

GENERAL INFORMATION
INVESTMENT STRATEGY

Start of operations	2022 07 01
Net asset value	3 069 203,58 EUR
Unit value of investment direction	101,51 EUR
Management fee	0,75 %

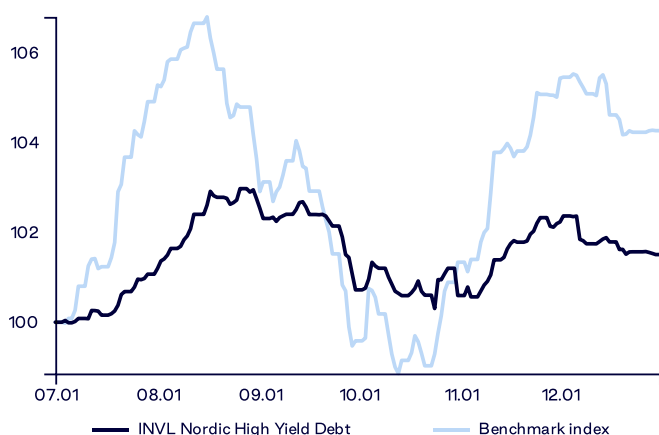
A strategy for investing in fixed-income instruments that aims to achieve returns above those typically associated with fixed-income investment products. This is achieved by selecting debt securities or equivalent investment objects, usually collective investment undertakings. Most of the assets are invested in the Nordic region (Denmark, Norway, Finland, Sweden) corporate bonds that have a credit rating below investment grade. Proportion of alternative investments can represent up to 30% of the assets. Derivatives can be used to hedge against currency exchange rate change risk.

COMMENT

Q4 2022 started on a positive note, with a growing number of price indicators suggesting that inflationary pressures have finally peaked. October's US inflation data (published on 10 November) showed the first serious slowdown in the rate of increase in the consumer price index. A similar trend was also evident in Europe, where the situation was also dampened by the retreat of energy prices from their highs during a relatively warm winter. Although both the Fed and the ECB took a softer approach to interest rate hikes, both raising base rates by 0.50% in December (compared to 0.75% in previous months), the comments by central bankers on the outlook for the future were somewhat gloomier than the financial markets had expected. Both ECB President Christine Lagarde and Fed President Jerome Powell seem determined to avoid cutting interest rates in 2023, even in the event of a potential economic downturn. Although the actions of the central banks have led to a record rise in yields (US 10-year bond yields rose from 1.5% to 3.9% over the year, while German yields rose from 0% to 2.6%), and a consequent fall in bond prices, a large part of the negative developments have already materialised or have been factored into the prices of financial instruments. As a result, the reduced sensitivity of bonds to further interest rate rises and the significant rise in interest rates provide a favourable environment for a recovery in bond prices, which we consider as an acquisition opportunity.

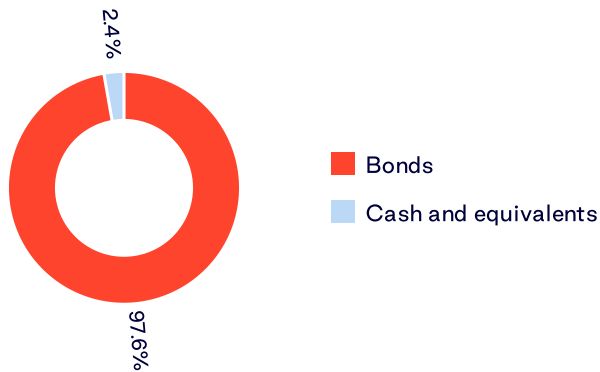
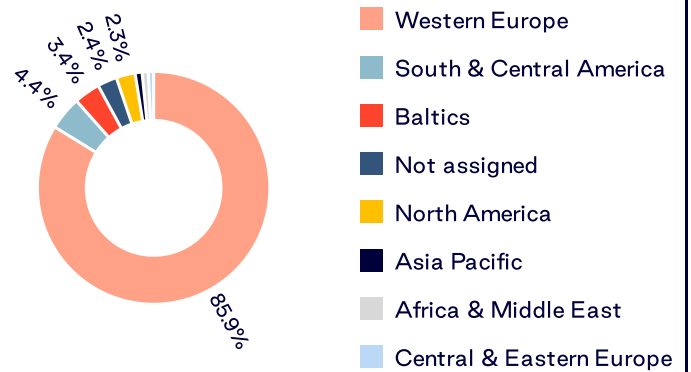
Equity markets in the main regions of the world remained significantly unchanged during the quarter, with the exception of Western Europe, which generated a return of close to 10% during the quarter. There was no region among the major equity indices that had a positive return in 2022, apart from a few individual country markets such as Brazil. From a historical perspective, over the last 75 years, the S&P 500 index of US equities has averaged a return of close to 15% (in dollars, excluding dividends) for 1 calendar year after a negative year, while negative returns have only been recorded three times for two years in a row. It is true that past performance cannot guarantee future results.

Currently, the investments of the strand are spread across 3 actively managed funds investing in high yield bonds in Northern Europe – DNB Fund High Yield Institutional; Pareto Nordic Corporate Bond Fund; Mandatum Nordic High Yield Total Return Fund. We have also invested in a single Luminor bond, which currently yields 6.3%.

GRAPH SINCE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INVESTMENT DIRECTION
RETURN ON INVESTMENT IN DIFFERENT PERIODS


	Investment direction	Benchmark index*
2022 Y. IV QUARTER	0,78 %	4,70 %
Since creation	1,51 %	4,27 %

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* From July 1, 2022, the composite comparative index is applied:

100,00% Bloomberg Pan-European High Yield (Euro) (IO2501EU Index)

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