RAUS AUS NEGATIV RENTIERENDEN ANLEIHEN, PRIVATMARKTANLAGEN ALS TEIL DER LÖSUNG: VON DEN ERSTEN STRATEGISCHEN ÜBERLEGUNGEN BIS ZUR EFFEKTIVEN UMSETZUNG



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INVESTMENTS AT THE CORE OF ALLIANZ

One of the largest institutional investors...



...with local portfolios across the world





BUT: IT'S HARD TO ESCAPE "GRAVITY"



EUR 20y swap rate



THE LIFE OF AN INSURANCE INVESTOR

Investor type

Asset-only view

Sovereign wealth funds Family Offices Hedge Funds "Warren Buffet" type

Stake holder

- Investment Strategy Steering KPIs
- Risk / Return optimization
- Economic Value focus
- Long-termorientation
- Diversification

+ Liability considerations

Public Pension Funds
Private Pension funds

+ Policy Holder

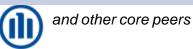
- + Cash Flow projections
- + Funding level
- + Regulation

~45% (t/o 28% Public Equity) + Insurance requirements

L/H and P/C insurers

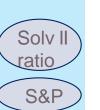
+ Regulator, Rating agencies

+ Listed company



+ Shareholder

- + Accounting (IFRS / local)
- + Risk Capital
- + Credit Rating



P&L Predictability & growth





Typical Real Asset quota

>60%

~10-15% (t/o 4% Public Equity)



ALTERNATIVE ASSETS ATTRACTIVE FOR INSURERS



Why are Alternatives a good fit for our portfolios?



Partner selection crucial for a successful strategy



Fighting gravity through illiquid and more complex assets



Attractive spreads relative to risk capital consumption



Long-term investment opportunities to match liability profile

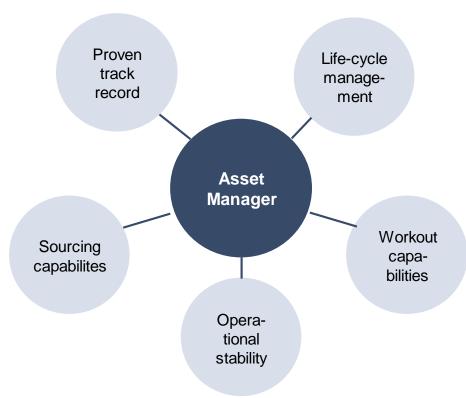


Low capital market correlation enhances portfolio diversification



Access to sustainable investments







EUR 70bn ~ 13% AuM

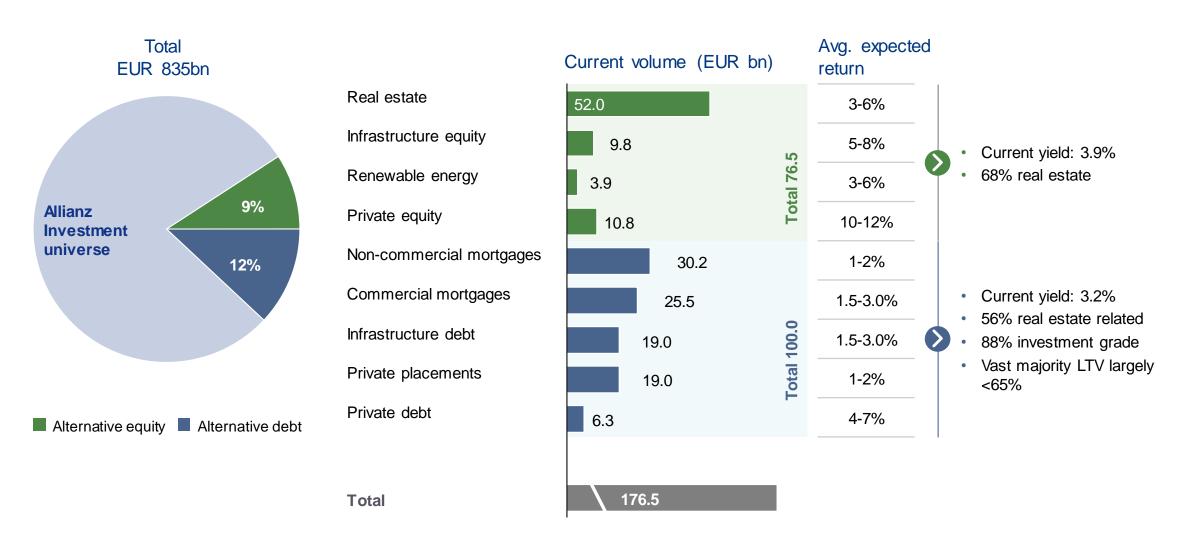
+ EUR >100bn

EUR 177bn ~ 21% AuM

2013 2020



ALTERNATIVES WITH GROWING IMPORTANCE



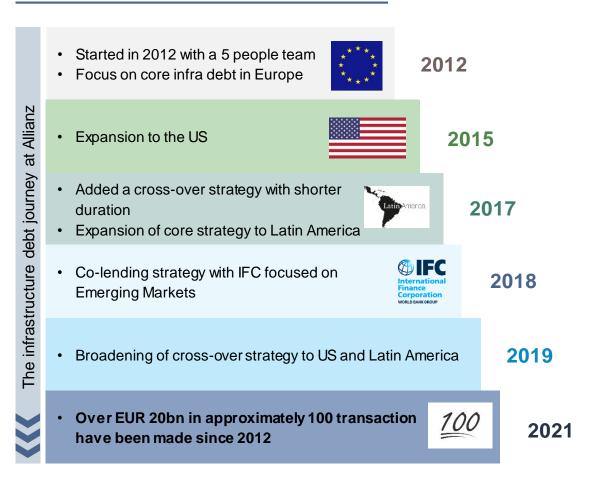
Values as of Q4 2020.



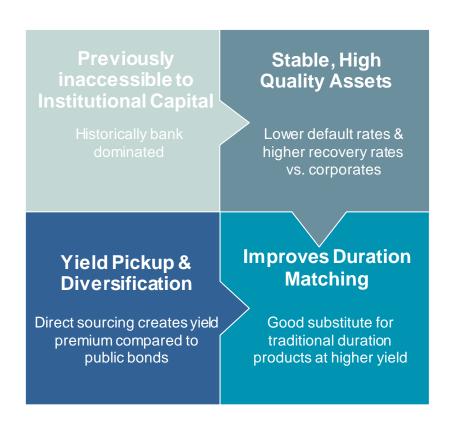
CASE STUDY I: INFRASTRUCTURE DEBT

What is it? Lending to projects backed by essential physical assets and stable contractual revenue streams

How are we approaching the asset class?



Why does it make sense for us?





CASE STUDY II: MIDDLE MARKET LENDING

What is it? Individually structured loans to mid-market companies (EBITDA 10-100mn) via best-in-class asset managers

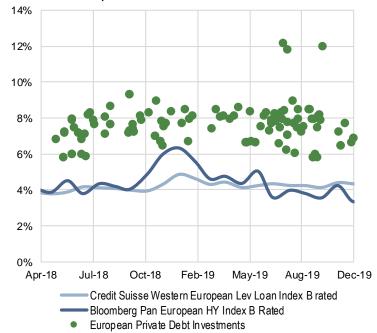
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Long-term partnership approach across cycles (started in 2007). Large allocations as one of the largest global private debt fund investors

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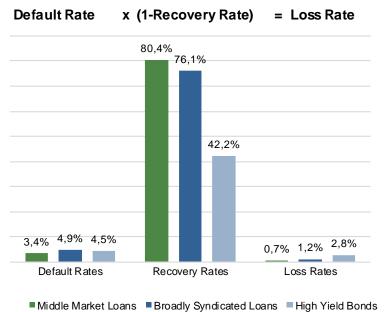
1. Attractive Returns

Credit spreads of European mid-market senior loans vs. comparable fixed-income indices



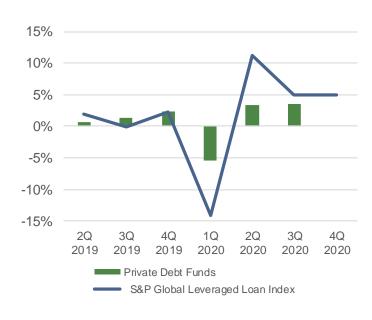
2. Downside protection

Average annual loss rates across middle market, syndicated loans and high-yield bonds (1988-2015)



3. Low volatility

Valuation comparison leveraged loans vs. private debt during COVID-19 pandemic





LESSONS LEARNED

