# Aegon Emerging Europe Bond Fund





MONTHLY report - 2021 NOVEMBER (made on: 11/30/2021)

## INVESTMENT POLICY OF THE FUND

The fund's investment objective is to provide investors with capital appreciation by investing in the sovereign- and quasi-sovereign bond market of Emerging European countries. The fund has no rating constraints, the fund has a permission to invest in any kind of issuer without limitation on its long-term foreign currency debt rating. The fund aims to reach the highest capital gain with rational risk taking. The fund primarily invests on the sovereign- and quasi-sovereign bond market of Emerging European countries denominated in foreign currency, but holds Hungarian local currency, long- and short-term bonds with diversification and liquidity management purposes. The fund may also invest in mortgage backed securities, and short- and long-term, fixed or floating securities of other financial institutions, municipalities or other business corporations, structured and convertible bonds. The fund's general risk level and the measure of the deviation from the target weights are determined on the basis of a regular market analysis and situational analysis relating to four main aspects (fundamentals, valuation levels, market sentiment, technical factors). The core part of the fund consists of the foreign currency denominated, sovereign and quasi-sovereign bonds of Central and Eastern Europe (Hungary, Croatia, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Ukraine), Southeast Europe (Serbia, Turkey), Baltic states (Lithuania, Latvia) and the countries of the Commonwealth of Independent States (Azerbaijan, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Russia, Georgia, Armenia) and also holds Hungarian local currency bonds with diversification and liquidity management purposes. In case of attractive market conditions (e.g. possible upgrade of an issuer's long-term foreign currency debt rating, change of the yield curve, market mispricing, etc.) the fund may invest in bonds of issuers not listed above. The fund does not intend to invest more than 25% of its assets in a single country. The target weight for the fund's fixed income investments in the above listed countries (target countries) is 95%. The aimed risk profile of the fund is intermediate. We do not use constraints on foreign currency debt ratings. The fund may only conclude derivative transactions for the purpose of hedging or ensuring an efficient portfolio structure. The fund may also hold unleveraged debt-type collective investments linked to derivative indexes. The fund also has the option of taking on a substantial currency exposure, which will ordinarily be fully hedged to the target currency (USD), although depending on market circumstances the fund may even have an open currency position.

The investment policy of the fund changed on the 30th of December, 2016. Since then the fund has no benchmark, and fund performance before the change is not applicable.

## MARKET SUMMARY

Last month, the Chinese Communist Party approved President Xi's historical designation, paving the way for a third term as president. The EC published its updated projections that showed Eurozone inflation above 2.0% next year but well below the ECB's target in 2023. Some European countries introduced new restrictions aiming to slow an increase in covid-19 infections. Austria took the most drastic steps so far, imposing a nationwide lockdown and making vaccination compulsory from Feb 1st. Later on, fears arose over a new coronavirus variant identified in South Africa that could reduce the effectiveness of vaccines. US President Joe Biden nominated Mr Powell for a second term as Fed chair. The publication of the FOMC minutes indicated that "various" participants were prepared to speed up the tapering and hike rates earlier if inflation continued to run higher than its objective. In Germany, the SPD, Greens and FDP agreed on a coalition treaty including a substantial increase in public investment. After having been under pressure due to intensifying discussions over the speed of Fed tapering and the characteristics of post-PEPP purchases, UST and Bund yields fell back abruptly on renewed covid-19 concerns. The change in mood weighed on corporate spreads and equity markets. EUR-USD pulled back to above 1.12 while USD-TRY breached 13 levels. During the month, we cut in half positions in short-term Russian bonds and closed Bund short positions, we kept all other positions unchanged.

GENERAL INFORMATION	V
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Fund Manager: AEGON Hungary Fund Manager Ltd.

Custodian: Unicredit Bank Hungary Zrt.

Main distributor: AEGON Hungary Fund Manager Ltd.

Benchmark composition: The fund has no benchmark

ISIN code: HU0000718408

Start: 12/30/2016

Currency: HUF

Net Asset Value of the whole Fund: 20,544,995 EUR

Net Asset Value of institutional 7,060,837,225 HUF series:

Net Asset Value per unit: 1.118566 HUF

#### **DISTRIBUTORS**

Raiffeisen Bank Zrt.

SUGGESTED		

3 mths 6 mths 1 yr 2 yr 3 yr 4 yr 5 yr

ASSET ALLOCATION OF THE FUND	
Asset	Weight
Government bonds	79.98 %
Corporate bonds	17.20 %
Current account	5.90 %
Liabilities	-0.86 %
Receivables	0.24 %
Market value of open derivative positions	-2.45 %
Total	100,00 %
Derivative products	9.92 %
Net corrected leverage	101.63 %
Assets with over 10% weight	
There is no such instrument in the portfolio	



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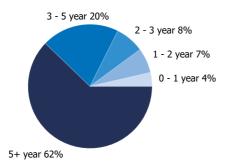


# institutional series

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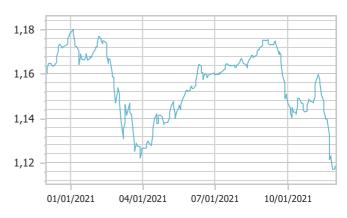
NET YIELD PERFORMANCE OF THE SERIES				
Interval	Yield of note	Benchmark yield		
From start	2.30 %			
2020	6.01 %			
2019	12.05 %			
2018	-5.45 %			
2017	4.87 %			

#### Bonds by tenor:



# NET PERFORMANCE OF THE SERIES

net asset value per share, 12/01/2020 - 11/30/2021



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Benchmark

RISK INDICATORS FOR THE LAST 12 MONTHS	
Annualized standard deviation of the fund's weekly yields	4.73 %
WAM (Weighted Average Maturity)	7.44 years
WAL (Weighted Average Life)	9.74 years

#### Legal declaration