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SKAGEN Tellus

Status Report February 2017

The art of common sense



Key numbers as of 28 February 2017

EUR, net of fees



	February	QTD	2016	1 years	3 years	5 years	Since inception*
SKAGEN Tellus	1,6%	0,7%	5,7%	5,5%	5,9%	4,7%	5,4%
JPM Broad GBI Unhedged *	2,2%	0,7%	4,4%	1,1%	8,3%	3,9%	5,0%
Excess return	-0,6%	-0,1%	1,3%	4,4%	-2,5%	0,8%	0,4%

*Inception date: 29/09/2006

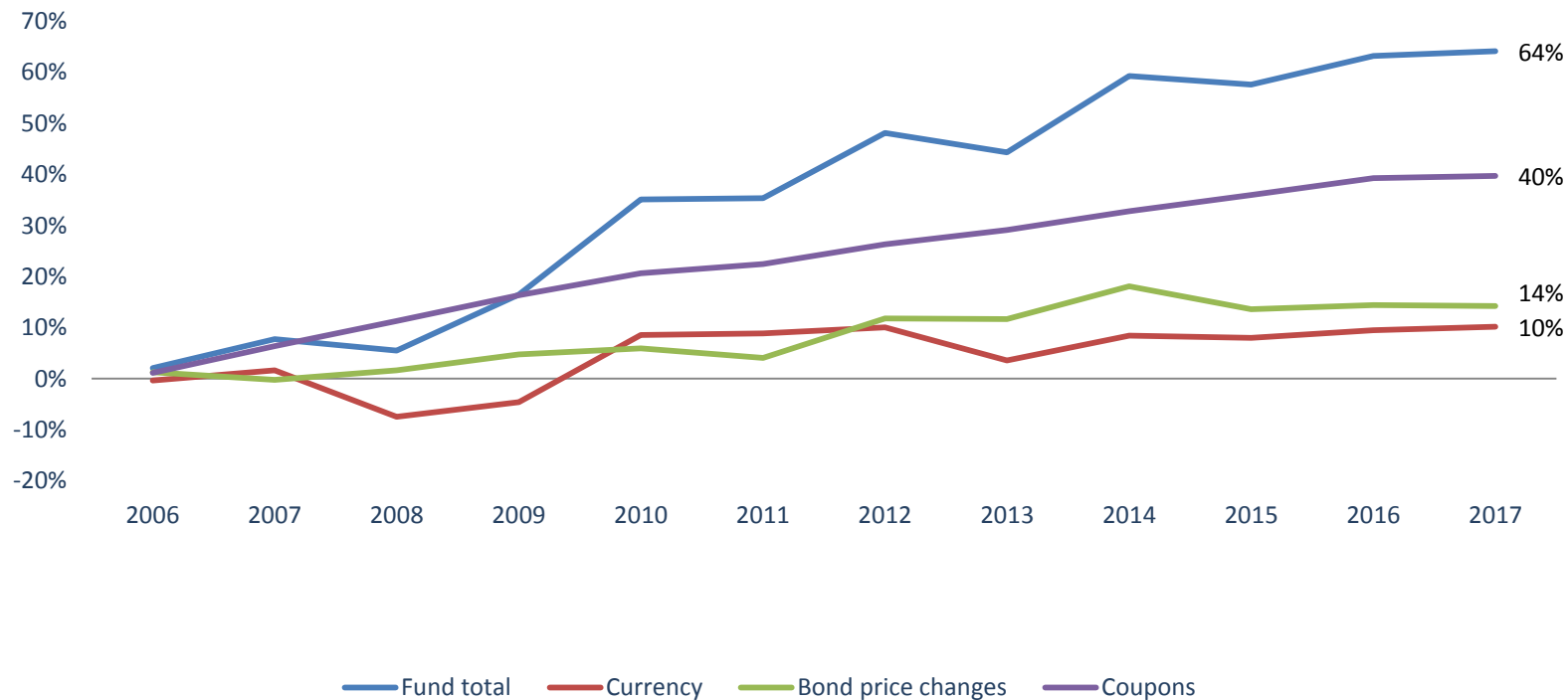
**Benchmark index before 01/01/2013 was *Barclay's Capital Global Treasury Index 3-5 years*

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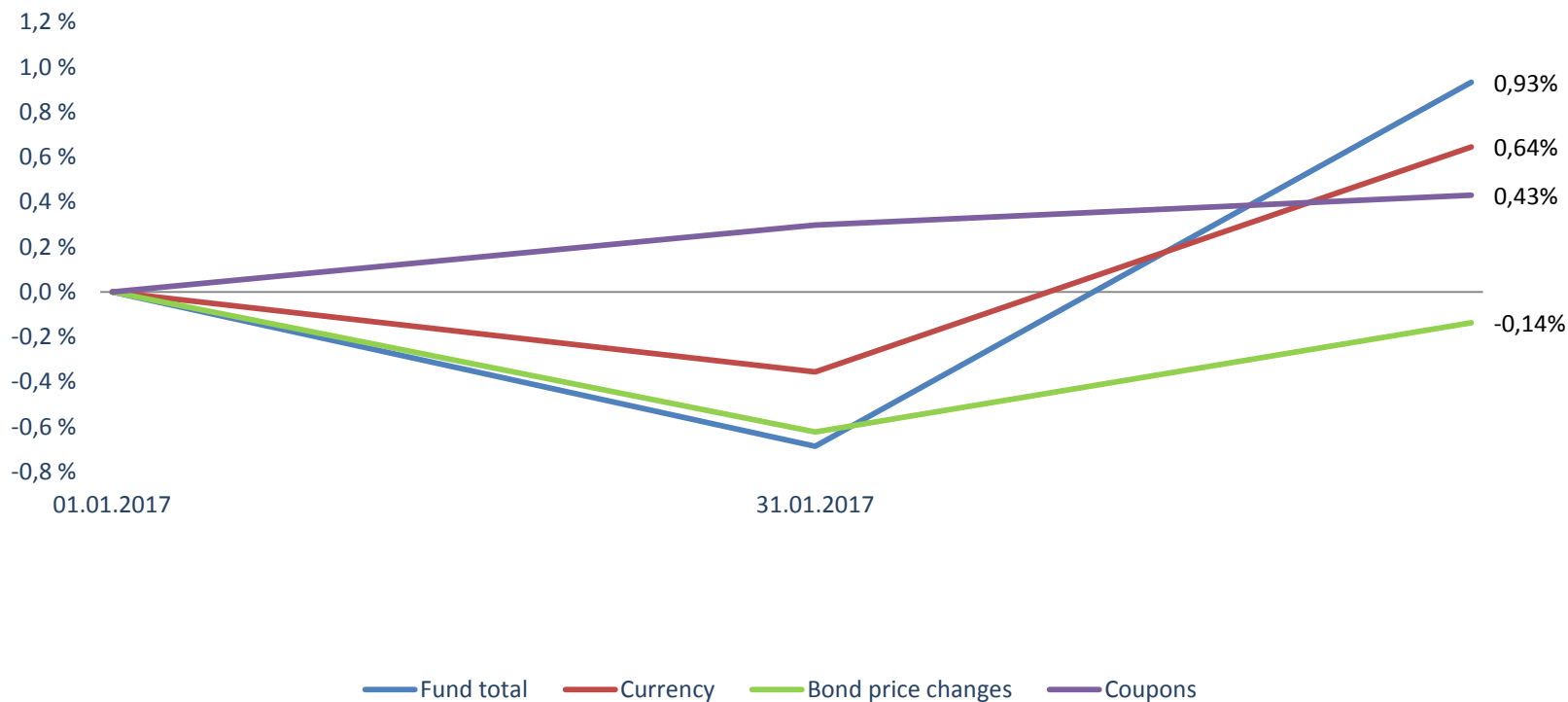
The return of the Mexican peso

- The global economy is starting the year on a strong footing. Both soft and hard numbers have been higher than expected. This supports our view of stable or somewhat higher long-term interest rates in the US and central Europe.
- The duration of SKAGEN Tellus is currently 3.3 years, which is substantially lower than the index's duration of 7.7 years. Given the current state of the business cycle, we only take interest rate risk in countries where there is still a solid case for a fall in the interest rate going forward and/or the yield is attractive. We have longer duration in countries where we expect the credit premium to fall, such as Portugal and Croatia, or where there is a high interest rate, e.g. Peru and Chile. We have very low duration on our investments in the US, UK, Canada, Mexico and Norway. These holdings are based on an expectation of an appreciation of the currency.
- Currency appreciation contributed most to the fund performance in February. The Mexican peso appreciated by 5.5 percent, implying that our short dated Mexican bond was the largest contributor to the fund. The appreciation is partly due to measures introduced by the central bank to stabilise the peso. The peso is now at its strongest level since before the US presidential election. A stronger USD and appreciating emerging market currencies also contributed positively to the return in February.
- The interest rates in peripheral Europe decreased after the Eurogroup Finance Ministers agreed there was enough common ground for the creditors to return to Athens. This led to increased hopes of a final agreement and release of the last tranche of the bailout funds to Greece.
- The fund underperformed its index in February. This was mainly due to an underweight in JPY and USD.

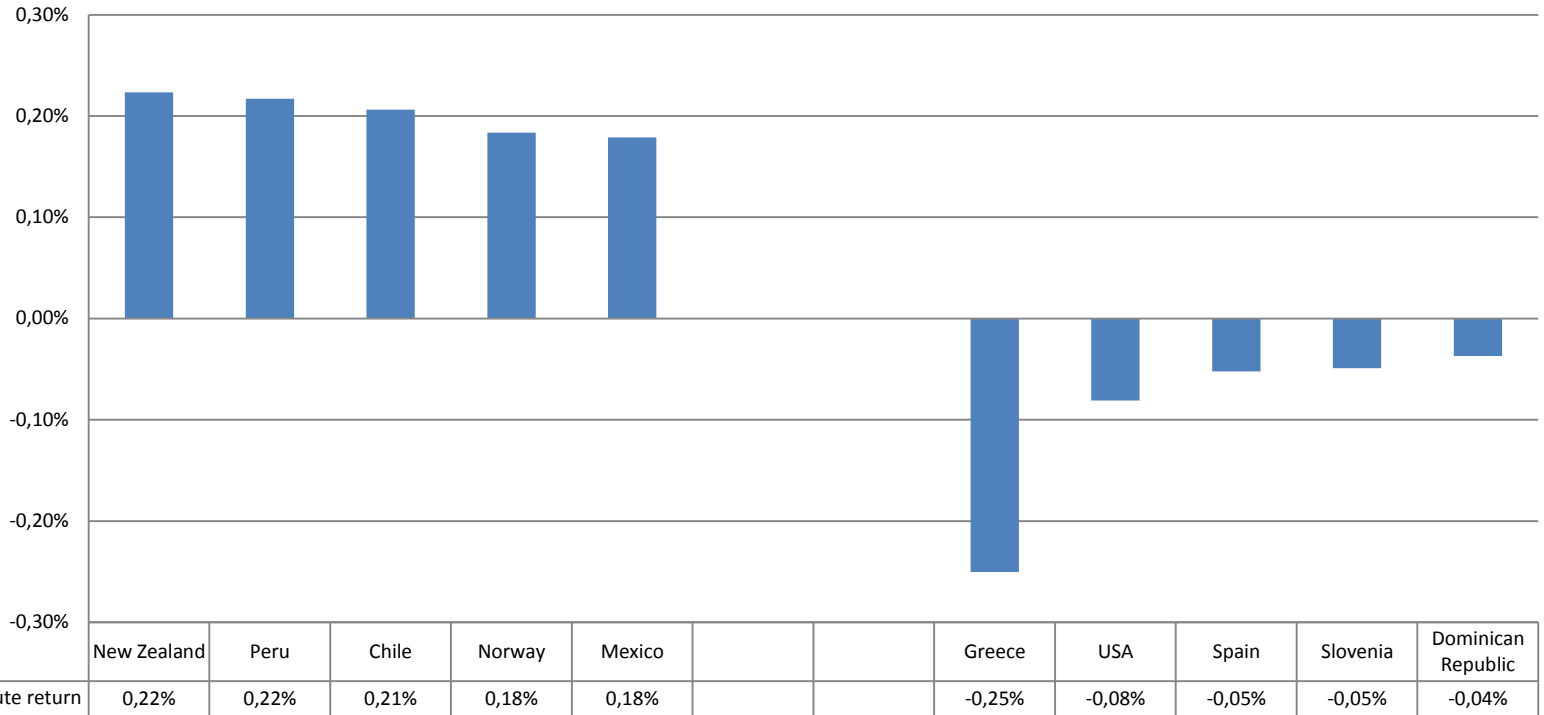
Accumulated gain since inception of fund from currency fluctuations, bond price changes and coupons



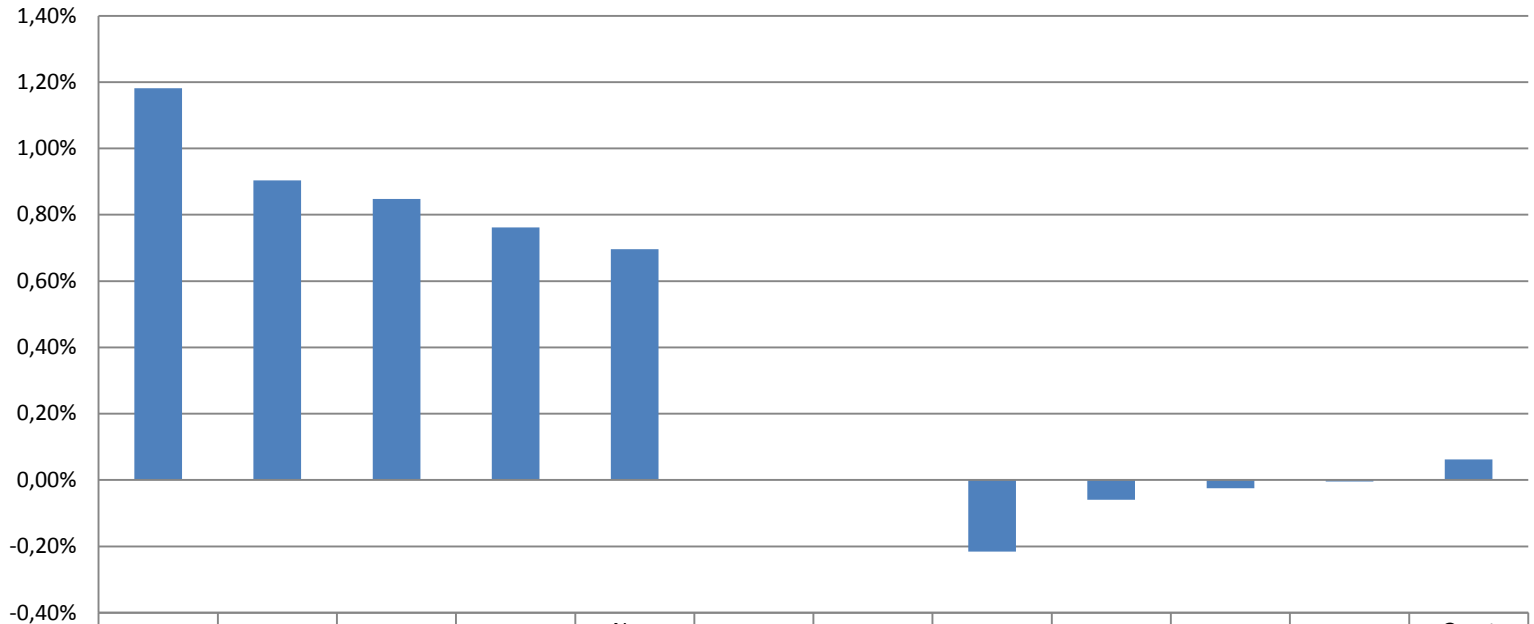
Accumulated gain YTD from currency fluctuations, bond price changes and coupons



Top and bottom 5 contributors to absolute return YTD



Top and bottom 5 contributors to absolute return (1 year)

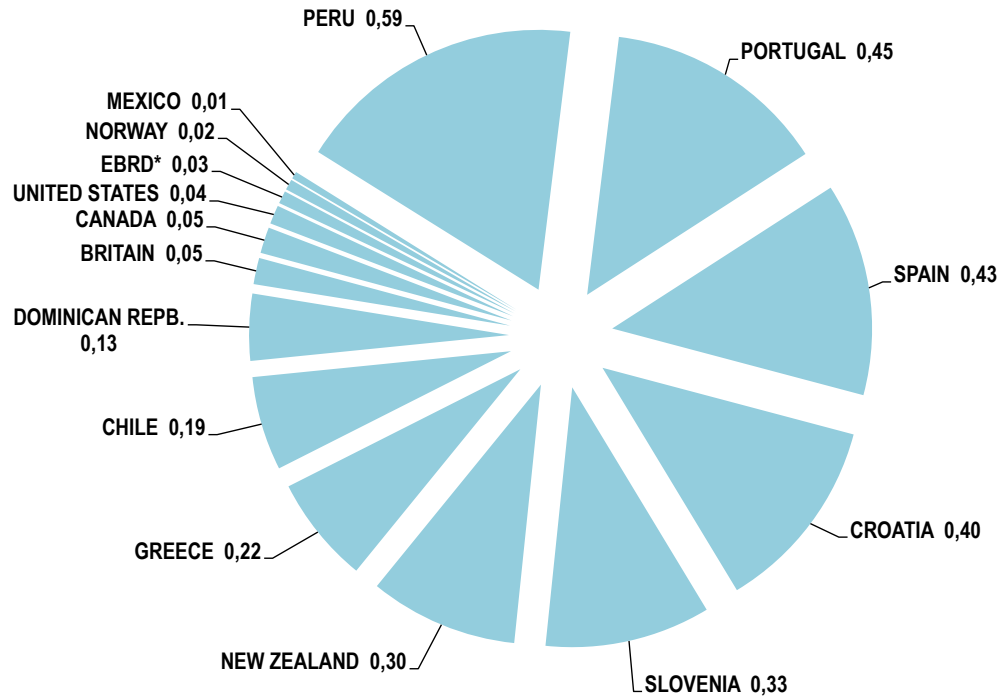


■ Absolute return	1,18%	0,90%	0,85%	0,76%	0,70%			-0,22%	-0,06%	-0,02%	0,00%	0,06%
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Portfolio as of 28 February 2017

Holding Name	Currency	Numbers of Bonds	Percent	Maturity Date	Coupon
Norwegian Government	NOK	95 000	10,2	19.05.2017	4,3
US Government	USD	10 800	9,4	30.06.2017	0,6
US Government	USD	10 000	8,7	31.03.2017	0,5
Croatia Government International Bond	EUR	8 300	8,5	30.05.2022	3,9
Chilean Government	CLP	4 410 000	6,2	05.08.2020	5,5
Portugese Government	EUR	7 000	6,1	15.10.2025	2,9
New Zealand Government	NZD	8 000	5,9	17.04.2023	5,5
Spanish Government	EUR	6 000	5,7	30.04.2025	1,6
Peruvian Government	PEN	20 000	5,5	12.08.2037	6,9
UK Government	GBP	5 000	5,4	07.09.2017	1,0
Canadian Government	CAD	8 000	5,3	01.03.2018	1,3
Mexican Government	MXN	120 000	5,2	15.06.2017	5,0
UK Government	GBP	4 500	5,1	25.08.2017	8,8
Slovenia Government	EUR	3 500	4,5	30.03.2026	5,1
Dominican Republic	DOP	150 000	3,0	10.05.2024	11,5
European Bank Recon & Dev	INR	200 000	2,7	19.03.2018	5,8

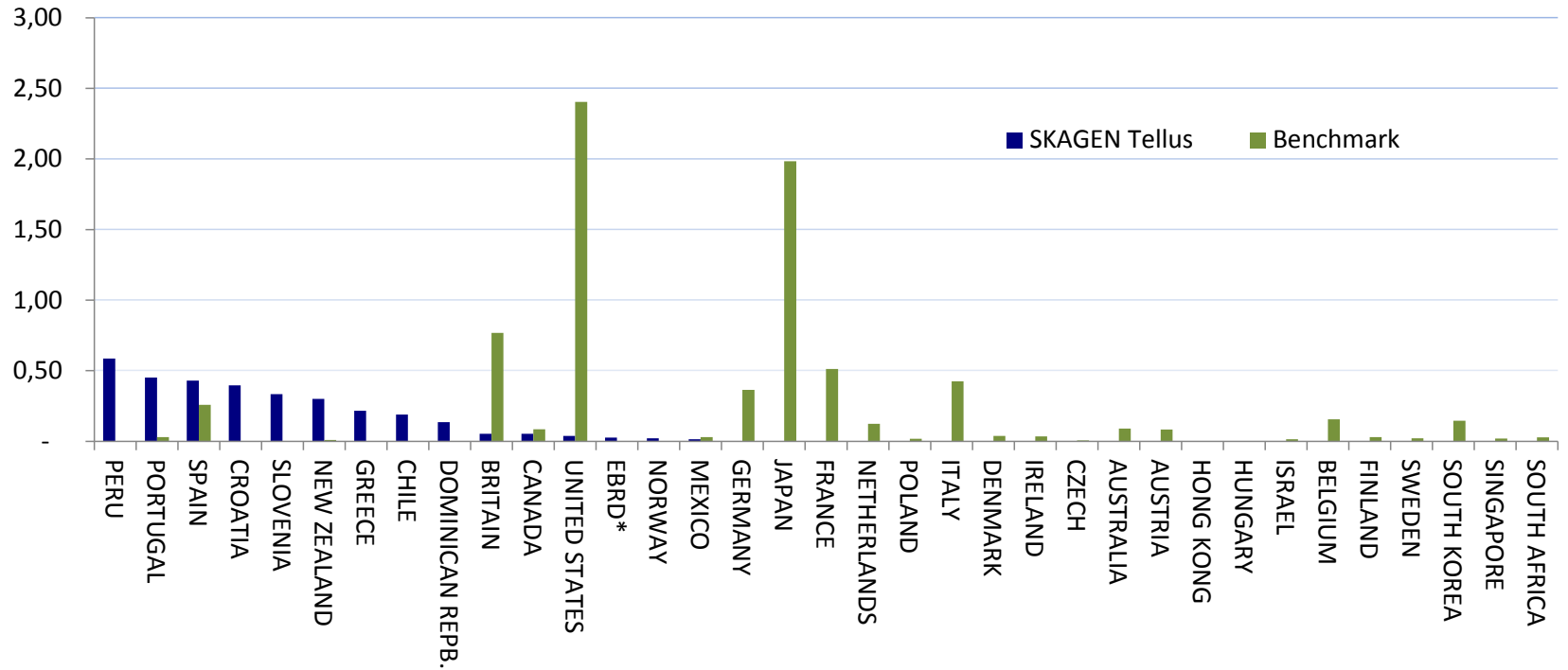
Interest rate risk exposure



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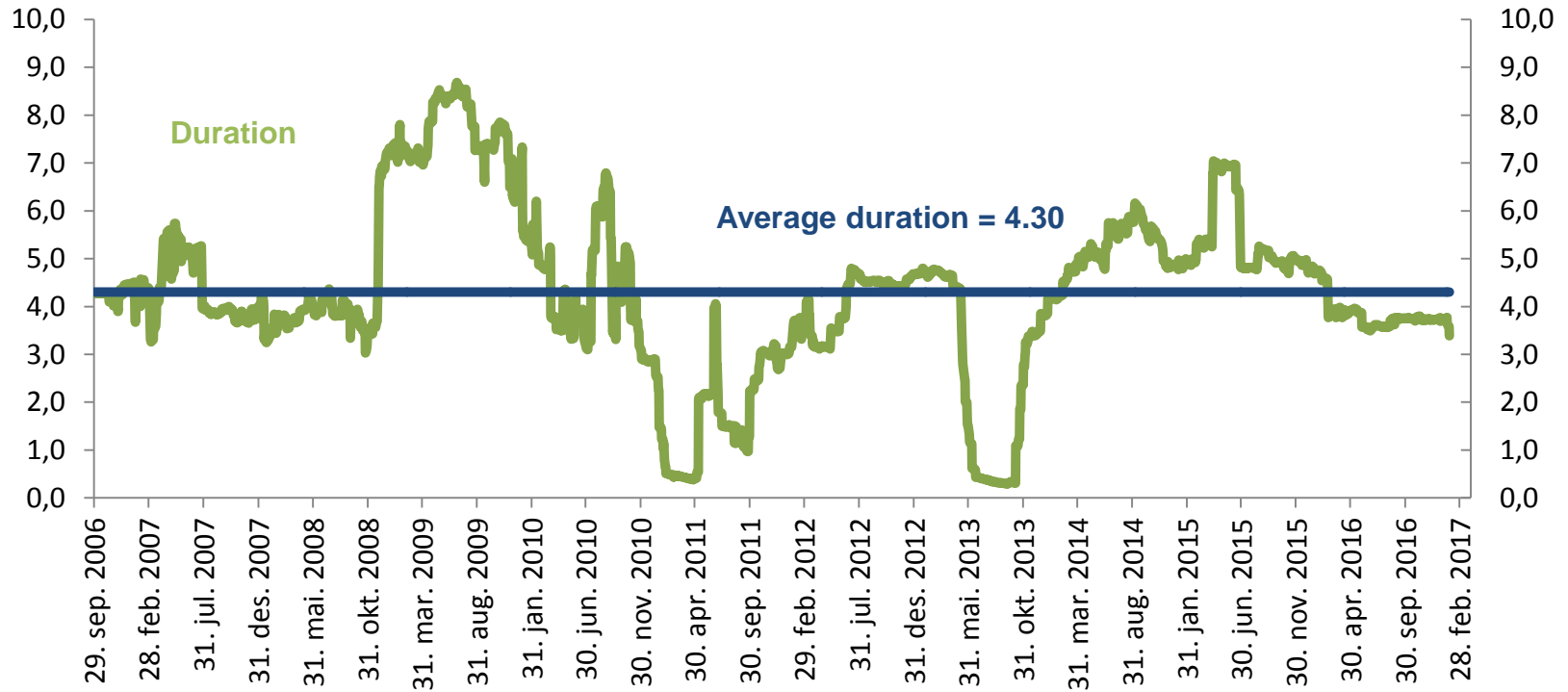
EBRD* : European Bank of Reconstruction & Development

Interest rate exposure relative to benchmark

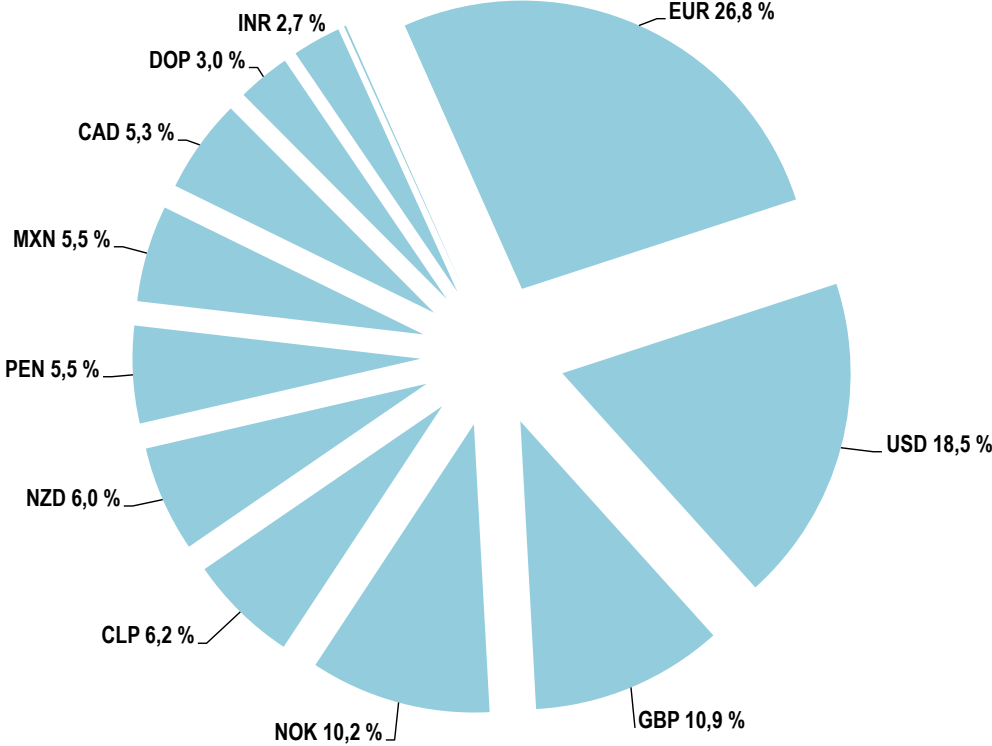


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Interest duration since the fund's inception

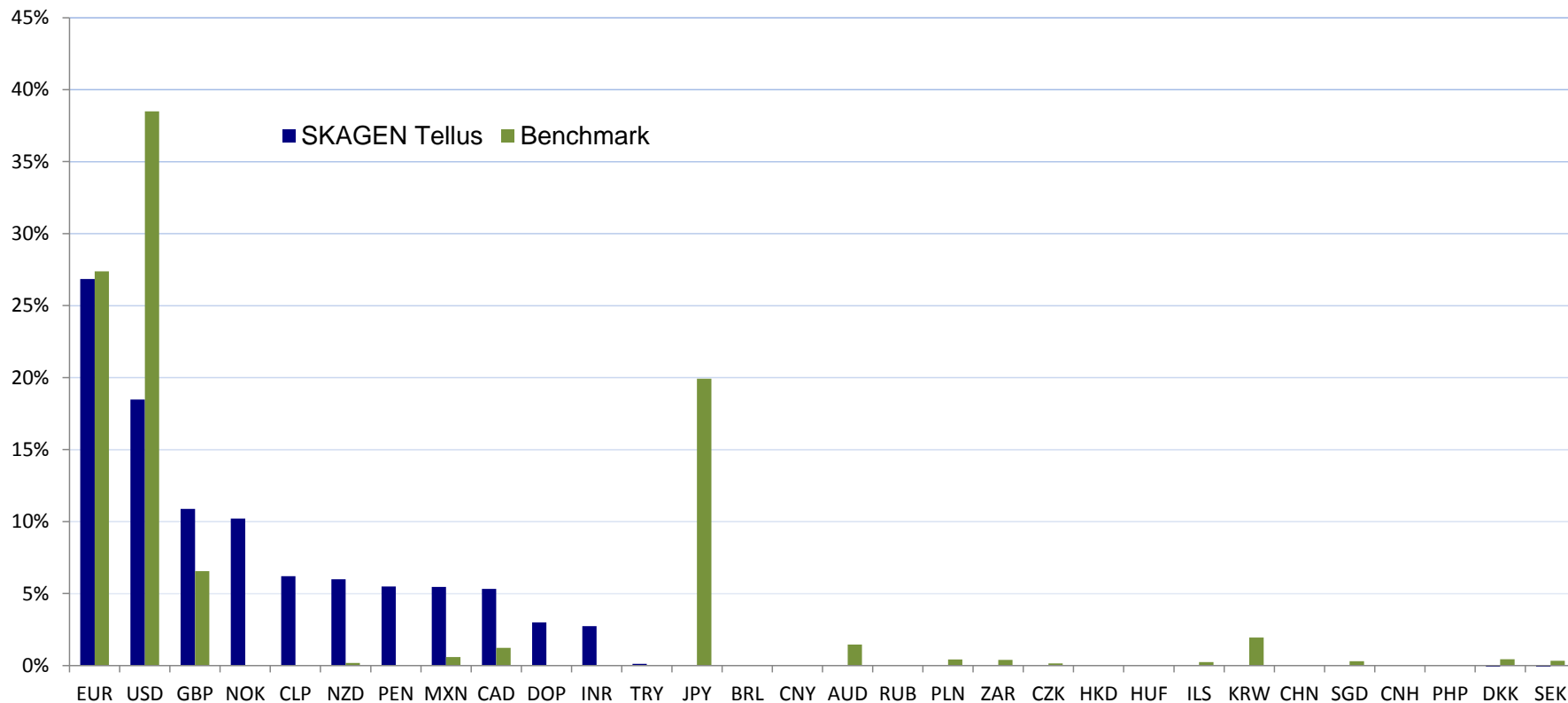


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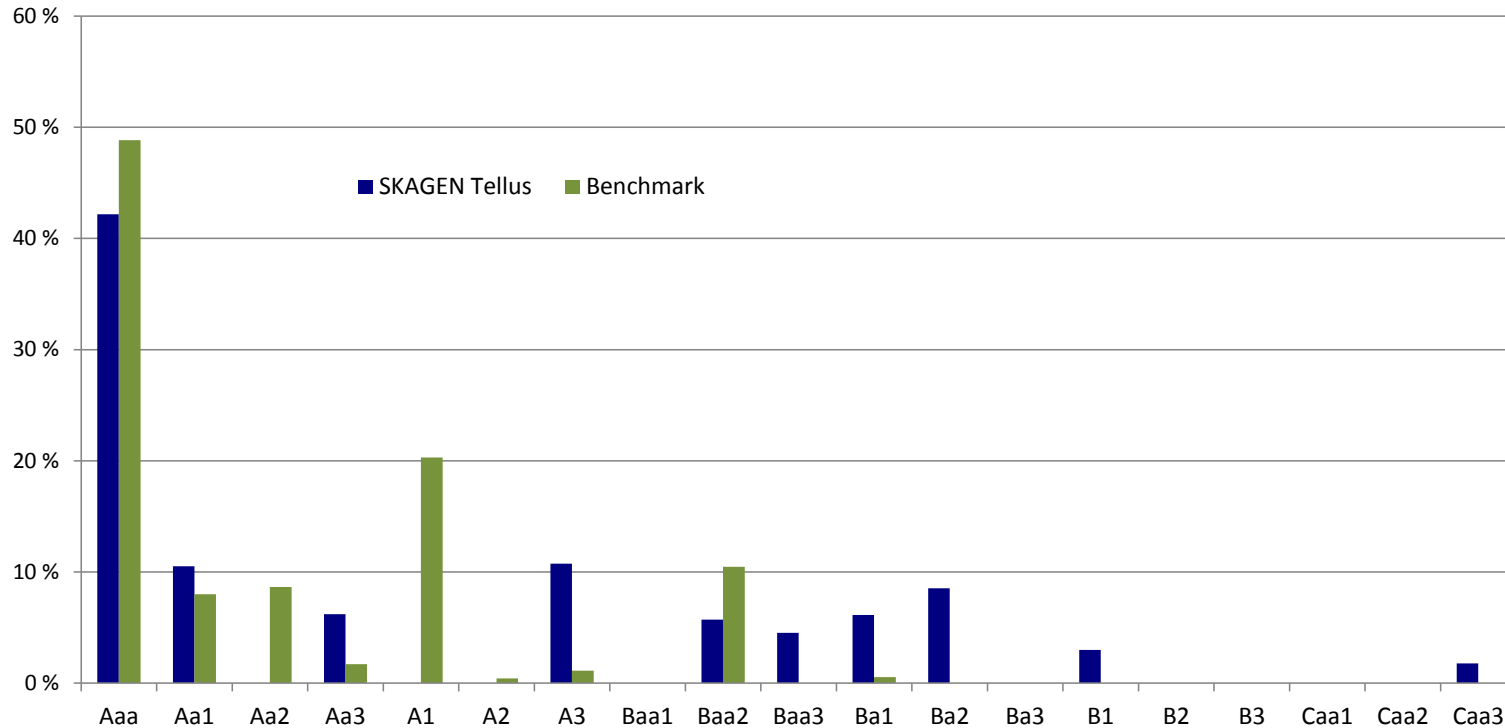
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Currency exposure relative to benchmark



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Moody's rating on Tellus' portfolio relative to benchmark



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