

Factsheet: DWS ESG Convertibles



Balanced Funds - Convertible Bonds

August 2021

As at 31/08/2021

Fund Data

Investment Policy

The Fund offers access to a diversified universe of global convertible bonds. Traditional convertible bonds are predominantly used for this purpose. The target investment horizon is 3-5 years. In order to achieve the most advantageous risk-adjusted return profile possible, the Fund invests primarily in convertible bonds in the medium delta range. Currency risks are systematically hedged. When selecting investments, environmental and social aspects and the principles of good corporate governance (ESG aspects) are taken into consideration alongside the financial performance.

Fund Management's Comment

The convertible bond asset class was up in August, driven by rising equity prices. DWS ESG Convertibles (FC) rose by 1.17%, well ahead of the broad Refinitive Global focus convertible bond index, which gained 0.65%. Since the beginning of the year, the Fund's performance is 4.2%, compared to 1.8% for the index.

Once again, the information technology sector, which has the highest weighting in the Fund, was the main driver, particularly issuers from the US in particular.

Over the year, the US region has been successively increased and is now represented in the Fund with a weighting of 38%. This was also helped by the improving ESG quality of US companies that have expanded the investment universe for the ESG fund.

The equity delta increased slightly to 55, thus remaining in the most balanced area where convexity is highest. The average credit rating is BB+/BBB- and cash holdings have been reduced to about 4%. DWS's ESG Fund Rating Method gives the Fund the highest rating of "outstanding".

Morningstar Category™

Convertible Bond - Other

Ratings

(As at: 30/07/2021)

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Performance

Performance - Share Class LD

(in %)



Fund

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. Inception	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2017	2018	2019	2020
EUR	1.1	11.1	23.5	23.8	579.0	4.0	7.3	4.4	1.7	-7.2	7.3	18.2

Further Characteristics (3 years) / VAR (1 year) - share class LD

Volatility	8.13%	Maximum Drawdown	-8.26%	VAR (99%/10 days)	2.82%
Sharpe Ratio	0.94	Information Ratio	--	Correlation Coefficient	--
Alpha	--	Beta	--	Tracking Error	--

Portfolio Analysis

Sectors delta weighted	(in % of fundvolume)	Principal holdings	(in % of fundvolume)
Information Technology	20.9	STM 0 08/04/25	3.3
Health Care	8.8	CLNXSM 0 1/2 07/05/28	2.6
Consumer Discretionary	6.1	CMWAU 2 1/2 03/29/25	2.0
Communication Services	4.7	ENL5 GR 12/15/22 C8 Equity	1.9
Materials	4.2	ON 0 05/01/27	1.7
Industrials	3.0	QGEN 0 12/17/27	1.6
Utilities	2.8	UMIBB 0 06/23/25	1.6
Real estate	2.2	BAS GR 06/16/23 C68 Equity	1.6
Financials	1.3	DXSAU 2.3 06/19/26 Corp	1.6
Consumer Staples	0.8	CHGG 0 09/01/26	1.5
Total	54.8	Total	19.4

Regions delta weighted

(in % of fundvolume)

EMEA	25.3
US	25.2
Asia ex Japan	3.7
Japan	0.6
Total	54.8

Fund figures

Holdings	121.00
Average maturity (in years)	4.10
Current Yield (in %)	0.50
Fund average rating (*)	BB+
Cash and equivalents (in %)	4.40
Non-rated and other securities (in %)	0.00
Equity sensitivity	54.80
Interest sensitivity	-0.20
Ø Market Cap (€bn)	37.90

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Breakdown by issuer rating	(in % of fundvolume)	Convertible bond profiles	(in %)
AA	4.40	Balanced (delta 0,3 - 0,7)	55.10
A	6.50	Equity Like (delta 0,7 - 1)	23.30
BBB	33.30	Bond Like (delta 0 - 0,3)	17.20
BB	47.70	Other	4.40
B	8.00		

Market capitalization (in %)

Large-cap	65.20
Mid-cap	22.80
Small-cap	7.60
Other	4.40

Cumulative performance (in %)

	1 m	1 y	3 y	5 y	s. Inception	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2017	2018	2019	2020
FC	1.2	11.4	24.4	25.3	36.8	4.2	7.6	4.6	2.0	-7.0	7.6	18.5
LD	1.1	11.1	23.5	23.8	579.0	4.0	7.3	4.4	1.7	-7.2	7.3	18.2
TFC	1.2	11.4	24.5	--	24.0	4.2	7.6	--	--	--	7.6	18.5
TFD	1.2	11.4	24.4	--	23.9	4.2	7.6	--	--	--	7.6	18.5

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Portfolio Manager	Hans-Joachim Weber	Assets	161.4 Mio. EUR
Portfolio Manager since	01/11/2016	Fund Currency	EUR
Portfolio Management Company	DWS Investment GmbH	Launch Date	23/04/1991
Portfolio Management Location	Germany	Fiscal Year End	30/09/2021
Management Company	DWS Investment GmbH	Investor profile	Growth-oriented
Legal Structure	Fund		
Custodian	State Street Bank International GmbH		

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 Investment Amount
FC	EUR	DE000DWS1U74	DWS 1U7	Accumulation	0.00%	165.68	165.68		0.600%	0.60% (1)	--	2,000,000
LD	EUR	DE0008474263	847 426	Distribution	3.00%	162.50	157.76		0.850%	0.85% (1)	--	--
TFC	EUR	DE000DWS2SB3	DWS 2SB	Accumulation	0.00%	123.98	123.98		0.600%	0.58% (1)	--	--
TFD	EUR	DE000DWS2SC1	DWS 2SC	Distribution	0.00%	122.50	122.50		0.600%	0.60% (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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Note

Because of its composition or the techniques used by its managers, the fund is subject to heightened volatility. Consequently, unit prices may fluctuate sharply in either direction within short periods of time.

Please note that not all share classes and subfunds respectively are registered in every country. Units issued by Deutsche Invest SICAV may only be sold or offered for sale in jurisdictions in which such offer or sale is permitted.

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Opportunities

In accordance with the investment policy.

Risks

• The fund invests in equities. Equities are subject to strong price fluctuations and thus also to the risk of price decreases. • The fund invests in convertible and warrant-linked bonds. Convertible and warrant-linked bonds embody the right to convert the bond into equities or to acquire equities. The performance of the value of the convertible and warrant-linked bonds is therefore dependent on the price performance of the equity as the underlying. The risks of the performance of the underlying equities can therefore impact on the performance of the convertible and warrant-linked bonds. • 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 effect on the value of the bond. • Due to its composition/the techniques used by the Fund management, the investment fund has elevated volatility, i.e. the share price may be subject to significant fluctuations up or down within short periods of time. 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: Growth-oriented

The sub-fund is designed for growth-oriented investors who wish to achieve capital appreciation primarily through equity gains and exchange rate movements. Expected earnings are offset by high equity, interest rate and currency risks as well as creditworthiness risks and the possibility of heavy losses of the invested capital, up to the total amount invested. The investor is willing and able to bear such a financial loss, and does not prioritize capital preservation.

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First digit = Total Return; second digit = Consistent Return; third digit = Preservation; fourth digit = Expense

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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 yield

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

Average market capitalization

Measures the average market capitalization of the shares, REITs and ADRs/GDRs (depository 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: $(\text{interest rate} \times 100) / \text{price} = \text{effective yield}$.

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

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.