

# **MIDAS - Bond Opportunities B - Acc**

Monthly summary report

as at 30 September 2019



## **Investment Objective**

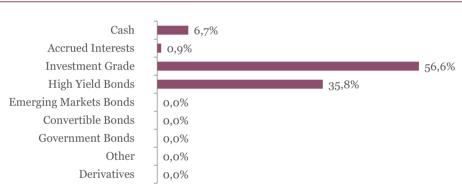
The fund seeks to achieve capital appreciation over the medium term by investing in a diversified portfolio of Euro-denominated fixed income securities (investment-grade corporate bonds, government bonds, high yield and emerging market debt as well as convertible bonds). The main focus is put on bottom-up selection. Interest rate as well as credit risks are managed actively.

<b>Latest Update</b>		Performance	1M	YTD	2018	2017	2016	3Y	5Y
NAV per share	132,20	Bond Opportunities B	-0,23%	5,94%	-4,89%	4,87%	4,11%	6,45%	10,16%
2019 year-to-date return as at end of September 2019	5,94%								

### **Fund key facts**

#### **Asset Allocation**

Inception date	17 September 2010	
ISIN code	LU0541880133	
Asset class	Bonds in EUR	Accru
Total fund assets	€ 91 million	Invest
Base currency	EUR	High
Legal status	Luxembourg UCITS	Emerging Ma Conver
Management Fee	0,78%	Govern
Custodian	Crédit Suisse Lux	Govern
Liquidity	Daily	
Settlement Date	Trade Date + 2 Days	



Top 10 bond holdings	YTM	Rating	Weight	Sector breakdown	
ALIMEN COUCHE: ATDBCN 17/8 05/06/2	0,5%	BBB	2,4%	Communication Services	4,3%
WELLS FARGO CO: WFC 1 3/8 10/26/26	0,3%	A-	2,4%	Consumer Discretionary	13,9%
BNP PARIBAS : BNP 1 1/2 11/17/25	0,3%	BBB+	2,4%	Consumer Staples Diversified	8,3%
ACCOR: ACFP 1 3/4 02/04/26	0,8%	BBB-	2,3%	Energy	■ 0,6%
UNIBAIL-RODAMCO : ULFP 1 02/27/27	0,4%	A	2,3%	Financials Health Care	14,0%
SEB SA: SKFP 1 1/2 05/31/24	0,6%	NR	2,3%	Industrials	17,2%
BUREAU VERITAS: BVIFP 1 1/4 09/07/23	0,3%	NR	2,3%	Information Technology	0,6%
BPCE: BPCEGP o 7/8 01/31/24	0,2%	BBB	2,3%	Materials Real Estate	6,8%
SIXT SE: SIXT 1 1/2 02/21/24	0,7%	NR	2,3%	Utilities	0,0%
G4S INTL FIN PLC : GFSLN 1 1/2 01/09/23	0,6%	BBB-	2,3%	Government Bonds ABS/CLO Cash & Equiv.	0,0%



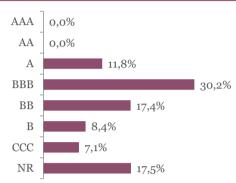
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#### **Duration breakdown**

## 29,5% 20,0% 14,5% 9,6% 4,1% 0,6% 0.0% 0.0% 8 5 10+

#### Rating breakdown



## **Top funds holdings**

ISHARES EURO HY High Yield Bonds 8,3%

#### **Market Review**

Despite new central banks' measures and weaker economic data, Global bond yields inched upward in September. Indeed, both the Fed and the ECB cut rates to counter economic slowdown, with the second even restarting bond purchases. The German government 10Y yield increased by 13 bps to -0,57% and the curve flattened. The US government 10Y yield moved similarly (+17 bps to 1,66%) while the curve shifted in the opposite direction. Eurozone peripheral bonds benefited from the ECB's latest actions. Spanish and Italian government spreads tightened 9 bps and 31 bps respectively.

Investment grade corporate bonds declined 0,76% due to both yield effect and spread widening (+5 bps). Non-financial bonds underperformed financial ones, while subordinated debts outperformed senior ones.

High yield bonds were more resilient (-0,12%) as carry partially offset spread widening (+18 bps). Single-B bonds underperformed BB.

#### **Portfolio Performance**

The fund lost 0.23% in August. Investment grade bonds contributed negatively with long-dated names declining the most. High yield bonds performed positively thanks to a good bond selection. The outperformance of few issues, namely Promontoria, Atalian, Casino, Diamond and Sarens more than offset the underperformance of Norican, Almaviva, Loxam and Paprec.

#### **Market Outlook**

We maintained a balanced approach with a mix of IG and HY corporate bonds, with a slight bias towards HY ones. We took profits on Italian government and Lafarge Holcim hybrid bonds and we sold CMA CGM 2025 bond due to a credit profile which deteriorated. Conversely, we initiated a position on Total 2039 to get exposure on an attractive long-dated issue. We also managed the fund's duration actively to exploit the German 10Y yield's volatility.

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