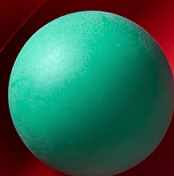


# Global Credit Bond Fund

Active Fixed income  
Quarterly report

31 December 2025



# Fund commentary

Global Credit Bond Fund

As at 31 December 2025

The Vanguard Global Credit Bond Fund is an actively managed fixed income solution investing primarily in a diversified portfolio of global investment-grade fixed income securities. The fund is managed by Vanguard's Fixed Income Group and aims to generate a diversified, consistent level of return and income over the long term.

## Highlights

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| The Vanguard Global Credit Bond Fund returned 1.04% over the fourth quarter. | Global credit bonds delivered positive returns in the fourth quarter of 2025. | Euro area investment-grade security selection added to relative performance. |

### Market overview

Corporate bond spreads widened marginally, largely due to heavy tech-industry-related bond issuance in November, though demand for high-quality corporate bonds continued to be strong.

### Fund performance

The Vanguard Global Credit Bond Fund returned 1.04% in the fourth quarter, outperforming its benchmark, the Bloomberg Global Aggregate Credit Index (USD Hedged), which returned 0.94%<sup>1</sup>.

Security selection within European investment-grade credit was the biggest driver of relative returns, with British American Tobacco adding the most value. The company's tender offer to retire some of its outstanding debt was well received by investors, as it helped lower interest costs and strengthen its balance sheet. Holdings in financials such as German real-estate group DVI, Danish bank Arbejdernes Landsbank and French banking group BPCE also contributed positively to the Fund's outperformance.

### Fund positioning and outlook

As credit spreads remain tight historically, we expect valuations to remain range bound. This is supported by

robust economic growth, solid corporate fundamentals and continued demand for high-quality yield. However, we are mindful that increased new bond issuance in 2026 risks putting valuations under pressure. A sudden slowdown in the US consumer is another potential risk, although we see this as unlikely in the near term.

We are starting to see increased merger-and-acquisition activity as financing costs have eased, which could present some attractive opportunities. For example, we have seen more euro-denominated bond supply by US companies, driven by lower funding costs in Europe, something we expect to continue.

Within high yield corporates, valuations look expensive. We are maintaining a cautious stance given macroeconomic uncertainty and the risk of voluntary defaults. However, we have been adding to high yield bonds opportunistically.

The Fund has a bias towards non-cyclicals companies over the more economically sensitive cyclical sectors and prefer financials over non-financials. We also favour sectors that are less sensitive to the effects of US tariffs, such as UK utilities and European real estate investment trusts (REITs).

<sup>1</sup>Source: Vanguard and Bloomberg, for the period 30 September 2025 to 31 December 2025.

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# Key fund facts

## Vanguard Global Credit Bond Fund Investor USD Hedged

As at 31 December 2025

### Investment objective and policy summary

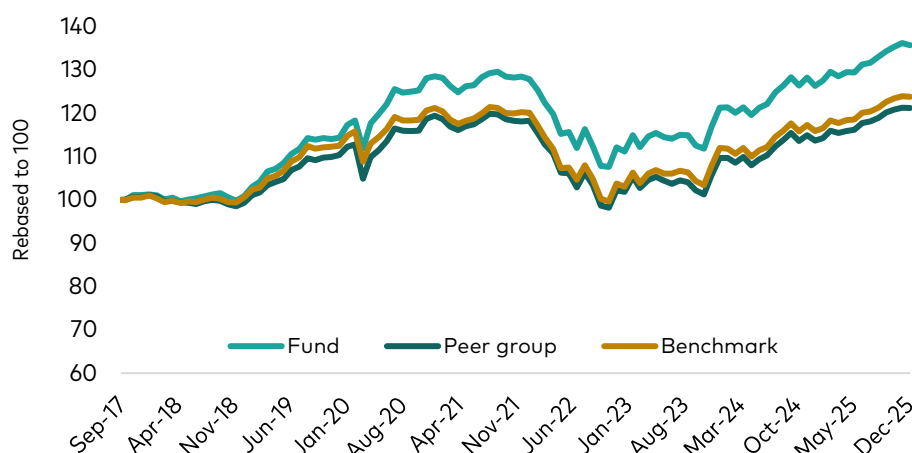
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Cumulative return(%) as at 31 December 2025	YTD	3 month	1 year	3 yr (ann.)	5 yr (ann.)	Since inception (ann.)
Fund	7.43	1.04	7.43	6.89	1.10	3.75
Benchmark	6.80	0.94	6.80	6.31	0.41	2.61
<i>Fund vs Benchmark</i>	<i>0.63</i>	<i>0.11</i>	<i>0.63</i>	<i>0.57</i>	<i>0.68</i>	<i>1.15</i>
Peer group	6.63	0.83	6.63	6.25	0.70	2.34

Calendar year return (%)	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Fund	--	--	-0.39	13.38	12.39	-0.50	-13.09	9.14	4.15	7.43
Benchmark	5.69	5.36	-0.47	11.85	7.78	-0.95	-14.22	8.68	3.52	6.80
<i>Fund vs Benchmark</i>	<i>--</i>	<i>--</i>	<i>0.08</i>	<i>1.53</i>	<i>4.61</i>	<i>0.45</i>	<i>1.13</i>	<i>0.46</i>	<i>0.63</i>	<i>0.63</i>
Peer group	5.38	6.42	-1.78	11.14	8.20	-0.96	-13.86	7.67	3.61	6.63

12-month return (%) to:	31 Dec 2016	31 Dec 2017	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2020	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2022	31 Dec 2023	31 Dec 2024	31 Dec 2025
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### Fund performance (Cumulative % growth, USD, 3 December 2019 to 31 December 2025)



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### Fund information

#### Key fund facts (as at 31 December 2025)

Investment manager	Vanguard Global Advisers, LLC
Inception date	14/09/2017
Domicile	Ireland
Benchmark	Bloomberg Global Aggregate Credit Index Hedged in USD
Peer group	EAA Fund Global Corporate Bond - USD Hedged
Fund AUM	USD 2,115m
Yield to worst	4.5%
Average duration	5.9 Years
Average quality	A-
Number of holdings	1714
3yr tracking ex post	0.7%
3yr volatility	5.4%

#### Fees

Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF)<sup>1</sup> 0.35%

#### Purchase information

ISIN	IE00BYV1RD15
SEDOL	BYV1RD1
Bloomberg ticker	VGCIUHA
Base currency	USD

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# Key fund facts

## Vanguard Global Credit Bond Fund Institutional EUR Hedged

As at 31 December 2025

### Investment objective and policy summary

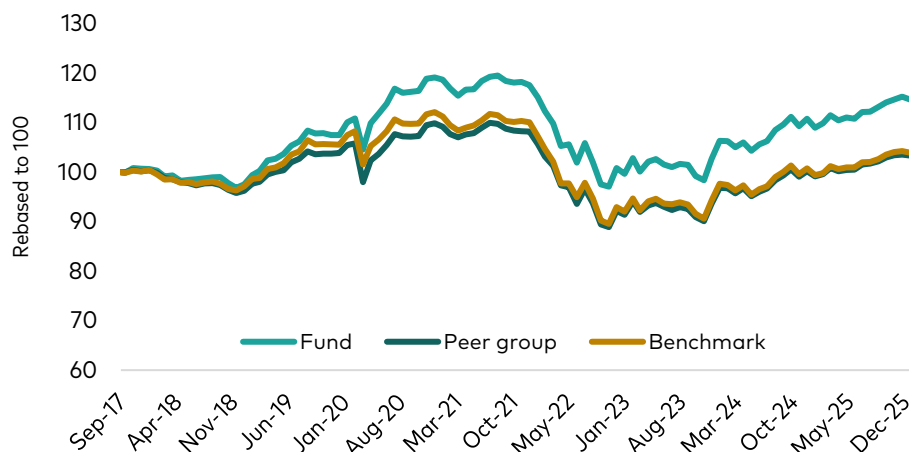
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Cumulative return(%) as at 31 December 2025	YTD	3 month	1 year	3 yr (ann.)	5 yr (ann.)	Since inception (ann.)
Fund	5.20	0.51	5.20	4.77	-0.76	1.66
Benchmark	4.59	0.40	4.59	4.15	-1.50	0.47
<i>Fund vs Benchmark</i>	<i>0.61</i>	<i>0.11</i>	<i>0.61</i>	<i>0.63</i>	<i>0.74</i>	<i>1.19</i>
Peer group	4.22	0.34	4.22	4.38	-1.05	0.40

Calendar year return (%)	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Fund	--	--	-3.06	10.21	10.80	-1.30	-15.22	6.68	2.48	5.20
Benchmark	4.08	3.32	-3.24	8.61	6.27	-1.83	-16.39	6.13	1.77	4.59
<i>Fund vs Benchmark</i>	<i>--</i>	<i>--</i>	<i>0.18</i>	<i>1.60</i>	<i>4.53</i>	<i>0.53</i>	<i>1.17</i>	<i>0.55</i>	<i>0.72</i>	<i>0.61</i>
Peer group	4.09	3.17	-4.13	7.98	5.76	-1.54	-15.51	5.90	2.42	4.22

12-month return (%) to:	31 Dec 2016	31 Dec 2017	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2020	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2022	31 Dec 2023	31 Dec 2024	31 Dec 2025
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### Fund information

#### Key fund facts (as at 31 December 2025)

Investment manager	Vanguard Global Advisers, LLC
Inception date	14/09/2017
Domicile	Ireland
Benchmark	Bloomberg Global Aggregate Credit Index Hedged in EUR
Peer group	EAA Fund Global Corporate Bond - EUR Hedged
Fund AUM	EUR 1,800m
Yield to worst	4.5%
Average duration	5.9 Years
Average quality	A-
Number of holdings	1714
3yr tracking ex post	0.7%
3yr volatility	5.4%

#### Fees

Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF<sup>1</sup>) 0.3%

#### Purchase information

ISIN	IE00BF7MPP31
SEDOL	BF7MPP3
Bloomberg ticker	VGCINEH
Base currency	USD

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# Key fund facts

## Vanguard Global Credit Bond Fund Investor GBP Hedged

As at 31 December 2025

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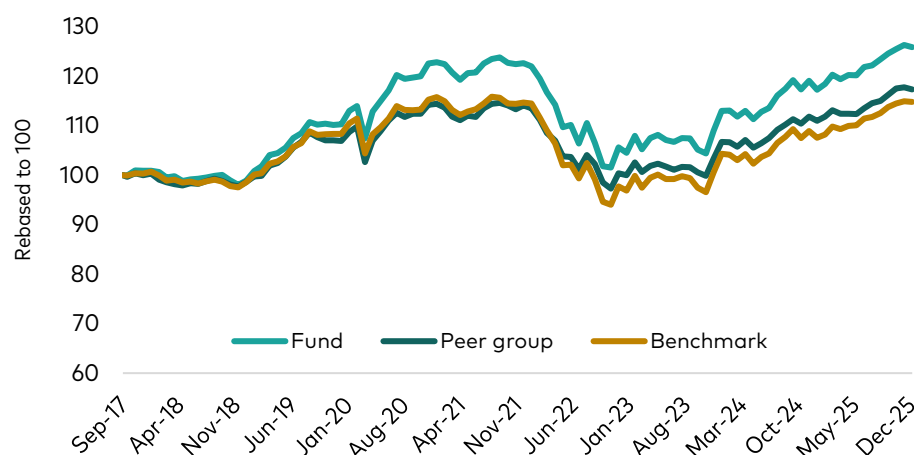
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Fund	7.33	1.03	7.33	6.38	0.49	2.81
Benchmark	6.72	0.93	6.72	5.81	-0.17	1.68
<i>Fund vs Benchmark</i>	<i>0.61</i>	<i>0.11</i>	<i>0.61</i>	<i>0.57</i>	<i>0.66</i>	<i>1.14</i>
Peer group	5.73	0.97	5.73	5.48	0.50	1.94

Calendar year return (%)	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Fund	--	--	-2.01	11.50	11.41	-0.68	-14.32	8.08	3.78	7.33
Benchmark	5.33	4.22	-2.13	9.97	6.83	-1.13	-15.34	7.64	3.13	6.72
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Peer group	13.39	3.31	-1.66	8.36	7.04	-0.79	-11.94	6.72	4.01	5.73

12-month return (%) to:	31 Dec 2016	31 Dec 2017	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2020	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2022	31 Dec 2023	31 Dec 2024	31 Dec 2025
Fund	--	--	-2.01	11.50	11.41	-0.68	-14.32	8.08	3.78	7.33
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#### Purchase information

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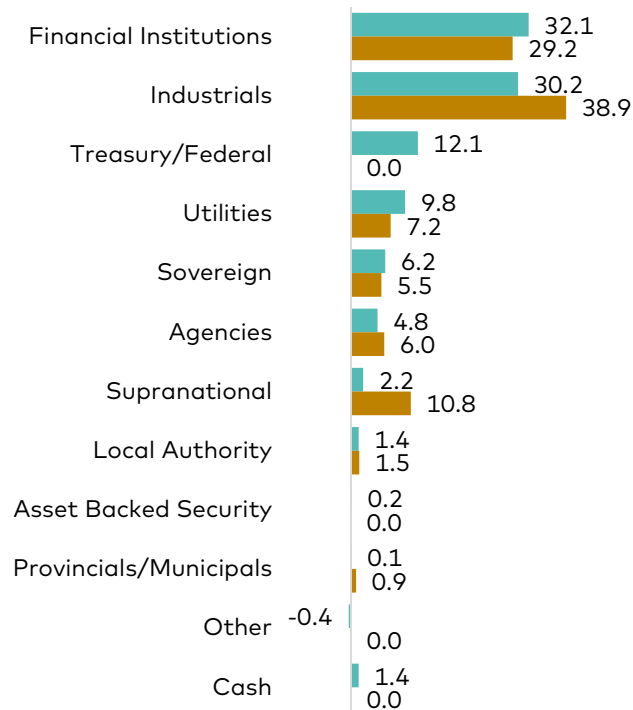
# Fund breakdown

## Global Credit Bond Fund

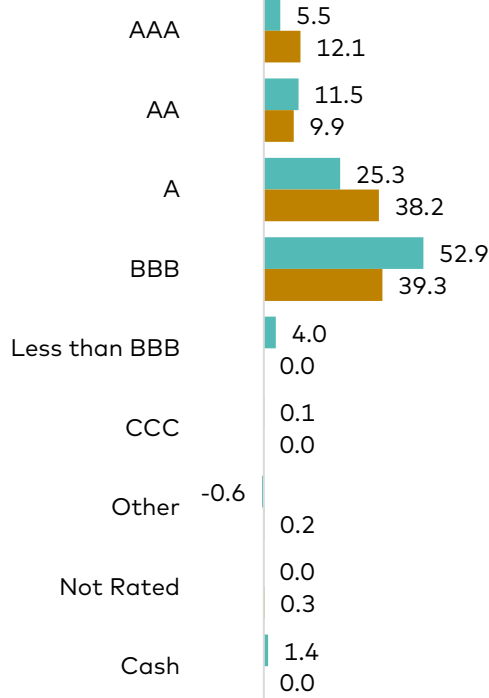
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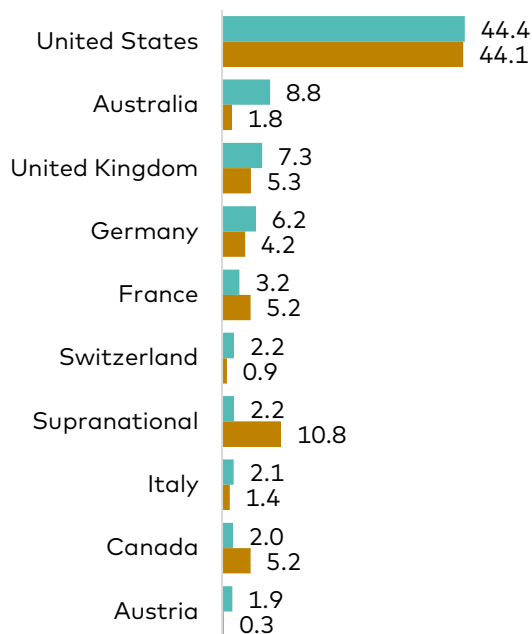
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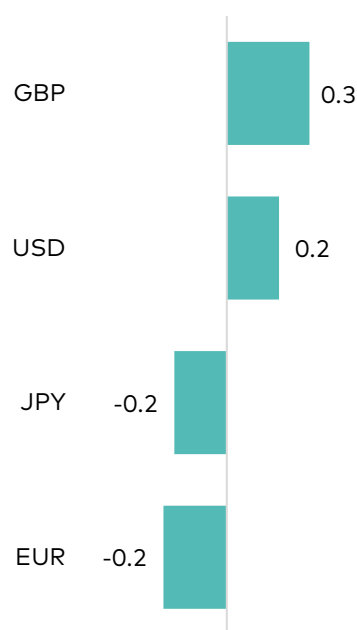
### Distribution by credit quality (% NAV)\*\*



### Regional exposure – top 10 regions (% NAV)



### Active currency exposure (% NAV)



Source: Vanguard, as at 31 December 2025.

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