

# Rubrics Global Credit UCITS Fund (Class I USD)

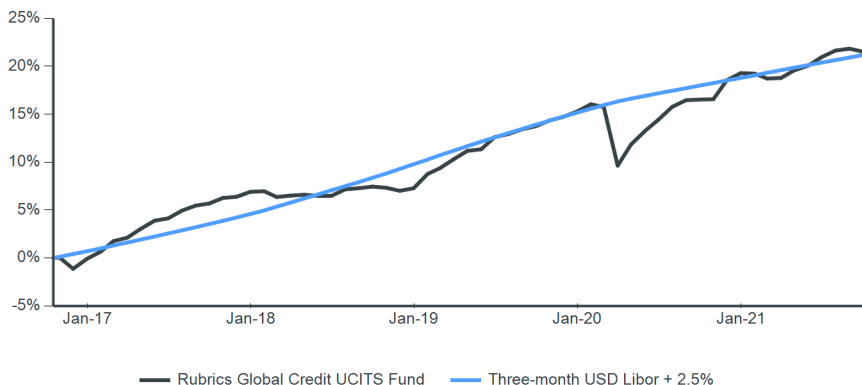
## Objective

The Rubrics Global Credit UCITS Fund (the "Fund") invests in a diversified, global portfolio of high-quality credits. The Fund pursues a total return, non-benchmarked strategy with a strong capital preservation emphasis. We maintain a low-duration portfolio bias, usually around three years. Our target return is equal to cash plus 2.5% over the medium term.

## Performance

This share class was launched on 17/10/16. The base performance is calculated on a NAV-to-NAV basis and is as at the last business day of the month. Past performance is no guarantee of future returns. Source: Rubrics Asset Management and Bloomberg.

## Cumulative performance since (17 October 2016)



## Monthly performance since 2018

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	Year	Primary Index
2018	0.06	-0.56	0.14	0.09	-0.11	0.00	0.64	0.11	0.15	-0.12	-0.29	0.25	<b>0.35</b>	4.97
2019	1.38	0.57	0.86	0.78	0.15	1.13	0.29	0.44	0.29	0.52	0.32	0.49	<b>7.46</b>	4.90
2020	0.66	-0.24	-5.29	2.02	1.25	1.05	1.17	0.60	0.05	0.04	1.70	0.62	<b>3.48</b>	3.15
2021	-0.04	-0.43	0.05	0.68	0.40	0.75	0.56	0.16	-0.25				<b>1.88</b>	2.01

## Net performance

	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years*	5 years*	10 years*	Since launch*
Fund	-0.25%	0.47%	2.32%	4.29%	4.19%	n/a	n/a	4.01%
Primary Index	0.22%	0.66%	1.33%	2.71%	3.79%	n/a	n/a	3.95%

\* Annualised returns are period returns re-scaled to a period of 1 year

## Rolling 12-month performance to most recent quarter end (30 September 2021)

	Q3 2020 - Q3 2021	Q3 2019 - Q3 2020	Q3 2018 - Q3 2019	Q3 2017 - Q3 2018	Q3 2016 - Q3 2017
Fund	4.29%	2.44%	5.87%	1.67%	0.00%
Primary Index	2.71%	3.58%	5.11%	4.66%	0.00%

## Risk factors you should consider before investing

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## Fund facts

Entity name	Rubrics Global UCITS Funds PLC
Inception date	17 October 2016
Index	Three-month USD Libor + 2.5%
Minimum investment (USD)	1,000,000
Subscription	Daily
Redemption	Daily
Other available currencies	CHF, EUR, GBP

## Key data †

Fund assets (USD)	\$517 million
NAV (USD)	12.1528
Total return since inception	21.53%
Annualised return since inception	4.01%
Annualised standard deviation	1.91%
Number of securities	272
Average coupon	4.93%
Average duration (years)	3.09
Average yield to maturity	2.55%
Average portfolio credit rating	BBB
Portfolio ESG rating (MSCI)	AAA

## Fees\*\*

Management fee	0.70%
Performance fee	None

## Fund codes

ISIN	IE00BD87SX27
SEDOL	BD87SX2
Bloomberg	RUBRGCI

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† The values stated are calculated based on the fund inception date as of 17/10/2016

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## Fund commentary

The Rubrics Global Credit UCITS Fund (USD Class I) returned -0.25% in September, bringing 2021 to +1.88%. Rising US and UK government bond yields in short (3yr) and intermediate (5yr+) maturities contributed to modestly lower cash bond prices for some corporate bonds in the portfolio.

During the month there were welcome opportunities to add to existing investments at more favourable prices than has been evident for some months. The Fund managed to add to its shorter dated AT1 holdings in Lloyds and HSBC at attractive 3% plus yields while also purchasing shorter dated corporate hybrids at attractive entry levels. Opportunities for some yield accretive bond rotation in the Fund's modest 10% high yield bucket also occurred. Perpetuating a trend observed in recent months, issuers within the portfolio continue to be active in refinancing existing debt and issuing new paper. For example, Trafigora, the Swiss commodities logistics and trading house, tendered for their short dated 6.875% subordinated paper, replacing it with new five year callable 5.875% instrument.

As we enter the final quarter of 2021 the Fund is conservatively positioned from a duration perspective and should be well placed to responsibly take advantage of market opportunities if bond markets finish the year on a softer note.

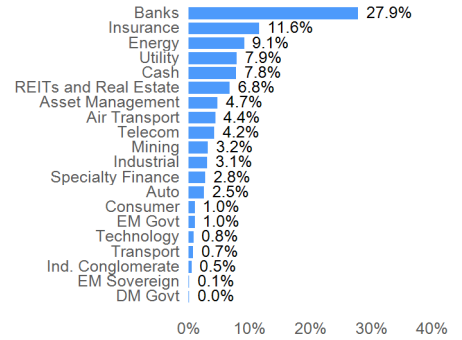
## Market commentary

There was disappointment early in September on the economic data front as the US added a mere 235 thousand jobs, well below the expectations of over 700 thousand. The employment paradox continued as the JOLTS job openings figure rose to another record high of almost 11 million, yet the number of people taking up those jobs remains low. The pandemic unemployment support programs are rolling off in September so there may be heightened expectations for an increase in the number of workers willing to accept one of the available jobs. On the inflation front, CPI and PPI remain elevated, with some of the survey measures of inflation expectations also at high levels. Even in Europe there are inflationary pressures, as German CPI printed over 4%, the highest in over 20 years. There was much focus on the September ECB meeting as hawkish speakers in advance of the meeting raised expectations that there may be some reduction in the pace of asset purchases. The ECB did not disappoint and announced that asset purchases would continue at a reduced pace. While the reduction is likely minimal it does leave us in a situation where the ECB is tightening policy ahead of the Federal Reserve, which would have been considered a long shot. At the Federal Reserves' September meeting there was no specific taper announcement but Powell confirmed that it would likely be appropriate to taper bond purchases this year, which has been taken by the market to mean an announcement is coming at the November meeting but any unforeseen shocks to the economy. Yields moved higher over the month as market's reacted to the somewhat more hawkish outlook from major central banks. There were also numerous rate hikes in September from Emerging Market central banks. US 10y yields were 18bp higher at 1.49%. German 10y yields saw a similar move, also 18bp higher to -0.20%. Equities had a down month for the first time in a while, as the prospect of tighter monetary policy and concerns over contagion from China's Evergrande combined with a somewhat softer outlook for future growth. The S&P 500 was down by 4.8% and in Europe the DAX was 3.6% lower while the FTSE 100 fell by 0.5%, supported by a weaker GBP. Commodities were mixed with oil gaining 9.5% but copper declining 6.2%. The USD was strong as the prospect of higher US rates and a weakening outlook supported the currency. The DXY was higher by 1.7%. Incoming employment data remains key for the monetary policy outlook and inflation is also an important factor as the question of whether inflation is transitory or not will be answered in the coming months.

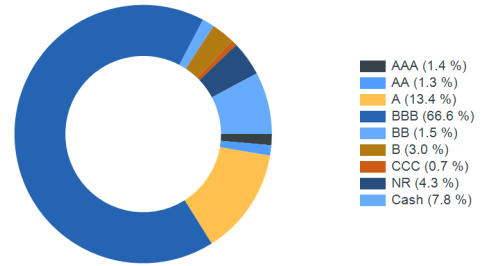
## Top five securities

Issue	ISIN	Weight	Next Call Date
TOTAL SA EURO 3.875	XS1413581205	4.6%	18/05/2022
ELECTRICITE DE FRANCE SA EURO 5.250	USF2893TAF33	3.1%	29/01/2023
BARCLAYS PLC 5.875	XS1658012023	2.5%	15/09/2024
LLOYDS BANKING GROUP PLC 7.625	XS1043552188	2.4%	27/06/2023
ELECTRICITE DE FRANCE SA EURO 5.625	USF2893TAM83	2.2%	22/01/2024

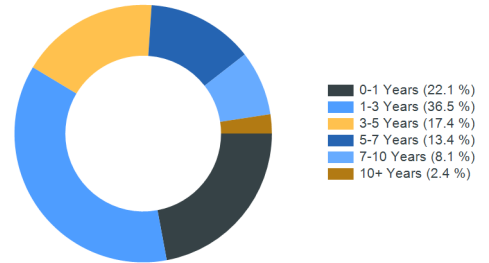
## Sector allocation\*



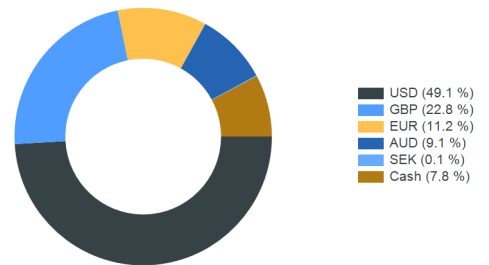
## Ratings allocation\*



## Duration allocation\*



## Currency allocation\*



\*Totals may not equal 100% due to rounding

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