# CT (LUX) EUROPEAN HIGH YIELD BOND (FUND) CLASS 3G GBP (ISIN:LU1829334736)

### **RETAIL FUND FACTSHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023**



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# **Key Facts**

Management Co:

Peer Group:

Fund Manager:





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Umbrella Fund: SFDR Category: Article 8 Fund Inception Date: 29/08/18

ICE BofA European Currency High Index:

Yield Excluding Subordinated Financials Constrained Index Morningstar Category EUR High

Yield Bond

Fund Currency: FUR Fund Domicile: Luxembourg Portfolio Size: £289.6m No. of Securities: 306 Share Class Price: 10.7376 All information expressed in GBP

On 20 November 2023 the Fund name changed from Threadneedle (Lux) - European High Yield Bond to CT (Lux) European High Yield Bond.

### Ratings/Awards





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# **Fund Objective & Policy**

The Fund aims to provide income with the potential to grow the amount you invested over the medium to long term.

The Fund invests at least two-thirds of its assets in below investment grade bonds (which are similar to a loan and pay a fixed or variable interest rate) priced in Euros or Sterling and issued by companies in Europe, including the UK, or companies that have significant operations there. Bonds rated as below investment grade have received lower ratings from international agencies that provide such ratings and are considered riskier than higher rated bonds but typically pay a higher income. The Fund may use derivatives (complex instruments) for hedging purposes and may also invest in asset classes and

instruments different from those stated above.

The Fund is actively managed in reference to the ICE BofA European Currency High Yield Excluding Subordinated Financials Constrained Index. The index is broadly representative of the securities in which the Fund invests, and provides a suitable target benchmark against which Fund performance will be measured and evaluated over time. The index is not designed to specifically consider environmental or social characteristics. The fund manager has discretion to select investments with weightings different to the index, and that are not in the index, and the Fund may display significant divergence from the index. The Fund promotes environmental and social characteristics by integrating a range of responsible investment measures into the investment process, and ensures that the companies it invests in follow good governance practices. The Fund aims to compare favourably against the index over rolling 12-month periods when assessed using the Columbia Threadneedle ESG (environmental, social and governance) Materiality Rating model, which indicates how much exposure a company has to material ESG risks and opportunities. At least 50% of the Fund is invested in companies that have a strong rating. The Fund also commits to investing at least 5% of its assets in sustainable investments.

The Fund excludes companies that derive certain levels of revenue from industries such as, but not limited to, coal and tobacco. It also excludes companies that have direct involvement in nuclear or controversial weapons, and companies determined to have breached international standards and principles.

The fund manager engages with companies to encourage improvement of their ESG practices. Columbia Threadneedle Investments is a signatory to the Net Zero Asset Managers Initiative and has committed to an ambition to reach net zero emissions by 2050 or sooner for a range of assets, including the Fund. The fund manager uses its proactive engagement with companies to assist with progressing this and may disinvest from those not meeting the minimum standards.

Further information about the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the Fund is available in the SFDR RTS Annex of the Prospectus available at www.columbiathreadneedle.com. The Fund is considered to fall within the scope of Article 8 of SFDR.

### **Risk & Reward Profile**

#### **UCITS SRRI**

The Risk and Reward Indicator demonstrates where the Fund Typically lower rewards, ranks in terms of it's potential risk and reward. Please see lower risk the Key Investor Information Document for more information.

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# **Key Risks**

- The value of investments can fall as well as rise and investors might not get back the sum originally invested.
- 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.
- The Fund invests in securities whose value would be significantly affected if the issuer refused, was unable to or was perceived to be unable to pay.
- The Fund holds assets which could prove difficult to sell. The Fund may have to lower the selling price, sell other investments or forego more appealing investment opportunities.
- Changes in interest rates are likely to affect the Fund's value. In general, as interest rates rise, the price of a fixed rate bond will fall, and vice versa
- The Fund's assets may sometimes be difficult to value objectively and the actual value may not be recognised until assets are sold.
- The Fund may invest in derivatives (complex instruments linked to the rise and fall of the value of other assets) with the aim of reducing risk or minimising the cost of transactions. Such derivative transactions may benefit or negatively affect the performance of the Fund. The Manager does not intend that such use of derivatives will affect the overall risk profile of the Fund
- The Fund applies a range of measures as part of its consideration of ESG factors, including the exclusion of investments involved in certain industries and/or activities. This reduces the investable universe, and may impact the performance of the Fund positively or negatively relative to a benchmark or other funds without such restrictions.
- The fund may exhibit significant price volatility
- The risks currently identified as applying to the Fund are set out in the "Risk Factors" section of the prospectus.

# **Typical Investor Profile**

This Portfolio is suitable for investors who:

- seek a potential total return primarily by way of income:
- seek investment exposure to European corporate bond markets and seek diversification in their investments through exposure to the Euro denominated high-yield market;
- seek an investment that promotes environmental and social characteristics;
- are willing to tolerate moderate to large price fluctuations and have hence a moderate to high risk tolerance;
- have a medium to long term investment horizon.

# **Holdings & Asset Allocation**

# Top 10 Holdings (%)

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Issuer Name	Weight
Electricite De France Sa	3.3
Telecom Italia S.P.A.	3.0
Telefonica Europe B V	2.7
Teva Pharmaceutical Finance Netherlands li B.V	2.0
Cellnex Finance Company S.A.U.	1.9
Forvia Se.	1.8
Vodafone Group Plc	1.8
Bayer Ag	1.5
Iqvia Inc	1.4
Bellis Acquisition Co Plc	1.4
Total	20.8

### Weightings (%)

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Sector	Fund	Index	Diff
Telecommunications	19.0	15.0	4.0
Healthcare	11.4	7.7	3.8
Services	9.7	6.9	2.8
Automotive	7.7	8.4	-0.7
Utility	6.8	7.0	-0.2
Banking	6.7	7.5	-0.8
Leisure	5.6	4.0	1.6
Basic Industry	5.5	6.2	-0.8
Financial Services	4.2	4.7	-0.4
Retail	3.8	6.4	-2.6
Technology & Electronics	3.1	4.6	-1.5
Other	13.4	21.7	-8.2
Cash Equivalents	2.0		2.0
Cash	1.0		1.0

#### **Performance**

Past Performance does not predict future returns. The return of your investment may change as a result of currency fluctuations if your investment is made in a currency other than that used in the past performance calculation.

### 10 Years NAV (GBP)



# **Significant Events**

△ Indicates significant event. For detailed information on Fund Changes please see "Significant events – Columbia Threadneedle Luxembourg-Domiciled SICAV Funds" PDF available on https://www.columbiathreadneedle.com/en/changes

#### **Performance Extension**

The past performance information for the period prior to 29 August 2018 is from the Threadneedle European High Yield Bond (Class Z Gross Accumulation Shares (GBP) GB00B6RRFW23) (a UK authorised UCITS fund launched on 1 October 2012), which merged into this Fund on 6 October 2018. The past performance calculated before 29 August 2018 includes UK taxes but does not include Luxembourg taxes.

### Calendar Year Performance (GBP)

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Share Class (Net)	8.5	-6.5	-4.0	9.3	3.6	-0.6	9.5	25.9	-3.7	-2.2
Peer Median (Net)	8.3	-5.2	-3.8	7.4	3.7	-2.6	9.8	25.0	-3.6	-2.6
Peer Ranking	65/153	101/146	79/138	22/126	61/110	8/99	47/80	23/72	34/64	21/57
Index (Gross)	9.5	-6.7	-3.1	8.6	4.7	-2.3	10.5	27.5	-4.2	-2.4

# **Annualised Performance (GBP)**

# 12M Rolling Period (GBP)

	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	10 YR	01/23 - 12/23	01/22 - 12/22	01/21 - 12/21	01/20 - 12/20	01/19 - 12/19	01/18 - 12/18	01/17 - 12/17	01/16 - 12/16	01/15 - 12/15	01/14 - 12/14
Share Class (Net)	8.5	-0.9	2.0	3.6	8.5	-6.5	-4.0	9.3	3.6	-0.6	9.5	25.9	-3.7	-2.2
Peer Median (Net)	8.3	-0.3	1.9	3.2	8.3	-5.2	-3.8	7.4	3.7	-2.6	9.8	25.0	-3.6	-2.6
Peer Ranking	65/153	87/129	41/102	17/55	65/153	101/146	79/138	22/126	61/110	8/99	47/80	23/72	34/64	21/57
Index (Gross)	9.5	-0.4	2.4	3.8	9.5	-6.7	-3.1	8.6	4.7	-2.3	10.5	27.5	-4.2	-2.4

Source Morningstar UK Limited © 2023 as at 31/12/23. Based on the NAV and assuming income is reinvested including ongoing charges excluding entry and exit charges. Index returns include capital gains and assume reinvestment of any income. The index does not include fees or charges and you cannot invest directly in it.

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Annualised performance measures how much an investment has grown on average each year.12 month Rolling Period shows annualised average returns for the periods stated.

The Fund promotes environmental or social characteristics and is categorised as Article 8 under the EU Regulation 2019/2088 on sustainability-related disclosures in the financial services sector (SFDR).

### **Responsible Investment Metrics**

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	Fund	Index*	Tilt
Columbia Threadneedle ESG Materiality rating Weighted average (1 is highest quality, 5 is lowest quality)	2.48	2.60	+0.12
Carbon Intensity Weighted average (tCO2e/\$1m sales)	138.67	202.24	+63.57
Controversies Exposure Exposure to controversial names¹		2.12%	+2.12%
MSCI ESG Score Weighted average (10 is highest quality, 0 is lowest quality)	6.15	6.08	+0.07



\*ICE BofA European Currency High Yield Excluding Subordinated Financials Constrained Index.

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# Columbia Threadneedle ESG Materiality (ESGM) rating

The Columbia Threadneedle ESG Materiality ratings provide an initial assessment of how well a company is managing its financially material ESG risks. We use the Sustainability and Accounting Standards Board (SASB) framework to identify which are the most financially material ESG risk factors for a company. These factors are industry dependent. The model processes public data for over 10,000 global issuers, and the ratings are updated daily, or as new data is published. The output is a rating from 1 to 5, where companies rated 5 are most exposed to material ESG risks, and those rated 1 are the least exposed (i.e. a lower score signals better quality). We use the ratings in our investment processes to help guide our research and identify opportunities to engage with companies.

#### **Carbon Intensity**

This measures carbon emissions relative to the size of a company, measured by revenues not market capitalisation. The measure used is tonnes of CO2 emitted (tCO2e) per \$1M of revenues. We give data for the overall Fund based on the weightings of the securities held, and a comparison with similar data for the Index. Carbon intensity provides an indication of carbon efficiency. This measure enables comparison with other funds and asset classes.

#### Controversies Exposure

We assess exposure to controversies using three international frameworks covering standards of operating practice: the UN Global Compact; the International Labour Organisation Core Labour Standards; and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. We measure the proportion of the Fund associated with breaches of the three frameworks and give a comparison with similar data for the index.

#### **MSCI ESG Score**

The MSCI ESG score uses MSCI's own methodology to assess companies' effectiveness at managing their ESG exposure. Companies with the highest ratings are those assessed as best managing their exposures to those material ESG risks and opportunities. If the portfolio score is above the benchmark, the portfolio is overweight in issuers that manage their ESG exposures better than others.

#### Detter til

The "Tilt" figure shows the bias of the Fund relative to the Index. It is expressed as the arithmetic difference in the weighting. A positive tilt indicates a bias towards a "better" RI profile than the Index.

Measures are being used to compare the ESG characteristics of the fund against the Index. This index also provides a helpful benchmark against which the financial performance can be compared. Accordingly, the index is not designed to specifically consider environmental or social characteristics.

For more information on Responsible Investment (RI) or investment terms used in this document, please see the Glossary published in the Document Centre on our website: https://www.columbiathreadneedle.co.uk/en/retl/about-us/responsible-investment/. 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/ in the information which is to be disclosed to investors in accordance with Article 23 of Directive 2011/61/EU.

The ESG materiality and carbon intensity scores are calculated on a trailing 12-month weighted average. For periods less than 12 months the rolling average will be calculated using the months available. Weighted average is computed using an equal weighting of the metric for each of the business days contained in the prior 12-month period. The carbon intensity denominator "sales" figure is a revenue measure. Coverage is the portfolio's percent of market value consisting of holdings for each applicable metric. Cash and derivatives are excluded from coverage. MSCI gives issuers a score of "Pass", "Watch List", or "Fail" depending on the degree to which they measure against principles in three documents: The UN Global Compact, the International Labor Organization Core Labour Standards, and the UN Principles on Business and Human Rights. An assignment of "Fail" for any of the three causes the holdings to reflect as controversial.

We made some changes to the ESG materiality rating methodology on 17 April 2023. This means some fund and benchmark ratings have changed, but this does not reflect a material change to the portfolio or our investment approach.

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#### **Share Classes Available**

Share	Class	Hedged	Curr	Tax	OCF	OCF Date	Max Entry Charge	Max Exit Charge	Transaction Costs	Min Inv.	Launch	ISIN	SEDOL	BBID	WKN/Valor/ CUSIP
1E	Acc	No	EUR	Gross	1.38%	29/09/23	5.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1829334579	BF50YF2	THEH1EE LX	A2JN8N
1EP	Inc	No	EUR	Gross	1.38%	29/09/23	5.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1829332524	BF50XV1	THE1EPE LX	A2JN74
1G	Acc	No	GBP	Gross	1.38%	29/09/23	5.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1829334652	BF50YG3	THEHY1G LX	A2JN8P
1GP	Inc	No	GBP	Gross	1.38%	29/09/23	5.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1829332797	BF50XW2	THEH1GG LX	A2JN75
1UT	Inc	Yes	USD	Gross	1.38%	29/09/23	5.00%	0.00%	0.32%		29/08/18	LU1829332870	BF50XX3	THE1UTU LX	A2JN76
2E	Acc	No	EUR	Gross	0.82%	29/09/23	0.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1849561953	BD2Z4P6	THEH2EE LX	A2JP80
2EP	Inc	No	EUR	Gross	0.82%	29/09/23	0.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1849562092	BD2Z4Q7	THE2EPE LX	A2JP81
2G	Acc	No	GBP	Gross	0.82%	29/09/23	0.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1849562258	BD2Z4S9	THEH2GG LX	A2JP83
2GP	Inc	No	GBP	Gross	0.82%	29/09/23	0.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1849562332	BD2Z4T0	THE2GPG LX	A2JP84
3E	Acc	No	EUR	Gross	0.77%	29/09/23	3.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1829333415	BF50Y30	THEH3EE LX	A2JN8C
3EP	Inc	No	EUR	Gross	0.77%	29/09/23	3.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1829333506	BF50Y41	THE3EPE LX	A2JN8D
3G	Acc	No	GBP	Gross	0.77%	29/09/23	3.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1829334736	BF50YH4	THE3GGA LX	A2JN8Q
3GP	Inc	No	GBP	Gross	0.77%	29/09/23	3.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1829333845	BF50Y74	THEH3GG LX	A2JN8G
8E	Acc	No	EUR	Gross	0.86%	29/09/23	0.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1829332953	BF50XY4	THEH8EE LX	A2JN77
8G	Acc	No	GBP	Gross	0.86%	29/09/23	0.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1829333258	BF50Y18	THEHY8G LX	A2JN8A
8GP	Inc	No	GBP	Gross	0.86%	29/09/23	0.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1829333332	BF50Y29	THEH8GG LX	A2JN8B
9E	Acc	No	EUR	Gross	0.70%	29/09/23	0.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1849562415	BD2Z4V2	THEH9EE LX	A2JP85
9EP	Inc	No	EUR	Gross	0.70%	29/09/23	0.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1849562506	BD2Z4W3	THE9EPE LX	A2JP86
9G	Acc	No	GBP	Gross	0.70%	29/09/23	0.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1849563140	BD2ZN04	THEH9GG LX	A2JP9C
9GP	Inc	No	GBP	Gross	0.70%	29/09/23	0.00%	0.00%	0.23%		29/08/18	LU1849562845	BD2Z724	THE9GPG LX	A2JP89

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