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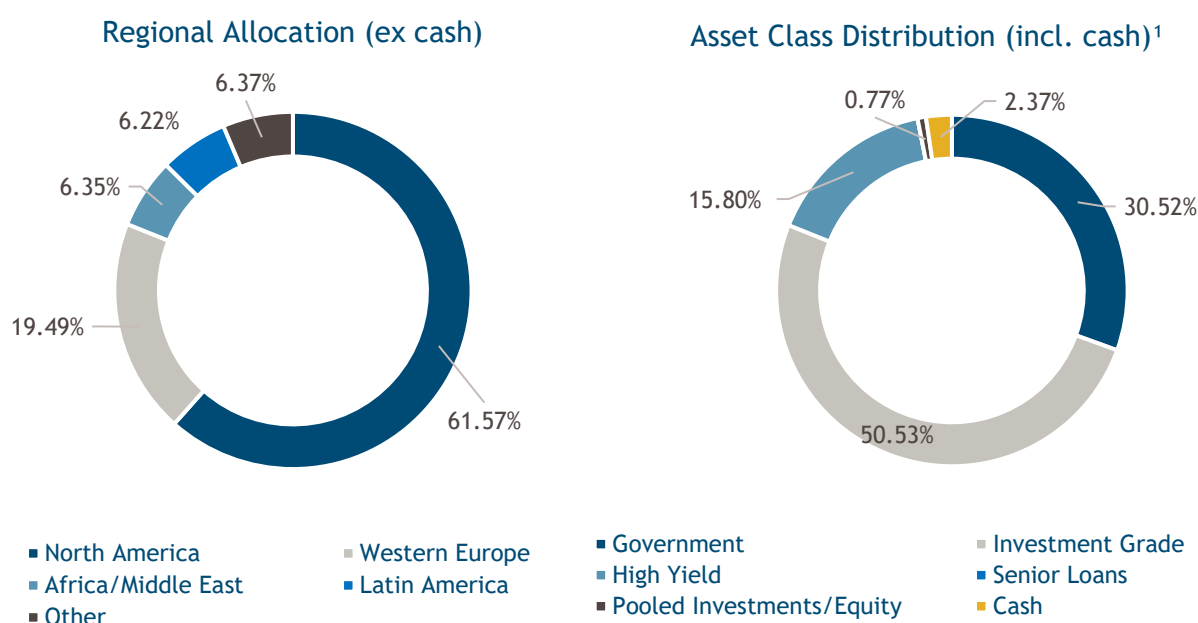
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## Muzinich Global Tactical Credit Fund

### OVERVIEW

- The fund had positive performance over the month.
- Duration was lengthened by around 0.8 years.
- We continued to trim our High Yield exposure.
- Banking exposure continued to decline to 1.7%.



Source: Muzinich analysis as of April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Characteristics are subject to change at any time without prior notice. For illustrative purposes only. <sup>1</sup>Asset Class Distribution breakdown does not include a CDX hedge position.

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Portfolio Positioning	
Average Credit Rating <sup>1</sup>	A3
Yield to Worst (%) (GBP equiv.)	4.68
Yield to Maturity (%) (local curr.)	4.97
Duration to Worst (incl. hedges & cash, yrs)	5.58

<sup>1</sup>Tactical Credit Income Fund uses the Highest Rating Methodology for its average rating calculation.

## PORTFOLIO REVIEW

- Yields and prices remain attractive while spreads are at or slightly above longer-term averages
- Reduced EUIG via a reduction in European Banks from around 9.5% at the end of February to around 1.7% at the end of April. Overall European exposure (IG, Banks and HY) is 23.8% compared to 29% last month
- Overall Banking exposure was reduced from 14% at the end of February to 4.5% at the end of April. The exposure is comprised of the previously mentioned 1.7% European banks and the remainder in primarily strong EM banks (in some cases quasi-sovereign entities). The portfolio does not have any US banking exposure including US regional banks.
- During the month, we added a 10% credit hedge via CDX HY and iTraxx Crossover
- Overall Duration increased from 4.02 years at the end of February to 5.57% at the end of April and compares to the longer-term average of around 3.7 years
- Total HY exposure decreased to 16% from 18% at the end of March with no current exposure to Leveraged Loans
- Total EM exposure remained relatively flat at 14.7% and compares to 9% at the end of August. The increase over the last few months has been focused on EMIG with Investment Grade representing 80% of the portfolio compared to 59% at the end of '21
- Focus is to improve credit quality and liquidity, dampen volatility while capturing relatively attractive yields

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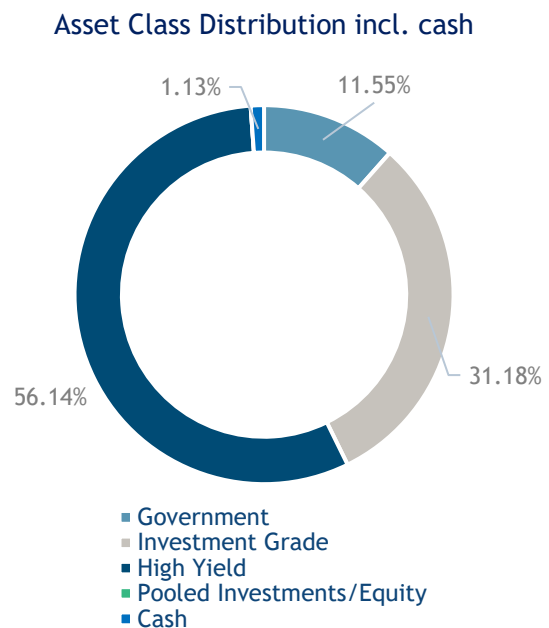
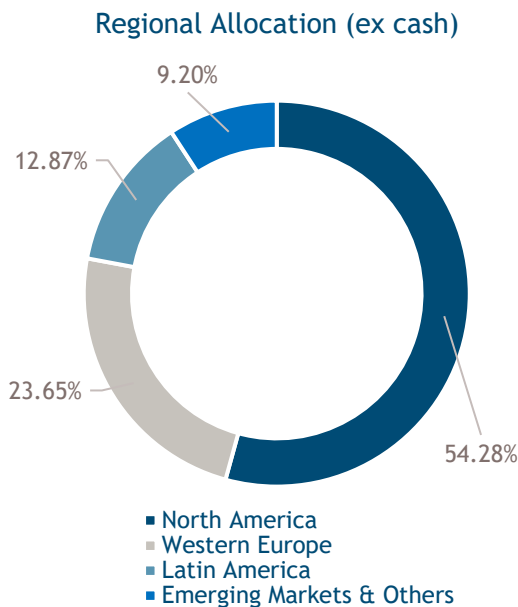
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## Muzinich Dynamic Credit Income Fund

### OVERVIEW

- The fund had positive performance over the month.
- Duration was lengthened by approx. 0.6 years in April
- Overall Credit Quality increased so that fund finished month as Average Investment Grade - BBB3
- Whilst overweight EMD, this is via Investment Grade. Underweight the more volatile areas such as China and Eastern Europe



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Portfolio Positioning	
Average Credit Rating <sup>1</sup>	BBB3
Yield to Worst (%) (GBP equiv.)	6.25
Yield to Maturity (%) (local curr.)	6.57
Duration to Worst (incl. hedges & cash, yrs)	5.18

<sup>1</sup>Dynamic Credit Income Fund uses the Blended Credit Rating Methodology for its average rating calculation.

## PORTFOLIO REVIEW

- Overall portfolio Duration Times Spread (DTS), which can be used as a proxy for beta or risk, was reduced during the month of April. We are at levels of around 64% of the index DTS compared to 87% at the end of March.
- We increased the cash and treasury position to 12.6% from 8.1% at the end of March.
- With the addition of treasuries during March and April, portfolio duration increased from 4.4 years at the end of February to 5.2 years at the end of April.
- Overall Banking exposure was reduced from 3.9% at the end of March. The exposure is comprised of 2.2% in European banks and the remainder in primarily strong EM banks (in some cases quasi-sovereign entities). The portfolio does not have any US banking exposure including US regional banks.
- By Industry, Energy remains the largest sector exposure at 12.6% which is neutral to the index.
- For individual credits, we have focused on reducing/exiting credits with potential fundamental concerns and rotated into higher quality, stronger credits
- Overall HY exposure ended April at 53% which was down from the prior month and compares to an index HY weighting of around 70%. We ended March with underweight positions across USHY, EMHY and EUHY.
- Overall EM is an overweight for DCIF with an overweight in EMIG and underweight for EMHY and continue to largely avoid the more volatile geographies such as China and most of Eastern Europe.

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## OUTLOOK

- While we believe the recent banking headlines are largely related to issues facing the specific banks involved, market concerns remain regarding potential systemic risks given the aggressive tightening efforts from central bankers over the last year.
- The more restrictive policies and higher interest rates have dampened the outlook for economic growth with debate still centered on the likelihood of near-term recessions in the US and Europe.
- While we do see signs of resiliency in the underlying economies and corporate balance sheets are generally on solid footing entering the potential downturn, we have worked to position the portfolio for a slowdown and an increase in defaults.
- We have worked to move portfolio quality up as we reduce lower rated issues and add to higher quality as well as lengthening the duration of the portfolio.
- With increased economic uncertainty, we expect additional spread volatility and will potentially look to deploy some of the portfolio cash and treasury position into credit as spread valuations improve.

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