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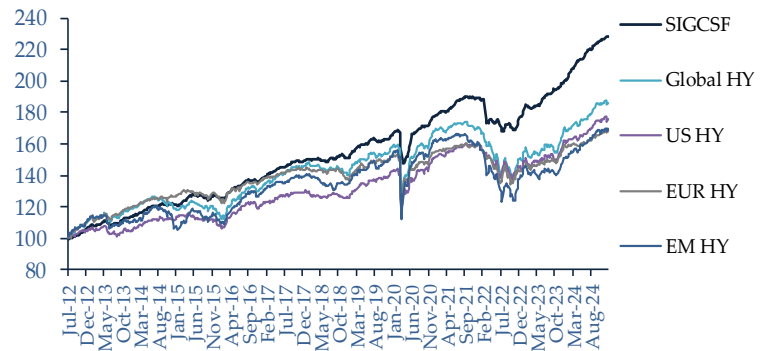
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## GLOBAL CREDIT STRATEGIES FUND

### Monthly Performance

Class F (USD):	MTD return: 0.68%	2024 return: 13.97%	NAV per Share: 228.41
Class D (EUR):	MTD return: 0.52%	2024 return: 12.31%	NAV per Share: 188.61
Class E (GBP):	MTD return: 0.67%	2024 return: 13.76%	NAV per Share: 165.27

	YtD		3 Years		Since Inception	
	Return	Return *	Sharpe	Return *	Sharpe	Sharpe
<b>SIGCSF Class F (US\$)</b>	<b>14.0%</b>	<b>6.3%</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>6.8%</b>	<b>1.4</b>	
Bloomberg Global HY	9.2%	2.7%	-0.2	5.1%	0.5	
US HY (etf: SPHY US)	8.5%	3.0%	-0.2	4.6%	0.4	
EUR HY (etf: SYBJ GY)	5.8%	1.8%	-0.3	4.2%	0.3	
EM HY (etf: HYEM US)	12.1%	1.7%	-0.3	4.3%	0.3	
Bloomberg Global Agg	-1.7%	-4.4%	-1.1	0.2%	-0.3	



Fund Inception: July 2012  
 Source: SphereInvest Group; Bloomberg  
 \*Annualized Weekly Returns and Sharpe Ratios

The UCITS is actively managed by SphereInvest Group Limited. It is not managed with reference to any benchmark, the above comparisons are provided for information purposes only.

### Portfolio and Market Commentary

A resilient US economy may achieve soft landing, thanks to robust employment and consumption. Yet, in the face of sky-high deficits and sticky inflation, timing and extent of further Fed rate cuts are in doubt. Trump’s proposed tax cuts, tariff hikes, looser regulation, and tougher immigration most likely won’t help with inflation nor relieve the Fed’s burden. The US has a 7 percent budget deficit at full employment. Let’s remember government spending is inflation.

2024 China trade surplus soared to \$1T. With US tariffs set to increase further, expect more Chinese monetary easing and stimulative fiscal policy measures to bolster domestic consumption, combat housing oversupply, and ease refinancing of local governments’ off-balance-sheet debts. The impact of this and geopolitics underpin commodity prices.

Continued geopolitical tensions and surprises elongate supply chain/logistic challenges, while government deficits lead investors to demand increasing term premium and higher yield.

Risk assets have seen a one-way ride for some time now; global equity return has been dominated by US AI/Tech bemoths marching higher, while just about everything else has treaded water. The same goes for currencies; king USD has climbed relentlessly against just about everyone. Passive investors have no opinion about value. They assume everybody else has done the work. Top ten stocks represent the highest percentage of the total market cap since 1929.

In the present environment, we expect credit returns to be driven by carry opportunities, as high absolute yields provide a cushion to tight spreads. IG spreads are hugging post 2009 lows, with HY at the 50-percentile average. Tight spreads mainly reflect strong demand for yield and mostly sound credit fundamentals, juiced by the inflationary post-pandemic economic recovery. In 2025, we see more of the same; credit fundamentals look to remain mostly stable, supported by steady economic growth and a favourable funding environment. Yet, given government deficits and geopolitics, short duration seems well-placed, until at least some of these clouds clear.

The Fund continues to enjoy solid performance from these trends, attributable to yield, as we cautiously reinvest in attractive credit opportunities. Themes continue across energy, shipping, food-processing/distribution, transportation, telecoms and idiosyncratic financials.

## Monthly Performance since Inception

### Share Class F (USD, ISIN: IE00BKXBBV70)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
<b>2024</b>	2.18%	1.64%	1.44%	1.16%	0.32%	1.86%	0.99%	0.96%	0.79%	0.80%	0.33%	0.68%	<b>13.97%</b>
<b>2023</b>	4.29%	-0.94%	-0.51%	1.05%	0.39%	2.45%	0.93%	0.46%	1.47%	0.14%	1.55%	1.13%	<b>13.06%</b>
<b>2022</b>	-1.04%	-3.08%	-3.57%	-0.40%	0.20%	-1.62%	-1.96%	2.08%	-0.74%	-1.01%	3.55%	1.37%	<b>-6.28%</b>
<b>2021</b>	0.54%	0.85%	0.02%	0.96%	0.85%	1.79%	0.41%	0.81%	0.10%	-0.04%	-0.52%	0.26%	<b>6.25%</b>
<b>2020</b>	1.09%	0.05%	-12.07%	2.67%	4.24%	5.53%	1.06%	0.81%	1.00%	-0.05%	2.69%	1.16%	<b>7.31%</b>
<b>2019</b>	2.34%	1.46%	0.60%	1.06%	0.22%	1.08%	0.93%	-1.43%	0.12%	1.01%	0.14%	1.69%	<b>9.59%</b>
<b>2018</b>	0.49%	-0.09%	-0.08%	0.39%	-0.71%	-0.75%	1.98%	-0.54%	0.87%	0.46%	-0.81%	0.07%	<b>1.26%</b>
<b>2017</b>	1.12%	1.30%	0.50%	0.98%	1.28%	-0.10%	0.66%	0.94%	0.48%	0.63%	-0.19%	0.44%	<b>8.33%</b>
<b>2016</b>	-0.34%	0.03%	2.86%	2.12%	0.55%	0.03%	1.96%	1.18%	-0.14%	0.36%	-0.72%	1.36%	<b>9.56%</b>
<b>2015</b>	-0.22%	1.80%	1.38%	1.66%	0.93%	-0.54%	-0.19%	-1.19%	-1.27%	1.82%	0.73%	-0.99%	<b>3.91%</b>
<b>2014</b>	0.84%	1.08%	0.84%	1.10%	1.20%	1.04%	-0.20%	0.91%	-0.51%	0.14%	0.66%	-0.71%	<b>6.56%</b>
<b>2013</b>	0.97%	0.11%	0.54%	1.64%	-0.04%	-2.16%	1.11%	-0.06%	1.70%	1.66%	0.14%	0.67%	<b>6.40%</b>
<b>2012</b>							0.15%	0.72%	0.78%	2.11%	1.24%	1.72%	<b>6.90%</b>

### Share Class D (EUR, ISIN: IE00BKXBBS42)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
<b>2024</b>	2.08%	1.52%	1.33%	1.04%	0.21%	1.77%	0.81%	0.80%	0.63%	0.73%	0.23%	0.52%	<b>12.31%</b>
<b>2023</b>	3.99%	-1.12%	-0.67%	0.93%	0.22%	2.27%	0.81%	0.31%	1.42%	-0.03%	1.46%	0.98%	<b>10.97%</b>
<b>2022</b>	-1.07%	-3.16%	-3.74%	-0.49%	0.01%	-1.66%	-2.29%	1.71%	-0.88%	-1.24%	3.26%	1.10%	<b>-8.33%</b>
<b>2021</b>	0.48%	0.80%	-0.06%	0.89%	0.79%	1.76%	0.35%	0.73%	0.07%	-0.08%	-0.57%	0.15%	<b>5.46%</b>
<b>2020</b>	0.89%	-0.10%	-12.52%	2.54%	4.12%	5.42%	0.99%	0.75%	0.92%	-0.11%	2.62%	1.05%	<b>5.55%</b>
<b>2019</b>	2.14%	1.22%	0.30%	0.77%	0.02%	0.94%	0.63%	-1.70%	-0.12%	0.73%	-0.05%	1.45%	<b>6.45%</b>
<b>2018</b>	0.32%	-0.36%	-0.32%	0.19%	-1.04%	-0.99%	1.75%	-0.66%	0.68%	0.19%	-1.08%	-0.20%	<b>-1.56%</b>
<b>2017</b>	0.82%	1.05%	0.40%	0.85%	1.13%	-0.23%	0.50%	0.78%	0.34%	0.42%	-0.29%	0.22%	<b>6.15%</b>
<b>2016</b>	-0.42%	-0.01%	2.57%	1.92%	0.39%	-0.08%	1.81%	0.98%	-0.25%	0.15%	-1.01%	1.23%	<b>7.44%</b>
<b>2015</b>	-0.29%	1.82%	1.33%	1.55%	0.97%	-0.63%	-0.20%	-1.27%	-1.46%	1.77%	0.91%	-1.13%	<b>3.35%</b>
<b>2014</b>	0.85%	1.06%	0.77%	1.09%	1.25%	1.01%	-0.21%	0.92%	-0.62%	0.12%	0.59%	-0.79%	<b>6.18%</b>
<b>2013</b>	0.87%	0.12%	0.54%	1.54%	-0.06%	-2.22%	1.16%	-0.07%	1.67%	1.66%	0.13%	0.65%	<b>6.11%</b>
<b>2012</b>							0.20%	0.66%	0.70%	2.04%	1.20%	1.62%	<b>6.59%</b>

### Share Class E (GBP, ISIN: IE00BKXBBT58)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
<b>2024</b>	2.17%	1.63%	1.43%	1.15%	0.29%	1.87%	0.98%	0.87%	0.70%	0.87%	0.35%	0.67%	<b>13.76%</b>
<b>2023</b>	4.18%	-1.01%	-0.57%	1.00%	0.33%	2.34%	0.97%	0.45%	1.53%	0.12%	1.51%	1.10%	<b>12.53%</b>
<b>2022</b>	-1.01%	-3.14%	-3.56%	-0.39%	0.18%	-1.55%	-2.08%	1.88%	-0.86%	-0.95%	3.42%	1.26%	<b>-6.81%</b>
<b>2021</b>	0.53%	0.81%	0.00%	0.95%	0.83%	1.82%	0.39%	0.81%	0.09%	-0.05%	-0.47%	0.19%	<b>6.10%</b>
<b>2020</b>	1.00%	-0.04%	-12.48%	2.59%	4.23%	5.50%	1.04%	0.81%	0.98%	-0.06%	2.65%	1.11%	<b>6.34%</b>
<b>2019</b>	2.26%	1.33%	0.39%	0.82%	0.03%	1.01%	0.89%	-1.60%	0.00%	0.86%	0.09%	1.54%	<b>7.84%</b>
<b>2018</b>	0.39%	-0.24%	-0.23%	0.30%	-0.84%	-1.09%	1.80%	-0.74%	0.89%	0.34%	-1.02%	-0.66%	<b>-1.14%</b>
<b>2017</b>	1.01%	1.21%	0.40%	0.94%	1.21%	-0.18%	0.56%	0.85%	0.33%	0.57%	-0.24%	0.29%	<b>7.17%</b>
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<b>2015</b>					0.69%	-0.51%	-0.17%	-1.21%	-1.29%	1.86%	0.68%	-1.02%	<b>-1.01%</b>

Past performance does not predict future returns.

### Fund Information as of December, 2024

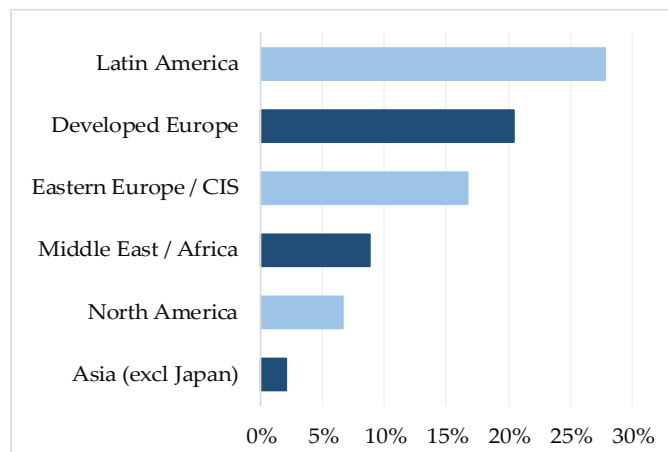
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SphereInvest Global Credit Strategies	BB-	100 %	97.5	1.8	7.4 %	8.8 %	517
Cash and Equivalents	AAA	18 %					

Ratings by S&P/Fitch/Moody's; remaining data calculated by SphereInvest.

#### Top 10 Holdings (in % of NAV, 31/12/24)

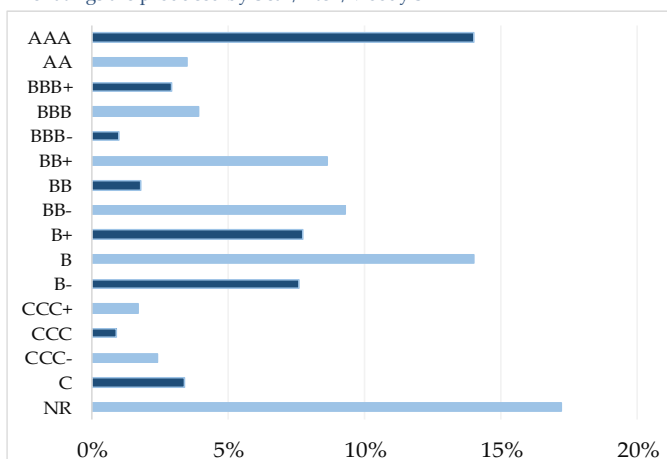
Bond	%
6.75% Bracken, 2027	2.7%
5.375% Banco Santander Mexico, 2025	2.5%
11.125% Trans-Oil, 2029	2.5%
8.50% Danaos, 2028	2.5%
8.75% Volcan, 2030	2.5%
9.00% YPF, 2026	2.4%
9.50% WE Soda, 2028	2.3%
6.065% US Bancorp, PERPS	2.2%
7.50% Banorte, PERPS	2.2%
8.50% TAV Havalimanlari, 2028	2.2%

#### Regional Allocation (incl cash & equiv)

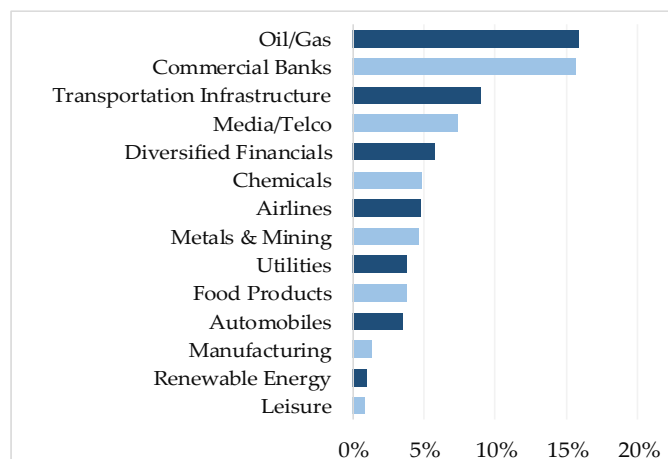


#### Credit Quality

The ratings are produced by S&P/Fitch/Moody's



#### Sector Allocation (incl cash & equiv)



### Fund Terms

<b>Regulatory</b>	UCITS V	<b>Domicile</b>	Ireland
<b>Liquidity</b>	Daily Pricing / Weekly dealing	<b>Global Custodian</b>	Citibank N.A., London
<b>Start Date</b>	2nd July 2012	<b>Auditor</b>	Deloitte (Ireland) LLP
<b>Management Fee</b>	1.5% p.a. (Retail), 1% p.a. (Institutional)	<b>Legal Counsel</b>	Eversheds Sutherland
<b>Performance Fee</b>	5% p.a. of the increase in the Net Asset Value per Share on each Valuation Day, above the high-water mark, payable annually.	<b>Administrator</b>	Apex Fund Services (Ireland) Limited
<b>Minimum Investment</b>	Retail = 25,000 (GBP, EUR, USD, CAD, CHF, NOK) Institutional = 200,000		

### Key Risks

The value of shares in the UCITS and income received from it can go down as well as up and investors may not get back the full amount invested. Performance may also be affected by currency fluctuations.

The UCITS seeks to achieve its investment objective by principally investing in a diversified portfolio of publicly-issued bonds. The UCITS may utilise financial derivative instruments for hedging, efficient portfolio management and/or investment purposes.

Bonds or other debt securities involve credit risk represented by the possibility of default by the issuer. In the event that any issuer experiences financial or economic difficulties, this may affect the value of the relevant securities and any amounts paid on such securities. This may in turn affect the Net Asset Value per Share of the UCITS.

Investment instruments have historically been subject to price movements that may occur due to market or issue-specific factors. As a result, the performance of the UCITS can fluctuate over time.

Other significant risks include: liquidity risk and operational risk. For full details of the risks applicable to the UCITS, please refer to the 'Risk Factors' sections in the current Prospectus of SphereInvest Global UCITS ICAV and the Offering Supplement of the UCITS sub-fund - SphereInvest Global Credit Strategies Fund.

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Share Class D monthly performance information is being disclosed to enable investors to see actual returns achieved since inception in the Euro share class.