IRCP

# iShares € Corp Bond Interest Rate Hedged UCITS ETF EUR (Dist)

## June Factsheet

Performance, Portfolio Breakdowns and Net Asset information as at: 30-Jun-2020

All other data as at 11-Jul-2020

For Investors in the UK. Investors should read the Key Investor Information Document and Prospectus prior to investing.

The Fund seeks to track the performance of an index composed of Euro denominated investment grade corporate bonds with mitigated interest rate risk.

## **KEY BENEFITS**

- Diversified exposure to corporate bonds issued in Euro 1
- Direct investment in corporate bonds across sectors (industrials, utilities and financials) 2 and sells German government bond futures to reduce the performance impact caused by movements in government bond rates
- Euro denominated investment grade bond exposure 3

Key Risks: Credit risk, changes to interest rates and/or issuer defaults will have a significant impact on the performance of fixed income securities. Potential or actual credit rating downgrades may increase the level of risk. Derivatives are highly sensitive to changes in the value of the asset on which they are based and can increase the size of losses and gains, resulting in greater fluctuations in the value of the Fund. Interest rate hedging aims to mitigate, but will not eliminate, interest rate risk, and may affect the performance of the Fund. (Continued on page 2)

## **GROWTH OF 10,000 EUR SINCE INCEPTION**



### 12 MONTH PERFORMANCE PERIODS (% EUR)

_	30/6/2015 - 30/6/2016		30/6/2017 - 30/6/2018	30/6/2018 - 30/6/2019	30/6/2019 - 30/6/2020	2019 Calendar Year
Fund	-0.49%	1.78%	-1.54%	1.02%	-1.33%	4.00%
Benchmark	-0.37%	1.98%	-1.29%	1.20%	-1.22%	4.14%

# ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE (% EUR)

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
Fund	-1.33%	-0.62%	-0.12%	N/A	0.43%
Benchmark	-1.22%	-0.44%	0.05%	N/A	0.62%

The figures shown relate to past performance. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results and should not be the sole factor of consideration when selecting a product or strategy. Share Class and Benchmark performance displayed in EUR, hedged fund benchmark performance is displayed in EUR. Performance is shown on a Net Asset Value (NAV) basis, with gross income reinvested where applicable. Performance data is based on the net asset value (NAV) of the ETF which may not be the same as the market price of the ETF. Individual shareholders may realize returns that are different to the NAV performance. The return of your investment may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations if your investment is made in a currency other than that used in the past performance calculation. Source: BlackRock



Capital at risk. All financial investments involve an element of risk. Therefore, the value of your investment and the income from it will vary and your initial investment amount cannot be guaranteed.

# **KEY FACTS**

Asset Class	Fixed Income
Fund Base Currency	EUR
Share Class Currency	EUR
Fund Launch Date	22-Oct-2012
Share Class Launch Da	ate 22-Oct-2012
Benchmark	Bloomberg Barclays EUR
	Corporate Interest Rate
	Hedged Index
ISIN	IE00B6X2VY59
Total Expense Ratio	0.25%
Distribution Type	Semi-Annual
Domicile	Ireland
Methodology	Sampled
Product Structure	Physical
Rebalance Frequency	Monthly
UCITS	Yes
ISA Eligibility	Yes
SIPP Available	Yes
UK Distributor/Reporting	ng Status No/Yes
Use of Income	Distributing
Net Assets of Fund	EUR 889,730,794
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Number of Holdings	2,899

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Number of Holdings	2,899
Shares Outstanding	9,503,809
Benchmark Ticker	BRDHTREU
Distribution Yield	0.97%

## TOP HOLDINGS (%)

CASH COLLATERAL EUR BZFUT	0.95
BLK LEAF FUND AGENCY ACC TO EUR	0.36
RABOBANK NEDERLAND NV RegS	0.16
FRANCE TELECOM MTN	0.15
ANHEUSER-BUSCH INBEV NV MTN	
RegS	0.14
MICROSOFT CORPORATION	0.14
ANHEUSER-BUSCH INBEV NV MTN	
RegS	0.13
RABOBANK NEDERLAND NV MTN	
RegS	0.12
TOTAL SA MTN RegS	0.12
CREDIT SUISSE GROUP FUNDING	
GUERNS MTN RegS	0.11
	2.38

Holdings are subject to change

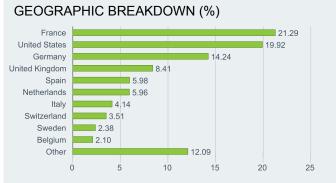
**Key Risks Continued:** Credit Risk: The issuer of a financial asset held within the Fund may not pay income or repay capital to the Fund when due. If a financial institution is unable to meet its financial obligations, its financial assets may be subject to a write down in value or converted (i.e. "bail-in") by relevant authorities to rescue the institution. Liquidity Risk: Lower liquidity means there are insufficient buyers or sellers to allow the Fund to sell or buy investments readily. Counterparty Risk: The insolvency of any institutions providing services such as safekeeping of assets or acting as counterparty to derivatives or other instruments, may expose the Fund to financial loss.

#### PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

Weighted Average Maturity	5.73 yrs
Weighted Average Coupon	1.64%
Weighted Average Yield To Maturity	1.06%
Effective Duration	0.04 yrs

#### DEALING INFORMATION

Exchange	London Stock Exchange
Ticker	IRCP
Bloomberg Ticker	IRCP LN
RIC	IRCP.L
SEDOL	B75GXF7
Trading Currency	EUR
This product is also listed on: Euronext Amsterda	am,Borsa Italiana,SIX Swiss
Exchange, Deutsche Boerse Xetra	



Geographic exposure relates principally to the domicile of the issuers of the securities held in the product, added together and then expressed as a percentage of the product's total holdings. However, in some instances it can reflect the location where the issuer of the securities carries out much of their business.

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#### GLOSSARY

Total Expense Ratio (TER): A measure of the total costs associated with managing and operating a fund. The TER consists primarily of the management fee plus other expenses such as trustee, custody, or operating expenses. It is expressed as a percentage of the fund's total net asset value. Distribution yield: The distribution yield represents the ratio of distributed income over the last 12 months to the fund's current Net Asset Value.

**Effective Duration:** is a measure of the potential impact on a bond or portfolio price of a 1% change in interest rates across all maturities. It takes into account the possible changes in expected bond cash flows for bonds with embedded optionality (for example the bond issuer's right to redeem bonds at a predetermined price on certain dates) due to the 1% change in rates.

**Product Structure:** Indicates whether the fund buys the actual underlying securities in the index (i.e. Physical) or whether the fund gains exposure to those securities by buying derivatives, such as swaps (known as 'Synthetic'). Swaps are a form of contract that promises to provide the return of the security to the fund, but the fund does not hold the actual security. This can introduce a risk that the counterparty defaults on the "promise" or contract.

Weighted Average Maturity (WAM): A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal amount of the bond is to be repaid. WAM of the ETF is calculated as the average of the underlying bonds' maturities, adjusted to take account of their relative weight (size) within the fund.

Weighted Average Coupon (WAC): The coupon is the annual interest rate paid by a bond issuer on the face value of the bond. WAC of the ETF is calculated as the average of the underlying bonds' coupon rates, adjusted to take account of their relative weight (size) within the fund.

Methodology: Indicates whether the product is holding all index securities in the same weight as the index (replicating) or whether an optimised subset of index securities is used (optimised/sampled) in order to efficiently track index performance. Weighted Average Yield to Maturity: The rate of return anticipated on a bond, if it is held until maturity. Yield to Maturity of the ETF is calculated as the average of the underlying bonds' yields, adjusted to take account of their relative weight (size) within the fund.

## SUSTAINABILITY CHARACTERISTICS

Sustainability Characteristics can help investors integrate non-financial, material sustainability considerations into their investment process. These metrics enable investors to evaluate funds based on their environmental, social, and governance (ESG) risks and opportunities. This analysis can provide insight into the effective management and long-term financial prospects of a fund.

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MSCI ESG Fund Rating (AAA-CCC)	А	MSCI ESG Quality Score (0-10)	6.52
MSCI ESG Quality Score - Peer	51.25%	MSCI ESG % Coverage	97.15%
Percentile		MSCI Weighted Average Carbon	139.11
Fund Lipper Global Classification	Bond EUR Corporates	Intensity (Tons CO2E/\$M SALES)	
Funds in Peer Group	240		

All data is from MSCI ESG Fund Ratings as of **01-Jun-2020**, based on holdings as of **30-Apr-2020**. As such, the funds sustainable characteristics may differ from MSCI ESG ratings from time to time.

To be included in MSCI ESG Fund Ratings, 65% of the fund's underlying holdings (excluding cash positions) must be covered by MSCI ESG Research, the fund's holdings date must be less than one year old, and the fund must have at least ten securities. For newly launched funds, sustainability characteristics are typically available 6 months after launch.

#### ESG GLOSSARY

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MSCI ESG Quality Score - Peer Percentile: The fund's ESG Percentile compared to its Lipper peer group.

Fund Lipper Global Classification: The fund peer group as defined by the Lipper Global Classification.

Funds in Peer Group: The number of funds from the relevant Lipper Global Classification peer group that are also in ESG coverage.

MSCI ESG Quality Score (0-10): The MSCI ESG Quality Score (0 - 10) for funds is calculated using the weighted average of the ESG scores of fund holdings. The Score also considers ESG Rating trend of holdings and the fund exposure to holdings in the laggard category. MSCI rates underlying holdings according to their exposure to 37 industry specific ESG risks and their ability to manage those risks relative to peers.

MSCI ESG % Coverage: Percentage of a fund's holdings that have MSCI ESG ratings data.

MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (Tons CO2E/\$M SALES): Measures a fund's exposure to carbon intensive companies. This figure represents the estimated greenhouse gas emissions per \$1 million in sales across the fund's holdings. This allows for comparisons between funds of different sizes.

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