

# WHY ASIA HIGH YIELD?

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## **Fast Growing Market**

The Asia High Yield ("Asia HY") bond market has grown by over 100% over the past 5 years. Today it stands at more than \$236 bn. Outstanding from 210+ distinct issuers across 17 countries, providing rich landscape for active management.

#### Asia High Yield Market Size (US\$ bn)



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### **Strong Return Potential**

High yield levels have supported attractive returns over the last 10 years, and we believe these will continue to drive potential outcomes. Looking ahead, the asset class offers an unrivalled level of yield in a low yield world, and lower interest rate duration vs similar asset classes which provides resilience from rates volatility.

Yield (%)



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### **Supportive Growth Outlook**

Economic growth in Emerging Market (EM)
Asia stands out as being most resilient in 2022, and is expected to slow the least in 2023, supported by accommodative policy settings.
Please refer below for 2022 IMF GDP forecasts:

#### IMF GDP Forecasts (%)^



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## **Resilient Fundamentals**

Robust fundamentals and higher growth potential are helping to contain default risks outside of Chinese Property. Please refer below for 2021 comparison:

#### 2021 Net Leverage vs Default Rates#



# Source: GSAM, JP Morgan, BAML. As of May 31, 2022 unless otherwise stated. Asia HY market size & growth for JP Morgan Asia Credit Index (JACI). Growth forecasts based on March 2020 IMF World Economic Outlook database. Asia HY Corporate is represented by ICE BofAML Asian Dollar High Yield Corporate Sector & Issuer Constrained Index, US HY Corporate is represented by ICE BofAML US High Yield Constrained Index, Euro High Yield is represented by ICE BofA Euro High Yield Index. Past performance does not guarantee future results, which may vary.

<sup>\*</sup> As of 31 May 2022.

<sup>\*\* ()</sup> Duration

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Asia HY default rate was 13.2% and Asia ex China HY default rate was 0.8% respectively in 2021.

<sup>^</sup> Source: IMF, as of April 2022.

# WHY INVEST OUR PORTFOLIO?



## Experience & Focus

- We are the global leader in Emerging Markets Debt, investing in emerging markets and Asian credit since 1994 and 2007 respectively
- Our dedicated Asia based team managing over USD6 bn in Asia emerging markets credit, led by Salman Niaz, Head of Asia Credit and Portfolio Manager for the Asia High Yield strategy
- Our consistent performance and risk adjusted return are demonstrated within our team for highly selective management approach and focus on default avoidance

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## Environmental, Social & Governance (ESG) Analysis

- ESG analysis is integrated within our research and investment approach
- Our analysts assign proprietary ESG ratings, and consider momentum, for the majority of our coverage
- Our focus on Governance has been a key driver in identifying well run companies, allowing us to effectively navigate credit events



# Proven Ability to Avoid Defaults

- · Our truly active management approach is focused on company selection
- We form through the cycle views for companies, with a focus on identifying attractively priced and resilient issuers
- Default avoidance has helped us generate leading risk-adjusted returns

Source: GSAM. As of April 30, 2021.

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ISIN code	LU2201852659 LU2201852733 LU2201852907 LU2201853541 LU2201853624 LU2201853202	Base (Acc) (USD) Base (Stable MDist) (USD) OCS (SGD-Hedged) (Stable MDist) (SGD) OCS (EUR-Hedged) (Stable MDist) (EUR) OCS (GBP-Hedged) (Stable MDist) (GBP) OCS (AUD-Hedged) (Stable MDist) (AUD)
Total Fund Assets	USD 362mn (as of 30 November 2022)	
Referential Benchmark	ICE BofA Asian Dollar HY Corp Sector&Issuer Const Index (USD,Total Return Gross)	
Fund Inception Date	13 August 2020	
Fees and Charges*	Sales charge Management fee Operating expenses	Up to 5.5% 1.25% (per annum) Up to 0.25 %

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