STRATEGIC BOND BRIEF - WEEKLY COMMENT



MIRABAUD - GLOBAL STRATEGIC BOND FUND

Data	Level	Data	Level	Data	Level
Itrxx XO Index	254bps	5yr Gilt	-0.03%	GBP/USD	1.36
Itrxx Fin Sen Index	62bps	5yr Bund	-0.73%	GBP/EUR	1.12
Itrxx Fin Sub Index	119bps	5yr UST*	0.47%	EUR/USD	1.21
CDX HY Index	109.1	10yr UST*	1.11%	3m US LIBOR	0.24
S&P 500 Index	3795	10yr JGB*	0.02%	3m EUR LIBOR	-0.55

Source: Mirabaud Asset Management and Markit as of 15/01/2021. *US Treasury; Japanese Government Bond

Market Activity

Italian politics returned to the headlines with another government shake up. Italian bank bond spreads widened on the news. On the US stimulus side, President Elect Biden has announced a \$1.9trillion economic rescue plan that is unlikely to find objections in the Congress. Yields have already reacted to this expectation of easier fiscal stimulus.

Portfolio Activity

We continue to put our cash position to work mainly via high yield. The fund was involved in new issues from Lafarge and Verisure (home security business) both denominated in euros.

Duration

Current Modified Duration: 3.6

Outlook

Yields should settle around current levels over the next month as the incoming administration takes office at the end of the month. Duration management of our cash holdings and through index positioning will be the focus over the next few weeks for the fund.

Source: Mirabaud Asset Management.

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