## **DNCA INVEST**

## **CREDIT CONVICTION**

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## Investment objective

The Sub-Fund's investment objective is to maximize the total return from a combination of income and capital growth by investing in fixed income securities. The Sub-Fund seeks to outperform the Bloomberg Euro-Aggregate Corporate Index (Bloomberg ticker: LECPTREU Index) on the recommended investment period.

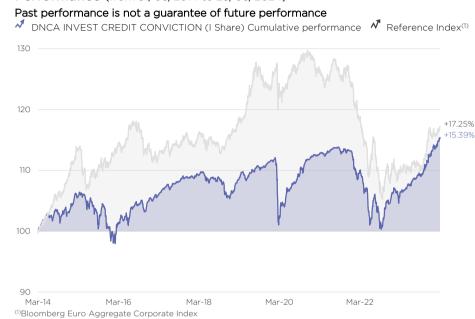
To achieve its investment objective, the investment strategy is based on active discretionary management.

### Financial characteristics

| NAV (€)<br>Net assets (€M)  | 165.62<br>278       |
|---|---------------------|
| Number of issuers Average modified duration Net modified duration | 169<br>3.27<br>3.24 |
| Average maturity (years)  | 3.84                |
| Average yield Average rating                                      | 5.79%<br>BBB-       |

Past performance is compared to a benchmark (FTSE MTS Global) which changed on 03/02/2022 to the Bloomberg Euro-Aggregate Corporate Index.

## **Performance** (from 31/03/2014 to 28/03/2024)



| Annualised performance       | ces and volat | tilities (% | )           |       |         |        |         |         |          |                 |
|------------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------|---------|--------|---------|---------|----------|-----------------|
|                              |               |             |             |       |         | 1 year | 2 years | 5 years | 10 years | Since inception |
| l Share                      |               |             |             |       |         | +8.54  | +2.43   | +1.22   | +1.44    | +3.03           |
| Reference Index              |               |             |             |       |         | +6.82  | -0.63   | -0.21   | +1.60    | +3.00           |
| I Share - volatility         |               |             |             |       |         | 1.92   | 3.12    | 2.96    | 2.70     | 2.43            |
| Reference Index - volatility |               |             |             |       |         | 3.80   | 5.18    | 4.80    | 4.30     | 4.24            |
| Cumulative performan         | ces (%)       |             |             |       |         |        |         |         |          |                 |
|                              |               |             |             |       | 1 month | YTD    | 1 year  | 2 years | 5 years  | 10 years        |
| l Share                      |               |             |             |       | +1.27   | +2.35  | +8.54   | +4.91   | +6.26    | +15.39          |
| Reference Index              |               |             |             |       | +1.22   | +0.47  | +6.82   | -1.24   | -1.05    | +17.25          |
| Calendar year perform        | ances (%)     |             |             |       |         |        |         |         |          |                 |
|                              | 2023          | 2022        | 2021        | 2020  | 2019    | 2018   | 2017    | 2016    | 2015     | 2014            |
| I Share                      | +7.75         | -7.59       | +1.23       | +0.43 | +5.38   | -2.81  | +3.58   | +4.23   | -2.36    | +6.35           |
| Reference Index              | +8.19         | -13.53      | -3.48       | +4.95 | +6.59   | +0.80  | +0.44   | +3.11   | +1.67    | +13.33          |
| Risk indicator               |               |             |             |       |         |        | 1 year  | 3 years | 5 years  | 10 years        |
| 100000                       |               | Tracking    | error       |       |         |        | 3.66%   | 4.53%   | 4.78%    | 4.44%           |
| 1 2 3 4 5                    | +6+7          | Correlati   | on coeffici | ient  |         |        | 0.32    | 0.40    | 0.32     | 0.26            |
| Lower risk                   | Higher risk   | Beta        |             |       |         |        | 0.16    | 0.23    | 0.19     | 0.16            |

Synthetic risk indicator according to PRIIPS. 1 corresponds to the lowest level and 7 to the highest level

Main risks: interest-rate risk, credit risk, risk of capital loss, convertible securities risk, perpetual bonds risk, risk related to exchange rate, liquidity risk, equity risk, distressed securities risk, risk of investing in Contingent Convertible Bonds and/or Exchangeable Bonds, specific risks associated with OTC derivative transactions, risk of investing in derivative instruments as well as instruments embedding derivatives, ESG risk, sustainability risk

Data as of 28 March 2024 1/10





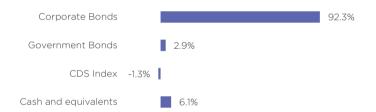
## Main positions+

|   | Weight |
|---|--------|
| Bundesschatzanweisungen 0.2% 2024           | 2.86%  |
| Intesa Sanpaolo SpA 7.2% 2033 (7.2)         | 1.69%  |
| Hamburg Commercial Bank AG 6.25% 2024 (4.2) | 1.61%  |
| Logicor Financing Sarl 4.63% 2028           | 1.47%  |
| Direct Line Insurance Group PLC PERP (3.4)  | 1.07%  |
| Aroundtown SA 1% 2025 (5.0)                 | 1.05%  |
| Autostrade per l'Italia SpA 5.13% 2033      | 1.00%  |
| Lloyds Banking Group PLC PERP (3.5)         | 0.95%  |
| Cellnex Telecom SA 0.75% 2031 CV (6.3)      | 0.89%  |
| Pearson Funding PLC 1.38% 2025 (4.9)        | 0.88%  |
|   | 13.46% |

## Monthly performance contributions Past performance is not a guarantee of future performance

| Best  | Weight         | Contribution           |
|---|----------------|------------------------|
| ISPIM 7.2 11/28/33                            | 1.69%          | +0.06%                 |
| IAGLN 1 1/8 05/18/28                          | 0.71%          | +0.03%                 |
| ATOSTR 5 1/8 06/14/33                         | 1.00%          | +0.03%                 |
| LEGGR 0.4 06/30/28                            | 0.87%          | +0.03%                 |
| CLNXSM 0 3/4 11/20/31                         | 0.89%          | +0.02%                 |
|   |                |                        |
| Worst   | Weight         | Contribution           |
| Worst BFITNA 1 1/2 06/17/28                   | Weight 0.61%   | Contribution<br>-0.01% |
|   |                |                        |
| BFITNA 1 1/2 06/17/28                         | 0.61%          | -0.01%                 |
| BFITNA 1 1/2 06/17/28<br>NXIFP 0 7/8 04/19/28 | 0.61%<br>0.35% | -0.01%<br>+0.00%       |

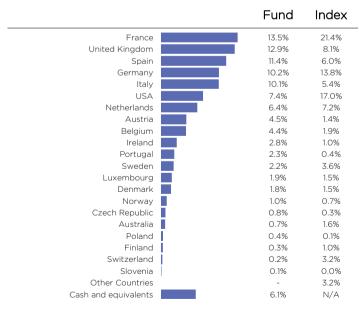
## Asset class breakdown



## Currency breakdown



## Country breakdown



## Sector breakdown (ICB)

|                                 | Fund  | Index |
|---------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Banks                           | 40.1% | 29.1% |
| Insurance                       | 7.7%  | 3.8%  |
| Real Estate                     | 7.1%  | 5.4%  |
| Consumer Products and Services  | 6.2%  | 2.3%  |
| Industrial Goods and Services   | 4.1%  | 8.5%  |
| Financial Services              | 3.0%  | 6.3%  |
| Govies                          | 2.9%  | 0.0%  |
| Telecommunications              | 2.8%  | 5.2%  |
| Energy                          | 2.7%  | 4.2%  |
| Automobiles and Parts           | 2.7%  | 5.3%  |
| Travel and Leisure              | 2.6%  | 1.3%  |
| Construction and Materials      | 2.5%  | 2.0%  |
| Food, Beverage and Tobacco      | 1.8%  | 5.2%  |
| Media                           | 1.8%  | 1.2%  |
| Utilities                       | 1.8%  | 7.4%  |
| Basic Resources                 | 1.4%  | 0.8%  |
| Chemicals                       | 1.1%  | 2.1%  |
| Health Care                     | 1.0%  | 6.1%  |
| Retail                          | 0.8%  | 0.2%  |
| Technology                      | 0.8%  | 2.1%  |
| Personal Care, Drug and Grocery | 0.3%  | 1.6%  |
| Cash and equivalents            | 6.1%  | N/A   |

<sup>\*</sup>The figure between brackets represents the issuer's 'responsibility' score. Please refer to the Internal Extra-financial analysis page for the analysis methodology.

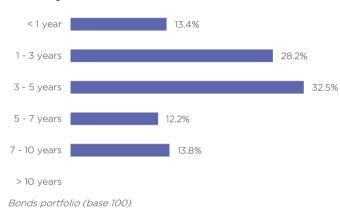




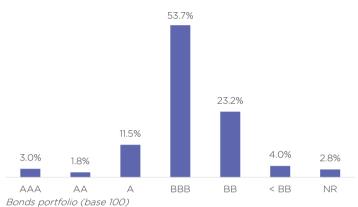
## Bonds portfolio composition and indicators

|                     | Weight | Maturity (yrs) | Modified duration | Yield | lines |
|---------------------|--------|----------------|-------------------|-------|-------|
| Fixed rate bonds    | 48.41% | 3.89           | 3.32              | 4.54% | 132   |
| Hybrid bonds        | 21.15% | 3.97           | 3.24              | 9.80% | 48    |
| Floating-rate bonds | 19.52% | 3.45           | 2.96              | 4.86% | 54    |
| Convertible bonds   | 6.12%  | 4.30           | 4.02              | 4.80% | 14    |
| Total               | 95.20% | 3.84           | 3.27              | 5.79% | 248   |

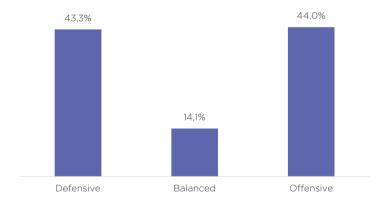
### Maturity breakdown



## Rating breakdown



## Breakdown by strategy



## Breakdown by Seniority

|                 |                             | Weight |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|--------|
| Government Debt |                             | 2.86%  |
| Senior          |                             | 58.99% |
| Subordinated    |                             | 27.23% |
|                 | Bank Additional Tier 1      | 11.25% |
|                 | Insurance Restricted Tier 1 | 6.20%  |
|                 | Bank Tier 2                 | 4.61%  |
|                 | Corporate Hybrids           | 3.91%  |
|                 | Insurance Tier 2            | 1.15%  |
| Convertibles    |                             | 6.12%  |
| Other           |                             | 4.80%  |

### Changes to portfolio holdings\*

In: Anheuser-Busch InBev SA/NV 3.45% 2031 (4.7), Arkema SA PERP (4.4), Aroundtown SA 0.63% 2025 (5), ASR Nederland NV PERP (4.4), Banco de Sabadell SA 2029 FRN (5.5), Bundesschatzanweisungen 0.2% 2024, Coventry Building Society 2029 FRN, easyJet PLC 3.75% 2031, Elis SA 3.75% 2030 (5.8), Faurecia SE 5.13% 2028 (5.5), FinecoBank Banca Fineco SpA PERP (5.8), Fnac Darty SA 6% 2028 (5.4), Kerry Group Financial Services Unltd Co 2.38% 2025 (4.7), Lagfin SCA 3.5% 2028 CV (5.4), NBN Co Ltd 3.5% 2030, Neoen SA 2.88% 2027 CV (5.1), NN Group NV PERP, Oracle Corp 3.13% 2025, Orano SA 4% 2031 (4.4), Powszechna Kasa Oszczedności Bank Polski SA 2027 FRN, RCI Banque SA 3.75% 2027 (4.3), Solvay SA 3.88% 2028 (5.3), SpareBank 1 SR-Bank ASA 3.63% 2029, Transurban Finance Co Pty Ltd 3.71% 2031, Virgin Money UK PLC 2027 FRN (4.4) and WPP Finance 2013 4% 2033 (4.8)

Out: BAWAG Group AG 2034 FRN (4), BKO 0 03/15/24, Canpack SA / Canpack US LLC 2.38% 2027 (4.5), Coentreprise de Transport d'Electricite SA 3.75% 2036 (3.9), Faurecia SE 2.63% 2025 (5.5), Fnac Darty SA 1.88% 2024 (5.4), iliad SA 5.38% 2028 (5), Infrastrutture Wireless Italiane SpA 1.88% 2026 (5.6), Nexi SpA 0% 2028 CV (6.5), RCI Banque SA 4.63% 2026 (4.3), SPIE SA 2% 2028 CV (5.9) and Verallia SA 1.63% 2028 (5.8)

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## Portfolio managers comments

In March, the investment grade credit market performed well (-8 bps spread tightening and +1.22% absolute performance) against a backdrop of easing interest rates and positive technical factors. Less well off, high yield suffered from numerous idiosyncratic risks (+12 basis points spread widening for just +0.44% performance) with issues such as SFR, Atos and Intrum (all downgraded by rating agencies over the last two months). The telephone operator suffered from disappointing results accompanied by poor communication from Patrick Drahi and strategic choices that look likely to be painful for creditors. Atos saw its rating downgraded by S&P following the breakdown of negotiations with Airbus over the purchase of its Big Data business, and Intrum has appointed advisers to manage its upcoming debt maturities... Good stock selection therefore remains essential in our markets.

In terms of sectors, we are seeing differences in behaviour on the European market, with high beta outperforming the more defensive sectors again this month. Subordinated debt (-12 bps for banks and -10 bps for corporates) is outperforming, while the technology (-3 bps) and transport (-4 bps) sectors are struggling.

Against this backdrop, the fund generated a positive performance of 1.27%, slightly outperforming its benchmark (5) thanks to an appropriate sector allocation despite a lower duration.

The sectors that contributed most to performance were banks (especially the additional tier 1 part, excluding Raiffeissen, which suffered from US threats), insurance (especially the GBP-denominated subordinated part) and real estate (good performance by Unibail and Aroundtown subordinated bonds). Some names suffered on the high-yield side, notably Gruenenthal, Ephios (acquisition of Partner) and Basic Fit (following a disappointing outlook at the time of the latest results).

On the movement side, we sold our positions in names that had performed well in recent months, such as Verallia, RCI banques, Iliad and Canpack. We deployed some of the inflows in the banking and insurance sectors, as well as in goods and services. We also invested some of this liquidity in money market funds and short German debt securities.

We have continued to strengthen the names and sectors that we find interesting (PKO, Rabobank, Logicor, Aroundtown, Voltalia, etc.).

We still prefer to carry via subordinated debt and high yield. Our duration remains at around 3 years. The fund also has a responsibility score.

Text completed on 08/04/2024.



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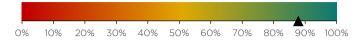
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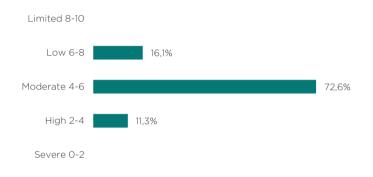
## Internal extra-financial analysis

## ABA coverage rate<sup>+</sup>(87.9%)



### Average Responsibility Score: 5.0/10

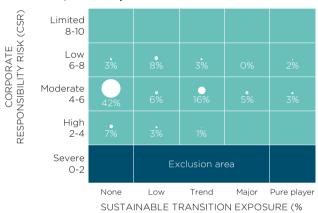
## Responsibility risk breakdown(1)



## Selectivity universe exclusion rate



## Transition/CSR exposure(2)

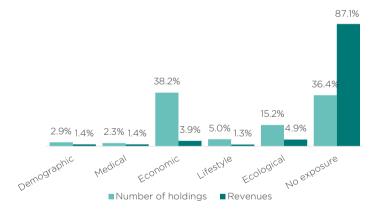


Revenue)

## SDG's exposure(3) (% of revenues)



## Sustainable transitions exposure(4)



### Analysis methodology

We develop proprietary models based on our expertise and conviction to add tangible value in the selection of portfolio securities. DNCA's ESG analysis model, Above & Beyond Analysis (ABA), respects this principle and offers a rating that we control the entire construction. Information from companies is the main input to our rating. The methodologies for calculating ESG indicators and our responsible investor and engagement policy are available on our website by clicking here.

(1) The rating out of 10 integrates 4 risks of responsibility: shareholder, environmental, social and societal. Whatever their sector of activity, 24 indicators are evaluated, such as social climate, accounting risks, suppliers, business ethics, energy policy, quality of management.

(2) The ABA Matrix combines the Responsibility Risk and the Sustainable Transition exposure of the portfolio. It allows us to It allows companies to be mapped using a risk/opportunity approach.

(3) I No poverty, 2 Zero hunger, 3 Good health and well-being. 4 Quality education. 5 Gender equality. 5 Clean water and sanitation. 🔟 Clean and affordable energy. 📵 Decent work and economic growth. 🗓 Industry, innovation and infrastructure. 🔟 Reduced inequalities. 🔟 Sustainable cities and communities. 🔼 Sustainable consumption and production. 🔟 Tackling climate change. 🔼 Aquatic life. 🗓 Terrestrial life. Peace, justice and effective institutions. Partnerships to achieve the goals.

(4) 5 transitions based on a long-term perspective of the financing of the economy allow the identification of activities with a positive contribution to sustainable development and to measure the exposure of companies in terms of turnover as well as exposure to the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

<sup>\*</sup>The coverage rate measures the proportion of issuers (equities and corporate bonds) taken into account in the calculation of the extra-financial indicators. This measure is calculated as a % of the fund's net assets adjusted for cash, money market instruments, derivatives and any vehicle outside the scope of "listed equities and corporate bonds".





## **Principal Adverse Impacts**

| PAI  | Unit                                    | Fund                    |                              | Ref. Index                           |                              |
|--|---|-------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
|  |   | Coverage                | Value                        | Coverage                             | Value                        |
| PAI Corpo 1_1 - Tier 1 GHG emissions   | T CO <sub>2</sub>                       | 69%                     | 10,683                       | 88%                                  | 478                          |
| PAI Corpo 1_2 - Tier 2 GHG emissions   | T CO <sub>2</sub>                       | 69%                     | 1,367                        | 88%                                  | 88                           |
| PAI Corpo 1_3 - Tier 3 GHG emissions   | T CO <sub>2</sub>                       | 69%                     | 66,944                       | 88%                                  | 3,320                        |
| PAI Corpo 1T - Total GHG emissions   | T CO <sub>2</sub>                       | 69%                     | 77,865                       | 88%                                  | 3,883                        |
| PAI Corpo 2 - Carbon footprint   | T CO <sub>2</sub> /EUR million invested | 69%                     | 280                          | 88%                                  | 452                          |
| PAI Corpo 3 - GHG intensity  | T CO <sub>2</sub> /EUR million sales    | 88%                     | 750                          | 98%                                  | 848                          |
| PAI Corpo 4 - Share of investments in companies active in the fossil fuel sector   |   | 3%                      | 3%                           | 11%                                  | 11%                          |
| PAI Corpo 5 - Share of non-renewable energy consumption and production   |   | 78%                     | 68%                          | 94%                                  | 68%                          |
| PAI Corpo 6_TOTAL - Energy consumption intensity by sector with high climate impact NACE   | GWh / EUR million sales                 | 80%                     | 0.2                          | 94%                                  | 0.3                          |
| PAI Corpo 7 - Activities with a negative impact on biodiversity-sensitive areas  |   | 0%                      | 0%                           | 0%                                   | 0%                           |
| PAI Corpo 8 - Water discharges   | T Water Emissions                       | 0%                      |                              | 2%                                   | 9,365                        |
| PAI Corpo 9 - Hazardous or radioactive waste ratio   | T Hazardous Waste                       | 26%                     | 421,047                      | 42%                                  | 2,731,537                    |
| PAI Corpo 10 - Violations of UNGC and OECD principles  |   | 84%                     | 0%                           | 97%                                  | 0%                           |
| PAI Corpo 11 - Lack of UNGC and OECD compliance processes and mechanisms   |   | 81%                     | 23%                          | 96%                                  | 19%                          |
| PAI Corpo 12 - Unadjusted gender pay gap   |   | 40%                     | 18%                          | 38%                                  | 15%                          |
| PAI Corpo 13 - Gender diversity in governance bodies   |   | 82%                     | 38%                          | 96%                                  | 39%                          |
| PAI Corpo 14 - Exposure to controversial weapons   |   | 85%                     | 0%                           | 97%                                  | 0%                           |
| PAI Corpo OPT_1 - Water use  | m³/EUR mln sales                        | 1%                      | 0                            | 5%                                   | 0                            |
| PAI Corpo OPT_2 - Water recycling  |   | 1%                      | 0%                           | 5%                                   | 0%                           |
| PAI Corpo OPT_3 - Number of days lost due to injury, accident, death or illness  |   | 20%                     | 131                          | 22%                                  | 1                            |
| PAI Corpo 11 - Lack of UNGC and OECD compliance processes and mechanisms  PAI Corpo 12 - Unadjusted gender pay gap  PAI Corpo 13 - Gender diversity in governance bodies  PAI Corpo 14 - Exposure to controversial weapons  PAI Corpo OPT_1 - Water use  PAI Corpo OPT_2 - Water recycling  PAI Corpo OPT_3 - Number of days lost due to injury, | m³∕EUR mIn sales                        | 40%<br>82%<br>85%<br>1% | 23%<br>18%<br>38%<br>0%<br>0 | 96%<br>38%<br>96%<br>97%<br>5%<br>5% | 19%<br>15%<br>39%<br>0%<br>0 |

Source : MSCI

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#### Administrative information

Name: DNCA INVEST Credit Conviction ISIN code (Share I): LU0284393773 SFDR classification: Art.8

Inception date: 04/05/2007

**Investment horizon:** Minimum 2 years

Currency: Euro

Country of domicile: Luxembourg

Legal form: SICAV

Reference Index: Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Corporate Index Valuation frequency: Daily

Management company: DNCA Finance

Portfolio Managers: Ismaël LECANU Jean-Marc FRELET, CFA Nolwenn LE ROUX, CFA

Minimum investment: 200,000 EUR

Subscription fees: - max Redemption fees: -Management fees: 0.50%

Ongoing charges as of 30/12/2022: 0.77% Performance fees: 20% of the positive performance net of any fees above the index: Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Corporate Index with High Water Mark

Custodian: BNP Paribas - Luxembourg

Branch

Settlement: T+2

Cut off: 12:00 Luxembourg time

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This product promotes environmental or social characteristics, but does not have as its objective a sustainable investment. It might invest partially in assets that have a sustainable objective, for instance qualified as sustainable according to the EU classification.

This product is subject to sustainability risks as defined in the Regulation 2019/2088 (article 2(22)) by environmental, social or governance event or condition that, if it occurs, could cause an actual or a potential material negative impact on the value of the investment.

If the portfolio investment process can incorporate ESG approach, the portfolio's investment objective is not primarily to mitigate this risk. The sustainability risk management policy is available on the website of the Management Company.

The reference benchmark as defined in the Regulation 2019/2088 (article 2(22)) does not intend to be consistent with the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the fund.





#### Glossary

Beta. Measures the average extent to which a fund moves relative to the broader market. The beta of a market is 1. A fund with a beta of more than 1 moves on average to a greater extent than the market. A fund with a beta of less than 1 moves on average to a lesser extent. If beta is a minus number, it is likely that the stock and the market move in opposite directions.

Correlation coefficient. The correlation coefficient is a measure of correlation. It is used to determine the relationship between two assets over a given period. A positive coefficient means that the two assets move in the same direction. Conversely, a negative coefficient means that the assets move in the opposite direction. The correlation or decorrelation can be more or less strong and varies between -1 and 1.

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Sharpe Ratio. The Sharpe ratio measures the excess return over the risk-free money rate of an asset portfolio divided by the standard deviation of that return. It is therefore a measure of the marginal return per unit of risk. It is used to measure the performance of managers with different risk policies.

Sharpe Ratio. A way of measuring the historical risk-adjusted return on an investment. It is the average previous return minus the risk-free return, divided by the standard deviation (a measure of risk that looks at the diversion of actual returns from expected returns).

Tracking error. Tracking Error is a measure of how closely an investment portfolio follows the index against which it is benchmarked. It is the difference in the return earned by a portfolio and the return earned by the benchmark against which the portfolio is constructed. For example, if a bond portfolio earns a return of 5.15% during a period when the portfolio's benchmark (say, for example, the Lehman Brothers Index) produces a return of 5.06%, the tracking error is .09%, or 9 basis points.



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