

# BlueBay Investment Grade Euro Government Bond Fund

February 2022

## Fund Performance (%) Gross of Fees (EUR)<sup>1</sup>

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	1M	3M	YTD	1YR	3YR <sup>2</sup>	5YR <sup>2</sup>	10YR <sup>2</sup>	SI <sup>2,3</sup>
BlueBay Investment Grade Euro Government Bond Fund	-2.00	-3.65	-2.59	-4.28	2.56	2.82	5.49	5.95
Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Treasury Index <sup>6</sup>	-1.95	-4.56	-3.00	-3.97	1.39	1.39	3.27	3.55
Alpha	-0.05	0.91	0.41	-0.31	1.17	1.43	2.22	2.40

## Review & Outlook

### Contributors

- Short US duration
- Sovereign beta
- Sovereign underweights: Spain, Portugal, France
- Short Czech koruna

### Detractors

- Sovereign overweights: Romania, Mexico & EU bonds
- Foreign exchange: closed long US dollar

### Outlook

- It is difficult to be too predictive about what comes next in terms of the Russia/Ukraine conflict. However, if President Vladimir Putin forces regime change on Ukraine, then the new administration in Kyiv would be a pariah in the West, in our opinion. If it is a new treaty, this is likely to create social and political instability in Ukraine. Either way, sanctions are likely to persist for some time – as will elevated energy prices.
- The sense of shock in Europe has acted as a catalyst for the EU to unite behind a comprehensive set of sanctions, in concert with other countries, which are already having a crippling effect on the Russian economy.
- In our view, the impact on growth may come from three distinct channels. First, through supply-chain disruptions from cutting off Russia. Second, via the hit to incomes from rising commodity prices, notably oil. The third channel would come from a tightening of financial conditions in the wake of adverse market performance.
- In each of these regards, we see the US economy as relatively insulated and the eurozone as more exposed.
- We expect: a material rise in fiscal spending in defence; strong policy initiatives to ramp up energy infrastructure in order to limit dependence on Russian oil; and support packages to help deal with the large flow of refugees.
- We still envisage six hikes from the US Federal Reserve in 2022, as inflation remains a problem. We feel the economic backdrop is robust and there is little slack in the economy. In the eurozone, we expect asset purchases to cease at the end of this year and for interest rates to rise to 0% by March 2023.

## Investment Objective

To achieve a total return in excess of the Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Treasury Index from a portfolio of investment grade-rated fixed income securities

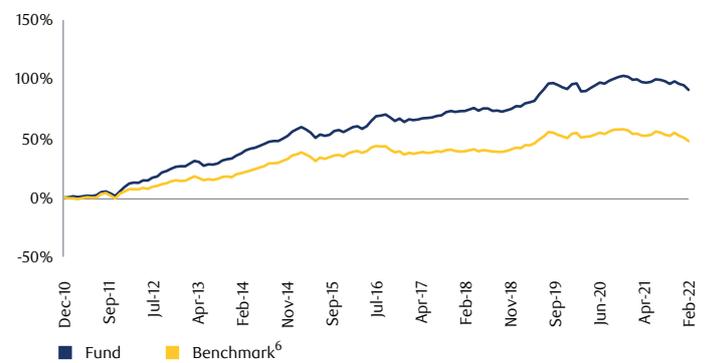
## Investment Strategy

- The Fund seeks to exploit different sources of alpha in order to generate an annual return in excess of its benchmark
- Active overweights and underweights are taken relative to the index within permitted exposure limits, in order to produce a well diversified portfolio of fixed income securities
- Taking advantage of a broad investment universe the Fund is permitted to take positions off-index, consistent with target exposure limits versus the benchmark
- The Fund meets the conditions set out in Article 8 of the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation as it promotes environmental/social characteristics through binding requirements as a key feature. Full details of the Fund's ESG framework are available online [www.bluebay.com/en/investment-expertise/esg/approach/](http://www.bluebay.com/en/investment-expertise/esg/approach/)

## Calendar Year Performance (%) Gross of Fees<sup>1</sup> (EUR)

	2021	2020	2019	2018
Fund	-3.35	5.82	9.59	1.47
Benchmark	-3.46	4.99	6.77	0.98
Alpha	0.10	0.83	2.82	0.49

## Cumulative Relative Performance<sup>3</sup> Gross of Fees<sup>1</sup> (EUR)



Past performance is not indicative of future results.

## Fund Characteristics

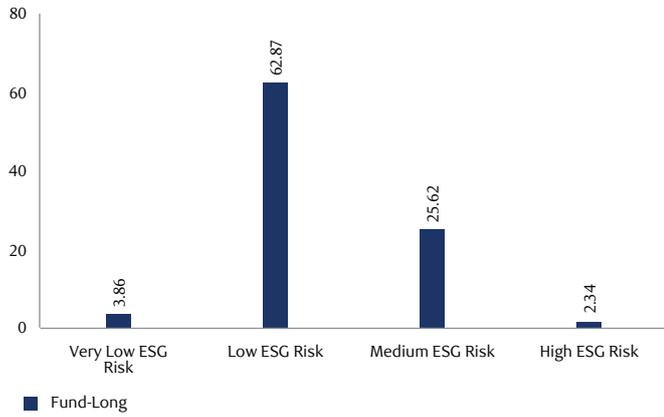
	Fund	Benchmark <sup>6</sup>
Weighted interest rate duration (yrs)	8.39	8.35
Weighted spread duration (yrs)	6.38	6.86
Weighted yield to worst (%)	0.40	0.48
Total no. of issues	69	466
Total no. of issuers	13	20
Weighted rating	A+	A+
Average position (%)	1.33	0.21

Note: Defaulted securities are excluded from Spread and Yield calculations.

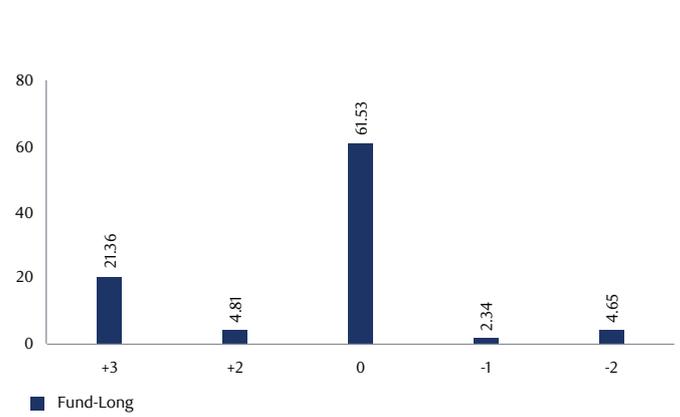
## Risk Statistics<sup>4</sup>

Standard Deviation	4.49%
Tracking Error	1.67%
Information Ratio	1.44

### BlueBay: Issuer Fundamental ESG (risk) Ratings (% NAV)



### BlueBay: Security Investment ESG Scores (% NAV)



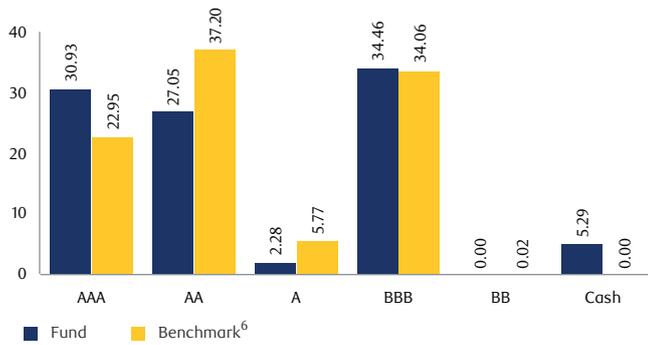
### Top 5 Issuers by Spread Duration Contribution (Yrs)

Issuer	Years (absolute)	Years (relative)	BlueBay ESG Fundamental (Risk) Rating <sup>7</sup>	BlueBay Investment ESG score <sup>8</sup>
French Republic Government Bond OAT	1.76	-0.40	Low ESG Risk	3
Italy Buoni Poliennali Del Tesoro	1.44	-0.14	Medium ESG Risk	0
Romanian Government International Bond	0.56	0.56	Medium ESG Risk	-1
Mexico Government International Bond	0.50	0.50	High ESG Risk	-2
European Union	0.49	0.49	Very Low ESG Risk	3

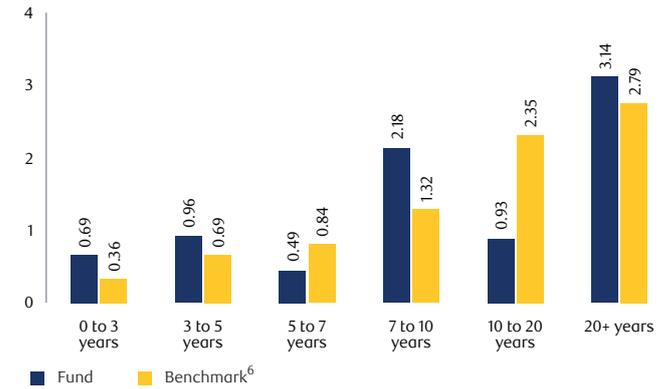
### Top Country Spread Duration Contribution, Relative to Index (Yrs)

Overweights		Underweights	
Romania	0.56	Spain	-0.65
Mexico	0.50	Netherlands	-0.43
Supra National	0.49	Italy	-0.19
France	0.02	Portugal	-0.16
		Belgium	-0.16

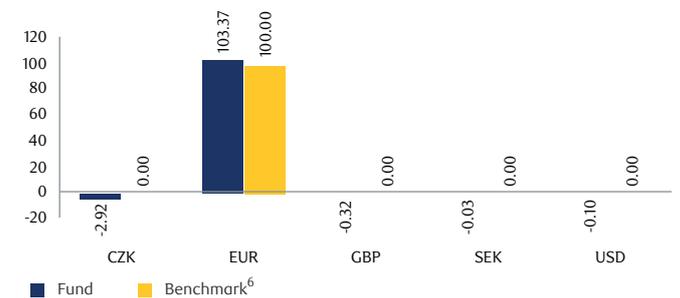
### Credit Quality Breakdown (% NAV)



### Interest Rate Duration Distribution by Maturity (Yrs)



### Currency Breakdown (Before Hedging % NAV)



## Fund Facts

Total fund size <sup>5</sup>	EUR 3,549m
Inception date	22 December 2010
Base currency	EUR
Benchmark	Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Treasury Index
Fund legal name	BlueBay Funds - BlueBay Investment Grade Euro Government Bond Fund
Share classes	Information on available Share Classes and eligibility for this Fund are detailed in the BlueBay Funds Prospectus and Application Form
Fund type	UCITS
Domicile	Luxembourg
Investment manager	BlueBay Asset Management LLP

## Team

	Joined BlueBay	Investment industry experience
Mark Dowding	August 2010	28 years
Kaspar Hense	August 2014	17 years
Size of team		32 investment professionals
Average investment industry experience		19 years

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3. Since Inception
4. Risk statistics are annualized and calculated using weekly data points since inception. Risk statistics will be produced once there are 3 complete months of data available; for meaningful results a minimum sample of 36 data points is recommended and where history is less than 3 years caution should be taken with the interpretation and representation of this data. Returns for periods of less than 1 year have not been annualised in accordance with current industry standard reporting practices.
5. The Fund AUM is stated on a T+1 basis and includes non-fee earning assets.
6. Benchmark: Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Treasury Index
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