



# Fund Flash

## Nordea 1 - European Financial Debt Fund

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The fund invests selectively in bonds issued by European financial institutions, most notably banks and insurance companies, aiming for superior risk adjusted returns compared to the broader European financial high yield market.<sup>1</sup>

### Portfolio comment as of 31/03/2019

The positive tone continued in March with spreads continuing tightening albeit including some bouts of volatility induced by the randomness surrounding the outcome of Brexit. Where Italian risk lagged the rally in January, spreads of Italian issuers retraced what was lost in January. The clear victor in March was Banca Monte dei Paschi's tier 2 bonds moving from low to high 50s in cash price.

The ECB announced its long awaited TLTRO3 effectively rolling the TLTRO2 programme. While not final, the pricing terms of the liquidity operations could be set at a 0% rate which would only make it interesting to peripheral banks, considering that most core players can access 2-year funding around that level. The announcement acted as a back-bone for the strong performance of bonds issued by weak Eurozone banks (primarily Italian banks but also the Spanish banks Cajamar and Sabadell) allowing their spreads to outperform the safer segments of the European subordinated financials segments.

In this context, the fund delivered a monthly return equal to 0.80%, bringing YTD performance to 4.73% (BP-EUR).

The portfolio benefitted from the positive market environment with especially our exposures to Monte tier 2s performing well but also our exposures to senior preferred bonds issued by Intesa and Unicredit performing well.

We have increased our exposure to Italian banks somewhat, but this remains focused on the two national champions Intesa Sanpaolo and Unicredit as well as various parts of Monte's capital structure.

Period	Performance (BP-EUR)
Year 2018	-4.54%
Year 2017	11.86%
Year 2016	3.95%

Cumulative Performance	1M	YTD	3 Years
Fund (BP-EUR)	0.80%	4.73%	19.32%

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