# Handelsbanken Hållbar Global High Yield 

## Investment Focus

The fund is actively managed, which means that the portfolio manager takes active, independent investment decisions. The long term objective of the fund is to exceed the returns of the underlying market, defined as the benchmark index. Fund returns are determined by how the fund's investments in interest-bearing instruments increase or decrease in value. The fund's investments in sustainable bonds shall be invested in green and social bonds in which the borrowed capital is used for diverse projects and activities to promote efforts related to sustainability and the environment, or in bonds issued by issuers that promote a sustainable development in line with the Sustainable Development Goals. The fund invests worldwide in bonds and hedges them to SEK. A maximum of $2 \%$ of the fund's value may have exposure to currency risk. The fund's investments shall have a minimum credit rating of B- from Standard \& Poor's or Nordic Credit Rating or B3 from Moody's, an equivalent alternative of the two, as well as in instruments in which the Management Company has determined the credit worthiness and bear a rating that is equivalent to the aforementioned ratings. The fund shall have an average duration between two and six years. International norms and guidelines with regard to the environment, social responsibility and corporate governance are taken into consideration within the scope of the fund's investment focus. The fund applies an exclusion strategy in companies active within the fossil fuels, military equipment, tobacco, cannabis, alcohol, commercial gambling and pornography areas/sectors. The fund may invest in sustainable, social and green bonds issued by companies involved in power generation from fossil fuels. The fund may invest in derivative instruments as part of its investment focus. The fund may invest a maximum of $10 \%$ of the fund capital in fund units. We compare the fund's performance with Solactive ISS ESG Screened USD EUR SEK NOK High Yield TR SEK Hedged Index. As the fund is actively managed the performance will over time deviate from this index. Additional information about the sustainability work, the share class designation in parentheses and the management in relation to the funds benchmark index and risk level, may be found in the prospectus.

## Portfolio

The fund rose by $2.6 \%$ during H1 2024*.
The benchmark index rose by $2.0 \%$ over the same period. The fund outperformed its benchmark index after taking into account management fees. This was primarily due to an overweight in Spanish banks that performed strongly as well as an overweight in the Nordic corporate bond market where the liquidity premium is higher than the rest of the market. Global rates rose in H1 2024, which was a period marked by an increased risk appetite and a positive performance in the equity and credit markets. Favorable financial conditions, together with an expansive fiscal policy and a continuation of resilient private consumption, strengthened the prospects for continued strong corporate earnings. When inflation data was higher than forecast in the spring, the central banks were forced to signal that there was no rush to cut rates, which resulted in a rise to market rates. The fund's duration has been relatively neutral in its positions during H 1 , although we chose to increase the duration slightly at the end of the period as we believe that the geopolitical risks have increased.
The fund was more defensively positioned in credit risk at the beginning of the year. As economic data and company reports are presented during the year, we believe that challenges remain for companies and the credit market, although the outlook has improved. We chose to selectively lower our defensive positioning in Q2 as a result of softer central banks, further growth, lower refinancing risks since the capital markets have been receptive to new issues regardless of rating classes, and companies with increased focus on managing their balance sheets to a greater extent than previously. We continue to hold a slightly shorter duration relative to index, which is a direct result of our higher exposure to the Nordic credit market in which durations are shorter.
The overweight in Spanish banks was one of the fund's stronger positions,
most notably the Spanish bank Banco de Credito Social Cooperativo, where the positive development in the Spanish economy's rating has affected the Spanish banks. The Danish energy company European Energy received a new majority shareholder, which reduced the company's debt and had a major impact on the bond's price and was also a strong contributor to fund performance. The short-term fixed rate bonds within real estate posted the weakest performance when the market rates rose. There were high levels of green, social, sustainable and sustainability-linked bonds in the well-functioning capital market during H 1 . One of the issuers was Energias De Portugal (EDP), which is a transition company, i.e., the company invests a high proportion of its capital expenditures in renewable energy. The fund participated in EDP's issue of a green subordinated bond in H 1 .
*The fund may have additional share classes, the concerned share class is stated in the Fund facts. Refer to fund statistics for comparable index

## Significant risks

The fund is a fixed income fund and an investment in fixed income securities or in a fixed income fund is associated with interest rate risk, which means that fund returns are affected by interest rate changes. A fund that invests in fixed income instruments with a long residual fixed interest duration has a higher interest rate risk than a fund that invests in fixed income instruments with a shorter residual fixed interest duration. The average residual fixed interest duration on the holdings in the fund is a maximum of 6 years. The fund invests in corporate bonds for which liquidity is frequently lower, and the variation in liquidity is considered to be higher than in the fixed income market in general. This can impact the fund's ability to manage significant outflows at a relatively low cost. An investment in an fixed income instrument results in a credit risk, as the fund can be affected by a loss due to an issuer not fulfiling its commitments. The credit risk is higher when the fund's proportion of assets in fixed income securities issued by companies or states with a low credit quality is high. The fund's investments may include assets with higher credit risk, so-called high yield. The fund may invest in derivatives as part of its investment focus to increase returns in the fund and to create leverage. Investments in derivatives can increase the fund's sensitivity to market fluctuations. A sustainability risk is an environmental-, social-, or corporate governance-related event or condition that, should it occur, could cause an actual or potential significant adverse impact on a company's value. Accordingly, environmental-related, as well as social-, or governance-related events can arise from a company's own business operations or from events that occur independently of the company. The sustainability risks in the fund are systematically measured and followed up. The risk is deemed to be low and the actual measurement will be reported in the annual report.

## Trading with derivatives

According to the fund rules, the fund may trade with derivatives as part of its investment focus. The fund did use this option during 2024. The fund has the option of lending securities. The fund did not use this option during 2024. The fund may use other techniques and instruments. The fund did not use this option during 2024.

- Highest leverage during the financial year
168.9\%
- Lowest leverage during the financial year
124.9\%
- Average leverage during the financial year
139.8\%


## Fund performance*


*The graph is indexed with starting value 100. Performance is shown in the fund's base currency. The fund may have several share classes.

| Fund facts - history |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |

Benchmark: Solactive ISS ESG Screened USD EUR SEK NOK High Yield TR SEK Hedged Index
The fund's benchmark represents a comparable reference with regard to the fund's investment focus, types of assets, markets or relevant sectors. In the event the fund issues dividends, performance is calculated with distributions added back. Detailed information for the share classes' designation (nomenclature) is provided in the funds Prospectus.

Refer to the last pages for definitions.

## Fund facts - costs

| Max. allowed mgmt. costs in \% according to fund rules |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Hållbar Global High Yield A1 | 0.95 |
| Hållbar Global High Yield A9 | 0.50 |
| Hållbar Global High Yield A10 | 0.30 |
| Hållbar Global High Yield B1 | 0.95 |
| Collected mgmt. costs in \% of average fund capital |  |
| Hållbar Global High Yield A1 | 0.95 |
| Hållbar Global High Yield A9 | 0.50 |
| Hållbar Global High Yield A10 | 0.30 |
| Hållbar Global High Yield B1 | 0.95 |
| Management fees and other administrative or operating costs, \% |  |
| Hållbar Global High Yield A1 | 0.95 |
| Hållbar Global High Yield A9 | 0.50 |
| Hållbar Global High Yield A10 | 0.30 |
| Hållbar Global High Yield B1 | 0.95 |
| Transaction costs, SEK thousand | 125 |
| Transaction costs in \% of turnover | 0.00 |

## Fund facts - other key figures

[^0]Risk and return measurements*

| Total risk \% - A1 SEK | 5.4 | Information ratio - A1 SEK | Negative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total risk \% - B1 SEK | 5.4 | Information ratio - B1 SEK | Negative |
| Total risk in index \% - A1 SEK | 6.9 | Sharpe ratio - A1 SEK | 0.5 |
| Total risk in index \% - B1 SEK | 6.9 | Sharpe ratio - B1 SEK | 0.5 |
| Benchmark $\begin{array}{lr}\text { Scr } \\ & \text { SEK N } \\ & \text { SEK }\end{array}$ |  | Sharpe ratio in index - A1 SEK | 0.7 |
|  |  | Sharpe ratio in index - B1 SEK | 0.7 |
|  |  | Duration, year | 2.5 |
| Active return \%-A1 SEK | -2.1 | Spread exposure \% | 8.2 |
| Active return \%-B1 SEK | -2.2 |  |  |


|  | 30 jun 2024 | $\%$ of fund capital | 31 dec 2023 | $\begin{gathered} \% \text { of fund } \\ \text { capital } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ASSETS |  |  |  |  |
| Transferable securities | 2,171,319 | 95.0 | 2,036,234 | 93.6 |
| Money market instruments | 39,822 | 1.7 | - |  |
| OTC derivative instruments with positive market value | 514 | 0.0 | 6,288 | 0.3 |
| Total financial instruments with positive market value ${ }^{\text {Note 1) }}$ | 2,211,655 | 96.8 | 2,042,522 | 93.8 |
| Bank assets and other liquid assets | 70,308 | 3.1 | 197,325 | 9.1 |
| Prepaid expenses and accrued income | 29,311 | 1.3 | 29,992 | 1.4 |
| Total assets | 2,311,274 | 101.1 | 2,269,839 | 104.3 |
| LIABILITIES |  |  |  |  |
| OTC derivative instruments with negative market value | 12,723 | 0.6 | 4,891 | 0.2 |
| Total financial instruments with negative market value | 12,723 | 0.6 | 4,891 | 0.2 |
| Accrued expenses and prepaid |  |  |  |  |
| income | 1,425 | 0.1 | 10,321 | 0.5 |
| Other liabilities | 11,350 | 0.5 | 78,053 | 3.6 |
| Total liabilities | 25,497 | 1.1 | 93,256 | 4.3 |
| Fund capital | 2,285,777 | 100.0 | 2,176,572 | 100.0 |
| ITEMS INCLUDED IN THE BALANCE SHEET |  |  |  |  |
| Collateral received for OTC derivatives ${ }^{1)}$ | 189 | 0.0 | 17,144 | 0.8 |
| Collateral provided for OTC derivatives ${ }^{2)}$ | 18,912 | 0.8 | 14,177 | 0.7 |
| Collateral provided for other derivatives ${ }^{3)}$ | 6,398 | 0.3 | 5,237 | 0.2 |

1) Cash and cash equivalents SEK $189 t$
2) Cash and cash equivalents SEK $159,096 \mathrm{t}$, Cash and cash equivalents SEK $3,816 \mathrm{t}$
3) Cash and cash equivalents SEK $6,398 \mathrm{t}$

Note 1) for Balance sheet

## Fund holdings in financial instruments

Transferable securities admitted to trading on a regulated market or equivalent market outside the EEA

Number/Nominal
amount in 1000's $\begin{array}{r}\text { Market value } \\ \text { SEK } t\end{array} \quad \begin{gathered}\% \text { of fund } \\ \text { capital }\end{gathered}$

## LISTED FIXED-INCOME SECURITIES

FOREIGN ISSUER, OTHERS
Banco Bilbao Viz Arg 6\% Perp
Banco Sabadell 2,625\% 2026-03-24
Bank of Ireland Group 1,375\% 2031-08-11
BCC 7,5\% 2029-09-14
BCC 8\% 2026-09-22 Bewi FRN 2026-09-03
Bulk Infrastructure FRN 2026-09-15
CPI Property Group 7\% 2029-05-07
Cullinan Holdco SCSp 4,625\% 2026-10-15
EDP FRN 2054-05-29
European Energy FRN 2025-09-16
Faurecia 2,75\% 2027-02-15
Ford Motor 3,25\% 2032-02-12
GLX Holding FRN 2027-02-23
Hapag-Lloyd 2,5\% 2028-04-15
Huhtamäki 4,25\% 2027-06-09
Klabin Austria 3,2\% 2031-01-12
Klaveness FRN 2028-09-05
Klaveness FRN 2028-09-05
Koninklijke KPN 6\% Perp
amor 10\% 2026-08-24
Millicom International FRN 2027-01-20
Nemak 2,25\% 2028-07-20
Oeyfjellet Wind 2,75\% 2026-09-14
Orsted 1,75\% 2027-09-09
Orsted $5,125 \%$ 3024-12
Paprec Howng 3,5\% 2028-07-0
Piraeus Financial Hldg 3,875\% 2027-11-03
Rexel 2,125\% 2028-06-15
Stora Enso 4,75\% 2027-02-08
Telecom Italia 1,625\% 2029-01-18
Telefonica Europe 2,502\% Perp
Telefonica Europe 2,88\% Perp
Telefonica Europe 5,7522\% Perp
Telefonica Europe 7,125\% Perp
TenneT 2,374\% Perp
Terna Rete Elettrica 2,375\% Perp
Teva Pharma Finance 4,75\% 2027-05-09
Teva Pharma Industries 3,75\% 2027-05-09
Teva Pharma Industries 4,375\% 2030-05-09
Valeo 1\% 2028-08-03
Valeo 5,375\% 2027-05-28
Verde Bidco 4,625\% 2026-10-01
VZ Secured Financing B.V. 5\% 2032-01-15
VZ Vendor Financing 2,875\% 2029-01-15
Wallenius Wilhelmsen FRN 2028-08-31
YIT FRN 2027-06-18
ZF Europe Finance 4,75\% 2029-01-31
ZF Finance 2,25\% 2028-05-03
ZF Finance 2\% 2027-05-06

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| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 9,000 | 101,634 | 4.4 |
| 3,100 | 34,869 | 1.5 |
| 3,000 | 32,164 | 1.4 |
| 7,000 | 87,998 | 3.8 |
| 1,300 | 15,441 | 0.7 |
| 6,000 | 65,418 | 2.9 |
| 28,000 | 29,277 | 1.3 |
| 4,000 | 44,608 | 2.0 |
| 5,000 | 47,369 | 2.1 |
| 2,300 | 25,940 | 1.1 |
| 1,625 | 18,644 | 0.8 |
| 6,000 | 64,981 | 2.8 |
| 3,500 | 30,667 | 1.3 |
| 13,000 | 13,447 | 0.6 |
| 2,000 | 21,458 | 0.9 |
| 6,200 | 70,286 | 3.1 |
| 4,000 | 35,873 | 1.6 |
| 17,000 | 17,543 | 0.8 |
| 16,000 | 16,511 | 0.7 |
| 3,000 | 35,586 | 1.6 |
| 1,000 | 11,593 | 0.5 |
| 25,000 | 25,330 | 1.1 |
| 3,800 | 3,922 | 1.7 |
| 1,100 | 1,868 | 0.5 |
| 3,130 | 31,799 | 1.4 |
| 1,500 | 17,158 | 0.8 |
| 4,000 | 43,037 | 1.9 |
| 3,000 | 33,463 | 1.5 |
| 500 | 5,226 | 0.2 |
| 15,000 | 15,364 | 0.7 |
| 6,100 | 60,048 | 2.6 |
| 2,200 | 23,668 | 1.0 |
| 1,800 | 19,082 | 0.8 |
| 2,000 | 23,243 | 1.0 |
| 4,200 | 51,722 | 2.3 |
| 3,600 | 39,737 | 1.7 |
| 4,000 | 41,880 | 1.8 |
| 3,000 | 30,625 | 1.3 |
| 5,500 | 60,904 | 2.7 |
| 2,000 | 21,908 | 1.0 |
| 3,700 | 36,756 | 1.6 |
| 3,000 | 35,077 | 1.5 |
| 2,600 | 28,925 | 1.3 |
| 4,000 | 36,139 | 1.6 |
| 4,000 | 39,175 | 1.7 |
| 25,000 | 25,399 | 1.1 |
| 1,000 | 11,617 | 0.5 |
| 4,900 | 55,755 | 2.4 |
| 1,500 | 15,626 | 0.7 |
| 5,500 | 58,221 | 2.5 |
|  | $1,756,979$ | 76.9 |


|  | Number/Nominal amount in 1000's | Market value SEK t | $\begin{gathered} \text { \% of fund } \\ \text { capital } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FOREIGN ISSUER, STATE |  |  |  |
| Colombianska staten 8\% 2035-11-14 | 1,000 | 10,871 | 0.5 |
|  |  | 10,871 | 0.5 |
| OTHER |  |  |  |
| Castellum FRN 2029-01-18 | 40,000 | 41,238 | 1.8 |
| Diös Fastigheter 4,995\% 2026-10-16 | 40,000 | 40,138 | 1.8 |
| Fastighets Emilshus FRN 2027-06-26 | 22,500 | 22,485 | 1.0 |
| FastPartner FRN 2027-02-02 | 20,000 | 19,225 | 0.8 |
| NP3 Fastigheter FRN 2026-04-12 | 25,000 | 26,018 | 1.1 |
| SSAB FRN 2026-06-16 | 20,000 | 20,373 | 0.9 |
| Stendörren Fastigheter FRN 2026-12-21 | 12,500 | 13,074 | 0.6 |
| Stenhus Fast i Norden FRN 2026-10-13 | 30,000 | 31,260 | 1.4 |
| Volvo Car 2,5\% 2027-10-07 | 2,100 | 22,589 | 1.0 |
| Volvo Car 4,75\% 2030-05-08 | 1,220 | 13,853 | 0.6 |
| Volvo Car 5,375\% 2026-03-02 | 22,000 | 22,264 | 1.0 |
| Zengun Group FRN 2028-02-05 | 10,000 | 10,250 | 0.4 |
|  |  | 282,766 | 12.4 |
| Listed fixed-income securities |  | 2,050,615 | 89.7 |
| Other financial instruments admitted to trading on a regulated market or equivalent market outside the EEA |  |  | 0.0 |
|  | Underlying <br> Exposure SEK t | Market value SEK t | $\begin{gathered} \% \text { of fund } \\ \text { capital } \end{gathered}$ |
| INTEREST RATE FUTURES |  |  |  |
| Euro-Schatz Future Sep 2024 | 272,730 | 0 | 0.0 |
| US 2Y Note (CBT) Future Sep 2024 | 656,693 | 0 | 0.0 |
| US 5Y Note (CBT) Future Sep 2024 | 125,882 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Interest rate futures |  | 0 | 0.0 |
|  | Underlying Exposure SEK t | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Market value } \\ \text { SEK } \mathrm{t} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \% \text { of fund } \\ \text { capital } \end{gathered}$ |
| INTEREST SWAP, OTC |  |  |  |
| Interest Rate Swap-EUR-20270918 | -204,301 | 356 | 0.0 |
| Interest Rate Swap-EUR-20280918 | -56,750 | 158 | 0.0 |
| Interest swap, OTC |  | 514 | 0.0 |
| Other financial instruments |  |  | 6.5 |
|  | Number/Nominal amount in 1000's | Market value SEK t | $\begin{gathered} \text { \% of fund } \\ \text { capital } \end{gathered}$ |

UNLISTED FIXED INCOME SECURITIES
FOREIGN ISSUER, OTHERS

| Hat Holdings 3,375\% 2026-06-15 | 2,500 | 24,987 | 1.1 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Project Grand UK 9\% 2029-06-01 | 1,000 | 11,388 | 0.5 |
| Scatec FRN 2028-02-07 | 28,000 | 28,406 | 1.2 |
| Sunnova Energy 5,875\% 2026-09-01 | 3,000 | 24,611 | 1.1 |
|  |  | 89,391 | 3.9 |
| OTHER |  |  |  |
| Bonava FRN 2027-03-11 | 31,500 | 31,313 | 1.4 |
|  |  | 31,313 | 1.4 |
| Unlisted fixed income securities |  | 120,704 | 5.3 |
|  | Number/Nominal amount in 1000's | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Market value } \\ \text { SEK } \mathbf{t} \end{array}$ | \% of fund capital |
| CERTIFICATE |  |  |  |
| Diös Fastigheter DI FC 2024-08-06 | 40,000 | 39,822 | 1.7 |
| certificate |  | 39,822 | 1.7 |
|  | Underlying Exposure SEK t | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Market value } \\ \text { SEK } \mathbf{t} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\%$ of fund capital |

OTC DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENT
FX SWAPS
J. P. Morgan NOK/SEK 20240918

SEB EUR/SEK 20240918
SEB NOK/SEK 20240918
SEB NOK/SEK 20240918

| SEB USD/SEK 20240918 | $-28,844$ |  | -86 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $-201,214$ | $-1,160$ | -0.0 |
|  |  | $-12,723$ | -0.6 |
| OTC derivative instrument |  | $-12,723$ | -0.6 |


| Total financial instruments with positive market value | $2,211,655$ | $\mathbf{9 6 . 8}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Total financial instruments with negative market value | $-12,723$ | $\mathbf{- 0 . 6}$ |
| Net, other assets and liabilities | 86,844 | 3.8 |
| Total fund capital | $\mathbf{2 , 2 8 5 , 7 7 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 . 0}$ |

The numbers in the tables are rounded to the nearest thousand and first decimal point, respectively, which may result in an amount in the summation of the columns that differs from the final total.

## Compilation, Company and Group exposure

| Company/Group | \% of fund capital | Company/Group \% | \% of fund capital |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Telefonica Europe | 5.1 | Valeo | 3.1 |
| BCC | 4.5 | Volvo Car | 2.6 |
| Teva Pharmaceutical Finance | 3.6 | Orsted | 2.1 |
| Diös Fastigheter | 3.5 | Klaveness Combination Carrier | $r$ r 1.5 |

## Information from Handelsbanken Fonder AB

## Management Company's Board of Directors, CEO, Auditors and Personnel As of June 30, 2024

## Handelsbanken Fonder AB

## Board of Directors

DANIEL ANDERSSON, Chairman
Executive Vice President, Svenska Handelsbanken AB (publ), Head of the Handelsbanken Savings and Financing
MALIN HEDMAN BJÖRKMO
Consultancy specializing in corporate governance and financial regulations
HELEN FASTH GILLSTEDT
Managing Director and owner of a management consultancy firm

## LARS SEIZ

Strategic advisor in asset management
ÅSA HOLTMAN ÖHMAN
Employee representative for the Union of Financial Sector Employees, Regional section, CHK club, Svenska Handelsbanken AB (publ)

Chief Executive Officer
MAGDALENA WAHLQVIST ALVESKOG

## Management Company's auditors

Elected at the Annual General Meeting
PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS AB, PETER NILSSON

## Personnel and organisation

The Management Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Svenska Handelsbanken AB (publ).

Key members of management within Handelsbanken Fonder AB are as follows:
Chief Executive Officer Head of Sustainability

MAGDALENA WAHLQVIST ALVESKOG

Deputy Chief Executive Officer
EMMA VIOTTI

Chief Operating Officer Head of Compliance
CARINA ROECK HANSEN
Head of Risk
FREDRIK ALHEDEN

Head of Corporate Governance and Board secretary STAFFAN RINGVALL

Head of Legal
FREDRIK KÖSTER

Head of Sustainability
AURORA SAMUELSSON
Head of Products and Communications
EMMA VIOTTI

MONIKA JENKS
Head of Sales
STEFAN BLOMÉ

CIO Active Asset Management KATARINA PASCHAL

CIO Passive Asset Management and Asset Allocation PÄR SJÖGEMARK

## Information from Handelsbanken Fonder AB

## Corporate Governance

Handelsbanken Fonder exercises an active ownership role. The purpose is to participate so that the Company takes decisions that lead to a sustainable and positive value growth, which in turn benefit our unit holders. We view our ownership role from a longterm perspective, given that changes in companies often take time to implement. As a guideline for our actions, the Board of Directors of Handelsbanken Fonder has adopted a Policy for shareholder engagement and responsible investments. Our work is also guided by those principles established in the Swedish Corporate Governance Code. The Management Company's work in nomination committees is also regulated by the Guidelines for nomination committees.
An essential channel is the regular contacts that our portfolio managers have with those companies in which we invest or intend to invest. This provides a very good opportunity to present our views on the performance demonstrated by the companies. We emphasize good corporate governance, sustainability and transparency at the companies in which we invest.
Handelsbanken Fonder AB participates in a number of nomination committees where we have a sufficiently large ownership to be able to influence the recommendations to the composition of the board of directors. The board shall have extensive and relevant competence and its composition shall be characterized by different perspectives. We work actively for a more equal distribution of genders in the boards. The management companies ambition is to vote at the annual general meetings where we have significant ownership and where our votes could impact the course of events, which is normally over approximately 0.5 per cent of the votes.

We participate in a substantial number of annual meetings each year, in the Nordics, but also in other countries where we have a substantial ownership In some cases, companies request a dialogue with shareholders prior to a proposal being presented at the annual meeting to gain support for the proposal by the major shareholders.
Handelsbanken Fonder AB participates in such discussions to the extent we have been invited and presents our views that aim at achieving a favourable result for unit holders.
The Management Company's Policy for shareholder engagement and responsible investments is available on our website at: https://www.handelsbanken.se/sv/om-oss/svenska-dotterbolag/ handelsbanken-fonder/our-work.

## Responsible Investments

Handelsbanken Fonder's vision is to create financial wealth and planetary health through sustainable investments. In order to clarify our path to achieving this, we have established sustainability goals, constituting part of Handelsbanken Group's obligations under the UN Principles for Responsible Banking, which the Bank signed in 2019, and the fund company's obligations according to the Net Zero Asset Managers (NZAM) initiative. The purpose of setting quantitative goals is to ensure measurable results, and also allow our stakeholders to follow our development. The goals encompass all of our funds, and relate to two main areas.
Paris-aligned investment portfolios

- 50 per cent reduction in our funds' emission intensity by 2030.
- doubling of investments in climate-related solutions by 2030.

Increase our contribution to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

- increase the proportion of sustainable investment by 30 per cent by 2025.
- increase engagement activities with a positive outcome every year until 2025.
Handelsbanken Fonder's sustainability work is guided by our Policy for shareholder engagement and responsible investment. The Policy describes the starting point for integration of sustainability, our undertakings in terms of Global Compact, the Principles for

Responsible Investment (PRI) and international norms and conventions. It also describes the methods for sustainability applied in the asset management and principles of our corporate governance. Read more about this in the reports for each individual fund and in the Management Company's Policy for shareholder engagement and responsible investments that is available at: https://www.handelsbanken.se/sv/om-oss/svenska-dotterbolag/handelsbanken-fonder/our-work.

## Accounting and valuation principles

The Annual Report is drawn up in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The accounting principles for the securities funds are based on the Swedish Investment Funds Act (2004:46) and on the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Act (2013:561) for our non-UCITS funds, ESMA's guidelines. The principles are also based on the Swedish Investment Fund Association's Guidelines for Key Ratio Accounting of Swedish UCITS and non-UCITS funds as well the Financial Supervisory Authority's regulations regarding Swedish UCITS funds (FFFS 2013:9) and the Financial Supervisory Authority's regulations regarding alternative investment fund managers (FFFS 2013:10) for our non-UCITS funds. Further, applicable provisions in the Swedish Accounting Act are also applied. Accounting is based on the transaction date.

## Valuation principles

Financial instruments, assets and liabilities are valued at market value.
Equities and equity-related instruments are valued primarily at the official closing price, thereafter at the latest trading price from the same day as the time of the valuation.
Interest-bearing securities are valued primarily at the bid price. Swedish government bonds and covered bonds are valued primarily at the median mid-yield.
Interest rate and currency derivatives that are not exchange-traded are valued in accordance with generally-accepted valuation models.
In the event a reliable price is unavailable, alternatively the instrument is not regularly traded, a valuation model can be utilized. This also applies when an instrument that is normally valued through the use of a market price is no longer deemed to have a reliable price.
Financial instruments, assets and liabilities that are revalued to the fund's portfolio currency are recalculated based on the official closing exchange rate on the balance sheet date.

## Foreign withholding taxes

Due to the changes in the tax regulations for Swedish funds on January 1, 2012, as well as the developments within taxation, there is significant uncertainty with regard to the application of withholding taxes on equity distributions. This can result in both higher revenues and increased expenses regarding withholding taxes in funds with foreign holdings. The revenues or expenses will be reported when received or paid, respectively. The distributions will be reported in the amount actually received, although it cannot be ruled out that the withholding taxes can be revised, which would result in an additional withholding tax on the previously received distributions made in the fund. A remittance (repayment of withholding tax paid) is reported when received. With regard to restitution for certain funds and from certain countries, e.g., Denmark and Finland, the principle of reporting restitution when received or paid can be waived if there are tax and reporting grounds for doing so.

## More information

You will find the complete information brochure with fund rules, fact sheets and current share price performance on our website at www.handelsbanken.se/funds. For further information on the subscription and redemption of fund units, please contact your local Handelsbanken branch office.

## Definitions

## Fund statistics

Average fund capital - Calculated as the mean value of the fund's net asset value during the year (or that portion of the year during which the fund existed). The fund's net asset value is calculated on a daily basis.

Average yearly return, 2, 5 and 10 years, respectively - The fund's average effective annual yield during the last 2,5 or 10 years, respectively.

Collected management costs in \% of average fund capital - Actual management fees collected. Expenses are calculated daily and represent costs for management, administration, marketing and distribution. Expressed in percent of the average fund capital and calculated on a rolling 12-month basis.
Costs for monthly savings SEK 100 Total costs charged to a unit holder who had SEK 100 invested on the first banking day of each month during the year and retained the investment throughout the year. Calculated for the full year only and for funds and share classes that have existed during the full year. The corresponding amount for funds with EUR as the base currency is EUR 10 The corresponding amount for funds with NOK as the base currency is NOK 100.

Costs for one-time subscription SEK 10000 - Total costs charged to a unit holder who had SEK 10000 invested in the fund at the beginning of the year and retained the investment throughout the year. Calculated for the full year only and for funds and share classes that have existed during the full year. The corresponding amount for funds with EUR as the base currency is EUR 1000 . The corresponding amount for funds with NOK as the base currency is NOK 10000.

Dividends per unit - The Management Company determines the amount of the dividend to be paid to fund unit holders of the distribution share class on an annual basis. Distributions are paid to those fund unit holders registered for distribution shares on the distribution date determined by the Management Company.
Duration - The duration of a fund is a measure of how sensitive the fund is to changes in interest rates. Simply stated, it is the weighted average of the residual maturity in the fund's investments. Measured in years or months.
Fund capital - The fund's net asset value on the closing date for the respective year.
Fund's total net flow - Subscriptions less redemptions in the fund, excluding reinvested dividends and any flows from mergers.
Index - The index used by the fund as its benchmark.

Index incl. dividends - Performance of the fund's benchmark during the respective year. Performance is expressed in percent and is converted to the currency for each share class in those cases where the index is published in another currency. The table shows the index including dividends.

Management fees and other administrative or operating costs - From the 1 of January management fees and other administrative or operating costs replace ongoing charges. The cost measurement includes management fee and refer to the ongoing costs in the fund, excluding transaction costs for securities, interest expenses, transaction-related tax expenses and any performance-based fees.
When the fund engages in security lending, 80\% of the revenue earnings derived from the lending agreement is allocated to the fund whilst the remaining 20\% is allocated to the securities lending agent. Given that the revenue allocation agreement increases the fund's costs, the remuneration paid to the securities lending agent will be included in the management fees and other administrative or operating costs.
The measure is based on the fees deducted from the fund during the period. It is expressed as a percentage of the average fund capital and calculated on a rolling 12-month basis.
A supplement for the underlying fund's most recently available management fees and other administrative or operating costs, after deducting for discounts received, will be added for funds that invest in other funds.
Net asset value - Net asset value expressed as the rate prevailing on the balance sheet date for the respective year.
Number of units - The number of outstanding units on the last banking day for the respective year. Reported in thousandths of units.
Other assets in the balance sheet contain receivables for unsettled trades, received after balance sheet date. This applies to both sold securities and issued fund shares.

Other costs in the income statement include transaction costs, taxes and bank costs.
Other financial costs in the income statement include expenses for security lending.
Other financial income in the income statement includes premiums for security lending and discounts for management costs in underlying funds. Other income in the income statement ther income in the income statement
refers to money paid back for bank charges and taxes.
Other liabilities in the balance sheet contain liabilities for unsettled trades, paid after balance sheet date. This applies to both purchased securities and redemption of fund shares.
Other techniques and instruments - Techniques and instruments used to improve the effectiveness of fund management refers to the following: techniques and instruments are attribu- table to transferable securities and money market instruments used in a cost-effective manner to lower risks and expenses or to increase returns in the fund with penses or to increase returns in the fund with
a risk level that is consistent with the fund's a risk level that is consistent with the fund's risk profile and applicable rules for the disinstruments include securities lending and agreements on the repurchase of securities sold, i.e., repos and reverse repo transactions.
Risk - The calculation of the fund's risk is the same for all EU member states. 1 is for the lowest risk (small price fluctuations) and 7 is for the highest risk (risk for substantial price fluctuations). The classification is based on the standard deviation (volatility) for the fund, calculated using the unit values over a fiveyear period. If five years of performance is not available, the standard deviation for the relevant comparable index or other benchmark will be used. Risk describes primarily market risk and currency risk.
Share classes - A fund can have several share classes. Different share classes have different conditions, e.g., currency, with dividends or without, management fee or an initial minimum subscription amount. Fund capital is the same for the share classes and therefore information refers to the fund as a whole unless stated otherwise. Fund units within each individual share class are the same size and have the same rights to the assets included in the fund. The distribution in a distribution share class impacts the relationship between the value of units that are non-distribution and the value of the units that are distribution, with the value of the distribution fund units decreasing in relation to the size of the distribution.

Share of turnover conducted via closely related securities companies - The proportion of fund purchases and sales of financial instruments conducted by Handelsbanken in terms of value. Expressed in percent of the fund's total turnover.

Share of turnover conducted between funds managed by the same fund management company - The proportion of fund purchases and sales of financial instruments
conducted on behalf of the securities fund from another fund managed by the same fund management company. Expressed in percent of the fund's total turnover.

Total returns - Reports how the value of a unit has changed during the respective year. If the fund has paid dividends during the year the change in value has been calculated as though the dividend or contribution before tax was added back on the distribution date. Annual return is measured in percent from the date of the previous year's closing date to the closing date for the respective year. Returns for the semi- annual review are reported for the first half of the current year.
Transaction costs - Expressed partly as an amount and partly as a percentage of the value of the financial instruments turned over. The value refers to the overall market value, but for futures and future related instruments the value refers to the exposure value. Calculated on a rolling 12-month basis. Reported in the Income Statement under the heading "Other expenses". Examples of transaction costs are courtage and derivative costs.

Turnover rates (general principle) - The fund's turnover rate calculated, on the one hand, as the ratio between the lowest total amount for securities purchased or sold during the year and, on the other hand, as the average fund capital during the same period. With regard to equity funds, fixed income securities with a residual maturity of a maximum of 397 days at the time of acquisition are excluded from purchased or sold securities. The turnover rate is reported as the number of times turned over per year and is calculated on a rolling 12-month basis.

Turnover rate (leveraged funds) - If a fund has traded with derivative instruments during the period and the turnover calculation conducted in accordance with the general principle makes the turnover information appear misleading, the fund's turnover rate is also calculated by decrea- sing the total of purchased and sold financial instruments during the period by the total of the subscribed and redeemed units in the fund. This amount is divided by the fund's average fund capital during the period. Negative turnover arises when the total amount for purchased and sold fund units exceeds the total amount for purchased and sold derivatives.

Volume of lent securities as a \% of total lendable assets - Is the market value of lent securities as of the balance sheet date divided by the market value of the fund's financial instruments with positive market value.
shows how much the fund will depreciate, in percent of the value of the fund, if the spread between the value of a fixed income fund and government bonds is doubled. Calculated as capital-weighted credit duration multiplied by the spread of the instrument (differential) compared to the government yield curve.

Tracking error measures the standard deviation of the difference in the yields between the fund and its benchmark (the variation in the relative yields). The historical tracking error indicates how much the fund's yield has deviated from benchmark.

Total risk/Total risk in index is stated as the standard deviation for variations in the monthly yields of the fund/index. The higher the number, the higher the risk.
VaR is a parametric in this case and is calculated in accordance with the covariance method. The covariance matrix is presented by the risk system and is updated on a monthly basis. The confidence level is 95\% and the time horizon is one day.
und has underperformed its benchmark.
Index shows the average returns on the underlying market in which the fund invests.

Sharpe ratio/Sharpe ratio in index is a measure of the fund/index's return, taking into consideration the risk of the fund/index. A high return attained at a lower risk is better than an equivalent return attained at a high risk. Calculated, on the one hand, as the ratio between the return, less the risk-free interest (interest on government securities) and, on the other hand, as the total risk of the fund/ index. The Sharpe ratio is the most relevant ratio for comparing.

Spread exposure is shown for fixed income funds, as of the closing date, and is a measure of credit risk. The spread exposure

## Key figures for risk follow-up

In order to obtain relevant comparisons, dividends have been reinvested in the funds and their respective benchmarks. All key figures have also been calculated on the basis of the Annual effective yields. The values for the past two years have been used for the majority of the funds. A risk forecast has been made for more recent funds, with fund holdings as of balance sheet date as the basis. In these cases, historical data for relevant reference portfolios is used for the calculation of the risk forecast.
Active return states the annual over- or under effective return attained by the fund in comparison to its benchmark.
Active Share compares the equity fund's holdings with the holdings in its benchmark. The key figures are stated in percent, from $0 \%$ (exact same distribution as the index) to $100 \%$ (none of the holdings are included in the index). The measurement is calculated as one-half of the sum of the absolute deviations between a securities' weighting in the fund and its weight in the index.

Information ratio is a measure of the active returns attained by the fund when deviating from its benchmark. It is the ratio between the active returns and the tracking error. A negative information ratio means that the

## Abbreviations

A number of abbreviations are used for certain securities in the table of contents:

The prospectus, fund rules and fact sheets for each fund are available in the mutual fund price list at handelsbanken.se/funds.

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## About risk

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. Summary of investors' rights, prospectus, fund rules and KID are available under each fund at handelsbanken.se/funds.


[^0]:    Turnover rate
    0.5

    Share of turnover conducted via closely-related securities companies in $\%$............................
    Share of turnover conducted between funds managed by Handelsbanken Fonder AB, \% ...... 0.0

