## Fact Sheet

# MFS® Euro Credit (EUR)



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#### Goal

Seeks to outperform the Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Corporate Index over full market cycles.

#### Investment team

#### Portfolio Managers Pilar Gomez-Bravo, CFA

- 11 years with MFS
- 27 years in industry

## Andy Li, CFA

- 5 years with MFS
- 19 years in industry

#### Institutional Portfolio Manager Owen David Murfin, CFA

- 6 years with MFS
- 27 years in industry

#### Freida Tav

- 2 years with MFS
- 29 years in industry

#### Assets under management (EUR)

MFS Investment Management®

579.7 billion

MFS<sup>®</sup> Euro Credit Composite

185.0 million

#### Philosophy

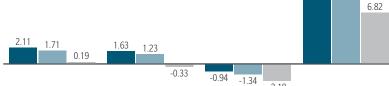
We believe:

- European credit securities exhibit persistent inefficiencies caused by rating agencies, poor liquidity, differing investment time horizons and excess compensation for default
- Consideration of broader technical and structural factors across global credit markets can help to predict future trends
- Portfolio managers benefit from full access to the fixed income and equity resources of the firm
- Efficient portfolio construction in conjunction with independent risk oversight is key to actively managing credit-intensive portfolios

#### Performance (%) total return

- MFS (gross of fees)
- MFS (net of fees)
- Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Credit
  - Corporate (EUR Hedged)

For periods of less than one-year returns are not annualized.



	Since Inception (01-Nov-18)	5 Years	3 Years	1 Year
Gross vs. Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Credit - Corporate (EUR Hedged)	1.92	1.96	1.24	3.86
Net vs. Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Credit - Corporate (EUR Hedged)	1.52	1.56	0.84	3.42

## Annual performance (%)

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 YTD
MFS (gross of fees)	9.11	6.13	0.86	-14.60	11.30	1.63
MFS (net of fees)	8.70	5.71	0.46	-14.94	10.86	1.53
Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Credit - Corporate (EUR Hedged)	6.24	2.77	-0.97	-13.65	8.19	0.47

#### MIFID II performance standard - 12-month rates of total return (%) as of the period ended

	31-Mar-20	31-Mar-21	31-Mar-22	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-24
MFS (gross of fees)	-1.21	12.93	-5.21	-7.35	10.68
MFS (net of fees)	-1.60	12.48	-5.59	-7.72	10.24
Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Credit - Corporate (EUR Hedged)	-3.38	8.76	-5.23	-7.55	6.82

Past performance is not a reliable indicator for future results. All financial investments involve an element of risk. The value of investments may rise and fall so you may get back less than originally invested. Investors should consider the risks, including lower returns, related to currency movements between their investing currency and the portfolio's base currency, if different.

Historical performance results may have differed had the composite included assets of client accounts during these time periods for various reasons including the impact of cash flows.

See the GIPS Composite Report at the end of this presentation for performance methodology and other information.

The Markets in Financial Instruments Directive (MIFID) is the EU legislation that regulates firms who provide services to clients linked to financial instruments.

Source: Benchmark performance from SPAR, FactSet Research Systems Inc.

It is not possible to invest directly in an index. Index performance will differ from our actively managed strategies, which may involve a higher degree of risk.

Total gross of fee returns include both capital appreciation and reinvestment of income but exclude custody fees.

CHARACTERISTICS						
	MFS	Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Corporate Index				
Fundamentals						
Average quality <sup>1,C</sup>	A-	A-/BBB+				
Average spread duration	5.1yrs	4.6yrs				
Average effective duration	4.9yrs	4.5yrs				
Yield to worst <sup>2</sup>	4.2%	3.6%				
Diversification						
Number of Issues	195	_				
Number of Issuers	126					

CREDIT QUALITY (%) <sup>c</sup>	
AAA	4.5
AA	10.9
A	29.1
BBB	45.7
BB	4.8
CCC and Below	0.9
Cash & Cash Equivalents	7.2
Other Not Rated*	-3.1

SECTOR WEIGHTS (%)		
	MFS	Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Corporate Index
Investment Grade Corporates	75.3	98.6
Non-U.S. Sovereigns	13.4	_
Emerging Markets Debt	5.9	1.1
High Yield Corporates	4.0	0.0
High Yield Credit Derivatives	0.3	_
Asset Backed	0.1	_
Municipals	_	0.3
U.S. Treasuries*	-6.1	_
Cash & Cash Equivalents	3.3	_
Other <sup>‡</sup>	3.9	_

Derivatives, including futures and interest rate swaps, are categorized in the sector that MFS considers most closely aligned with the underlying asset.

TOP COUNTRY WEIGHTS (%)					
	MFS	Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Corporate Index			
Germany	14.4	13.8			
France	13.2	20.3			
United States	8.7	20.0			
United Kingdom	8.0	8.1			
Italy	7.5	5.6			
European EMU	7.2	_			
Belgium	7.0	2.0			
Australia	6.5	1.6			
Supranational	4.5	_			
Netherlands	3.7	5.6			

PORTFOLIO STRUCTURE (%)	
Bonds	92.8
Other <sup>‡</sup>	3.9
Cash & Cash Equivalents	3.3

- \* Short positions, unlike long positions, lose value if the underlying asset gains value.
- 1 The Average Credit Quality (ACQR) is a market weighted average (using a linear scale) of securities included in the rating categories.
- <sup>2</sup> Weighted average yield-to-worst of all portfolio holdings excluding cash & derivatives. Yield-to-worst is the annual estimate of the portfolio yield considering factors such as call provisions, prepayments, and other features that may affect a bond's cash flow; and assumes no default. It is an estimated characteristic at a point in time and is not a measure of portfolio performance.
- For all securities other than those described below, ratings are assigned utilizing ratings from Moody's, Fitch, and Standard & Poor's and applying the following hierarchy: If all three agencies provide a rating, the consensus rating is assigned if applicable or the middle rating if not; if two of the three agencies rate a security, the lower of the two is assigned. If none of the 3 Rating Agencies above assign a rating, but the security is rated by DBRS Morningstar, then the DBRS Morningstar rating is assigned. If none of the 4 rating agencies listed above rate the security, but the security is rated by the Kroll Bond Rating Agency (KBRA), then the KBRA rating is assigned. Other Not Rated includes other fixed income securities not rated by any rating agency. Ratings are shown in the S&P and Fitch scale (e.g., AAA). All ratings are subject to change. The portfolio itself has not been rated by any rating agency. The credit quality of a particular security or group of securities does not ensure the stability or safety of an overall portfolio. The quality ratings of individual issues/issuers are provided to indicate the credit-worthiness of such issues/ issuer and generally range from AAA, Aaa, or AAA (highest) to D, C, or D (lowest) for S&P, Moody's, and Fitch respectively. The index rating methodology may differ.
- <sup>‡</sup> Other consists of: (i) currency derivatives and/or (ii) any derivative offsets.
- Portfolio characteristics are based on equivalent exposure, which measures how a portfolio's value would change due to price changes in an asset held either directly or, in the case of a derivative contract, indirectly. The market value of the holding may differ.
- MFS has not independently verified benchmark data provided by the vendor or the underlying methodology, which may be different than MFS.
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Because the portfolio may invest a substantial amount of its assets in issuers located in a single country or in a limited number of countries, it may be more volatile than a portfolio that is more geographically diversified. Investments in debt instruments may decline in value as the result of, or perception of, declines in the credit quality of the issuer, borrower, counterparty, or other entity responsible for payment, underlying collateral, or changes in economic, political, issuer-specific, or other conditions. Certain types of debt instruments can be more sensitive to these factors and therefore more volatile. In addition, debt instruments entail interest rate risk (as interest rates rise, prices usually fall). Therefore, the portfolio's value may decline during rising rates.

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Composite: MFS Euro Credit Composite

Benchmark: Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Credit -

Corporate (EUR Hedged)

Creation Date: 20-Dec-2018

Inception Date: 01-Nov-2018

Composite Description: The MFS Euro Credit Composite includes all discretionary portfolios managed to the MFS Euro Credit strategy that seek to outperform the Bloomberg Euro-Aggregate Corporate Index (EUR Hedged) over a full market cycle. The strategy invests primarily in corporate debt instruments denominated in or hedged to Euro. Because the portfolio may invest a substantial amount of its assets in issuers located in a be more volatile than a portfolio that is more geographically diversified. Investments in debt instruments may decline in value as the result of, or perception of, declines in the credit quality of the issuer, \*\* Indicates partial period. borrower, counterparty, or other entity responsible for political, issuer-specific, or other conditions. Certain types of debt instruments can be more sensitive to these factors and therefore more volatile. In addition debt instruments entail interest rate risk (as interest rates rise, prices usually fall). Therefore, the portfolio's value may decline during rising rates.

#### Institutional Separate Accounts Fee Schedule

Asset Breakpoints (EUR)	Fee
For Assets Up To 50 MM	25 bp
For Assets From 50 MM To 100 MM	20 bp
For Assets Over 100 MM	17.50 bp

Accounts are eligible for inclusion in the composite if they have assets greater than 25 MM USD (22.6 MM EUR). Accounts are included as of their second full month of performance.

#### **Derivative Exposure Disclosure**

					Accounts in	Annualiz	ed 3-Year		
	Composite a	ınd Benchmark	Return %	Composite	Composite at	Standard	Deviation	Assets (E	UR million)
Period	Gross of fees	Net of fees^	Benchmark	Dispersion	End of Period	Composite	Benchmark	Composite	Firm
2023	11.30	10.86	8.19	n/a	<6	7.33	6.36	€163,5	€521.060,7
2022	-14.60	-14.94	-13.65	n/a	<6	8.31	7.41	€74,9	€494.007,5
2021	0.86	0.46	-0.97	n/a	<6	5.53	5.22	€87,5	€593.014,3
2020	6.13	5.71	2.77	n/a	<6	n/a	n/a	€25,7	€489.621,5
2019	9.11	8.70	6.24	n/a	<6	n/a	n/a	€23,4	€461.976,7
2018**	-0.78	-0.83	-0.44	n/a	<6	n/a	n/a	€21,7	€373.129,9

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> Net of fee returns presented in this table are gross of fee returns reduced by management fees and performance fees if applicable (actual fees). For certain accounts where the actual fees are unavailable, the maximum applicable annual institutional separate account fees were applied. Total returns of the benchmark are provided for each period depicted, expressed in EUR. Source of Benchmark Performance: FACTSET ®.

> Bloomberg Euro Aggregate - Corporate (EUR Hedged) - a rules based benchmark measuring investment grade, EUR denominated, fixed rate, and corporate only. Only bonds with a maturity of 1 year and above are eligible. Hedged to EUR.

Composite Dispersion is measured by the asset-weighted standard deviation of gross of fees account returns for all accounts in the composite for the full period. For composites containing less than six accounts for the full period, dispersion is deemed not meaningful and is not presented. The three-year annualized ex post standard deviation measures the variability of the gross of fees composite returns and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36month period.

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Prior to 1-Jul-2020, the maximum institutional separate account fee charged for this product was 30 bps.

The composite asset minimum changed from 20MM USD to 25MM USD effective 1-Nov-2022.

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Certain accounts in this composite utilize derivatives for hedging, investment exposure, implementation efficiency, and transaction cost mitigation purposes. Derivative exposures can be volatile, used to take long or short positions, involve leverage (which can magnify gains or losses), and involve counterparty and liquidity risk. The table below displays the high, median, and low month-end derivative exposures over the last three years, when available or since inception if the composite is less than three years old. Derivative exposure of the account is calculated as the gross equivalent exposure of total net assets. The derivative exposures, displayed below, are the average exposures of the accounts that held derivatives.

LONG E	XPOSURE	SHORT EX	(POSURE
High	55.40%	High	-60.76%
Median	28.65%	Median	-33.20%
Low	10.99%	Low	-16.87%