

Invesco Belt and Road Debt Fund

Monthly Report August 2024 (covering July)

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Summary of fund objective

The Fund is actively managed. The Fund aims to achieve long-term total returns, integrating a thematic approach. The Fund focuses on the "Belt and Road Initiative" which aims to better connect China, Asia, Europe and Africa and their adjacent seas (the "Belt and RoadRegion"), through the development of the Silk Road Economic Belt and 21st-Century Maritime Silk Road for closer economic co-operation. The investment concerns the acquisition of units in a fund and not in a given underlying asset.

Fund Performance

The Invesco Belt and Road Debt Fund Z-Acc (USD) registered +1.30% in July 2024. The positions in the DM high credit quality bonds have delivered good performance for the fund. Selected postions in China, Hong Kong and India also made significant postive contribution to the fund performance. Duration was a key performance contributor for the fund in July.

Fund Positioning

The fund maintained largely similar positioning over the month. The fund continued to overweight quality DM credits, which we believe are offering more value compared to EM credits, given how tight the EM credit spreads are trading. We find pockets of value in DM bonds from issuers from Australia and Japan where the credit spreads are wider compared to the similarly rated EM issuers. In EM and HY space, the credit selection is expected to continue to deliver relative performance. We continue to look for relative value trades within EM. We are actively monitoring the inflation data outlook in the US and other major economies. We will consider the more aggressive duration strategy once we form a much higher conviction. On strategy level, the fund continues to overweigh countries that have good diplomatic relations with both China and the western countries so that they would have more sources of capital inflows. The fund continues to overweigh the infrastructure sector, which covers diversified industries like power utilities, energy, transportation, telecommunications, affordable housing and construction.

Outlook

Global central banks are moving into a rate cutting cycle. The US Fed is expected to cut for the first time in September, which should be supportive for markets and economies. We continue to expect slow global growth, and a recession remains a risk case. Data released in the last month support continued disinflation in the US and much of the global economy. Shelter inflation is currently a large contributor to core inflation in the US and we believe it will moderate going forward. The global trend towards central bank cuts should allow bond yields to drift lower, in line with rate cuts. Yield curves are steepened in the latest month and are likely to continue to steepen. Offsetting the strong macro backdrop is the fact that valuations appear tight across most fixed income asset classes. We favour staying invested but keeping overall levels of risk low. We would favour utilizing short-term corrections to add risk to portfolios. Investment grade issuer fundamentals are solid, but we favour limiting risks since valuations appear tight and technical have softened. In EM, we see more value in corporate than sovereigns, where corporates' lower liquidity and smaller expected new issuance have led to a decent spread premium to sovereigns on a comparable credit quality basis.

Investment Risks

For complete information on risks, refer to the legal documents.

The value of investments and any income will fluctuate (this may partly be the result of exchange-rate fluctuations) and investors may not get back the full amount invested. Debt instruments are exposed to credit risk which is the ability of the borrower to repay the interest and capital on the redemption date. Changes in interest rates will result in fluctuations in the value of the fund. The fund uses derivatives (complex instruments) for investment purposes, which may result in the fund being significantly leveraged and may result in large fluctuations in the value of the fund. As a large portion of the fund is invested in less developed countries, you should be prepared to accept significantly large fluctuations in the value of the fund. The fund may invest in certain securities listed in China which can involve significant regulatory constraints that may affect the liquidity and/or the investment performance of the fund. Investments in debt instruments which are of lower credit quality may result in large fluctuations in the value of the fund. As this fund is invested in a particular sector, you should be prepared to accept greater fluctuations in the value of the fund than for a fund with a broader investment mandate. The fund may invest in distressed securities which carry a significant risk of capital loss. The Fund may invest in a dynamic way across assets/asset classes, which may result in periodic changes in the risk profile, underperformance and/or higher transaction costs.

Fund Facts	
Z-share ISIN	LU1889098684
Bloomberg	INBRDZA LX
Domicile	Luxembourg
AuM	383.38m USD
Launch Date	08 Nov 2018
Reference Index**	LIBOR 3 Month USD

Fund Managers***

Yifei Ding and Norbert Ling

- ** The benchmark index is shown for performance comparison purposes only. The fund does not track the index.
- Yifei Ding since November 2018 and Norbert Ling since December 2021

Fund Characteristics (Annualised Data) **3**Y 5Y Alpha (statistical) N/A N/A **Batting Average** N/A N/A Gain/Loss Ratio 0.67 0.96 Information Ratio N/A N/A Sharpe Ratio -0.96 -0.34 Tracking Error N/A N/A

Awards & Gradings



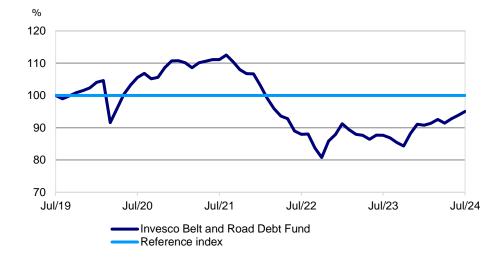
Morningstar Rating 31.07.24

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Past performance does not predict future returns.

Performance (USD)

5 Year Active Return



Cumulative	YTD	YTQ	1M	1Y	3Y	5Y
Fund (Z-shares)	4.39	3.05	1.30	8.44	-14.44	-4.94
Reference Index	-	-	-	-	-	-
Active return	-	-	-	-	-	-
Calendar Year		2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Fund (Z-shares)		12.91	8.19	-3.62	-17.61	3.59
Reference Index		-	-	-	-	-
Rolling 12 Months		31.07.14	31.07.15	31.07.16	31.07.17	31.07.18
		31.07.15	31.07.16	31.07.17	31.07.18	31.07.19
Fund (Z-shares)		-	-	-	-	-
Reference Index		-	-	-	-	-
Peer Group		-	-	-	-	-

	31.07.19	31.07.20	31.07.21	31.07.22	31.07.23
	31.07.20	31.07.21	31.07.22	31.07.23	31.07.24
Fund (Z-shares)	5.55	5.27	-20.83	-0.35	8.44
Reference Index	-	-	-	-	-
Peer Group	4.88	2.58	-15.63	2.03	6.78

Source fund/sector: Morningstar as of 31 July 2024

Source index: Bloomberg as at 31 July 2024, on a total return basis in USD

Peer Group: Morningstar Category EAA Fund Asia Bond

¹Fund returns are inclusive of gross income re-invested and net of the ongoing charge and portfolio transaction costs, cumulative, in fund currency. The figures do not reflect the entry charge payable by individual investors. Returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations.

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