Aegon Polish Bond Fund





MONTHLY report - 2022 FEBRUARY (made on: 02/28/2022)

INVESTMENT POLICY OF THE FUND

The objective of the investment fund is to make the Polish bond market accessible to the investors, and to function as a relatively stable, medium-risk investment form bringing steady real yields to our Clients on middle term already, without having to tie down their money for a fixed period of time. The Fund mainly invests in Polish government securities issued in zloty, however, the portfolio manager has some room to complement the portfolio with other bond-type investments. Our goal is to achieve the highest yield while taking the lowest risk. To make investment decisions we use the tools of both fundamental and technical analysis, and we take into consideration the investor sentiment on the markets at all times. The portfolio manager seeks out potential investment opportunities based on the macroeconomical expectations, the expected yield curve, the return expected on the curve and the market volatility, and selects investments that are considered to be safe and bring relatively high yields in exchange for the risks taken. The Fund strives for complete exchange risk coverage of foreign currency exposure for the target currency.

MARKET SUMMARY

In February, yields continued to rise in the Polish bond market. At the beginning of the month, the rate hike cycle continued, in line with the market expectations central bank increased the base rate by 50 basis points to 2.75%. The yield curve flattened during the month. Compared to the beginning of the month, yields were up 24 basis points on the 3-year maturity, 17 basis points on the 5-year maturity and only 4 basis points on the 10-year maturity. Inflation was 9.2% year-on-year in January, which was below the market expectations of 9.4%. The figure already partly reflects the impact of the anti-inflationary measures introduced from January. However, this was the highest inflation rate since November of 2000. Due to the Anti-Inflation Shield 2.0 headline inflation could have been on a declining path from February, but the invasion of Ukraine on 24 February causes further upside risks to price increases. Poland's economy grew by 7,3% year-on-year in Q4. A Bloomberg poll in February forecasts growth of 6% in Q1 and 4.6% in Q2 of 2022. The Purchasing Managers' Index slightly increased to 54.7 points in February from 54.5 points in January. Industrial production rose 19.2% in the first month of the year, significantly beating market expectations. As for public finances, the state generated a deficit of PLN 22 291.7 million in the first month, bringing the 12-month rolling budget deficit to 0.4% of GDP.

Our Ukrainian bonds exposure, which was ~8% of our fund, which we did not sell, detracted a lot from our performance. Based on thorough analyses, lot of in house calls dedicated to the Ukrainian/Russian conflict, our team decided to invest into Ukrainian assets into our funds, as we expected a peaceful solution for the conflict, the emergence of an open total war between Russia and Ukraine had previously seemed completely irrational to us, valuation of Ukrainian bonds became very attractive, we had a high conviction call supporting the investment idea. Despite the utmost caution, we underestimated the potential risk.

GENERAL	INFORMATION
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Fund Manager: AEGON Hungary Fund Manager Ltd.

Custodian: Unicredit Bank Hungary Zrt.

Main distributor: AEGON Hungary Fund Manager Ltd.

121,515,936 PLN

Benchmark composition: 100% TBSP Index ISIN code: HU0000710942

Start: 08/07/2012

Currency: PLN

Net Asset Value of the whole Fund: 13,695,068,980 HUF

Net Asset Value of institutional

series:

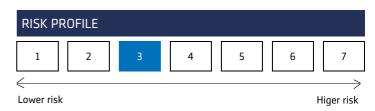
Net Asset Value per unit: 1.186804 PLN

DISTRIBUTORS

Aegon Towarzystwo Ubezpieczen na Zycie Spolka

SUGGESTED MINIMUM INVESTMENT PERIOD						
3 mths	6 mths	1 yr	2 yr	3 yr	4 yr	5 yr

Asset	Weight
Government bonds	57.38 %
Corporate bonds	40.28 %
Current account	2.73 %
Liabilities	-0.22 %
Receivables	0.08 %
Market value of open derivative positions	-0.24 %
Total	100,00 %
Derivative products	14.85 %
Net corrected leverage	105.87 %
Assets with over 10% weight	
POLGB 2025/07/25 3,25% (Lengyel Állam)	
POLGB 2026/07/25 2,5% (Lengyel Állam)	
POLGB 2026/10/25 0,25% (Lengyel Állam)	
BGOSK 07/03/25 1.25% (Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego)	



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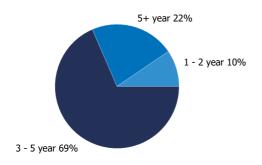


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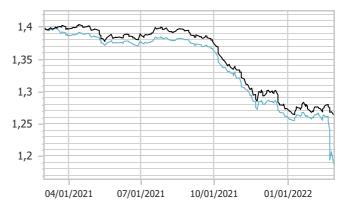
NET YIELD PERFORMANCE OF THE SERIES		
Interval	Yield of note	Benchmark yield
From start	1.81 %	2.92 %
2021	-10.34 %	-9.74 %
2020	6.00 %	6.42 %
2019	3.73 %	3.94 %
2018	4.17 %	4.67 %
2017	4.17 %	4.77 %
2016	0.22 %	0.25 %
2015	0.83 %	1.68 %
2014	9.56 %	9.45 %
2013	0.46 %	1.99 %

Bonds by tenor:



NET PERFORMANCE OF THE SERIES

net asset value per share, 03/01/2021 - 02/28/2022



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Benchmark

RISK INDICATORS FOR THE LAST 12 MONTHS	
Annualized standard deviation of the fund's weekly yields	3.06 %
Annualized standard deviation of the benchmark's weekly yields	3.82 %
WAM (Weighted Average Maturity)	4.03 years
WAL (Weighted Average Life)	4.60 years

TOP 5 POSITIONS			
Asset	Туре	Counterparty / issuer	Maturity
POLGB 2025/07/25 3,25%	interest-bearing	Lengyel Állam	07/25/2025
POLGB 2026/07/25 2,5%	interest-bearing	Lengyel Állam	07/25/2026
POLGB 2026/10/25 0,25%	interest-bearing	Lengyel Állam	10/25/2026
BGOSK 07/03/25 1.25%	interest-bearing	Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego	07/03/2025
BGOSK 2030/06/05 2,125%	interest-bearing	Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego	06/05/2030

Legal declaration