# Factsheet: DWS Covered Bond Fund

Bond Funds - EUR



As at 30/07/2021

July 2021

# Fund Data

# **Investment Policy**

Fixed income fund with focus on European covered bonds such as German "Pfandbriefe", Spanish "Cedulas" and French "Obligations Foncières". The fund is only investing in euro-denominated securities with an active duration management. Active management of maturities and duration.

# **Fund Management's Comment**

The spreading delta variant and rising coronavirus numbers led to uncertainty in the markets. By contrast, the ECB's statements on an even longer-lasting supportive monetary policy were received positively. Sentiment on the markets remained mixed. The yield on German government bonds fell significantly and the spreads of peripheral states increased. Meanwhile, spreads for corporate bonds moved sideways and equity indices rose slightly.

Spreads on covered bonds were stable across most country segments in July. In total, the ECB held around EUR 292 billion in covered bonds under its covered bond purchase program (CBPP3 as of July 30) - unchanged vs. previous month. At around EUR 50 billion, the volume of issues on the primary market since the beginning of the year remained well below the comparable periods of previous years. The largest issue volumes to date have come from France, Germany and Norway. The comparatively low supply, in combination with the ECB's purchases, continues to have a supportive effect on the spreads on covered bonds.

#### Performance Performance - Share Class LD (in %) 108 6 106 104 102 -0.1 100 98 07/16 -07/17 -07/18 -07/19 -07/20 -96 07/17 07/18 07/19 07/20 07/21 29/07/2016 31/10/2017 31/01/2019 30/04/2020 30/07/2021 Fund Benchmark: iBoxx €Covered (RI) ab 1.7.10

Calculation of performance is based on the time-weighted return and excludes front-end fees. Individual costs such as fees, commissions and other charges have not been included in this presentation and would have an adverse impact on returns if they were included. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns.

Cumulative performance (in %) - share class LD												
	1 m	1 y	3 y	5 y s	s. Inception	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2017	2018	2019	2020
EUR	0.6	-0.5	2.6	0.0	253.4	-0.7	0.9	0.0	0.0	-0.3	2.4	0.8
BM IN EUR	0.7	-0.1	4.5	3.6	320.4	-0.5	1.5	0.7	0.6	0.2	2.8	1.9

Further Characteristics (3 years) / VAR (1 year) - share class LD									
Volatility	2.16%	Maximum Drawdown	-2.90%	VAR (99%/10 days)	0.72%				
Sharpe Ratio	0.68	Information Ratio	-1.21	Correlation Coefficient	0.97				
Alpha	-0.66%	Beta	1.03	Tracking Error	0.51%				

Portfolio Analysis	
Portfolio Breakdown	(in % of fund volume)
Covered Bonds Financial bonds Cash equivalents Other Securities	87.2 6.7 2.7 2.5

# Morningstar Style-Box™

Credit Quality



Interest Rate Sensitivity

# Morningstar Category™

**EUR Corporate Bond** 

Ratings (As at: 30/06/2021)

Lipper Leaders:



Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.

Breakdown by Rating	(in % of bond holdings)	Asset Allocation	(in % of fund volume)
AAA	46.9	Bonds	96.4
AA	43.2	Money market funds	2.7
A	■ 8.0	Cash and other assets	0.9
BBB	1.9	Future Long	3.8
		Future Short	-1.0

The presentation of the structure of the bond credit ratings is based on both internal and external ratings.

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Breakdown by Currency	(in % of fund volume)	Principal Holdings (Bonds)	(in % of fund volume
Euro	100.0	Caixa Económica Montepio Geral 17/17.10.22 MTN PF	2.5
		Banco BPM 15/14.09.22 MTN PF	2.
		Banco BPM 16/08.06.23 MTN PF	2.
		BPER Banca 15/22.01.22 MTN PF	2.
		Cajamar Caja Rural, S.C.C. 18/18.06.23 PF	1.
		Korea Housing Finance 21/29.06.26 Reg S	1.
		Caixabank 15/05.08.22 PF	1.
		Commerzbank 18/09.01.34 S.P30	1
		ASB Finance (London Branch) 16/18.10.23 MTN PF	1.
		Ibercaja Banco 16/18.10.23 PF	1.
		Total	17.
ncl. forward exchange transactions, negative and currency developments.		Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.	
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Breakdown by Country (Bonds)	(in % of fund volume)		
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Breakdown by Country (Bonds)  Spain taly  France  Germany Netherlands	19.7 14.8 10.0 8.5		
Breakdown by Country (Bonds)  Spain taly  France  Germany Netherlands Norway	19.7 14.8 10.0 8.5 7.2		
Breakdown by Country (Bonds)  Spain taly	19.7 14.8 10.0 8.5 7.2 5.3		
Breakdown by Country (Bonds)  Spain taly France Germany Netherlands Norway Australia	19.7 14.8 10.0 8.5 7.2 5.3 4.8		
Breakdown by Country (Bonds)  Spain taly France Germany Netherlands Norway Australia Korea	19.7 14.8 10.0 8.5 7.2 5.3 4.8 4.7		
Breakdown by Country (Bonds)  Spain taly  France Germany Netherlands Norway Australia Korea  Portugal	19.7 14.8 10.0 8.5 7.2 5.3 4.8 4.7 3.6		

Key Figures regarding the Fund's Assets					
Yield (in %)	-0.1	Current Interest Rate (in %)	0.6		
Duration (in years)	5.1	Modified Duration	5.1	Maturity (in years)	4.9
Number of Bonds	131	Average Rating	AA		

Cumulative performance (in %)												
	1 m	1 y	3 y	5 y	s. Inception	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2017	2018	2019	2020
FD	0.7	-0.2	3.5	1.6	19.0	-0.5	1.2	0.3	0.3	0.0	2.7	1.1
IC	0.7	-0.2	3.7	1.8	17.9	-0.5	1.2	0.4	0.3	0.1	2.7	1.2
ID	0.7	-0.2	3.6	1.8	15.3	-0.5	1.2	0.4	0.4	0.1	2.7	1.1
LC	0.7	-0.5	2.6	0.1	14.7	-0.7	0.9	0.0	0.0	-0.3	2.4	0.8
LD	0.6	-0.5	2.6	0.0	253.4	-0.7	0.9	0.0	0.0	-0.3	2.4	0.8
TFC	0.7	-0.2	3.5		3.3	-0.5	1.2				2.7	1.1
TFD	0.7	-0.2	3.6		3.4	-0.5	1.2				2.7	1.1

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Portfolio Manager	Moritz Rieper	Assets	200.6 Mio. EUR
Portfolio Manager since	01/07/2017	Fund Currency	EUR
Portfolio Management Company	DWS Investment GmbH	Launch Date	26/05/1988
Portfolio Management Location	Germany	Fiscal Year End	30/09/2021
Management Company	DWS Investment GmbH	Investor profile	Income-oriented
Legal Structure	Fund		
Custodian	State Street Bank International GmhH		

Share	Classes										
Share Class	Cur. ISIN Code	German Sec. Code	Earnings	Front-end Load	Issue Price	Redemption Price	Interim Gains	All-in-Fee	Running costs / TER	plus performance- related fee	Minimum Invest- ment Amount
FD	EUR DE000DWS1UN6	DWS 1UN	Distribution	0.00%	56.13	56.13		0.400%	0.40% (1)		2,000,000
IC	EUR DE000DWS1UP1	DWS 1UP	Accumulation	0.00%	59.67	59.67		0.350%	0.35% (1)		25,000,000
ID	EUR DE000DWS1UQ9	DWS 1UQ	Distribution	0.00%	57.20	57.20		0.350%	0.34% (1)		25,000,000
LC	EUR DE000DWS1UL0	DWS 1UL	Accumulation	2.50%	59.54	58.08		0.700%	0.70% (1)		
LD	EUR DE0008476532	847 653	Distribution	2.50%	56.33	54.95		0.700%	0.70% (1)		
TFC	EUR DE000DWS2SN8	DWS 2SN	Accumulation	0.00%	103.26	103.26		0.400%	0.40% (1)		
TFD	EUR DE000DWS2SP3	DWS 2SP	Distribution	0.00%	102.03	102.03		0.400%	0.36% (1)		

(1) The Total Expense Ratio (TER) generally includes all expense items charged to the Fund apart from transaction costs and performance fees. If the Fund invests a substantial part of its assets in target funds, the costs of the respective funds and payments received by them will also be taken into account. The Fund incurred the total expenses listed here in its last financial year which ended on 30/09/2020. They are subject to change from year to year.

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#### Opportunities

In accordance with the investment policy.

#### Risks

• The fund invests in bonds, the value of which depends on whether the issuer is able to afford its payments. The deterioration of credit quality (ability and willingness to repay) may have an adverse affect on the value of the bond.• The share value may fall below the purchase price at which the customer acquired the share at any time.

Important note on the investor profile:

Investor profile: Income-oriented

The sub-fund is designed for income-oriented investors who wish to achieve capital growth through dividend distributions and interest income from bonds and money market instruments. Expected earnings are offset by equity, interest rate and currency risks as well as creditworthiness risks and the possibility of loss of the invested capital, up to the total amount invested. The investor is willing and able to bear a financial loss, and does not prioritize capital preservation.

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#### Alpha

A measure of the difference between the risk-adjusted return on an investment and a benchmark. The alpha measures the part of the performance that cannot be explained by market movements or market risk, but rather is derived from the selection of securities within the market. Alpha is a way of measuring the active contribution to performance made by the portfolio manager. It is also a good yardstick to use when comparing several funds. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

#### Average dividend vield

Measures the average dividend amount, based on the current share price. This figure is calculated based on the shares (including ADRs/GDRs - > Depositary receipts) and REITs contained in a fund.

# Average market capitalization

Measures the average market capitalization of the shares, REITs and ADRs/GDRs (depositary receipts) contained in a fund. The market capitalization represents the total market value of a company as determined by multiplying the number of shares issued by the current share price.

#### Beta factor

A measure of sensitivity - given as the average percentage change in the price of a fund when the market (benchmark) rises or falls by 1%. A value over (under) 1 means that on average the fund exhibits more (less) volatility than the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

#### Correlation coefficient

Describes the degree to which two values (fund versus benchmark) move in the same direction. The value of the correlation coefficient is between -1 and +1. A correlation of +1 means that the fund generally moves in the same direction as the benchmark, while -1 indicates that the fund generally moves in the opposite direction. A correlation of 0 means that there is no relation between the price movements of the fund and the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

#### Current interest yield

The current interest yield differs from the nominal interest rate because securities are bought at a price that can be higher or lower than their nominal value. Since interest is always paid on the nominal value, the following calculation is used: (interest rate x 100)/price = effective yield.

## Duration (in years/in months)

A measure of the sensitivity of an investment to changes in interest rates. Duration, which was developed by Frederick Macaulay, is the average period for which invested capital is committed. Because of the interest payable over time on the invested capital, duration is shorter than -> maturity. This version of duration is used in DWS Top Reporting and refers to invested assets (without "Cash and other holdings").

### Information ratio

The information ratio measures the difference between the annualized average return of the fund and that of the benchmark, divided by the Tracking error. The higher this value is, the more the investor compensated for the risk in the fund. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

# Maturity (in years/in months)

The amount of time until the maturity of an obligation, such as a bond. Refers to invested fund assets (without "Cash and other holdings").

### Maximum drawdown

The maximum drawdown is the largest percentage drop in value in a given period of time. It measures the amount the fund falls from its highest point to its lowest point in the selected timeframe. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

# Modified duration (in years/in months)

Serves as a measure of interest-rate sensitivity. Modified duration indicates the percentage change in price of a bond (in a portfolio) when the market interest rate changes by 1%. In order to calculate the percentage change in the bond price, the modified duration of the bond is multiplied by the percentage change in the interest rate. This figure helps investors assess the risks and opportunities of a bond at a glance.

# Sharpe ratio

A measure of risk developed by William F. Sharpe, defined as the excess return on an investment over that of a risk-free investment in relation to the risk of the investment. The higher the Sharpe ratio, the higher the return the investor receives for the risk the investment carries (expressed in volatility). The Sharpe ratio can be used to compare multiple funds. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

# Tracking error

The tracking error is the standard deviation of the yield differential between a fund and its benchmark. This makes it a measure of how well the fund manager tracks the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

# VaR (Value at Risk)

A measure of risk that indicates the maximum fund losses with a given probability for a given period of time (holding period). VaR is calculated on the basis of the daily prices of the individual securities contained in the portfolio for a year.

### Yield

The yield is the annual return on a capital investment, measured as the actual interest earned (effective yield) on the capital invested. It is based on the fund's income (e.g., interest, dividends, realized capital gains) and change in the price of the assets held in the fund. The yield of a fund is

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derived from the invested assets (without "Cash and other holdings") and is presented as a "gross" figure, i.e., before the deduction of total expenses/fee.

### Volatility

Volatility expresses the degree to which the yield on an investment (the price performance of a fund, for example) varies from a mean value in a specific period of time. This makes it a measure of fund risk. The greater the variation from the mean, the higher the volatility. Knowing the volatility allows investors to assess how uncertain the return potential of an investment is. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.