

# KEY INFORMATION DOCUMENT

## Purpose

This document provides you with key information about this investment product. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature, risks, costs, potential gains and losses of this product and to help you compare it with other products.

## PRODUCT

# Euro High Yield, I - Distribution, a sub-fund of Candriam Bonds, SICAV

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<b>Competent Authority:</b>	Candriam is authorized in Luxembourg and regulated by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier (CSSF). Candriam Bonds is authorized in Luxembourg and regulated by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier (CSSF).

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## WHAT IS THIS PRODUCT?

**Type:** SICAV

**Term:** Open-ended.

### Objectives:

#### Principal assets traded:

Bonds and other debt securities denominated in euros with an issuer or issue rating above B-/B3 (or equivalent) by one of the rating agencies (i.e. issuers or issues considered to be high risk).

Derivative products of issuers of the same quality.

#### Investment strategy:

The fund seeks to achieve capital growth by investing in the principal assets traded and to outperform the benchmark.

The management team makes discretionary investment choices based on economic/financial analyses.

The fund promotes, among other characteristics, environmental and/or social characteristics but does not have sustainable investment as its objective. The analysis of ESG aspects (environment, social, governance) is included in the selection, analysis and global evaluation of companies. The Fund also aims to exclude investments in companies which do not respect certain recognised international standards and principles, or which are significantly exposed to certain controversial activities. Under certain conditions, the analysis and selection process may also be accompanied by active involvement based on dialogue with the companies. For more information, please see the management company's website and/or the prospectus.

The fund may make use of derivative products for both investment and hedging purposes (to protect against future unfavourable financial events).

**Benchmark:** ICE BofA BB-B Euro Non-Financial High Yield Constrained Index (Total Return).

The fund is managed actively and the investment approach implies a reference to a benchmark (the index).

**Benchmark definition:**

The index measures the performance of below investment grade euro-denominated corporate bonds outside the financial sector issued on domestic markets in the euro zone or euro bonds, and with issuer exposure capped at 3%.

**Use of the benchmark:**

- as an investment universe. In general, the issuers of financial instruments contained in the fund portfolio are mostly contained in the index. However, investments outside this index are authorised,
- in determining risk levels/parameters,
- for performance comparison purposes,
- to calculate the performance fee for some share classes.

**Divergence of portfolio composition from the benchmark:**

As the fund is managed actively, it does not aim to invest in each component of the index nor to invest in the same proportions as the components of the index.

In normal market conditions, the expected tracking error of the fund will be moderate to large, namely between 0.75% and 3%.

This measure is an estimation of the divergence of the fund's performance compared to the performance of the benchmark. The greater the tracking error, the greater the deviations from the benchmark index. The actual tracking error depends in particular on market conditions (volatility and correlations between financial instruments) and may therefore differ from the expected tracking error.

**Repayment of shares:** On demand, every day, at Luxembourg.

**Allocation of income:** Distribution.

### Intended retail investor:

This product is for investors who meet the conditions for accessing the product in question (see prospectus) with any level of knowledge and experience who are looking for Capital Growth and Income. This product can be used as a core holding or a component of a diversified portfolio for investments with an investment horizon of 3 years. Investors should understand the product risks and only invest if they can bear potentially substantial losses.

### General information:

**Depositary bank:** CACEIS Bank, Luxembourg Branch.

### Other information:

This document provides a description of a share class of a sub-fund of Candriam Bonds. The prospectus and periodical reports are established for all the sub-funds. There are other share classes and these are listed in the prospectus.

Investors may apply for the conversion of their shares into shares of another class of the same sub-fund or into shares of a class of another sub-fund of the fund, based on the eligibility criteria and following the procedures available through their financial intermediary.

The sub-fund is only liable for the debts, liabilities and obligations that can be charged to it.

Additional information about the fund can be found in the prospectus and the periodical reports, which may be obtained free of charge on request from Candriam or viewed at any time on the website www.candriam.com. These documents are available in one of the languages approved by the local

authority of each country where the fund is authorised to market its shares or in a common language in the international finance sphere. All other practical information, in particular the latest share price, is available from the places shown above.

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS AND WHAT COULD I GET IN RETURN?



The SRI assumes you keep the product for 3 years. The actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less.

### Risk indicator

The summary risk indicator ("SRI") is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay you.

We have classified this product as class 3 out of 7, which is a medium-low risk class.

This rates the potential losses from future performance at a medium-low level, and poor market conditions are unlikely to impact the capacity of the fund to pay you.

**Be aware of currency risk.** In some circumstances, you may receive payments in a different currency, so the final return you will get may depend on the exchange rate between the two currencies. This risk is not considered in the indicator shown above.

**Other risk(s) materially relevant not included in the SRI:** Credit. Counterparty. Derivatives. Liquidity. Sustainability.

This product does not include any protection from future market performance. Please refer to the 'Risk' section of the prospectus for more details.

### Performance scenarios

The figures shown include all the costs of the product itself, but may not include all the costs that you pay to your advisor or distributor. The figures do not take into account your personal tax situation, which may also affect how much you get back.

What you will get from this product depends on future market performance. Market developments in the future are uncertain and cannot be accurately predicted.

The unfavourable, moderate, and favourable scenarios shown are illustrations using the worst, average, and best performance of the product/a suitable benchmark over the last 10 years. Markets could develop very differently in the future.

The stress scenario shows what you might get back in extreme market circumstances.

Unfavourable: This type of scenario occurred for an investment between 10/2019 and 09/2022.

Moderate: This type of scenario occurred for an investment between 05/2016 and 04/2019.

Favourable: This type of scenario occurred for an investment between 09/2013 and 08/2016.

Investment 10 000 EUR			
Scenarios		1 year	3 years (recommended holding period)
Minimum: There is no minimum guaranteed return. You could lose some or all of your investment.			
Stress scenario	What you might get back after costs	5 360 EUR	6 690 EUR
	Average return each year	- 46.37%	- 12.54%
Unfavourable scenario	What you might get back after costs	8 570 EUR	9 270 EUR
	Average return each year	- 14.28%	- 2.48%
Moderate scenario	What you might get back after costs	10 470 EUR	11 430 EUR
	Average return each year	4.74%	4.54%
Favourable scenario	What you might get back after costs	11 660 EUR	12 470 EUR
	Average return each year	16.57%	7.63%

## WHAT HAPPENS IF CANDRIAM IS UNABLE TO PAY OUT?

The assets under management of Candriam do not form part of the estate in case of insolvency of Candriam. They cannot be claimed by creditors of Candriam. Nevertheless, the investor may face a financial loss due to the default of Candriam.

The financial loss is not covered by an investor compensation or guarantee scheme.

## WHAT ARE THE COSTS?

The person advising on or selling you this product may charge you other costs. If so, this person will provide you with information about these costs and how they affect your investment.

### Costs over Time

The tables show the amounts that are taken from your investment to cover different types of costs. These amounts depend on how much you invest, how long you hold the product and how well the product does. The amounts shown here are illustrations based on an example investment amount and different possible investment periods:

We have assumed:

- In the first year you would get back the amount that you invested (0% annual return). For the other holding periods we have assumed the product performs as shown in the moderate scenario.

- EUR 10 000 is invested.

Investment 10 000 EUR	If you exit after 1 year	If you exit after 3 years
Total costs	124 EUR	431 EUR
Annual cost impact *	1.2%	1.3%

\* This illustrates how costs reduce your return each year over the holding period. For example it shows that if you exit at the recommended holding period your average return per year is projected to be 5.8% before costs and 4.5% after costs.

## Composition of costs

		If you exit after 1 year
<b>One-off costs upon entry or exit</b>		
<b>Entry costs</b>	We do not charge any entry fee.	0 EUR
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<b>Ongoing costs</b>		
<b>Management fees and other administrative or operating costs</b>	0.73% of the value of your investment per year. This is an estimate based on actual costs over the last year.	74 EUR
<b>Transaction costs</b>	0.23% of the value of your investment per year. This is an estimate of the costs incurred when we buy and sell the underlying investments for the product. The actual amount will vary depending on how much we buy and sell.	23 EUR
<b>Incidental costs taken under specific conditions</b>		
<b>Performance Fee</b>	0.27% - 20% per annum calculated using the Claw Back 5Y methodology based on the outperformance of the NAV relative to the benchmark, namely ICE BofA BB-B Euro Non-Financial High Yield Constrained Index (Total Return), and the conditions of which are set out in prospectus. <b>This methodology allows an outperformance fee to be billed if the performance is negative, provided that the NAV outperforms the benchmark.</b> The actual amount varies according to the performance of your investment. The above estimation of total costs is the average over the past five years.	27 EUR

## HOW LONG SHOULD I HOLD IT AND CAN I TAKE MY MONEY OUT EARLY?

**Recommended holding period: 3 years**

The choice of recommended holding period depends on the types of the underlying investments and on the associated degree of risk, which may be higher or lower. For example "equity" type products (higher risk) generally have a recommended holding period of six years (long term), and "bonds or money market" type products (lower risk) have a shorter recommended holding period (generally between two and four years for bond products or less than one year for money market products - medium term/short term). "Mixed" type products generally have a recommended holding period of between three and five years depending on the weighting of the types of underlyings. "Alternative" type products generally have a recommended holding period of three years.

Investors may request redemption of their units at any time under the conditions set out in "What will this investment cost me? ". The shorter the holding period in relation to the recommended period, the greater the potential impact of any charges on the performance profile.

## HOW CAN I COMPLAIN?

Complaints about this product or about the conduct of the product manufacturer or the person advising on, or selling, the product:

Postal address: Candriam, SERENITY – Bloc B, 19-21, route d'Arlon – L-8009 Strassen

Website: <https://contact.candriam.com>

E-mail: [complaints@candriam.com](mailto:complaints@candriam.com)

## OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

Alongside with this document, please read the prospectus on the website [www.candriam.com](http://www.candriam.com).

The past performance of this product for 7 years can be accessed via the following link: <https://www.candriam.com/documents/redirect/Candriam/KPP/fr/LU1258427985>. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Markets could develop very differently in the future. However, it can help you to assess how the fund has been managed in the past.

Past performance scenario calculations are available via the following link: <https://www.candriam.com/documents/redirect/Candriam/KMS/fr/LU1258427985>.

Details of the up-to-date remuneration policy, including the composition of the remuneration committee and an overview of how remuneration and benefits are determined, are available on the website [https://www.candriam.com/siteassets/legal-and-disclaimer/external\\_disclosure\\_remuneration\\_policy.pdf](https://www.candriam.com/siteassets/legal-and-disclaimer/external_disclosure_remuneration_policy.pdf).

Upon request, a paper copy of the remuneration policy can be obtained from the Management Company free of charge.