

## **FIXED INCOME FUND – CLASS B1**

### **Monthly Report - December 2024**

### STRATEGY OBJECTIVE

The objective of the Compartment is to offer investors long term net positive performance with exposure to low risks, both in terms of credit as well as interest rate risks. The Compartment will invest mainly in fixed income securities, selected on the basis of fundamental analysis, with the following characteristics:

- · denominated in USD
- with a residual time to maturity of up to three years
- with a rating of BBB- (or equivalent) or higher
- issued by governments, government agencies, supranational institutions or corporations domiciled in developed market countries

The fund is actively managed against the benchmark index Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate 1-3 Years.

#### **MANAGER'S COMMENT**

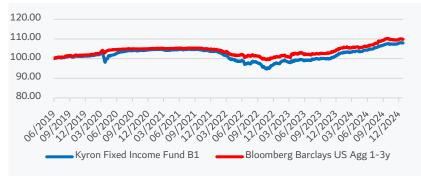
December, such as November, has been a volatile month for financial assets. As a matter of fact, the "Trump trade" was in full swing, reinvigorated towards mid December by the press conference by Fed Chairman Powell, which, despite having cut the reference rate by 25 basis points, sounded much more hawkish than in the last press conferences. The market interpreted the shift in attitude as a clear signal of the impact on future actions by new president elect Trump, with the narrative being that stronger growth, mass deportations, tariffs and the confirmation of tax cuts (with fiscal deficit running in the high single digit in a growth environment) would all contribute to higher inflation, which translates into higher for longer on the rates' side. In this market context the US curve steepened impressively, with the belly and long end of the curve widening decisively. Real rates in the long end of the curve shot up to 2.5% (a level not seen since early 2000s). The short term part of the curve was in part spared by the 25bps cut by the Fed. De facto, the market pared back cuts expectations into next year, bringing them down from 3 to (maybe) one (of 25 bps).

Having said all of that, Kyron Fixed Income Fund behaved extremely well. Given its defensive approach, with limited duration and credit risk, the fund was able to sail in rough waters without displaying increased volatility and recording a positive performance in the month (+0.23%). We replaced a matured IG bond with another one of similar quality. We continue to believe that the defensiveness of the portfolio, coupled with its decent carry, is well equipped to navigate the uncertain environment ahead.

### **FACTS:**

ISIN Code LU1918787018 **Share Class** Accumulation B1 Currency **USD** Regulation UCITS **SFDR** Art. 6 ManCo & Investment Manager AISM Depositary Bank **CACEIS** Auditor Mazars Benchmark BBG Barclays US Agg 1-3Y Share Class Hedging May 29th, 2019 Inception Date Valuation Daily **Cut-Off Time** 12:00 CET Settlement Up to 3 business days Minimum Investment 50'000 USD Management Fee 0.65% Performance Fee 20% of outperf. with HWM

| Metric         | KYRON<br>Fixed Income | Bloomberg Barclays<br>US Agg 1-3Y | Net      |
|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Yield to Worst | 5.0                   | 4.4                               | 0.6      |
| Duration       | 1.4                   | 1.8                               | -0.4     |
| Average Rating | BBB+/BBB              | AA/AA-                            | BBB+/BBB |



|      |           | Q1    | Q2    | Q3    | Q4    | YTD   |
|------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 2020 | KYRON     | -1.5% | 3.5%  | 0.5%  | 0.7%  | 3.1%  |
| 2020 | Benchmark | 1.8%  | 0.9%  | 0.2%  | 0.2%  | 3.1%  |
| 2021 | KYRON     | -0.4% | 0.3%  | -0.1% | -0.7% | -0.9% |
| 2021 | Benchmark | -0.1% | 0.1%  | 0.1%  | -0.6% | -0.5% |
| 2022 | KYRON     | -3.7% | -2.3% | -2.0% | 1.9%  | -6.1% |
| 2022 | Benchmark | -2.5% | -0.6% | -1.5% | 0.9%  | -3.7% |
| 2023 | KYRON     | 1.4%  | 0.4%  | 0.9%  | 2.9%  | 5.7%  |
| 2023 | Benchmark | 1.5%  | -0.4% | 0.7%  | 2.7%  | 4.6%  |
| 2024 | KYRON     | 0.9%  | 1.0%  | 2.6%  | 0.5%  | 5.1%  |
| 2024 | Benchmark | 0.5%  | 0.9%  | 3.0%  | 0.0%  | 4.4%  |



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| RATING | Kyron<br>Fixed Income | BB US<br>Agg 1-3Y | Net    |
|--------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------|
| AAA    | 1.5%                  | 5.4%              | -3.8%  |
| AA+    | -                     | -                 | -      |
| AA     | 3.9%                  | 71.2%             | -67.3% |
| AA-    | -                     | -                 | -      |
| A+     | -                     | -                 | -      |
| Α      | 20.5%                 | 11.6%             | 9.0%   |
| Α-     | -                     | -                 | -      |
| BBB+   | -                     | -                 | -      |
| BBB    | 56.2%                 | 9.1%              | 47.1%  |
| BBB-   | -                     | -                 | -      |
| Other  | 3.6%                  | 1.1%              | 2.4%   |

|      |        | RAT   | ING    |       |   |
|------|--------|-------|--------|-------|---|
| AAA  | AA+    | ■ AA  | AA-    | ■ A+  | A |
| ■ A- | ■ BBB+ | ■ BBB | ■ BBB- | Other |   |

| SECTORS                       | Kyron<br>Fixed Income | BB US<br>Agg 1-3Y | Net    |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------|
| Cash                          | 3.2%                  | -                 | 3.2%   |
| Communications                | 35.2%                 | 11.1%             | 24.1%  |
| <b>Consumer Discretionary</b> | 29.2%                 | 9.0%              | 20.2%  |
| <b>Consumer Staples</b>       | 9.6%                  | -                 | 9.6%   |
| Energy                        | 5.5%                  | 0.9%              | 4.7%   |
| Financials                    | 4.0%                  | 0.4%              | 3.6%   |
| Government                    | 2.9%                  | 0.6%              | 2.3%   |
| Health Care                   | 2.8%                  | 1.0%              | 1.8%   |
| Industrials                   | 2.6%                  | 1.1%              | 1.5%   |
| Materials                     | 1.1%                  | 1.3%              | -0.2%  |
| Real Estate                   | 1.1%                  | 0.8%              | 0.3%   |
| Technology                    | 1.1%                  | 1.5%              | -0.4%  |
| Utilities                     | 1.1%                  | 71.2%             | -70.1% |
| Funds                         | 0.5%                  | 0.9%              | -0.3%  |
| Others                        | -                     | 0.3%              | -0.3%  |
|                               |                       |                   |        |

| SECTORS          |                |                          |  |  |  |
|------------------|----------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|
|                  |                |                          |  |  |  |
| Cash             | Communications | ■ Consumer Discretionary |  |  |  |
| Consumer Staples | ■ Energy       | Financials               |  |  |  |
| Government       | ■ Health Care  | ■ Industrials            |  |  |  |
| Materials        | Real Estate    | ■ Technology             |  |  |  |
| Utilities        | Funds          |                          |  |  |  |

| DURATION | Kyron<br>Fixed Income | BB US<br>Agg 1-3Y | Net    |
|----------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------|
| 0-1      | 39.5%                 | 5.7%              | 33.9%  |
| 1-3      | 41.0%                 | 94.3%             | -53.3% |
| 3-5      | 8.7%                  | -                 | 8.7%   |
| 5-7      | 1.2%                  | -                 | 1.2%   |
| 7-10     | -                     | -                 | -      |
| 10+      | 9.6%                  | -                 | 9.6%   |

| RISK MEASURE                    | Kyron Fixed<br>Income | Bloomberg Barclays<br>US Agg 1-3Y | Active Risk |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Value-At-Risk<br>(99%, 20 days) | 1.0%                  | 1.3%                              | -0.2%       |



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