

- The Fund aims at long-term income and lower volatility by investing in short duration high yield rated corporate bonds of the United States of America ("US") bond markets in accordance with environmental and social characteristics. The Fund aims to achieve the Sustainability KPI with the adoption of the Sustainability Key Performance Indicator Strategy (Absolute) ("KPI Strategy (Absolute)"). The Fund does not constitute as an ESG fund pursuant to the SFC's circular issued on 29 June 2021.
  - The Fund is exposed to significant risks of investment/general market, creditworthiness/credit rating/downgrading, default, interest rate, valuation, sovereign debt, country and region, and the adverse impact on RMB share classes due to currency depreciation.
  - The Fund is exposed to sustainable investment risks relating to KPI Strategy (Absolute) (such as foregoing opportunities to buy certain securities when it might otherwise be advantageous to do so, selling securities when it might be disadvantageous to do so, and/or reducing risk diversifications compared to broadly based funds) which may result in the Fund being more volatile and have adverse impact on the performance of the Fund and consequently adversely affect an investor's investment in the Fund.
  - The Fund may invest in high-yield (non-investment grade and unrated) investments and convertible bonds which may subject to higher risks, such as volatility, loss of principal and interest, creditworthiness and downgrading, default, interest rate, general market and liquidity risks and therefore may adversely impact the net asset value of the Fund. Convertible may also expose to risks such as prepayment, equity movement and greater volatility than straight bond investments.
  - The Fund may invest in financial derivative instruments ("FDI") which may expose to higher leverage, counterparty, liquidity, valuation, volatility, market and over the counter transaction risks. The Fund's net derivative exposure may be up to 50% of the Fund's net asset value.
  - This investment may involve risks that could result in loss of part or entire amount of investors' investment.
  - In making investment decisions, investors should not rely solely on this material.
- Note:** Dividend payments may, at the sole discretion of the Investment Manager, be made out of the Fund's capital or effectively out of the Fund's capital which represents a return or withdrawal of part of the amount investors originally invested and/or capital gains attributable to the original investment. This may result in an immediate decrease in the NAV per share and the capital of the Fund available for investment in the future and capital growth may be reduced, in particular for hedged share classes for which the distribution amount and NAV of any hedged share classes (HSC) may be adversely affected by differences in the interests rates of the reference currency of the HSC and the base currency of the Fund.



Multiple currency share classes (including currency-hedged share classes<sup>^</sup>) available  
AUD/EUR/GBP/  
HKD/RMB/  
SGD/USD

# Allianz

## US Short Duration High Income Bond

- Potential sustainable income opportunities
- Diversification to overall fixed-income allocation
- Investment capability in managing short duration, high-yielding assets

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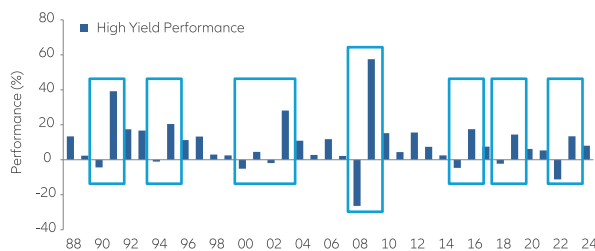
# Market Insights

## 1. Yield Opportunity amid tighter monetary environment

- Bonds with longer durations tend to be more sensitive to rising interest rates than those with shorter durations. In a tighter monetary environment, US short duration high yield bonds offer a compelling yield opportunity with lower interest-rate sensitivity to enhance diversification and relative performance.
- With the market trading at a discount to face value, high yield bonds offer attractive total return potential and spreads that compensate for risks.

Chart 1 source from ICE Data Services, as at September 2024. High yield performance is measured using ICE BofA US High Yield Index. Past performance, or any prediction, projection or forecast, is not indicative of future performance.

Chart 1: Historical positive returns following a down year

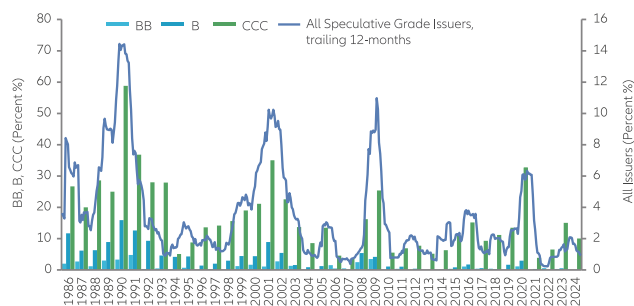


## 2. Default Rates remain below historical peaks

- Credit fundamentals are healthy, near-term refinancing obligations remain low and management continues to prioritize debt reduction. Default rates are expected to remain well below the historical cycle peak.

Chart 2 source from BofA, JP Morgan, as at September 2024. Past performance, or any prediction, projection or forecast, is not indicative of future performance.

Chart 2: Historical defaults rates of high yield bonds

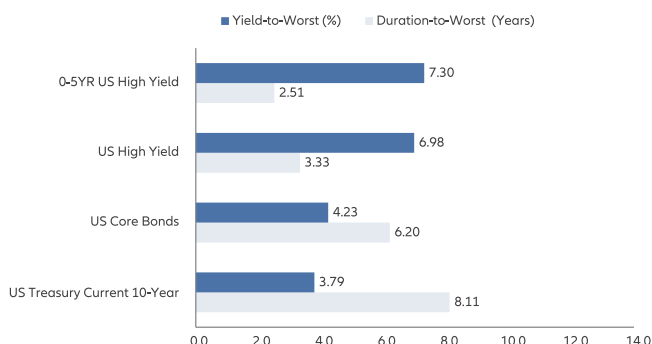


## 3. Shorter maturity, attractive yields

- Short duration high yield bonds provide a higher yield while offering shorter maturities than their longer-term counterparts.

Chart 3 source from Voya Investment Management, FactSet, ICE Data Services. Data from November 2009 to September 2024. 0-5 Yr US High Yield: ICE BofA 0-5 Year US High Yield Constrained Index; US High Yield: ICE BofA US High Yield Index; US Core Bonds: Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index; US Treasury Current 10-Year: ICE BofA US Treasury Current 10 Year Index. Past performance, or any prediction, projection or forecast, is not indicative of future performance.

Chart 3: Short duration high yield bonds offer higher yield relative to duration



## Fund Features

### 1. Potential sustainable income opportunities available

- The Fund focuses on long-term income by investing in short duration high yield rated corporate bonds of the US bond markets.
- The Fund's AM share classes aim to pay monthly dividend (dividend yields are not guaranteed, dividend may be paid out from capital).<sup>Note</sup> It helps investors to capture potential source of income.
- Since the inception (10 December 2015) to the end of December 2024, the Fund's AM (USD) Distribution share class has monthly dividend payout and has achieved average historical annualised dividend yield<sup>i</sup> of over 4.6%.

i: The average historical annualized dividend yield means the average of the annualized dividend yield of each month from January 2016 to December 2024. Annualized Dividend Yield =  $[(1 + \text{Dividend Per Share} / \text{Ex-Dividend Date NAV})^{12} - 1] \times 100$ . The annualized dividend yield is calculated based on the latest dividend distribution with dividend reinvested, and may be higher or lower than the actual annual dividend yield. Positive distribution yield does not imply positive return. Dividend is not guaranteed. Historical dividend yield is not indicative of future dividend payouts.

#### Distribution history of Allianz US Short Duration High Income Bond – Class AM (USD) Distribution<sup>Note</sup>

Ex-Dividend Date	Dividend Per Share (USD)	Annualized Dividend Yield <sup>i</sup>
16/12/2024	0.04700	5.98%
15/11/2024	0.04700	6.04%
15/10/2024	0.04700	6.02%
16/09/2024	0.04700	6.04%
16/08/2024	0.04700	6.13%
15/07/2024	0.04700	6.20%

### 2. Mitigating credit risk with an emphasis on higher quality

- Among high yield bonds universe, the Fund exhibits relatively low volatility due to its short duration and a portfolio comprising higher credit quality high yield (HY) bonds. Generally, higher credit quality HY bonds have lower default rates than lower credit quality HY bonds.

ii source from Allianz Global Investors, as at 31 December 2024.

#### Portfolio breakdown

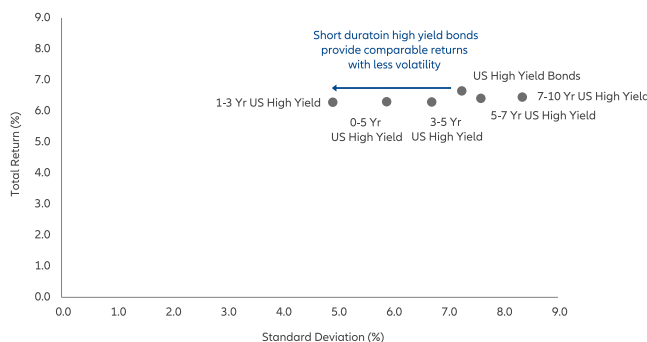
Portfolio Duration Breakdown <sup>ii</sup>		Portfolio Credit Quality Breakdown <sup>ii</sup>	
Duration	%	Credit Rating Allocation	
Cash	2.91%	B	56.76%
0-1 Yr	11.19%	BB	28.15%
1-2 Yrs	19.02%	BBB	6.22%
2-3 Yrs	25.65%	CCC	4.30%
3-4 Yrs	33.50%	A	0.00%
4-5 Yrs	6.55%	Not Rated	1.14%
5-6 Yrs	0.67%	Other	0.51%
Other	0.51%	Cash	2.91%
Duration to Worst	2.52 years	Average	B1/B+

### 3. Better risk-adjusted return

- Short-duration high yield bonds deliver comparable returns to their long-dated counterparts but with reduced volatility.
- Higher-quality high yield bonds may tend to enjoy higher risk adjusted returns and exhibit lower volatility levels.
- The Fund's short-duration, higher-quality bias may therefore deliver better risk-adjusted returns and potential downside mitigation.

Chart 4 source from: Voya Investment Management, FactSet, ICE Data Services. Data from November 2009 to September 2024. 1-3 YR: ICE BofA 1-3 Year US Cash Pay High Yield Index; 3-5 YR: ICE BofA 3-5 Year US Cash Pay High Yield Index; 5-7 YR: ICE BofA 5-7 Year US Cash Pay High Yield Index; 7-10 YR: ICE BofA 7-10 Year US Cash Pay High Yield Index; US High Yield Bonds: ICE BofA US High Yield Index; 0-5 Yr: ICE BofA 0-5 Year US High Yield Constrained Index. Past performance, or any prediction, projection or forecast, is not indicative of future performance.

Chart 4: US high yield market exhibits risk/return variability by maturity





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## Performance Overview – Class AM (USD) Dis.

Cumulative Returns	Year to Date	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception
NAV-NAV (%)	9.27	9.27	14.63	25.11	48.82
Calendar Year Returns	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
NAV-NAV (%)	9.27	12.35	-6.63	4.19	4.75

Monthly Dividend History <sup>2</sup>

Class AM Dis.	Dividend / Share	Annualised Dividend Yield <sup>3</sup>	Ex-Dividend Date
USD	USD 0.04700	5.98%	16/12/2024
H2-EUR	EUR 0.03200	4.06%	16/12/2024
HKD	HKD 0.04600	6.08%	16/12/2024
H2-AUD	AUD 0.03700	5.01%	16/12/2024
H2-GBP	GBP 0.04100	5.39%	16/12/2024
H2-SGD	SGD 0.03260	4.46%	16/12/2024
H2-RMB	CNY 0.02600	3.61%	16/12/2024

## Top 10 Holdings

	Sector	%
NFE FINANCING LLC - 144A 12.0000 11/15/29	GAS DISTRIBUTION	5.5
SAKS GLOBAL ENTERPRISES LLC 12/29 11 - 144A 11.0000 12/15/29	SPECIALTY RETAIL	2.7
WASH MULTIFAM ACQ INC - 144A 5.7500 04/15/26	SUPPORT - SERVICES	2.4
MGM RESORTS INTL - 6.1250 09/15/29	GAMING	2.3
CHAMPIONS FINANCING INC - 144A 8.7500 02/15/29	AUTO PARTS & EQUIPMENT	2.2
UNIVISION COMMUNICATIONS - 144A 8.0000 08/15/28	MEDIA CONTENT	2.2
CVR ENERGY INC - 144A 8.5000 01/15/29	OIL REFINING & MARKETING	2.2
UNITED WHOLESALE MTGE LL - 144A 5.5000 11/15/25	CONS/COMM/LEASE FINANCING	2.0
VISTAJET MALTA/VM HOLDS - 144A 9.5000 06/01/28	AIR TRANSPORT.	1.9
MOBIUS MERGER SUB - 144A 9.0000 06/01/30	INV.& MISC FIN. SERV	1.8
<b>Total</b>		<b>25.2</b>

## Fund Details

Share Class <sup>^</sup>	Class AM (USD) Dis.	Class AM (H2-EUR) Dis.	Class AM (HKD) Dis.	Class AM (H2-AUD) Dis.	Class AM (H2-GBP) Dis.	Class AM (H2-SGD) Dis.	Class AM (H2-RMB) Dis.	Class AMi (H2-JPY) Dis.
Fund Manager <sup>4</sup>	Justin Kass, Jim Dudnick, Steven Gish							
Fund Size <sup>5</sup>	USD 2,637.00m							
Number of Holdings	112							
Sustainability-related Disclosure Regulation <sup>6</sup>	Article 8							
Base Currency	USD							
Subs. Fee (Sales Charge)	Up to 5%							
Mgmt. Fee (All-in-Fee <sup>7</sup> )	1.29% p.a.	1.29% p.a.	1.29% p.a.	1.29% p.a.	1.29% p.a.	1.29% p.a.	1.29% p.a.	1.29% p.a.
Total Expense Ratio <sup>8</sup>	1.34%	1.34%	1.34%	1.34%	1.34%	1.34%	1.34%	1.34%
Unit NAV	USD 9.6548	EUR 9.5914	HKD 9.2894	AUD 9.0305	GBP 9.3219	SGD 8.9183	CNY 8.7438	JPY 1,986.18
Inception Date	10/12/2015	07/03/2016	16/08/2016	01/12/2016	01/12/2016	16/08/2016	02/05/2017	16/12/2024
Dividend Frequency <sup>2</sup>	Monthly	Monthly	Monthly	Monthly	Monthly	Monthly	Monthly	Monthly
ISIN Code	LU1322973634	LU1328247892	LU1449865044	LU1516272264	LU1516272181	LU1451583386	LU1597245817	LU2939346909
Bloomberg Ticker	ALUSDAM LX	ALUSAME LX	ALUSAMH LX	ALUAMH2 LX	ALUAMHG LX	ALUSAMS LX	ALUAMHR LX	ALUSDAH LX

Source: All fund data quoted are Allianz Global Investors/IDS GmbH/Morningstar, as at 31/12/2024, unless stated otherwise.

Allianz Global Investors and Voya Investment Management entered into a long-term strategic partnership on 25 July 2022, upon which the investment team transferred to Voya Investment Management. This did not materially change the composition of the team, the investment philosophy nor the investment process. Management Company: Allianz Global Investors GmbH. Delegated Manager: Voya Investment Management Co. LLC ("Voya IM").

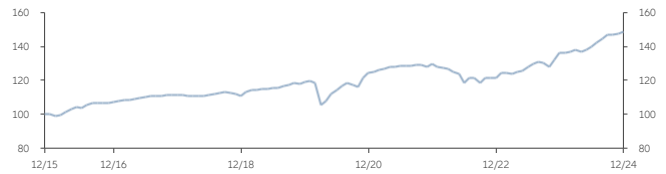
Fund performance is calculated on NAV to NAV basis in denominated currency of the respective share class with gross dividends re-invested. Benchmark performance is calculated in denominated currency of the respective share class. HKD/USD based investors are exposed to foreign exchange fluctuations.

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- 4) Effective from 25 July 2022, this Fund Manager has transferred to Voya Investment Management Co. LLC ("Voya IM") as part of the strategic partnership agreement between Allianz Global Investors and Voya IM.
- 5) The Fund Size quoted includes all share classes of the Fund.
- 6) EU Sustainability-related Disclosure Regulation. Information is accurate at time of publishing.
- 7) The All-in-Fee includes the expenses previously called management and administration fees.
- 8) Total Expense Ratio (TER): Total cost (except transaction costs) charged to the Fund during the last financial year (as at 30/09/2023) expressed as a ratio of the Fund's average NAV. For share classes that have been inception for less than one year as at close of the last financial year (please refer to the Inception Date in the Fund Details table), the TER will be annualised. For share classes inception after the close of the last financial year, the TER will be reflected as N/A.

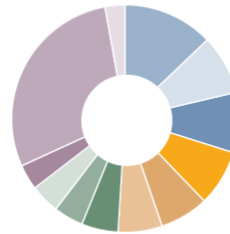
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## Indexed Performance since Inception (NAV-NAV)



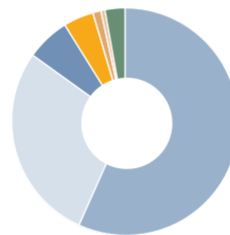
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## Sector Allocation (%)



12.8	CONS/COMM/LEASE FINANCING
8.5	SUPPORT - SERVICES
8.5	GAS DISTRIBUTION
8.0	OIL REFINING & MARKETING
6.9	AIR TRANSPORT.
6.3	SPECIALTY RETAIL
5.2	INV.& MISC FIN. SERV
4.4	MEDIA CONTENT
4.1	HEALTH SERVICES
3.6	SOFTWARE & SERV.
28.8	OTHERS
2.9	LIQUIDITY

## Credit Rating Allocation (%)



56.8	B
28.2	BB
6.2	BBB
4.3	CCC
1.1	NOT RATED
0.5	OTHERS
2.9	LIQUIDITY