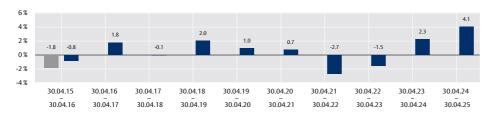
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#### INVESTMENT STRATEGY

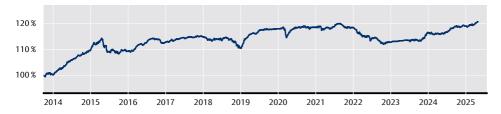
Flossbach von Storch - Bond Defensive is a globally diversified bond fund. The objective of the Fund Management is to generate the most stable possible returns for investors over time. The focus of the Fund is on government bonds, covered bonds, and investment-grade corporate bonds. The Fund flexibly 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 Management relies on research instruments and valuation models developed in-house. 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 %)**



Share class (net) in consideration with the maximum issue surcharge of 1 %
Share class (gross)

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



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

	1 month	2025 YTD*	2025 YTQ*	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	inception 01.10.13
Accumulated	+0.6%	+1.4%	+0.8%	+4.1 %	+4.8%	+2.7 %	+6.8%	+20.7 %
Annualised				+4.1 %	+1.6%	+0.5 %	+0.7 %	

Source: Depositary and Flossbach von Storch, status: 30.04.25

# **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.

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Securities ID No. (WKN)	A1W17W	
ISIN	LU0952573136	
Valor number	21968021	
Domicile	Luxembourg	
SFDR Category	Article 8	
Share class	R	
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, ES, LI, LU, PT	
Fund type	UCITS / FCP	
Fund assets	EUR 560.09 million	
Redemption price	EUR 109.27	
Minimum initial investment	none	
Minimum subsequent investment	none	
Costs <sup>1</sup>		
Ongoing charges	0.88 % p.a.	
which includes a management fee of	0.72 % p.a.	
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Transaction costs	0.10 % p.a.	
Transaction costs Performance fee	0.10 % p.a. none	
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Performance fee	none  0.00 %  up to 1.00 % he units to be purchased for	
Performance fee Redemption fee Exchange commission (based on the unit value of t	none  0.00 %  up to 1.00 % he units to be purchased for	

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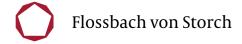
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¹ In addition to the management fee, the fund is charged further costs such as transfer agent fees, transaction costs, and various other charges. Further information about ongoing and one-off costs can be found in the key information document (PRIIP-RID), 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



# Flossbach von Storch -**Bond Defensive - R**

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

1.	Republic of Germany	9.58%
2.	Kingdom of Spain	8.73 %
3.	Republic of France	7.65 %
4.	Kingdom of Belgium	7.54%
5.	European Union	4.99%
6.	Kingdom of the Netherlands	4.88%
7.	Republic of Austria	4.31%
8.	Republic of Finland	3.13 %
9.	Rhineland-Palatinate, State	2.52 %
10.	Nestlé S.A.	2.41%
Total		55.74%

Source: Depositary and Flossbach von Storch,

status: 30.04.25

The portfolio currently contains 110 securities.

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# **CREDIT RATING FOR BONDS (IN %)**

AAA	39.89%
AA	32.49%
A	16.16%
BBB	11.46 %

Source: Depositary and Flossbach von Storch, status: 30.04.25

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

# **KEY FUND FIGURES**

Average Yield to Maturity	2.20%
	1.64 years

Source: Depositary and Flossbach von Storch,

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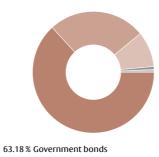
## TOP 10 SECTORS (IN %)\*

1.	Health Care	21.25%
2.	Consumer Staples	20.60%
3.	Consumer Discretionary	19.81%
4.	Utilities	14.24%
5.	Information Technology	8.85 %
6.	Materials	8.11%
7.	Industrials	3.37 %
8.	Financials	2.38%
9.	Energy	1.40 %
Total		100.01%

Source: Depositary and Flossbach von Storch, status: 30.04.25

\* refer to corporate bonds

# **ASSET ALLOCATION (IN %)**





0.71 % Cash

Source: Depositary and Flossbach von Storch, status: 30 04 25

# **MONTHLY COMMENTARY**

In April, US President Donald Trump once again caused enormous volatility on the global bond markets with the announcement of his comprehensive tariff strategy as part of his 'Liberation Day'. The accompanying global growth concerns and initial risk-off sentiment initially triggered a flight to safehaven assets, with German Bunds and US Treasuries with short and medium maturities benefiting in particular. However, US bonds subsequently experienced a noticeable counter-movement. Concerns about tariff-induced inflationary pressures in the USA and a possible decline in demand for US Treasuries from Chinese investors (in the wake of an escalating trade war) weighed on US bonds, particularly those with longer maturities. This development was further exacerbated by Trump's verbal pressure on US Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell to lower interest rates, accompanied by capital flight reflexes in the form of a weaker US dollar against the euro and other currency pairs. These sometimes violent market reactions prompted the US government to take countermeasures for the time being, leading to a recovery. Corporate bond risk premiums were also unable to escape the market turbulence and, after a temporary significant widening of spreads, ended the month at noticeably higher levels overall. In the portfolio, we took advantage of the sharp price rises in German Bunds to take profits and tactically reduced the duration in the portfolio to around 1.65 years. While we expect the ECB to cut interest rates further in view of the outlook for the eurozone, market expectations appear overheated in the short term. We have selectively used the rise in risk premiums (spreads) to buy additional corporate bonds.

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#### FUND MANAGEMENT



Fund manager at Flossbach von Storch since 2021.

## **Team Fixed Income**

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



# Flossbach von Storch -Bond Defensive - R

#### 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.

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#### INVESTOR PROFILE

## **CONSERVATIVE:**

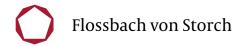
The fund is appropriate for conservative investors. Due to the composition of the net sub-fund assets, there is a moderate degree of risk but also a moderate degree of profit potential. The risks may consist in particular of currency risk, credit risk and price risk, as well as market interest rate risks.

## **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.



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