### Russell Investments

# Russell Investments Euro Fixed Income Fund

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#### **Fund Objective**

The Fund aims to achieve income and growth by investing at least 70% of its assets in Eurodenominated bonds. The Fund is broadly diversified across European countries (as well as non-E.U.), across industry sectors and maturities. The Fund is actively managed with reference to the FTSE Euro Broad Investment-Grade Bond Index which it seeks to outperform by 0.5% over the medium to long term. Russell Investments/ Money Managers have full discretion to select investments for the Fund.

#### **Fund Update**

The Fund is dynamically managed in alignment with our cycle, valuation, sentiment (CVS) framework. The Fund holds an overweight to duration. The Fund is also overweight investment grade and high yield financials, industrials and utilities. We believe bonds with credit risk will generate higher returns than those of comparable high-quality government securities over a market cycle. Both sets of Russell Investments positioning strategies continue to play a key role in diversifying the Fund's return profile.

#### **Performance Review %**

Performance to period end Returns shown in EUR	1 month	3 months	6 months	Year to Date	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
Return net of management fee Class Class F	0.2	-0.2	2.1	-2.0	3.0	-4.9	-2.1	-0.3	1.6
FTSE EuroBig Index	0.0	-0.1	1.7	-1.5	2.9	-4.4	-1.9	3.0	3.0

All returns greater than 1 year are annualised

#### Rolling 12 Month Performance (%)

Returns shown in EUR	31/03/23	31/03/22	31/03/21	31/03/20	31/03/19
	31/03/24	31/03/23	31/03/22	31/03/21	31/03/20

Fund facts	Returns shown in EUR	31/03/18 31/03/19	31/03/17 31/03/18	31/03/16 31/03/17	31/03/15 31/03/16	31/03/14 31/03/15
Share Class; Dealing ccy		31703717	31703710	31703/17	31/03/10	31/03/13
Share class, Deaning ccy	Past performance does not prodict future returns					
Class F: FUR  Past performance does not predict future returns.						

The current benchmark is the FTSE Euro Broad Investment-Grade Bond Index

Fund facts	
Share Class; Dealing ccy	
Class F; EUR	
Dealing frequency; Cut off	
Daily; 2:00 pm GMT	
Domicile; Category	
Ireland; UCITS	
Fund size	
EUR 82.07m	
Fund launch date	
22 June 2001	
Share class launch date	
25 June 2002	
Management fee	
1.60%	
ISIN; Bloomberg	
IE0031181930;	
Share class NAV	
EUR 0.03m	

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#### **Portfolio Statistics**

	Fund	Benchmark
Effective duration	7.0	6.3
Average maturity	11.3	7.8
Average credit rating	AA	А
Yield to worst	3.8	3.4

3 years	Fund	Benchmark
Volatility	8.7	8.7
Tracking error	2.3	2.3
Sharpe ratio	-0.8	-0.8
Information ratio	0.5	0.5
3 year return (net)	-4.9%	-4.4%
3 year excess return (net)	-0.5%	-

#### Ten largest holdings by weight

Security	Fund	Benchmark
NETHERLANDS GOVERNMENT BONDS 144A REGS 07/32 0.5	11.0%	0.1%
BUNDESSCHATZANWEISUNGEN BONDS REGS 06/24 0.2	9.9%	-
BUNDESREPUB. DEUTSCHLAND BONDS REGS 08/33 2.6	7.4%	0.2%
ASR NEDERLAND NV SUBORDINATED REGS 12/43 VAR	3.2%	0.0%
DEUTSCHE BANK AG SUBORDINATED REGS 06/32 VAR	3.0%	0.0%
PROLOGIS INTL FUND II COMPANY GUAR REGS 06/31 3.125	2.5%	0.0%
BUNDESOBLIGATION BONDS REGS 10/28 2.4	2.4%	0.2%
VOLKSWAGEN INTL FIN NV COMPANY GUAR REGS 12/99 VAR	2.4%	0.0%
NATWEST GROUP PLC SUBORDINATED REGS 02/34 VAR	2.3%	0.0%
CRH SMW FINANCE DAC COMPANY GUAR REGS 07/35 4.25	2.0%	0.0%

# Sector weights

	Fund	Benchmark
Corporate - Investment Grade	49.3%	19.6%
Treasuries	32.1%	55.0%
Other	12.3%	6.9%
Corporate - High Yield	3.1%	0.4%
Government Related	3.1%	16.3%
Emerging Markets - Hard Currency	0.0%	1.8%
Securitized	0.0%	0.0%

#### **Credit Quality Weights**

	Fund	Benchmark
AAA	44.4%	24.7%
AA	1.7%	29.6%
A	19.9%	15.5%
BBB	30.5%	29.8%
ВВ	3.5%	0.5%
В	0.0%	0.0%
CCC & Below	0.0%	0.0%
Unrated	0.0%	0.0%



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#### **Fund Structure**

Manager/Strategy	Strategy	Target	Actual
FIL Pensions Management	Core	95.0%	94.6%
Russell Investments	Positioning Strategies	5.0%	5.4%

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