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UBAM - GLOBAL HIGH YIELD SOLUTION

Liquid exposure to high-yield credit with limited interest-rate risk

UBAM - Global High Yield Solution is an innovative fund that provides liquid exposure to the high-return potential of high-yield credit with limited interest-rate risk through a top-down investment process.

Key points

- Outperformance of CDS strategies over cash bond strategies over the long term and during crises
- The fund offers exposure to high-yield investments with high liquidity, broad diversification and low interest-rate sensitivity
- Macro-driven investment process that has proved effective in determining high-yield exposure
- Experienced investment team with considerable expertise in credit and high-yield CDS indices
- An award-winning strategy recognised for its superior advantages

Investment case

Global high-yield bonds have proven to be an attractive alternative to equities by offering lower volatility and higher or similar returns.

In addition to this, high-yield CDS strategies offer higher returns than high-yield cash bonds. From 31 December 2004 to 31 December 2019:

- Global high yield CDS strategy: +7.8%
- Global high yield cash bonds strategy: +7.4%

The environment remains positive for high yield, with default rates at low levels.

Fund concept

UBAM - Global High Yield Solution is an innovative fund that offers liquid exposure to the high-return potential of high-yield credit but with limited interest-rate exposure thanks to its exclusive use of high-yield CDS indices.

The high-yield CDS index market offers high liquidity in all market conditions, in particular compared with the regular high-yield bond market, along with very tight and stable bid-offer spreads.

The fund's sensitivity to interest rates is limited. Its exposure to interest rates is achieved primarily via US Treasuries with maturities of less than two years.

The fund enables investors to achieve full exposure to the high-yield universe by offering a diversified allocation to 175 of the most liquid non-investment-grade issuers in Europe and the US.

High-yield CDS strategies vs. high-yield cash bonds since 31 December 2004



04 05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19

Sources: UBP, Bloomberg Finance L.P., J.P. Morgan, as at 31 December 2019.

167% US CDX HY + 33% Europe iTraxx Crossover + BofA ML US Treasury 3–5 Years: with historical duration of 3.7 years.

267% US CDX HY + 33% Europe iTraxx Crossover + BofA ML US Treasury 0–3 Years: with historical duration of 1.4 years.

367% US HY BofA ML + 33% EUR HY BofA ML USD hedged, with historical interest rate exposure of 3.9 years.

Simulated past performance: the performance information presented in the chart or tables represents backtested performance. Backtested performance is hypothetical (it does not reflect trading in actual accounts) and is provided for informational purposes only to indicate historical performance if the stock selection strategy was available over the relevant period. Simulated past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

The Fund is actively managed and well diversified. It is composed of CDS for credit exposure and high-quality sovereign, supranational and agency debt securities denominated in US dollars for interest rate exposure.

The Fund is not managed in reference to a benchmark.

Investment process

The UBAM - Global High Yield Solution's investment process is based on our Fixed Income team's proven macro-driven approach:

- We determine a 6-9-month macroeconomic scenario based on in-house economic indicators and the analysis of business cycles and monetary policies in the main geographical areas. Our in-house indicators have proven consistently effective over the past fifteen years.
- We identify the main market themes, such as monetary policies (LTRO, QE), the eurozone sovereign crisis, banking regulations and their consequences for the high-yield segment in terms of valuations and investor positioning.
- The resulting top-down allocation view determines our highyield exposure, interest-rate sensitivity and geographical allocation.

Investment quidelines

- High-yield exposure from 80% to 120% using standardised, liquid and cleared CDS indices
- Interest rate exposure: 0-2 years using liquid bonds, primarily **US** Treasuries
- Geographical allocation to high yield (US: 67%; Europe: 33%) that can fluctuate by 20%
- No structured products

Investment team

- Fourteen-strong team overseeing CHF 19.4 billion worth of fixed-income assets as at 31 December 2019
- Proven expertise in high-yield CDS index management
- Co-managers Christel Rendu de Lint and Philippe Gräub have successfully co-managed credit strategies for fifteen over years

Asset allocation is our key added value in generating outperformance

1. 6- to 9-month macroeconomic scenario

- Proprietary macroeconomic leading indicators (with track record of almost 20 years)
- Detailed analysis of relevant global business cycle data
- Detailed analysis of central bank policies and reaction functions

2. Identification of overarching market themes

- Monetary policies: LTRO, quantitative easing
- European sovereign crisis
- Banking regulation (such as Basel III)

3. Top-down allocation view

- High-yield exposure (from 80% to 120%)
- Interest rate exposure (from 0 to 2 years)
- Regional exposure

SRRI

With lower risk,				With higher risk,		
potentially lower rewards			potentially higher rewards			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

The SRRI (Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator) relates to the IC USD share class LU0569863243 as of 19.02.2020 and may differ for other share classes of the same fund.

This indicator represents the fund's annual historical volatility. The level assigned reflects the risk/return profile: 1: lowest; 2: low; 3: limited; 4: average/moderate; 5: high; 6: very high; 7: highest.

Historical data such as that used to calculate the SRRI cannot be considered a reliable indication of the fund's future risk profile. The risk category associated with the fund is not quaranteed and may change over time

General information

Name	UBAM - Global High Yield Solution
Legal form	Sub-fund of UBAM, Luxembourg-domiciled SICAV, UCITS
Base currency	USD
Currency-hedged share classes	AUD, CHF, CNH, EUR, GBP, HKD, ILS, NOK, SEK, SGD
Cut-off time	13:00 (LU time)
Inception date	03.12.2010
Minimum investment	None
Liquidity	Daily
Applicable management fee ¹	AC USD: 0.40%; IC USD: 0.25%; UC USD: 0.25%

Registered countries ²	AE, AT, CH, CL, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, IT, LU, NL, NO, SE, SG, UK	
ISIN	AC USD: LU0569862351; IC USD: LU0569863243 UC USD: LU0862302089	
Bloomberg ticker	AC USD: UBGACUS LX; IC USD: UBGICUS LX UC USD: UGHYUUC LX	
Investment manager	Union Bancaire Privée, UBP SA	
Depositary bank	BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch	
Administrator	CACEIS Bank, Luxembourg Branch	

Only the main share classes are mentioned. Available share classes include A: Standard, I: Institutional; U: No entitlement

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