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CT (Lux) European Short-Term High Yield Bond

A flexible, income-led bond solution

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The fund targets attractive income with lower volatility by investing in a diversified portfolio of short-maturity European high yield bonds. Combining deep bottom-up credit research, disciplined risk control, and ESG integration, it offers a compelling alternative to traditional high yield with reduced interest rate sensitivity.

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Reasons to invest in this fund

1 High-quality research and security selection

2 Attractive risk-adjusted return profile

3 Experienced and global team of specialists

'Buy and hold' spirit, with emphasis on income and low turnover.

Not benchmark constrained: absolute return focus; investing in our preferred opportunities.

Designed as a credible alternative to money market and short-term government instruments, with higher return potential and solid risk management controls.

Unleveraged, liquid, long-only portfolio.

Why short maturity high yield?

- Lower duration risk vs. standard high yield portfolios, reducing sensitivity to interest rate movements.
- Less volatility than traditional high yield portfolios, particularly beneficial in volatile macro environments. discretionary stock selection.
- Drawdown control by managing to final maturity rather than next callable date.
- Captures the roll-down effect, enhancing returns as bonds approach maturity.
- Appealing entry point for investors seeking higher yield with comprehensive risk control.

Risks

This fund is suitable for investors who can tolerate a moderate level of risk and have a medium-term investment horizon. Investors could lose some or all their capital. The risks currently identified as applying to the Fund are set out in the "Risk Factors" section of the Prospectus.
Investment risks: Investment in debt securities and derivatives.
Associated risks: The fund may be exposed to additional credit, market, interest rate and liquidity risks due to the nature of investing in global corporate credit bond markets.
Currency Risk: Where investments are in assets that are denominated in multiple currencies, or currencies other than your own, changes in exchange rates may affect the value of the investments.

Investment philosophy and approach

Active Management
Unlocks value from market inefficiencies and mispricing

High Yield Focus
Specialised in short-maturity credit opportunities

Rigorous Research
Deep bottom-up credit analysis drives decision-making

Disciplined Portfolio Construction
Balances income generation with risk control

Issuer Selection
Prioritises robust credit quality and long-term resilience

Capital Preservation
Avoids permanent loss to support consistent performance

Final Maturity Preference
Reduces duration and volatility vs. traditional high yield

ESG Integration
Embedded in a well-defined risk framework

Repeatable Process
Ensures sustainable income and long-term stability

Risk management
- Diversify and limit exposures to tail risks
- Seek to eliminate unintended risks

Portfolio construction
- Fund Manager-led
- Tier position sizes in accordance with risk

Investment research
- Cornerstone of credit process
- Analyst-led
- Identify risk-adjusted performance

Performance drivers

- Focus on income generation, supported by capital appreciation potential.
- Captures the roll-down effect, enhancing returns as bonds approach maturity.
- Emphasis on security selection and avoidance of permanent capital loss.

Suitable for

- Investors seeking income with controlled risk.
- Portfolios needing diversification away from benchmark risk or longer duration assets.
- Investors overweight in EUR or GBP ABS or looking for short-term credit exposure in EUR.

Fund summary

Fund inception	17 July 2019
Fund size	€135,7 million
Fund objective	Total return
Reference index	No benchmark index
Average credit rating	BB/Ba3
Effective duration	1.8 years
Average Coupon	4.8%
Vehicle	SICAV
SFDR scope[1]	Article 8

Source: Columbia Threadneedle Investments, as at 31 December 2025.

[1] The Fund is categorised as Article 8 under the EU Regulation 2019/2088 on sustainability related disclosures in the financial services sector (SFDR) and promotes environmental and/or social characteristics. The decision to invest in the promoted fund should also take into account all the characteristics or objectives of the promoted fund as described in its prospectus. The Fund's sustainability related disclosures can be found on our website columbiathreadneedle.com.

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