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Jan Willem de Moor, Jan Willem Knoll
Fund manager since 16-05-2011

Performance

	Fund	Index
1 m	0.55%	0.53%
3 m	1.67%	1.71%
Ytd	1.52%	1.55%
1 Year	6.31%	6.60%
2 Years	8.82%	9.11%
3 Years	9.70%	9.68%
5 Years	4.19%	3.85%
Since 09-2018	5.02%	4.72%

Annualized (for periods longer than one year)

Note: due to a difference in measurement period between the fund and the index, performance differences may arise. For further info, see last page.

Calendar year performance

	Fund	Index
2025	6.62%	6.81%
2024	10.38%	10.40%
2023	12.85%	12.45%
2022	-10.67%	-11.86%
2021	1.59%	1.43%
2023-2025	9.92%	9.86%
2021-2025	3.80%	3.46%
Annualized (years)		

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. The value of your investments may fluctuate. If the currency in which the past performance is displayed differs from the currency of the country in which you reside, then you should be aware that due to exchange rate fluctuations the performance shown may increase or decrease if converted into your local currency. Performance since inception is as of the first full month. Periods shorter than one year are not annualized. Returns net of fees, based on transaction prices.

Index

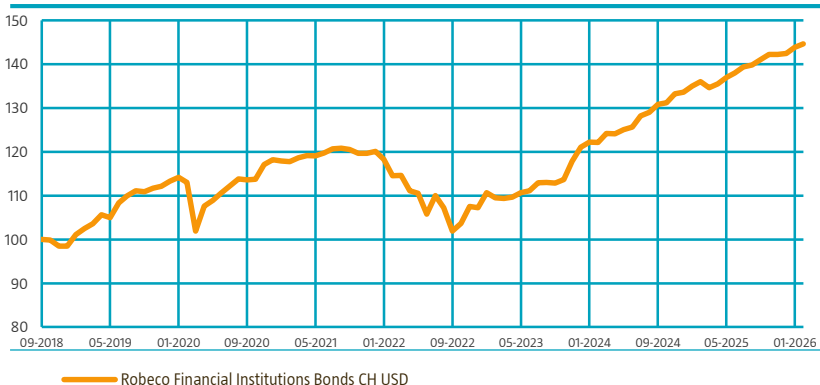
Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Corporates Financials
Subordinated 2% Issuer Cap

General facts

Type of fund	Bonds
Currency	USD
Total size of fund	USD 2,793,966,281
Size of share class	USD 14,397,723
Outstanding shares	140,156
1st quotation date	18-09-2018
Close financial year	31-12
Ongoing charges	0.62%
Daily tradable	Yes
Dividend paid	Yes
Ex-ante tracking error limit	4.00%
Management company	Robeco Institutional Asset Management B.V.

Performance

Indexed value (until 28-02-2026) - Source: Robeco



Performance

Based on transaction prices, the fund's return was 0.55%.

The fund generated a positive total return in February. The decline in government bond yields contributed positively to performance; however, this was partially offset by wider credit spreads. Five-year German Bund yields rallied by 18 basis points. Credit spread performance, on the other hand, detracted from results. Spread performance was -41 basis points, reflecting a widening of average index spreads to 120 basis points, up from 109 basis points the previous month. The portfolio outperformed the index by 6 basis points. Beta positioning remained broadly neutral, resulting in no material contribution from market beta. Issuer selection added positively to performance. Key positive contributors included overweight positions in Unicredit cashes (a convertible bond which underlying exposure is towards Unicredit), BBVA (a Spanish bank), and mBank (a Polish bank). The largest detractors were overweight positions in Unicaja (Spanish bank), Axa and Zurich.

Market development

February was a softer month for credit markets. High yield spreads widened by 25 bps to finish the month at 308 bps, while investment grade spreads increased by 10 bps to 85 bps. Software-related credits continued to face pressure, as investors remained focused on the potential long-term impact of artificial intelligence on the sector's growth prospects. Concerns about the concentration of software exposure within private credit portfolios further weighed on the Business Development Company (BDC) sector. Spreads on European banks and insurance companies were also affected, reflecting broader worries about private credit risk, as well as potential second-order AI impacts on employment trends and, by extension, credit losses. Macroeconomic data for the US remained relatively solid. The January jobs report and ISM Manufacturing Index pointed to continued economic resilience, prompting markets to scale back expectations for Federal Reserve rate cuts in 2026.

Expectation of fund manager

Credit spreads are reaching cycle lows. At the same time, the financial sector is fundamentally doing well. Balance sheets look robust after years of deleveraging. Profitability has benefited from higher interest rates, strong cost control and healthy growth in fee income. Going forward, we expect profitability to plateau at a higher level than observed in the period between the great financial crisis and the Covid-19 crisis, as we do not expect central banks to move back to periods of zero interest rates, while at the same time banks have made strong progress in terms of improving their underlying profitability. A such, the resilience of banks to external shocks has greatly improved. Appetite for bonds with higher yields remains strong, as investors like to lock in attractive yield levels. We are becoming more selective in participating in new bond issues, as spreads have tightened. We target a neutral beta positioning in the fund, as despite strong fundamentals, we believe valuations are getting somewhat demanding. At the same time, we believe we can continue to add performance with our credit selection in primary and secondary markets.

Top 10 largest positions

The fund has a benchmark that caps benchmark weights at 2%. Holdings typically consist of exposures to large and strong banks and insurance companies.

Fund price

28-02-26	USD	102.73
High Ytd (26-02-26)	USD	102.95
Low Ytd (02-01-26)	USD	101.11

Fees

Management fee	0.40%
Performance fee	None
Service fee	0.16%

Legal status

Investment company with variable capital incorporated under Luxembourg law (SICAV)

Issue structure	Open-end
UCITS V	Yes
Share class	CH USD
This fund is a subfund of Robeco Capital Growth Funds, SICAV	

Registered in

Luxembourg, Singapore, Switzerland

Currency policy

All currency risks are hedged.

Risk management

Risk management is fully embedded in the investment process to ensure that positions always meet predefined guidelines.

Dividend policy

The fund aims to pay a quarterly dividend.

Derivative policy

Robeco Financial Institutions Bonds fund make use of derivatives for hedging purposes as well as for investment purposes. These derivatives are very liquid.

Fund codes

ISIN	LU1874124123
Bloomberg	RFIBCHU LX
Valoren	43546372

Top 10 largest positions

Holdings	Sector	%
ING Groep NV	Financials	3.09
AXA SA	Financials	2.83
Erste Group Bank AG	Financials	2.77
KBC Group NV	Financials	2.58
ASR Nederland NV	Financials	2.55
Nykredit Realkredit A/S	Financials	2.41
Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria SA	Financials	2.39
HSBC Holdings PLC	Financials	2.30
BNP Paribas SA	Financials	2.28
Allianz SE	Financials	2.14
Total		25.34

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Statistics

	3 Years	5 Years
Tracking error ex-post (%)	0.63	1.08
Information ratio	1.10	0.91
Sharpe ratio	1.80	0.23
Alpha (%)	0.54	0.95
Beta	1.02	1.00
Standard deviation	3.09	5.72
Max. monthly gain (%)	3.26	4.05
Max. monthly loss (%)	-0.99	-4.93

Above mentioned ratios are based on gross of fees returns.

Hit ratio

	3 Years	5 Years
Months outperformance	25	42
Hit ratio (%)	69.4	70.0
Months Bull market	31	41
Months outperformance Bull	22	30
Hit ratio Bull (%)	71.0	73.2
Months Bear market	5	19
Months Outperformance Bear	3	12
Hit ratio Bear (%)	60.0	63.2

Above mentioned ratios are based on gross of fees returns.

Characteristics

	Fund	Index
Rating	BAA1/BAA2	BAA1/BAA2
Option Adjusted Duration (years)	4.13	4.1
Maturity (years)	4.6	4.6
Yield to Worst (% , Hedged)	5.3	5.2
Green Bonds (% , Weighted)	9.7	11.6

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Sector allocation

The fund only invests in financials – excess cash may be invested in (German) government bonds. Government-owned banks such as Belfius Bank, Permanent TSB and ASN Bank are classified under Agencies. The exposure to industrials relates to Tier-2 bonds issued by Renault Bank.

Sector allocation		Deviation index	
Financials	87.4%	-12.6%	
Treasuries	4.5%	4.5%	
Agencies	3.2%	3.2%	
Local Authorities	1.0%	1.0%	
Industrials	0.4%	0.4%	
Cash and other instruments	3.6%	3.6%	

Currency denomination allocation

The fund is allowed to invest in currencies other than euros. Approximately 6% of the fund is invested in bonds issued in pound sterling and US dollar. All foreign currency exposures are hedged.

Currency denomination allocation		Deviation index	
Euro	90.0%	-10.0%	
U.S. Dollar	3.6%	3.6%	
Pound Sterling	2.8%	2.8%	

Duration allocation

The fund aims to hold an interest rate position that is neutral versus the benchmark.

Duration allocation		Deviation index	
Euro	4.1	0.0	

Rating allocation

The fund does not follow an active rating strategy – the current rating allocation is a result of bottom-up bond selection. The fund is allowed to invest in high yield to a maximum of 20%; the current exposure is circa 12%.

Rating allocation		Deviation index	
AAA	4.5%	4.5%	
A	15.7%	-11.6%	
BAA	64.0%	-8.7%	
BA	11.8%	11.8%	
B	0.4%	0.4%	
NR	0.1%	0.1%	
Cash and other instruments	3.6%	3.6%	

Country allocation

Country allocation is to a large extent bottom-up driven. We are underweight in France, as spreads are tight. The largest overweight can be found in Spanish banks.

Country allocation		Deviation index	
Netherlands	13.4%	5.4%	
Germany	12.6%	0.3%	
France	11.0%	-9.6%	
United Kingdom	10.0%	0.9%	
Spain	9.8%	-0.4%	
Belgium	6.3%	2.6%	
Austria	6.0%	0.9%	
Denmark	5.1%	1.5%	
Ireland	3.1%	1.0%	
Poland	2.9%	2.6%	
Greece	2.5%	1.8%	
Other	13.6%	-10.7%	
Cash and other instruments	3.6%	3.6%	

Subordination allocation

The largest part of the portfolio is invested in Tier-2 debt. About three quarter of these bonds are issued by banks, the remainder is issued by insurance companies. The categories Hybrid and Subordinated mostly contains subordinated debt issued by insurance companies. The exposure under Tier 1 mostly relates to bank CoCos. The exposure to senior bonds mainly consists of German Bunds, though we also hold senior bank bonds issued by banks such as Triodos Bank, Bank Millennium and Banca Transylvania.

Subordination type allocation		Deviation index	
Tier 2	72.0%	-12.6%	
Tier 1	11.4%	11.4%	
Hybrid	6.4%	-8.6%	
Senior	6.2%	6.2%	
Subordinated	0.4%	0.0%	
Cash and other instruments	3.6%	3.6%	

The allocations shown are for illustrative purposes only. This is the current overview as of the date stated and not a guarantee of future developments. It should not be assumed that any investments in these allocations were or will be profitable. Due to rounding, the sum may not equal 100%.

ESG Important information

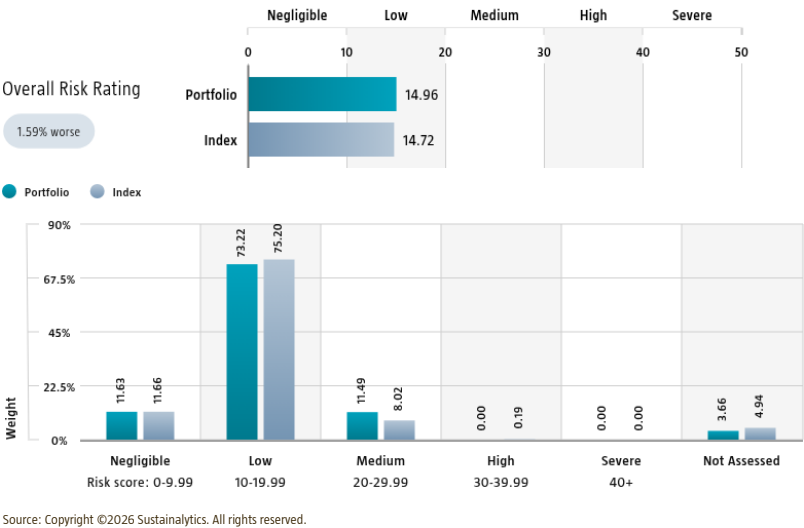
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Sustainability

The fund incorporates sustainability in the investment process via exclusions, ESG integration, a minimum allocation to ESG-labeled bonds, and engagement. The fund does not invest in credit issuers that are in breach of international norms or where activities have been deemed detrimental to society following Robeco's exclusion policy. Financially material ESG factors are integrated in the bottom-up security analysis to assess the impact on the issuer's fundamental credit quality. In the credit selection the fund limits exposure to issuers with an elevated sustainability risk profile. Furthermore, the fund invests at least 5% in green, social, sustainable, and/or sustainability-linked bonds. Lastly, where issuers are flagged for breaching international standards in the ongoing monitoring, the issuer will become subject to engagement. For more information please visit the sustainability-related disclosures. The index used for all sustainability visuals is based on Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Corporates Financials Subordinated 2% Issuer Cap.

Sustainalytics ESG Risk Rating

The Portfolio Sustainalytics ESG Risk Rating chart displays the portfolio's ESG Risk Rating. This is calculated by multiplying each portfolio component's Sustainalytics ESG Risk Rating by its respective portfolio weight. The Distribution across Sustainalytics ESG Risk levels chart shows the portfolio allocations broken into Sustainalytics' five ESG risk levels: negligible (0-10), low (10-20), medium (20-30), high (30-40) and severe (40+), providing an overview of portfolio exposure to the different ESG risk levels. Index scores are provided alongside the portfolio scores, highlighting the portfolio's ESG risk level compared to the index. Only holdings mapped as corporates are included in the figures.



Environmental Footprint

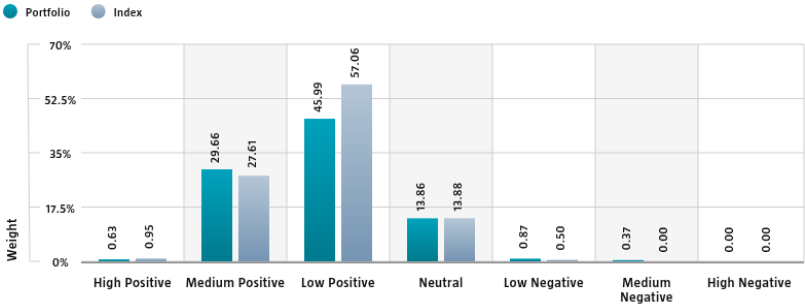
Environmental footprint expresses the total resource consumption of the portfolio per mUSD invested. Each assessed company's footprint is calculated by normalizing resources consumed by the company's enterprise value including cash (EVIC). We aggregate these figures to portfolio level using a weighted average, multiplying each assessed portfolio constituent's footprint by its respective position weight. For comparison, index footprints are shown besides that of the portfolio. The equivalent factors that are used for comparison between the portfolio and index represent European averages and are based on third-party sources combined with own estimates. As such, the figures presented are intended for illustrative purposes and are purely an indication. Only holdings mapped as corporates are included in the figures.



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SDG Impact Alignment

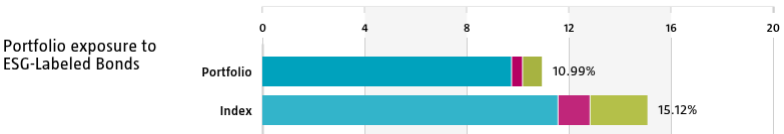
This distribution across SDG scores shows the portfolio weight allocated to companies with a positive, negative and neutral impact alignment with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) based on Robeco’s SDG Framework. The framework utilizes a three-step approach to assess a company’s impact alignment with the relevant SDGs and assign a total SDG score. The score ranges from positive to negative impact alignment with levels from high, medium or low impact alignment. This results in a 7-step scale from -3 to +3. For comparison, index figures are provided alongside that of the portfolio. Only holdings mapped as corporates are included in the figures.



Source: Robeco. Data derived from internal processes.

ESG Labeled Bonds

The ESG-labeled bond chart displays the portfolio's exposure to ESG-labeled bonds. Specifically, green bonds, social bonds, sustainability bonds, and sustainability-linked bonds. This is calculated as a sum of weights for those bonds in the portfolio that have one of above mentioned labels. Index exposure figures are provided alongside the portfolio exposure figures, highlighting the difference with the index.



	Portfolio weight	Index weight
Green Bonds	9.78%	11.60%
Social Bonds	0.43%	1.26%
Sustainability Bonds	0.78%	2.27%

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Engagement

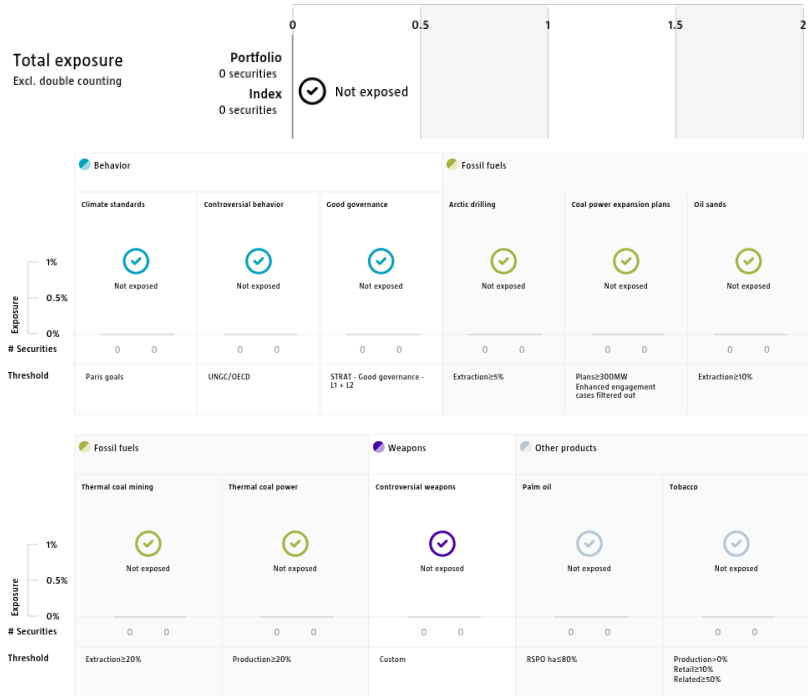
Robeco distinguishes between three types of engagement. Value Engagement focuses on long-term issues that are financially material and/or are causing adverse sustainability impacts. The themes can be broken into Environmental, Social, Governance, or Voting-related. SDG Engagement aims to drive a clear and measurable improvement in a company’s SDG contribution. Enhanced engagement is triggered by misconduct and focuses on companies severely breaching international standards. The report is based on all companies in the portfolio for which engagement activities have taken place during the past 12 months. Note that companies may be under engagement in multiple categories simultaneously. While the total portfolio exposure excludes double counting, it may not equal the sum of individual category exposures.

	Portfolio exposure	# companies engaged with	# activities with companies engaged with
Total (* excluding double counting)	5.93%	3	12
Environmental	3.11%	1	9
Social	0.00%	0	0
Governance	0.87%	1	1
Sustainable Development Goals	0.00%	0	0
Voting Related	5.07%	2	2
Enhanced	0.00%	0	0

Source: Robeco. Data derived from internal processes.

Exclusions

The Exclusions charts display the degree of adherence to exclusion applied by Robeco. For reference, index exposures are shown beside that of the portfolio. Thresholds are based on revenues unless otherwise indicated. For more information about the exclusion policy and which level applies, please refer to the Exclusion Policy and Exclusion List available on Robeco.com.



Source: We use several data sources such as Sustainalytics, RSPO (Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil), World Bank, Freedom House, Fund for Peace and International Sanctions; further policy document available [Exclusion Policy](#)

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Key risks

- The value of shares is sensitive to market fluctuations, instrument prices, and changes in political, economic, or market conditions. The fund invests primarily in bonds issued by financial institutions. Adverse developments within this sector may materially affect the fund's value.
- The fund may use derivatives to achieve its investment objectives. These instruments can create leverage, increasing the fund's exposure to market fluctuations.
- A (derivative) counterparty may fail to fulfil its obligations. Counterparty risk is reduced by exchanging collateral.
- The fund invests in assets that could become less liquid in certain market conditions, which may affect their value.
- Sustainability risk factors may negatively impact investment returns. This fund promotes ESG characteristics but does not have a sustainability objective.

Fund manager's CV

Jan Willem de Moor is Portfolio Manager Investment Grade with a focus on European and financial bonds. Working together with the Insurance and Pensions Solutions team, he is also responsible for the management of buy & maintain portfolios. Prior to joining Robeco in 2005, he worked at the Dutch Medical professionals' pension fund as an Equity Portfolio Manager and at SNS Asset Management as an Equity Portfolio Manager. Jan Willem has been active in the industry since 1994. He holds a Master's in Economics from Tilburg University. Jan Willem Knoll is Portfolio Manager Investment Grade in the Credit team. He joined the Credit team in 2016 as Analyst for the Financials sector. Previously, Jan Willem headed the Financials Equity sell-side research team at ABN AMRO. He started his career in the industry in 1999 at APG, where he held several positions including Portfolio Manager of global insurance portfolio pan-European financials portfolios. Jan Willem holds a Master's in Business Economics from the University of Groningen and he is a CFA® Charterholder.

Team info

The Robeco Financial Institutions Bonds fund is managed within Robeco's credit team, which consists of nine portfolio managers and twenty-three credit analysts (of which four financials analysts). The portfolio managers are responsible for the construction and management of the credit portfolios, whereas the analysts cover the team's fundamental research. Our analysts have long term experience in their respective sectors which they cover globally. Each analyst covers both investment grade and high yield, providing them an information advantage and benefiting from inefficiencies that traditionally exist between the two segmented markets. Furthermore, the credit team is supported by dedicated quantitative researchers and fixed income traders. On average, the members of the credit team have an experience in the asset management industry of seventeen years, of which eight years with Robeco.

Fiscal product treatment

The fund is established in Luxembourg and is subject to the Luxembourg tax laws and regulations. The fund is not liable to pay any corporation, income, dividend or capital gains tax in Luxembourg. The fund is subject to an annual subscription tax ('tax d'abonnement') in Luxembourg, which amounts to 0.05% of the net asset value of the fund. This tax is included in the net asset value of the fund. The fund can in principle use the Luxembourg treaty network to partially recover any withholding tax on its income.

Fiscal treatment of investor

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