



Fund Flash

Nordea 1 - European Financial Debt Fund

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The fund invests selectively in bonds issued by European financial institutions, most notably banks and insurance companies, aiming for superior risk adjusted returns compared to the broader European financial high yield market.¹

Portfolio comment as of 31/07/2022

The market sentiment improved in July after a tough June, with especially AT1 and RT1 alongside higher rated subordinated paper performing strongly. On the flip side, second tier Southern European bank tier 2s had a continued tough time, with for instance Italian bank Monte dei Paschi trading down due to the developing political landscape in Italy and Spanish bank Cajamar having a tough time for no fundamental reason.

In Ireland both AIB and Permanent TSB reported solid progress on several fronts and raised the bar for the future profitability. In the case of Permanent results were solid underlying including NPE's dropping from 5.5% to 5.2% and are expected to drop below 4% after the consolidation of parts of Ulster Bank's books. The transaction will be transformational for the bank including increasing the mortgage book by 40% and management increased their ROE expectations from c. 8% in 2025 to now c. 10% and 12% from 2027 onwards on the back of higher interest rates and business growth. AIB likewise reported a strong set of underlying progress including much better than expected earnings, solid capital and NPEs dropping to now 4.2% with most legacy exposures now gone and on track for c. 3% by YE 2023. AIB is also undergoing a revision of their past ROE targets (>9% earlier) given strong tailwinds and will report revised targets later on. All-in-all this underscores our positive view of the capital instruments of the Irish banks that normally errs on the conservative side in most regards.

Liquidity remained challenging in July. We did however manage to reduce in some select Italian bank tier 2s (namely BPER Banca and Banco BPM) after spreads compressed to higher quality peers. We added a new position in ING AT1s as well as topped up in our legacy CS AT1s. We also switched some exposure from SCOR RT1s into ASR RT1s after relative value having shifted.

In this context, the fund delivered a monthly return equal to 1.12%, bringing YTD performance to -12.06% (BP-EUR).

The portfolio posted positive performance in July, albeit performing slightly worse than the reference index. AT1, RT1 and higher rated bonds performed well in the spread tightening environment, with especially our AT1s performing well. The underperformance came via our exposures to bank tier 2s from Italian Monte and Spanish Cajamar and Ibercaja.

Period	Performance (BP-EUR)	Cumulative Performance	1M	YTD	3 Years	Since inception
Year 2021	1.38%	Fund (BP-EUR)	1.12%	-12.06%	-5.54%	64.80%
Year 2020	1.58%					
Year 2019	12.74%					

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