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April 2025

As at 30/04/2025

## Fund Data

# **Investment Policy**

The objective of the investment policy is to achieve an outperformance of the Benchmark iBoxx EUR Corporate Index. To this end, the Fund invests primarily in investment grade corporate bonds denominated in Euros or hedged against the Euro. The Fund is actively managed.

# Fund Management's Comment

In April, Euro investment grade (IG) credit markets navigated through turbulent waters stirred on by most notably President Trump's tariff announcements, which triggered a sharp sell-off of risky assets. Despite this, markets recovered about half of the spread losses, buoyed by a move towards tighter interest rates, culminating in a positive total return. The volatility from U.S. policy changes may be prompting global investors to diversify away from the US, potentially benefiting the Eurozone.

The €G market saw a slight increase in new issuance to €48bn from March's €45bn, driven by a €20.3bn surge in US based issuers, among these were a €6.75bn issue from Google which had a €30bn order book.

Amidst a bustling earnings season, with a majority of companies surpassing expectations, the market performance reflected resilience: the iBoxx € Corporate Index rose by 0.99%. In contrast, Bunds surged by 2.03%, underscoring a flight to quality amidst global uncertainties. Euro investment widened 16bp compared to government bonds, making April the weakest month since the banking crisis of early 2023. DWS Invest Euro Corp made 0.85% over April ending the month slightly behind the index.

# Performance



Explanations and modeling techniques; assumption: an investor wishes to purchase units for EUR 1,000.00 With a maximum sales charge of 3.00% of the gross investment amount, the investor has to pay EUR 1,030.93. That corresponds to 3.09% of the net investment amount. The gross performance (BVI method) includes all costs incurred at the fund level, the net performance also includes the sales charge; additional costs may be incurred at the investor level (e.g. custody costs). Since the sales charge is only levied in the first year, the net/gross amount shown is different only in this year. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. (Source: DWS Investment GmbH)

Cumulative performance (in %) - share class LC(EUR)												
	1 m	1 y	3 y	5 y s	. Inception	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2021	2022	2023	2024
EUR	0.8	5.5	5.7	2.0	64.8	0.6	1.9	0.4	-1.4	-15.5	8.2	4.8
BM IN EUR	1.0	6.1	6.7	2.5	65.9	1.0	2.2	0.5	-1.1	-14.2	8.2	4.6

Further Characteristics (3 years) / VAR (1 year) - share class LC(EUR)									
Volatility	6.39%	Maximum Drawdown	-8.61%	VAR (99%/10 days)	1.47%				
Sharpe Ratio	-0.12	Information Ratio	-0.39	Correlation Coefficient	0.99				
Alpha	-0.34%	Beta	1.02	Tracking Error	0.77%				

#### Portfolio Analysis Portfolio Breakdown (in % of fund volume) Corporate Bonds 62.3 Financial bonds 30.6 Cash equivalents 32 Emerging markets corporates 1.4 Agencies 1.3 Covered Bonds 0.2 20 Other Securities

Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.

Breakdown by Rating	(in % of bond holdings)	Asset Allocation	(in % of fund volume)
AAA	I 1.1	Bonds	95.9
AA	4.9	Money market funds	3.2
A	30.8	Investment funds	1.8
BBB	58.5	Cash and other assets	-0.9
BB	3.7	Future Long	11.9
В	0.8	Future Short	-9.6
Not Rated	0.2		

## Morningstar Category™

EUR Corporate Bond

Ratings (As at: 31/03/2025) Morningstar Overall Rating™: ÅÅÅ

Lipper Leaders:

2230

The structure refers to internal and external ratings (may include S&P) https://go.dws.de/sp-disclaimer.





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Portfolio Analysis					
Breakdown by Currency		(in % of fund volume)	Largest Issuer		(in % of fund volume)
Euro		100.0	JPMorgan Chase & Co.		1.4
			AT & T Inc.		1.3
			Johnson & Johnson		1.1
			MORGAN STANLEY& CO	LLC	1.1
			Koninklijke KPN N.V.		1.0
			BNP Paribas S.A., Paris		1.0
			UBS Group AG		1.0
			Bayerische Landesbank, M	lünchen	1.0
			TotalEnergies Capital Inter	national S.A.	0.9
			Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A.		0.0
			Total		10.7
Incl. forward exchange transactions, neg-	ative and positive	figures reflect expected	Cross weighting not adjus	ted for derivative positions.	
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Breakdown by Country (Bonds)		(in % of fund volume)			
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Cumulative performance (in %)												
	1 m	1 y	3 y	5 y	s. Inception	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2021	2022	2023	2024
FC(EUR)	0.8	5.8	6.7	3.5	74.3	0.7	2.2	0.7	-1.1	-15.2	8.5	5.1
FC10(EUR)	0.8	6.0	7.3	4.6	7.6	0.8	2.4	0.9	-0.9	-15.0	8.7	5.4
IC(EUR)	0.8	6.0	7.4	4.7	20.0	0.8	2.4	0.9	-0.9	-15.0	8.7	5.4
IC100(EUR)	0.9	6.2	8.0	5.7	11.2	0.9	2.6	1.1	-0.7	-14.9	8.9	5.6
ID100(EUR)	0.9	6.2	8.1	5.7	10.7	0.9	2.6	1.1	-0.7	-14.8	8.9	5.6
LC(EUR)	0.8	5.5	5.7	2.0	64.8	0.6	1.9	0.4	-1.4	-15.5	8.2	4.8
LD(EUR)	0.8	5.5	5.7	2.0	53.2	0.6	1.9	0.4	-1.4	-15.5	8.2	4.8
NC(EUR)	0.8	5.0	4.4	-0.1	53.7	0.5	1.5	0.0	-1.8	-15.8	7.7	4.4
TFC(EUR)	0.8	5.8	6.7	3.5	5.0	0.7	2.2	0.7	-1.1	-15.2	8.5	5.1

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Portfolio Manager	Karsten Rosenkilde	Assets	2,310.4 Mio. EUR
Portfolio Manager since	15/06/2009	Fund Currency	EUR
Portfolio Management Company	DWS Investment GmbH	Launch Date	21/05/2007
Portfolio Management Location	Germany	Fiscal Year End	31/12/2025
Management Company	DWS Investment S.A.	Investor profile	Growth-oriented
Legal Structure	SICAV		
Custodian	State Street Bank International GmbH, Zweign. Luxe		

Share	Class	es									
Share Class	Cur.	ISIN Code	German Sec. Code	Earnings	Front-end Load up to	<sup>1</sup> Issue Price	Redemption Price	Management Fee p.a.	Running costs / TER p.a.	plus performance- related fee p.a.	Minimum Invest- ment Amount
FC	EUR	LU0300357802	DWS 0M6	Accumulation	0.00%	174.28	174.28	0.600%	0.67% (1)		2,000,000
FC10	EUR	LU1844096583	DWS 2WZ	Accumulation	0.00%	107.61	107.61	0.400%	0.46% (1)		10,000,000
IC	EUR	LU0982748476	DWS 103	Accumulation	0.00%	119.98	119.98	0.400%	0.44% (1)		10,000,000
IC100	EUR	LU1490674006	DWS 13H	Accumulation	0.00%	111.16	111.16	0.200%	0.24% (1)		100,000,000
ID100	EUR	LU1633890295	DWS 2N5	Distribution	0.00%	95.99	95.99	0.200%	0.24% (1)		100,000,000
LC	EUR	LU0300357554	DWS 0M3	Accumulation	3.00%	169.91	164.81	0.900%	0.97% (1)		
LD	EUR	LU0441433728	DWS 0X4	Distribution	3.00%	119.72	116.13	0.900%	0.97% (1)		
NC	EUR	LU0300357638	DWS 0M4	Accumulation	1.50%	156.00	153.66	1.200%	1.37% (1)		
TFC	EUR	LU1663872726	DWS 2P7	Accumulation	0.00%	105.04	105.04	0.600%	0.67% (1)		
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<sup>(1)</sup> The Total Expense Ratio (TER) generally includes all expense items charged to the Fund apart from transaction costs and performance fees. If the Fund invests portions of its assets in target funds, the costs of the respective target funds will also be taken into account. The Fund incurred the total expenses listed here in its last financial year, which ended on 31/12/2024. They are subject to change from year to year.

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#### Opportunities

In accordance with the investment policy.

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- The fund uses derivatives on underlyings so as to participate in their increases in value or to bet on their losses in value. The increased opportunities associated with this are accompanied by increased risk of loss. Furthermore, derivative transactions may be used to hedge the fund's assets. The use of derivative transactions for hedging purposes may reduce the fund's upside opportunities.
- The fund invests in bonds, the value of which depends on whether the issuer is able to afford its payments. The deterioration of credit quality (ability and willingness to repay) may have an adverse affect on the value of the bond.
- Due to its composition/the techniques used by the Fund management, the investment fund has elevated volatility, i.e. the share price may be subject to significant fluctuations up or down within short periods of time. The share value may fall below the purchase price at which the customer acquired the share at any time.

Important note on the investor profile:

Investor profile: Growth-oriented

The sub-fund is designed for growth-oriented investors who wish to achieve capital appreciation primarily through equity gains and exchange rate movements. Expected earnings are offset by high equity, interest rate and currency risks as well as creditworthiness risks and the possibility of heavy losses of the invested capital, up to the total amount invested. The investor is willing and able to bear such a financial loss, and does not prioritize capital preservation.

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# Glossary



#### Alpha

A measure of the difference between the risk-adjusted return on an investment and a benchmark. The alpha measures the part of the performance that cannot be explained by market movements or market risk, but rather is derived from the selection of securities within the market. Alpha is a way of measuring the active contribution to performance made by the portfolio manager. It is also a good yardstick to use when comparing several funds. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

#### Average dividend yield

Measures the average dividend amount, based on the current share price. This figure is calculated based on the shares (including ADRs/GDRs - > Depositary receipts) and REITs contained in a fund.

## Average market capitalization

Measures the average market capitalization of the shares, REITs and ADRs/GDRs (depositary receipts) contained in a fund. The market capitalization represents the total market value of a company as determined by multiplying the number of shares issued by the current share price.

#### Beta factor

A measure of sensitivity - given as the average percentage change in the price of a fund when the market (benchmark) rises or falls by 1%. A value over (under) 1 means that on average the fund exhibits more (less) volatility than the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

#### Correlation coefficient

Describes the degree to which two values (fund versus benchmark) move in the same direction. The value of the correlation coefficient is between -1 and +1. A correlation of +1 means that the fund generally moves in the same direction as the benchmark, while -1 indicates that the fund generally moves in the opposite direction. A correlation of 0 means that there is no relation between the price movements of the fund and the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

#### Coupon

The coupon is the portfolio's average weighted coupon.

### Duration (in years/in months)

A measure of the sensitivity of an investment to changes in interest rates. Duration, which was developed by Frederick Macaulay, is the average period for which invested capital is committed. Because of the interest payable over time on the invested capital, duration is shorter than -> maturity. This version of duration is used in DWS Top Reporting and refers to invested assets (without "Cash and other holdings").

#### Information ratio

The information ratio measures the difference between the annualized average return of the fund and that of the benchmark, divided by the Tracking error. The higher this value is, the more the investor compensated for the risk in the fund. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

# Maximum drawdown

The maximum drawdown is the largest percentage drop in value in a given period of time. It measures the amount the fund falls from its highest point to its lowest point in the selected timeframe. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

### Modified duration (in years/in months)

Serves as a measure of interest-rate sensitivity. Modified duration indicates the percentage change in price of a bond (in a portfolio) when the market interest rate changes by 1%. In order to calculate the percentage change in the bond price, the modified duration of the bond is multiplied by the percentage change in the interest rate. This figure helps investors assess the risks and opportunities of a bond at a glance.

# Sharpe ratio

A measure of risk developed by William F. Sharpe, defined as the excess return on an investment over that of a risk-free investment in relation to the risk of the investment. The higher the Sharpe ratio, the higher the return the investor receives for the risk the investment carries (expressed in volatility). The Sharpe ratio can be used to compare multiple funds. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

## Tracking error

The tracking error is the standard deviation of the yield differential between a fund and its benchmark. This makes it a measure of how well the fund manager tracks the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

#### VaR (Value at Risk)

A measure of risk that indicates the maximum fund losses with a given probability for a given period of time (holding period). VaR is calculated on the basis of the daily prices of the individual securities contained in the portfolio for a year.

## Weighted Average Life

The weighted average life of the times of the principal repayments of a liability, i.e. a bond. Refers to invested fund assets (without "Cash and other holdings").

#### Yield

The yield is the annual return on a capital investment, measured as the actual interest earned (effective yield) on the capital invested. It is based on the fund's income (e.g., interest, dividends, realized capital gains) and change in the price of the assets held in the fund. The yield of a fund is

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derived from the invested assets (without "Cash and other holdings") and is presented as a "gross" figure, i.e., before the deduction of total expenses/fee.

#### Volatility

Volatility expresses the degree to which the yield on an investment (the price performance of a fund, for example) varies from a mean value in a specific period of time. This makes it a measure of fund risk. The greater the variation from the mean, the higher the volatility. Knowing the volatility allows investors to assess how uncertain the return potential of an investment is. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.