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# Vontobel Fund II - Fixed Maturity Emerging Markets Bond 2026 AN, USD

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## Investment objective

This bond fund aims to achieve good investment returns over a fixed maturity of 5 years ending 30 October 2026, while respecting risk diversification.

## **Key features**

The fund invests primarily in hard-currency sovereign, quasi-sovereign, and corporate bonds of issuers of various credit qualities domiciled in emerging markets and/or doing business in or with emerging markets. The fund may also use derivative financial instruments.

## **Approach**

The compact and agile investment team of experienced emerging market specialists principally applies a hold-until-maturity strategy under strict risk control. Possible shifts in the portfolio may include the sale of bonds to cater for fund share redemptions and the replacement of outperforming and somewhat relative expensive bonds by more attractive ones. Moreover, if the team deems the default risk of any issuer of the bonds held in the fund to be elevated, they will aim to sell the respective paper prior to the credit event occurring and to replace it by an appropriate bond whose maturity matches the remaining time to maturity of the portfolio.

## Risk and reward profile

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
■ Lower risk				Higher risk ►		
(typically lower reward)				(typically higher reward)		

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Portfolio management	Sergey Goncharov / Wouter Van Overfelt
Fund domicile, legal structure, SFDR	Luxembourg, UCITS, Art. 6
Currency of the fund / shareclass	USD / USD
Launch date fund / shareclass	09.11.2021 / 09.11.2021
Fund size	USD 476.39 mio
Net asset value (NAV) / share	USD 81.21
ISIN / WKN / VALOR	LU2365112437 / A3CZA7 / 112678830
Management fee	0.35%
Ongoing charges (incl. Mgmt. fee) as	of 31.03.2023 0.53%
Maximum entry / switching / exit fee	5.00% / 1.00% / 0.30%
Swing pricing	Yes
Distribution policy	distribution, annually
Last distribution on 24.07.2023	USD 4.79
Distribution yield	5.90%

Refer to fund distributor for actual applicable fees, if any.

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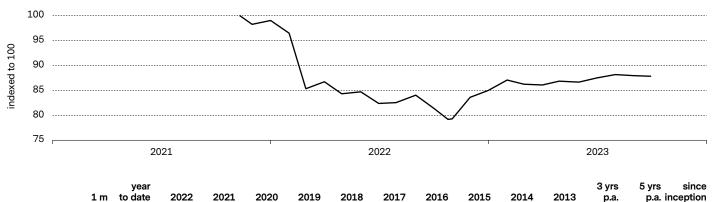
#### **Portfolio Characteristics**

Volatility, annualized <sup>2)</sup>	6.51%
Sharpe ratio <sup>2)</sup>	0.45
Modified duration (years)	2.62
Average Rating	BBB-
Number of positions	96
Yield to maturity	9.75%
Yield to maturity after hedging to USD	10.16%
Yield to maturity after hedging to EUR	8.00%
Yield to maturity after hedging to CHF	5.60%

<sup>2)</sup> calculated over 1 year

## Historical Performance (net return %)

Fund



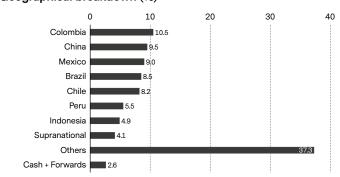
Past Performance is not a guide to current or future performance. Performance data do not take account of the entry / exit commissions and costs incurred, and reflect gross distributions reinvested. Performance of a fund can rise or fall, i.a. as a result of currency fluctuations.

No reference index is mentioned as the fund's objective is not linked to an index.

## Major positions (%)

3.875% Colombia 25.04.2027 Senior	3.4
5% BOAD 27.07.2027 Reg-S Senior	2.8
5.375% Nexa Resources 04.05.2027 Reg-S Senior	2.4
5.75% St Marys Cement 28.01.2027 Reg-S Senior	2.3
4.375% Banco Bogota 03.08.2027 Reg-S Senior	2.2
5.3% Raizen F Fin 20.01.2027 Reg-S Senior	2.1
6.5% PEMEX 13.03.2027 Senior	2.0
2.75% PEMEX 21.04.2027 Reg-S Senior	1.8
2.25% Huaxin Cement 19.11.2025 Reg-S Senior	1.8
5.5% Emp Elect Cochr 14.05.2027 Reg-S Senior	1.8
Total	22.6

# Geographical breakdown (%)



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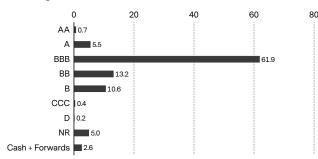
# Currency breakdown, before hedging (%)



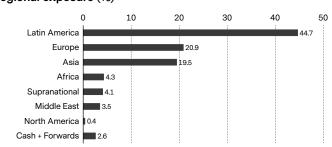
# Contribution to modified duration (years), by maturity



## Credit ratings breakdown (%)

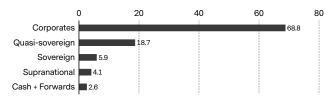


## Regional exposure (%)



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# Sector breakdown (%)



## Risks

- Limited participation in the potential of single securities.
- Investments in foreign currencies are subject to currency fluctuations.
- Success of single security analysis and active management cannot be guaranteed.
- It cannot be guaranteed that the investor will recover the capital invested.
- Derivatives entail risks relating to liquidity, leverage and credit fluctuations, illiquidity and volatility.
- Interest rates may vary, bonds suffer price declines on rising interest rates.
- Investments in emerging markets may be affected by political developments, currency fluctuations, illiquidity and volatility.
- High-yield bonds (non-investment-grade bonds/junk bonds) may be subject to greater market fluctuations, risk of default or loss
  of income and principal than higher-rated bonds.
- The Sub-Fund's investments may be subject to Sustainability Risks. Information on how sustainability risks are managed in this Sub-Fund may be obtained from Vontobel.com/SFDR.

## Glossary

Derivative is a financial security whose price is determined based on an underlying benchmark or asset such as stocks, bonds, commodities, currencies, interest rates, or market indexes. Examples are futures, options and credit default swaps. Distribution, or dividend, is a payment by a fund to its investors who hold distributing share classes (compartments with payouts). The distribution (or dividend) yield is calculated as all payouts over the last 12 months divided by the price per share (typically, the latest NAV), and may be affected by variable payments seasonality. Distribution policy of a fund defines the dividend distribution for its share classes reinvest the income received from the fund holdings back into the fund and do not distribute to shareholders. Distributing shares typically make cash payments to shareholders on a periodic basis. Duration, or Macaulay Duration, indicates the number of years an investor would need to maintain a position in the bond until the present value of the bond's cash flows equals the amount paid for the bond. The longer the duration, the more a bond's price will be affected by changes in interest rates. Duration may also be used to compare the risk of debt securities with different maturities and yields. Environmental, social and governance (ESG) criteria are a set of metrics or ratings that are used to screen potential investments for issues that might affect the financial performance and/or have a material impact on environment and society. ESG metrics reported in this document are for informative purposes and may not be part of the fund's investment process. Forward, or forward contract, is an agreement between two parties to buy or sell an asset at a specified price on a future date, and is often used for hedging purposes or commodities trading, where a forward contract can be customized to an amount, delivery date, and commodity type (e.g. food, metals, oil or natural gas).

Future, or futures contract, is a legal agreement to buy or sell a particular commodity asset, currency or security at a predetermined price at a future point in time. They are standardized contracts in terms of quality and quantity which facilitates trading on a futures exchange. Hedged share class is type of share class that hedges currency risks. It protects investors against unwanted currency exchange (FX) fluctuations, which may be larger than underlying investment returns. To achieve this, the share class must cover hedging costs, resulting in a higher total cost to investors. Hedging describes the steps taken to offset the risk of a loss or unwanted gain, for example by hedging the risk of foreign currency exposure, an investor can benefit from holding a diverse range of global companies without being exposed to global foreign exchange movements. ISIN (International Securities Identification Number) is a unique code that identifies a specific financial security. It is assigned by a country's respective national numbering agency (NNA). Management fee is a fee which covers the costs charged to a fund relating to portfolio management services and, if applicable, to distribution services. Maturity indicates the length of time until the initial investment amount of a bond is due to be repaid. "Average maturity" is calculated on a bond portfolio by weighting each bond's residual maturity by its relative size. Modified duration is an adjusted version of Macaulay Duration and measures the percentage change in a bond price as a result of a change in yield. It is used to measure the sensitivity of a bonds cash flows to a change in interest rates and is more commonly used than Macaulay Duration. Net Asset Value (NAV) / share also known as the share price of a fund, represents the value per share of the fund. It is calculated by dividing the fund's assets less its liabilities by the number of shares outstanding. For most funds it is calculated and reported daily. Number of positions shows the number of single investments/securities in the portfolio of the fund. Ongoing charges expresses the sum of the costs of running a fund on an ongoing basis, like the management fee and various legal and operating costs. It is calculated retroactively over a period of 12 months as a percentage of the fund assets. If the available data is insufficient, for example, for newly launched funds, ongoing charges may be estimated using data from funds with similar characteristics. Option is a derivative, financial instrument whose price derives from the value of underlying securities, like stocks. Call/put options give buyers the right (but not the obligation) to buy/sell an underlying asset at an agreed price and date. Rating, or credit rating, assesses a bond issuer's ability to repay on time all its debt (interest and principal). High ratings, like AAA or Aaa, indicate low risk (i.e., low probability of default), while ratings such as BBB- or Baa3 indicate a higher risk. Share class is a compartment of a fund with a distinct client type, distribution policy, fee structure, currency, minimum investment, or other characteristics. The characteristics of each share class are described in the fund prospectus. Sharpe ratio measures excess return per unit of risk. The ratio is the average return earned in excess of the risk-free rate per unit of volatility. A portfolio with a higher Sharpe ratio is considered superior relative to its peers. SRRI is a value based on a sub fund's volatility, providing a gauge of the overall risk and reward profile of the sub fund. Swing pricing is an industry standard mechanism to protect long term investors in a fund against trading costs occurring when investors enter or exit the fund. This is achieved by adjusting the NAV upwards or downwards respectively so that the additional trading costs caused by subscriptions or redemptions are borne by investors trading in the fund. Full details of the Swing Pricing mechanism are given in the fund prospectus. VALOR is an identification number issued by SIX Financial Information and assigned to financial instruments in Switzerland. Volatility measures the fluctuation of a fund's performance over a certain period. It is most commonly expressed using the annualized standard deviation. The higher the volatility, the riskier a fund tends to be. **WKN** (or Wertpapierkennummer) is an identification code of securities registered in Germany, issued by its Institute for Issuance and Administration of Securities. Yield to maturity (YTM) measures the return of the fund if all the bonds in the portfolio of the fund were held to maturity. The ratio is expressed as an annual return in percent. Yield to maturity after hedging to another currency provides the yield to maturity in the denominated currency, after adjusting for the hedging costs of all assets denominated in other currencies.

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