

Redhedge ICAV

RV Corporate Bonds Fund

Monthly newsletter – **Week ending April 2nd, 2024**

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Performance

Source: Internal data

NAV	120.42	Annualized Rtrn Since Incept.	2.50%
Week Return	-0.13%	Max Drawdown (Weekly)	-0.38%
Current Month Return	0.08%	Positive Months Since Incept.	71
YTD Return	0.55%	Negative Months Since Incept.	20
1-Year Rolling Return	0.77%		
Rtrn Since Incept.	20.42%		

Fund overview

Redhedge focuses on managing liquid alternative Relative Value Credit Market-Neutral strategies. Our strategy is founded on the fact that short-term price volatility can temporarily lead to the relative mispricing in credit markets leading to relative value trading opportunities. Our core investment philosophy is to maintain consistency and discipline regardless of market direction, volatility or conditions. By maintaining this disciplined approach, we can minimize the volatility and potential negative drawdowns. The investment process consists of idea generation and relative value credit selection. Portfolio construction is driven by the team's quantitative approach combined with fundamental credit analysis. This repeatable and disciplined process is focused on identifying the most attractive relative value credit opportunities across the European credit universe.

Ratios

Source: Internal data

Sharpe Ratio (Since Inception)	2.58
Std.Dev. of Annualized Rtrn (Since Inception)	0.97

Fund Information

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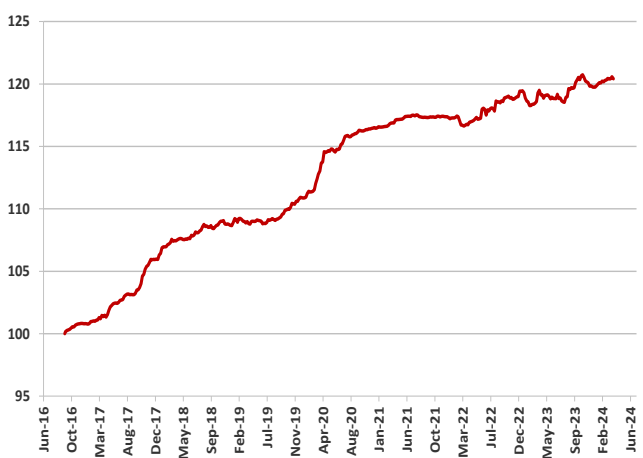
ISIN	IE00BD1R9143	Management Fee	1.00%
Bloomberg Code	RRVCBAE ID	Performance Fee	25.00%
Inception Date	23 Sept 2016	Redemption	Weekly
Fund AUM	120mm EUR	Min. Subscription	100K EUR
Fund Manager	Andrea Seminara		

Monthly Returns Since Inception

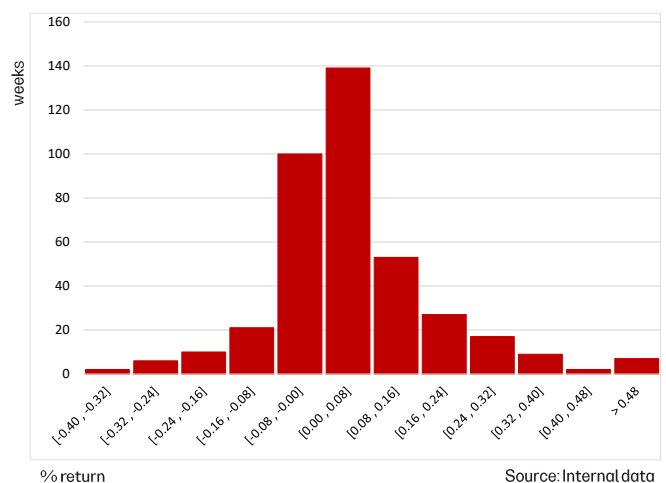
Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year Tot.
2016									0.16%	0.39%	0.23%	0.01%	0.80%
2017	0.17%	0.10%	0.39%	0.07%	0.89%	0.22%	0.40%	0.04%	0.38%	1.59%	0.75%	0.02%	5.13%
2018	0.93%	0.21%	0.25%	0.17%	-0.06%	0.25%	0.37%	0.34%	0.06%	0.04%	0.32%	-0.34%	2.57%
2019	0.42%	0.01%	-0.16%	0.01%	0.05%	-0.21%	0.37%	-0.02%	0.38%	0.46%	0.44%	0.24%	2.01%
2020	0.48%	0.12%	1.91%	0.80%	0.18%	0.02%	0.87%	-0.02%	0.32%	0.08%	0.13%	0.05%	5.03%
2021	0.08%	0.06%	0.23%	0.24%	0.20%	0.09%	0.01%	-0.15%	0.02%	-0.01%	0.07%	-0.11%	0.72%
2022	-0.01%	-0.20%	-0.23%	0.21%	0.16%	0.66%	0.06%	0.44%	0.03%	0.36%	-0.11%	0.45%	1.82%
2023	-0.72%	-0.17%	0.94%	-0.36%	-0.10%	0.19%	-0.50%	0.83%	0.46%	0.52%	-0.53%	-0.28%	0.26%
2024	0.27%	0.21%	0.08%										0.55%

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NAV Price Performance Since Inception



Histogram of Weekly Returns (393 weeks)



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Monthly Comment - March

From a birds-eye perspective, March looked like an uneventful month for credit, where rates bull-flattened, credit spreads traded in a tight range and issuance was well absorbed. However, we also saw an uptick in dispersion within both IG and HY, as large issuers came under pressure in HY while we saw mixed news flow in IG. In HY, the biggest focus was on Altice, with bonds down 25-40pts across the capital structure after proposed bond haircuts by management. While Altice is an idiosyncratic situation, it is symptomatic of a broader trend: the inability of issuers with very large debt-stacks to withstand continued elevated interest rates, particularly in the HY market. This is why a large portion of our portfolio is allocated to decompression trades. The Itraxx EUR Main IG Index ended the month 4-5bps tighter, while Itraxx XOVER HY Index widened by 3bps reflecting decompression between IG and HY. IG Cash outperformed synthetics again this month, closing 13bps tighter on the month but HY underperformed, with the HY ETF wider by 35bps this month.

In IG, the focus was on British American Tobacco (BATSLN), which tightened significantly after being upgraded by Fitch. As a result, their Hybrids are now fully IG, and the NC29C's traded up 2pts on the back of the upgrade. We had anticipated that credit metrics would improve sufficiently to warrant an upgrade, and as a result, were well positioned for the move. On the short-side, we started to be underweight EDF senior Θ hybrid bonds. Their announced plans to start the production of materials used in nuclear bombs, is at odds with many investors' ESG criteria and we expect will lead to exposure reduction in the name. We think that EDF's bonds are trading at the tight end of the range and outperformed so far this year which makes the risk-reward more skewed to the downside.

While our long-short relative value trades worked well, some decompression that we have put on since the start of the year contributed to a small drag in P Θ L. However, we continue to like decompression as we think that the market scenario is starting to become more favourable as compression has started to reach a bound (i.e. little room to continue to compress). As we saw with HY and IG decompressing this month, some of the trades have started to work, for example in subordinated vs senior decompression. We are confident that we have a portfolio with lots of optionality and good risk/reward in this tight credit spread environment.

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