

## Axiom Obligataire – Share Class HC EUR(v)

Sub-fund of the Luxembourg SICAV : Axiom Lux

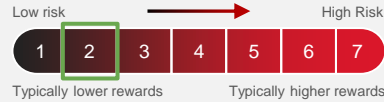
### NAV & Monthly perf.

1933.0  
-0.41%

### Assets Under Management

€ 360M

### Risk and reward profile<sup>1</sup>



### SFDR<sup>2</sup>



### Asset manager

Axiom Alternative Investments

### Legal structure

Luxembourg SICAV : Axiom Lux

### Strategy inception date<sup>4</sup>

23/07/2009

### Sub-fund inception date<sup>4</sup>

Absorption the 25/01/2019

### Share class inception date

23/07/2009

### ISIN Code

LU1876460731

### Minimum subscription

1share

### Share class currency

EUR

### Management fees

2%

### Entry charge

0% (2% max.)

### Exit charge

0% (2% max.)

### Performance fee

20% (if perf. > index)

### Type of share

Accumulation

### Valuation frequency

Daily

### Cut-off and settlement day

before 12.00 PM / 3 business days

### Main risks

Credit risk, counterparty risk, liquidity risk (for more information please refer to the Fund's prospectus)

### Investment objectives<sup>3</sup>

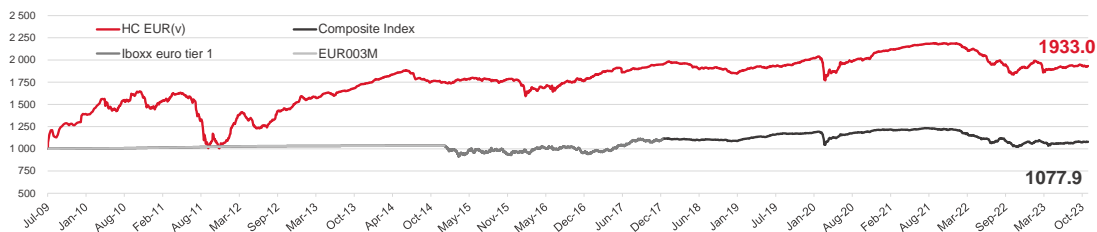
The objective of this Fund is to achieve, over a minimum 3-year investment horizon, a return (net of management fees) similar to or greater than that of its benchmarks : ICE BofAML Euro Financial Index (40%), ICE BofAML Euro Corporate Index (40%) and ICE BofAML Contingent Capital Index (20%)<sup>5</sup>. The Fund is actively managed and references the Benchmarks for comparative purposes only.

### Historical performance (EUR)

Historical performances					
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Axiom Obligataire – HC EUR(v)	-4.99%	8.06%	4.79%	4.23%	-12.62%
Benchmark	-2.03%	7.80%	3.25%	0.15%	-12,87%

	Cumulated performances					Annualized performances		
	1 month	YTD	1 year	3 years	5 years	3 years	5 years	Since inception
Axiom Obligataire - HC EUR(v)	-0.41%	1.21%	3.94%	-3.89%	2.12%	-1.31%	0.42%	4.72%
Benchmark	0.35%	1.76%	3.74%	-9.31%	-1.89%	-3.20%	-0.38%	0.53%

### Net of fees performance since inception (base 1000)



### Key metrics<sup>6</sup>

Number of positions	143	Modified Duration	3.38
Volatility 5 years	4.12%	Credit sensitivity	4.18
Volatility 3 years	3.36%	Yield to call EUR	10.17%
Sharpe ratio 5 years	0.43	Yield to maturity EUR	9.37%
Sharpe ratio 3 years	-1.40	Average rating by issuers (WARF)	BBB
Spread	710 bps	Average rating by instruments (WARF)	BB+

Past performance is not indicative of future results

Source : Axiom AI | <sup>1</sup> Risk and reward profile represents the annual historical volatility of the sub-fund over a 5-year period. Historical data such as that used to calculate the synthetic indicator may not be a reliable indication of the Fund's future risk profile. The risk category associated with the Fund is not guaranteed and may change over time. The lowest risk category does not mean "risk free". The capital initially invested is not guaranteed | <sup>2</sup> Refer to the page 3 of the document | <sup>3</sup> There is no guarantee that the investment objective will be achieved or that there will be a return on investment | <sup>4</sup> Fund created as a FCP under French law on 07/23/2009 before being absorbed by the SICAV Axiom Lux under Luxembourg law on 01/25/2019 | <sup>5</sup> More information about the indexes : <https://www.theice.com/market-data/indices> | <sup>6</sup> Yield to maturity, excluding cash, in all currencies. Yield to maturity is the rate of return on the portfolio assuming that the securities are not redeemed and held in perpetuity | <sup>7</sup> Net of fees performances

## Monthly commentary



**PAUL GAGEY**  
Portfolio Manager

October was punctuated by two different phases: firstly, a record high in long rates at the beginning of the month, driving spreads upwards, followed by a phase of market performance in the second half of the month, on the theme "bad economic news is good news for rates".

In Europe, long rates ended the month down, with the French 10-year ending at 3.42%, down 8bps, the Bund 10Y at 2.80%, down 3bps, and the Italian BTP at 4.78%, down 4bps. The macroeconomy was marked by slowing growth figures, a slightly declining job market and rising geopolitical tensions, amid fears of a possible recession. On the other side of the Atlantic, rising growth and persistent inflation sustained a notable divergence with Europe. The Bond Treasury 10Y thus ended the month up 36 bps at 4.93%.

On the central bank front, the inflection point seems to have been reached about interest rates hikes. The FED held rates steady, as they consider whether financial conditions are sufficient to control inflation, or whether an economy that continues to outperform expectations may require further monetary restraint. The ECB is keeping its key rate at 4%, emphasizing that it is slowly but surely approaching its 2% inflation target. The consensus now seems to be for a 25bps cut by April 2024. The BoE has decided to maintain its interest rates at their highest level for 15 years, stating that inflation risks remain on the upside and that UK growth is likely to be neutral for 2024.

Against this backdrop, credit indices widened significantly. The Senior Fin ended the month at 98bps, up 8bps, the Subfin widened by 20bps to 185bps, the Main ended at 85bps, up 6bps and the Xover concluded October at 450bps, up 23bps.

The primary market's strong momentum continues, with new issues offering particularly attractive premiums due to regulatory requirements (especially MREL). In addition, the EBA's stated intention to accelerate its act to write off Legacy instruments is encouraging issuers to step up their call offers and tender announcements, such as with Credit Agricole Assurance and Swiss Re, whose announcements were very well received by the market.

### Funds Activity

Duration has been significantly increased, notably through credit arbitrages. The idea is to take advantage of the major bond crash triggered in early 2022 by the war in Ukraine.

Our decision is based in particular on the end of the rate hike cycle, falling inflation and the shadow of the coming recession.

These examples do not constitute an investment recommendation

## Portfolio management and research team



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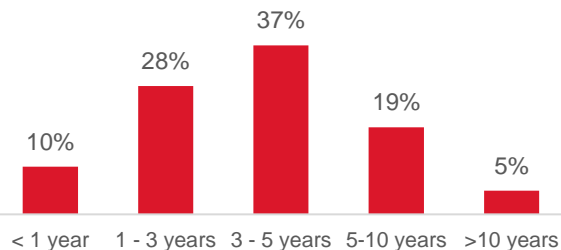
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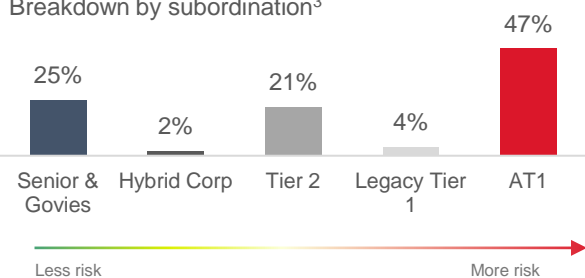
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ESG Analyst

## Portfolio breakdown (in % of assets)

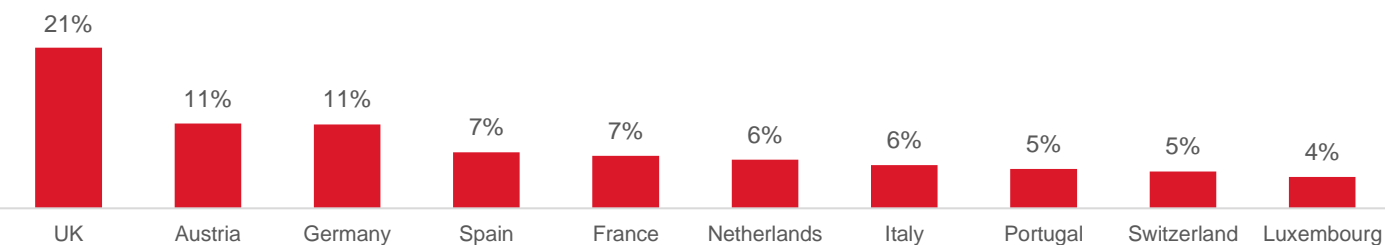
Breakdown by maturity<sup>1</sup>



Breakdown by subordination<sup>3</sup>



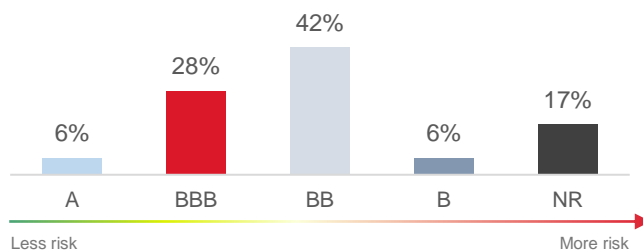
Breakdown by country<sup>1</sup>



Top 5 issuers<sup>2</sup>

UBS GROUP AG	2,87%
SAXO BANK	2,59%
MAREX GROUP PLC	2,43%
VOLKSBANK WIEN AG	2,37%
VAN LANSCHOT NV	2,21%

Breakdown by rating<sup>3</sup>



## Glossary

<b>Debt subordination</b>	The general principle is that when there is not enough money to pay all the debts, the subordinated debt will be paid after the other debts.
<b>Tier 1</b>	These securities do not have priority in the event of liquidation, they do not have a maturity date, their coupon is optional and cannot be accumulated. They are the riskiest debt securities and therefore offer some of the highest returns.
<b>Legacy bonds</b>	Hybrid debt that was eligible as regulatory capital under Basel 1 or Basel 2 and that is not eligible under Basel 3.
<b>Contingent convertible (Coco)</b>	Securities that can be converted into shares under certain circumstances, usually when a solvency ratio threshold has been crossed.
<b>ITR (Implied Temperature Raise)</b>	Also known as 2 <sup>o</sup> alignment metric, is a forward-looking measure that attempts to estimate a global temperature associated with the greenhouse gas emissions of entities in a portfolio or investment strategy.
<b>ESG</b>	Refers to the Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) criteria that enable an analysis of a company's non-financial performance.
<b>Energy transition</b>	Refers to the transition from the current energy production system, mainly based on fossil fuels, to an energy mix based largely on renewable or low carbon energies.

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Source : Axiom AI | <sup>1</sup> Analysis calculated on the scope of interest rate instruments; all derivatives excluded except single-name CDS| <sup>2</sup> Excluding Government bonds | <sup>3</sup> Fixed income securities only

## Our ESG and climate approach

### Methodology

Our selection of holdings takes into account the following ESG criteria:

- **Exclusion policy** : determines the exclusions we make due to proven controversies, and sectoral or thematic restrictions.
- **ACRS - Axiom Climate Readiness Score** : Our proprietary tool devised to analyze the climate readiness and impact of issuers.
- **ESG database**: ESG performance analysis of the companies and their rating.

### Our climate approach

The fund takes into account the climate performance of banks and insurers in the following aspects

**Corporate Engagement**

Determines the degree of priority given to climate change by the company's top management, its climate strategy and objectives, and the degree of transparency

**Climate Risk and Opportunities**

Evaluates the processes implemented and tools used to identify, measure and mitigate exposure to climate-related risks, as well as its approach to seizing the opportunities of the energy transition.

**Climate Contribution**

Assesses the share of the issuer's investments and/or loans in companies or financial instruments that contribute to the transition. In the case of banks, the implied temperature increase of the corporate loan portfolio is calculated.

## ESG Key metrics

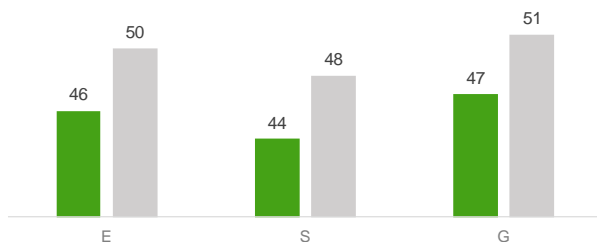
■ Axiom Obligataire ■ Investment universe

### Key metrics

	AXIOM OBLIGATAIRE		Universe	
	Average	Issuer coverage	Average	Issuer coverage
ACRS	40%	28	42%	79
°C	2,7	47	2,8	102
ESG	45	68	50	626

The ACRS, implied temperature (°C) and ESG scores represent 29%, 49% and 71% of the fund's assets respectively (index & derivatives excluded).

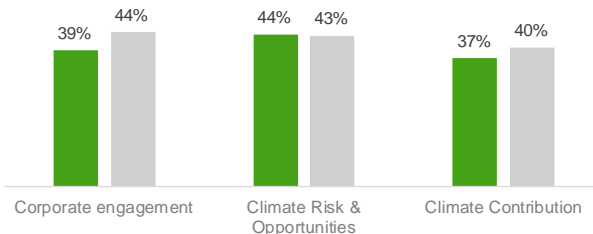
### ESG average ratings



### Top 5 holdings by ACRS

	ACRS	ESG	ITR
DE VOLKSBANK NV	63%	N/A	2,4
LB BADEN-WUERTEMBERG	56%	39	2,6
COMMERZBANK AG	53%	46	2,7
NATL WESTMINSTER BANK	52%	61	2,8
CESKA SPORITELNA AS	49%	38	2,5

### ACRS by pillars



More information on our climate approach is available upon request.

Source: Axiom AI based on data from S&P Market Intelligence, Iceberg datalab, internal research | The estimates presented here cannot be compared to other ESG or climate funds as they are based on a proprietary methodology developed by Axiom AI. Our methodology relies on third-party data from ESG/Climate data providers that may contain inaccurate or incomplete data. In the event of insufficient data, these providers may resort to estimates and approximations using internal methodologies that may be subjective. As we rely on this data for our investment decisions, such uncertainty can negatively impact portfolio performance.



## Main risks

**Risk of loss of capital:** the sub-funds do not offer any protection or guarantee. As a result, investors may not be able to fully recover their initial investment.

**Operational risk:** the risk of losses resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes, people, systems or external events. The occurrence of these risks may cause the net asset value of the fund to fall

**Currency risk:** as some of the assets may be denominated in currencies other than the reference currency, the sub-fund may be affected by changes in exchange controls or in the exchange rates between the reference currency and these other currencies. For this reason, the sub-fund will systematically hedge against this risk. However, a residual risk remains. These exchange rate fluctuations may cause the net asset value of the sub-fund to fall.

**Credit risk:** this risk arises from the possibility that an issuer of bonds or debt securities may not be able to honour its payment obligations, i.e. the payment of coupons and/or the repayment of capital at maturity. Such a default may result in a decrease in the net asset value of the sub-fund (including total return swaps or DPSs). This also includes the risk of a downgrade of the issuer's credit rating.

**Counterparty risk:** A sub-fund that invests in OTC derivatives may be exposed to the risk arising from the creditworthiness of its counterparties and their ability to meet the terms of such contracts. The sub-fund may enter into forward contracts, options and swaps, including CDS, or use derivative techniques, which involves the risk that the counterparty may not meet its obligations under each contract.

**Exchange rate:** Any investment in equities may involve directly or indirectly an exchange rate risk. While the net asset value of the sub-fund is calculated in its reference currency, the performance of an underlying asset or its components denominated in a currency other than the reference currency will also depend on the exchange rate of that currency. Similarly, the currency other than the reference currency in which an asset of the sub-fund is denominated implies a currency risk for the sub-fund.

**Liquidity risk:** risk arising from the difficulty or impossibility of selling securities held in the portfolio when necessary and at the price at which the portfolio is valued, due to the limited size of the market or insufficient trading volumes on the market where these securities are usually traded. The realization of this risk may result in a decrease in the net asset value of the sub-fund.

**Use of derivatives:** If a sub-fund whose performance is linked to an underlying asset frequently invests in derivatives or securities other than the underlying asset, derivative techniques will be used to link the value of the shares to the performance of the underlying asset. While the prudent use of such derivative techniques may be beneficial, derivatives also involve risks which in some cases may be greater than the risks associated with more traditional instruments. Transaction costs may be associated with the use of such derivatives.

**Climate/ESG data risk:** The Management Company's ESG integration process relies on third party data from climate/ESG data providers. Data providers may apply different models and use different sources of information, which may contain inaccurate, incomplete or unaudited data. In addition, where data is insufficient, data providers may use internal methods to produce subjective estimates and approximations. Similarly, the Management Company conducts qualitative analysis based on self-reported information, which is generally not audited by a third party. As the portfolio manager bases its investment decisions on this data, this uncertainty in data collection may have a negative impact on the performance of the portfolio.