

STRATEGIC BOND BRIEF - WEEKLY COMMENT



MIRABAUD - GLOBAL STRATEGIC BOND FUND

Data	Level
Itrxx XO Index	348bps
Itrxx Fin Sen Index	66bps
Itrxx Fin Sub Index	138bps
CDX HY Index	104.64
S&P 500 Index	3349

Data	Level
5yr Gilt	-0.08%
5yr Bund	-0.70%
5yr UST*	0.21%
10yr UST*	0.53%
10yr JGB*	0.01%

Data	Level
GBP/USD	1.31
GBP/EUR	1.11
EUR/USD	1.18
3m US LIBOR	0.24
3m EUR LIBOR	-0.47

Source: Mirabaud Asset Management and Markit as of 07/08/2020. *US Treasury; Japanese Government Bond

Market Activity

Credit rallied this week on increased expectations for a fiscal deal in the US and a better than expected Q2 reporting season. Rates were little changed at low levels to reflect the risk of no deal and further US-China tensions. Primary markets were open for several large issuers across Investment Grade and High Yield.

Portfolio Activity

We have reduced the cash balance and increased both credit spread and duration exposure—focussing on higher quality companies.

Duration

Current Modified Duration: 4.56

Outlook

The US fiscal package remains the short term focus, with potential for an extension to negotiations or a Presidential executive order of a deal is not reached this week.

Source: Mirabaud Asset Management

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