Vontobel Fund – TwentyFour Euro Short Term Bond

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Summary

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- Portfolio performance was negative, driven by the selloff in rates rather than credit spread widening. The managers continued to make yield enhancing additions to credit.
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Market developments

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Federal Reserve Chair Kevin Warsh disappointed markets with a lack of clarity on his current thinking and the expected pull back of forward guidance; however, yields were able to discount some fears of a more hawkish direction.

Artificial intelligence-led equity market volatility had limited impact on credit spreads, but more cyclical issuers showed some sensitivity to uncertainty around oil prices and the digestion of hyperscaler supply.

Portfolio review

While resilient credit spreads meant beta positions in the portfolio supported performance through carry, this was not enough to offset the negative performance of duration.

The managers continued to make yield enhancing additions to credit, funded by rotations from government bonds and lower beta credit.

Performance analysis

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Outlook

While the geopolitical backdrop remains uncertain, our core view is that, though there may not be a durable solution to the conflict, we expect energy markets will remain range bound.

Central banks remain cautious of inflation, but their meetings show divisions in willingness to tighten policy. We expect more hawkish rhetoric than actual rate hikes given a backdrop of softening labour markets.

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Fund characteristics

Fund name	Vontobel Fund – TwentyFour Euro Short Term Bond
ISIN	LU0278091037
Share class	I EUR
Benchmark	Bloomberg Euro Aggregate 1-3 Year to 28.1.2026, ICE BofA 1-3 Year Euro Broad Market Index thereafter
Inception date	7.1.2009

Historical performance (net returns, in %)

Time period	Fund	Benchmark
MTD	-0.4%	-0.2%
YTD	0.3%	0.4%
1 year	1.0%	1.2%
3 yrs p.a.	3.0%	3.1%
5 yrs p.a.	1.2%	1.0%
10 yrs p.a.	–	–
ITD p.a.	1.0%	0.6%

Time period	Fund	Benchmark
2025	2.4%	2.6%
2024	3.5%	3.7%
2023	4.7%	4.0%
2022	-4.3%	-5.0%
2021	0.5%	-0.5%
2020	0.8%	0.2%
2019	2.0%	0.4%
2018	-0.7%	-0.2%
2017	–	–
2016	–	–

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