

# Flossbach von Storch - Bond Defensive - I<sup>2</sup>

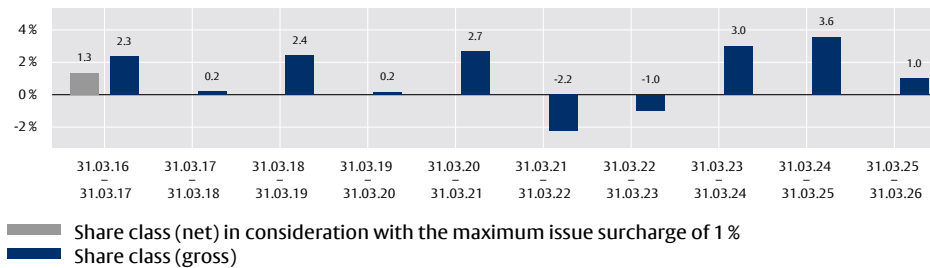
## INVESTMENT STRATEGY

Flossbach von Storch - Bond Defensive is a globally diversified bond fund. The objective of the Fund Management is to generate the most stable possible returns for investors over time. The focus of the Fund is on government bonds, covered bonds, and investment-grade corporate bonds. The Fund flexibly takes advantage of the opportunities in the entire bond market; this distinguishes it from pure corporate bond or government bond funds. Foreign currency risks are largely hedged. Securities are selected within the framework of a fundamental analysis process. The fund manager relies on research tools developed in-house. Other in-house valuation models include ESG questions, and engagement. In addition, exclusion criteria defined as part of the Sub-Fund's investment policy are taken into account.

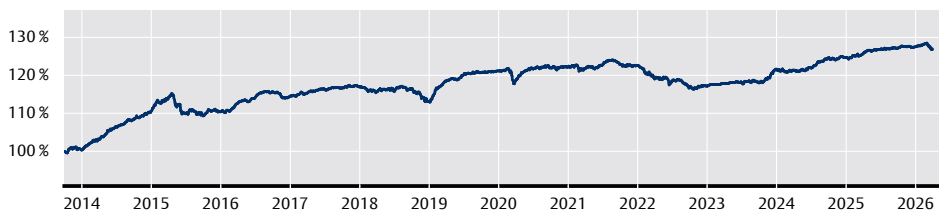
The Sub-Fund is actively managed and not benchmarked against an index. The portfolio is composed by the fund manager exclusively in accordance with the criteria defined in the investment policy, reviewed regularly and adjusted if necessary. The Sub-Fund is categorized as an Article 8 product within the meaning of the Disclosure Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 (SFDR).

For detailed information on the objectives and investment policy, please refer to the most recent sales prospectus and the Key Information Document (PRIIP-KID).

## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE IN EUR (IN %)



## PERFORMANCE IN EUR SINCE 1 OCTOBER 2013 (GROSS, IN %)



## ACCUMULATED AND ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE IN EUR (GROSS, IN %)

	1 month	2026 YTD*	2026 YTQ*	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	since inception 01.10.13
<b>Accumulated</b>	-1.1 %	-0.5 %	-0.5 %	+1.0 %	+7.8 %	+4.3 %	+12.7 %	+27.0 %
<b>Annualised</b>				+1.0 %	+2.5 %	+0.8 %	+1.2 %	

Source: Depositary and Flossbach von Storch, status: 31.03.26

## EXPLANATORY NOTES REGARDING PERFORMANCE

Gross fund performance (BVI method) takes into account all costs incurred at fund level (for example, management fees), net fund performance also takes into account the subscription fee. Further costs may be charged individually at customer level (e.g. custody fees, commissions and other charges). Example calculation (net method): An investor wishes to buy shares with capital of €1,000. Based on a maximum subscription fee of 5%, € 50 will be deducted from their investment as a one-off initial charge. In addition, custody fees may also be applied, which will further reduce the investor's return. The level of custody fees can be found in your bank's schedule of fees and services. **Please refer to the cost details presented in this document to determine the maximum subscription fee for the share class of the sub-fund.** The reference index is merely informative. It does not constitute any obligation from the fund manager to track the index or achieve the same performance. **Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.**

## CATEGORY: BONDS AND CONVERTIBLES

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## FUND DETAILS

Securities ID No. (WKN)	A1W17V
ISIN	LU0952573052
Valor number	21968020
Domicile	Luxembourg
SFDR Category	Article 8
Share class	I
Fund currency	EUR
Share class currency	EUR
Launch date	1 October 2013
Financial year end	30 September
Income utilisation	Distribution
Authorised for distribution	AT, CH, DE, LI, LU
Fund type	UCITS / FCP
Fund assets	EUR 535.21 million
Redemption price	EUR 111.51
Minimum initial investment	EUR 1,000,000.00
Minimum subsequent investment	none
Costs <sup>1</sup>	
Ongoing charges	0.48 % p.a.
which includes a management fee of	0.32 % p.a.
Transaction costs	0.06594 % p.a.
Performance fee	none
Redemption fee	0.00 %
Exchange commission	up to 1.00 %
(based on the unit value of the units to be purchased for the benefit of the relevant distributor)	
Subscription fee	up to 1.00 %

## MANAGEMENT COMPANY

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<sup>1</sup> In addition to the management fee, the fund is charged further costs such as transfer agent fees, transaction costs, and various other charges. Further information about ongoing and one-off costs can be found in the key information document (PRIIP-KID), the sales prospectus, and the most recent annual report.

<sup>2</sup> The performance until 23th January 2018 refers to the investment strategy of the subfund "Flossbach von Storch - Bond Total Return". As of 24 January 2018, the sub-fund "Flossbach von Storch - Bond Total Return" has been renamed "Flossbach von Storch - Der erste Schritt". Simultaneously, the investment strategy has changed. As of 23 June 2023, the sub-fund "Flossbach von Storch - Der erste Schritt" has been renamed "Flossbach von Storch - Bond Defensive". The investment strategy was changed as of 30 September 2023.

\* YTD: Most recent month-end performance since the beginning of the year  
YTQ: Performance since the beginning of the year to the end of the most recent quarter

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## TOP 10 GUARANTORS OVERALL FUND LEVEL (IN %)

1. Kingdom of Spain	7.35 %
2. United States of America	6.10 %
3. Kingdom of the Netherlands	5.32 %
4. Republic of Finland	4.75 %
5. Republic of Austria	4.47 %
6. European Union	3.86 %
7. Kingdom of Belgium	3.67 %
8. ING Groep N.V.	3.53 %
9. Landwirtschaftliche Rentenbank	3.00 %
10. Porsche Automobil Holding SE	2.97 %
<b>Total</b>	<b>45.02 %</b>

Source: Depository and Flossbach von Storch, status: 31.03.26

The portfolio currently contains 146 securities.

## TOP 10 SECTORS (IN %)\*

1. Consumer Discretionary	22.45 %
2. Health Care	18.77 %
3. Consumer Staples	16.31 %
4. Utilities	13.67 %
5. Information Technology	7.48 %
6. Financials	6.12 %
7. Industrials	5.26 %
8. Materials	4.91 %
9. Communication Services	2.81 %
10. Energy	2.22 %
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00 %</b>

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\* refer to corporate bonds

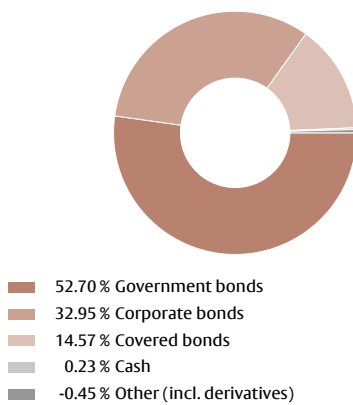
## CREDIT RATING FOR BONDS (IN %)

AAA	39.44 %
AA	26.63 %
A	22.51 %
BBB	11.42 %

Source: Depository and Flossbach von Storch, status: 31.03.26

A simplified ratings scorecard is used when determining the rating. Trends (+/-) are not taken into account in this process. Convertibles are not considered.

## ASSET ALLOCATION (IN %)



Source: Depository and Flossbach von Storch, status: 31.03.26

## KEY FUND FIGURES

Average Yield to Maturity	2.85 %
Duration	2.41 years

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## MONTHLY COMMENTARY

The outbreak of war in Iran and the resulting oil price shock triggered erratic volatility in the global bond markets within a very short space of time. This inflationary supply shock naturally led to rising yields, particularly for short- and medium-term maturities. This initial market reaction was exacerbated over the course of the month by the noticeably more restrictive rhetoric from central banks, as well as by forced position closures among hedge funds following the abrupt rise of volatility in the interest-rate market (liquidation of so-called carry trades, i.e. interest-rate differential trades on the foreign exchange market). At the same time, the pronounced risk-off sentiment led to higher risk premiums and thus disproportionately large price declines in spread products. Only inflation-linked bonds were able to act as a "safe haven" in this environment, decoupling from the broader market with positive performance. Given the erratic rise in yields across the Fund's primary maturity spectrum, performance in March was noticeably negative. Our profit-taking and the significant reduction in duration at the end of February (from 2.6 years to below 2.2 years at the start of the month) helped to mitigate the March setback to some extent. Furthermore, our defensive core strategy with low credit sensitivity in the BBB-rated segment helped to limit disproportionate losses in spread products. Our allocation to inflation-linked bonds also proved stabilising, although we used the positive performance of German and Spanish linkers in part to take profits. Looking ahead, it remains difficult to estimate when the Iran conflict will lose relevance from the bond market's perspective. However, the ECB rate hike already priced in appears (too) restrictive in our view, and we expect market yields to fall again in the coming months – even if the ECB were to raise its key rate once or twice. Against this backdrop, we have moderately increased duration again to around 2.4 years.

## FUND MANAGEMENT



**Marcel Bross**

Fund manager at Flossbach von Storch since 2021.

## Team Fixed Income

Deputy and operational collaboration is conducted through our Fixed Income Team.

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## OPPORTUNITIES

- + Participate in global bond market growth.
- + Income can be generated from regular interest payments.
- + Active interest rate, currency and risk management (e.g. from the use of derivatives).

## RISKS

- The securities in which the Management Company invests the sub-fund assets present opportunities for gain but also the possibility of risk. ESG criteria can restrict the selection of target investments in terms of category and number, sometimes considerably. If a sub-fund invests directly or indirectly in securities and other assets, it is subject to many general trends and tendencies, which are sometimes attributable to irrational factors on the markets particularly on the securities markets. Losses can occur when the market value of the assets decreases as against the cost price. If a unitholder sells units of the sub-fund at a time at which the value of assets in the sub-fund has decreased compared with the time of the unit purchase, he will not receive the full amount he has invested in the sub-fund. Despite the fact that each sub-fund aspires constant growth, this cannot be guaranteed.
- Country, credit and issuer liquidity risk. Also potential exchange rate risks. If securities are illiquid (i.e. thinly traded), there is a risk that it may either not be possible to sell the assets at all or only by accepting a significant discount on the sale price.
- Investing in bonds may entail price risks, especially in case of rising interest rates on the capital markets.
- Where used, derivatives can have a greater negative impact on the fund value than would be the case if the assets were acquired directly. This can affect the fund's risk profile and volatility (tendency for the price to fluctuate).

**Please read the Prospectus and particularly the RISK WARNINGS section and the specific annex of the subfund to understand the risks and benefits of this product.**

## INVESTOR PROFILE

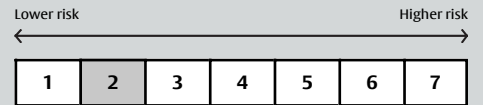
### CONSERVATIVE:

The fund is appropriate for conservative investors. Due to the composition of the net sub-fund assets, there is a moderate degree of risk but also a moderate degree of profit potential. The risks may consist in particular of currency risk, credit risk and price risk, as well as market interest rate risks.

### INVESTMENT HORIZON:

Medium-term: 3 to 5 years

## RISK INDICATOR



The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 3 years. The actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less. The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay you. We have classified this product as 2 out of 7, which is a low risk class. This rates the potential losses from future performance at a low level, and poor market conditions are very unlikely to impact our capacity to pay you. Unusual market conditions could arise, for example, due to currency, credit-worthiness, price, counterparty, liquidity and interest rate risks, as detailed in the sales prospectus.

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