# Monthly report November 2022

#### **PROFILE**

Nordic Credit Opportunities Sustainable Return invests in Nordic corporate bonds from issuers with an integrated sustainability strategy. The fund maintains a portfolio of c.25 holdings and has a return target of 6-9% p.a. Each investment undergoes thorough commercial, financial and ESG due diligence and is subject to final approval by NCP's Investment Committee.

#### **SUSTAINABILITY**

NCP integrates sustainability into the investment thesis to benefit our investors and contribute to the development of sustainability in society at large. We focus on companies that has a thorough understanding of the exposure to and impact on its specific sustainability factors and risks, thus futureproofing the portfolio and investing in long-term frontrunners.

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# Sustainable Return

#### **MARKET & PORTFOLIO COMMENTARY**

The month started off on the same mood as the previous months with a muted primary and secondary market and declining market prices as a consequence. However, as the broader European market strengthened significantly, a few Nordic issuers opportunistically launched primary transactions, resulting in numerous issuers fighting for investor interest. We are currently participating in pre-soundings of a handful of transactions but note that bond processes currently are longer and come at more bondholder friendly terms than usual.

The fund yielded 0.03% during the month (-2.36% YTD). We were pleased to see the last couple of months' return decline coming to a halt with mainly one portfolio company, YA Holding, negatively impacting return. The company, briefly discussed in the September monthly report, released Q3 numbers in line with communicated targets but the market continued to trade down. Previous month's addition to the portfolio, Storskogen Group, slipped a bit further continues to trade at a significant discount to par. The company released (in our opinion) a satisfactory report with upheld demand for its services and a renewed focus on consolidating the balance sheet in order to de-leveraging the company well within their net leverage target of 2-3x. With a market cap of EUR 1.2bn and current leverage of 2.7x, the company still offers an attractive risk-adjusted return. Set aside YA Holding and to certain extend Storskogen Group, the return of the portfolio was driven primarily by smaller nominal price declines mitigated by coupons received.

During the month, we disposed one smaller holding, Nor5ke Viking I AS. The company traded above par after having delivered well on its financial targets for the year and we saw an opportunity to deploy the proceeds at better terms elsewhere. We still see many interesting opportunities in the market. It is the time of the year when we can be a bit more opportunistic than usual since market participants tend to close their books and think about next year. We monitor the market and trade flows opportunistically and is eager to use the remainder of the year to – where possible – regain some of the return lost previously in the year.

Cecilia, Emil and Jakob

# **CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE (%)**

1 month	YTD	1 year	3 years	Since inception	NAV A	NAV B	NAV C
0.03	-2.36	-1.99	NA	7.90	97.70	99.08	99.08

# **MONTHLY PERFORMANCE (%)**

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2022	0.77	-0.47	0.69	0.28	-0.51	-1.27	0.41	0.76	-1.06	-1.96	0.03		-2.36
2021	0.84	0.44	0.72	0.98	0.47	1.00	0.98	1.06	0.37	0.26	0.41	0.37	8.17
2020							0.33	-0.02	0.11	0.06	1.55	0.13	2.16

#### **THE FUND**

Fund name	Nordic Credit Opportunities SICAV-RAIF Sustainable Return					
Target instruments	Nordic corporate bonds	AIFM	Fuchs Asset Management			
Target return	6-9% p.a. net of fees	Depository	Société Générale Luxembourg			
Inception date	25 June 2020	Auditor	PWC Luxembourg			

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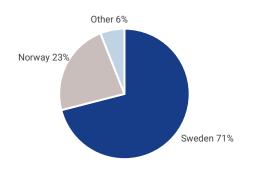
# **KEY RATIOS**

Ratio	
Yield to maturity	13.4%
Yield to worst	13.4%
Average coupon	8.7%
Credit duration	1.92 years
Duration	0.54 years
Modified duration	0.48%
Standard deviation p.a. (since inception)	2.59%
Average credit rating	Non-rated

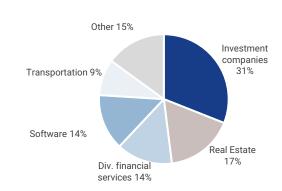
# **KEY RATIOS CONT.**

Ratio	
Sharpe Ratio since inception	1.23
Additional names to the portfolio	-
Leavers of the portfolio	1
Positive months since inception	77%
Risk level	●●●0000

#### **BREAKDOWN BY GEOGRAPHY**

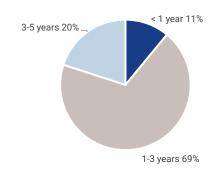


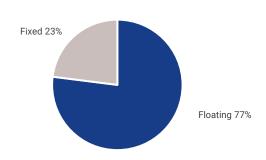
#### **BREAKDOWN BY SECTOR**



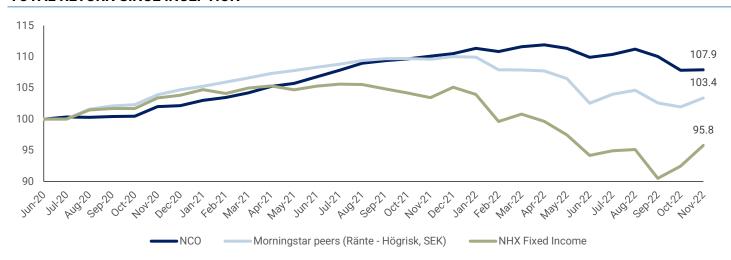
# **BREAKDOWN BY MATURITY**

# **BREAKDOWN BY COUPON**





# TOTAL RETURN SINCE INCEPTION1



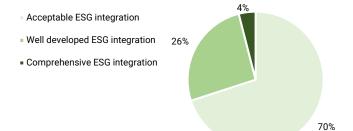
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# **TOP HOLDINGS**

Issuer	%
Novedo Holdings AB	5.5
Mirovia AB	4.9
Omnione S.A.	4.6
Impala Group PLC	4.6
Seafire AB	4.6

# INTERNAL SUSTAINABILITY RATING



# **SHARE CLASS INFORMATION**

Class A	Class B	Class C
LU2173402418	LU2173402509	LU2173402681
Inst. & Well-informed	Inst. & Well-informed	Inst. & Well-informed
EUR	EUR	EUR
Distributing	Distributing	Distributing
Annually	Annually	Annually
EUR 20,000,000	EUR 500,000	EUR 500,000
Monthly	Monthly	Monthly
Annually / 3.0%	Annually/ 3.0%	Monthly / 7.0%
0.50% p.a.	0.55% p.a.	0.55% p.a.
20% over Hurdle	20% over Hurdle	20% over Hurdle
3M Stibor+3%	3M Stibor	3M Stibor
	LU2173402418  Inst. & Well-informed  EUR  Distributing  Annually  EUR 20,000,000  Monthly  Annually / 3.0%  0.50% p.a.  20% over Hurdle	LU2173402418         LU2173402509           Inst. & Well-informed         Inst. & Well-informed           EUR         EUR           Distributing         Distributing           Annually         Annually           EUR 20,000,000         EUR 500,000           Monthly         Monthly           Annually / 3.0%         Annually / 3.0%           0.50% p.a.         0.55% p.a.           20% over Hurdle         20% over Hurdle