# Lazard Nordic High Yield

## **Composite Report**

| Benchmark:                |
|---------------------------|
| Reporting Date:           |
| Composite Inception Date: |
| Reporting Currency:       |

N/A 31 December 2024 01 February 2023 Euro

### **Composite Description**

The composite returns represent the total returns of all fully discretionary portfolios with a Nordic High Yield investment mandate and a minimum of EUR 20 million in assets under management. Investments in the individual portfolios within the composite are the result of active allocation among the different currencies, countries, and industry sectors as well as active issuer and bond selection. Currency exposure is managed cost efficiently with the use of derivatives. The strategy invests predominantly in Scandinavian high-yield credit bonds. The investment universe comprises of Scandinavian issuers issuing bonds in local or hard currency and non-Scandinavian issuers issuing in Scandinavian currencies. The strategy invests mainly in floating rate bonds, resulting in a very low total duration. Paired with a short maturity profile in general and higher risk premia compared to other fixed income markets, the strategy aims to generate high medium- to long-term investment returns.

#### **Calculation of Performance Returns**

The composite returns are reported net of foreign withholding taxes on dividends, interest and capital gains. The composite returns presented represent past performance and is not a reliable indicator of future results, which may vary.

#### Fee Schedule

Lazard's standard fee schedule for Nordic High Yield accounts is 0.55% on the first \$100 million of assets and 0.35% on the balance. (This fee schedule may be presented in non-U.S. local currency equivalents based on prevailing exchange rates.) Unless otherwise noted, actual account fees, inclusive of performance-based fees and VAT (if applicable) are used in the construction of composite net of fee performance. For non-fee paying portfolios and sleeves of funds, net of fee performance has been calculated using the strategy's standard fee schedule.

#### **Benchmark Information**

The Lazard Nordic High Yield Composite has no benchmark, as an appropriate index does not exist.

#### Disclosures

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|   | Calendar |                    |
|---|----------|--------------------|
|   | 2024     | Feb 23 -<br>Dec 23 |
| Lazard Rate of Return (%; Gross of Fees)          | 11.62    | 7.21               |
| Lazard Rate of Return (%; Net of Fees)            | 11.00    | 6.67               |
| Benchmark (%; Rate of Return)                     | N/A      | N/A                |
| Composite Standard Deviation Gross (3-yr. Ann.)   | N/A      | N/A                |
| Benchmark Standard Deviation (3-yr. Ann.)         | Value 1  |                    |
| # of Portfolios                                   | 1        | 1                  |
| Composite Dispersion Gross (Asset Wtd. Std. Dev.) | N/A      | N/A                |
| Composite Assets (EUR Millions)                   | 228.4    | 45.0               |
| Total Firm Assets (EUR Billions)                  | 161.9    | 172.6              |