bloomberg Euro-Aggregate Corporate Index.

#### Annualised performances and volatilities (%)

			1 year	3 years	5 years	Since inception	
N Share			+10.19	+1.97	+1.53	+1.27	
Reference Index			+8.79	-1.01	-0.77	+0.83	
N Share - volatility			2.37	2.92	3.03	2.67	
Reference Index - volatility			3.27	4.81	4.67	4.35	
Cumulative performances (%)							
	1 month 3	months	YTD	1 year	3 years	5 years	
N Share	-0.36	+1.55	+7.30	+10.19	+6.04	+7.89	
Reference Index	-0.31	+1.22	+3.51	+8.79	-3.01	-3.78	

#### Calendar year performances (%)

Sharpe Ratio

Tracking error

Correlation coefficient

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
N Share	+7.27	-8.00	+1.10	+0.00	+4.92	-3.22
Reference Index	+8.19	-13.53	-3.48	+4.95	+6.59	+0.80
The performances are calculated	I net of any fe	es by DNCA				

1 year

4.29

2.71%

0.58

0.52

0.42

3 years

0.68

4.49%

0.41

0.66

0.25

5 years

0.50

0.35

0.50

0.23

4.59%

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#### **Risk indicator**



Information Ratio Synthetic risk indicator according to PRIIPS. Beta corresponds to the lowest level and 7 to the highest level

Main risks: interest-rate risk, credit risk, risk of capital loss, convertible securities risk, perpetual bonds risk, risk related to exchange rate, liquidity risk, equity risk, distressed securities risk, risk of investing in Contingent Convertible Bonds and/or Exchangeable Bonds, specific risks associated with OTC derivative transactions, risk of investing in derivative instruments as well as instruments embedding derivatives, ESG risk, sustainability risk

Since

0.47

4.35%

0.31

0.10

0.19

inception

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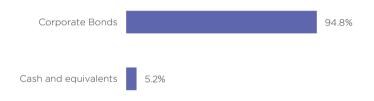
#### Main positions<sup>+</sup>

	Weight
Virgin Money UK PLC 2027 FRN (4.4)	1.00%
Holding d'Infrastructures des Metiers de l'Environnement 4.88% 2029 (5.3)	0.97%
Altarea SCA 5.5% 2031 (6.1)	0.95%
Coventry Building Society 2029 FRN (6.9)	0.95%
Toyota Finance Australia Ltd 4.63% 2028 (6.1)	0.91%
Societatea Nationala de Gaze Naturale ROMGAZ SA 4.75% 2029 (4.9)	0.86%
Alpha Bank SA 2029 FRN (5.5)	0.86%
LEG Immobilien SE 0.4% 2028 CV (6.3)	0.84%
Omnicom Finance Holdings PLC 3.7% 2031 (5.7)	0.83%
Redexis SA 4.38% 2031	0.82%
	8.98%

#### Monthly performance contributions Past performance is not a guarantee of future performance

Best	Weight	Contribution
TUIGR 1.95 07/26/31	0.38%	+0.02%
APCLPR 5 3/8 10/03/34	0.67%	+0.01%
MTXGR 0.05 03/18/27	0.40%	+0.01%
CPIPGR 6 01/27/32	0.24%	+0.01%
ARNDTN 4.8 07/16/29	0.52%	+0.01%
Worst	Weight	Contribution
Worst TOYOTA 4 5/8 03/29/28	Weight 0.91%	Contribution -0.02%
	0	
TOYOTA 4 5/8 03/29/28	0.91%	-0.02%
TOYOTA 4 5/8 03/29/28 F 5.78 04/30/30	0.91% 0.64%	-0.02% -0.02%

#### Asset class breakdown



#### **Currency breakdown**



### Country breakdown

		Fund	Index
United Kingdom		15.2%	8.1%
France		12.4%	20.3%
Germany		9.7%	13.7%
Spain		9.0%	6.2%
USA		6.6%	17.5%
Italy		6.0%	5.4%
Netherlands		5.8%	7.1%
Austria		4.0%	1.5%
Luxembourg		3.1%	1.4%
Australia		3.0%	1.8%
Belgium		3.0%	1.9%
Greece		2.9%	O.1%
Czech Republic		2.1%	0.3%
Sweden		1.9%	3.4%
Poland		1.8%	0.2%
Ireland		1.6%	0.9%
Denmark		1.6%	1.7%
Portugal		1.5%	0.4%
Romania	Ē.	1.3%	O.1%
Japan	1	0.5%	1.7%
Switzerland	Í	0.4%	3.1%
Norway	i i	0.4%	0.7%
Canada		0.3%	0.8%
Latvia	1	0.3%	-
Hungary		0.3%	O.1%
Slovenia		0.2%	0.1%
Finland		O.1%	0.9%
Other Countries		-	0.8%
Cash and equivalents		5.2%	N/A

#### Sector breakdown (ICB)

		Fund	Index
Banks		38.1%	29.1%
Real Estate		11.9%	5.3%
Industrial Goods and Services		7.6%	8.7%
Insurance		6.3%	3.9%
Consumer Products and Services		3.9%	2.3%
Telecommunications		3.4%	5.3%
Travel and Leisure		3.4%	1.3%
Utilities		3.3%	7.3%
Energy		3.1%	4.1%
Automobiles and Parts		2.7%	5.3%
Financial Services		2.2%	5.8%
Media		1.9%	1.2%
Construction and Materials	1	1.3%	2.1%
Personal Care, Drug and Grocery	1	1.2%	1.4%
Food, Beverage and Tobacco	1	1.2%	5.4%
Retail	1	1.1%	0.2%
Basic Resources		1.0%	0.8%
Health Care		0.7%	6.5%
Chemicals		0.4%	2.2%
Govies		-	0.0%
Technology		-	2.0%
Cash and equivalents		5.2%	N/A

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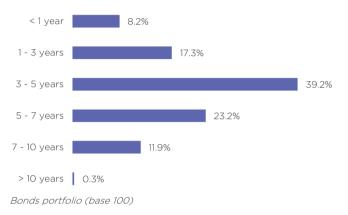
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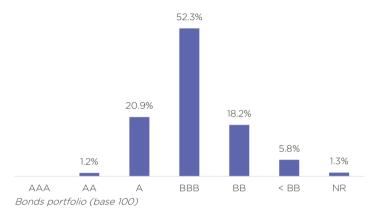
### Bonds portfolio composition and indicators

	Weight	Maturity (yrs)	Modified duration	Yield	Number of lines
Fixed rate bonds	48.50%	4.80	4.20	4.29%	145
Floating-rate bonds	24.38%	3.73	3.19	4.44%	76
Hybrid bonds	17.50%	4.54	3.68	6.72%	53
Convertible bonds	4.43%	3.85	3.62	2.60%	11
Total	94.80%	4.43	3.82	4.70%	285

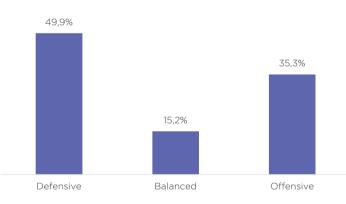
#### Maturity breakdown



#### Rating breakdown



Breakdown by strategy



### Breakdown by Seniority

		Weight
Senior		66.96%
Subordinated		23.41%
	Bank Additional Tier 1	9.36%
	Insurance Restricted Tier 1	4.43%
	Corporate Hybrids	3.85%
	Bank Tier 2	3.04%
	Insurance Tier 2	1.73%
Convertibles		4.43%
Other		5.20%

#### Changes to portfolio holdings\*

In: None

Out: ams-OSRAM AG 0% 2025 CV (4.3), ams-OSRAM AG 10.5% 2028 (4.3), AXA SA PERP (5), CNP Assurances SACA PERP (5.6), CPI Property Group SA 2.75% 2026 (2.3), DSM BV 3.63% 2034 (6.3), Getlink SE 3.5% 2025 (7), Heimstaden Bostad Treasury BV 0.25% 2024 (4), HSBC Holdings PLC 2027 FRN, Kapla Holding SAS 2025 FRN (3.7), Ocado Group PLC 10.5% 2029 (4.9), OMV AG 3.25% 2031 (5.5), OMV AG 3.75% 2036 (5.5), Repsol Europe Finance Sarl 3.63% 2034 (4.7) and Tapestry Inc 7.7% 2030 (5.1)

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#### Portfolio managers comments

Government rates rose in October, due to better-than-expected inflation and growth data, as well as a higher probability of Trump returning to the White House and an (even) larger deficit. The beginning of the month was also marked by the escalation of the conflict in the Middle East, with Iran attacking Israel, which had a knock-on effect on oil prices. Fortunately, there was no knock-on effect on Tehran's oil infrastructure.

Not surprisingly, the 5-year swap spread, i.e. the difference between the swap rate and government rates for the same maturity, narrowed sharply from 27 basis points to 10 bps over the month, a level not seen in the last 15 years. Thus, we can see a dichotomy in the movements of spreads if we look at them against swap rates (widening of 3 bps) and against govies (tightening of 11 bps), so we can be both optimistic and pessimistic. High yield is not to be outdone, with spreads tightening against both govies and swaps and posting a fine performance over the month. In more detail, investment grade credit posted a loss of -0.31%, while high yield did much better with +0.51%.

On the technical side, flows remained positive (investment grade raised €1.3bn and high yield €2.5bn) and the primary market, which was a little quieter for investment grade due to the blackout period, was much stronger for high yield. On the earnings front, publications were mixed and some sectors, especially those exposed to China, understandably suffered (luxury goods, automotive and chemicals), while banks generally surprised on the upside. However, corporate figures showed resilient balance sheets, comfortable liquidity and solid margins.

Against this backdrop, the fund generated a negative performance of -0.36% relatively in line with its benchmark index (-5), mainly due to the gilt spread position against btp in the context of the first vote on the UK budget by the Labour party for 14 years. The budget includes 40 billion in tax rises (higher employers' contributions to national insurance, higher inheritance tax and capital gains tax, etc.), but also (and above all) an additional 100 billion in investment to 'rebuild' the country (renovating schools, improving the public health service, etc.), which took the market by surprise.

In terms of sectors, our positioning was appropriate, with real estate, high yield and subordinated insurance performing well.

We have taken profits on all our USD-denominated credit for valuation reasons and now have a focused exposure to European and UK credit.

We continued to invest in Greek banks and initiated exposure to Romanian gas transporter RomGaz.

We remain confident in the credit market, which should benefit from potential future rate cuts and positive economic growth, albeit below average. For this reason, we continue to favour carry. Our duration is around 4 years. The fund also has a responsibility score.

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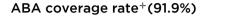
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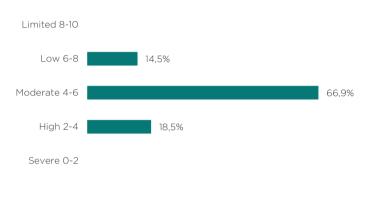
#### Internal extra-financial analysis



0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 60% 70% 80% 90% 100%

Average Responsibility Score: 4.9/10

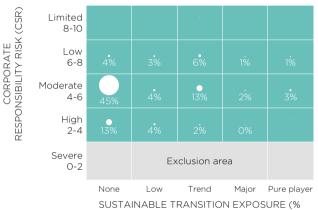
### Responsibility risk breakdown<sup>(1)</sup>



#### Selectivity universe exclusion rate

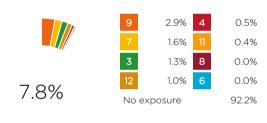


#### Transition/CSR exposure<sup>(2)</sup>

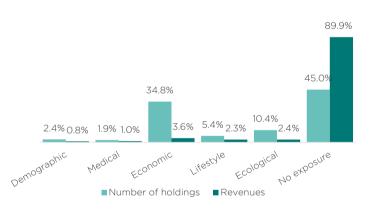


Revenue)

#### SDG's exposure<sup>(3)</sup> (% of revenues)



### Sustainable transitions exposure<sup>(4)</sup>



### 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 <u>by clicking here</u>.

<sup>(1)</sup> The rating out of 10 integrates 4 risks of responsibility: shareholder, environmental, social and societal. Whatever their sector of activity, 24 indicators are evaluated, such as social climate, accounting risks, suppliers, business ethics, energy policy, quality of management.

<sup>(2)</sup> The ABA Matrix combines the Responsibility Risk and the Sustainable Transition exposure of the portfolio. It allows us to It allows companies to be mapped using a risk/opportunity approach.

<sup>(3)</sup> 1 No poverty. 2 Zero hunger. 3 Good health and well-being. 4 Quality education. 5 Gender equality. 5 Clean water and sanitation.
<sup>7</sup> Clean and affordable energy. 6 Decent work and economic growth. 9 Industry, innovation and infrastructure. 10 Reduced inequalities.
<sup>10</sup> Sustainable cities and communities. 2 Sustainable consumption and production. 18 Tackling climate change. 4 Aquatic life. 16 Peace, justice and effective institutions. 17 Partnerships to achieve the goals.

<sup>(4)</sup> 5 transitions based on a long-term perspective of the financing of the economy allow the identification of activities with a positive contribution to sustainable development and to measure the exposure of companies in terms of turnover as well as exposure to the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

<sup>\*</sup>The coverage rate measures the proportion of issuers (equities and corporate bonds) taken into account in the calculation of the extra-financial indicators. This measure is calculated as a % of the net assets adjusted for cash, money market instruments, derivatives and any vehicle outside the scope of "listed equities and corporate bonds".



#### **Principal Adverse Impacts**

PAI	Unit	Fund		Ref. Index	
		Coverage	Value	Coverage	Value
PAI Corpo 1_1 - Tier 1 GHG emissions	T CO <sub>2</sub>	86%	22,651		
PAI Corpo 1_2 - Tier 2 GHG emissions	T CO <sub>2</sub>	86%	3,318		
PAI Corpo 1_3 - Tier 3 GHG emissions	T CO <sub>2</sub>	88%	151,837		
PAI Corpo 1T - Total GHG emissions	T CO <sub>2</sub>	90%	162,430		
PAI Corpo 1T_SC12 - Total GHG emissions (Scope 1+2)	T CO <sub>2</sub>	90%	25,969		
PAI Corpo 2 - Carbon footprint	T CO <sub>2</sub> /EUR million invested	86%	276	98%	449
PAI Corpo 3 - GHG intensity	T CO <sub>2</sub> /EUR million sales	90%	606	98%	739
PAI Corpo 4 - Share of investments in companies active in the fossil fuel sector		87%	0%	97%	0%
PAI Corpo 5_1 - Share of non-renewable energy consumption		61%	59.9%	66%	64.6%
PAI Corpo 5_2 - Share of non-renewable energy production		0%	89.3%	4%	76.0%
PAI Corpo 6 - Energy consumption intensity by sector with high climate impact	GWh/EUR million sales	86%	0.9	97%	0.7
PAI Corpo 7 - Activities with a negative impact on biodiversity-sensitive areas		90%	O.1%	98%	O.1%
PAI Corpo 8 - Water discharges	T Water Emissions	0%	0	1%	0
PAI Corpo 9 - Hazardous or radioactive waste ratio	T Hazardous Waste	82%	0.4	96%	2.7
PAI Corpo 10 - Violations of UNGC and OECD principles		93%	0%	99%	0%
PAI Corpo 11 - Lack of UNGC and OECD compliance processes and mechanisms		87%	0.0%	98%	0.0%
PAI Corpo 12 - Unadjusted gender pay gap		71%	16.1%	77%	13.8%
PAI Corpo 13 - Gender diversity in governance bodies		90%	36.4%	98%	40.3%
PAI Corpo 14 - Exposure to controversial weapons		93%	0%	99%	0%
PAI Corpo OPT_1 - Water use	m <sup>3</sup> /EUR mln sales	46%	346	58%	18,730
PAI Corpo OPT_2 - Water recycling		1%	0.3%	3%	0.4%
PAI Corpo OPT_3 - Investments in companies with no policy for preventing accidents at work Source : MSCI		87%	O.1%	98%	0.0%

Source : MSCI

It should be noted that DNCA Finance changed its non-financial data provider in October 2023 from monitoring negative externalities by the Scope Rating provider to monitoring performance indicators (PAI) by the MSCI provider.

This change of supplier and indicator typology prevents DNCA Finance from producing a 3-year ESG performance comparison. DNCA Finance Committed to produce this historical data from the data available in December 2023.

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Name: DNCA INVEST Credit Conviction ISIN code (Share N): LU1234712617 SFDR classification: Art.8 Inception date: 10/10/2017 Investment horizon: Minimum 2 years Currency: Euro Country of domicile: Luxembourg Legal form: SICAV Reference Index: Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Corporate Index Valuation frequency: Daily Management company: DNCA Finance

Portfolio Managers: Ismaël LECANU Jean-Marc FRELET, CFA

Nolwenn LE ROUX, CFA

Minimum investment: None Subscription fees: - max Redemption fees: -Management fees: 0.90% Ongoing charges as of 31/12/2023: 1.09% Performance fees: 20% of the positive performance net of any fees above the index: Bloomberg Euro Aggregate

performance net of any fees above the index: Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Corporate Index with High Water Mark

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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 directions.

**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.

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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