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COLUMBIA THREADNEEDLE LAUNCHES CT (LUX) EUROPEAN CORPORATE BOND PLUS

New strategy combines the strength of European investment grade credit with the flexibility to allocate to high yield opportunities

LONDON – **21 September 2026 -** Columbia Threadneedle Investments, a leading global asset management group, has today announced the launch of the **CT (Lux) European Corporate Bond Plus fund**, an actively managed European credit strategy designed to deliver a combination of income and capital appreciation through a research-driven approach to corporate bond investing.

The fund has been created through the conversion of CT (Lux) European Strategic Bond fund, While the strategy will be anchored in high-quality European corporate bonds, the mandate also continues to provide flexibility allowing the portfolio team to hold up to 30% in high yield investments.

The fund will invest primarily in euro-denominated investment grade corporate bonds issued by European companies or businesses with significant European operations, while providing the flexibility to allocate up to 30% of assets to below investment grade securities, when attractive risk-adjusted opportunities arise. This opportunity set enables the team to draw on multiple sources of alpha through fundamental credit selection and dynamic allocation, with the aim of delivering attractive income and total returns across different market environments.
Managed by Christopher Hult, the strategy brings together complementary sources of alpha:

1. bottom-up issuer and security selection
2. dynamic allocation between investment grade and high yield credit.

The launch builds on Columbia Threadneedle's long-standing expertise in European corporate bonds and responds to growing investor demand for a credit strategy that can seek opportunities across a broad investable universe.

Christopher Hult, Portfolio Manager, at Columbia Threadneedle Investments said: "Investors continue to find the all-in yield available in European corporate bonds attractive, while tighter credit spreads mean that rigorous credit research and disciplined portfolio construction are becoming increasingly important."

"The European Corporate Bond Plus strategy has been designed to harness the full breadth of our credit capabilities. By combining deep fundamental research with the flexibility to allocate between investment grade and high yield bonds, we believe we can provide investors with a differentiated source of returns while maintaining a strong focus on risk management."

Independent bottom-up credit research is at the heart of the investment process, helping identify opportunities while assessing valuation, credit quality and downside risks at the issuer and security level. Risk management is fully integrated into the portfolio construction framework, with position sizing linked directly to conviction levels and ongoing monitoring of duration, spread, sector, country and high yield exposures.

The fund benchmark is the iBoxx Euro Corporate Bond Index and is classified as an Article 8 fund under SFDR.

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[1] Source: Ameriprise Financial Q2 2026 earnings release - assets under management & advisement

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