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# Neuberger Berman Emerging Market Debt - Hard Currency Fund

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## FUND OBJECTIVE

The fund aims to achieve a target average return of 1-2% over the benchmark before fees over a market cycle (typically 3 years) by investing primarily in hard currency-denominated debt (defined as USD, EUR, GBP, JPY, CHF) issued in emerging (less developed) countries. There can be no guarantee that the fund will ultimately achieve its investment objective and capital invested is at risk. Investments may be made in investment grade, high yield or unrated debt securities. Investment grade refers to sovereign and corporate issuers with a higher credit rating.

## MANAGEMENT TEAM

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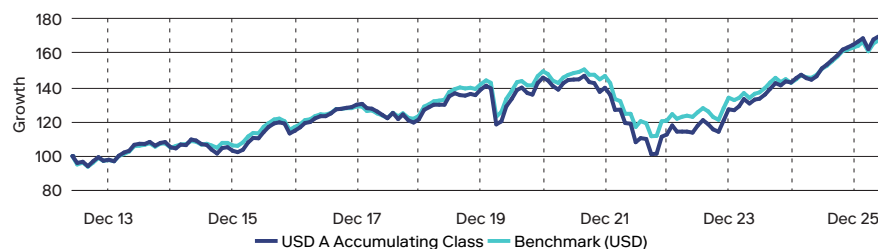
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## FUND FACTS

|                           |                                                            |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| Inception Date (Fund)     | 31 May 2013                                                |
| Base Currency (Fund)      | USD                                                        |
| Fund AUM (USD million)    | 3,693.58                                                   |
| Domicile                  | Ireland                                                    |
| Vehicle                   | UCITS                                                      |
| Valuation                 | Daily                                                      |
| Settlement (Subscription) | T+3                                                        |
| Trading Deadline          | 15:00 (Dublin Time)                                        |
| Regulator                 | Central Bank of Ireland                                    |
| Benchmark                 | JPMorgan EMBI Global Diversified Index (Total Return, USD) |

## CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE

Past performance does not predict future returns.



This chart shows how an investment of USD 100 in the fund on its inception date would have performed and compares it against how a hypothetical investment of USD 100 in the Benchmark(s) would have performed.

| PERFORMANCE (%) <sup>1</sup> | 1m <sup>2</sup> | 3m <sup>2</sup> | YTD <sup>2</sup> | 1y <sup>2</sup> | 3y <sup>3</sup> | 5y <sup>3</sup> | 10y <sup>3</sup> | SI <sup>3,4</sup> |
|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| USD A Accumulating Class     | 1.01            | 0.59            | 2.91             | 15.83           | 14.30           | 3.29            | 4.40             | 4.15              |
| Benchmark (USD)              | 1.00            | 0.49            | 2.58             | 13.66           | 10.87           | 2.59            | 3.99             | 4.05              |

| 12 MONTH PERIODS (%) <sup>1</sup> | May16<br>May17 | May17<br>May18 | May18<br>May19 | May19<br>May20 | May20<br>May21 | May21<br>May22 | May22<br>May23 | May23<br>May24 | May24<br>May25 | May25<br>May26 |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| USD A Accumulating Class          | 11.68          | 0.57           | 4.84           | -0.77          | 11.94          | -17.66         | -4.37          | 16.97          | 10.23          | 15.83          |
| Benchmark (USD)                   | 9.77           | -0.56          | 7.46           | 0.38           | 10.50          | -15.38         | -1.48          | 10.98          | 8.04           | 13.66          |

| CALENDAR (%)             | 2017  | 2018  | 2019  | 2020 | 2021  | 2022   | 2023  | 2024  | 2025  | 2026 <sup>5</sup> |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------------------|
| USD A Accumulating Class | 13.24 | -6.62 | 14.42 | 4.97 | -4.05 | -19.51 | 13.06 | 12.33 | 15.38 | 2.91              |
| Benchmark (USD)          | 10.26 | -4.26 | 15.04 | 5.26 | -1.80 | -17.78 | 11.09 | 6.54  | 14.30 | 2.58              |

The fund is actively managed, which means that the investments are selected at the discretion of the investment manager. The Benchmark is used for performance comparison purposes. The fund's investment policy restricts the extent to which the fund's holdings may deviate from the benchmark, but the fund is not exclusively limited to the securities of the benchmark.

<sup>1</sup>Performance to latest month end. YTD - Year to Date, SI - Since Inception, m - month, y - year. 12 month period based on month end NAVs.

<sup>2</sup>Returns for these periods are cumulative.

<sup>3</sup>Returns are annualised for periods longer than one year.

<sup>4</sup>Returns from 31 May 2013 to latest month end.

<sup>5</sup>Performance for the current calendar year is the year to date.

Fund performance is representative of the USD A Accumulating Class and has been calculated to account for the deduction of fees. Investors who subscribe in a currency other than the base currency of the fund should note that returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. **Fund performance does not take account of any commission or costs incurred by investors when subscribing for or redeeming shares.**

## RISK CONSIDERATIONS

**Market Risk:** The risk of a change in the value of a position as a result of underlying market factors, including among other things, the overall performance of companies and the market perception of the global economy.

**Liquidity Risk:** The risk that the fund may be unable to sell an investment readily at its fair market value. In extreme market conditions this can affect the fund's ability to meet redemption requests upon demand.

**Emerging Markets Risk:** Emerging markets are likely to bear higher risk due to a possible lack of adequate financial, legal, social, political and economic structures, protection and stability as well as uncertain tax positions which may lead to lower liquidity. **The NAV of the fund may experience medium to high volatility due to lower liquidity and the availability of reliable information, as well as due to the fund's investment policies or portfolio management techniques.**

**Credit Risk:** The risk that bond issuers may fail to meet their interest repayments, or repay debt, resulting in temporary or permanent losses to the fund.

**Interest Rate Risk:** The risk of interest rate movements affecting the value of fixed-rate bonds.

**Derivatives Risk:** The Fund is permitted to use certain types of financial derivative instruments (including certain complex instruments). This may increase the Fund's leverage significantly which may cause large variations in the value of your share. (Investors should note that the Fund may achieve its investment objective by investing principally in Financial Derivative Instruments (FDI)). Certain investment risks apply in relation to the use of FDI. The use of leverage can amplify both gains and losses, which may result in a significant or a total loss of the fund's value in adverse market conditions.

**Counterparty Risk:** The risk that a counterparty will not fulfil its payment obligation for a trade, contract or other transaction, on the due date.

**Operational Risk:** The risk of direct or indirect loss resulting from inadequate or failed processes, people and systems including those relating to the safekeeping of assets or from external events.

**Currency Risk:** Investors who subscribe in a currency other than the base currency of the fund are exposed to currency risk. Fluctuations in exchange rates may affect the return on investment. Where past performance is shown it is based on the share class to which this factsheet relates. **If the currency of this share class is different from your local currency, then you should be aware that due to exchange rate fluctuations the performance shown may increase or decrease if converted into your local currency.**

**For full information on these and other risks, please refer to the fund prospectus and offering documents, including the KID or KIID, as applicable.**

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## TOP 10 COUNTRIES BY ACTIVE SPREAD DURATION CONTRIBUTION (YEARS)

|                      | Fund | Bmrk |
|----------------------|------|------|
| Côte D'Ivoire        | 0.27 | 0.06 |
| Mexico               | 0.56 | 0.37 |
| Romania              | 0.32 | 0.17 |
| United Arab Emirates | 0.21 | 0.07 |
| Argentina            | 0.25 | 0.12 |
| Sri Lanka            | 0.18 | 0.06 |
| Egypt                | 0.28 | 0.16 |
| Costa Rica           | 0.18 | 0.09 |
| Kazakhstan           | 0.19 | 0.11 |
| Honduras             | 0.09 | 0.01 |

## TOP 10 ISSUERS % (MV)

|                                              | Fund | Bmrk |
|----------------------------------------------|------|------|
| Romania (Republic Of)                        | 4.79 | 2.78 |
| Argentina Republic Of                        | 3.94 | 2.71 |
| Government                                   |      |      |
| Cote D Ivoire (Republic Of)                  | 3.33 | 0.95 |
| Petróleos Mexicanos                          | 3.29 | 1.42 |
| Nigeria (Federal Republic Of)                | 3.04 | 2.59 |
| Egypt (Arab Republic Of)                     | 3.03 | 2.67 |
| Petroleos De Venezuela Sa                    | 2.80 | 0.70 |
| Sri Lanka (Democratic Socialist Republic Of) | 2.64 | 1.04 |
| Brazil Federative Republic Of                | 2.48 | 3.15 |
| (Government)                                 |      |      |
| South Africa (Republic Of)                   | 2.35 | 2.44 |

## SECURITY CREDIT QUALITY % (MV)

|                           | Fund  | Bmrk  |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|
| AA                        | 1.76  | 0.75  |
| A                         | 5.03  | 15.11 |
| BBB                       | 25.41 | 31.85 |
| BB                        | 31.27 | 24.86 |
| B                         | 17.55 | 17.58 |
| CCC                       | 11.55 | 7.43  |
| CC                        | 0.15  | 0.00  |
| C                         | 0.12  | 0.16  |
| D                         | 1.10  | 0.51  |
| Not rated                 | 4.24  | 1.74  |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents | 1.82  | 0.00  |

Source: Bloomberg Barclays PLC. Bloomberg Barclays credit quality rating is based on the conservative average of Moody's, S&P, and Fitch. If Moody's, S&P and Fitch all provide a credit rating, the rating is the median of the three agency ratings. If only two agencies provide ratings, the rating is the more conservative rating. If only one agency provides a rating, then the rating reflects that agency's rating. If none of the agencies provide ratings, the security is considered not rated and may be assigned an equivalent rating by the investment adviser.

## SECTOR ALLOCATIONS % (MV)

|                           | Fund  | Bmrk  |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|
| Sovereign                 | 66.22 | 82.78 |
| Quasi Sovereign           | 19.75 | 17.22 |
| Corporates                | 9.42  | 0.00  |
| Supranational             | 1.49  | 0.00  |
| Sub Sovereign             | 1.30  | 0.00  |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents | 1.82  | 0.00  |

## RISK MEASURES

|                    | 3 years |
|--------------------|---------|
| Alpha (%)          | 2.76    |
| Tracking Error (%) | 1.64    |
| Beta               | 1.06    |
| Sharpe Ratio       | 1.24    |
| Information Ratio  | 2.10    |
| R-Squared (%)      | 95.11   |
| Standard Deviation | 7.17    |

## DURATION DISTRIBUTION % (MV)

|                  | Fund  | Bmrk  |
|------------------|-------|-------|
| Less than 1 year | 7.84  | 5.57  |
| 1 - 3 years      | 8.87  | 16.49 |
| 3 - 5 years      | 15.99 | 19.18 |
| 5 - 7 years      | 27.48 | 22.60 |
| 7 - 10 years     | 22.46 | 13.66 |
| 10 - 15 years    | 17.08 | 20.39 |
| 15 - 20 years    | 0.16  | 1.95  |
| 20+ years        | 0.12  | 0.14  |

## CHARACTERISTICS

|                          | Fund  | Bmrk  |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|
| Time to Maturity (years) | 11.44 | 10.62 |
| Yield to Maturity (%)    | 6.49  | 6.07  |
| Current Yield (%)        | 6.66  | 6.07  |
| Duration (years)         | 6.50  | 6.44  |
| OAS (Basis points)       | 222   | 173   |
| Average Credit Quality   | BB    | BB+   |
| Number of Bonds          | 330   | 1,052 |

The yields shown represent the portfolio's annualised income expectations calculated on a gross basis as at the valuation date; they are not guaranteed and may change. Short-term market movements and interest-rate shifts can cause the income and the capital value of the portfolio to fluctuate, potentially reducing future yields

## TOP 10 COUNTRY ALLOCATIONS % (MV)

|               | Fund | Bmrk |
|---------------|------|------|
| Mexico        | 5.75 | 5.11 |
| Argentina     | 5.20 | 2.71 |
| Romania       | 4.79 | 2.78 |
| Côte D'Ivoire | 3.65 | 0.95 |
| Brazil        | 3.46 | 3.19 |
| Venezuela     | 3.15 | 1.63 |
| Turkey        | 3.10 | 4.09 |
| Nigeria       | 3.04 | 2.59 |
| Egypt         | 3.03 | 2.83 |
| Kazakhstan    | 3.01 | 1.74 |

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## A SHARE CLASS PERFORMANCE

Past performance does not predict future returns.

| PERFORMANCE (%) <sup>6</sup>       | Inception Date | 1m <sup>7</sup> | 3m <sup>7</sup> | YTD <sup>7</sup> | 1y <sup>7</sup> | 3y <sup>8</sup> | 5y <sup>8</sup> | 10y <sup>8</sup> | SI <sup>8</sup>   |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| AUD A (Monthly) Distributing Class | 26-02-2019     | 1.03            | 0.42            | 2.81             | 15.11           | 13.09           | 2.21            | -                | 2.76              |
| EUR A (Monthly) Distributing Class | 16-04-2018     | 0.92            | 0.04            | 2.27             | 13.43           | 12.05           | 1.24            | -                | 1.30              |
| EUR A Accumulating Class           | 31-05-2013     | 0.83            | 0.00            | 2.13             | 13.36           | 12.06           | 1.22            | 2.17             | 2.28              |
| HKD A (Monthly) Distributing Class | 09-01-2019     | 0.86            | 0.13            | 2.32             | 13.86           | 12.97           | 2.44            | -                | 3.77              |
| SEK A Accumulating Class           | 05-11-2015     | 0.85            | -0.09           | 1.97             | 13.08           | 11.78           | 1.14            | 2.13             | 2.39              |
| SGD A (Monthly) Distributing Class | 17-02-2015     | 0.82            | -0.16           | 1.83             | 12.67           | 11.88           | 1.79            | 3.31             | 3.42              |
| USD A (Monthly) Distributing Class | 31-10-2014     | 1.00            | 0.58            | 2.93             | 15.73           | 14.29           | 3.30            | 4.39             | 3.99              |
| USD A Accumulating Class           | 31-05-2013     | 1.01            | 0.59            | 2.91             | 15.83           | 14.30           | 3.29            | 4.40             | 4.15              |
| USD A Distributing Class           | 30-10-2020     | 1.01            | 0.53            | 2.92             | 15.80           | 14.27           | 3.29            | -                | 4.06              |
| Benchmark (USD)                    | -              | 1.00            | 0.49            | 2.58             | 13.66           | 10.87           | 2.59            | 3.99             | 4.05 <sup>9</sup> |

| 12 MONTH PERIODS (%) <sup>6</sup>  | Inception Date | May 16<br>May 17 | May 17<br>May 18 | May 18<br>May 19 | May 19<br>May 20 | May 20<br>May 21 | May 21<br>May 22 | May 22<br>May 23 | May 23<br>May 24 | May 24<br>May 25 | May 25<br>May 26 |
|------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| AUD A (Monthly) Distributing Class | 26-02-2019     | -                | -                | -                | -2.92            | 11.27            | -18.08           | -5.87            | 14.86            | 9.40             | 15.11            |
| EUR A (Monthly) Distributing Class | 16-04-2018     | -                | -                | 1.53             | -3.77            | 10.67            | -18.61           | -7.13            | 14.49            | 8.34             | 13.43            |
| EUR A Accumulating Class           | 31-05-2013     | 9.61             | -1.77            | 1.63             | -3.80            | 10.80            | -18.70           | -7.12            | 14.59            | 8.33             | 13.36            |
| HKD A (Monthly) Distributing Class | 09-01-2019     | -                | -                | -                | -0.76            | 12.06            | -17.68           | -4.97            | 15.70            | 9.46             | 13.86            |
| SEK A Accumulating Class           | 05-11-2015     | 9.51             | -1.88            | 1.57             | -3.72            | 11.02            | -18.57           | -6.93            | 14.47            | 7.89             | 13.08            |
| SGD A (Monthly) Distributing Class | 17-02-2015     | 11.24            | -0.11            | 3.87             | -1.67            | 11.69            | -17.73           | -5.17            | 14.82            | 8.26             | 12.67            |
| USD A (Monthly) Distributing Class | 31-10-2014     | 11.64            | 0.55             | 4.91             | -0.86            | 11.85            | -17.55           | -4.41            | 16.98            | 10.27            | 15.73            |
| USD A Accumulating Class           | 31-05-2013     | 11.68            | 0.57             | 4.84             | -0.77            | 11.94            | -17.66           | -4.37            | 16.97            | 10.23            | 15.83            |
| USD A Distributing Class           | 30-10-2020     | -                | -                | -                | -                | -                | -17.64           | -4.34            | 16.86            | 10.25            | 15.80            |
| Benchmark (USD)                    | -              | 9.77             | -0.56            | 7.46             | 0.38             | 10.50            | -15.38           | -1.48            | 10.98            | 8.04             | 13.66            |

| CALENDAR (%)                       | Inception Date | 2017  | 2018                | 2019                | 2020               | 2021  | 2022   | 2023  | 2024  | 2025  | 2026 <sup>10</sup> |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------------------|
| AUD A (Monthly) Distributing Class | 26-02-2019     | -     | -                   | 7.40 <sup>11</sup>  | 2.93               | -4.41 | -20.61 | 11.27 | 10.81 | 14.62 | 2.81               |
| EUR A (Monthly) Distributing Class | 16-04-2018     | -     | -7.24 <sup>11</sup> | 11.09               | 2.83               | -5.06 | -21.52 | 10.37 | 10.42 | 12.87 | 2.27               |
| EUR A Accumulating Class           | 31-05-2013     | 10.96 | -9.31               | 11.16               | 2.73               | -4.93 | -21.63 | 10.49 | 10.35 | 12.99 | 2.13               |
| HKD A (Monthly) Distributing Class | 09-01-2019     | -     | -                   | 11.98 <sup>11</sup> | 5.17               | -4.16 | -19.74 | 11.87 | 11.20 | 14.00 | 2.32               |
| SEK A Accumulating Class           | 05-11-2015     | 10.75 | -9.39               | 11.36               | 2.76               | -4.71 | -21.55 | 10.56 | 10.02 | 12.74 | 1.97               |
| SGD A (Monthly) Distributing Class | 17-02-2015     | 12.68 | -7.44               | 13.64               | 4.13               | -4.10 | -19.90 | 11.36 | 10.18 | 12.72 | 1.83               |
| USD A (Monthly) Distributing Class | 31-10-2014     | 13.11 | -6.56               | 14.40               | 4.85               | -4.04 | -19.53 | 13.08 | 12.42 | 15.29 | 2.93               |
| USD A Accumulating Class           | 31-05-2013     | 13.24 | -6.62               | 14.42               | 4.97               | -4.05 | -19.51 | 13.06 | 12.33 | 15.38 | 2.91               |
| USD A Distributing Class           | 30-10-2020     | -     | -                   | -                   | 7.30 <sup>11</sup> | -4.01 | -19.54 | 13.01 | 12.37 | 15.34 | 2.92               |
| Benchmark (USD)                    | -              | 10.26 | -4.26               | 15.04               | 5.26               | -1.80 | -17.78 | 11.09 | 6.54  | 14.30 | 2.58               |

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<sup>6</sup>Performance to latest month end. YTD - Year to Date, SI - Since Inception, m - month, y - year. 12 month period based on month end NAVs.

<sup>7</sup>Returns for these periods are cumulative.

<sup>8</sup>Returns are annualised for periods longer than one year.

<sup>9</sup>Data shown since inception of the USD A Accumulating Class.

<sup>10</sup>Performance for the current calendar year is the year to date.

<sup>11</sup>Data shown since the share class inception date.

Where a benchmark is shown, the benchmark shown is provided in the base currency of the fund and therefore may not be a fair representative comparison to the hedged currency share class shown. The difference in the currency exposure and currency fluctuations in an unhedged benchmark may cause an unintended differential in any performance or risk comparison.

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## A SHARE CLASS DATA

| Share Class          | NAV    | Initial Sales Charge (Max) | Ongoing Charges | Management Fee | Minimum Investment |
|----------------------|--------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------------|
| AUD A (Monthly) Dist | 7.63   | 5.00%                      | 1.48%*          | 1.40%          | 1,000              |
| EUR A (Monthly) Dist | 6.66   | 5.00%                      | 1.48%*          | 1.40%          | 1,000              |
| EUR A Acc            | 13.41  | 5.00%                      | 1.48%*          | 1.40%          | 1,000              |
| HKD A (Monthly) Dist | 8.18   | 5.00%                      | 1.49%*          | 1.40%          | 10,000             |
| SEK A Acc            | 128.34 | 5.00%                      | 1.49%*          | 1.40%          | 5,000              |
| SGD A (Monthly) Dist | 14.97  | 5.00%                      | 1.49%*          | 1.40%          | 1,000              |
| USD A (Monthly) Dist | 7.94   | 5.00%                      | 1.49%*          | 1.40%          | 1,000              |
| USD A Acc            | 16.98  | 5.00%                      | 1.48%*          | 1.40%          | 1,000              |
| USD A Dist           | 10.01  | 5.00%                      | 1.49%*          | 1.40%          | 1,000              |

| Share Class          | Inception Date | Morningstar Category™                     | ISIN         | Bloomberg | VALOR    |
|----------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|----------|
| AUD A (Monthly) Dist | 26-02-2019     | Other Bond                                | IE00BF0K7B44 | NBEAUAD   | 37445386 |
| EUR A (Monthly) Dist | 16-04-2018     | Global Emerging Markets Bond - EUR Hedged | IE00B986FR42 | NBEEAMD   | 41309801 |
| EUR A Acc            | 31-05-2013     | Global Emerging Markets Bond - EUR Hedged | IE00B986FT65 | NBEDCEA   | 21539285 |
| HKD A (Monthly) Dist | 09-01-2019     | Global Emerging Markets Bond              | IE00BF0K7C50 | NBEMHAD   | 37445430 |
| SEK A Acc            | 05-11-2015     | Other Bond                                | IE00BYSW3F11 | NBECSAA   | 29792540 |
| SGD A (Monthly) Dist | 17-02-2015     | Other Bond                                | IE00B99K3R14 | NBHSAMD   | 25278820 |
| USD A (Monthly) Dist | 31-10-2014     | Global Emerging Markets Bond              | IE00B986J720 | NBHUAMD   | 25495063 |
| USD A Acc            | 31-05-2013     | Global Emerging Markets Bond              | IE00B986J944 | NBEDUAA   | 21540624 |
| USD A Dist           | 30-10-2020     | Global Emerging Markets Bond              | IE00B986JM76 | NBEDUAD   | 50872380 |

\*The ongoing charge figure (which includes the management fee) is an annual charge based on expenses for the period ending 31 December 2025.

Some share classes listed are subject to restrictions, please refer to the fund's prospectus for further details.

Investors who subscribe in a currency different from their local currency should note that the costs may increase or decrease as a result of currency and exchange rate fluctuations.

The ongoing charge will reduce the value of your investment and the returns you may receive over time.

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This Fund meets the requirements of Article 8 of the SFDR. Further information is available in the Fund's offering documents and at [www.nb.com](http://www.nb.com)

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**Except for performance, the data shown is for the fund and is not specific to the share class, it has not been adjusted to reflect the different fees and expenses of the share class.**

**Performance of another share class may vary from the results shown based on differences in fees and expenses, and currency.**

Source: Neuberger, Blackrock Aladdin and Morningstar.

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# Neuberger Berman Glossary of Terms

**ABS (Asset-Backed Security):** A security that is backed by a loan, lease or receivables against assets other than real estate and mortgage-backed securities.

**Accumulating (Acc) Class:** Any class in respect of which the directors have determined to accumulate all net investment income and net realised capital gains attributable to such classes and in respect of which it is not intended to declare dividends.

**Agency MBS:** A mortgage-backed security (MBS) that is guaranteed by U.S. government agencies.

**Alpha:** The risk-adjusted excess return on an investment in the Fund compared to the benchmark.

**Annualised Performance:** The returns from a period of time longer than one year, expressed as a yearly geometric average return.

**AUM:** Assets Under Management.

**Average Credit Quality:** A weighted average of the credit ratings of all of the bonds in the portfolio.

**Base Currency:** The currency in which the net asset value of each portfolio is evaluated.

**Basis point (Bps):** Basis point (Bps) refers to a unit of measure for interest rates and other percentages in finance. One basis point is equal to 1/100th of 1%, or 0.01% (0.0001).

**Beta:** A measure of the systematic risk of a portfolio relative to the benchmark based on historical returns. The beta of the benchmark will always be 1. For example, a portfolio with a beta above the benchmark (as in, more than 1) indicates that the portfolio has greater volatility than the benchmark and would be expected to outperform in up markets and expected to underperform in down markets.

**Bmrk/Benchmark:** An index that is used to compare the performance of a fund, or that is used with the purpose of tracking the return of such index, or that is used to define the asset allocation of a portfolio or to calculate performance fees.

**Cash Equivalent:** A short-term money-market instrument, such as a Treasury bill or repurchase agreement, of such high liquidity and safety that it is easily converted into cash.

**Core Strategy:** The Core strategy is the portion of the portfolio invested mainly in short- to medium-term investment grade bonds with maturity on average less than 3 years.

**Covered bonds:** Bank-issued bonds backed by a ring-fenced pool of high quality assets (typically mortgages or public sector loans). Investors have dual recourse—to the issuer and the cover pool—supporting high credit quality and strong regulatory treatment.

**Credit Rating / Credit Quality** — A rating assigned by an agency such as Moody's, Standard & Poor's, Fitch Ratings or others to a bond or loan, or an issuer of bonds or loans, which conveys the agency's assessment of the bond or issuer's probability of default. These ratings typically have letter designations (such as AAA, B, CC). "Credit Quality" is often used synonymously to describe a bond or loan, an issuer, or a portfolio of bonds or loans.

**Cumulative Performance:** The returns generated by an investment over an entire specified period, as opposed to the performance of an investment over each discrete period of, for example, one month, one quarter or one year.

**Current Yield (years):** The mean average yield of a portfolio of bonds or loans, where each holding is weighted according to its size in the portfolio, and where yield is calculated simply by dividing the annual coupon payments for the portfolio by the current market value of the portfolio. The measure is used to compare bonds' or loans' estimated short-term returns, as opposed to their estimated returns over the longer term or until maturity.

**Distributing (Dist) Class:** Any class in respect of which the directors intend to declare dividends out of net income and capital on a semi-annual basis in accordance with the Articles and as specified in the "*Distribution Policy*" section in Prospectus.

**Domicile:** The geographical location where a fund is incorporated.

**Duration:** This measurement is used as an indication of the sensitivity to interest rate movements of the price of a bond. Longer duration indicates greater sensitivity. "Modified" duration makes no adjustments to take account of changes to the bond's expected cash flows in response to changes in yield, and is often used to assess securities with no options, such as government bonds.

**Duration Distribution:** The portfolio's allocation to

different groups of bonds, where those groups are determined by the bonds' durations. Duration is a measure of the sensitivity of the price of a bond or loan to changes in its interest rate.

**ESG:** ESG represents Environmental issues, (such as the impact on natural resources), Social issues (such as human rights) and Governance, (being the way in which the company is run).

**Financial Derivative Instruments (FDI):** Financial instruments that are linked to some other specific financial instrument or indicator or commodity, and through which specific financial risks can be traded in financial markets in their own right; their value derives from the price or level of the underlying asset or indicator. Examples include futures, options and swaps contracts.

**Government Bonds (Gov):** A debt security issued by a government.

**High Yield:** A security or asset, usually a bond or loan, that has received a rating below BBB-/Baa3, or not even received a rating from a nationally recognised statistical rating organisation (NRSO). Sometimes referred to as "speculative-grade", "non-investment grade" or "junk" bonds or loans.

**Inflation linked bonds:** Government-issued securities whose principal valuation is linked to an inflation index, including U.S. Treasury Inflation Protected Securities (TIPS) and similar securities issued by other governments.

**Information Ratio (IR):** The expected active return, relative to its benchmark of reference, of an investment strategy (Alpha) divided by its tracking error. This is a measure of the efficiency with which an investment strategy takes risk against its benchmark.

**Initial Sales Charge (Max):** The maximum amount that an investor in an investment fund may be required to pay when investing in the fund, expressed as a percentage of the value of the investment.

**Investment Grade (IG Credit):** A security or asset, usually a bond or loan, that has received a rating from a leading credit ratings agency of BBB/Baa or above.

**KID / KiID (Key Investor Information Document / Key Information Document):** A short document that fund management companies are required to provide for investors, giving the key facts and figures about an investment fund.

**Management Fee:** The fixed annualised fee that an investor pays in order to have assets managed in an investment fund or by an investment manager.

**Maturity:** The date upon which an asset, for example a bond or derivative, must be redeemed by its issuer. In the case of a bond, this is the date upon which the final coupon is paid and the principal is returned to investors. In the case of a derivative, this is the date upon which the contract expires.

**Market Value (MV):** Used to describe the current value of the portfolio's assets.

**Muni / Municipal Bonds:** A security issued by a state, municipality or county.

**NAV (Net Asset Value):** The net asset value of a portfolio.

**NRSO:** Nationally Recognised Statistical Rating Organisation.

**OAS (bps):** The "Option-Adjusted-Spread" ("OAS") is the difference, in basis points ("bps"), between the yield of an asset and the yield of a benchmark rate such as the risk free rate cash index, adjusted to take account of the value of options embedded in that asset. Some bonds and loans, for example, give the issuer the option to "call" the security earlier than the maturity date (in other words, to redeem and repay the principal value to the investor early).

**Ongoing Charge Figure (OCF):** The ongoing charge figure represents the annual costs of a fund, and it includes the ongoing costs of running the fund, such as operating costs, management costs, administration costs, distribution costs and transaction costs incurred as a result of buying or selling investments. The ongoing charge figure does not include one-off costs such as entry or exit charges and performance fees. The ongoing charge figure replaced the Total Expense Ratio (TER).

**Portfolio Price:** The weighted average of the market prices of securities held in a portfolio. Typically used for bond portfolios.

**Quasi-Sovereign:** Quasi-sovereign bond issuers include official government-backed agencies, local government entities, and corporations that are wholly-owned by sovereigns, or in which sovereigns hold more than 50% of the voting rights.

**R-Squared:** A statistical measure representing the

percentage of an investment portfolio's movements that can be explained by movements in the benchmark. A high R-squared (between 85 and 100) indicates the portfolio's performance patterns have been historically in line with the benchmark.

**Settlement (Subscription):** The process by which securities or units in an investment fund are delivered in exchange for cash.

**Securitized Credit:** A pooled group of financial assets that together create a new security, which is then marketed and sold to investors.

**Share Class:** Classes represent ownership in the same fund but charge different fees. This can enable shareholders to choose the type of fee structure that best suits their particular needs.

**Sharpe Ratio:** Characterises how well the return of the Fund compensates the investor for the risk taken relative to a risk free cash investment. When comparing two funds versus a common benchmark, the one with a higher Sharpe Ratio provides better return for the same risk (or, equivalently, the same return for lower risk).

**Sovereign:** A government.

**Sub Sovereign:** Government entities below the sovereign. Examples include states, regions, local authorities and municipalities.

**Spread Duration:** The sensitivity of the price of a security to changes in its credit spread. The credit spread is the difference between the yield of a security and the yield of a benchmark rate, such as a cash interest rate or government bond yield.

**Standard Deviation:** Measures the historical volatility of the Fund's return. Standard deviation is a statistical measure of the dispersion of a set of data relative to its mean value. The higher the standard deviation, the wider the variability of the returns is and the higher the portfolio risk. In investment the term is usually applied to a series of historical returns, and is often referred to as "volatility".

**Supranational:** An entity formed by two or more central governments to promote economic development for the member countries. Supranational Institutions finance their activities by issuing bond debt.

**Tactical Strategy:** The tactical strategy is the portion of the portfolio invested mainly in Eurozone government bonds (rated A or below) with maturity above 3 years and non-investment grade bonds.

**Time to Maturity:** The remaining life of a debt instrument.

**Tracking Error:** A measure of the volatility of the difference between the return to an investment strategy and the return to its benchmark. It is a measure of how closely the strategy's performance may differ from that of the benchmark. A higher tracking error implies that a portfolio is actively managed versus its benchmark.

**Trading Deadline:** The last point on each day at which a request to subscribe or redeem units in an investment fund can be submitted to the fund management company. Requests to trade submitted after this deadline will be executed the next day.

**Vehicle:** Any structure established to accept cash from investors with which to make investments in assets and securities. Examples include closed- or open-ended collective investment funds, limited partnerships, and exchange traded funds.

**Volatility:** Also referred to as the standard deviation of the stream of returns to an asset, portfolio, market or benchmark.

**Yield to Call:** The yield of a bond or note if you were to buy and hold the security until the call date, but this yield is valid only if the security is called prior to maturity. Some bonds and notes, for example, give the issuer the option to "call" the security earlier than the maturity date (in other words, to redeem and repay the principal value to the investor early). The date the issuer calls the security is the call date.

**Yield to Maturity:** The total annualised return anticipated on a bond if it is held until the end of its lifetime. Yield to maturity is considered a long-term bond yield, but is expressed as an annual rate.

**Yield to Worst:** The lowest potential annualised total return that can be received on a bond without the issuer defaulting. This can be different from the yield to maturity because it assumes that the issuer will exercise any option it has to "call" the security at the earliest opportunity (to redeem and repay the principal value to an investor early).