

OVERALL  
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## FUND FACTS

**NAV (\$m)**  
54.6

**Inception Date**  
February 17, 2016

**Domiciled**  
Ireland, UCITS Fund

**Dealing Frequency**  
Daily

**Management Company**  
Baring International Fund  
Managers (Ireland) Limited

**Investment Manager**  
Baring Asset  
Management Limited  
Barings LLC

**Currency Tranches**  
EUR/GBP/USD/AUD/CHF/SEK  
/JPY/SGD/CAD/NOK/DKK  
(accumulating and distributing)

**Distribution Frequency**  
Monthly

**Base Currency**  
USD

**Benchmark**  
Bloomberg U.S. Corporate  
High Yield Index

**SFDR Classification**  
Article 8

## PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

**Sean Feeley, CFA**  
29 years of experience

**Scott Roth, CFA**  
31 years of experience

## FEBRUARY 2025 / FACTSHEET

### KEY RISK

During exceptional market conditions there may be insufficient buyers and sellers to allow the Fund to buy and sell investments, which could affect the Fund's ability to meet investors' redemption requests. Losses may occur if an organization through which we buy an asset fails to meet its obligations. Fund investments in derivatives are sensitive to changes in the value of the underlying asset on which they are based and their use may result in losses greater than the amount originally invested. Fund investments in overseas assets may lose value due to movements in foreign exchange rates. Fund investments in debt instruments are sensitive to changes in interest rates and are subject to risks that the issuer will not meet its payment obligations (i.e., default). Low rated (high yield) or equivalent unrated debt instruments generally offer a higher return than higher rated debt instruments, but are subject to greater risks that the issuer will default. Region specific funds have a narrower focus than those which invest broadly across markets and are therefore more risky. Further information on the Fund's risks can be found in the prospectus.

### OBJECTIVE

The Barings U.S. High Yield Bond Fund ("the Fund") seeks to provide high current income generation and, where appropriate, capital appreciation.

### STRATEGY

The Fund will invest in a portfolio of High Yield fixed and floating rate corporate debt instruments, focusing primarily on North American High Yield instruments which are listed or traded on recognized markets in North America. Relative value opportunities are captured using a bottom-up credit selection process performed by our in-house team of research analysts.

### MARKET OPPORTUNITY

- U.S. high yield bond spreads have remained attractive relative to a stable fundamental picture in this low interest environment relative to other income producing investments
- Inefficiencies and pricing discrepancies may exist in the U.S. high yield market due to market volatility
- Smaller issuers may present unique investment opportunities for managers with significant resources and a deep research team

FUND PERFORMANCE (%) <sup>1</sup>	(Gross of Fees)	(Net of Fees)	U.S. Corp HY Index
1 Year	11.11	10.24	10.09
3 Years	5.38	4.58	4.94
5 Years	5.64	4.85	4.93
10 Years	5.60	4.81	5.06
Since Inception	6.72	5.93	6.58

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1. Fund inception date: February 17, 2016. In February 2016, the U.S. High Yield Bond Fund transferred from a US Delaware based LLC to Ireland and became regulated under the European Union's UCITS (Undertaking for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) regulation. Performance inception date is November 2004. Performance figures are shown in USD on a NAV per unit basis.

## MANAGEMENT FEE SCHEDULE

	Commitment	Management Fee (p.a.)
Share Tranche A*	≥\$1M	0.25%
Share Tranche B	≥\$50M	0.40%
Share Tranche C	\$10M – \$50M	0.50%
Share Tranche I	\$1M – \$10M	0.60%
Share Tranche E	\$100k (or equivalent)	1.00%

Annual Expenses capped at 20 bps per annum. Please refer to Prospectus for more information.

\* Tranche A only available for subscription during the launch phase until the Fund reaches \$300M.

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## GLOBAL HIGH YIELD PLATFORM<sup>1,2</sup>

Barings manages USD421+ billion of fixed income, equities, real estate, and alternative assets globally

Market leading franchise across the U.S. and European high yield and structured credit markets by consistently applying a bottom-up fundamental approach to each investment opportunity

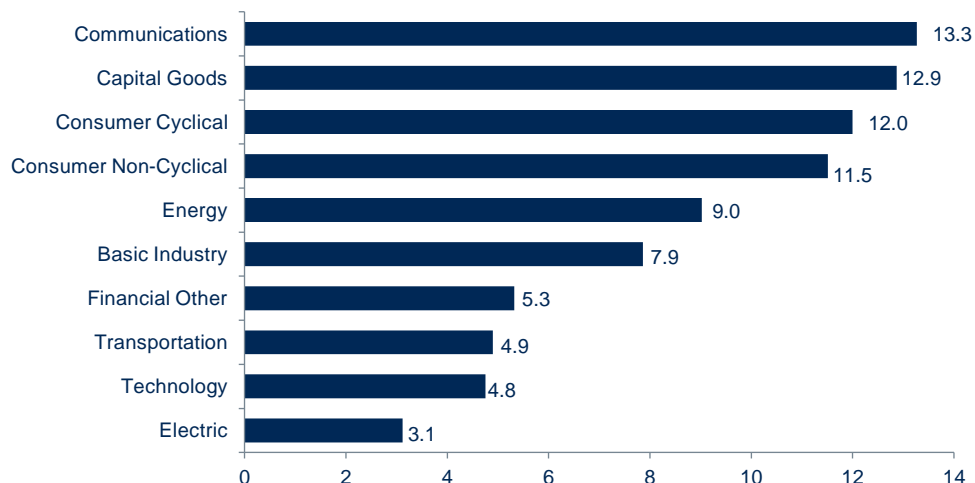
Barings manages \$87 billion in global high yield credit across structured vehicles, separate accounts and commingled funds

Over a 20 year track record in managing high yield loan and bond assets

80 investment professionals dedicated to global high yield with significant presence in the U.S. and European markets

CHARACTERISTICS <sup>3,4,5,6</sup>	BARINGS U.S. HIGH YIELD BOND FUND	BLOOMBERG U.S. CORPORATE HIGH YIELD INDEX
Weighted Average Coupon (%)	6.94	6.43
Yield to Maturity (%)	7.49	7.32
Yield to Worst (%)	7.12	7.09
OAS (fixed rate instruments, bps)	290	279
Weighted Average Price	97.41	96.54
Modified Duration to Worst	3.05	3.21
Average Maturity	4.51	5.40
Average Rating	B+	B+
Number of Issuers	143	969

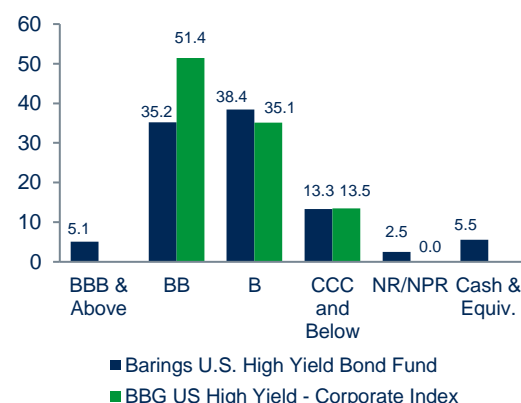
## TOP 10 SECTOR DISTRIBUTION (% OF MV)<sup>4</sup>



## TOP 10 ISSUERS (% OF MV)

Seaspan Corporation	2.49
Citrix	2.45
Solenis	2.41
Hannon Armstrong Sustainable Infrastructure Capital, Inc. (HASI)	2.03
LifePoint Health	1.99
PRA Group	1.87
Icahn Enterprises	1.84
Jefferson Capital	1.60
Talen Energy Supply, LLC	1.59
Parkland Fuel Corp	1.51

## RATING DISTRIBUTION (% OF MV)<sup>4</sup>



- Source: Barings, assets as of December 31, 2024.
- Source: Barings, number of professionals as of December 31, 2024.
- Based on market value of invested assets.
- Average rating and sector distribution based on Bloomberg methodology.
- Where applicable, portfolio level yield metrics include the yield impact of FX hedging on non-base currency positions.
- Weighted averages of all debt securities.

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## ACTIVE SHARE TRANCHE IDS

Name	ISIN	Bloomberg	Lipper
Tranche A USD ACC	IE00BYZRN158	BAUHAUA	68357971
Tranche I USD ACC	IE00BYZRQG19	BAUHDDUA	68399886

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Barings U.S. High Yield Bond Fund tranche A USD Acc share was rated 5 stars against the following numbers of EAA Fund USD High Yield Bond investments over the following time periods: 673 investments in the last three years, 568 investments in the last five years, and 330 investments in the last ten years. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

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