# Handelsbanken Företagsobligation (A1 SEK)

The fund is actively managed and invests in fixed income securities and corporate bonds issued in SEK and EUR. Investments are made primarily in companies that have a credit rating of Investment Grade, i. e., a minimum of BBB- according to Standard & Poor's or a minimum of Baa3 according to Moody's, or alternatively an equivalent internal rating. The fund may also invest a maximum of 30% in companies below Investment Grade (however a minimum of BB- from S&P or equivalent Ba3 from Moody's), or alternatively an equivalent internal rating. The average remaining duration for the fund's investment total a maximum of seven years. The fund's value growth varies over time and is impacted primarily by the credit market. Holdings are hedged against foreign exchange risk in SEK.The fund is reported as an Article 8 fund pursuant to EU regulation 2019/2088 on sustainability-related disclosures in the financial services sector (SFDR).

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### **Performance**

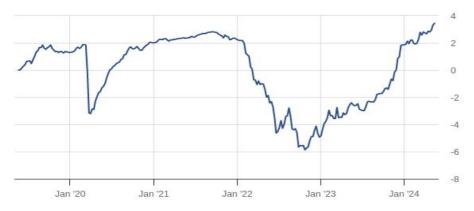
YTD	1 week	1 mth.	3 mån	1 year	5 years	10 years
1.39%	0.21%	0.82%	1.63%	6.16%	3.56%	11.93%

## Average performance

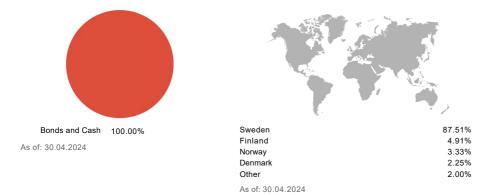
Average. perf.	2 years	3 years	5 years	10 years
Fund <sup>1</sup>	2.17%	0.20%	0.63%	1.10%
Index <sup>2</sup>	2.17%	-0.10%	0.34%	1.12%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Calculated on the fund's monthly closing price

## Five years performance



#### **Portfolio**



Fund performance was positive during the quarter and the fund rose 0.70% in SEK. Q1 was marked by rising interest rates as well as narrowing credit spreads and a good risk appetite. The market's initial pricing for several rapid rate cuts was gradually priced out during the quarter when inflation admittedly declined, although not at the same rate as forecast.

## Fund manager



#### **Erik Gunnarsson**

Experience in the fund industry 2006. Portfolio Manager since 1 November 2017.

Main category Bond Fund Risk 2

Rate 135.41 (17.05.2024) Reporting Currency SEK

Price/Trade Daily

Total Rating™ ★★★

Minimum investment0 SEKMonthly savings0 SEKTraded on the InternetYesManagement Fee0.95%Entry charge0%Exit charge0%

Fund assets 14,760 MSEK

Distribution per fund unit - Distribution date -

Fund, date of launch 10.10.2014 <sup>1</sup>
Share class, date of 10.10.2014 launch

<sup>1</sup> The fund's historical price prior to the launch date is attributed to the merger between Placeringsfonden Handelsbanken Företagsobligationsfond (SEK) (Finland) and Handelsbanken Företagsobligationsfond (Sweden), which occurred on 10 October 2014. The investment focus will be unchanged after the merger and Handelsbanken Fonder AB (Sweden) will remain as the management company after the funds' merger.

#### Largest holdings

Swedish 2 year Goverment Bond Future 20.28% June 24

Swedish 2 Year Stadshypotek Future June 24
Swedish 2 year Nordea Bond Future June 24
Swedish 5 year Nordea Bond Future 6.05%

June 24

Swedish 5 Year Stadshypotek Future 2.42%

June 24

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Benchmark index: Solactive SEK Fix Short IG Credit Index. The information in the table refers to the benchmark index valid at any given time. In the event the fund has previously had other benchmark indexes, this information can be found in the fund's annual report.

Despite rising interest rates, credits posted strength and were primarily driven by stronger than expected company reports and improvement to key figures in general in the sectors that were most affected by rising interest expenses, such as real estate, as well as by a higher demand for issues, which secured financing and liquidity for many companies.

The fund's longer spread duration benefitted from the market performance and contributed significantly to both active and absolute returns. Senior Nordic bank bonds and real estate companies such as Humlegården, Castellum and Fabege were major contributors, together with the holding in subordinated bank bonds.

We are retaining a slightly shorter interest rate duration in total but with an overweight in the shorter durations, while we are retaining a longer spread duration than the benchmark index with an overweight in AAA mortgage futures. Our assessment is that the Riksbank will begin to cut rates in May/June and that the cuts will benefit the risk appetite in the credit market.

The fund participated in several new issues at attractive levels primarily in green bonds from Ellevio, Husqvarna, Lantmännen, Nibe, Castellum and Traton, as well as senior banks and a number of subordinated bonds from LF Bank, SBAB and DNB.

As of: 26.04.2024

 Swedish 5 year Goverment Bond Future
 1.89%

 June 24
 1.52%

 Vattenfall AB 5.897%
 1.52%

 SBAB Bank AB (publ) 7.085%
 1.40%

 Millicom International Cellular SA 6.955%
 1.38%

 Volvo Treasury AB (publ) 4.46%
 1.35%

Historical yields are not a guarantee of future returns. A fund can both increase and decrease in value and it is not guaranteed that you will recover the entire invested amount. Note that a fund with risk level 5-7, as stated in the fund's fact sheet (KID), can vary greatly in value due to the fund's composition and management methodology. The prospectus, fund rules and KID are available under each fund. Summary of investors' rights.

The fund's fact sheet, risk level, fund rules and prospectus are available at www.handelsbanken.se/funds. Handelsbanken does not assume liability for any errors in the information.

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