

# MIDAS - Bond Opportunities B - Acc

Monthly summary report | as at 31 March 2019

## Investment Objective

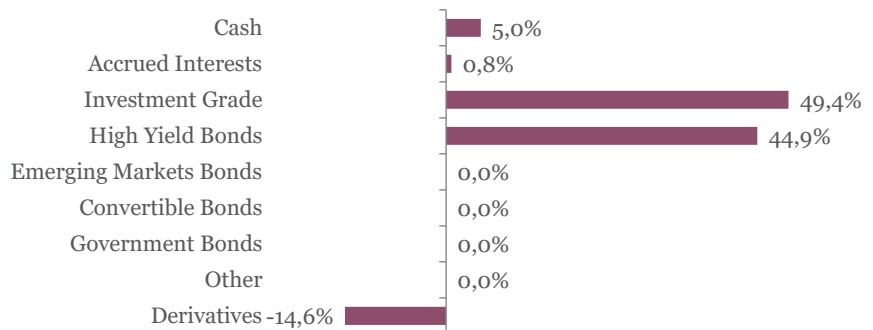
The fund seeks to achieve capital appreciation over the medium term by investing in a diversified portfolio of Euro-denominated fixed income securities (investment-grade corporate bonds, government bonds, high yield and emerging market debt as well as convertible bonds). The main focus is put on bottom-up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

Latest Update		Performance	1M	YTD	2018	2017	2016	3Y	5Y
NAV per share	127,93	Bond Opportunities B	0,92%	2,52%	-4,89%	4,87%	4,11%	6,79%	7,80%
2019 year-to-date return as at 31/03/2019	2,52%								

## Fund key facts

Inception date	17 September 2010
ISIN code	LU0541880133
Asset class	Bonds in EUR
Total fund assets	€ 108 million
Base currency	EUR
Legal status	Luxembourg UCITS
Management Fee	0,75%
Custodian	Crédit Suisse Lux
Liquidity	Daily
Settlement Date	Trade Date + 2 Days

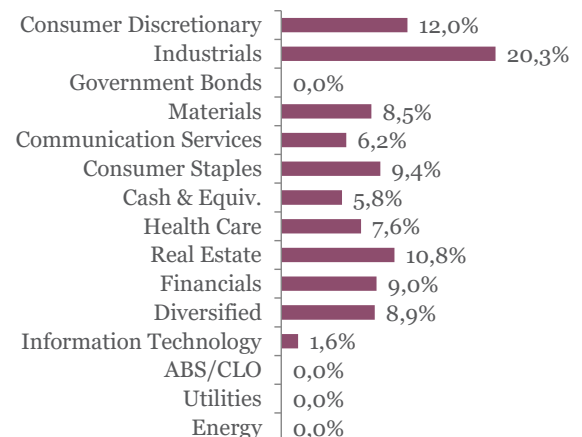
## Asset Allocation



## Top 10 bond holdings

	YTM	Rating	Weight
AROUNDTOWN SA : ARNDTN 1 01/07/25	1,4%	BBB+	2,3%
AUCHAN SA : AUCHAN 2 5/8 01/30/24	1,6%	BBB	1,9%
EL CORTE INGLES : CRTING 3 03/15/24	1,2%	BB+	1,9%
BANQ FED CRD MUT : BFCM 1 1/4 01/14/2	0,5%	A	1,9%
GLENCORE FINANCE : GLENLN 1 7/8 09/1	0,9%	BBB+	1,9%
FRESENIUS FIN IR : FREGR 1 1/2 01/30/2	0,7%	BBB-	1,9%
VILMORIN ET COMP : RINFP 2 3/8 05/26/	0,4%	NR	1,9%
WELLS FARGO CO : WFC 1 3/8 10/26/26	0,9%	A-	1,9%
BECTON DICKINSON : BDX 1.401 05/24/2;	0,7%	BBB	1,9%
BNP PARIBAS : BNP 1 1/2 11/17/25	1,1%	A-	1,9%

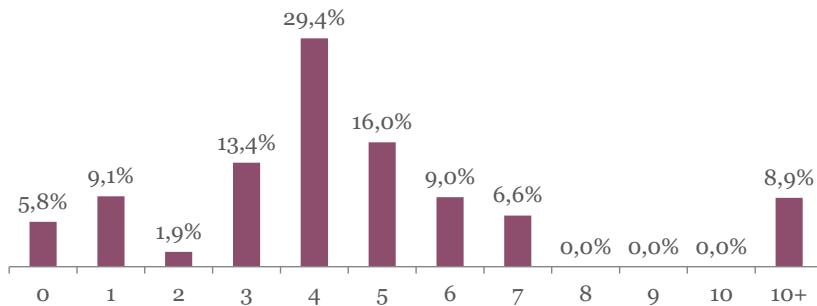
## Sector breakdown



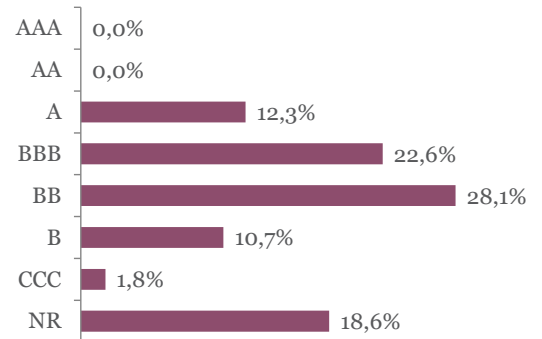
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## Duration breakdown



## Rating breakdown



## Top funds holdings

ISHARES EURO HY	High Yield Bonds	8,9%
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## Market Review

Government yields sank in March on weak economic data and dovish central banks. US 10Y yield plummeted 31 bps to 2.41% and the German 10Y yield reached its lowest point since 2016, declining 25 bps to -0.07%. The EUR yield curve flattened with the long-end decreasing the most, as the 2-30 German slope decreased by 15 bps to 118 bps. Eurozone government spreads were stable overall, with the exception of Spain which widened by 6 bps vs. Germany.

Corporate bonds performed positively. Both Bloomberg Barclays EUR Corporates IG and HY indices increased, by 1.39% and 0.92% respectively. They were supported by the yield effect, while spreads were mixed (IG -7 bps, HY +11 bps) despite the equity rally (Euro Stoxx 50 +1.82%). In IG, long-dated bonds performed well, while in HY, BB outperformed B.

## Portfolio Performance

The fund gained 0.92% in March. IG corporate bonds contributed the most, thanks to the interest rate component and good bond selection (Aroundtown, Glencore, Auchan, Renault, Fresenius). HY bonds also performed well, with single B being the largest contributor (Atalian, Selecta, Almaviva, Sarens, Fives).

## Market Outlook

We were more constructive on credit spreads as the macro environment proved to be more resilient, especially with the support of central banks. So, we increased high yield bonds, mostly in favour of BB names. HY now represent about 40% of the fund, compared to about a quarter the previous month. Instead, we vanished government bonds and cash & equivalent as yields turned negative. We also increased investments in private debt through Midas Short Duration fund and a direct investment in commercial real estate in the city centre of Bordeaux (FIB Gambetta).

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\*Performance has been calculated since inception on the 17th of September 2010 of Expert Investor Sicav Midas Bond Opportunities Fund which merged into Midas Sicav Bond Opportunities Fund on the 1st of August 2016.