



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

Flossbach von Storch investment sub-fund under Luxembourg law (mutual fund) and authorised for distribution in Portugal.

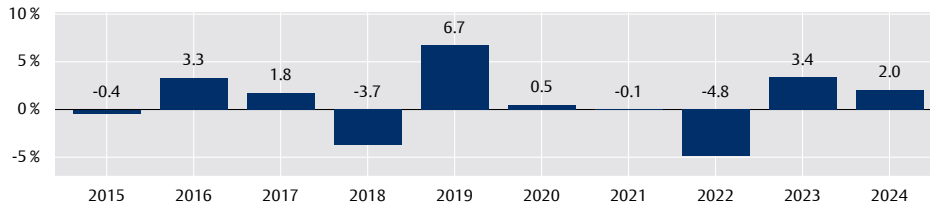
## INVESTMENT STRATEGY

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 %)



## PERFORMANCE IN EUR SINCE INCEPTION



Source: Depository and Flossbach von Storch, status: 31.03.25

Return on investment may only be obtained if the investment was made for the entire reference period.

## ACCUMULATED PERFORMANCE IN EUR (IN %)

2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	YTD 2025
0.51%	-0.08%	-4.83%	3.37%	2.04%	0.80%

Source: Depository and Flossbach von Storch, status: 31.03.25

## EXPLANATORY NOTES REGARDING PERFORMANCE

**Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.** Performance is calculated based on the net asset value (NAV). The subscription fee, as well as other fees, are not taken into account and therefore have a negative effect on the performance of the investment. Example calculation (subscription fee included): 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 be applied. **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 to track the index or achieve the same performance for the fund manager.

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## FUND DETAILS

ISIN	LU0952573136
Bloomberg code	FVSBTRR LX
Domicile	Luxembourg
SFDR Category	Article 8
Share class	R
Fund 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	557.81 million EUR
Redemption price	108.59 EUR
Minimum initial investment	none
Minimum subsequent investment	none
Costs <sup>1</sup>	
Ongoing charges which includes a management fee of	0.88 % p.a. 0.72 % p.a.
Transaction costs	0.10 % p.a.
Performance fee	none
Redemption fee	0.00 %
Exchange commission (based on the unit value of the units to be purchased for the benefit of the relevant distributor)	up to 1.00 %
Subscription fee	up to 1.00 %

## MANAGEMENT COMPANY

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## DEPOSITARY

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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.



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## TOP 10 GUARANTORS (IN %)

1. Republic of Germany	13.22 %
2. Kingdom of the Netherlands	6.73 %
3. Kingdom of Spain	6.64 %
4. Kingdom of Belgium	5.51 %
5. United States of America	4.07 %
6. Republic of France	3.21 %
7. Deutsche Bank AG	3.06 %
8. Coöperatieve Rabobank U.A.	3.05 %
9. Commerzbank AG	2.84 %
10. ING Groep N.V.	2.79 %
<b>Total</b>	<b>51.12 %</b>

Source: Depositary and Flossbach von Storch, status: 31.03.25

The portfolio currently contains 107 securities.

## CREDIT RATING FOR BONDS (IN %)

AAA	49.25 %
AA	24.78 %
A	15.17 %
BBB	10.80 %

Source: Depositary and Flossbach von Storch, status: 31.03.25

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	2.55 %
Duration	2.07 years

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## MONTHLY COMMENTARY

In March, the focus was on the erratic sell-off on the euro bond market. The surprise announcement by the incoming German government of plans for large-scale infrastructure and defence programmes caused the largest one-day rise in the yield on 10-year German Bunds since 1990, of around 30 basis points (bps). The softening of the debt brake and supply concerns triggered substantial price setbacks, particularly for long-dated bonds – the yield curve steepened noticeably, also in the wake of rising inflation expectations. US Treasuries were able to escape this rise in yields in the face of growth concerns and the general 'risk-off' sentiment. Together with increasing concerns in the eurozone about extensive US tariffs, this also led to slightly higher risk premiums on corporate bonds. Towards the end of the month, this mix of factors, coupled with a decline in eurozone inflation data, led to a noticeable recovery, particularly in the case of short-dated eurozone government bonds. Yields on two-year German Bunds were almost unchanged compared to the previous month, while yields on 10-year Bunds were around 30 bps higher. At the end of February, we significantly reduced the duration of our portfolio to 1.9 years (below the centre of our steering band). Together with our diversified allocation (including inflation-indexed bonds), we were thus able to ensure a high level of value stability in the Fund despite the market volatility. We took advantage of the subsequent noticeably higher yields to increase the duration by almost 0.5 years. In the pronounced recovery at the end of the month especially for short euro maturities we realised gains and reduced the duration back to levels close to our neutral range. In view of the almost fully priced-in ECB interest-rate cut for April, we felt that the potential for a further decline in yields was largely exhausted for the time being.

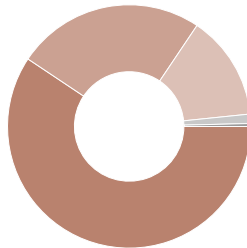
## TOP 10 SECTORS (IN %)\*

1. Consumer Staples	24.18 %
2. Utilities	22.85 %
3. Consumer Discretionary	18.77 %
4. Health Care	17.98 %
5. Information Technology	7.27 %
6. Industrials	3.48 %
7. Energy	2.96 %
8. Financials	1.81 %
9. Materials	0.71 %
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.01 %</b>

Source: Depositary and Flossbach von Storch, status: 31.03.25

\* refer to corporate bonds

## ASSET ALLOCATION (IN %)



- 59.36 % Government bonds
- 25.06 % Corporate bonds
- 13.95 % Covered bonds
- 1.25 % Cash
- 0.38 % Other (incl. derivatives)

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## 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.**

**The Risk and Return profil of this sub-fund is included on page 3 of this factsheet.**

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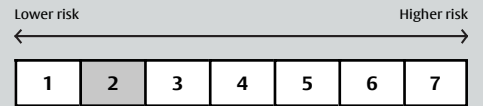
### CONSERVATIVE:

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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The latest net asset value (NAV) of the fund can be obtained from the management company's website.

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