

<sup>\*</sup> Further information on the Company's investment management arrangements can be found in the Strategic Report.

Assets: Loan Portfolio	Liabilities: CLO Senior & Mezzanine Debt Tranches	Class B Notes (AAA)  Class C Notes (A)	CLO debt tranches:  • Generally pay a floating rate coupon  • Collateralized by the Senior Floating Rate Loan portfolio  • Benefit from structural protections
		Class D Notes (BBB)  Class E Notes (BB)  Class F Notes (B)	
	Residual: CLO Equity		CLO equity:  Receives residual cashflows from the Senior Floating Rate Loan portfolio  Obtains non-mark-to-market term financing



• All corporate securities rated below-BBB · Approximately 900 issuers · Focused on companies with historically stable cash flows, liquidity and access to capital · Seek to eliminate: – Less liquid issuers (EBITDA <\$100MM)</p> -Outliers and high default potential issuers • Macroeconomic Analysis: State of global economy, credit cycle, Focused political factors, etc FUNDAMENTAL ANALYSIS on Risk • Industry Analysis: Competitive landscape, life cycle, regulatory environment etc Management • Credit Analysis: Cash flow analysis, default analysis, recovery analysis PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION Focus on Best Ideas · Credit analysis capabilities are complemented with a technology driven set of proprietary analytical processes to identify, select and monitor portfolio position A customized database containing detailed information on over 2,000 issuers is

leveraged.

# **Economy: Key Data Points**

- · Economic indicators
- · Globalization trends
- Regional GDP/economic forecasts
- · Fiscal Stimulus
- Monetary Policy
- Spreads relative to historical levels

- · Underwriting trends
- · Credit market conditions
- · Banking industry conditions
- · Fiscal policy
- Election cycle
- · Implications on foreign policy

# **Industry: Key Data Points**

- Position in industry life cycle and secular outlook
- Competitive landscape and issuer market position
- · Industry consolidation trends
- · Regulatory environment
- · Industry value chain

- Supply and demand drivers
- · Industry size and growth
- · Rating agency trends
- · Level of cyclicality
- ESG considerations

# **BOTTOM-UP ANALYSIS**

### **Issuer: Key Considerations**

#### **Business Fundamentals**

- · Issuer track record
- · Scale and diversification
- · Enterprise value
- · Differentiation relative to peers
- Cyclicality
- · Position on cost curve

#### **Quality of Cash Flow**

- Assess quality of EBITDA and cash conversion
- · Variability of cost structure
- · Capital efficiency
- Maintenance capex
- · Ability to delay commitments

#### Scenario Analysis

- Understand how base/downside/upside case impacts cash flow, credit metrics, ratings, enterprise value and trading levels
- Evaluate the impact of potential M&A or divestitures on the credit profile and trading levels

#### **Capital Structure**

- Evaluate management's ability and willingness to reduce leverage
- Assess leverage profile and equity cushion relative to business and industry trends
- Capital structure reflects cyclicality and broader cash flow risk of issuer

#### Liquidity

- Minimum cash required to operate business
- Ability to access bank line, particularly under a downside scenario
- Covenant analysis and likelihood of a waiver in a downside scenario
- Non-core asset sales
- · Other sources of cash

#### **ESG Scorecard**

- Proprietary ESG Scoring System
- Assess industry specific Environmental and Social factors
- Management and Governance assessment
- · Customized sector weightings



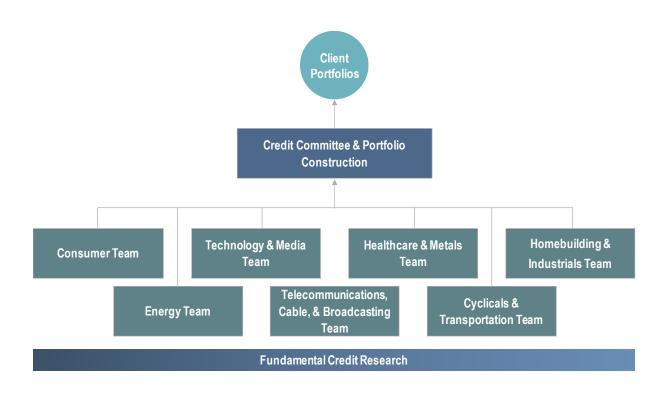
#### Credit Analysts Identify Material Industry-Specific Environmental & Social Factors

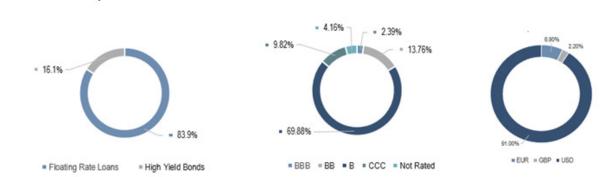
- NB Non-Investment Grade Credit analysts use their sector expertise to customize criteria for each industry, using the SustainabilityAccounting Standards Board ("SASB") as a starting point
- Governance assessment consistent across industries and specific to the non-investment grade credit market



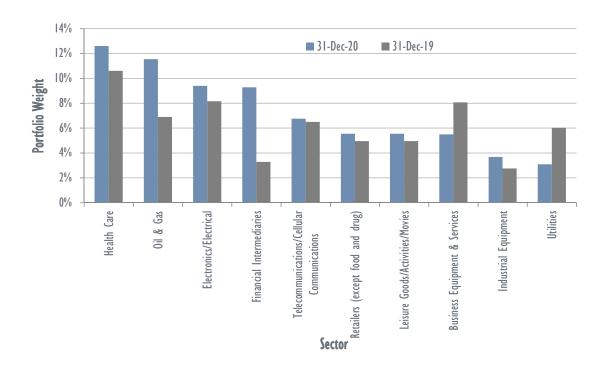
# Proprietary ESG Scoring Process For All Issuers in Our Portfolios

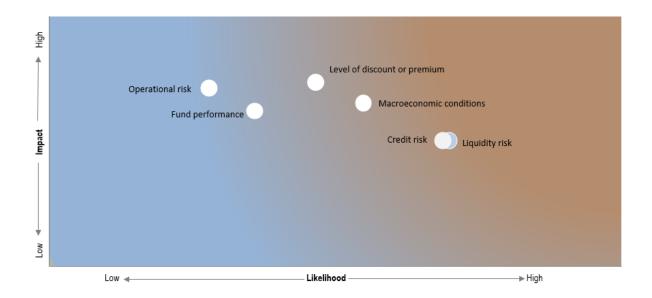
- NB ESG Scores created using multiple quantitative data sources and qualitative assessments
- Internal Credit Ratings are not ched up or down based on NB ESG Scoresto enhance pricing discipline
- NB ESG Scores are monitored by Credit Committee as an important component of our investment process

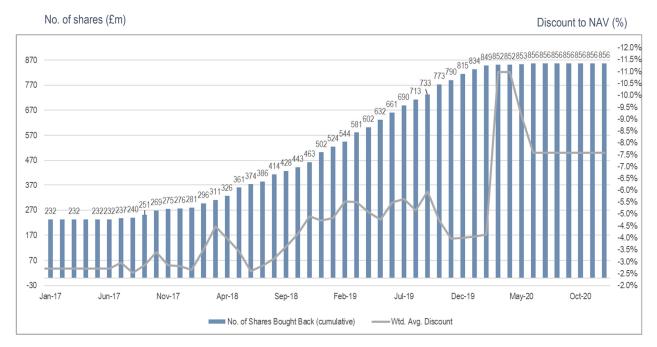












Source: : U.S. Bank Global Fund Services (Guernsey) Limited & Neuberger Berman. Data as of December 31, 2020.



Source: U.S. Bank Global Fund Services (Guernsey) Limited. Past performance is not indicative of future returns. Please refer to the dividend policy, which is available in the fund's prospectus, and gan be found on https://www.nbgmif.com

1. The first dividend covered a five month period.

December 2020 dividend paid 29 January 2021.

\* Starting October 2020, dividends moved to a monthly cycle.

Annual dividend yield based on the dividends declared in respect of the period and the share price as at 31 December 2020.