# **Barings U.S. Loan Fund**

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# FUND FACTS

NAV (\$m) 1,232.4

Inception Date August 31, 2018<sup>1</sup>

**Domiciled** Ireland; QIAIF U.S.; Feeder Fund Cayman; Feeder Fund

Dealing Frequency Daily, with 10 days' notice period for redemptions

Investment Manager Barings LLC

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

> Distribution Frequency Quarterly

> > Base Currency USD

Benchmark Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan Index

> SFDR Classification Article 8

#### PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

Casey McKinney 26 years of experience

Brian Pacheco, CFA 24 years of experience

### OCTOBER 2024 / 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. Custody of assets involves a risk of loss if a custodian becomes insolvent or breaches duties of care. 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. Loan Fund ("The Fund") seeks to provide investors with current income and, in certain circumstances, capital appreciation.

# STRATEGY

The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing primarily in U.S. dollar denominated senior secured loans.

### MARKET OPPORTUNITY

- Current trading levels presents potential opportunities for price appreciation as market conditions stabilize
- Performing loans provide compelling interest income in the current rate environment
- · Senior and secured position in the capital structure provides a defensive position in default situations
- Historically, loans have exhibited low correlations to other more traditional asset classes (equities, fixed income, etc.)

FUND PERFORMANCE (%) <sup>1</sup>	Barings U.S. Loan Fund (Gross of Fees)	Barings U.S. Loan Fund (Net of Fees)	Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan Index
Year to Date	7.84	7.25	7.52
1 Year	11.26	10.53	10.55
3 Years	6.47	5.77	6.51
5 Years	5.96	5.26	5.89
10 Years	4.95	4.25	4.91
Since Inception	5.35	4.65	5.19

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Fund inception date: August 31, 2018. At the end of August 2018, the portfolio for the Barings U.S. Loan Fund was transferred from a Cayman based master fund L.P. to Ireland and became regulated under the European Union's AIFMD (Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive) regulation. Performance inception date is September 9, 2010. Performance figures are shown in USD.

## MANAGEMENT FEE SCHEDULE

	Commitment	Management Fee (p.a.)
Share Tranche B	≥\$50M	0.375%
Share Tranche C	\$10 - \$50M	0.45%
Share Tranche D	\$1 - \$10M	0.55%
Share Tranche E	€100K (or equivalent)	1.00%
Share Tranche G	€100K (or equivalent)	1.25%

Annual Expenses capped at 12.5 bps per annum. Please refer to Prospectus for more information.

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Barings manages USD431+ 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

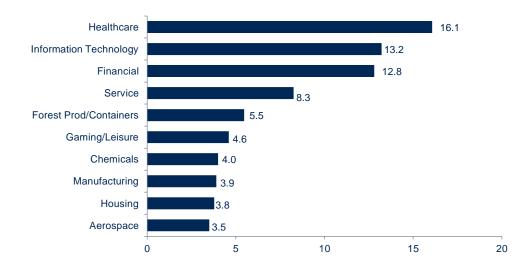
Barings manages \$86 billion in global high yield credit across structured vehicles, separate accounts and commingled funds

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

80 investment professionals dedicated to global high yield and CLO markets

CHARACTERISTICS <sup>3,4</sup>	BARINGS U.S. LOAN FUND
Running Yield (%)	8.07
Combined 3YDM / OAS (bps)	393
Weighted Average Price	98.23
Average Rating	B1
Number of Issuers	280
Secured / Unsecured	97 / 0
Floating Rate / Fixed Rate	97 / 0
USD / EUR / GBP (%)	97 / 0 / 0

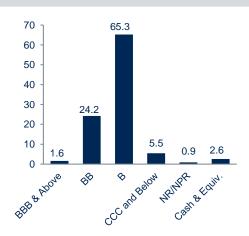
# TOP 10 SECTOR DISTRIBUTION (% OF MV)



### TOP 10 ISSUERS (% OF MV)

Asurion	1.42
athenahealth, Inc.	1.10
Radiology Partners	1.07
BMC Software	1.07
Medline	1.03
Broadstreet	0.99
Sedgwick CMS	0.95
Novolex Holdings, Inc.	0.87
Mitchell International	0.86
Verscend Technologies, Inc.	0.85

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



1. Source: Barings, assets as of September 30, 2024.

- 2. Source: Barings, number of professionals as of September 30, 2024.
- 3. Based on full market value inclusive of cash.
- 4. Please contact Barings for details of the Average Rating methodology. Excludes Equity, NR and NPR assets.

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