# Handelsbanken Euro Corporate Bond Fund (A7 EUR)

The fund invests in interest-bearing financial instruments, denominated in EUR, SEK, DKK and NOK, that are issued by companies, mortgage institutions and states. A maximum of 2% of the fund's value may have exposure to currency risk in SEK, NOK or DKK. Investments are made primarily in companies with high credit worthiness, so-called Investment Grade. In addition, the fund may invest a maximum of 30% in High Yield companies, i.e., below Investment Grade, alternatively an equivalent internal rating. The average residual duration of the fund's investments is between 0 and 7 years. 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**

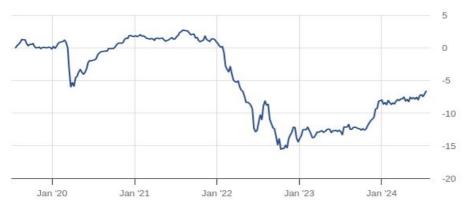
YTD	1 week	1 mth.	3 mån	1 year	5 years	10 years
1.31%	0.06%	0.73%	1.41%	6.35%	-6.65%	-

## Average performance

Average. perf.	2 years	3 years	5 years	10 years
Fund <sup>1</sup>	2.73%	-3.00%	-1.37%	-
Index <sup>2</sup>	3.16%	-2.27%	-0.80%	-

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

# Five years performance



### **Portfolio**



Bonds and Cash 100 00%

As of: 30.06.2024

Sweden	28.74%
Germany	18.84%
Finland	13.19%
Denmark	10.63%
Spain	6.61%
France	6.10%
Netherlands	3.17%
Norway	3.10%
United Kingdom	2.90%
Other	6.72%
As of: 30.06.2024	

Q2 was an eventful quarter. Global interest rates have fluctuated and several central banks began their phase of rate cuts. Inflation and the measures taken by the central banks have had an impact on the financial markets.

In April, the focus of discussions was on whether or not the US central bank, the Fed, would cut its key rate in 2024, given that the US inflation rate is being more persistent than expected. This led to upturns in interest rates and weak stock markets. At the

### **Fund manager**



#### Karin Göransson

Experience in the fund industry 2006. Portfolio Manager since 1 January 2019.

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Risk		

101.43 (22.07.2024) Rate

Reporting Currency FUR Price/Trade Daily Total Rating™

Minimum investment 100,000 EUR

Monthly savings Traded on the Internet Management Fee 0.4% Entry charge 0% Exit charge

1,676 MSEK Fund assets

Distribution per fund unit -Distribution date

Fund, date of launch 20.04.2016 20 04 2016 Share class, date of

# Largest holdings

Danske Bank A/S 1.375%

Euro Bund Future Sept 24	7.76%
Euro Schatz Future Sept 24	5.18%
Euro Bobl Future Sept 24	5.06%
OP Corporate Bank PLC 1.625%	2.36%
Fastighets AB Balder 1.875%	2.06%
Castellum Helsinki Finance Holding Abp 2%	2.05%
DnB Bank ASA 3.625%	1.75%
Teollisuuden Voima Oyj 1.125%	1.66%
SBAB Bank AB (publ) 4.875%	1.61%

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Benchmark index: Solactive ISS ESG Screened Euro IG Corporate Bond TR Index (100%). 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.

same time, geopolitical tensions continued in the Middle East.

However, the situation quickly changed and risk sentiment improved at the beginning of May. Fed chief Powell indicated that it is unlikely that the next policy rate move for the Fed will be a rate hike, which increased market expectations for a soft landing in the economy. The Riksbank chose to be one of the first central banks within G10 to cut its key rate, which was the first cut since 2016. The European Central Bank, ECB, followed with a cut in June. The credit markets have been functioning well and the market for new issues has been very active throughout the entire quarter.

Fund duration has been neutral to long during these significant rate movements. The fund's selection of bonds was the strongest contributor to returns relative to its benchmark index. Companies such as Castellum, Telefonica and Kojamo were the strongest contributors. We also chose to sell a number of holdings, such as the Spanish bank Banco Credito Social, that have tightened to a great extent and instead made new investments in YIT and EDP.

As of: 11.07.2024

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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