Amundi Quantamental Range





At the crossroad between Quantitative and Fundamental Analysis: Euro Credit Value - Credit Multi Factors - Credit Risk Parity

as innovative active Fixed Income solutions

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Facing current investment challenges

Call for innovative and disciplined rules-based strategies in a changing und uncertain environment

- Decades of decent yields are over as the portion of rates above 2% represents only 15% of the total bond universe
- Duration risk is at a very high level while yields remain at relatively low levels. There is no "risk-free" asset anymore and a few basis points hike in rates could cancel out a full year of income

New ways to generate alpha in actively managed credit portfolios

- Since 2009, new alternative factors have been necessary to increase traditional factors' explanatory power in the corporate bond market²
- Since then, asset owners already invested have to go beyond the traditional factors

Range rationale: an unbiased rules-based investment approach to make the most of the market trends and new alternative factors

Quantamental: an innovative investment approach bridging the gap between Quantitative and Fundamental



Go beyond the well-known traditional credit factors and grab new attractive opportunities

- Corporate bonds are de facto complex and multifaceted, with well-known traditional factors: duration, credit beta and liquidity
- An asset allocation needs to go beyond and take into account alternative risk factors, popular in Equities but quite unknown in Fixed Income, to get the most of the potential from the credit universe
- Amundi working paper² findings retain Value and Momentum as the most significant alternative factors while post-2008 crisis environment with low correlation between factors provides a strong rational for investors to consider a factor-based approach to managing a Corporate Bond portfolio.

Two different investment styles adopting the quantamental approach: model-driven and factor investing



1 Past performance does not prejudge future performance 2 Traditional and Alternative Factors in Investment Grade Corporate Bond Investing, published in February 2019 Given for illustrative purposes only, may change without prior notice. Investment does not benefit from any guarantee or protection. Investment in bonds implies risks: credit, counterparty and liquidity risks. The occurrence of any of these risks may have an impact on the net asset value of your portfolio.







Amundi Solutions: expand our long dated experience in Credit to pure Quantamental Solutions

	Amundi Quantamental Range	
	MODEL-DRIVEN SOLUTIONS	FACTOR SOLUTIONS
Main features	Optimized & risk parity credit allocation	Active allocation among factors that are rewarded with superior risk-adjustment performance
	 Make the most of two credit performance drivers: carry and spread tightening 	 Building a model allowing to calculate bonds' theoretical spread vs. market spread
	 Deliver a fine tuned performance over the cycle through an equally weighted risk 	Value and Momentum in particular
	 Optimization of carry effect vs spread dynamics by choosing for each issuer the optimal credit duration positioning 	 Mixing with opportunistic factors like ESG/ Carbon if relevant
Strategy names	Credit Risk Premia	Credit Euro Value Factor Credit Multifactor (Euro, Global)
Investment format	Available via open-ended funds or bespoke mandates	

Amundi Alpha Fixed Income Platform

Analysts, 18 economists/strategists, 15 traders¹

Amundi Quantitative Research Platform

€437bn in Euro Fixed Income AuM¹

Amundi's investment platform

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Traditional and Alternative Factors in **Investment Grade Corporate Bond Investing**

#1 Fixed Income Manager in Europe with 45% of Amundi's Total AuM¹

An extensive team of 150 seasoned Fixed Income Portfolio Managers, supported by 42 Credit

A dedicated team of 8 analysts who develop reasearch-driven solutions for fund manager of

Generates and/or partitipates in the development of innovative invetsment strategies and provides

a methodological backbone to invetsment teams. The team has strong connections with academia





Source: Amundi AM as of End-December 2018

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