INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

# Morgan Stanley Investment Funds US High Yield Middle Market Bond Fund

# (Distributing Share Class)

**Investment Objective** 

# To provide an attractive rate of total return

# **Investment Approach**

We focus on middle-market credits, or credits with less than \$1 billion of total debt outstanding, using a valueoriented fixed income approach. In our experience, middle-market issues relative to larger peers can provide superior yields, higher coupons, shorter maturities and lower volatility, with default rates that are generally in line with the broader market.

Investment Team	JOINED FIRM	YEARS OF INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE	
Joseph F. Hurley, Executive Director	2014	20	
Team members may be subject to change at any time without notice.			

# Class AX Shares (% net of fees) vs. Index in USD

Performance of 100 USD Invested Since Inception (Cash Value)

#### Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.



## Investment Performance (% net of fees) in LISD<sup>†</sup>

16.47

Benchmark

6.23

-11.76

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			Cumulative (%)				Annualised (% p.a.)			
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Class AX Gross			-0.4	+4 2.29	7.01	16.02	1.82	3.21		4.37
Benchmark			-0.5	54 2.72	7.42	16.47	2.97	4.55		5.08
12 Month Performance Periods to Latest Month End (%)										
	OCT'23	OCT'22		OCT'20	OCT'19	OCT'18	OCT'17	OCT'16	OCT'15	OCT'14
	-OCT'24	-OCT'23	-OCT'22	-OCT'21	-OCT'20	-OCT'19	-OCT'18	-OCT'17	-OCT'16	-OCT'15
Class AX Gross	16.02	4.14	-12.63	8.99	1.80	7.27	0.83	8.48	7.65	
Class AX Net									3.34	

# 10.53 All performance data is calculated NAV to NAV. The sources for all performance and Index data is Morgan Stanley Investment Management.

Gross figure shown assumes reinvestment of all distributions and deduction of fund level costs, but does not reflect the deduction of any sales charge applicable at investor level.

3.49

8.38

0.97

892

10.14

Net figure shown assumes reinvestment of all distributions and deduction of fund level costs, which include the deduction of the Management, trustee/custodian and administration charges and the maximum sales charge applicable at investor level that may be taken out of your money before it is invested. Please see the Fund's current prospectus and the share class' Key Investor Information Document for complete details on fees and sales charges. \* Example: An investor wishes to purchase shares of USD 100. At the maximum sales charge of 5.75% the investor has to expend USD 106.10. The sales charge is only incurred upon subscription.

The value of the investments and the income from them can go down as well as up and an investor may not get back the amount invested.

## HIGH YIELD TEAM

Share Class	CLASS AX
Currency	U.S. dollars
ISIN	LU1134227187
Bloomberg	MSUDHAX LX
Inception date	02 December 2014
Net asset value	\$ 22.90
Fund Facts	
Launch date	02 December 2014
Base currency	U.S. dollars
Benchmark	Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield Index
Total net assets	\$ 196.91 million
Structure	Luxembourg SICAV
SFDR Classification <sup>^</sup>	Article 8
Charges (%)	CLASS AX
Max Entry Charge	4.00

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4.00
1.49
1.25

Entry Charge is a maximum possible figure. In some cases you might pay less, you can find this out from your financial adviser. Ongoing Charges reflect the payments and expenses incurred during the fund's operation and are deducted from the assets of the fund over the period. It includes fees paid for investment management (Management Fee), trustee/custodian, and administration charges. For more information please see the Charges and Expenses section of the prospectus.

Subscriptions (USD) CLASS AX				
Minimum initial investment		0		
Minimum subsequent Investment		0		
Statistics (3 Year Annualised)	CLASS AX	INDEX		
Excess Return (%)	-1.15			
Alpha (%)	-1.23			
Beta	0.91	1.00		
R squared	0.92	1.00		
Sharpe ratio	-0.24	-0.09		
Tracking error (%)	2.43			
Volatility (Standard deviation) (%)	8.07	8.53		
Characteristics	FUND	INDEX		
Duration (years)	3.14	3.08		
Yield to worst (%)	6.98	7.33		
Average maturity (years)	4.08	7.50		
Number of holdings	213	1,928		

Sector Allocation (% of Total Net Assets) <sup>1,2</sup>	FUND	INDEX
High Yield Corporates	94.01	99.97
Industrial	82.16	85.25
Basic Industry	3.12	5.75
Capital Goods	13.46	10.69
Communications	7.85	14.57
Consumer Cyclical	22.59	20.52
Consumer Non-Cyclical	10.78	11.40
Energy	9.15	11.25
Technology	6.93	7.29
Transportation	4.00	2.59
Industrial Other	4.28	1.19
Utility	1.73	2.85
Financial Institutions	10.12	11.88
Brokerage/Asset Managers/Exchanges	3.76	1.05
Finance Companies	1.74	3.71
Insurance	1.61	2.89
REITs	1.47	2.17
Financial Other	1.54	1.17
Convertibles	2.74	0.00
Investment Grade Corporates	2.42	0.00
NR Corporates	0.62	0.03
Equity	0.00	0.00
Cash & Equivalents	0.21	0.00
Quality Distribution (% of Total Net Assets) <sup>1,3</sup>		FUND

BBB	4.05
BB	41.25
• B	33.42
– ccc	19.26
Not Rated	1.81
Cash	0.21

Top Countries (% of Total Net Assets) <sup>1</sup>		FUND
	U.S.	89.29
	Canada	2.93
	Switzerland	1.13
$\bigcirc$	Ireland	0.66
	Netherlands	0.66
	Luxembourg	0.61
	Zambia	0.59
	Puerto Rico	0.53
	Hong Kong	0.52
	Other	2.88
	Cash	0.21

^ This Fund is classified as an Article 8 product under the Sustainable Finance

Disclosure Regulation. Article 8 products are those which promote environmental or social characteristics and which integrate sustainability into the investment process in a binding manner.

<sup>1</sup>May not sum to 100% due to rounding.

<sup>2</sup> For additional information regarding sector classification/definitions please visit

ww.msci.com/gics and the glossary at www.morganstanley.com/im

<sup>3</sup> Quality distribution data for securities is sourced from Fitch, Moody's and S&P. Where the credit ratings for individual securities differ between the three ratings agencies, the 'highest' rating is applied. The rating of credit default swaps is based on the 'highest' rating of the underlying reference bond. 'Cash' includes investments in short term instruments, including investments in Morgan Stanley liquidity funds.

#### Please refer to the Prospectus for full risk disclosures, available at

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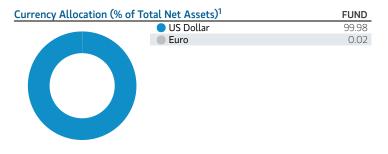
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#### DEFINITIONS

Alpha (Jensen's) is a risk-adjusted performance measure that represents the average return on a portfolio or investment above or below that predicted by the capital asset pricing model (CAPM) given the portfolio's or investment's beta and the average market return. Prior to 6/30/2018 Alpha was calculated as the excess return of the fund versus benchmark. Average maturity - weighted average of the maturities of the underlying securities in the portfolio. Beta is a measure of the relative volatility of a fund to the



#### Share Class AX Risk and Reward Profile

- The fund may be impacted by movements in the exchange rates between the fund's currency and the currencies of the fund's investments.
- The value of bonds are likely to decrease if interest rates rise and vice versa.
- The value of financial derivative instruments are highly sensitive and may result in losses in excess of the amount invested by the Sub-Fund.
- Issuers may not be able to repay their debts, if this happens the value of your investment will decrease. This risk is higher where the fund invests in a bond with a lower credit rating.
- The fund relies on other parties to fulfill certain services, investments or transactions. If these parties become insolvent, it may expose the fund to financial loss
- Sustainability factors can pose risks to investments, for example: impact asset values, increased operational costs.
- There may be an insufficient number of buyers or sellers which may affect the funds ability to buy or sell securities.
- Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. Returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. The value of investments and the income from them can go down as well as up and investors may lose all or a substantial portion of his or her investment.
- The value of the investments and the income from them will vary and there can be no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objectives.
- Investments may be in a variety of currencies and therefore changes in rates of exchange between currencies may cause the value of investments to decrease or increase. Furthermore, the value of investments may be adversely affected by fluctuations in exchange rates between the investor's reference currency and the base currency of the investments.

#### Additional A Share Classes

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A	USD	02.12.2014	LU1134226965	MSUDHYA LX
A (EUR)	EUR	29.04.2022	LU2473713977	MOHYBAE LX
AH (EUR)	EUR	24.05.2017	LU1610903871	MSUHYAH LX
AR	USD	11.10.2017	LU1697574702	MSUHYAR LX

market's upward or downward movements. A beta greater than 1.0 identifies an issue or fund that will move more than the market, while a beta less than 1.0 identifies an issue or fund that will move less than the market. The Beta of the Market is always equal to 1. Bloomberg stands for Bloomberg Global Identifier ('BBGID'). This is a unique 12 digit alphanumerical code designed to enable the identification of securities, on a Bloomberg Terminal. The Bloomberg Terminal, a system provided by Bloomberg L.P., enables analysts to access and analyse real-time financial market data. Each Bloomberg code starts with the same BBG prefix, followed by nine further characters that are listed for each share class of the Sub-Fund. **Cash & Equivalents** are defined as the value of assets that can be converted into cash immediately. These include commercial paper, open FX transactions, Treasury bills and other short-term instruments. Such instruments are considered cash equivalents because they are deemed liquid and not subject to significant risk of changes in values Duration is a measure of the sensitivity of the price (the value of principal) of a fixed-income investment to a change in interest rates. Duration is expressed as a number of years. Rising interest rates mean falling bond prices, while declining interest rates mean rising bond prices. Excess Return or value added (positive or negative) is the portfolio's return relative to the return of the benchmark. Information ratio is the portfolio's alpha or excess return per unit of risk, as measured by tracking error, versus the portfolio's benchmark. ISIN is the international securities identification number (ISIN), a 12 digit code

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### INDEX INFORMATION

The **Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield Index**: measures the market of USD-denominated, non-investment grade, fixed-rate, taxable corporate bonds. Securities are classified as high yield if the middle rating of Moody's, Fitch, and S&P is Ba1/BB+/BB+ or below. The Index excludes emerging market debt.

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