

Value Partners Greater China High Yield Bond Fund



A Sub-Fund of Value Partners Ireland Fund ICAV
A UCITS-Compliant Fund¹

NAV per unit : Class A USD Unhedged Acc - USD9.06 | Class A USD Unhedged MDis - USD6.37
Fund size : USD43.9 million



Morningstar Rating™
As at 31-12-2023

December 2023

- Value Partners Greater China High Yield Bond Fund (the "Fund") primarily invests in a portfolio of debt securities issued by corporations or governments and/or government related entities which have their main operations in, or a majority of their income derived from the Greater China Region.
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- The Fund may invest in high yielding, unrated or below investment grade securities and debt securities issued by special purpose vehicles. The Fund is therefore exposed to higher credit/insolvency risk and default risk.
- The Fund may also invest in contingent convertible bonds ("CoCos") having unique equity conversion, principal write-down or coupon cancellation features which are tailored to the issuing banking institution and its regulatory requirements. In the case such triggers or features are invoked, the Fund may lose some or all of its original investment.
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- In respect of the distribution shares for the Fund, the Manager currently intends to make monthly dividend distribution. However, the distribution rate is not guaranteed. Distribution yield is not indicative of the return of the Fund. Distribution may be paid from capital of the Fund. Investors should note that where the payment of distributions are paid out of capital, this represents and amounts to a return or withdrawal of part of the amount you originally invested or capital gains attributable to that and may result in an immediate decrease of the net asset value per share of the Fund.
- You should not make investment decision on the basis of this marketing material alone. Please read the prospectus for details and risk factors.

Investment objective

Value Partners Greater China High Yield Bond Fund aims to provide capital appreciation for Shareholders by investing primarily in a portfolio of debt securities issued by corporations or governments and/or government related entities which have their main operations in, or a majority of their income derived from the Greater China Region.

Commentary

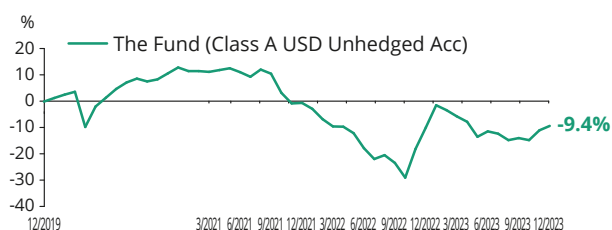
Portfolio review:

Fuelled by continuous decline in UST yield due to softening of US inflation data, the Asian credit market marched higher in December. UST rally during the month contributed to the bulk of the December return. The portfolio was little changed, and is well positioned to take advantage of further credit spread normalization as risk appetite returns in response to lower global rates going forward.

Outlook:

We will continue to pay close attention to the global inflation outlook as well as the Chinese economy and will position our portfolio accordingly.

Performance since launch



Performance update

	The Fund (Class A USD Unhedged Acc)
One month	+1.9%
Three months	+5.5%
Year-to-date	+0.7%
One year	+0.7%
Three years	-20.0%
Five years	N/A
Total return since launch	-9.4%
Annualized return since launch [^]	-2.4%

The Fund – Class A USD Unhedged Acc: Monthly performance

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
2019	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	+1.4%
2020	+1.3%	+1.1%	-13.1%	+8.8%	+3.5%	+3.3%	+2.4%	+1.4%	-1.0%	+0.7%	+2.1%	+2.1%	+11.6%
2021	-1.2%	+0.0%	-0.3%	+0.6%	+0.6%	-1.3%	-1.6%	+2.6%	-1.4%	-6.7%	-4.0%	+0.2%	-12.1%
2022	-2.3%	-4.1%	-3.0%	-0.1%	-2.8%	-6.6%	-5.1%	+1.9%	-3.8%	-7.5%	+15.7%	+10.2%	-9.5%
2023	+9.6%	-1.9%	-2.5%	-2.2%	-6.3%	+2.4%	-1.0%	-2.9%	+0.9%	-0.9%	+4.5%	+1.9%	+0.7%

NAVs & Codes

Classes ²	NAV	ISIN	Bloomberg
Class A USD Unhedged Acc	9.06	IE00BKRQZ838	VPYBAU ID
Class A USD Unhedged MDis	6.37	IE00BKRQZ945	VPYBAMU ID
Class A EUR Hedged Acc	7.66	IE00BKRQZ614	VPYBEAH ID
Class A EUR Hedged MDis	6.29	IE00BKRQZ721	YPYBEAM ID
Class A SGD Hedged Acc	7.95	IE00BKRRJ517	VPYCSAH ID
Class A SGD Hedged MDis	6.35	IE00BKRRJ624	VPYBSMH ID
Class Z RMB Hedged MDis	9.63	IE00BKRR4346	VPGCRZH ID

Dividend information – Class MDis ³

Classes ²	Dividend amount / unit	Annualized yield ⁴	Ex-dividend date
Class A USD Unhedged MDis	0.0433	8.2%	29-12-2023
Class A EUR Hedged MDis	0.0321	6.1%	29-12-2023
Class A SGD Hedged MDis	0.0323	6.1%	29-12-2023
Class Z RMB Hedged MDis	0.0407	5.1%	29-12-2023

Top holdings ⁵

Name	Sector ⁶	Country/region	%
eHi Car Services Ltd 7.75% 11/14/2024	Commercial & professional services	China/Hong Kong	4.7
China Hongqiao Group Ltd 6.25% 06/08/2024	Materials	China/Hong Kong	4.5
Alam Sutera Realty Tbk PT 8.25% 11/02/2025	Real estate	Indonesia	3.7
Wynn Macau Ltd 5.625% 08/26/2028	Consumer services	Macao	3.6
Celestial Miles Ltd 5.75% PERP	Capital goods	China/Hong Kong	3.5

Portfolio characteristics

	The Fund (Class A USD Unhedged Acc)
Annualized volatility [^]	16.7%
Weighted modified duration ⁷	1.9 years
Yield to worst ⁸	15.5%
Number of bond issuers	72

Geographical exposure ⁹

China/Hong Kong	54.0%
Indonesia	19.6%
Macao	12.6%
India	4.5%
Mongolia	1.9%
Singapore	1.4%
Others	2.8%
Cash ¹⁰	3.2%

Sector exposure ^{6,9}

Real estate	16.0%
Consumer services	15.4%
Energy	12.8%
Materials	9.6%
Banks	9.0%
Commercial & professional services	5.3%
Capital goods	4.1%
Utilities	3.8%
Automobiles & components	3.6%
Diversified financials	3.6%
Software & services	3.1%
Telecommunication services	2.8%
Food, beverage & tobacco	2.4%
Transportation	2.1%
Insurance	1.3%
Others	1.9%
Cash ¹⁰	3.2%

Credit ratings ¹¹

A	1.2%	Investment grade	26.1%
BBB	24.9%	High yield	59.9%
BB	26.2%	Average credit rating ¹²	BB
B & Below	33.7%		
Non-Rated	10.8%		
Cash ¹⁰	3.2%		

Currency breakdown

USD 100.0%

Fund facts

Manager:	Carne Global Fund Managers (Ireland) Limited
Investment manager:	Value Partners Hong Kong Limited
Base currency:	USD
Administrator:	HSBC Securities Services (Ireland) DAC
Depository:	HSBC Continental Europe
Launch date:	6 Dec 2019
	- Class A USD Unhedged Acc
	- Class A USD Unhedged MDIs
	17 Jun 2021
	- Class A EUR Hedged Acc
	- Class A EUR Hedged MDIs
	- Class A SGD Hedged Acc
	- Class A SGD Hedged MDIs
	15 May 2023
	- Class Z RMB Hedged MDIs
Dealing frequency:	Daily, cutoff time 11:59am Irish time
Dividend policy ³ :	MDIs - Aim at Monthly distribution, subject to Manager's discretion

Fee structure & Subscription information

	Class A	Class V	Class Z
Minimum subscription	USD10,000 EUR10,000 RMB60,000 SGD10,000 HKD80,000	USD1,000,000	USD1,000,000 EUR1,000,000 RMB1,000,000
Subscription fee	Up to 5% of the issue price		
Management fee	1.5% p.a.	0.25% p.a.	0.7% p.a.
Performance fee	Nil	Nil	Nil
Redemption fee	Currently Nil		

[^] Annualized return and volatility are calculated from inception based on published NAV. Volatility is a measure of the theoretical risk in terms of standard deviation; in general, the lower the number, the less risky the investment, and vice versa.

Source: HSBC Institutional Trust Services (Ireland) DAC and Bloomberg, data as at the last valuation date of the month as stated above, unless stated otherwise. Performance is calculated on NAV to NAV in base currency with dividend reinvested and net of fees. All indices are for reference only. Our portfolio disclosure policy can be obtained from the Investment Manager upon request to email jis@vp.com.hk.

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