

# Sustainable High Yield strategy When High Yield and Sustainability Go Hand in Hand





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**Net fund return for** the year 2023

 $SRI^2 = 2$ 

**Primary Investment** Themes:



Recycling



**Waste Treatment** 



**Efficient Construction** 



**Clean Mobility** 

**€72.3** м

Assets under management



Climate Strategy<sup>3</sup>



Label ISR4



**Label Towards** Sustainability4 **Article 9 Fund** 

**Globe Morningstar** rating4









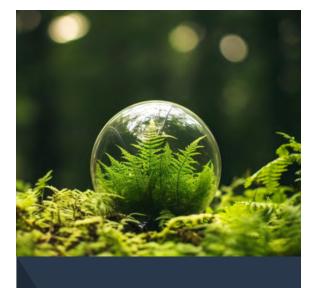


**Fund's contributions to** SDGs<sup>5</sup>



- 1. Return of the Mirova Euro High Yield Sustainable Bond Fund, El NPF/A EUR share ISIN Code: LU2478873008. Past performance is no guarantee of future performance.
- 2. The "Summary Risk Indicator" (SRI), as defined by the PRIIPs regulation, is a risk measure based on both market risk and credit risk. It is based on the assumption that you stay invested in the fund for the recommended holding period. It is calculated periodically and may change over time. The indicator is presented on a numerical scale from 1 (the lowest risk) to 7 (the highest risk).
- 3. Mirova aims, for all its investments, to propose portfolios consistent with a climate trajectory of less than 2°C defined in the Paris Agreements of 2015, and systematically displays the carbon impact of its investments (excluding Social impact and Natural Capital funds), calculated from a proprietary methodology that may involve biases.
- 4. References to a ranking, award or label have no bearing on the future performance of any fund or manager.
- 5. Created by the United Nations in 2015, the 17 "Sustainable Development Goals" (SDGs) are the layout to achieve a better and more sustainable world for all by 2030. These goals are a call for action to address a series of global challenges, such as: poverty, inequality, climate, environmental degradation, and justice.







4-Globe Morningstar<sup>6</sup>
 rating for the Mirova
 Euro High Yield
 Sustainable Bond Fund

In June 2023, our Mirova Euro High Yield Sustainable Bond Fund was awarded 4 Globes on the Morningstar Sustainability Rating scale, which assesses portfolios' level of ESG integration (environment, social and governance). We are proud of this recognition, which – above and beyond the several labels this fund has earned – confirms Mirova's leadership and recognised expertise in the realm of responsible investment.

With high and attractive yields as well as limited volatility, sustainable high yield is an ideal asset class for diversifying your portfolio.



**Nelson Ribeirinho**Portfolio Manager of Mirova
Euro High Yield Sustainable
Bond Fund, credit analyst

The sound financial health of companies as well as the scarcity of supply make the high-yield bond segment a must.



Jean-René Meduri Portfolio Manager of Mirova Euro High Yield Sustainable Bond Fund, credit analyst



# Sustainable High Yield – a multi-faceted asset class that combines: The pursuit of financial performance...

With a yield now approaching 6% and an average annual performance of around 5%<sup>7</sup> per year over the past 20 years, high-yield bonds

(BB/B) represent an attractive asset class for investors seeking returns higher than those of government and investment grade corporate bonds<sup>8</sup>, while being relatively less exposed to interest rate fluctuations.

# ... and ESG criteria (Environmental, Social and Governance) to meet the challenges of transition

Beyond yield, the sustainable high-yield asset class provides solutions to the challenges of the low-carbon economy of tomorrow, particularly by funding a range of sustainable activities such as green technologies, energy efficiency, and renewable energies.

The selection of sustainable high-yield companies upstream in the value chain is a pivotal component of the ecological transition, enabling the financing of the entire value chain to empower key transition actors to accelerate their development.



<sup>7.</sup> Mirova, as of December 31, 2023.

<sup>8.</sup> Investment Grade bonds are bonds issued by borrowers with the highest ratings from the rating agencies.



### How does the Mirova Euro High Yield Sustainable Bond Fund meet yield and sustainability requirements?

With a net performance of 11.37%9 in 2023, the Mirova Euro High Yield Sustainable Bond Fund, classified as Article 9 under the SFDR regulation, confirms that high yield and responsible investment can go hand in hand. The fund's objective is to support SMEs with strong financing needs and committed to transitioning towards a more sustainable model. With a 2/3 allocation to environmental themes and 1/3 to social themes, the Mirova Euro High Yield Sustainable

Bond Fund particularly favors companies operating in recycling, waste treatment, clean mobility, sustainable packaging, real estate renovation, access to clean water, and responsible hygiene products. Our conviction is that bonds issued by these companies have a higher likelihood of experiencing favorable economic trajectories than their peers on average, often resulting in credit rating improvements. Viewing the transition to a sustainable economy as

an opportunity for growth, ESG criteria are integrated throughout the fund's investment process. All portfolio positions are vetted in advance by Mirova's team of ESG analysts. The fund's managers and analysts regularly meet with the management of these companies to ensure the achievement of financial and ESG objectives.

## In a nutshell

## Mirova Euro High Yield Sustainable Bond Fund

Supporting the real economy via SMEs in need of financing whose activities are essential to the sustainability transition.

- Credit fund
- B and BB high yield bond fund with a short duration (3–4 years on average)
- SRI of 2
- · Article 9, Label ISR, Label Towards Sustainability
- Sustainability focus with 2/3 of securities positioned on environmental themes and 1/3 social themes

investment is subject to risks, including the risk of capital loss, sustainability and liquidity.

- Issuers: SMEs from the recycling/waste treatment, clean mobility and more efficient real estate construction/management
- Advantages: High Yield performance (greater than inflation) and decorrelation from interest rates

Data as of December 31, 2023

The Sustainable Finance Disclosure Reporting (SFDR) Regulation aims to provide more transparency in terms of environmental and social responsibility in financial markets, through the provision of sustainability information on financial products (integration of risks and negative sustainability impacts). Products classified as Article 9 within the meaning of SFDR have a sustainable investment objective compared to products classified as Article 6 (no sustainability objective) or Article 8 (environmental and social characteristics). References to a ranking, prize or label do not anticipate the future results of the latter, or of the fund, or of the manager. Past performances do not anticipate the future performances. Investments in the fund are mainly subject to risk of capital loss. Each

9. Source: Mirova, as of December 31, 2023.



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The risk and return level (type) is an indicator rated from 1 to 7 corresponding to increasing levels of risks and returns. It is the result of a regulatory

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