

# Evli Corporate Bond B

Long-term fixed income fund that invests in European corporate bonds with both low and high credit ratings.

## MANAGER'S COMMENT

February was a rough month for the financial markets. Fears of persistent inflation and central bank rate hikes weighed on the market in the beginning of the month. After Russia attacked Ukraine, the selling intensified. The European Investment Grade market had a monthly return of -2.65% and the High Yield market -2.89%.

The fund's monthly return was -3.00%, a bit worse than the index (-2.79%). The fund's shorter duration and investment in non-rated bonds performed well, but our Investment Grade bonds performed worse than the market. During the month, we reduced some of our longer-dated Investment Grade bonds and bought some BB rated shorter-dated High Yield bonds instead. The spreads for both Investment Grade and High Yield have now risen above the 20-year median, which is a good sign longer term. When interest rates have also risen, this means that the fund yield is among the highest in years. The fixed income market has started to price in rate hikes. We also believe in rate hikes, even though this year could turn out to be very volatile as the war in Ukraine both increases inflation as well as is a drag on growth. Therefore, it is possible that the volatility will persist for some time. We still believe shorter-dated cross-over bonds will outperform the market.

The fund's YTM has risen to 2.91% from 1.75% last summer. The modified duration is 4.17.

## BASIC INFORMATION

Fund Manager	Mikael Lundström, Jani Kurppa
Benchmark	ICE BofAML EMU Corporates EUR 75%, ICE BofAML High Yield BB-B, 3% constrained ind. 25%
ISIN	FI0008801097
Fund Starting Date	14.9.1999
Morningstar Fund Category™	EUR Corporate Bond
Morningstar Rating™	★★★★☆
SFDR classification	Article 8
Responsibility score	AAA
Carbon footprint (t CO2e/\$M Sales)	120
Subscription Fee, %	-
Redemption Fee, %	-
Management and Custody Fee p.a., %	0.85
Performance Fee, %	-
UCITS IV	Yes

## PERFORMANCE 10 YEARS



Past performance is no guarantee of future returns.

## RISK AND REWARD PROFILE

Lower risk Typically lower rewards Higher risk Typically higher rewards



Read more about the fund risks and calculating the risk category from the KIID-document

## RECOMMENDED INVESTMENT HORIZON

3 years or more

## PERFORMANCE (%)

	Fund	Benchmark	Difference
Year-to-Date	-4.45	-4.12	-0.33
1 Month	-3.00	-2.79	-0.21
3 Months	-4.14	-4.01	-0.12
6 Months	-5.84	-5.19	-0.65
1 Year	-4.24	-3.69	-0.55
3 Years, annual return	0.78	1.01	-0.23
5 Years, annual return	0.85	1.23	-0.38
Since Launch	152.63	163.55	-10.92
Since Launch, annual return	4.21	4.41	-0.20
2021	0.11	-0.07	0.18
2020	2.50	2.51	-0.01
2019	6.10	7.36	-1.26
2018	-2.73	-1.64	-1.09

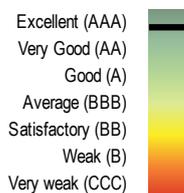
## KEY FIGURES (12 MONTHS)

	Fund	Benchmark
NAV per B unit, EUR	252.634	-
Fund Size, EUR million	182.69	-
Volatility, %	2.56	2.72
Sharpe Ratio	-1.44	-1.15
Tracking error, %	0.60	-
Information ratio	-0.92	-
R2	0.95	-
Beta	0.92	1.00
Alpha, %	-0.81	-
TER, %	0.85	-
Portfolio Turnover	0.30	-
Modified Duration	4.17	4.83
Yield (YTM), %	2.91	2.04
YTW, %	2.91	1.97
OAS	299	216
Avg. Rating	BBB-	BBB+

## RESPONSIBILITY SCORES

The Fund's responsibility scores are an assessment of the Fund's holdings from a responsibility perspective. The Fund's rating scale from best to worst is AAA, AA, A, BBB, BB, B and CCC. The ESG ratings distribution of the Fund's holdings are based on MSCI's analysis. MSCI is an independent ESG research provider offering a comprehensive global database.

Responsibility score	AAA
Environment	A
Social	BBB
Governance	A
Coverage of the analysis (%)	82



**ESG** means factors related to Environmental, Social and Governance issues.

**ESG rating:** companies are analysed and measured by how well they manage key risks and opportunities arising from ESG factors. The assessment is done within the industry.

**Fund's Responsibility score:** based on MSCI's methodology and taking into account the market value-weighted average of the fund's individual companies' ESG ratings, the ratings' trend, and the weight of companies with B and CCC ratings.

## CARBON FOOTPRINT

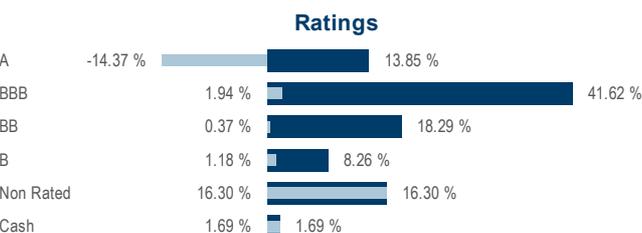
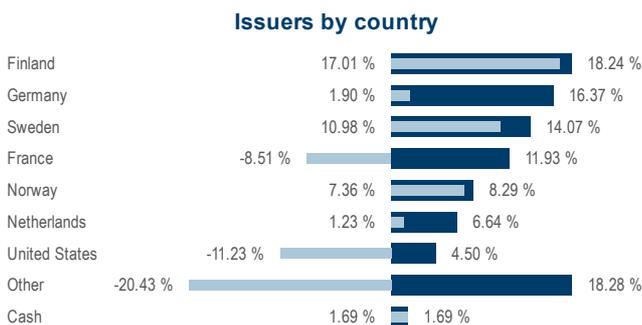
Evli uses weighted average carbon intensity to measure the carbon footprint according to the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD). According to MSCI's analysis, the weighted average carbon intensity is categorized as following Very Low (0 to <15), Low (15 to <70), Moderate (70 to <250), High (250 to <525), and Very High (>=525).

Carbon footprint	120 (t CO2e/\$M Sales)
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[Please read more about Fund's responsibility from its ESG-report >](#)

## PORTFOLIO STRUCTURE

■ Weight  
■ Active weight



## 10 LARGEST INVESTMENTS

Investment	%
Telefonica Emis 12.3.2029 1.788% Callable Fixed	2.84
Telenor 14.2.2028 0.25% Callable Fixed	2.61
Muni Finance Plc 29.12.2049 4.5% Perp/Call VAR	2.46
Kemira Oy 30.3.2028 1% Callable Fixed	2.10
Vattenfall Ab 19.3.2077 3% Callable VAR	1.95
Merck 9.9.2080 1.625% Callable Variable	1.83
Ing Groep Nv 26.5.2031 2.125% Callable Variable	1.64
Citigroup Inc 6.7.2026 1.25% Callable Variable	1.63
Societe Generale 30.6.2031 1.125% Callable Variable	1.54
Bertelsmann Se 15.5.2030 1.5% Callable Fixed	1.53

## 10 LARGEST ISSUERS

Issuer	%
Merck KGaA	2.95
Telefonica Emisiones SA	2.84
Allianz SE	2.67
Telenor ASA	2.61
Kuntarahoitus Oyj	2.46
ING Groep NV	2.10
KEMIRA OYJ	2.10
CITYCON OYJ	2.05
Vattenfall AB	1.95
Storebrand Livsforsikring AS	1.93

## SHARE CLASS INFORMATION

Share Class	A	B	IA	IB	BSEK	BNOK	DSEK
Launch Date	14.9.1999	14.9.1999	29.11.2019	22.5.2017	1.6.2012	23.1.2015	28.11.2017
Currency	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR	SEK	NOK	SEK
NAV 28.2.2022	107.425	252.634	93.298	105.263	1 359.651	1 183.089	1 026.64
Management and Custody Fee per year, %	0.85	0.85	0.45	0.45	0.85	0.85	0.35
TER per year, %	0.85	0.85	0.45	0.45	0.85	0.85	0.35
Sales Registration	FI,SE	FI,SE,FR,ES,IT,DE,CL,LT,LV,EE	FI,SE,ES	FI,SE,ES,IT,DE,CL	FI,SE	FI,SE,NO	FI,SE
ISIN	FI0008801089	FI0008801097	FI4000411152	FI4000243217	FI4000043682	FI4000122908	FI4000283163
Bloomberg	EVLCOBA FH	EVLCOBB FH	EVLCOBIA FH	EVLCOIB FH	EVLCOBBH FH	EVLBNKH FH	EVLCDSH FH
WKN	-	A2N503	-	A2N5ZY	-	-	-
Clean Share	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Minimum Investment	5,000	1,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000	10,000	200,000,000
Profit Distribution	Annually	Accumulated	Annually	Accumulated	Accumulated	Accumulated	Accumulated
Target Investor	Retail	Retail	Institutional	Institutional	Retail	Retail	Retail

## DICTIONARY

**Alpha** describes the effect of the portfolio manager's investment choices on the fund's return compared with the return of an index portfolio with corresponding market risk, i.e. the additional returns obtained by the fund in relation to its market risk.

**Beta** describes the sensitivity of the fund's value to changes in the benchmark index. If the value of the benchmark index changes by one percent, the expected change in the fund's value is beta x 1 percent. On average, the fund's value will change more than the value of the benchmark index if the beta value is greater than 1. A beta value less than 1 indicates the opposite, i.e. that the fund's value will change less than the benchmark value.

**Carbon footprint** Evli uses weighted average carbon intensity to measure the carbon footprint according to the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD). The funds holdings' carbon intensity figures are based on the emissions figures produced by MSCI.

**Duration** measures the average repayment term (in years) of a fixed income instrument. Modified duration indicates the price sensitivity of a fixed income security to changes in interest rates. The higher the duration number, the greater the interest rate risk of the fund portfolio.

**Information Ratio** describes the long-term ability of a portfolio manager to add value through active portfolio management. If the Information Ratio is zero, the long-term return of the fund equals that of the benchmark index. In practice this means that the fund has outperformed the benchmark index, on average, for five years out of ten. The higher the Information Ratio, the greater the probability that the fund will outperform its benchmark. With an IR of 0.5 the fund has outperformed the benchmark, on average, in seven years out of ten, and with an IR of 1.0 in 8.5 years out of ten.

**OAS** describes average credit spread to similar maturity government bonds in basis points (0.01 percentage points). Measures the excess yield of corporate bonds to risk free rate.

**Portfolio Turnover Rate** is a measure of the length of time that a security remains in a portfolio during a given period. The portfolio turnover rate is calculated by subtracting the sum of subscriptions and redemptions of fund units (EUR S+T) from the sum of the securities bought and sold by the fund (EUR X+Y). The turnover is the abovementioned difference divided by the average market value of the fund, which has been calculated from the daily market values over the past 12 months. For example, if all assets have been sold and bought once it would equal to a turnover rate of 1. Portfolio turnover rate =  $((X + Y) - (S + T)) / M \times 100 / 2$ , where X = Securities bought, Y = Securities sold, S = Fund's fund units issued / subscribed, T = Fund's fund units cancelled / redeemed, M = Average total value of net assets.

**R-Square** describes the extent to which the fund's performance is dependent on the performance of the benchmark index. R-square is the square of the correlation coefficient.

**SFDR-classification** In accordance with the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR), article 8 funds promote sustainability factors among other features, and article 9 funds aim to make sustainable investments. Other funds address only sustainability risks in their investments decisions (article 6 funds).

**Sharpe Ratio** indicates the size of return relative to risk taken. The Sharpe ratio measures the fund's return (with volatility of one percent) in excess of a risk-free return. The higher the Sharpe ratio, the more favorable the relationship between return and risk.

**TER** (Total Expense Ratio) is a measure of a fund's total expenses in relation to its average assets and is expressed as an annualized percentage. The expenses include all the fund's management and custody fees and any profit-related fees. Securities commissions are excluded.  $TER = A + B + C + D$ , where A = Management fee charged from the fund's assets, B = Custodian fee that may be charged separately from the fund's assets, C = Account maintenance and other bank charges that may be charged from the fund's assets, D = Any other fees which, according to the fund's rules, are charged directly from the fund's assets. As a rule, funds registered in Finland do not make such charges on top of trading fees.

**Tracking Error** indicates the risk of active portfolio management in relation to the risk of the benchmark index. The higher the number, the more the fund's performance differs from the benchmark's performance. If the tracking error is 5%, the fund's return will deviate in about two years out of three  $\pm 5\%$  of the benchmark's return. The tracking error is zero if the relative weights of the fund's investments are exactly the same as in the benchmark index. Tracking error increases if investment weights are changed relative to the weights of the benchmark index.

**Volatility** is a risk measure generally used in financial markets. It reflects variability in the return of an investment or a portfolio. The higher the volatility, the greater the variability in return and the risk involved. If the fund's expected return is 12% and the volatility is 20%, then the fund's return for two years out of three is  $12 \pm 20\%$ , that is, between -8% and +32%. Volatility is calculated on the basis of the standard deviation of weekly returns and expressed as an annual percentage.

**Yield (YTM), %** Estimated annual rate of return to maturity (yield to maturity).

**YTW, %** Lowest estimated annual rate of return, if bonds are callable before maturity date (yield to worst).

## BASIC INFORMATION

Domicile	Finland
Trade Frequency	Daily
Clearing Time	Trade date + 2
Cut Off Time	14:00 EET (Trade date)
Currency	EUR
Custodian	Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ) Helsinki branch
Auditor	PricewaterhouseCoopers Ltd
NAV Calculation, Fund Registry keeper and Fund Management Company	Evli Fund Management Company Ltd
GIPS Compliant	Yes
Orders In	Shares or currency

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