

# SEB Fund 1

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### A Word to Potential Investors

#### All investments involve risk

With these sub-funds, as with most investments, future performance may differ from past performance. There is no guarantee that any sub-fund will meet its objectives or achieve any particular level of performance.

Fund investments are not bank deposits. The value of your investment can go up and down, and you could lose some or all of your invested money. Levels of income could also go up or down (as a rate or in absolute terms). No subfund in this prospectus is intended as a complete investment plan, nor are all sub-funds appropriate for all investors.

Before investing in any sub-fund, you should understand its risks, costs and terms of investment, and how well these characteristics align with your own financial circumstances, investment horizon and risk tolerance.

As a potential investor, it is your responsibility to know and follow the laws and regulations that apply to you, including any foreign exchange restrictions, and to be aware of potential tax consequences. We recommend that you consult an investment adviser, legal adviser and tax adviser before investing.

Any difference among portfolio security currencies, unit class currencies, and your home currency may expose you to currency risk. If your home currency is different from your unit class currency, the performance you experience as an investor could be very different from the published performance of the unit class.

#### Who can invest in these sub-funds

Distributing this prospectus, offering these units for sale, or investing in these units is legal only where the units are registered for public sale or where sale is not prohibited by local law or regulation. This prospectus is not an offer or solicitation in any jurisdiction, or to any investor, where such a solicitation is not legally permitted.

Neither the FCP nor its units are registered with the US Securities and Exchange Commission or any other US entity, federal or otherwise. Therefore, unless the management company is satisfied that it would not constitute a violation of US securities laws, these units are not available to, or for the benefit of, US persons.

For more information on restrictions on unit ownership, or to request approval to invest in a class that has such restrictions, contact us (see "Base unit class characteristics" on page 32). Which information to rely on

In deciding whether to invest in a sub-fund, you should look at (and read completely) the most recent prospectus, the management regulations, and the KIIDs, along with the most recent financial reports. All of these documents are available online at <code>sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds</code>.

By buying units in any of these sub-funds, you are considered to accept the terms described in these documents.

The management company is not liable for any statements or information about the sub-funds or the FCP that is not contained in these documents. Information in this

prospectus, or any document about the FCP or sub-funds, may have changed since the publication date.

In case of any inconsistency in translations of this prospectus, the English version will prevail.

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# **Sub-Fund Descriptions**

All of the sub-funds described in this prospectus are part of the FCP, which functions as an umbrella structure for them. The FCP exists to offer investors access to professional investment management through a range of sub-funds, each aiming to maximise the increase of unitholders' capital while also practicing sound risk diversification and offering high liquidity of sub-fund units. By law, each subfund is permitted to invest as described in "Investment Powers and Restrictions", and equally is required to comply with the restrictions stated in that same section. However, each sub-fund also has its own investment policy, which is generally narrower than what is permitted by law. To a limited extent, a sub-fund may use investments and techniques not described in its investment policy so long as it is consistent with law and regulation, and with the portfolio's investment objective. Each sub-fund may also temporarily depart from its investment policy to address unusual market conditions or large unpredictable event. Descriptions of the specific investment objectives, main investments, and other key characteristics of each sub-fund begin on the next page.

The management company ensures that the FCP's sub-funds comply with its sustainability principles. These principles, as well as specific sustainability criteria for thematic sub-funds, may change over time. A current description of these principles is available on management company's Sustainability Policy. Unit class and dealing information appears in both "Sub-Fund Descriptions" and "Investing in the Sub-Funds".

The management company has overall responsibility for the FCP's business operations and its investment activities, including the investment activities of all of the sub-funds. The management company may delegate some of its functions to various service providers, such as investment management, distribution UCI administration. management company retains supervisory approval and control over its delegates.

More information about the FCP, the management company and the service providers is available beginning of page 34

Terms with specific meanings

Unless otherwise indicated, the terms below have the following meanings in this prospectus.

2010 Law The Luxembourg law of December 17, 2010 relating to Undertakings for Collective Investment, as amended.

base currency The currency in which a sub-fund does the accounting for its portfolio.

board The Board of Directors of the management company. business day Any day on which a sub-fund calculates a NAV, accepts requests for processing in units and processes such requests.

the FCP SEB Fund 1.

financial reports The annual report of the FCP, along with any semi-annual report that has been issued since the most recent annual report.

institutional investors Investors that qualify as institutional investors under article 175 of the 2010 Law or under the guidelines or recommendations of the CSSF, such as a credit institution, financial professional, insurance or reinsurance company, pension fund, holding company, investment scheme (wherever based or taxed) that is managed by a regulated management company, or other similar institution or undertaking. The institutional investor may be investing on its own behalf or on behalf of a third party.

KIID Key Investor Information Document.

the management company SEB Investment Management AB (as from 14 March 2025, SEB Investment Management AB's name will be changed to SEB Funds AB).

management regulations The Management Regulations of the FCP.

member state A member state of the EU or of the European

MiFID Directive 2014/65/EU and Regulation EU 600/2014 on markets in financial instruments and any EU or Luxembourg implementing laws and regulations.

NAV Net asset value per unit; the value of one unit of a unit

prospectus This document.

regulated market A regulated market within the meaning of Directive 2004/39/EC and Directive 2014/65/EU, or any other market in an eligible country that the board considers to be regulated, regularly operating, recognised, and open to the

SEB Group Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ) and its subsidiaries.

SFDR Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 of 27 November 2019 on sustainability- related disclosures in the financial services sector, as amended.

sub-fund A sub-fund of the FCP.

Taxonomy Regulation Regulation (EU) 2020/852 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 June 2020 on the establishment of a framework to facilitate sustainable investment, and amending Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

unit A unit of any sub-fund.

unit class A type of units in a sub-fund that share the same features such as minimum investments or fees.

US person As defined in Rule 902 of Regulation S under the US Securities Act of 1933. Examples include:

- •an individual who is a US citizen or resident
- other entity that is organised or incorporated under the laws of the

United States or

- any of its states, territories or possessions
- •a partnership, company or an estate or trust whose gross income is subject to US income tax

we, us The management company acting on behalf of the FCP or any service providers described in this prospectus except for the auditor and any distributors.

you Any past, current or prospective unitholder, or an agent for the same.

### SEB Asset Selection Fund

#### **Objectives and Investment Policy**

**Objective** To deliver, over time, an average annual return that is equal to the risk-free rate plus 5% and has average annual volatility of 10%.

**Benchmark** 3-Month Treasury Bill Return Index. For performance fee calculation only.

**Investment policy** Overall, the sub-fund gains exposure to one or more asset classes — such as bonds, equities and currencies — through either direct investment or derivatives. The sub-fund may also gain indirect exposure to commodities. The sub-fund may seek long or short positions in any asset class.

Some examples of assets the sub-fund may invest in, or gain exposure to, are: government or corporate bonds and other debt instruments such as fixed- and floating-rate bonds, convertible bonds and bonds with warrants equities and equity-related securities issued by companies of any size, sector and country, and traded on a regulated market currencies eligible financial indices (including eligible commodity indices)

In order to implement the investment policy and to achieve the investment objective of the sub-fund, the investment team intends to enter into one or more total return swaps (TRSs) on a continuous basis. It is expected that around 100 % of the sub-fund's net asset value will be subject to TRS with a maximum of up to 150%. TRSs will be entered into between the sub-fund and reliable financial institutions acting as a swap counterparty selected at the choice and discretion of the investment manager (process further described under "counterparties" on page 27)

TRSs are used to gain exposure to eligible financial indices such as SEB Cross Asset Trend Index, Bloomberg Commodity Index and S&P 500 Index, assets such as equities and bonds referred to above, financial derivatives such as futures, options, credit default swaps and forwards or baskets of such assets according to the sub-fund's investment policy and process. The baskets are selected by the investment team through a quantitative strategy as further described under "Investment process" and in line with the sub-fund's volatility target. Where applicable financial indices will typically rebalance on a weekly, monthly, quarterly or on a semi-annual basis, in accordance with the methodology of the relevant financial index. For more information about TRSs go to page 26.

For more information about each of the above indices please go to

- www.jpmorganindices.com for SEB Cross Asset Trend Index
- <u>www.bloomberg.com</u> for Bloomberg Commodity
- www.spglobal.com for S&P 500 Index

The sub-fund may have high notional leverage as a result of the exposure to derivatives, either directly or through one or more TRSs. The average leverage of the sub-fund is expected to be 800% but might vary depending on the current volatility of the market and the positioning of the sub-fund. Due to the sub-fund's volatility target of 10%, the leverage can fluctuate significantly depending on the

portfolio composition and which underlying assets the subfund is currently exposed to.

The expected average leverage is calculated based on the expected combined exposure to different type of assets while keeping a volatility target of 10 %. If, for instance, the volatility in the market is low and the investment strategy at the same time favours an allocation to low volatility assets (such as bonds), a higher leverage of between 800 - 1000% might occur in order to reach the targeted volatility of 10%. If on the other hand the markets are more volatile and the strategy at the same time favours an allocation to higher volatile asset classes (such as equities) the leverage required to reach the volatility target would be lower, most likely in the region of 200-800%. Consequently, leverage as calculated by the sum of the notionals approach will not be fully representative for the sub-fund's actual risk level, and shall be accompanied with a volatility target of 10%.

**Investment process** The investment team actively manages the sub-fund's holdings using a quantitative strategy that forecasts price evolution across various asset classes, determines long/short positions and manages overall risk from an absolute return perspective. The subfund is not managed in reference to a benchmark.

Sustainability approach The sub-fund considers ESG criteria when assessing investment risks and opportunities but may invest in issuers with low ESG profile. The subfund excludes or severely restricts direct investments in sectors such as fossil energy, tobacco, alcohol and gambling. Due to the type of assets in the sub-fund's investment universe it may not be possible for the sub-fund to consider principle adverse impacts on sustainability factors.

The investments underlying this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable investments as defined by the Taxonomy Regulation. However, it cannot be excluded that among a sub-fund's holdings certain investments are aligned with the Taxonomy Regulation criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

For more information about the management company's sustainability approach and the integration of sustainability risks, see page 20.

**Derivatives and techniques** The sub-fund may use derivatives extensively to achieve its investment objective as well as for hedging and other efficient portfolio management purposes.

Investment manager(s) SEB Asset Management AB.

**Base currency** EUR. Currency hedged unit classes available.

#### **Main Risks**

The risks below are divided according to how frequent (but not necessarily how significant) their effect may be on the sub-fund, including the value of its units or any distributions it pays. Any of these risks could occur at any time, and these are only the main risks, not a comprehensive listing.

In addition to the risks below, the sub-fund is subject to investment fund risk. This and other risks are described in "Risk Descriptions" beginning on page 18.

### Risks that commonly affect the sub-fund on an ongoing basis

Commodities Derivatives Leverage

Convertible Dynamic allocation Management securities Equity Market

Credit and default Hedging Short position Currency

### Risks that do not commonly affect the sub-fund but can be serious when they do

Counterparty Operational Legal Liquidity Standard practices Custody

Risk management method Absolute VaR.

**Expected average gross leverage** 800% (may fluctuate significantly but is not expected to be higher than 1000%)

#### **Planning Your Investment**

**Suitability** The sub-fund is available for sale with or without advice to professional and retail investors across all distribution channels.

**Designed for** Investors who understand the risks of the sub-fund and plan to invest for at least 5 years.

The sub-fund may appeal to any investors who have basic investment knowledge and: seek investment growth over time are looking for multi-asset class exposure to diversify an investment portfolio have a high risk tolerance and can bear substantial year-to-year volatility and temporary losses with respect to this investment

**Processing requests** Requests to buy, convert or redeem units are ordinarily processed any day banks are open in Luxembourg except 24 and 31 December.

**Timing of transactions** Requests received and accepted by 15:30 CET will ordinarily be processed the following business day, using a NAV based on values from the day on which the request was accepted Settlement occurs 1 business day after a request is processed. Note that your distributor may have a different cut-off or settlement times.

Types of units available Distribution units (which pay regular dividends) and accumulation units (which do not).

Performance fee High Water Mark Model

#### **MAIN UNIT CLASSES**

| Class  | Currer       | су | Minimum<br>initial<br>investment   | Manage-<br>ment<br>(max) | Perfor-<br>mance<br>fee |
|--------|--------------|----|------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| C, D   | EUR,<br>SEK  | H- | -                                  | 1.10%                    | 20%                     |
| IC, ID | EUR,<br>SEK¹ | H- | EUR 1 million<br>SEK 10<br>million | 0.55%                    | 20%                     |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Not launched yet. See "Fund Fees and Expenses" immediately following the last sub-fund description for a fuller explanation of the performance fee and other fees. For a current and complete listing of available unit classes, go to sebgroup.lu/private/ourfunds.

# **SEB Europe Equity Fund**

#### **Objectives and Investment Policy**

**Objective** To increase the value of your investment over time by outperforming the benchmark.

**Benchmark** MSCI Europe Net Return Index, a measure of performance of European companies that does not take into account ESG factors. *For performance comparison.* 

**Investment policy** The sub-fund invests mainly in equities from European companies.

Specifically, the sub-fund invests at least 85% of total net assets in equities and equity-related securities issued by companies of any size and sector in Europe, or traded on a regulated market there.

**Investment process** The investment team actively manages the sub-fund's holdings using a quantitative strategy that integrates sustainability themes to select companies that appear to offer the best potential for long-term capital growth. The majority of the sub-fund's holdings may be constituents of the benchmark but rather differ in weighting. However, the sub-fund's investment strategy does not aim to limit the extent to which the sub-fund's holdings deviate from the benchmark. The investment team is therefore not constrained by the benchmark.

The sub-fund promotes environmental or social characteristics, among other factors (SFDR art. 8 category).

For more information about: the sub-fund's sustainability approach, see Annex 1 at the end of the Prospectus. the management company's sustainability approach and the integration of sustainability risks, see page 20.

**Derivatives and techniques** The sub-fund may use derivatives to achieve its investment objectives as well as

for hedging and other efficient portfolio management purposes.

The sub-fund currently intends to use only core derivatives (see page 29).

**Investment manager(s)** SEB Asset Management AB. **Base currency** EUR.

#### **Main Risks**

The risks below are divided according to how frequent (but not necessarily how significant) their effect may be on the sub-fund, including the value of its units or any distributions it pays. Any of these risks could occur at any time, and these are only the main risks, not a comprehensive listing.

In addition to the risks below, the sub-fund is subject to investment fund risk. This and other risks are described in "Risk Descriptions" beginning on page 18.

Risks that commonly affect the sub-fund on an ongoing basis

Currency Equity Management
Derivatives Hedging Market

Risks that do not commonly affect the sub-fund but can be serious when they do

Counterparty Operational
Liquidity Standard practices

Risk management method Commitment.

#### **Planning Your Investment**

**Suitability** The sub-fund is available for sale with or without advice to professional and retail investors across all distribution channels.

**Designed for** Investors who understand the risks of the sub-fund and plan to invest for at least 5 years.

The sub-fund may appeal to any investors who have basic investment knowledge and: seek investment growth over time are looking for exposure to European equities, either as a core position or for diversification, while favouring a sustainable investment have a medium to high risk tolerance and can bear a substantial temporary loss with respect to this investment

Tax eligibility German Investment Tax 2018 (GITA) as an equity fund (Aktienfonds).

**Processing requests** Requests to buy, convert or redeem units are ordinarily processed any day banks are open in Luxembourg except 24 and 31 December.

**Timing of transactions** Requests received and accepted by 15:30 CET will ordinarily be processed the following business day, using a NAV based on values from the day on which the request was accepted.

Settlement occurs 1 business day after a request is processed. Note that your distributor may have a different cut-off and/or settlement times.

Types of units available Distribution units (which pay regular dividends) and accumulation units (which do not).

Performance fee N/A.

#### **MAIN UNIT CLASSES**

| Clas<br>s | Currency | Minimum initial investment | Management<br>(max) | Performance fee |
|-----------|----------|----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| C, D      | EUR      | _                          | 1.50%               | _               |

See "Fund Fees and Expenses" immediately following the last sub-fund description for a fuller explanation of the performance fee and other fees. For a current and complete listing of available unit classes, go to sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds.

# **SEB Global Climate Opportunity Fund**

#### **Objectives and Investment Policy**

**Objective** To increase the value of your investment over time while seeking to create a positive climate impact to achieve, *inter alia*, the long-term objective of the Paris agreement.

Benchmark MSCI AC World Net Return Index, a measure of performance of developed and emerging market companies that does not take into account ESG factors and is not aligned with the sustainable objective of the subfund. For performance comparison.

**Investment policy** The sub-fund invests mainly in equities of companies from anywhere in the world, including emerging markets.

Specifically, the sub-fund invests at least 85% of total net assets in equities and equity-related securities issued by companies of any size, sector and country, and traded on a regulated market.

Investment process The investment team actively manages the sub-fund's holdings and identifies companies that contribute to its sustainable objective, such as mitigation of, or adaption to, climate change. Typical examples include companies involved in renewable energy, energy efficiency, and those engaged in significant carbon emission reduction efforts in line with the long-term objective of the Paris Agreement on climate change mitigation. The team then uses a quantitative strategy to select companies that appear to offer the best potential for long- term capital growth. The sub-fund's investment strategy does not aim to limit the extent to which the sub-fund's holdings deviate from the benchmark. The investment team is therefore not constrained by the benchmark.

The sub-fund has sustainable investment as its objective, (SFDR art. 9 category).

For more information about: the sub-fund's sustainability approach, see Annex I at the end of the Prospectus the

management company's sustainability approach, see page 23

**Derivatives and techniques** The sub-fund may use derivatives to achieve its investment objective as well as for hedging and other efficient portfolio management purposes.

The sub-fund currently intends to use only core derivatives (see page 29).

Investment manager(s) SEB Asset Management AB Base currency EUR.

#### **Main Risks**

The risks below are divided according to how frequent (but not necessarily how significant) their effect may be on the sub-fund, including the value of its units or any distributions it pays. Any of these risks could occur at any time, and these are only the main risks, not a comprehensive listing.

In addition to the risks below, the sub-fund is subject to investment fund risk. This and other risks are described in "Risk Descriptions" beginning on page 18.

### Risks that commonly affect the sub-fund on an ongoing basis

Currency Equity Management
Derivatives Hedging Market

Risks that do not commonly affect the sub-fund but can be serious when they do

Counterparty Operational
Liquidity Standard practices

Risk management method Commitment

#### **Planning Your Investment**

**Suitability** The sub-fund is available for sale with or without advice to professional and retail investors across all distribution channels.

**Designed for** Investors who understand the risks of the sub-fund and plan to invest for at least 5 years.

The sub-fund may appeal to any investors who have basic investment knowledge and: seek investment growth over time while favouring sustainable investing are looking for exposure to global equities, either as a core position or for diversification have a high risk tolerance and can bear a substantial temporary loss with respect to this investment

Tax eligibility German Investment Tax 2018 (GITA) as an equity fund (Aktienfonds).

**Processing requests** Requests to buy, convert or redeem units are ordinarily processed any day banks are open in Luxembourg except 24 and 31 December.

**Timing of transactions** Requests received and accepted by 15:30 CET will ordinarily be processed that day, using a NAV based on values from that day.

Settlement occurs one (1) business day after a request is processed. Note that your distributor may have a different cut-off and/or settlement times.

Types of units available Distribution units (which pay regular dividends) and accumulation units (which do not).

Performance fee N/A.

#### MAIN UNIT CLASSES

| Clas<br>s | Curren<br>cy | Minimum<br>initial<br>investment   | Manage-<br>ment<br>(max) | Perfor-<br>mance fee |
|-----------|--------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| С         | EUR          | _                                  | 1.50%                    | -                    |
| С         | SEK          | -                                  | 1.50%                    | _                    |
| D         | EUR,<br>SEK  | -                                  | 1.50%                    | -                    |
| IC, ID    | EUR,<br>SEK  | EUR 1 million<br>SEK 10<br>million | 0.90%                    | -                    |

See "Fund Fees and Expenses" immediately following the last sub-fund description for a fuller explanation of the performance fee and other fees. For a current and complete listing of available unit classes, go to sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds.

# **SEB Europe Exposure Fund**

#### **Objectives and Investment Policy**

**Objective** To increase the value of your investment over time by tracking as closely as possible the return of the benchmark.

**Benchmark** MSCI Europe Index, a measure of performance of European companies that does not take into account ESG factors. Further information on the Index can be found at: <a href="https://www.msci.com/">https://www.msci.com/</a>. For tracking and performance comparison.

**Investment policy** The sub-fund invests in equities of companies that are in the benchmark while excluding those that do not comply with the sub-fund's strict sustainability exclusion criteria.

Specifically, the sub-fund generally uses a physical replication strategy. The sub-fund may also invest in ETFs whose investment policies are largely aligned with its investment policy.

Investment process The investment team passively manages the sub-fund's holdings by seeking to track, without replicating the performance of the benchmark. The majority of the sub-fund's holdings are constituents of the benchmark and may be similar in weighting but due to the sub-fund's sustainability exclusion criteria, deviation from the benchmark will occur. Nevertheless, the difference in performance (tracking error) is expected to be low.

The sub-fund promotes environmental or social characteristics, among other factors (SFDR art. 8 category).

For more information about: the sub-fund's sustainability approach, see Annex I at the end of the Prospectus the management company's sustainability approach and the integration of sustainability risks, see page 20

**Derivatives and techniques** The sub-fund may use derivatives to achieve its investment objectives as well as

for hedging and other efficient portfolio management purposes.

The sub-fund currently intends to use only core derivatives (see page 29).

Investment manager(s) SEB Asset Management AB.

Base currency EUR. Currency hedged unit classes available.

#### **Main Risks**

The risks below are divided according to how frequent (but not necessarily how significant) their effect may be on the sub-fund, including the value of its units or any distributions it pays. Any of these risks could occur at any time, and these are only the main risks, not a comprehensive listing.

In addition to the risks below, the sub-fund is subject to investment fund risk. This and other risks are described in "Risk Descriptions" beginning on page 18.

### Risks that commonly affect the sub-fund on an ongoing basis

Concentration Equity Management
Currency Hedging Market

Derivatives Indexing

Risks that do not commonly affect the sub-fund but can be serious when they do

Counterparty Operational Liquidity Standard practices

Risk management method Commitment

#### **Planning Your Investment**

**Suitability** The sub-fund is available for sale with or without advice to professional and retail investors across all distribution channels.

**Designed for** Investors who understand the risks of the sub-fund and plan to invest for at least 5 years.

The sub-fund may appeal to any investors who have basic investment knowledge and: seek investment growth over time by following the performance of the benchmark are looking for exposure to European equities, either as a core position or for diversification, while favouring a sustainable investment have a high risk tolerance and can bear a substantial temporary loss with respect to this investment

**Processing requests** Requests to buy, convert or redeem units are ordinarily processed any day banks are open in Luxembourg except 24 and 31 December.

**Timing of transactions** Requests received and accepted by 15:30 CET will ordinarily be processed the following business day, using a NAV based on values from the day on which the request was accepted.

Settlement occurs 1 business day after a request is processed. Note that your distributor may have a different cut-off and/or settlement times.

Types of units available Distribution units (which pay regular dividends) and accumulation units (which do not).

Performance fee N/A.

#### **MAIN UNIT CLASSES**

| Clas<br>s | Currency      | Minimum<br>initial<br>investment | Manage-<br>ment<br>(max) | Perfor-<br>mance fee |
|-----------|---------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| С         | EUR,<br>H-SEK | -                                | 0.40%                    | -                    |
| IC        | EUR           | 10 million                       | 0.40%                    | _                    |
| ID        | SEK           | _                                | 0.40%                    | _                    |

See "Fund Fees and Expenses" immediately following the last sub-fund description for a fuller explanation of the performance fee and other fees. For a current and complete listing of available unit classes, go to sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds.

### SEB Global Focus Fund

#### **Objectives and Investment Policy**

**Objective** To increase the value of your investment over time by outperforming the benchmark.

**Benchmark** MSCI AC World Net Return Index, a measure of performance of developed and emerging market companies that does not take into account ESG factors. *For performance comparison.* 

**Investment policy** The sub-fund invests mainly in equities of companies from anywhere in the world, including emerging markets

Specifically, the sub-fund invests at least 85% of total net assets in equities and equity-related securities issued by companies of any size, sector and country, and traded on a regulated market.

The sub-fund has the possibility to invest up to 5% in China A-shares via the Stock Connect program.

Investment process The investment team actively manages the sub-fund's holdings using a fundamental strategy to select companies that appear to offer the best potential for long-term capital growth. The majority of the sub-fund's holdings may be constituents of the benchmark, but rather differ in weighting. However, the sub-fund's investment strategy does not aim to limit the extent to which the sub-fund's holdings deviate from the benchmark and the investment team is therefore not constrained by the benchmark.

The sub-fund promotes environmental or social characteristics, among other factors (SFDR art. 8 category).

For more information about:

the sub-fund's sustainability approach, see Annex I at the end of the Prospectus

the management company's sustainability approach and the integration of sustainability risks, see page 20

**Derivatives and techniques** The sub-fund may use derivatives to achieve its investment objectives as well as for hedging and other efficient portfolio management purposes.

The sub-fund currently intends to use only core derivatives (see page 29).

**Investment manager(s)** SEB Asset Management AB. **Base currency** USD.

#### **Main Risks**

The risks below are divided according to how frequent (but not necessarily how significant) their effect may be on the sub-fund, including the value of its units or any distributions it pays. Any of these risks could occur at any time, and these are only the main risks, not a comprehensive listing.

In addition to the risks below, the sub-fund is subject to investment fund risk. This and other risks are described in "Risk Descriptions" beginning on page 18.

Risks that commonly affect the sub-fund on an ongoing basis

Currency Equity Management
Derivatives Hedging Market

Risks that do not commonly affect the sub-fund but can be serious when they do

Counterparty Operational
Liquidity Standard practices

Risk management method Commitment.

#### **Planning Your Investment**

**Suitability** The sub-fund is available for sale with or without advice to professional and retail investors across all distribution channels.

**Designed for** Investors who understand the risks of the sub-fund and plan to invest for at least 5 years.

The sub-fund may appeal to any investors who have basic investment knowledge and: seek investment growth over time are looking for exposure to global equities, either as a core position or for diversification, while favouring a defensive strategy have a medium to high risk tolerance and can bear a substantial temporary loss with respect to this investment

**Processing requests** Requests to buy, convert or redeem units are ordinarily processed any day banks are open in Luxembourg except 24 and 31 December.

**Timing of transactions** Requests received and accepted by 15:30 CET will ordinarily be processed the following business day, using a NAV based on values from the day on which the request was accepted.

Settlement occurs 1 business days after a request is processed. Note that your distributor may have a different cut-off and/or settlement times.

**Types of units available** Distribution units (which pay regular dividends) and accumulation units (which do not).

Performance fee N/A.

#### **MAIN UNIT CLASSES**

| Clas<br>s | Currency         | Minimum<br>initial<br>investment   | Manage-<br>ment<br>(max) | Perfor-<br>mance fee |
|-----------|------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| С         | EUR, NOK,<br>USD | -                                  | 1.75%                    | -                    |
| D         | USD              | _                                  | 1.75%                    | _                    |
| IC        | EUR, SEK         | EUR 1 million<br>SEK 10<br>million | 0.75%                    | -                    |

See ""Fund Fees and Expenses" immediately following the last sub-fund description for a fuller explanation of the performance fee and other fees. For a current and complete listing of available unit classes, go to sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds.

# **SEB Nordic Future Opportunity Fund**

#### **Objectives and Investment Policy**

**Objective** To increase the value of your investment over time while seeking to create a positive environmental and social impact to achieve, inter alia, the long-term objectives of the Paris Agreement,

**Benchmark** VINX Benchmark Cap Net Return Index, a measure of performance of Nordic companies that does not take into account ESG factors and is not aligned with the sustainable objective of the sub-fund. For performance comparison and performance fee calculation.

**Investment policy** The sub-fund invests mainly in equities ranging from small to large Nordic companies.

Specifically, the sub-fund invests at least 75% of total net assets in equities and equity-related securities issued by companies of any sector in the European Economic Area (EEA), or traded on a regulated market there, while concentrating on the Nordic region (Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden).

Investment process The investment team actively manages the sub-fund's holdings in reference to the benchmark by using a fundamental investment process to evaluate a company's management of sustainability risks and opportunities in conjunction with the company's potential to deliver long-term capital growth. The sub-fund's investment strategy does not aim to limit the extent to which the sub-fund's holdings deviate from the benchmark and the investment team is therefore not constrained by the benchmark.

When considering investments, specific themes are identified, which are deemed to contribute to its sustainable investment objective and are aligned with the Paris Agreement's, UN SDG:s, EU Taxonomy, and/or EU Green Deal long-term objectives. These themes include, but are not limited to:

#### • Energy transition

Companies that provide an alternative to fossil fuel-based resources, like renewable energy, produce bio-based materials as alternatives to finite resources or contribute to more efficient water infrastructure and responsible water use.

#### Resource efficiency and circularity

Companies that adhere to a systemic approach and provide more environmentally friendly solutions by designing out waste and pollution, keeping products and materials in use by efficiently managing resources, and regenerating natural systems.

#### • Sustainable mobility

Companies that offer sustainable mobility and infrastructure solutions, enabling and meeting sustainability challenges such as urban mobility,

sustainable buildings, sharing solutions for buildings and vehicles, and electric vehicles.

#### Healthy societies

Companies that enable the transition to plant-based nutrition and ensure long-term biodiversity or improve the societal level of health, safety, and education by increasing access to it, making it equitable and more efficient.

Focus is on companies ranging from growth stage, to larger companies with enabling technologies that contribute significantly to the mentioned themes.

The sub-fund has sustainable investment as its objective, (SFDR art. 9 category).

For more information about:

the sub-fund's sustainability approach, see Annex I at the end of the Prospectus

the management company's sustainability approach and the integration of sustainability risks, see page 20

**Derivatives and techniques** The sub-fund may use derivatives to achieve its investment objectives as well as for hedging and other efficient portfolio management purposes.

The sub-fund currently intends to use only core derivatives (see page 29).

**Investment manager(s)** SEB Asset Management AB. **Base currency** EUR.

#### **Main Risks**

The risks below are divided according to how frequent (but not necessarily how significant) their effect may be on the sub-fund, including the value of its units or any distributions it pays. Any of these risks could occur at any time, and these are only the main risks, not a comprehensive listing.

In addition to the risks below, the sub-fund is subject to investment fund risk. This and other risks are described in "Risk Descriptions" beginning on page 18.

### Risks that commonly affect the sub-fund on an ongoing basis

Concentration Equity Management
Currency Hedging Market

Derivatives Small and mid-cap equity

### Risks that do not commonly affect the sub-fund but can be serious when they do

Counterparty Operational

Liquidity Standard practices

Risk management method Commitment.

#### **Planning Your Investment**

**Suitability** The sub-fund is available for sale with or without advice to professional and retail investors across all distribution channels.

**Designed for** Investors who understand the risks of the sub-fund and plan to invest for at least 5 years.

The sub-fund may appeal to any investors who have basic investment knowledge and:

seek investment growth over time

are looking for exposure to Nordic equities, either as a core position or for diversification, while favouring a sustainable investment

have a high risk tolerance and can bear a substantial temporary loss with respect to this investment

Tax eligibility PEA (French Plan d'Epargne en Actions).

**Processing requests** Requests to buy, convert or redeem units are ordinarily processed any day banks are open in Luxembourg except 24 and 31 December.

**Timing of transactions** Requests received and accepted by 15:30 CET will ordinarily be processed the following business day, using a NAV based on values from the day on which the request was accepted.

Settlement occurs 1 business day after a request is processed. Note that your distributor may have a different cut-off and/or settlement times.

**Types of units available** Accumulation units (which do not pay regular dividends).

Performance fee Benchmark model.

#### **MAIN UNIT CLASSES**

| Cla<br>ss | Currency         | Minimum<br>initial<br>investment | Manage-<br>ment<br>(max) | Perfor-<br>mance fee<br>(max) |
|-----------|------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| С         | EUR, NOK,<br>SEK | -                                | 1.20%                    | 15%                           |
| IC        | EUR              | 1 million                        | 0.85%                    | 15%                           |
| IC        | SEK              | 10 million                       | 0.85%                    | 15%                           |

See "Fund Fees and Expenses" immediately following the last sub-fund description for a fuller explanation of the performance fee and other fees. For a current and complete listing of available unit classes, go to sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds.

### SEB US Focus Core Fund

#### **Objectives and Investment Policy**

**Objective** To increase the value of your investment over time by outperforming the benchmark.

**Benchmark** Russell 1000 Net Return Index, a measure of performance of US companies that does not take into account ESG factors. *For performance comparison.* 

**Investment policy** The sub-fund invests mainly in equities from companies in the United States of America (USA).

the sub-fund invests at least 85% of total net assets in equities and equity-related securities issued by companies of any size and sector in the USA, or traded on a regulated market there, with a specific focus on core companies.

Investment process The investment team actively manages the sub-fund's holdings using a fundamental strategy to select companies that appear to offer the best potential for long-term capital growth. The majority of the sub-fund-s holdings may be constituents of the benchmark, but rather differ in weighting. However, the sub-fund's investment strategy does not aim to limit the extent to which the sub-fund's holdings deviate from the benchmark and the investment team is therefore not constrained by the benchmark.

The sub-fund promotes environmental or social characteristics, among other factors (SFDR art. 8 category).

For more information about:

the sub-fund's sustainability approach, see Annex I at the end of the Prospectus

the management company's sustainability approach and the integration of sustainability risks, see page 20 **Derivatives and techniques** The sub-fund may use derivatives to achieve its investment objectives as well as for hedging and other efficient portfolio management purposes.

The sub-fund currently intends to use only core derivatives (see page 29).

Investment manager(s) Aristotle Atlantic Partners, LLC Base currency USD.

#### **Main Risks**

The risks below are divided according to how frequent (but not necessarily how significant) their effect may be on the sub-fund, including the value of its units or any distributions it pays. Any of these risks could occur at any time, and these are only the main risks, not a comprehensive listing.

In addition to the risks below, the sub-fund is subject to investment fund risk. This and other risks are described in "Risk Descriptions" beginning on page 18.

### Risks that commonly affect the sub-fund on an ongoing basis

Concentration Equity Management
Derivatives Hedging Market

### Risks that do not commonly affect the sub-fund but can be serious when they do

Counterparty Operational Liquidity Standard practices

Risk management method Commitment.

#### **Planning Your Investment**

**Suitability** The sub-fund is available for sale with or without advice to professional and retail investors across all distribution channels.

**Designed for** Investors who understand the risks of the sub-fund and plan to invest for at least 5 years.

The sub-fund may appeal to any investors who have basic investment knowledge and: seek investment growth over time are looking for exposure to US equities, either as a core position or for diversification have a high risk tolerance and can bear a substantial temporary loss with respect to this investment

**Processing requests** Requests to buy, convert or redeem units are ordinarily processed any day banks are open in Luxembourg except 24 and 31 December.

**Timing of transactions** Requests received and accepted by 15:30 CET will ordinarily be processed that day, using a NAV based on values from that day.

Settlement occurs one (1) business day after a request is processed. Note that your distributor may have a different cut-off and/or settlement times.

**Types of units available** Accumulation units (which do not pay regular dividends).

Performance fee N/A.

#### **MAIN UNIT CLASSES**

| Clas<br>s | Curren<br>cy | Minimum initial investment | Manage-<br>ment<br>(max) | Perfor-<br>mance fee |
|-----------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| С         | EUR, USD     | ) –                        | 1.50%                    | -                    |
| D         | EUR          | _                          | 1.50%                    | _                    |
| IC        | EUR, USD     | 5 million                  | 0.90%                    | _                    |

See "Fund Fees and Expenses" immediately following the last sub-fund description for a fuller explanation of the performance fee and other fees. For a current and complete listing of available unit classes, go to sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds.

# SEB Montrusco Bolton Global Equity Fund

#### **Objectives and Investment Policy**

**Objective** To increase the value of your investment over time by outperforming the benchmark.

**Benchmark** MSCI AC World Net Return Index, a measure of performance of developed and emerging market companies that does not take into account ESG factors. For performance comparison.

**Investment policy** The sub-fund invests mainly in equities of companies from anywhere in the world, including emerging markets, which will not exceed 20%.

Specifically, the sub-fund invests at least 85% of its total net assets in equities issued by companies of any size and sector and country and traded on a regulated market there.

The sub-fund may also invest in assets as indicated in the "Permitted assets, techniques and transactions" section of the Prospectus.

**Investment process** The investment team actively manages the sub-fund's holdings using a fundamental strategy to select quality companies with good forward growth potential. The majority of the sub-fund's holdings may be constituents of the benchmark, but rather differ in weighting. However, the sub-fund's investment strategy does not aim to limit the extent to which the sub-fund's holdings deviate from the benchmark and the investment team is therefore not constrained by the benchmark.

The sub-fund promotes environmental or social characteristics, among other factors (SFDR art. 8 category). For more information about: the sub-fund's sustainability approach, see Annex I at the end of the Prospectus.

**Derivatives and techniques** The sub-fund does not intend to use derivatives to achieve its investment objectives as well as for hedging and other efficient portfolio management purposes.

**Investment manager(s)** Montrusco Bolton Investments Inc.

Base currency USD.

#### **Main Risks**

The risks below are divided according to how frequent (but not necessarily how significant) their effect may be on the sub-fund, including the value of its units or any distributions it pays. Any of these risks could occur at any time, and these are only the main risks, not a comprehensive listing.

In addition to the risks below, the sub-fund is subject to investment fund risk. This and other risks are described in "Risk Descriptions" beginning on page 18.

### Risks that commonly affect the sub-fund on an ongoing basis

Currency Equity Management
Derivatives Hedging Market
Emerging markets risk

Risks that do not commonly affect the sub-fund but can be serious when they do

Counterparty Operational Liquidity Standard practices

Risk management method Commitment.

#### **Planning Your Investment**

**Suitability** The sub-fund is available for sale with or without advice to professional and retail investors across all distribution channels.

**Designed for** Investors who understand the risks of the sub-fund and plan to invest for at least 5 years.

The sub-fund may appeal to any investors who have basic investment knowledge and: seek investment growth over time are looking for exposure to global equities, either as a core position or for diversification, while favouring a sustainable investment have a medium to high risk tolerance and can bear a substantial temporary loss with respect to this investment.

**Processing requests** Requests to buy, convert or redeem units are ordinarily processed any day banks are open in Luxembourg except 24 and 31 December.

**Timing of transactions** Requests received and accepted by 15:30 CET will ordinarily be processed that day, using a NAV based on values from that day.

Settlement occurs one (1) business day after a request is processed. Note that your distributor may have a different cut-off and/or settlement times

Types of units available Distribution units (which pay regular dividends) and accumulation units (which do not pay regular dividends).

Performance fee N/A.

#### **MAIN UNIT CLASSES**

| Class       | Currency           | Minimum<br>initial<br>investment      | Management<br>(max) | Performance<br>fee |
|-------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| C, D        | USD, EUR*,<br>SEK* | -                                     | 1.50%               | -                  |
| IC1,<br>ID1 | SEK*               | USD/EUR 1 million;<br>SEK 10 million  | 0.90%               | _                  |
| IC2,<br>ID2 | USD, EUR*,<br>SEK* | USD/EUR 10 million<br>SEK 100 million | <sup>;</sup> 0.75%  | -                  |

\*Only unit classes in USD will be activated at the launch of the sub-fund, while the unit classes in EUR and SEK will be activated at the discretion of the management company.

See "Fund Fees and Expenses" immediately following the last sub-fund description for a fuller explanation of the performance fee and other fees. For a current and complete listing of available unit classes, go to sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds.

### **Fund Fees and Expenses**

See "Sub-Fund Descriptions" for sub-fund and unit class specific cost information.

#### General

The charges you pay as an investor in the sub-fund go to cover sub-fund operating costs, including marketing and distribution costs. These ongoing charges reduce the performance of your investment.

The sub-funds do not charge entry or exit fees. However, such fees may be charged by intermediaries in some markets. We advise that you consult your local distributor.

#### Management fee and other expenses

These charges are the same for all unitholders of a given unit class. The management fee is accrued daily and paid monthly in arrears to the management company.

#### Expenses included in the management fee

- fees of the management company, which in turn pays the fees of the investment manager, the global distributor, the depositary (including charges for local correspondents) and the administrative agent
- · risk and compliance monitoring
- all other costs associated with operation and distribution, including expenses incurred by the management company and all service providers

#### Expenses not included in the management fee

fees for research costs (limited to 0.20% of total net assets per year for each sub-fund) standard brokerage and bank charges incurred on business transactions and securities trades settlement and collateral-related costs fees and expenses of professional firms, such as the auditors government and regulatory expenses, such as CSSF fees any country-specific expenses, such as registration fees and local tax reporting all taxes and duties, such as the Luxembourg taxe d'abonnement and any withholding taxes due on portfolio investments, as well as tax reporting costs to various jurisdictions, such as those where units are offered for sale (see "Taxes paid from sub-fund assets" below)

expenses connected with publications and information to investors, such NAVs disclosure and the provision of KIIDs extraordinary expenses, such as any legal or other expertise needed to defend the interests of unitholders

Recurring expenses will be charged first against current income, then against realised capital gains, and lastly against capital. Each sub-fund and unit class pays all costs it incurs directly and also pays its pro rata share (based on net asset value) of costs not attributable to a specific subfund or unit class. For each unit class whose currency is different from the base currency of the sub-fund, all costs associated with maintaining the separate unit class currency (such as currency hedging costs) will be charged to that unit class.

All expenses that are paid from unitholder assets are reflected in NAV calculations, and the actual amounts paid are documented in the FCP's annual reports. Expenses are calculated each business day for each sub-fund and unit class.

For sub-funds and unit classes that pay fees directly to the management company, investment manager or any other

service provider, the above fees are correspondingly reduced.

The fact that the operating and administrative expenses are a fixed percentage means that the management company is entitled to keep any portion of the fee that remains unused at the end of the financial year and is obligated to cover any overages that exceed the fee amount.

A sub-fund investing in another sub-fund or a target fund may lead to the duplication of some costs such as management fees, except when the other sub-fund is identified as an SEB fund.

#### Performance fee

General description A performance fee is charged only on certain sub-funds and unit classes, and only when a unit class of a sub-fund outperforms its performance benchmark (a measure of relevant market performance, such as an index). For each sub-fund that has a performance fee, the benchmark and the percentage of outperformance that is paid as a fee, as well as the method used for calculating the fee, are all indicated in "Sub-Fund Descriptions". For each unit class, the total fee paid is the performance fee per unit multiplied by the number of units in existence over the measurement period. Performance fees are paid out of sub-fund assets, as attributable to each relevant unit class.

All costs of sub-fund operations (which reduce sub-fund performance) are deducted before performance fees are calculated. For distribution units, any distributions paid out are counted as part of performance for purposes of performance fee calculation. Swing pricing or other adjustments intended to mitigate the effects of transaction volumes or costs are not counted in performance fee calculations. The performance fee is calculated separately for each unit class of each sub-fund. Because different unit classes of a given sub-fund may have different NAVs, the actual performance fees paid may vary by unit class.

**Calculation methods** The FCP uses the methods called "Benchmark Model" and "High Water Mark Model".

#### **Benchmark Model**

This fee is calculated daily. The benchmark used for calculation can be an index or an interest rate (fixed or variable). To calculate the hurdle value, we perform the following calculation, at the unit class level:

### Last performance fee NAV x Current benchmark Benchmark at last performance fee NAV

The result of this calculation is the hurdle value. The last performance fee NAV is the unit class NAV at the last time a performance fee was crystallised (when a performance fee crystallises, it becomes payable and non-refundable). The current benchmark is the benchmark for the performance fee calculation day. The benchmark at last performance fee NAV is the level of the benchmark at the last time a performance fee was crystallised.

Next, we subtract the hurdle value from the base NAV (the unit class NAV for that day, after the deduction of any management fee accrued, but prior to any adjustment for dividends paid, performance fees paid, corporate actions, or swing pricing). If the result is zero or negative, the unit class has failed to outperform the hurdle value, and no performance fee is paid.

If the result is positive, it indicates the amount of excess performance. We then perform the following calculation:

Excess performance x Performance fee rate Performance fee per unit

For each unit class, the total fee paid is the performance fee per unit multiplied by the number of units in existence on the calculation day before any subscriptions and redemptions with trade date equal to that day.

#### Performance fee accrual, crystallisation and payment

Any performance fee is accrued on a daily basis and accrued fees are crystallised at the end of the financial year. Performance fees will also crystallise, in due proportions, on any valuation day for which the relevant sub-fund experience net redemptions i.e., if the value of the redemptions exceed the value of the subscriptions. In this case, the performance fees will only crystallise for the sum of the net redemptions.

Performance fees are usually paid in the following month of the crystallisation date. The reference period for the performance fee encompasses the whole life cycle of the relevant sub-fund.

**Performance fee scenarios** These scenarios are illustrative only and do not intend to reflect any past performance or potential future performance.

Scenario 1 The unit class has increased in value and has outperformed the benchmark since the last performance fee NAV, in which case a performance fee is accrued:

Performance fee rate = 10%

Number of units = 10,000

Base NAV = EUR 180

Last performance fee NAV = EUR 170

Current benchmark = EUR 320

Benchmark at last performance fee NAV = EUR 310

Hurdle rate = EUR 170 x EUR 320/EUR 310 = EUR 175.440

As the base NAV value is higher than the hurdle rate, a performance fee is due:

Performance fee per unit = (Base NAV - hurdle rate) x performance fee rate = (EUR 180 - EUR 175.440) x 10% = EUR 0.456

Total performance fee = performance fee per unit x number of units =  $0.912 \times 10,000 = EUR 9,120$ 

Scenario 2 The unit class has increased in value but has underperformed the benchmark since the last performance fee NAV, in which case no performance fee is accrued:

Performance fee rate = 10%

Number of units = 10,000

Base NAV = EUR 180

Last performance fee NAV = EUR 175

Current benchmark = EUR 320

Benchmark at last performance fee NAV = EUR 290

Hurdle rate = EUR 175 x EUR 320/EUR 290 = EUR 193.025

As the base NAV is lower than the hurdle rate, no performance fee is due.

Scenario 3 The unit class has decreased in value but has outperformed the benchmark since the last performance fee NAV, in which case a performance fee is accrued:

Performance fee rate = 10%

Number of units = 10,000

Base NAV = EUR 170

Last performance fee NAV = EUR 180

Current benchmark = EUR 290

Benchmark at last performance fee NAV = EUR 310

Hurdle rate = EUR 180 x EUR 290/EUR 310 = EUR 168.387

As the base NAV value is higher than the hurdle rate, a performance fee is due:

Performance fee per unit = (Base NAV - hurdle rate) x performance fee rate = (EUR 170 - EUR 168.387) x 10% = EUR 0.161

Total performance fee = performance fee per unit x number of units = 0.161 x 10,000 = EUR 1,61.

It should be noted that in the given scenario a performance fee is due even if a unit class has decreased in value, but this will only occur when the unit class at the same time is outperforming the benchmark.

#### **High Water Mark Model**

On any business day, we first perform the following calculation:

X = Unit class high water mark x Current benchmark

Benchmark high water mark

#### Whereby:

Unit class high water mark The unit class high water mark is the unit class NAV at inception (meaning inception of the unit class or the performance fee, as applicable) or the last NAV when a performance fee was accrued, whichever is greater

Current benchmark The level of the benchmark on the day of the calculation

Benchmark high water mark The level of the benchmark on the same day as the last unit class high water mark

We compare the X value to the unit class high water mark. Whichever is greater becomes the hurdle value

The next step is to subtract the hurdle value from the base NAV (the unit class NAV for that day, after the deduction of any management fee accrued, but prior to any adjustment for dividends paid, performance fees paid, corporate actions, or swing pricing). If the result is zero or negative, no performance fee is paid.

If the result is positive, it indicates the amount of excess performance and the base NAV becomes the new high water mark for the following performance fee calculation.

We then calculate the performance fee per unit:

Excess Performance Performance Performance performance x fee rate Performance

For each unit class, the total fee paid is the performance fee per unit multiplied by the number of units in existence on the calculation day before any subscriptions and redemptions with trade date equal to that day.

Performance fee accrual, crystallisation and payment Any performance fee is accrued and crystallises on a daily basis (when a performance fee crystallises, it becomes payable and nonrefundable). Performance fees are usually paid in the following month of the crystallisation

date. The reference period for the performance fee encompasses the whole life cycle of the relevant sub-fund.

**Performance fee scenarios** These scenarios are illustrative only and do not intend to reflect any past performance or potential future performance.

Scenario 1 The unit class has increased in value and has outperformed the benchmark since the last high water mark, in which case a performance fee is accrued as follows:

Performance fee rate = 10% Number of units = 10,000 Base NAV = EUR 180

High water mark = EUR 170 Current benchmark = EUR 320

Benchmark high water mark= EUR 310

X = EUR 170 x EUR 320/EUR 310 = EUR 175.440

As the X value is higher than the high water mark, X becomes the hurdle rate.

As the base NAV is higher than the hurdle rate, a performance fee is due:

Performance fee per unit = (Base NAV - hurdle rate) x performance fee rate = (EUR 180 - EUR 175.440) x 10% = EUR 0.456

Total performance fee = performance fee per unit x number of units =  $0.456 \times 10,000 = EUR 4,560$ 

Scenario 2 The unit class has increased in value but has underperformed the benchmark since the last high water mark, in which case no performance fee is accrued as follows:

Performance fee rate = 10% Number of units = 10,000 Base NAV = EUR 180

High water mark = EUR 175 Current benchmark = EUR 320

Benchmark high water mark = EUR 290

X = EUR 175 x EUR 320/EUR 290 = EUR 193.025

As the X value is higher than the high water mark, X becomes the hurdle rate.

As the base NAV is lower than the hurdle rate, no performance fee is due.

Scenario 3 The unit class has decreased in value but has outperformed the benchmark since the last high water mark, in which case no performance fee is accrued as follows:

Performance fee rate = 10% Number of units = 10,000 Base NAV = EUR 170

High water mark = EUR 175 Current benchmark = EUR 290

Benchmark high water mark = EUR 320

X = EUR 175 x EUR 290/EUR 320 = EUR 158.594

As the X value is lower than the high water mark, the high water mark becomes the hurdle rate.

As the base NAV is lower than the hurdle rate, no performance fee is due.

#### Taxes paid from sub-fund assets

The FCP is subject to a *taxe d'abonnement* (subscription tax) at the following rates:

Unit classes reserved for institutional investors: 0.01%.

All other unit classes: 0.05%.

No taxe d'abonnement is paid on the value of any shares/units of other Luxembourg UCIs (including a master fund) that are already subject to this tax.

The *taxe d'abonnement* is calculated and payable quarterly, on the aggregate net asset value of the outstanding units of the FCP. The FCP is not currently subject to any Luxembourg stamp tax, withholding tax, municipal business tax, net worth tax, or taxes on income, profits or capital gains.

To the extent that any country in which a sub-fund invests imposes withholding taxes on income or gains earned in that country, these taxes will be deducted before the subfund receives its income or proceeds. Some of these taxes may be recoverable. The effects of these taxes will be factored into sub-fund performance calculations. See also "Taxation risk" in the "Risk Descriptions" section.

While the above tax information is accurate to the best of the management company's knowledge, it is possible that a tax authority may impose new taxes (including retroactive taxes) or that the Luxembourg tax authorities may determine, for example, that any class currently identified as being subject to the 0.01% taxe d'abonnement should be reclassified as being subject to the 0.05% rate. The latter case could happen for an institutional unit class of any sub-fund for any period during which an investor not entitled to hold institutional units was found to have held these units.

### **Risk Descriptions**

All investments involve risk. Depending on the sub-fund's characteristics, some of the risks may be comparatively high.

The risk descriptions below correspond to the main risk factors listed for each sub-fund. A sub-fund could potentially be affected by risks beyond those listed for it or described here, nor are these risk descriptions themselves intended as exhaustive. Each risk is described as if for an individual sub-fund.

Any of these risks could cause a sub-fund to lose money, to perform less well than similar investments or a benchmark, to experience volatility (ups and downs in NAV), or to fail to meet its objective over any period of time. Higher risk investments typically offer a possibility of better returns than lower risk investments, but this cannot be guaranteed.

# Risks that commonly affect the sub-fund on an ongoing basis

Risks included in this section may frequently have a material effect on the sub-fund, including its value or the level of any distributions it may pay. In addition, they may also have a more significant effect during unusual market conditions.

ABS / MBS risk Asset-backed and mortgage-backed securities (ABSs and MBSs) typically carry prepayment and extension risk and can carry above-average liquidity, credit and interest rate risks.

MBSs (a category that includes collateralised mortgage obligations, or CMOs) and ABSs represent an interest in a pool of debt, such as credit card receivables, auto loans, student loans, equipment leases, home mortgages and home equity loans.

When interest rates fall, these securities are often paid off early, as the mortgage-holders and other borrowers refinance the debt underlying the security. When interest rates rise, the borrowers of the underlying debt tend not to refinance their low-interest debt.

ABSs and MBSs also tend to be of lower credit quality than many other types of debt securities. To the extent that the debts underlying an ABS or MBS go into default or become uncollectable, the securities based on those debts will lose some or all of their value.

**Coco bonds risk** Contingent convertible securities (coco bonds) are comparatively untested, their income payments may be cancelled or suspended, they are more vulnerable to losses than equities, they carry extension risk, and they can be highly volatile.

A coco bond can lose some or all of its value instantaneously if a trigger event occurs (such as the issuer experiencing certain capital ratios). Because coco bonds are in effect perpetual loans, the principal amount may be paid off on the call date, later, or not at all.

How coco bonds will behave in various market situations is unknown, but there is a risk that volatility or price collapses could spread across issuers and that the bonds could become illiquid.

Commodities risk Commodities tend to be highly volatile, and may be disproportionately affected by political, economic, weather and terrorist-related events, and by changes in energy and transportation costs.

**Concentration risk** To the extent that the sub-fund invests in a limited number of countries, sectors, issuers or financial instruments, it will generally be more sensitive to

changes in a particular economy, sector, company or type of instrument

Focusing on any company, industry, sector, country, region, type of equity, type of economy, etc. makes the sub-fund more sensitive to the factors that determine market value for the area of focus. These factors may include economic, financial or market conditions as well as social, political, economic, environmental or other conditions. The result can be both higher volatility and a greater risk of loss.

Convertible securities risk Because convertible securities are structured as bonds that typically are repaid with equity shares, they carry equity risk and the credit and default risks typical of bonds, and can be less liquid than the underlying equities.

Country risk — China The legal rights of investors in China are uncertain, government intervention is common and unpredictable, some of the major trading and custody systems are unproven, and all types of investments are likely to have comparatively high volatility, liquidity and counterparty risks.

In China, it is uncertain whether a court would protect the sub-fund's right to securities it may purchase via a QFII License, Stock Connect programs, China Interbank Bond Market or other methods whose regulations are untested and subject to change. The structure of these schemes does not require full accountability of some of its component entities and leaves investors such as the subfund with relatively little standing to take legal action in China. In addition, Chinese security exchanges or authorities may tax or limit short-swing profits, recall eligible equities, set or change quotas (maximum trading volumes, either at the investor level or at the market level) or otherwise block, limit, restrict or delay trading, hampering or preventing a sub-fund from implementing its intended strategies.

Shanghai- and Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect programs Stock Connect is a joint project of the Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (HKEC), China Securities Depository and Clearing Corporation Limited (ChinaClear), the Shanghai Stock Exchange and the Shenzhen Stock Exchange. Hong Kong Securities Clearing Company Limited (HKSCC), a clearing house that in turn is operated by HKEC, acts as nominee for investors accessing Stock Connect Securities.

Creditors of the nominee or custodian could assert that the assets in accounts held for the sub-funds are actually assets of the nominee or custodian. If a court should uphold this assertion, creditors of the nominee or custodian could seek payment from the assets of the relevant fund. HKSCC, as nominee, does not guarantee the title to Stock Connect securities held through it and is under no obligation to enforce title or other rights associated with ownership on behalf of beneficial owners (such as the sub-funds). Consequently, title to such securities, or the rights associated with them (such as participation in corporate actions or shareholder meetings), cannot be assured.

Should the FCP or any fund suffer losses resulting from the performance or insolvency of HKSCC, the FCP would have no direct legal recourse against HKSCC, because Chinese law does not recognise any direct legal relationship between HKSCC and either the FCP or the depositary.

Should ChinaClear default, HKSCC's contractual liabilities will be limited to assisting participants with claims. A subfund's attempts to recover lost assets could involve

considerable delays and expenses, and may not be successful.

China Interbank Bond Market The CIBM is an over-thecounter market that provides a way for outside investors (such as the sub-fund) to buy Chinese corporate and government bonds. The CIBM may have low trading volumes and high bid and offer spreads, making the bonds comparatively less liquid and more expensive.

Onshore and offshore renminbi In China, the government maintains two separate currencies: internal renminbi (CNY), which must remain within China and generally cannot be owned by foreigners, and external renminbi (CNH), which can be owned by any investor. The exchange rate between the two, and the extent to which currency exchanges involving CNH are allowed, are managed by the government, based on a combination of market and policy considerations. This effectively creates currency risk within a single nation's currency, as well as liquidity risk, since the conversion of CNY to CNH, and of CNH to other currencies, can be restricted, as can the removal of any currency from China or Hong Kong.

**Country risk – Russia and Ukraine** In these countries, risks associated with custody and counterparties are higher than in developed countries.

Russian and Ukrainian custodial institutions observe their own rules, have significantly less responsibilities to investors, may be poorly regulated, or may otherwise be susceptible to fraud, negligence or error. The securities markets in these countries may also suffer from impaired efficiency and liquidity, which may worsen price volatility and market disruptions.

Credit and default risk If the financial health of the issuer of a bond or money market security weakens, or if the market believes it may weaken, the value of the bond or money market security may fall or become more volatile. In extreme cases it may go into default, meaning it has failed to make promised payments, and may become illiquid or worthless.

Investment grade bonds With these bonds, the likeliest form of credit risk is a credit downgrade, which typically will cause a bond's value to fall.

High yield bonds These bonds are typically more volatile than investment grade bonds and have significantly greater risk of credit downgrades or default, particularly if they are unsecured or are subordinate to other obligations

Unrated bonds While the investment manager assesses the credit quality of any unrated securities, there is no guarantee that its determinations will match those a rating agency would have made. Investment managers may also differ in their assessments of an unrated security's credit quality which as a result may make it more volatile and increase its credit risk.

Sovereign bonds Bonds issued by governments and government-owned or -controlled entities can be subject to significant credit risk, especially in cases where the government is reliant on payments or extensions of credit from external sources, is unable to institute the necessary systemic reforms or control domestic sentiment, or is unusually vulnerable to changes in geopolitical or economic sentiment.

Currency risk To the extent that the sub-fund owns assets denominated in currencies other than its base currency or its unit class currencies, changes in currency exchange rates could reduce investment gains or increase investment losses.

Exchange rates can change rapidly unpredictably and significantly, and it may be difficult for the sub-fund to unwind its exposure to a given currency in time to avoid losses. Changes in exchange rates can be influenced by

such factors as export-import balances, economic and political trends, governmental intervention and investor speculation.

Intervention by a central bank, such as aggressive buying or selling of currencies, changes in interest rates, restrictions on capital movements or a "de-pegging" of one currency to another, could cause abrupt or long-term changes in relative currency values.

**Derivatives risk** With derivatives, small price changes in an underlying asset can result in large changes in the value of the derivative.

Derivatives in general are highly volatile and could at times behave unexpectedly. Using derivatives also involves costs that the sub-fund would not otherwise incur. Derivatives do not carry any voting rights.

With options, credit default swaps and other so-called nonlinear derivatives, the way the price of the derivative responds to a change in the price of the underlying reference(s) can vary widely depending on multiple risk factors, such as time left before expiry, the volatility of the reference(s), or the actual or anticipated behaviour of interest rates.

In difficult market conditions, it may be impossible or unfeasible to place orders that would limit or offset the market exposure or financial losses created by certain derivatives.

Changes in tax, accounting, or securities laws could cause the value of a derivative to fall or could force the sub-fund to terminate a derivative position under disadvantageous circumstances.

Certain derivatives, in particular futures, options and some contingent liability contracts, could involve margin borrowing, meaning that the sub-fund could be forced to choose between liquidating securities to meet a margin call or taking a loss on a position that might, if held longer, have yielded a smaller loss or a gain.

Exchange-traded derivatives Trading in these derivatives or their underlying assets could be suspended or subject to limits. There is also a risk that settlement of these derivatives through a transfer system may not happen when or as expected.

OTC derivatives — non-cleared Because OTC derivatives are in essence private agreements between a sub-fund and one or more counterparties, they are less highly regulated than exchange-traded securities. They also carry greater counterparty and liquidity risks. If a counterparty ceases to offer a derivative that a sub-fund had been planning on using, the sub-fund may not be able to find a comparable derivative elsewhere and may miss an opportunity for gain or find itself unexpectedly exposed to risks or losses, including losses from a derivative position for which it was unable to buy an offsetting derivative.

Because it is generally impractical for the FCP to divide its OTC derivative transactions among a wide variety of counterparties, a decline in the financial health of any one counterparty could cause significant losses. Conversely, if any sub-fund experiences any financial weakness or fails to meet an obligation, counterparties could become unwilling to do business with the FCP, which could leave the FCP unable to operate efficiently and competitively.

OTC derivatives — cleared Because these derivatives are cleared on a trading platform, their liquidity risks are similar to those for exchange-traded derivatives. However, they still carry counterparty risk towards the clearing house.

**Dynamic allocation risk** To the extent that the sub-fund may shift quickly and significantly its investments between

asset classes or investment strategies, the risks and volatility of the sub-fund may vary accordingly.

**Emerging markets risk** Emerging markets are less established, less regulated, and thus generally more volatile, than developed markets. They can be subject to economic and political instability, large currency fluctuations and low liquidity.

Emerging markets involve higher risks, particularly market, credit, less liquid security, and currency risks, and are more likely to experience risks that are relatively rare in developed markets. In addition to the economic, political and currency risks already mentioned, reasons for this higher level of risk include: social instability or unrest economies that are heavily reliant on particular industries, commodities or trading partners high or capricious tariffs or other forms of protectionism quotas, regulations, laws or practices that place outside investors (such as the subfund) at a disadvantage failure to enforce laws or regulations, to provide fair or functioning mechanisms for resolving disputes or pursuing recourse, or to otherwise recognise the rights of investors as understood in developed markets less regulated custody practices excessive fees, trading costs, taxation or outright seizure of assets inadequate reserves to cover issuer or counterparty defaults incomplete, misleading or inaccurate information about securities and their issuers

lack of uniform accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards manipulation of market prices by large investors arbitrary delays and market closures market infrastructure that is unable to handle peak trading volumes fraud, corruption and error

In certain countries, securities markets may also suffer from impaired efficiency and liquidity, which may worsen price volatility and market disruptions.

For purposes of risk, the category of emerging markets includes markets that are less developed as well as countries that have more advanced economies but may not offer the highest levels of investor protection (for example, China and India).

**Equity risk** Equities can lose value rapidly, and typically involve higher (often significantly higher) market risks than bonds or money market instruments.

If a company goes through bankruptcy or a similar financial restructuring, its equities may lose most or all of their value.

Fund of funds risk A sub-fund investing primarily in other funds may be exposed to a higher management and liquidity risk, as well as it may incur additional fees.

To the extent that the sub-fund invests in other UCITS / UCIs, it will have less direct knowledge of, and no control over, the decisions of the UCITS / UCI's investment managers, it could incur a second layer of investment fees (which will further erode any investment gains), and it could face liquidity risk in trying to unwind its investment in a UCITS / UCI.

Because of how performance fees are calculated, it is possible that in some cases an investor could end up paying a performance fee even though their actual performance is negative.

**Hedging risk** Any attempts to reduce or eliminate certain risks may not work as intended, and to the extent that they do work, they will generally eliminate potentials for gain along with risks of loss.

Any measures that the sub-fund takes that are designed to offset specific risks may work imperfectly, may not be feasible at times, or may fail completely. The sub-fund may use hedging within its portfolio, and, with respect to any designated unit classes, to hedge the currency exposure

of the class. Hedging involves costs, which reduce investment performance.

**Less liquid securities risk** Certain securities may, by nature, be hard to value or sell at a desired time and price, especially in any quantity.

This may include securities that are labelled as illiquid, such as Rule 144A securities, as well as a security of any type that represents a small issue, trades infrequently, or is traded on markets that are comparatively small or that have long settlement times.

**Indexing risk** Index sub-funds may underperform their target index over any given period of time, and will not take any defensive measures to protect from losses when the target index declines.

In any market condition, the sub-fund's performance may be lower than that of the index, because the sub-fund is subject to investment costs and operational constraints that the index itself does not have.

Market indexes are calculated by independent entities without consideration for how they may affect index subfund performance. The index providers make no guarantee that their index calculations are accurate and assume no liability for any losses of investors in any investment that tracks any of their indexes.

To the extent that the sub-fund seeks to replicate index performance by holding individual securities, there is no guarantee that its composition will exactly match that of the target index at any given time, due to such factors as investment, regulatory and tax constraints.

To the extent that the sub-fund seeks to replicate index performance synthetically by using derivatives, it takes on derivative and counterparty risk.

**Inflation-linked securities risk** If inflation falls or remains low, the yields on short-term inflation-linked securities will do likewise.

**Interest rate risk** Fluctuations in interest rates typically cause bond prices to fluctuate. When interest rates rise, bond values generally fall.

Interest rate risk is generally greater the longer the duration of a bond investment is.

**Investment fund risk** As with any investment fund, investing in the sub-fund involves certain risks an investor would not face if investing in markets directly. These risks result from the characteristics of the sub-fund itself, rather than directly from market characteristics. Many elements of investment fund risk affect investors rather than the sub-fund; however, to the extent that the sub-fund invests in other funds or sub-funds, it is subject to these risks also:

the actions of other investors, in particular sudden large outflows of cash, could interfere with orderly management of the sub-fund

the investor cannot direct or influence how money is invested while it is in the sub-fund the sub-fund's buying and selling of investments may not be optimal for the tax efficiency of any given investor

the sub-fund is subject to various investment laws and regulations that limit the use of certain securities and investment techniques that might improve performance; to the extent that the sub-fund decides to register in jurisdictions that impose narrower limits, this decision could further limit its investment activities because the subfund is based in Luxembourg, any protections that would have been provided by other regulators (including, for investors outside Luxembourg, those of their home regulator) may not apply

IPO risk Initial public offerings (IPOs) can be highly volatile and can be hard to evaluate because of a lack of trading history and relative lack of public information.

Legal risk There is a risk that legal agreements in respect of certain derivatives, instruments and techniques are terminated due, for instance, to bankruptcy, supervening illegality or change in tax or accounting laws. In such circumstances, a sub-fund may be required to cover any losses incurred.

Certain transactions are entered into on the basis of complex legal documents, which may be difficult to enforce. Whilst the rights and obligations of the parties to a legal document may be governed by a particular law, in certain circumstances (for example insolvency proceedings) other legal systems may take priority which may affect the enforceability of existing transactions.

Leverage risk Certain investments or techniques could create situations where a relatively small price movement can amplify a loss for the sub-fund, increasing volatility and potentially affecting long-term performance.

Derivatives, the borrowing of securities, and the reinvestment of collateral received for the lending of securities all typically create leverage.

**Management risk** The sub-fund's management team may be wrong in its analysis, assumptions, or projections.

This includes projections concerning industry, market, economic, demographic, or other trends. It also includes the analysis the management team uses to determine investment choices.

Market risk Prices and yields of many securities can changefrequently, and can fall based on a wide variety of factors.

Examples of these factors include: political and economic news, government policy, changes in technology and business practices, changes in demographics, cultures and populations

natural or human-caused disasters, weather and climate pattern, scientific or investigative discoveries, costs and availability of energy, commodities and natural resources

The effects of market risk can be immediate or gradual, short- term or long-term, narrow or broad.

Master feeder structure risk A feeder fund is subject to the risk of the master fund. Its performance will not match that of the master fund due to, in particular, the sub-fund's costs and expenses, and a difference in reference currencies if any.

Besides, by investing a large portion of its assets in a master fund, the investment of a feeder fund is not diversified.

However, the master fund investment meets the diversification requirement of the UCITS Directive 2009/65/EC.

Prepayment and extension risk Any unexpected behaviour in interest rates could hurt the performance of callable debt securities (securities whose issuers have the right to pay off the security's principal before the maturity date).

When interest rates fall, issuers tend to pay off these securities and reissue new ones at lower interest rates. When this happens, the sub-fund may have no alternative but to reinvest the money from these prepaid securities at a lower rate of interest (prepayment risk).

At the same time, when interest rates rise, borrowers tend not to prepay their low-interest mortgages. This may lead the sub-fund to receiving below-market yields until interest rates fall or the securities mature (extension risk). It can also mean that the sub-fund must either sell the securities at a loss or forgo the opportunity to make other investments that may turn out to have performed better.

**Short position risks** Taking a short position (a position whose value moves in the opposite direction from the value of the security itself) through derivatives creates losses when the underlying security's value rises. The use of short positions may increase the risk of both loss and volatility.

Potential losses from using short positions are theoretically unlimited as there is no restriction on the price to which a security may rise, whereas the loss from a cash investment in the security cannot exceed the amount invested.

The short selling of investments may be subject to changes in regulations, which could create losses or the inability to continue using short positions as intended or at all

**Small and mid-cap equity risk** Equities of small and midsize companies can be more volatile than equities of larger companies.

Small and mid-size companies often have fewer financial resources, shorter operating histories, and less diverse business lines, and as a result can be at greater risk of long-term or permanent business setbacks.

**Taxation risk** A country could change its tax laws or treaties in ways that affect investors.

Tax changes potentially could be retroactive and could affect investors with no direct investment in the country.

# Risks that do not commonly affect the sub-fund but can be serious when they

Risks included in this section typically do not have a material effect on the sub-fund, including its daily value or the level of any distributions it may pay. However, in instances when they do have an effect it may be significant.

Counterparty risk An entity with which the sub-fund does business, such as a service provider, could become unwilling or unable to meet its obligations to the sub-fund (such as paying an agreed amount or delivering securities)

The bankruptcy or insolvency of a counterparty could result in delays in getting back portfolio securities or cash that were in the possession of the counterparty. The subfund would then be unable to sell the securities or receive the income from them, and would likely incur additional costs in seeking to enforce its rights.

Because counterparties are not liable for losses caused by a "force majeure" event (such as a serious natural or human-caused disaster, riot, terrorist act or war), such an event could cause significant losses with respect to any contractual arrangement involving the sub-fund.

Collateral risk Any effort by the sub-fund to remedy the default of a counterparty by liquidating any applicable collateral the sub-fund may hold could be hurt by liquidity risk, costs associated with liquidation, or by any decline in the value of the collateral (including collateral that has been reinvested) below the amount of the default, or by the insolvency or negligence of the custodian holding the collateral on behalf of the sub-fund.

Custody risk The depositary, and any entity to whom custody of fund assets is further delegated, are all considered counterparties and are subject to counterparty risk. In addition, because cash deposits may not be segregated at the depositary or sub-custodian level, these assets would be at greater risk in the event of a bankruptcy or other failure of any of these parties.

**Liquidity risk** Any security could become hard to value or to sell at a desired time and price.

Liquidity risk could cause the sub-fund to have to liquidate holdings at undesirable prices, thus reducing NAV, and could also cause a temporary suspension of redemptions or otherwise impair the sub-fund's ability to meet redemptions.

Operational risk The operations of the sub-fund could be subject to system breakdowns, human error or external events.

Operational risks may subject the sub-fund to errors or delays affecting valuation, pricing, accounting, tax

reporting, financial reporting, custody and trading, among other things.

Operational risks may also include legal risks related to the documentation used in transactions. Some operational risks may go undetected for long periods of time, and even if they are detected it may prove difficult, costly or impractical to recover prompt or adequate compensation from those responsible.

Standard practices risk Investment management practices that have worked well in the past, or are accepted ways of addressing certain conditions, could prove ineffective.

### **Our Sustainability Approach**

The purpose of the management company's sustainability work is to manage risks and take advantage of opportunities. The management company has signed the Net Zero Asset Managers Initiative and committed for all our assets under management to be invested in line with the Paris Agreement and net zero emissions by 2040. This is an essential part of the management company's long-term strategical work and formalised in our Climate Statement.

To help achieve this goal the management company has developed a sustainability approach based on international commitments, including:

**UN Global Compact** 

OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises

UN Supported Principles for Responsible Investments (PRI)

Sector exclusions All sub-funds follow strict exclusion criteria (except in cases of indirect investment exposure from derivatives and collateral management) as stated in the management company's Sustainability Policy. These can be divided into norm-based, fossil-based and product-based exclusions.

Norm-based exclusions mean that we expect companies or issuers to adhere to international norms and conventions regarding human rights, the environment, anti-corruption and labour rights. Fossil-based exclusions mean, for instance, that the sub-funds do not invest in companies that produce fossil fuels or generate energy from fossil fuels. Product-based exclusions are founded on ethical positions. These are tobacco, cannabis, pornography, commercial gambling and alcohol.

**ESG screening and the integration of sustainability risks** The sub-funds are also managed from a risk-return perspective that take into account environmental, social and corporate governance (ESG) factors along with financial factors and other considerations. They apply a proprietary model that, among other functions, helps assess sustainable opportunities and potential sustainability risks, that are ESG events or conditions that, if they occur, could have a negative impact on the targeted investment.

Based on independent and sector-tailored risk datasets, the sustainability model ensures that sustainability risks are sufficiently taken into account before making investment decisions. The model includes but is not limited to the following assessments of sustainability risks:

- Overall ESG Ratings from several data providers
- Gender Diversity
- Operations, Products and Services with Misalignment towards the UN Sustainability Development Goals (UN SDGs)
- Carbon Emissions and Carbon Emission Intensity

The model is used in all sub-funds to the extent that data is available for the purpose of providing an individual score for each company together with an assessment of its prospects on long-term investment risks and returns.

Active ownership Through dialogue with companies and voting of shares, the active ownership aims to ensure that portfolio companies strive to make ongoing, meaningful progress concerning sustainability risks and opportunities. The management company may seek to influence companies on specific issues or to oppose them, including through voting of shares, when companies fail to meet, or are in significant breach of, international norms and conventions in matters such as human rights, the environment, anti-corruption and labour rights. For more information, go to our webpage <code>sebgroup.lu</code>, where you can find the management company's Sustainability Policy and Climate Statement.

SFDR information SFDR governs the transparency requirements regarding the integration of sustainability risks into investment decisions, the consideration of adverse sustainability impacts and the disclosure of environmental, social, and governance (ESG) and sustainability-related information. If a sub-fund promotes, among others, environmental, social and/or governance characteristics within the meaning of article 8 of SFDR or has sustainable investment as its objective within the meaning of article 9 of SFDR, it is specified in the "Sub-Fund Descriptions". Further information relating to SFDR and the Taxonomy Regulation for these subfunds can be found in Annex I at the end of this Prospectus.

#### **Investment Powers and Restrictions**

Each sub-fund, and the FCP itself, must comply with all applicable EU and Luxembourg laws and regulations, notably the 2010 Law, as well as certain circulars, guidelines and other requirements. This section describes the types of assets, transactions and investments that the FCP may invest in as a matter of law and regulation, as well as the applicable limits, restrictions and requirements. Except where noted, all percentages and restrictions apply to each sub-fund individually, and all asset percentages are measured as a percentage of total net assets of the relevant sub-fund.

In case of any discrepancy with the 2010 Law itself, the law in its original French version would prevail. In the case of any detected violation of the investment restrictions applicable to a sub-fund, the sub-fund's investment manager must make compliance with these restrictions a priority in its securities trades and investment management decisions, while also taking due account of the interests of unitholders.

#### Permitted assets, techniques and transactions

The table below describes what is allowable to all FCPs. The sub-funds may set limits that are more restrictive, based on their investment objectives and policies. A sub-fund's potential usage of any asset, technique or transaction, as outlined in the right column below, must be consistent with its investment policies and restrictions. A sub-fund that invests or is marketed in jurisdictions outside the EU may be subject to further requirements (not described here) from regulators in those jurisdictions.

No sub-fund can acquire assets that come with unlimited liability attached, underwrite securities of other issuers, or issue warrants or other rights to subscribe for their units.

| Security /<br>Transaction   | Requirements  |  | Expected usage by sub-funds   |
|---|---|--|---|
| Transferable securities and money market instruments  | Must be listed or traded on an official stock exchange in an eligible state, or on a regulated market in an eligible state (a market that operates regularly, is recognised and is open to the public).   | Recently issued securities must include in their terms of issue a commitment to apply for official listing on a regulated market and such admission must be received within 12 months of issue.  | Generally widely used. Material usage is described in "Sub-Fund Descriptions".  |
| 2. Money market instruments that do not meet the requirements in row 1                                    | Must be subject (at the securities or issuer level) to regulation aimed at protecting investors and savings and must meet one of the following:  • be issued or guaranteed by a central, regional or local authority, or a central bank of an EU member state, the European Central Bank, the European Investment Bank, the EU, a public international body to which at least one EU member state belongs, a sovereign nation, or a member state of a federation  • be issued by an undertaking whose securities qualify under row 1 (with exception of recently issued securities)  • be issued or guaranteed by an institution that is subject to, and complies with, EU prudential supervision rules or other rules the CSSF considers to be at least as stringent | Can also qualify if the issuer belongs to a category approved by the CSSF, is subject to investor protections that are equivalent to those described directly at left, and meets one of the following criteria:  • is issued by a company with at least EUR 10 million in capital and reserves that publishes annual accounts  • is issued by an entity dedicated to financing a group of companies at least one of which is publicly listed  • is issued by an entity dedicated to financing securitisation vehicles that benefit from a banking liquidity line | Same as row 1.  |
| 3. Transferable securities and money market instruments that do not meet the requirements in rows 1 and 2 | Limited to 10% of sub-fund assets.  |  | Any usage likely to create material risk is described in "Sub-Fund Descriptions".   |
| 4. Units of UCITS or<br>other UCIs that are<br>not linked to the<br>FCP*                                  | The target UCITS/UCI must be limited by constitutional documents to investing no more than 10% of assets, in aggregate, in other UCITS or other UCIs.  If the target investment is an "other UCI", it must as well:  invest in UCITS-allowable investments  be authorised by an EU member state or by a state the CSSF considers to have equivalent laws on supervision, with sufficient cooperation between authorities  | <ul> <li>issue annual and semi-annual reports that enable an assessment of assets, liabilities, income and operations over the reporting period</li> <li>offer investor protections that are equivalent to those of a UCITS, in particular as to the rules on asset segregation, borrowing, lending and uncovered sales</li> </ul>   | Any limit that is other than 10% of sub-fund assets is disclosed in "Sub-Fund Descriptions". A sub-fund may invest in a UCITS/UCI with investment restrictions different from its own, but not in a way that would circumvent the sub-fund's investment |

policies.

\* May include ETFs. A UCITS or other UCI is considered to be linked to the FCP if both are managed or controlled by the same management company or another affiliated management company.

| Security /<br>Transaction   | Requirements  |  | Expected usage by sub-funds  |
|---|---|--|--|
| 5. Units of UCITS or<br>other UCIs that are<br>linked to the FCP* | The target UCITS/UCI must meet all requirements in row 4.  The UCITS/other UCI cannot charge a sub-fund any fees for buying or redeeming units.   | The FCP's annual report must state the maximum proportion of annual management fees charged both to the sub-fund and to the UCITS/other UCIs in which the sub-fund has invested during the relevant period.  | Same as Row 4.   |
| 6. Units of other sub-<br>funds of the FCP                        | The target UCITS/UCI must meet all requirements in rows 4 and 5.  The target sub-fund cannot invest, in turn, in the acquiring sub-fund (reciprocal ownership).   | The acquiring sub-fund surrenders all voting rights in units it acquires.  The units do not count as assets of the acquiring sub-fund for purposes of minimum asset thresholds imposed by the Luxembourg law.  | Same as Rows 4 and 5.  |
| 7. Real estate and commodities, including precious metals         | Direct ownership of real estate or other tangible property is prohibited.  Direct ownership of commodities, or certificates representing them, is prohibited.   | Investment exposure is allowed only indirectly, through assets, techniques and transactions allowed under the 2010 Law.  | Any indirect usage likely to create material risk is described in "Sub-Fund Descriptions".                                 |
| 8. Deposits with credit institutions                              | Must be repayable or withdrawable on demand, and any maturity date must be no more than 12 months in the future.  | The credit institutions must either have a registered office in an EU member state or be subject to prudential supervision rules the CSSF consider to be at least as stringent as EU rules   | Generally commonly used.   |
| 9. Liquid assets including cash and cash equivalents              | In order to maintain liquidity a sub-fund may hold cash and cash equivalents such as bank certificates of deposit, banker's acceptances, treasury bills, commercial paper, and other money market instruments, on an ancillary basis and if it is in the best interest of the Unitholders.  | Ancillary liquid assets, or cash on sight, is limited to a maximum amount of 20 % of a sub-fund's net assets. The limit of 20% may only be exceeded in situations where exceptional unfavorable market circumstances apply such as September 11 attacks or the bankruptcy of Lehman Brothers in 2008.  | The full limit of 20% is rarely used.  |
| 10. Derivatives and equivalent cash-<br>settled instruments       | Underlying assets must be those described in rows 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 8 or must be financial indices, interest rates, foreign exchange rates or currencies consistent with sub-fund investment objectives and policies.  OTC derivatives must meet all of the following criteria:  • be subject to reliable and verifiable independent daily valuations | <ul> <li>be able to be sold, liquidated or closed by an offsetting transaction at their fair value at any time at the FCP's initiative</li> <li>be with counterparties that are institutions subject to prudential supervision and that belong to categories approved by the CSSF See also "How the Sub-Funds Use Instruments and Techniques" on page 29.</li> </ul> | Any usage is described in "Sub-Fund Descriptions". See also "How the Sub-Funds Use Instruments and Techniques" on page 29. |
| 11. Borrowing   | The FCP is not allowed to borrow in principle except if it is on a temporary basis and represents no more of 10% of a sub-fund's assets.  | The FCP may however acquire foreign currency by means of back-to-back loans  | Generally commonly used.   |
| 12. Short positions   | Direct short sales are prohibited.  | However, short positions may be acquired through derivatives.  | Generally commonly used.   |

<sup>\*</sup> May include ETFs. A UCITS or other UCI is considered to be linked to the FCP if both are managed or controlled by the same management company or another affiliated management company.

#### Limits to prevent concentration of ownership.

These limits are intended to prevent the FCP or a sub-fund from the risks that could arise (for itself or an issuer) if it were to own a significant percentage of a given security or issuer. A sub-fund does not need to comply with the investment limits described below when exercising subscription rights attaching to transferable securities or money market instruments that form part of its assets, so long as any resulting violations of the investment restrictions are corrected as described at the beginning of the "Investment Powers and Restrictions".

#### Category of securities Maximum ownership, as a % of the total value of the securities issued Less than would enable the FCP to Securities carrying These rules do not apply to: voting rights exercise significant influence over securities described in row A of the management of an issuer the table below shares of a non-EU company that invests mainly in its home Non-voting securities of any one issuer country and represents the only way to invest in that country in accordance with the 2010 Law Debt securities of any 10% These limits can be purchases or repurchases of one issuer disregarded at purchase subsidiaries units of that if at that time the gross provide management, advice or amount of bonds or 10% Money market marketing in their country, when money market securities of any one done as a way of effecting instruments, or the net issuer transactions for amount of the unitholders in accordance with instruments in issue, Units/shares 25% of anv the 2010 Law cannot be calculated. **UCITS** or other UCI

#### **Diversification requirements**

To ensure diversification, a sub-fund cannot invest more than a certain percentage of its assets in one issuer, as defined below. These diversification rules do not apply during the first 6 months of a sub-fund's operation so long as the sub-fund observes the principle of risk spreading at all times.

For purposes of this table, companies that share consolidated accounts (whether in accordance with Directive 83/349/EEC or with recognised international accounting rules) are considered to be a single issuer. The percentage limits indicated by the vertical brackets in the center of the table indicate the maximum aggregate investment in any one issuer for all bracketed rows.

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|--|--|--|---|
|  | Maximum investment/exposure, as a % of sub-fund total net assets |  |   |
| Category of securities   | In any one issuer  | Other  | Exceptions  |
| A. Transferable securities and money market instruments issued or guaranteed by a sovereign nation, any EU public local authority, or any public international body to which one or more EU member states belongs.   | 35%  |  | A sub-fund may invest up to 100% of its assets in one single issuer if it is investing in accordance with the principle of risk spreading and meets the following criteria:  • it holds securities from at least 6 different issues  • it invests no more than 30% in any one issue  • the securities are issued by an EU member state, its local authorities or agencies, a member state of the OECD or of the G20, Singapore or by a public international bodies of which one or more EU member state belongs  • the FCP specifies, in its management regulations, the Row A issuers in which it intends to invest more than 35% of its assets, and states this prominently in its prospectus or marketing communications  The exception described for Row C applies to this row as well. |
| B. Covered bond as defined under article 3, point 1 of Directive (EU) 2019/2162 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 November 2019 on the issue of covered bonds and covered bond public supervision and amending Directives 2009/65/EC and | 35   | 80%, in aggregate, in all issuers in whose bonds a sub-fund has invested more than 5% of assets. |   |

#### Maximum investment/exposure, as a % of sub-fund total net assets

| Category of securities   | In any one issuer | Other   | Exceptions   |
|--|-------------------|---|--|
| 2014/59/EU (hereafter "Directive (EU 2019/2162"), and for certain bonds where they are issued before 8 July 2022 by a credit institution which has its registered office in a EU member state and is subject by law, to special public supervision designed to protect bondholders.* |                   |   |  |
| C. Any transferable securities and money market instruments other than those described in rows A and B above.  | 10%               | 20% in transferable securities and money market instruments within the same a group. 40%, in aggregate, in all issuers in which a subfund has invested more than 5% of its assets (does not include deposits and OTC derivative contracts with financial institutions subject to prudential supervision and securities referred to in rows A or B). | For index-tracking sub-funds, the 10% increases to 20% in the case of a published, sufficiently diversified index that is adequate as a benchmark for its market and is recognised by the CSSF. This 20% increases to 35% (but for one issuer only) in exceptional circumstances, such as when the security is highly dominant in the regulated market in which it trades. |
| D. Deposits with credit institutions.  | 20%               |   |  |
| E. OTC derivatives with a counterparty that is a credit institution as defined in row 8 above (first table in section).  | 10%<br>max        |   |  |
| F. OTC derivatives with any other counterparty.  | 5%<br>max         |   |  |

<sup>\*</sup> Bonds issued before 8 July 2022 also must invest all sums deriving from their issuance in assets that, for the life of the bonds, are capable of covering all claims against the bonds and in case of issuer bankruptcy would be used, on a priority basis, to reimburse principal and accrued interest.

| defined in rows 4 and 5 above (first able in section). | ned in r | in the sub-fund's objand policies, 10% in comore UCITS or other With a specific statem  20% any one UCITS or UCI  30% in aggregate UCIs other than UC  100 | ective one or UCIs. nent: % in other in all ITS 0% in   | assets and liabilities are segregated are considered as a separate UCITS or other UCI. Assets held by the UCITS or other UCIs do not count for  |  |
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#### Master and feeder funds

The FCP can create one or more sub-funds that qualify as a master fund or a feeder fund, or can designate any existing sub-fund a master fund or a feeder fund. The rules below apply to any sub-fund that is a feeder fund.

| Security Investment Requirements   |                         | Other Terms and Requirements   |  |
|--|-------------------------|--|--|
| Units/shares of the master fund  | At least 85% of assets. | The master fund cannot charge any fees for shares/units that are bought or redeemed by the feeder fund.  |  |
| Derivatives, ancillary liquid assets including cash and cash equivalents | Up to 15% of assets.    | Derivatives must only be used for hedging. In measuring derivatives exposit the feeder fund must combine its own direct exposure with the actual permitted exposure created by the master fund.  The timing of NAV calculation and publication for the master fund and for feeder fund must be coordinated in a way designed to prevent market timing arbitrage between the two funds. |  |

While a feeder fund is technically not diversified because it places most of its assets in a single investment, it effectively achieves diversification through the underlying assets of the master fund.

#### Risk management process

The management company uses a risk management process, approved and supervised by the board, to monitor and measure at any time the overall risk profile of each sub-fund from direct investment, derivatives, techniques, collateral and all other sources. Global exposure assessments are calculated every trading day (whether or not the sub-fund calculates a NAV for that day), and encompass numerous factors, including coverage for contingent liabilities created by derivative positions, counterparty risk, foreseeable market movements and the time available to liquidate positions.

Any derivatives embedded in transferable securities or money market instrument count as derivatives held by the sub-fund, and any exposure to transferable securities or money market instruments gained through derivatives (except certain indexbased derivatives) counts as investment in those securities or instruments.

Risk monitoring approaches There are three main risk measurement approaches—the commitment approach and the two forms of value at risk (VaR), absolute and relative. These approaches are described below, and the approach each sub-fund uses is described in "Sub-Fund Descriptions". The management company chooses which of the three each sub-fund will use based on the sub-fund's investment policy and strategy. In general, the commitment approach is used for sub-funds whose use of derivatives is limited to hedging and efficient portfolio management, while a VaR approach is used for sub-funds that make systematic use of derivatives as a core part of their investment strategy.

| Approach                                     | Description   |
|--|---|
| Absolute Value-at-<br>Risk (Absolute<br>VaR) | The sub-fund seeks to estimate the maximum potential loss due to market risk that it could experience in a month (20 trading days) under normal market conditions. The estimate is usually based on the previous 12 months (250 business days) of the sub-fund's performance, and requires that 99% of the time, the sub-fund's worst outcome is no worse than a 20% decline in net asset value (unless indicated otherwise in "Sub-Fund Descriptions").  |
| Relative Value-at-<br>Risk (Relative VaR)    | The same as Absolute VaR, except that the worst-outcome situation is an estimate of the maximum loss the subfund could experience beyond the estimated maximum loss of a stated benchmark. The relative VaR of the subfund cannot exceed twice that of the benchmark.   |
| Commitment                                   | The sub-fund calculates its global exposures as if they were direct investments in the underlying positions. This allows for opposing exposures to be considered as cancelling each other out. Certain types of risk-free transactions, leverage-free transactions and non-leveraged swaps are therefore not included in the calculation A sub-fund using this approach must ensure that its overall market exposure does not exceed 210% of total net assets (100% from direct investment, 100% from derivatives and 10% from borrowings). |

Gross Leverage Any sub-fund that uses the Absolute or Relative VaR approach must also calculate its expected level of gross leverage, which is stated in "Sub-Fund Descriptions". A sub-fund's expected level of leverage is an indicative level, not a regulatory limit, and the actual level of gross leverage may exceed the expected level from time to time. However, the sub-fund's use of derivatives will remain consistent with its investment objective, policies and risk profile, and will comply with its VaR limit.

Gross leverage is a measure of total derivatives exposure and is calculated as the "sum of the notionals" (the exposure of all derivatives, without treating opposing positions as cancelling each other out — also known as netting out positions). As the leverage calculation considers neither sensitivity to market movements nor whether it increases or decreases the overall subfund risk, it may not be representative of the actual investment risk level within a sub-fund.

### How the Sub-Funds Use Instruments and Techniques

#### **Legal and Regulatory Framework**

Each sub-fund's usage of the instruments and techniques described below must be consistent with the 2010 Law, Grand Ducal regulation of 8 February 2008, CSSF Circulars 08/356 and 14/592, ESMA guidelines 14/937, EEC Directive 2009/65, EU Regulation 575/2013, EU Regulation 2015/2365 and EMIR 16/2251 and any other applicable law and regulation.

#### **Instruments and Techniques the Sub-Funds Can Use**

#### **Derivatives**

Derivatives are financial contracts whose value depends on the performance of one of more reference assets (such as a security or basket of securities, an index or an interest rate).

The following are the most common derivatives (though not necessarily all derivatives) used by the sub-funds:

Core Derivatives — may be used by any sub-fund so long as the usage is consistent with its investment policy financial futures

options, such as options on equities, interest rates, indices, bonds, currencies, or commodity indices warrants forwards, such as foreign exchange contracts swaps (contracts where two parties exchange the returns from two different reference assets, such as foreign exchange or interest rate swaps and swaps on baskets of equities but NOT including total return, credit default, commodity index, volatility or variance swaps

Additional Derivatives — any intent to use will be disclosed in "Sub-Fund Descriptions"

Total return swaps or TRSs (contracts that transfer to another party the total performance of a reference asset, including all interest, fee income, market gains or losses, and credit losses in exchange for a fixed or variable fee); TRSs can be funded or unfunded (with or without a required up-front payment) and may be used to gain exposure to equities and equity-related securities, debt and debt-related instruments, currencies, commodities, financial indices and their components, volatility-related instruments, and derivatives on such instruments. The underlying assets of an TRS consists of instruments in which the sub-fund may invest according to its investment objective and policy.

Volatility derivatives (contracts whose value reflects current expectations of future levels of volatility) credit derivatives, such as credit default swaps (contracts where a bankruptcy, default or other "credit event" triggers a payment from one party to the other) to-be-announced (TBA) derivatives (forward contracts on a generic pool of mortgages) structured financial derivatives, such as credit-linked and equity-linked securities.

Futures are generally exchange-traded. All other types of derivatives are generally OTC (over the counter, meaning they are in effect private contracts between a sub-fund and a counterparty).

For any index-linked derivatives, the index provider determines the rebalancing frequency . All costs are included when purchasing an index -linked derivative and there are no costs charged to the relevant sub-fund when the index itself rebalances.

#### **Securities financing transactions**

Securities financing transactions or SFTs refers to a set of transactions further described in Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 of the European parliament and of the council of 25 November 2015 on transparency of securities financing transactions and of reuse (SFTR). The Prospectus will be updated in accordance with the SFTR as well as other relevant laws and regulations prior to any sub-fund entering into such transaction.

#### **Usage**

#### **General limits and requirements**

A sub-fund's usage of instruments and techniques must meet all of the following criteria:

be consistent with the sub-fund's investment objectives and policies be limited to techniques and instruments that relate to transferable securities or money market instruments be adequately captured by the risk management process not increase the sub-fund's risk profile beyond what it otherwise would have been be described for each sub-fund in "Sub-Fund Descriptions" as to the types of instruments and techniques each sub-fund may use, and the purposes it may use them for. To the extent permitted by the above, any sub-fund can invest up to 100% of total net assets, in aggregate, in the instruments and techniques described in this section, or in any one instrument or technique.

#### Allowable uses

None of the sub-funds currently enter into securities financing transactions.

A sub-fund can use any allowable derivative to gain exposure to permissible assets, in particular when direct investment is economically inefficient or impracticable.

Leverage A sub-fund can use any allowable derivative to increase its total investment exposure beyond what would be possible through direct investment and within the limits foreseen by law and/or in "Sub-Fund Descriptions". Leverage typically increases portfolio volatility.

**Hedging** A sub-fund can use any allowable derivative for hedging (taking a market position that is in the opposite direction from the position created by other portfolio investments, for the purpose of reducing or cancelling out exposure to price fluctuations or certain factors that contribute to them).

Currency hedging Typically done using currency forwards or currency swaps. The goal is to hedge against currency risk. This can be done at the sub-fund level and at the unit class level (for hedged unit classes denominated in a different currency than the sub-fund's base currency). A sub-fund may engage in: direct hedging (same currency,

opposite position) cross-hedging (reducing exposure to one currency while increasing exposure to another, the net exposure to the base currency being left unchanged), when it provides an efficient way of gaining the desired exposures proxy hedging (taking an opposite position in a different currency that is considered likely to behave similarly to the base currency) anticipatory hedging (taking a hedge position in anticipation of an exposure that is anticipated to arise as the result of a planned investment or other event)

Price hedging Typically done using options on indices (specifically, by selling a call or buying a put). Usage is generally limited to situations where there is sufficient correlation between the composition or performance of the index and that of the sub-fund. The goal is to hedge against fluctuations in the market value of a position.

Credit hedging Typically done using credit default swaps. The goal is to hedge against credit risk. This includes purchasing protection against the risks of specific assets or issuers as well as proxy hedging (taking an opposite position in a different investment that is likely to behave similarly to the position being hedged).

Interest rate hedging Typically done using interest rate futures, interest rate swaps, writing call options on interest rates or buying put options on interest rates. The goal is to manage interest rate risk.

**Efficient portfolio management** A sub-fund can use any allowable derivatives to reduce risks or costs or to generate additional capital or income.

#### Disclosures of use

**Current use** The following are disclosed in "Sub-Fund Descriptions" for any sub-fund that uses them:

for TRSs, volatility derivatives and similar derivatives: the underlying assets and investment strategies to which exposure will be gained and the expected and maximum proportion of assets on which exposure will be gained

for SFTs: the underlying assets and investment strategies to which exposure will be gained and the expected and maximum proportion of assets subject to the transaction

**Future use** If currently not used and above-described disclosure does not appear in "Sub-Fund Descriptions":

for TRSs, volatility derivatives and similar derivatives: before a sub-fund can start using these, its description in "Sub-Fund Descriptions" must be updated to comply with the first bullet of "Current use" above

for SFTs: before a sub-fund can start using these, its description in "Sub-Fund Descriptions" must be updated to comply with the second bullet of "Current use" above

#### **Counterparties and Collateral**

#### **Counterparties**

The management company and/or the investment manager must approve counterparties before they can serve as such for the FCP.

The counterparties to OTC financial derivatives are selected among financial institutions specialised in the relevant type of transactions, subject to prudential supervision and belonging to the categories of counterparties approved by the CSSF. These have their registered office in an OECD country and have an investment grade credit rating.

An SEB Group entity may be counterparty in any type of transactions, such as TRSs or repurchase transactions, but all such transactions must be conducted at arm's length.

No counterparty to a sub-fund TRS or similar derivative can serve as an investment manager of a sub-fund or otherwise have any control or approval over the composition or management of a sub-fund's investments or transactions or over the assets underlying such derivative.

#### Collateral

The policies described below apply to assets received from counterparties in connection with OTC derivatives.

**Eligible collateral** The following assets are eligible to serve as collateral: cash in an OECD country currency;

debt securities, regardless of their maturity, issued or guaranteed by a member state or its local authorities or central banks debt securities, regardless of their maturities, issued by multilateral development banks (as listed in Article 117(2) of EU Regulation 575/2013) or international organisations (as listed in Article 118 of EU Regulation 575/2013) debt securities issued by the governments or central banks of non-member states

All collateral is marked to market daily, using available market prices and taking into account any applicable haircut, as described below. Collateral received from a counterparty in any transaction may be used to offset the overall exposure to that counterparty. All collateral must be issued by an entity that is fully independent from the counterparty on whose behalf the collateral is being provided.

**Diversification** All collateral held by the FCP must be diversified by country, market and issuer, with exposure to any issuer no greater than 20% of a sub-fund's net assets. For the purpose of this limit, collateral issued by a local authority of a member state of the OECD is treated as exposure to that member state.

A sub-fund could be fully collateralised by different transferable securities and money market instruments issued or guaranteed by a member state, one or more of its local authorities, a third country, or a public international body to which one or more member states belong. In this case, the sub-fund should receive collateral from at least 6 different issues, with no issue exceeding 30% of the sub-fund's total net assets.

**Custody of collateral** Collateral (as well as other securities that can be held in custody) transferred by title to a sub-fund will be held by the depositary or a sub-custodian. With other types of collateral arrangements, collateral can be held by a third party custodian that is subject to prudential supervision and is unrelated to the collateral provider.

Haircuts To help protect the sub-funds against the risk that a decline in the value or liquidity of collateral could mean that a transaction was not fully collateralised, the sub-funds apply a discount ("haircut") to the value of collateral received.

This in effect means that the collateral the sub-funds receive will at least equal, and in many cases will exceed, the corresponding counterparty exposure as of the transaction inception. The value of collateral received, after applied haircuts, must be at least 90% of the counterparty exposure value.

The minimum haircut rates currently applied by the subfunds are shown below. In case of unusual market volatility, the management company may temporarily increase the haircut to whatever level, and for however long, it believes appropriate. It may also adjust the rate schedule at any time, without advance notice.

| Collateral type   | Haircut |
|---|---------|
| Cash in any eligible OECD country currency, as defined in the relevant master agreement or credit support annex | 0       |
| Cash in any non eligible OECD country currency  | 8%      |
| Eligible debt securities with maturities of less than 1 year  | 0.5%-1% |
| Eligible debt securities with maturities of 1 to less than 5 years  | 2%-3%   |
| Eligible debt securities with maturities of 5 to 30 years   | 4%-6%   |
| Reinvestment For collateral received transactions   | in OTC  |

Collateral received under an OTC transaction, including

TRS, shall not be sold, re-invested or pledged.

#### Revenues paid to the sub-funds

In general, any net revenues from the use of derivatives will be paid to the applicable sub-fund.

If applicable, the revenue received by the sub-funds arising from TRSs is disclosed in the financial reports.

#### **Risks**

The risks associated with instruments and techniques are described in "Risk Description".

The main risks are:

**Derivatives** Derivatives risk, leverage risk, liquidity risk, operational risk, counterparty risk (OTC derivatives only), collateral risk (within counterparty risk; non-cleared OTC derivatives only).

# Investing in the Sub-Funds

#### **Unit Classes**

Each sub-fund has one or more unit classes. All unit classes within a sub-fund invest in the same portfolio of securities but may have different characteristics and investor eligibility requirements.

Each unit class is identified by one of the base unit class labels (described in the table below) plus any applicable supplemental labels (described under "

"). For example, "ID (H-USD)" would indicate Class I units that intend to pay distributions and whose exposure to the sub-fund's base currency is hedged to US dollar.

Within any given unit class of any sub-fund, all units have equal rights of ownership. No sub-fund is required to give existing unitholders any special rights or terms for buying new units. All units must be fully paid up.

#### Unit class suffixes

Suffixes are added to the base unit class designation to indicate certain characteristics. When reading unit class designations, note that the same letters can appear as a base class (or part of one) and as a suffix (or part of one). Position is the determining factor.

Currency codes Each unit class carries the standard threeletter code, in upper-case letters, for the currency in which it is denominated.

**C**, **D** These indicate whether units are accumulation (C) or distribution (D) units. See "Dividend policy" below.

H, PH Indicates that the units are either fully hedged (H) or partially hedged (PH) with regard to currency exchange rates. The H or PH appears before a currency code, separated from it by a dash (see example above). If a currency code appears with no H or PH in front of it, the units are not hedged and the investor is fully exposed to any fluctuations in exchange rates between the unit class currency and base currency.

Both types of currency hedged units are denominated in a different currency than the base currency. Fully hedged units seek to eliminate (though in practice are unlikely to fully eliminate) the effect of foreign exchange rate fluctuations between the unit class currency and the base currency. Partially hedged units seek to reduce the currency exposure between the unit class currency and either the base class currency or one or more other currencies in which portfolio assets are denominated. For more on currency hedging, see page 29.

#### Base unit class characteristics

| Base unit class characteristics             |   |                      |                      |  |  |
|---|---|----------------------|----------------------|--|--|
| Base class<br>letter                        | Available to  | Accu<br>mulat<br>ion | Distri<br>butio<br>n |  |  |
| C (suffix only,<br>no base class<br>letter) | All investors   | •                    |                      |  |  |
| D (suffix only,<br>no base class<br>letter) | All investors   |                      | •                    |  |  |
| G   | Investors in Italy and Spain.   | •                    | •                    |  |  |
| HNW   | High net worth individual investors.  | •                    | •                    |  |  |
| 1   | Institutional investors investing a minimum amount (see "Sub-Fund Descriptions").   | •                    | •                    |  |  |
| ICP   | Institutional investors, in particular pension plans.   | •                    | •                    |  |  |
| LTD   | Limited number of investors at the discretion of the management company.  | •                    | •                    |  |  |
| SI  | Institutional investors investing a minimum amount higher than the I unit class minimum investment (see "Sub-Fund Descriptions").   | •                    | •                    |  |  |
| U   | All eligible investors at the discretion of the management company and investing through an intermediary appointed by any affiliates who provide fee-based portfolio management or investment advice. This is a commission-free unit class (meaning that the management company does not pay any type of commission). | •                    | •                    |  |  |
| X (not yet launched)                        | Institutional investors who have entered a fee agreement with the management company or the global distributor whereby all or part of the fees are charged separately from the FCP.   | •                    | •                    |  |  |
| Z   | Institutional investors at the discretion of the management company. This is a commission-free unit class (meaning that the management company does not pay any type of commission).  | •                    | •                    |  |  |

#### Issuance and ownership

Forms in which units are issued We issue units in registered form. With these units, the owner's name is recorded in the FCP's register of unitholders and the owner receives a confirmation of subscription. Ownership can only be transferred by notifying the registrar of a change of ownership. Units that are not issued as registered units will be made available through securities settlement systems.

Investing through a nominee vs. directly with the FCP If you invest through an entity that holds your units under its own name (a nominee account), that entity is recorded as the owner in the FCP's register of units and may be legally entitled to exercise certain rights associated with your units. If you want to retain all unitholder rights, you may invest directly with the FCP or if you already have an

your units. If you want to retain all unitholder rights, you may invest directly with the FCP or, if you already have an account with a nominee, you may request your nominee to transfer the account to the FCP and re-register it in your name.

**Fractional units** Units may be issued to fractions as small as one-thousandth of a unit (three decimal places). Unless otherwise indicated in this prospectus, fractional units receive their pro rata portion of any dividends, reinvestments and liquidation proceeds.

#### **Dividend policy**

**Distribution units** Dividends are generally distributed once a year, at the management company's discretion. The management company may decide to distribute interim dividends, declare additional dividends, or change (temporarily or permanently) the method used for calculating dividends.

When a dividend is distributed, the NAV of the relevant class is reduced by the amount of the dividend. Note that in order to meet a targeted dividend amount, a sub-fund may end up paying out more money than it actually earned, meaning that in effect you are getting some of your capital back as dividend.

Dividends are distributed only on units that were owned as of the record date (the date on which dividends are assigned to the holders of distribution units). Dividends are generally paid in the currency of the unit class.

Unclaimed dividend payments will be returned to applicable sub-fund and class after 5 years.

**Accumulation units** These units retain all net investment income in the unit price and do not distribute any dividends.

# **Buying, Converting, Redeeming and Transferring Units**

#### **Options for submitting investment requests**

If you are investing through a financial advisor or other intermediary: contact the intermediary

Via a pre-established electronic platform

By post to the transfer agent:

The Bank of New York SA/NV, Luxembourg Branch 2-4, rue Eugène Ruppert

L-2453 Luxembourg

By fax to the transfer agent: +352 24 52 42 39

By SWIFT to the transfer agent

Information that applies to all transactions except transfers *Note that:* 

The FCP can suspend the calculation of NAV and the processing of dealing requests under certain circumstances. See page 35.The FCP can impose an additional sales charge on transactions it believes represent market timing. See page 34. Certain markets may be closed at different times, which may cause delays in the processing of dealing requests relating to sub-funds that invest in these markets. For a calendar of known market closures, go to sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds.

Placing requests You can submit dealing requests to buy, convert or redeem units at any time, using any of the options shown above.

Unless otherwise indicated for a sub-fund, you can indicate the size of the transaction either as a currency amount or a unit amount.

No request will be accepted or processed in any way that is inconsistent with this prospectus.

**Cut-off times and processing** These are indicated for each sub-fund in "Sub-Fund Descriptions" under "Timing of transactions". If you are investing via an intermediary, ask your intermediary as it may apply earlier cut-off times.

**Pricing** Except for initial offering periods, during which the price is the initial offer price, units are priced at the NAV that is calculated (see "Other Policies Concerning Investors") for the relevant unit class and are quoted in the currency of that unit class.

Currencies You must pay for subscriptions in the reference currency of the respective unit class. The management company may at its discretion accept payments in other major currencies. The depositary or paying agent will pay your redemption proceeds in the reference currency of the respective unit class, or in your choice of any other major currencies permitted by the management company. You may be charged any associated foreign exchange costs.

Fees Any subscription or redemption may involve fees. For the maximum fees charged by each basic unit class, see the applicable sub-fund description. To find out the actual subscription or redemption (exit) fee for a transaction, contact the transfer agent or any other party involved in the transaction such as your local authorised intermediary or paying agent as they may charge their own fees. Some transactions may generate tax liabilities. You are responsible for all costs and taxes associated with each request you place.

Late or missing payments to unitholders The payment of a dividend or redemption proceeds to any unitholder may be delayed, reduced or withheld if required by foreign exchange rules or other rules imposed by the unitholder's home jurisdiction. In such cases we cannot accept responsibility.

### **Buying units** Also see "Information that applies to all transactions except transfers" above.

To make an initial investment, submit a completed application form and all account opening documentation (such as originals of all required tax and anti-money laundering documents) to the postal address above. Note that some distributors may have their own account opening requirements. Once an account has been opened, you can place additional orders by SWIFT, preestablished electronic platform, fax or post.

### **Converting units** Also see "Information that applies to all transactions except transfers" above.

Unless indicated otherwise in "Sub-Fund Descriptions", you can convert units of any sub-fund into the same class of units in any other sub-fund in the FCP. You can also convert into a

different unit class, either within the same sub-fund or as part of a conversion to a different sub-fund; in this case, you must indicate your desired unit class on your request.

Unless indicated otherwise in "Sub-Fund Descriptions", all conversions are free of charge and are subject to the following conditions: you must meet all eligibility requirements for the unit class into which you are requesting to convert in general, you can only convert into a sub-fund and unit class that is available in your country of residence the conversion must not violate any restrictions stated in this prospectus

We will let you know if any conversion you request is not permitted by this prospectus.

We process all conversions of units on a value-for-value basis, using the NAVs of the two investments (and, if applicable, any currency exchange rates) that are in effect as at the time we process the conversion.

Because a conversion is considered two separate transactions (a simultaneous redemption and subscription) it may create tax or other implications.

If the sub-fund that you are converting into takes longer to process requests than the sub-fund that you are converting out of, you will remain invested in your original sub-fund until the conversion can be completed.

### **Redeeming units** Also see "Information that applies to all transactions except transfers" above.

Redemption requests that are for more than the value of the account (at the time the redemption is processed), or that would leave remaining an amount that is less than the required minimum holding, will be rejected.

Note that we will not pay out any redemption proceeds until we have received all investor documentation from you, including any we requested in the past that was not adequately provided.

Unless stated otherwise in "Sub-Fund Descriptions", when you redeem units (sell them back to the sub-fund), we will send out payment, by electronic funds transfer (EFT or bank transfer), within 10 business days following the valuation day. The FCP does not pay interest on redemption proceeds whose arrival is delayed for reasons beyond its control.

We pay redemption proceeds only to the unitholder(s) identified in the register of unitholders, using the bank account details we have on file for your account. If any required transaction information is missing, your request will be held until it arrives.

To have your redemption proceeds converted to a different currency, contact your local authorised distributor or the transfer agent before placing your request.

#### **Transferring units**

As an alternative to converting or redeeming, you may transfer ownership of your units to another investor through the transfer agent.

Note that all transfers are subject to any eligibility requirements and holding restrictions that may apply. For example, institutional units cannot be transferred to noninstitutional investors, and no units of any type can be transferred to a US investor. If a transfer to an ineligible owner would anyway occur, the management company will void the transfer and require a new transfer to an eligible owner.

#### **Other Policies Concerning Investors**

Calculation of NAV Unless indicated otherwise in "Sub-Fund Descriptions", we calculate the NAV for each unit class of each sub-fund on each business day, in the base currency of the unit class. All NAVs whose pricing involves currency conversion of an underlying NAV are calculated at the mid-market exchange rate in effect at the time the NAV is calculated. NAVs are rounded up or down to the smallest commonly used fractional currency amount.

To calculate NAV, we use this general formula, calculated with respect to the assets, liabilities and units associated with each unit class of each sub-fund:

(Assets – Liabilities) = NAV Number of outstanding units

For complete information on our NAV calculation methods and on how we value portfolio securities, see the management regulations, available at sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds.

**Swing pricing** On business days when trading in a subfund's units requires net subscriptions or sales of portfolio investments beyond a certain percentage of the sub-fund's net assets, a sub-fund's NAV may be adjusted. This adjustment reflects an assessment of the overall costs incurred in buying and selling investments to satisfy subscriptions or redemptions of units (understanding that a sub-fund generally maintains adequate daily liquidity to handle ordinary cash flows with little or no impact on ordinary investment operations).

Swing pricing is intended to reduce the impact of these costs on unitholders who are not trading their units at that time. In general, the NAV will be adjusted upward when there is strong demand to buy sub-fund units and downward when there is strong demand to redeem subfund units. Swing pricing adjustments are automatic and are applied systematically by computation.

Thresholds and adjustment percentages can vary by subfund (which is determined by the management company or a swing pricing committee appointed by its board), but the adjustment will not be larger than 1% of NAV for all unit classes within a sub-fund.

For a list of sub-funds currently subject to swing pricing, go to sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds.

## Measures to prevent improper and illegal behaviour

Money laundering, terrorism financing, and fraud To comply with Luxembourg laws, regulations, circulars, etc. aimed at preventing crime and terrorism financing, including the crime of money laundering, we require investors to provide documentation to prove identity (either before opening an account or at any time afterwards). The information we require is based on legal requirements, which may change from time to time, and we may ask for additional documents at any time if we feel it is necessary.

We also are required to verify the legitimacy of transfers of money that come to us from financial institutions that are not subject to Luxembourg verification standards or the equivalent. We may delay or deny the opening of your account and any associated transaction requests until we receive, and find satisfactory, all requested documents and/or all incoming cash transfers. We will not be liable for any resulting losses or lost investment opportunities.

In addition, the register and transfer agent, as delegate of the management company, may request any other information that the management company may require in order to comply with its legal and regulatory obligations.

Market timing, excessive trading and late trading. The sub-funds are in general designed to be long-term investments and not vehicles for frequent trading or for market timing (defined as short-term trading intended to profit from arbitrage opportunities arising from timing differences between market openings and NAV calculations).

These types of trading are not acceptable as they may disrupt portfolio management and drive up sub-fund expenses, to the detriment of other unitholders. If we believe you have engaged in excessive trading or market timing, we make take various measures to protect unitholder interests, including imposing a separate 2% exit charge, which is deducted from redemption proceeds. We may also reject, suspend or cancel any request we believe represents excessive trading or market timing, and may forcibly redeem your investment, at your sole cost and risk.

Late trading We take measures to ensure that any request to buy, convert or redeem units that arrives after the cut-off time for a given NAV will not be processed at that NAV.

#### Rights we reserve

We reserve the right to do any of the following at any time:

Reject or cancel any application to open an account or any request to buy, sell, or convert units, by, or on behalf of, a person not eligible to own the units in question.

We can reject the entire amount or part of it. If a request to buy units is rejected, monies will be returned at the investor's risk within 7 business days, without interest and minus any incidental expenses.

Declare additional dividends or change (temporarily or permanently) the method used for calculating dividends.

Require unitholders to prove beneficial ownership of units or eligibility to hold units, and compel an ineligible unitholder to relinguish ownership. If the board believes that units are being held in whole or in part by or for an owner that is, or appears likely to become, ineligible to own those units, we may request certain information from the owner to establish eligibility or confirm beneficial ownership. If no information is provided, or if we consider the information provided to be unsatisfactory, we may either request that the owner redeem the units or transfer them to an eligible owner, and provide evidence of having done so, or we may redeem the units without the owner's consent. In the case of a transfer to an ineligible owner, we may also void the transfer. We may also block the account of such an investor or take any other actions not prohibited by law. We may take these steps to ensure the FCP's compliance with law and regulation, to avoid the adverse financial consequences for the FCP or unitholders (such as tax charges), or for any other reason. The FCP will not be held liable for any loss associated with actions against actual or suspected ineligible unitholders, and any unitholder who becomes aware of an eligibility issue and refuses to act as instructed will be treated as having indemnified the FCP and its service providers from any claims or costs of any extent or description.

Temporarily suspend the calculation of NAVs or transactions in a sub-fund's units when any of the following is true, and when a suspension would be consistent with the interests of unitholders:

the principal stock exchanges or markets associated with a substantial portion of the sub-fund's investments are closed during a time when they normally would be open, or their trading is restricted or suspended

a disruption of communication systems or other emergency has made it impractical to reliably value or to trade sub-fund assets the sub-fund is a feeder fund and its master fund has suspended its NAV calculations or unit transactions for any reason a substantial part of the sub-fund's investments cannot be properly or accurately valued.

the sub-fund is unable to repatriate monies needed to pay out redemption proceeds, or is unable to exchange monies needed for operations or redemptions at what the management company considers to be a normal currency exchange rate the sub-fund is being liquidated or merged, or notice has been given of a unitholder meeting at which it will be decided whether or not to liquidate or merge

the CSSF has ordered the suspension any other circumstance out of our control exists that, in the opinion of the management company, would justify the suspension for the protection of unitholders. A suspension could apply to any sub-fund, or to all, and to any type of dealing request (buy, convert, redeem). If your dealing request is delayed in processing because of a suspension, you will be notified promptly via our website. All requests whose processing has been delayed because of a suspension of NAV calculation and transactions will be held in queue and executed at the next NAV to be calculated.

Implement special procedures during times of peak dealing requests. If on any business day, a sub-fund receives net redemption requests for more than 10% of its total net assets, the management company has the right to limit payment of redemptions so that they do not exceed 10% the sub-fund's total net assets. In such a case, redemption requests are processed on a pro rata basis. The unprocessed portion of each request will be held in queue (ahead of any requests received and accepted at a later date) and executed at the next NAV to be calculated, subject to the same limitation.

Close a sub-fund to further investment, temporarily or indefinitely, when the management company believes it is in the best interests of unitholders (such as when a subfund has reached the size where further growth appears likely to be detrimental to performance). We will notify unitholders whether the closure applies only to new investors or to further investments from existing unitholders as well. Accept securities as payment for units, or fulfil redemption payments with securities (in-kind payments). If you wish to request a subscription or redemption in kind, you must get advance approval from the management company. You must pay all costs associated with the in-kind nature of the transaction (valuation of the securities, broker fees, any required auditors' report, etc.). Any securities accepted as a payment in kind must be consistent with the sub-fund's investment policy, and acceptance of these securities must not cause the sub-fund to become out of compliance with the 2010 Law. If you receive approval for an in-kind redemption, we will seek to provide you with a selection of securities that closely or fully matches the overall composition of the sub-fund's portfolio at the time the transaction is processed. The management company may request that you accept securities instead of cash in fulfilment of part or all of a redemption request. If you agree to this, the sub-fund may provide an independent valuation report from the FCP's auditor and other documentation. Reduce or waive any stated minimum initial investment or sales charge for any sub-fund, investor, or request.

#### **Unitholder Tax Considerations**

The following information is only a summary and is provided for general reference only.

Taxes in your country of tax residence From a Luxembourg tax perspective, the FCP, is a co-ownership between the unitholders without legal personality, is in principle fully tax transparent. Luxembourg tax residents are generally subject to Luxembourg taxes, such as the withholding tax on savings income. Unitholders in other jurisdictions are generally not subject to Luxembourg taxes but may be subject to taxes in whichever jurisdiction(s) they are tax residents.

France, Germany Certain sub-funds qualify for the French Plan d'Epargne en Actions (PEA) or the German Investment Tax Act (GITA), as indicated under "Planning your Investment" in "Sub-Fund Descriptions". Taxable investors in these countries may qualify for a partial tax exemption on investments in a sub-fund that complies with the program of their country.

German Investment Tax Act (Investmentsteuergesetz) For the German Investment Tax Act (GITA), if a sub-fund qualifies as an equity fund (Aktienfonds), a portion of the income from the sub-fund is exempt from German income tax, the solidarity surcharge, and any applicable church tax.

For a German tax resident whose sub-fund units are considered private assets for tax purposes (steuerliches Privatvermögen), the exempt portion of income is 30% for an equity fund (Aktienfonds).

Similar rules apply (though with different percentage rates and subject to certain exemptions) for German individual business investors whose sub-fund units are considered business assets for tax purposes (steuerliches Betriebsvermögen) and for German tax-resident corporations. A corresponding portion of any expenses such investors incur in relation to their investment is not tax-deductible.

A sub-fund qualifies if its investment guidelines call for it to continuously invest more than 51% of its value in certain equity instruments. Alternatively, a sub-fund can qualify if an investor is able to document, to the satisfaction of the competent tax office, that the limit was met throughout the calendar year in question. In either case, compliance must be tested annually.

Although all sub-funds labelled as eligible for the partial tax exemption expect to achieve compliance, there are a number of factors — some beyond an investment manager's control — that might cause a sub-fund to fail to comply, and therefore for the income to German investors to be fully taxable.

Common Reporting Standard ("CRS") The Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development ("OECD") has developed the CRS which is a parallel to FATCA to achieve a comprehensive and multilateral automatic exchange of information on a global basis. In Luxembourg, the CRS was implemented by the law of 18 December 2015 on the automatic exchange of

financial account information in the field of taxation (the "CRS Law"). According to the CRS Law, The Luxembourg branch of the management company qualifies as a Reporting Financial Institution and must annually report to the Luxembourg tax authorities the identification and holdings of, and payments made to, investors and controlling persons of certain non-financial entities. The reporting will include information about transactions made by reportable persons and other personal and financial data.

Prospective investors should consult their professional advisor on the individual impact of the CRS.

Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act ("FATCA") The FATCA, which was passed as part of the Hiring Incentives to Restore Employment Act (the "Hire Act"), entered into force in the United States of America (the "USA" or "US"). The FATCA generally requires that foreign financial Institutions ("FFIs") and certain other non-financial foreign entities report on the foreign assets held by their US account holders or be subject to withholding on withholdable payments. Luxembourg has signed a Model I Intergovernmental Agreement ("IGA") with the USA on 28 March 2014. The Luxembourg branch of the management company and the FCP are hence obliged to comply with the provisions of FATCA under the terms of the IGA and under the terms of Luxembourg legislation implementing the IGA (the "Luxembourg IGA legislation"), rather than under the US Treasury Regulations implementing FATCA. Under the IGA, information on direct and indirect ownership of non-US accounts or entities by certain US persons information must be reported to the Luxembourg tax authorities, who in turn may share it with the US Internal Revenue Service or other tax authorities. Unitholders who hold their units through intermediaries should check the intermediaries' intention to comply with FATCA. As an FFI, the FCP may potentially be subject to a 30% withholding tax on certain source of US income should it fails to comply with the regime and or not otherwise exempt. In order to protect Unitholders from the effect of any penalty withholding, the FCP must comply with the requirements of the FATCA regime and hence, qualify as a so-called "participating financial institution" as defined in the IGA. As long as the FCP complies with the IGA and the enabling legislation, the FCP does not anticipate that it or its sub-funds will be subject to the related US withholding tax.

The Luxembourg branch of the management company has agreed to sponsor the FCP which means that the FCP is considered as a "sponsored financial institution" and the Luxembourg branch of the management company as a "sponsoring financial institution". The FCP qualifies as a "non-reporting sponsored financial institution" within the meaning of the IGA. In cases where investors invest in the FCP through an intermediary, investors are reminded to check whether such intermediary is FATCA compliant and, hence, qualifies as a participating financial institution. Although the FCP and the Luxembourg branch of the management company will attempt to satisfy any obligations imposed on it to avoid the imposition of the US withholding tax, no assurance can be given that the FCP and the Luxembourg branch of the management company will be able to satisfy these obligations. If the FCP becomes subject to a withholding tax as a result of the FATCA regime, the value of the Units held by the Unitholders may suffer material losses.

If you are in any doubt, you should consult your tax advisor, stockbroker, bank manager, solicitor, accountant or other financial adviser regarding the possible implications of FATCA on an investment in the Company.

Potential future taxes To the extent that other jurisdictions impose new tax or reporting requirements, the FCP intends to comply with these requirements to whatever extent it may be subject to them. As a result, an investment in the FCP today could expose investors to future sharing of information or efforts to obtain information that were not in effect at the time of investment.

## **Protection of Personal Data**

We require personal data for various purposes, such as to process a request when you make an investment in the FCP, provide unitholder services, guard against unauthorised account access, conduct statistical analyses, provide you with information on other products and services, and comply with our legal obligations including obligations arising under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), tax laws, anti-money laundering laws various laws and regulations.

Personal data includes, for example, your name, address, bank account number, quantity and value of units held, and the name and address of your individual representative(s) and the beneficial owner (if it is not the unitholder). Personal data includes data provided to us at any time by you or on your behalf. When any unitholder (such as a distributor) provides personal information about end investors, the unitholder is considered to have informed these investors that it has the authority to do so and to have informed them about the processing of their personal data and rights.

The entity determining the purposes and means of processing personal data — the so-called data controller — is the management company, unless you invest through a nominee (an entity that holds units for you under its own name), in which case your data controller is the nominee. The data processors — the entities that may process your personal data, consistent with the usage described above — include the data controllers as well as the investment managers, the administrative agent, the depositary, the global distributor, the local distributors and agents, the paying agents, the auditor or other third parties, as well as their employees, representatives, contractors, delegates and affiliates. Processing of personal data may include any of the following:

gathering, storing and using it in physical or electronic form (including making recordings of telephone calls to or from investors or their representatives, which is our general practice) sharing it with external processing centres sharing it as required by Luxembourg law or regulation.

The data processors may or may not be SEB Group entities, and some may be located in jurisdictions that do not guarantee a level of protection that meets European Economic Area (EEA) standards. As a general principle, we seek to avoid the transfer of personal data outside the EEA. However, if such transfer happens, the data controllers will take appropriate measures to ensure that it is handled in GDPR-compliant ways.

At the same time, neither the management company on behalf of the FCP nor any SEB Group entity accepts liability for personal information obtained by unauthorised third parties, except in the case of gross negligence or serious misconduct by the management company on behalf of the FCP, an SEB Group entity or any of their employees or officers. Personal data is not kept longer than is it is needed, unless we are required by law to hold it longer.

## **Notices and Publications**

The following table shows which material (in its most recent version) is made available through which channels.

| Information/document   | Sent | Media | Online | Office |
|--|------|-------|--------|--------|
| KIIDs  |      |       | •      | •      |
| Prospectus   |      |       | •      | •      |
| NAVs (unit prices)   |      | •     | •      | •      |
| Dividend announcements   |      |       | •      | •      |
| Annual/semiannual financial reports  |      |       | •      | •      |
| Unitholder notices   |      |       | •      | •      |
| Statements/ confirmations  | •    |       |        |        |
| Management regulations and main agreements   |      |       | •      | •      |
| Core policies (data privacy, conflicts of interest, voting of portfolio securities, best execution, inducements, remuneration, complaint handling) |      |       | •      | •      |
| Summary of benchmark regulation policies   |      |       |        | •      |

#### **KEY**

Sent Sent to unitholders at the address of record (physically, electronically, or as an emailed link).

Media Published in newspapers or other media (such as newspapers in Luxembourg and other countries where units are available, or electronic platforms such as Bloomberg, where daily NAVs are published), as well as, where the law so requires, in the Recueil Electronique des Sociétés et Associations.

Online Posted online on sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds.

Office Available free upon request from the Luxembourg branch office of the management company, and also available for inspection there. Many items are also available free on request from local distributors.

Unitholder notices include notice of unitholder meetings (the annual general meeting and any extraordinary meetings) as well as notices of prospectus changes, the mergers or closings of sub-funds or unit classes, suspension of trading in units, and all other items for which notice is required by law.

Audited annual reports are issued within four months of the end of the financial year. Unaudited semi-annual reports are issued within two months of the end of the period they cover.

Information on past performance appears in the KIID for each sub-fund, by unit class.

You have the right to review, correct or request deletion of the personal information we and any service providers have on file for you at any time. You can do this online at <code>sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds</code> or by writing to the management company.

You may refuse to communicate personal information. In such case, however, we may reject your request to buy, redeem or convert units.

# Management and Business Operations

# **Operations and Business Structure**

#### Name SEB Fund 1

Legal structure Open-ended investment company organised as a fonds commun de placement (FCP)

**Legal jurisdiction** Luxembourg

**Incorporated** 3 December 1987

**Duration** Indefinite

Management regulations First published in the Registre de Commerce et des Sociétés on 7 June 2016; latest amendment on 20 September 2017.

#### Regulatory authority

Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier 283, route d'Arlon, L-1150 Luxembourg

**RCS** registration number K49

Financial year 1 January to 31 December

Capital Sum of the net assets of all of the sub-funds

Minimum capital (under Luxembourg law) EUR 1,250,000 or equivalent in any other currency

Par value of units None

Unit capital and reporting currency USD

Qualification as a UCITS The FCP qualifies as an Undertaking for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities (UCITS) under Part 1 of the 2010 Law.

Financial independence of the sub-funds The FCP functions as an "umbrella fund" under which the sub-funds are created and operate. The assets and liabilities of each sub-fund are segregated from those of other sub-funds: there is no cross-liability, and a creditor of one sub-fund has no recourse to the other sub-funds.

Resolution of disputes Disputes arising among the unitholders, the management company and the depositary will be settled according to Luxembourg law and subject to the jurisdiction of the District Court of Luxembourg. However, with disputes involving investors who are residents of other countries, or transactions in units occurring in other countries, the management company and/or the depositary may choose to submit themselves, and the FCP, to the jurisdiction of courts and/or laws of such countries.

The ability for a unitholder to bring a claim against the FCP expires five years after the event on which the claim would be based (30 years in the case of claims concerning entitlement to the proceeds of a liquidation).

# The Management Company

#### Name and home office

SEB Investment Management AB

(as from 14 March 2025, its name will be changed to SEB Funds AB)

Malmskillnadsgatan 44 B,

111 57 Stockholm, Sweden

#### **Postal address**

SE-106 40 Stockholm

Legal structure Swedish limited liability company

Legal jurisdiction Sweden

Incorporated 19 May 1978

## Regulatory authority

Finansinspektionen Brunnsgatan 3

SE-111 38 Stockholm, Sweden

Type of authorisations Discretionary management of financial instruments and investment portfolios under the Swedish UCITS Act (SFS 2004:46); alternative investment fund manager to manage alternative investment funds under the Swedish AIFM Act (SFS 2013:561)

Capital SEK 1.5 million

# Other sub-funds managed See

sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds

#### Luxembourg branch

SEB Investment Management AB, Luxembourg

(as from 14 March 2025, its name will be changed to SEB Funds AB, Luxembourg branch)

4, rue Peternelchen

L-2370 Howald, Luxembourg

Website sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds

## **Board of Directors**

#### Johan Wigh (Chair) **Partner**

Törngren Magnell & Partners Advokatfirma KB Jakobs Torg 3 111 52 Stockholm Sweden

# Mikael Huldt

**Head of Asset Management, AFA Insurance** 

AFA Försäkring Klara Södra Kyrkogata 18 SE-111 52 Stockholm, Sweden

#### **Louise Hedberg** CEO and senior advisor

Penny to Pound AB Sturevägen 16 A SE-182 73 Stocksund, Sweden

# Management company rights and responsibilities

The management company is responsible for the overall management and administration of the FCP and, as described more fully in the management regulations, and has broad powers to act on its behalf, such as:

taking all decisions regarding the launch, modification, merger or discontinuation of sub-funds and unit classes, including such matters as sub-fund design and strategy, timing, pricing, fees, dividend policy and payment of dividends, and other conditions investment management of the sub-funds appointing and reviewing the actions of the service providers determining eligibility requirements for investors in any sub-fund or unit class, and what steps may be taken in the case of any violation determining the availability of any unit class to any investor or distributor or in any jurisdiction determining when and how the FCP will exercise its rights and will distribute or publicise unitholder communications ensuring that the depositary adequately capitalised and that its appointment is consistent with the 2010 Law and any applicable contracts of the FCP marketing and distributing the sub-funds determining whether to list any units on the Luxembourg stock exchange

The management company is responsible for the information in this prospectus and has taken all reasonable care to ensure that it is materially accurate and complete. The prospectus will be updated as required when subfunds are added or dropped or when other material changes are made.

The management company's business activities are mainly in Sweden. It has established a branch in Luxembourg whose activities include risk management and central administration. The management company can act directly or through its Luxembourg branch.

The management company also acts as a management company for other funds which names are listed on its Luxembourg branch's website.

Service of board members Directors serve until their term ends, they resign, or they are revoked, in accordance with the articles of incorporation of the management company. Directors are appointed in accordance with the articles of incorporation and Swedish law. Independent directors (directors who are not employees of SEB or any of its affiliates) may receive compensation for serving on the board.

**Delegation of powers** Consistent with the management regulations, and with applicable Swedish and Luxembourg law and regulation, the management company may delegate to qualified third parties some or all of its responsibilities.

For example, so long as it retains supervision, implements appropriate controls and procedures, and updates the prospectus in advance, the management company can appoint one or more investment managers to handle the portfolio management of any sub-fund's assets, and can appoint investment advisors.

An investment manager in turn can, with the approval of the management company and the supervisory authority, delegate some or all their functions to other entities, such as sub-investment managers.

The management company must require any delegated entity to comply with the provisions of the prospectus, management regulations and other applicable provisions.

Also, regardless of the nature and extent of its delegations, the management company remains fully liable for the actions of its delegates.

Engagement of service providers All service providers engaged by the FCP, including the management company, have service agreements that extend for an indefinite period and must provide periodic reports relating to their services. The management company may terminate any of these service agreements immediately if it determines that a material breach of contract has occurred. Otherwise, a holder of any of these service agreements can resign or be replaced by the management company as described in its service agreement. Regardless of the circumstances of termination, any service provider must cooperate fully with a transition of its duties, consistent with its service agreement, its duties under law, and the instructions of the management company.

# **Investment Managers and Service Providers**

# **Investment managers**

Aristotle Atlantic Partners LCC 489 5th Avenue, 10th Floor New York NY 10017 USA

#### Montrusco Bolton Investments Inc.

1501, avenue McGill College Suite 1200, H3A 3M8, Montreal, Quebec Canada

#### **SEB Asset Management AB**

Malmskillnadsgatan 44 B 111 57 Stockholm Sweden

# Administrative agent (including registrar, transfer agent and paying agent)

The Bank of New York SA/NV (Luxembourg branch) 2-4, rue Eugène Ruppert

L-2453 Luxembourg

The administrative agent handles the administrative work required by law, as detailed in the central administration agreement, such as calculating NAVs, sending notices to unitholders and keeping the books and records of the FCP.

The registrar and transfer agent provides such services as maintaining the FCP's register of unitholders, opening and closing accounts, processing requests for transactions in sub-fund units, and providing documentation of these transactions to unitholders.

The paying agent is responsible for the collection of subscription amounts in relation to the issue of units as well as for making payments in relation to the redemption of units and payment of dividends.

The client communication function, compromising of the handling of confidential communication and correspondence of confidential documents intended for investors are performed by both Management Company and the administrative agent. The correspondence and dispatch of fund documentation are mainly carried out by the Management Company, while certain other tasks, such

as drawing up financial reports, subscription or redemption contract notes, dispatching such documents to investors, maintenance of adequate records of the FCP's activity relating to the client communication function, are entrusted to the administrative agent.

# **Depositary**

# Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ), Luxembourg branch

4, rue Peternelchen L-2370 Howald, Luxembourg

The depositary provides safe-keeping of the FCP's assets, including: custody of financial instruments recordkeeping and verification of ownership of other assets of the FCP effective and proper monitoring of the FCP's cash flows in accordance with applicable laws and regulations and the depositary agreement fulfilling oversight duties to ensure that the activities defined in the depositary agreement are carried out in accordance with the board's instructions, the 2010 Law and the management regulations; these activities include the calculation of NAV, the processing of fund units and the receipt and allocation of income and revenues to each sub-fund and unit class, among others.

The depositary is obligated to act honestly, fairly, professionally and, notwithstanding the fact that it is part of the SEB Group, independently. The depositary must use reasonable care in exercising its functions and is liable to the FCP and unitholders for any losses that result from failing to properly perform its duties. It may, with ongoing monitoring and with the management company's consent, entrust assets to third party banks, financial institutions or clearinghouses, but this will not affect its liability. The list of such delegates and the potential conflicts of interest that may arise from such delegations is available at SEB Global Custody Network.

Where the law of a third country requires that certain investments be held in custody by a local entity but no local entities satisfy the delegation requirement, the depositary may nevertheless delegate to a local entity so long as investors have been informed and the management company has given the local entity appropriate instructions.

The depositary is not allowed to carry out activities with regard to the FCP that may create conflicts of interest between the FCP, the unitholders and the depositary itself, unless it has properly identified any such potential conflicts of interest, has functionally and hierarchically separated the performance of its depositary tasks from its other potentially conflicting tasks, and the potential conflicts of interest are properly identified, managed, monitored and disclosed to the unitholders. The depositary's current code of conduct policy is available electronically at SEB Code of Conduct or in paper form upon written request to the depositary.

## **Benchmark administrators**

Any index or rate that is used for tracking or performance fee calculation (whether by itself or as part of a composite benchmark) must be covered by an applicable ESMA benchmark registration. For EU-based administrators, registration at a company level covers all benchmarks the company administers. Administrators based outside the EU must register each benchmark individually, and have until 1 January 2022 to do so; until that date, any UCITS

can use these benchmarks whether they are registered or not

The management company has produced and maintains robust written plans describing the actions that it will take if a benchmark materially changes or ceases to be provided, or if the benchmark's administrator loses its ESMA registration. A summary of these plans is available at the management company.

## Global distributor

#### **SEB Asset Management AB**

SE-106 40 Stockholm, Sweden Visiting address: Malmskillnadsgatan 44 B 111 57 Stockholm Sweden

The global distributor manages, supports and coordinates the marketing activities of the FCP across all geographic markets where the FCP's unit classes are registered. The global distributor is entitled to delegate all or part of its duties to one or several sub-distributors.

# Local distributors and agents

The management company or the global distributor may also engage local distributors or other agents in certain countries or markets. In some countries, use of an agent is mandatory, and the agent may not merely facilitate transactions but may hold units in its own name on behalf of investors.

Distributors can act as nominees, which may affect your rights as an investor. When compensation is paid out as a result of corrective actions further to an NAV error or non compliance with the investment rules and other errors at the level of the Sub-Fund, investors subscribed to the units via distributors or other financial intermediaries, need to be aware that their rights may be affected. You are advised to take advice on your rights.

## **Auditor**

EY Luxembourg S.A. 35E, avenue John F. Kennedy L-1855 Luxembourg

The auditor provides independent review of the financial statements of the FCP and all sub-funds once a year.

# **Corporate Conduct Policies**

More information about these and other corporate conduct policies, such as the inducements policy, is available either at the links indicated below or as indicated in "Notices and Publications" at the end of "Investing in the Sub-Funds".

## Conflicts of interest and self-dealing

The members of the board, the management company, the investment manager(s), the depositary, and the other service providers of the FCP, and/or their respective affiliates, members, employees or any person connected with them may be subject to various conflicts of interest in their relationships with the FCP and have implemented adequate procedures in this respect.

The management company, SEB Asset Management AB, the depositary and certain distributors are part of the SEB

Group, a worldwide, full-service private banking, investment banking, asset management and financial services organisation and a major participant in global financial markets. As such, the SEB Group is active in various business activities and may have other direct or indirect interests in the financial markets in which the FCP invests. This may give rise to potential conflicts of interest, such as:

entities of the SEB Group may act as a counterparty for derivatives held by the FCP

SEB Group may have invested directly or indirectly in the FCP, and could hold a relatively large proportion of units in any unit class, sub-fund or the FCP as a whole

the depositary is related to a legal entity of the SEB Group that provides other products or services to the FCP

The policy of the management company and of the SEB Group is to identify, manage and where necessary prohibit any action or transaction that may pose a conflict between the interests of the SEB Groups' various business activities and the FCP or its investors. The SEB Group, as well as the management company, strive to manage any conflicts in a manner consistent with the highest standards of integrity and fair dealing. For this purpose, both have implemented procedures designed to ensure that any business activities involving a conflict that might harm the interest of the FCP or its investors are carried out with an appropriate level of independence and that any conflicts are resolved fairly.

Notwithstanding its due care and best effort, and organisational or administrative arrangements made by the management company to manage conflicts of interest, it is still possible that damage to the interests of the FCP or its unitholders could occur. In such case these non-neutralised conflicts of interest as well as the decisions taken will be reported to investors in an appropriate manner (such as in the notes to the financial statements of the FCP).

For more information, go to https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/our-divisions/seb-investment-management/about-investment-management/reports-and-legal-information.

## Remuneration

The management company has implemented a remuneration policy, which is reviewed at least annually, and is designed to encourage good performance and behaviour, and seeks to achieve a balanced risk-taking that goes in line with unitholders' expectations.

SEB Group makes a clear distinction between criteria for fixed remuneration (such as base pay, pension and other benefits) and for variable remuneration (such as short- and long-term variable remuneration). The individual total remuneration corresponds to task complexity, management, and functional accountability, and is also related to the individual's performance.

SEB Group provides a sound balance between fixed and variable remuneration, and aligns the payout horizon of variable pay with the risk horizon. This implies that certain maximum levels and deferral arrangements apply for different categories of employees.

The policy ensures that remuneration is in line with the business strategy, objectives, values and long-term interest of the unitholders, and includes measures to avoid conflicts of interest.

Performance assessments are based on the longer term performance of the FCP and its investment risks, and the actual payment of performance-based components of remuneration is spread over the same period.

For more information, go to sebgroup.com/about-seb/corporate-governance.

#### **Best execution**

The management company, and each investment manager, operate under a best execution policy whose purpose is to ensure that all reasonable measures are taken to achieve the best possible result for the FCP and its unitholders when executing orders. In determining what constitutes best execution, a range of different factors is considered, with the factors and their weighting varying as appropriate with the type of order and financial instrument. Factors typically include trade price, costs, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, and order size and nature, among others.

# **Voting rights**

The management company reserves the right to make all decisions about whether and how to vote on all matters put before unitholders of securities held by the sub-funds. In practice, the management company generally abstains from voting (though it does not have to) unless it believes that the vote is particularly important to protect the interests of the investors.

# **Liquidation or Merger**

## Liquidation

The management company may at any time decide to liquidate any sub-fund, particularly if the management company believes any of the following is true:

the value of the sub-fund's net assets has fallen below a level that would allow efficient and rational management there has been a notable change in the prevailing economic and/ or political circumstances to do so would be in the interests of unitholders for feeder funds, in any of the above mentioned cases or if the master fund liquidates, merges, or splits, and the CSSF does not approve the feeder fund's remaining with the split or merged master fund, finding a new master fund, or becoming a non-feeder fund

So long as equal treatment among unitholders is ensured, redemption requests may be accepted after the date of the event leading to the dissolution and the decision to liquidate a sub-fund.

The management company may also decide to liquidate the entire FCP if the management company believes it would be in the interests of unitholders, in the management company's own interest, or if the FCP's capital has fallen below two-thirds of minimum capital legally required under Luxembourg law.

Assets from any liquidation will be liquidated in the best interest of unitholders, and the net proceeds (after deduction of any costs relating to the liquidation) will be distributed to the applicable unitholders in proportion to their holdings.

Amounts from liquidations that are not claimed promptly by unitholders will be deposited in escrow with the *Caisse de Consignation* for a specified period, and if unclaimed will be forfeited, all in accordance Luxembourg law.

# **Mergers**

Within the limits of the 2010 Law, the management company may decide to split any sub-fund into more than one sub-fund or merge it with any other sub-fund, wherever domiciled (whether the other sub-fund is within the FCP or in a different UCITS).

The FCP may also merge with another UCITS as permitted by the 2010 Law. The management company is authorised to approve mergers on behalf of the FCP.

Unitholders whose investments are involved in any merger will receive at least one month's advance notice of the merger, during which they will be able to redeem or convert their units free of any redemption and conversion charges. At the end of the notice period, unitholders who still own units in a sub-fund and class that is being merged out of existence and who have not expressly indicated their unwillingness to participate in the merger will receive units of the receiving sub-fund of the merger.

#### Interpreting this prospectus

The following rules apply unless law, regulation or context require otherwise.

- headings are for convenience only and do not affect the meaning of this document
- singular words can include the plural and vice versa
- if a word or phrase is defined, its other grammatical forms have a corresponding meaning
- the word "include", in any form, does not denote comprehensiveness
- a reference to an agreement includes any undertaking, deed, agreement and legally enforceable arrangement, and a reference to a document includes an agreement in writing and any certificate, notice, instrument and document of any kind
- a reference to a document, agreement, regulation or legislation refers to the same as it has been amended or replaced (except as prohibited by this prospectus or applicable external controls), and a reference to a party includes the party's successors or permitted substitutes and assigns
- a reference to legislation includes reference to any of its provision and any rule or regulation promulgated under the legislation
- any conflict in meaning between this prospectus and the management regulations will be resolved in favour of the prospectus for "Fund Descriptions" and in favour of the management regulations in all other cases
- terms that are defined in the 2010 Law but not here have the same meaning as in the 2010 Law

# Annex I – Information about the sub-funds environmental and social characteristics



Pre-contractual disclosure for the financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraphs 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

**Product name:** SEB Europe Equity Fund Legal entity identifier: 529900D8G6BI5YVBHF82

# **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

# Sustainable investment means an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the investee companies follow good governance practices.

The EU Taxonomy is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation does not include a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.





# What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-Fund promotes environmental and social characteristics withing the meaning of Article 8 of SFDR. The sub-fund's promotes general sustainability characteristics, such as fair business practices, human rights, labour rights, anti-corruption and fair competition. To promote social and general sustainability characteristics, the Sub-Fund excludes investments in companies that operate in sectors or business areas that are assessed to present major sustainability challenges. The Sub-Fund integrates sustainability risk and opportunities by considering the Management Company's proprietary sustainability model (SIMS-S) which by external and internal data sources gives each potential investment company a sustainability score. In SIMS-S the companies are ranked on sustainability performance indicators. Characteristics within the model include, but are not limited to, carbon emissions, climate solutions, diversity, and equality.

The environmental and social characteristics of this Sub-Fund include:

- Integration, the Sub-Fund promotes companies that:
- $\bullet\,$  Integrate sustainability into their ongoing business model and strategy
- Demonstrate a high degree of willingness to reduce their greenhouse-gas emissions (transitioning companies) or aim to be more energy efficient.
- Active ownership, the Sub-Fund seeks to influence issuers towards a more sustainable direction. This is for example done through direct dialogues with companies, collaboration with other

companies and by voting at the shareholder meetings.

- Exclusions, the Sub-Fund excludes issuers that:
- Breach international norms and standards
- Operate in controversial sectors or business areas such as tobacco, recreational cannabis, pornography, commercial gambling, civilian weapons, and alcohol.
- Have exposure to fossil fuels or other activities with negative climate impact.

The Sub-Fund can invest in companies that are assessed to be in transformation in accordance with The Management Company's sustainability policy.

Sustainability indicators measure how the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are attained.

# What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainable indicators to measure the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub Fund are:

- Exclusion of companies that breach international norms and standards: is measured by the number of companies restricted as a result of this sustainable indicator compared to the Sub-Fund's benchmark or investment universe.
- Exclusion of companies that operate in controversial sectors or business areas: is measured by the number of companies restricted as a result of this sustainable indicator compared to the Sub-Fund's benchmark or investment universe.
- Exclusion of companies that have exposure to fossil fuels or other activities with negative environmental impact: is measured by the number of companies restricted as a result of this sustainable indicator compared to the Sub-Fund's benchmark or investment universe.
- Integrate sustainability in their ongoing business model and strategy: is measured by the Sub-Fund's proprietary ESG score based on the SIMS-S framework.
- Influence the companies towards a more sustainable direction: is measured by the number of companies subject to engagement, either directly, through

collaborative initiatives or via voting at the annual general meeting.

# What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The Sub-Fund has sustainable investments with environmental and/or social objectives connected to the EU environmental taxonomy and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals ("UNSDGs").

The environmental objectives: The social objectives:

To positively contribute to the environmental SDGs:

SDG 6: Clean water and sanitation

SDG 7: Affordable and clean energy

SDG 9: Industry, innovation, and infrastructure

SDG 11: Sustainable cities and communities

SDG 12: Responsible consumption, and production

SDG 13: Climate action

SDG 14: Life below water

SDG 15: Life on land

Social inclusion, cohesion, and partnerships.

To positively contribute to the social SDGs:

SDG 1: No Poverty

SDG 2: Zero hunger

SDG 3: Good health and wellbeing

SDG 4: Quality education

SDG 5: Gender equality

SDG 6: Clean water and sanitation

SDG 8: Decent work and economic growth

SDG 10: Reduced inequalities

SDG 11: Sustainable cities and communities

SDG 16: Peace, justice, and strong institutions

SDG 17: Partnerships for the goals

The Management Company uses a "pass/fail approach", where a company is classified and accounted for as sustainable, if the company fulfil one or more of the following conditions:

- 10 percent of the companies' revenue, capital expenditure or operating costs has, through conservative estimation or reporting, been classified as a significant contributor according to the EU taxonomy
- 20 percent of the companies' revenue has been assessed to contribute to other environmental or social global goals, directly or indirectly linked to the UN's above-mentioned objectives for sustainable development
- The company outperforms relative to its sector and region in terms of emission factors, according to quantitative data

- The company outperforms relative to its region in terms of gender equality factors, according to quantitative data
- The company outperforms relative to its sector and region in terms of other resource efficiency such as water use, raw material consumption or waste generation, according to quantitative data
- Has been fundamentally analyzed and viewed as having high contribution and exposure to the objectives.

In addition to complying with at least one of the conditions above, the issuer must pass the do no significant harm ("DNSH") test (as further described below) applied on the issuer's entire revenue. Other management companies may use another approach and other criteria to classify a sustainable investment. Therefore, the levels of sustainable investments may differ between different management companies.

# How do the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make, not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

The Management Company's sustainability policy is used to ensure no sustainable investment cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective. Companies are excluded and not available for investment if they:

- do not comply with international norms and standards
- operates in controversial sectors and business areas
- have exposure to fossil fuels or other activities with negative environmental impact

The Sub-Fund is also screened for misalignment/obstruction towards the UN SDGs. A significant misalignment can lead to exclusion from the Sub-Fund's sustainable investments universe if the issuer is considered at risk of doing significant harm to environmental and/or social objectives. Apart from the data-driven analysis and exclusion, each sustainable investment will be fundamentally tested not significantly to harm any other environmental or social sustainable investment objective. The Management Company has developed internal tools and processes to assess and consider the negative consequences of the Principal Adverse Impact ("PAI") indicators in Annex I of the CDR

2022/1288, relevant PAIs in relevant PAIs in Tables 2 and 3 of Annex 1 of the CDR 2022/1288. However, the indicators are subject to current data availability. They will, together with fundamental analysis, the internal exclusion process, and the internal proprietary sustainability score from SIMS-S, affect the impact analysis in the do no significant harm ("DNSH") test.

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anti-corruption

and anti-bribery matters.

- How have the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors been taken into account?
  Principle adverse impacts ("PAIs") from Table 1-Annex 1 of Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 (the "RTS"), are taken into account by the Management Company sustainability policy and are excluded from investment:
  - PAI 4: Exposure to companies active in the fossil sector
  - PAI 10: Violations of UN Global Compact Principles & OECD Guidelines for multinational enterprises
  - PAI 14: Exposure to controversial weapons

PAIs from Table 1-Annex 1 of the CDR (EU) 2022/1288, are taken into account through the SIMSS and fundamental analysis to remove the companies causing significant harm:

- PAI 1: GHG emissions
- PAI 2: Carbon footprint
- PAI 3: GHG intensity of investee companies
- PAI 5: Share of non-renewable energy consumption and production
- PAI 6: Energy consumption intensity per high-impact climate sector
- PAI 7: Activities negatively affecting biodiversity-sensitive areas
- PAI 8: Emissions to water
- PAI 9: Hazardous waste ratio
- PAI 12: Unadjusted gender pay gap
- PAI 13: Board gender diversity
- PAI 11: Lack of processes and compliance mechanisms to monitor compliance with UN Global Compact principles and OECD guidelines for Multinational Enterprises.
- PAI 4 from Table 2-Annex 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288: Investments in companies without carbon emission reduction initiatives
- PAI 4 from Table 3-Annex 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288: Lack of a supplier code of conduct.

- How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights? Details:
  - The sustainable investments are aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human rights via both the norm-based exclusion criteria stated in the Management Company's sustainability policy and using the SIMS-S. Norm-based exclusions mean that the Management Company expects issuers to adhere to international laws and conventions such as:
  - the UN Principles for Responsible Investment
  - the UN Global Compact, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises

The UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, including the principles and rights set out in the eight fundamental conventions identified in the Declaration of the International Labour Organization on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and the International Bill of Human Rights. Companies with a confirmed breach are not considered as sustainable.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do not significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investments must also not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives.



# Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

 $\label{eq:considered}$  Yes, prior to the investment decision, the following PAIs are considered:

• On exclusionary basis:

From Table 1-Annex 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288

PAI 4: Exposure to companies active in the fossil sector

PAI 10: Violations of UN Global Compact Principles & OECD Guidelines for multinational enterprises

PAI 14: Exposure to controversial weapons

• During the ESG integration process using the SIMS-S combined with fundamental analysis:

From Table 1-Annex 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288

PAI 1: GHG emissions

PAI 2: Carbon footprint

PAI 3: GHG intensity of investee companies

PAI 5: Share of non-renewable energy consumption and production

PAI 6: Energy consumption intensity per high-impact climate sector

PAI 7: Activities negatively affecting biodiversity-sensitive areas

PAI 8: Emissions to water

PAI 9: Hazardous waste ratio

PAI 11: Lack of processes and compliance mechanisms to monitor compliance with UN Global Compact principles and OECD guidelines for Multinational Enterprises.

PAI 12: Unadjusted gender pay gap

PAI 13: Board gender diversity

From Table 2-Annex 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288

PAI 4: Investments in companies without carbon emission reduction initiatives

From Table 3-Annex 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288

PAI 4: Lack of a supplier code of conduct

During the investment period, these PAIs are considered:

• In engagement dialogues with issuers:

PAI 1 - 6 from Table 1-Annex 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288

PAI 4, from Table 2-Annex 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288: Investments in companies without carbon emission reduction initiatives

More information about PAIs on sustainability factors is available in the SEB Principal adverse Impact

Statement found at https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/our-divisions/seb-investmentmanagement/our-sustainability-approach and also in the Fund's annual report at: Our funds | https://sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds

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The investment strategy guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance.

# What investment strategy does this financial product follow?

The sub-fund aims to increase the value of your investment over time and to outperform its benchmark. The sub-fund is actively managed and invests primarily in stocks in the European market. The management company's sustainability score ("SIMS-S"), is central to our sustainability integration process and evaluation. SIMS-S focuses on risks and opportunities related to sustainable development in company management, products & services and operations, using metrics such as alignment with the Paris Agreement, carbon footprint, gender diversity, Taxonomy alignment and revenue aligned with the sustainable development goals ("SDGs").

The SIMS-S consists of overall scores and underlying component scores. Each of them has two versions, a raw and an adjusted score. The raw score is the issuer's standalone overall sustainability score, whereas the adjusted is sector and region adjusted. The underlying component scores, building up to the overall SIMS-S, make it possible to have a specific focus on specific sustainability topics. The SIMS-S ranges between 0 and 10, with 10 being the highest sustainability score. The environmental and social characteristics of this Sub-Fund include: Integration, the Sub-Fund promotes companies that:

- Successfully manage sustainability risks and opportunities within their operations and products/services.
- Demonstrate a high degree of willingness to reduce their greenhouse-gas emissions (transitioning issuers) or aim to be more energy efficient.

Active ownership, the Sub-Fund seeks to influence companies towards a more sustainable direction. This is, for example, done through direct engagement dialogues with companies, collaboration with other companies and by voting at the shareholder meetings.

Exclusions, the Sub-Fund excludes companies that:

- Breach international norms and standards
- Operate in controversial sectors or business areas such as tobacco, recreational cannabis, pornography, commercial gambling, civilian weapons, and alcohol.
- Have exposure to fossil fuels or other activities with a negative climate impact.

The Sub-Fund can invest in companies that is are assessed to be in transformation in accordance with The Management Company's sustainability policy.

Further details on:

- The Management Company's sustainability policy is available in here: SEB IM Sustainability Approach |
   https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/our-divisions/seb-investment-management/our-sustainability-approach
- Active ownership is available in here: Principles for Shareholders' Engagement | <a href="https://sebgroup.com/legal-and-regulatory-information/legal-notice/application-of-the-principles-for-shareholders-engagement">https://sebgroup.com/legal-and-regulatory-information/legal-notice/application-of-the-principles-for-shareholders-engagement</a>
- What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The binding elements in the investment strategy are:

- complying with the Management Company's exclusion policy, described in the question above. The Sub-Fund will have no exposure to excluded companies based on: o breaches in international norms and standards o operation in controversial sectors or business areas
- o issuer exposure to fossil fuels and other activities with negative environmental impact

The sub-fund commits to a minimum proportion of sustainable investments of 20%. The Management Company's exclusions are laid out in the sustainability policy available at SEB IM Sustainability Approach | https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/our-divisions/seb-investment-management/our-sustainabilityapproach

What is the committed minimum rate to reduce the scope of the investments considered prior to the application of that investment strategy?

Not applicable. The Sub-Fund does not commit to a minimum rate to reduce the scope of the investments considered prior to the application of the investment strategy.

What is the policy to assess good governance practices of the investee companies?

The Management Company ensures good governance of the securities in the financial product, partly by exclusions and screenings based on:

- sector screenings
- norm breaches

# Good governance

practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance. - safeguards such as adherence to the UN Global Compact, ILO conventions and OECD Guidelines in the investment decision process. Screening for relevant sanctions is also applied. The Sub-Fund's investments are monitored in these regards as well, as stated in the Management Company's sustainability policy.

The governance of each company held in the Sub-Fund is assessed by several additional factors, including:

- sustainability and independence of board directors
- board and management diversity
- appropriate levels of pay and variable remuneration (including sustainability-linked incentives),
- separation of senior management and board positions
- anti-corruption
- tax evasion practices
- environmental and climate impacts
- human rights
- working conditions, both regarding the company's own operations and through its supply chain.

More information about good governance can be found at: https://sebgroup.com/about-us/ourbusiness/ourdivisions/seb-investment-management/our-sustainability-approach/active-ownership.



Asset allocation

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# What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

A minimum of 20% in sustainable investments and a minimum of 85% that promotes E/S characteristics. The investments in the "#2 Other" category are cash and/or cash equivalents, government bonds, derivatives, or ETFs and is used for hedging, liquidity and efficient portfolio management, while the cash is used in the meaning of ancillary liquid assets. The "2# Other" category has no minimum environmental or social safeguards.



**#1** Aligned with E/S characteristics includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2** Other includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

The category **#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** covers:

The sub-category~#1A Sustainable~covers~sustainable~investments~with~environmental~or~social~objectives.

- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

# How does the use of derivatives attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?

Not applicable. The Sub-Fund does not use derivatives to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.



To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

0%. The Sub-Fund does not commit to any minimum sustainable investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. The sustainable investments in the Sub-Fund may or may not be aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for fossil gas include limitations on emissions and switching to renewable power or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive safety and waste management rules.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of:

- turnover reflecting the share of revenue from green activities of investee companies capital expenditure (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy.
- operational expenditure (OpEx) reflecting green operational activities of investee companies.

Enabling activities directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which low-carbon alternatives are not yet available and among others have greenhouse gas emission levels corresponding to the best performance.

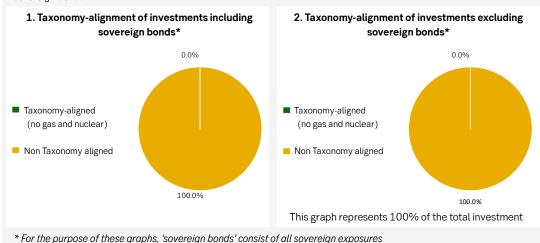


sustainable investments that do not consider the criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy 1?

☐ Yes:
☐ In fossil gas ☐ In nuclear energy
☑ No

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?
0%. The investments in the Sub-Fund may or may not be in transitional and enabling activities.
However, the Sub-Fund does not commit to having a minimum proportion of investments in transitional and enabling activities.



What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

1%. The Sub-Fund does not commit to any minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy, nor does it exclude any investments that would be

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.



# What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

1%, where the sum of sustainable investments with a social or environmental objective will have a minimum proportion of 20%.



What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and are there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

#2 Other" includes cash and derivatives. The derivatives included under "#2 Other" are used for hedging, liquidity, efficient portfolio management purposes or part of the investment objective, while cash is used in the meaning of ancillary liquid assets. There are currently no minimum environmental or social safeguards for these investments.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

No

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics that they promote.



# Where can I find more product specific information online?

 $\label{lem:condition} \mbox{More product-specific information can be found on the website: Our funds | https://sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds/our-luxembourg-funds | https://sebgroup.luxembourg-funds | https:/$ 

Template pre-contractual disclosure for the financial products referred to in Article 9, paragraphs 1 to 4a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 5, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

Product name: SEB Global Climate Opportunity Fund

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# Sustainable investment objective

## Sustainable investment

means an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the investee companies follow good governance practices.

The EU Taxonomy is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation does not include a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.





# What is the sustainable investment objective of this financial product?

SEB Global Climate Opportunity Fund has sustainable investments as its objective within the meaning of Article 9 of SFDR. The sub-fund's sustainability objective seeks to create a positive climate impact to achieve, inter alia, the long-term objective of the Paris agreement.

The sustainability approach is made up of companies that contribute to at least one of the 6 environmental objectives set out in Article 9 of the EU Taxonomy regulation. The alignment of the companies' activities with the objectives of the EU Taxonomy is based on data from third party vendors. Depending on the investment opportunities, the sub-fund may contribute to any of the 6 objectives in the Taxonomy Regulation.

The sub-fund also considers companies whose products and services contribute to the climate related UN Sustainability Development Goals and seeks to influence companies on sustainability issues through active ownership. All equities are assessed and measured regarding their ability to contribute to combatting climate change. The Management Company and the Sub-Fund use a "pass/fail approach", where an issuer is classified and accounted for as sustainable, if the issuer, based on quantitative measurements provided by third party data providers, fulfil one or more of the following conditions:

- 1. Taxonomy alignment with a minimum threshold level of 10% of revenue based on the last available data from either company or third-party estimates
- 2. Revenues from environmentally sustainable activities with a minimum threshold of 40%.
- Products and services with a net positive contribution to one or several of the climate related UN Sustainability
  Development Goals including SDG 7 (Clean Energy), SDG 13 (Climate action), SDG 14 (Life below water), SDG 15
  (Life on land), SDG 12 (responsible consumption), SDG 11

(sustainable cities).

4. Issuers that are assessed to be in transition in accordance with The Management Company's sustainability policy. In addition, the entire revenue is also subject to the do no significant harm ("DNSH") test (as further described below)

To identify to what extent sustainable investments are aligned with the EU taxonomy the investment team which is a measure of performance of developed markets' companies.

The Benchmark is not aligned with the Fund's sustainable investment objective. The objective of reducing carbon emissions is instead attained by:

- a) investing in companies with carbon emission reduction efforts and commitments according to the Science based targets initiative ("SBTI") methodology.
- b) investing in companies with products and services that mitigate climate change, e.g. companies involved in renewable energy and energy efficiency solutions.
- c) on a portfolio level we build the portfolio in such a way that our carbon emission intensity is lower than the sub-fund's benchmark.

The sub-fund can also invest in companies that are assessed to be in transition in accordance with The Management Company's sustainability policy.

Sustainability indicators measure how the sustainable objectives of this financial product are attained.

# What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of the sustainable investment objective of this financial product?

- A score based on revenues from a company's products and services which contribute to one or several of the climate related UN Sustainability Development Goals (SDGs), including SDG 7 (Clean Energy), SDG 13 (Climate Action), SDG 14 (Life Below Water), SDG 15 (Life on Land), SDG 12 (Responsible Consumption), and SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities) compared to the Benchmark
- Level of greenhouse gas reduction targets using the SBTi methodology compared to Benchmark.
- estimated taxonomy alignment compared to Benchmark
- Carbon intensity measured as scope 1 +2 compared to the Benchmark. Scope 1 are direct emission and scope 2 purchased emissions by a company.

For more information, please refer to: Greenhouse Gas Protocol | (ghgprotocol.org)

# How do sustainable investments not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

The Management Company's sustainability policy is used to ensure no sustainable investment causes significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective.

Companies are excluded and not applicable for investment if they:

- do not comply with international norms and standards
- operate in controversial sectors and business areas
- have exposure to fossil fuels or other activities with negative environmental impact

The Sub-Fund is also screened for misalignment/obstruction towards the UN SDGs. A significant misalignment can lead to exclusion from the Sub-Fund's sustainable investments universe if the issuer is considered at risk of causing significant harm to environmental and/or social objectives. Apart from the data-driven analysis and exclusion, each sustainable investment will be fundamentally tested to identify whether it causes any significant harm to any other environmental or social sustainable investment objective. The Management Company has developed internal tools and processes to assess and consider the negative consequences of the Principal Adverse Impact ("PAI") indicators in Annex I of the CDR

2022/1288, relevant PAIs in relevant PAI Tables 2 and 3 of Annex 1 of the CDR 2022/1288. However, the indicators are subject to current data availability. They will, together with the

fundamental analysis, the internal exclusion process, and the internal proprietary sustainability score from SIMS-S, affect the impact analysis in the do no significant harm ("DNSH") test.

• How have the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors been taken into account?

 $\label{prior} \mbox{Prior to the investment decision, the following PAIs are considered: On an exclusionary basis: \mbox{}$ 

From Annex 1 - Table 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288

PAI 4: Exposure to companies active in the fossil sector

PAI 10: Violations of UN Global Compact Principles & OECD Guidelines for multinational enterprises

PAI 14: Exposure to controversial weapons

During the ESG integration process using the SIMS-S combined with analysis:

From Table 1-Annex 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288

PAI 1: GHG emissions

Index (the "Benchmark"),

Principal adverse

impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anti-corruption

and anti-bribery matters.

- PAI 2: Carbon footprint
- PAI 3: GHG intensity of investee companies
- PAI 4: Exposure to companies active in the fossil sector
- PAI 7: Activities negatively affecting biodiversity-sensitive areas
- PAI 8: Emissions to water
- PAI 9: Hazardous waste ratio
- PAI 10: Violations of UN Global Compact Principles & OECD Guidelines for multinational enterprises
- PAI 11: Lack of processes and compliance mechanisms to monitor compliance with UN Global Compact principles and OECD guidelines for Multinational Enterprises.
- PAI 12: Unadjusted gender pay gap
- PAI 13: Board gender diversity
- PAI 14: Exposure to controversial weapons
- How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights? Details:

The sustainable investments are aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human rights via the norm-based exclusion criteria stated in the Management Company's sustainability policy. Norm-based exclusions mean that the Management Company expects issuers to adhere to international laws and conventions such as:

- The UN Principles for Responsible Investment
- the UN Global Compact, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
- the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, including the principles and rights set out in the eight fundamental conventions identified in the Declaration of the International Labour Organization on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and the International Bill of Human Rights.

Companies with a confirmed breach are not considered as sustainable.



Principal adverse

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# Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

Yes, PAI 4, 10 and 14 of Table 1 are Annex I of the RTS, via the Management Company, subject to exclusionary screening and thus taken into account by exclusion. Al 13 is, through the Management Company's work, both by voting and proxy voting, and in the cases where the Management Company is included in the nomination committee, considered via the management company's commitment and long-term objective to foster diversity and equality. All Table 1 PAIs are analyzed in a quantitative way as part of the investment process. The Management Company has an internal proprietary sustainability integration model, which seeks to capture sustainability risks and opportunities. PAIs 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 of Table 1 are incorporated in the model, and the model is used as support in all investment decisions for the sub-fund.

More information about PAIs on sustainability factor is available in https://sebgroup.com/about-us/ourbusiness/ our-divisions/seb-investment-management/our-sustainability-approach and the Fund's annual report at: Our funds | https://sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds

□ No



# What investment strategy does this financial product follow?

The investment team actively manages the fund's holdings to identify companies in both developed- and emerging countries that contribute to its sustainable objective. The sub-fund is managed systematically, investment decisions are based on analysis of large amounts of sustainability and financial data. Specifically, the ESG strategy applied in The Sub-Fund is through:

ESG Integration – In the portfolio construction the investment team promotes companies:

- with higher degree of taxonomy alignment with science-based targets
- positive ESG sentiment from news sources

# The investment strategy guides investment decisions based on factors such as

investment objectives

and risk tolerance.

- companies with higher sustainability score using the management company's internal proprietary sustainability score SIMS-S
- companies with better key resource efficiency compared to peers.

#### **Thematic**

• investments in companies with revenues from climate related themes such as solar and wind, recycling, hydrogen, electric cars and hydro. The exposures to the different themes will vary significantly over time. The list of themes is not exhaustive and new themes can be added to the portfolio if they are deemed to contribute to the sustainability objective of the sub-fund

#### ESG engagement

• the Sub-Fund will seek to influence issuers towards a more sustainable direction through engagement dialogues, either in direct dialogues or in collaborations.

#### Exclusion

The Sub-Fund will comply with the Management Company's sustainability policy and therefore excludes companies that:

- Breach international norms and standards
- Receive more than 5% of their revenue from the defence industry
- Operate in controversial sectors or business areas such as tobacco, recreational cannabis, pornography, commercial gambling, civilian weapons, and alcohol.
- Have exposure to fossil fuels or other activities with a negative climate impact.
- generating energy from fossil fuels, companies where distribution linked to fossil fuels exceeds 5% of total revenues, and companies for which services related to fossil fuels exceed 50% of total revenues.
- that score low on the Management Company's internal proprietary sustainability score SIMS-S• that are involved in controversial behavior related to child labor according to our third-party controversy monitoring service.

The sustainability policy ensures that no investments, sustainable investments or not, are made in companies that do significant harm to environmental and/or social objectives. The Sub-Fund can invest in companies that are assessed to be in transition in accordance with the Management Company's sustainability policy. To construct the final portfolio, sustainability factors are combined with financial information, such as the valuation and quality of a company whilst balancing risk.

More information on exclusion criteria can be found at: https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/ourdivisions/seb-investment-management/our-sustainability-approach

# What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain the sustainable investment objective?

The sub-fund commits to a minimum proportion of sustainable investments of 85% out of which at least 5% are Taxonomy aligned.

- The portfolio will have higher degree of taxonomy alignment compared to Benchmark
- The portfolio will have higher sustainability score compared to Benchmark, using the Management Company's internal proprietary sustainability score SIMS-S Thematic
- The sub-fund will have investments in at least one climate related theme such as solar and wind, recycling, hydrogen, electric cars and hydro. The list of themes is not exhaustive and new themes can be added to the portfolio if they are deemed to contribute to the sustainability objective of the sub-fund ESG engagement
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- that are involved in controversial behavior related to child labor according to our third-party controversy monitoring service

#### Good governance

practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.

## What is the policy to assess good governance practices of the investee companies?

The Management Company ensures good governance of the securities in the financial product, partly by exclusions and screenings based on:

- sector screenings
- · norm breaches
- safeguards, such as adherence to the UN Global Compact, ILO conventions and OECD Guidelines in the investment decision process.
- screening for relevant sanctions is also applied. The Sub-Fund's investments are monitored in these regards as well, as stated in the Management Company's sustainability policy.
- the governance of each company held in the Sub-Fund is assessed by several additional factors, including:
- sustainability and independence of board directors
- · board and management diversity
- appropriate levels of pay and variable remuneration (including sustainability-linked incentives)
- separation of senior management and board positions
- · anti-corruption
- tax evasion practices
- environmental and climate impacts
- · human rights
- working conditions, both regarding the company's own operations and through its supply chain.

More information about the Management Company's policy for good governance can be found here:

Principles for Shareholders' Engagement | https://sebgroup.com/legal-and-regulatoryinformation/legalnotice/application-of-the-principles-for-shareholders-engagement



Asset allocation

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# What is the asset allocation and the minimum share of sustainable investments?

The sub-fund commits to a minimum proportion of sustainable investments of 85% out of a minimum of 5% are Taxonomy aligned. "#2 Not sustainable" includes cash and derivatives. Where derivatives are used for hedging and liquidity purposes, while cash is used in the meaning of ancillary liquid assets. The investments in "#2 Not sustainable" need to comply with the Management Company's exclusion policy as the minimum environmental and social safeguards



#2 Not sustainable includes investments which do not qualify as sustainable investments.

## How does the use of derivatives attain the sustainable investment objective?

Not applicable. The Sub-Fund does not use derivatives to attain its sustainable investment objective.



To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

5%, as a minimum.



To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for fossil gas include limitations on emissions and switching to renewable power or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive safety and waste management rules.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of:

- turnover reflecting the share of revenue from green activities of investee companies
- capital expenditure (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy.
- operational expenditure (OpEx) reflecting green operational activities of investee companies.

# **Enabling activities**

directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

#### Transitional activities

are activities for which low-carbon alternatives are not yet available and among others have greenhouse gas emission levels corresponding to the best performance.

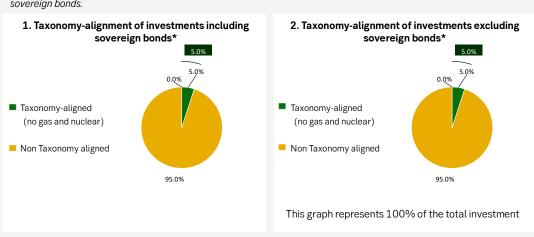


are environmentally sustainable investments that do not take into account the criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy 1?

|      | Yes:            |                  |
|------|-----------------|------------------|
|      | ☐ In fossil gas | □ nuclear energy |
| abla | No              |                  |

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\* For the purpose of these graphs, 'sovereign bonds' consist of all sovereign exposures

What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?
 O%. The investments in the Sub-Fund may or may not be in transitional and enabling activities.
 However, the Sub-Fund does not commit to having a minimum proportion of investments in transitional and enabling activities.



What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The minimum share of sustainable investment with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy for the sub-fund is 1%. The main reason for including non-EU Taxonomy aligned sustainable investments is that at the moment only two out of six objectives in the EU taxonomy regulation are defined and companies are yet to start disclosing their alignment in 2023, hence we decided to set a minimum of 1%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

What investments are included under "#2 Not sustainable", what is their purpose and are there any minimum environmental or social safeguards? "#2 Not sustainable" includes cash and derivatives. Where derivatives are used for hedging and liquidity purposes, while cash is used in the meaning of ancillary liquid assets. The investments in "#2 Not sustainable" need to comply with the Management Company's exclusion policy as the minimum environmental and social safeguards.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to meet the sustainable investment objective?

No





# Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: More product-specific information can be found on the website:

https://sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds/our-luxembourg-funds

More information about the sustainability approach of the Management Company can be found on the website: https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/our-divisions/seb-investment-management/our-sustainability-approach

Pre-contractual disclosure for the financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraphs 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

**Product name:** SEB Europe Exposure Fund Legal entity identifier: 529900X022E2KM9F7A20

# **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

#### Sustainable investment Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective? means an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social It will make a It promotes objective, provided that the Environmental/Social investment does not minimum of significantly harm any sustainable (E/S) characteristics environmental or social and while it does not investments with an objective and that the have as its objective a environmental investee companies follow sustainable objective: \_\_\_\_% good governance practices. investment, it will have a minimum proportion of in economic activities of sustainable that qualify as investments. environmentally sustainable under the with an **EU Taxonomy** environmental objective in economic activities that qualify as environmentally in economic activities sustainable under the that do not qualify as **EU Taxonomy** environmentally sustainable under the with an **EU Taxonomy** environmental The **EU Taxonomy** is a objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally It will make a

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The EU Taxonomy is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation does not include a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.



# What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-Fund promotes environmental and social characteristics withing the meaning of Article 8 of SFDR. The sub-fund's promotes general sustainability characteristics, such as fair business practices, human rights, labour rights, anti- corruption and fair competition. To promote social and general sustainability characteristics, the Sub-Fund excludes investments in companies that operate in sectors or business areas that are assessed to present major sustainability challenges. Active ownership, the Fund seeks to influence companies towards a more sustainable direction. This could include adopting new business models, lowering the emissions of the company or improving social requirements in the value chain. This could be done through direct dialogues with companies, collaboration with other asset managers or partners, or via collaborative initiatives. This could also be done by voting at the shareholder meetings, in support of, or against, specific shareholder- or management proposals.

Exclusions, the Sub-Fund excludes issuers that:

- Breach international norms and standards.

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**EU Taxonomy** 

It promotes E/S characteristics, but will not

make any sustainable investments

- Operate in controversial sectors or business areas such as tobacco, recreational cannabis, pornography, commercial gambling, civilian weapons, and alcohol.
- Have exposure to fossil fuels or other activities with negative climate impact.

The Sub-Fund can invest in companies that are assessed to be in transformation in accordance with the Management Company's sustainability policy. No benchmark has been designated for the purpose of attaining the environmental and social characteristics that the Sub-Fund promotes.

# What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainable indicators to measure the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-Fund are:

- Exclusion of companies that breach international norms and standards: is measured by the number of companies restricted as a result of this sustainable indicator compared to the Sub-Fund's benchmark or investment universe
- Exclusion of companies that operate in controversial sectors or business areas: is measured by the number of issuers restricted as a result of this sustainable indicator compared to

the Sub-Fund's benchmark or investment universe

- Exclusion of companies that have exposure to fossil fuels or other activities with negative environmental impact:

is measured by the number of companies restricted as a result of this sustainable indicator compared to the Sub-Fund's benchmark or investment universe

- Influence the companies towards a more sustainable direction:

is measured by the number of companies subject to engagement, either directly, through collaborative initiatives or via voting at the annual general meeting.

What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

Not applicable

• How do the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make, not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective? Not applicable

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do not significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investments must also not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives.

# Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

☑ Yes, the Sub-Fund considers principal adverse impacts ("PAIs"), on sustainability factors. Prior to the investment decision, the following PAIs are considered:

·On exclusionary basis:

From Annex 1 – Table 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288

- PAI 4: Exposure to companies active in the fossil sector
- PAI 10: Violations of UN Global Compact Principles & OECD Guidelines for multinational enterprises
- PAI 14: Exposure to controversial weapons

During the investment period, these PAIs are considered:

 $\cdot \text{In engagement dialogues with companies: PAI 13 from Annex 1 - Table 1 of CDR (EU) } 2022/1288$ 

More information about PAIs on sustainability factors is available in the SEB Principal adverse Impact

Statement found at https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/our-divisions/seb-investmentmanagement/our-sustainability-approach and also in the Fund's annual report at: Our funds | https://sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds

impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anti-corruption

and anti-bribery matters.

Principal adverse

**impacts** are the most significant negative

Sustainability indicators measure how the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are attained.

# What investment strategy does this financial product follow?

The sub-fund aims to generate a return and risk profile in line with its benchmark, aside from the exclusions made based on the management company's sustainability policy.

The sub-fund is passively managed and invests primarily in stocks in the European market.

The ESG strategy applied in The Sub-Fund is through: Company engagement dialogues, the Sub-Fund seeks to influence companies towards a more sustainable direction, by ensuring that the portfolio companies strive to make ongoing and meaningful progress concerning sustainability risks and opportunities through engagement dialogues, both in direct dialogues and in collaborations.

We believe that companies working with managing environmental challenges, business ethics and social responsibilities will be more successful. Exclusion, the Sub-Fund will comply with the Management Company's exclusion policy and therefore

excludes issuers that:

- Breach international norms and standards where the issuer cannot present clear goals and ongoing measures to address the issue(s).
- Operate in controversial sectors or business areas such as tobacco, recreational cannabis, pornography, commercial gambling, civilian weapons, and alcohol.
- Companies where more than 5% of their revenue is from the development, production and service of weapons comprising combat equipment or certain other military equipment. (Do not include this part if the sub-fund invests in the defence sector)
- Produce fossil fuels or use unconventional extraction methods. Consequently, the Sub-Fund has limited exposure to:
- companies generating energy from fossils fuels
- companies, where distribution linked to fossil fuels exceeds 5% of total revenue
- companies for which services related to fossil fuels exceed 50% of total revenues.

# What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The binding elements in the investment strategy are:

- complying with the Management Company's exclusion policy, described in the question above -The Sub-Fund will have no exposure to excluded companies based on:
- breaches in international norms and standards
- operation in controversial sectors or business areas
- company exposure to fossil fuels and other activities with negative environmental impact2. commitment to engage with companies to influence them to be more sustainable. Especially, engagement of the transitioning companies is of essence to ensure that they transform their business model to reduce their greenhouse-gas emissions.

More information on exclusion criteria can be found at: https://sebgroup.com/about-us/ourbusiness/ourdivisions/seb-investment-management/our-sustainability-approac

# What is the committed minimum rate to reduce the scope of the investments considered prior to the application of that investment strategy?

Not applicable. The Sub-Fund does not commit to a minimum rate to reduce the scope of the investments considered prior to the application of the investment strategy.



#### What is the policy to assess good governance practices of the investee companies?

The Management Company ensures good governance of the securities in the financial product, partly by exclusions and screenings based on:

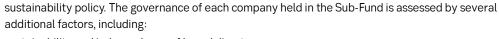
- · sector screenings
- · norm breaches
- safeguards such as adherence to the UN Global Compact, ILO conventions and OECD Guidelines in the investment decision process. Screening for relevant sanctions is also applied. The Sub-Fund's investments are monitored in these regards as well, as stated in the Management Company's

# Good governance

practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.



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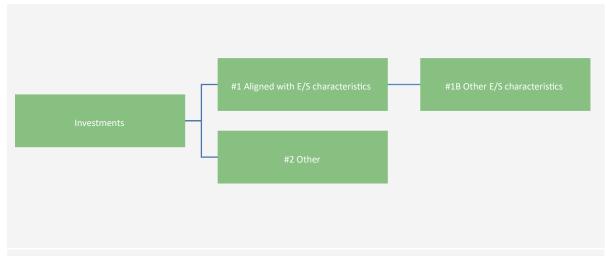


- sustainability and independence of board directors
- · board and management diversity
- appropriate levels of pay and variable remuneration (including sustainability-linked incentives),
- separation of senior management and board positions
- · anti-corruption
- tax evasion practices
- environmental and climate impacts
- · human rights
- working conditions, both regarding the company's own operations and through its supply chain.

More information about good governance can be found at: <a href="https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/ourdivisions/seb-investment-management/our-sustainability-approach/active-ownership">https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/ourdivisions/seb-investment-management/our-sustainability-approach/active-ownership</a>

# What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

At least 85% of the Fund 's investments are aligned with the environmental or social, E/S, characteristics. The investments in the "#2 Other" category are cash and derivatives which is used for hedging, liquidity and efficient portfolio management, while the cash is used in the meaning of ancillary liquid assets. The "2# Other" category has no minimum environmental or social safeguards.



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.



To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Not applicable. The Sub-Fund does not commit to making any sustainable investments.

To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for fossil gas include limitations on emissions and switching to renewable power or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive safety and waste management rules.

Asset allocation

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| • | Do       | Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy 1? |  |  |  |  |
|---|----------|--|--|--|--|--|
|   |          | Yes:<br>In fossil gas □ In nuclear energy  |  |  |  |  |
|   | <b>V</b> | No   |  |  |  |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

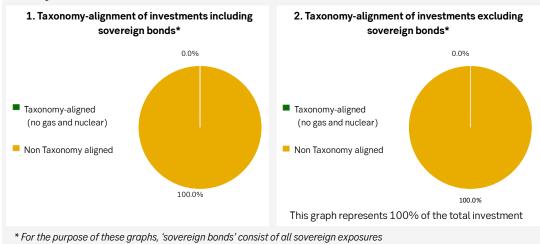
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Enabling activities directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which low-carbon alternatives are not yet available and among others have greenhouse gas emission levels corresponding to the best performance.

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

O%. The investments in the Sub-Fund may or may not be in transitional and enabling activities. However, the Sub-Fund does not commit to having a minimum proportion of investments in transitional and enabling activities.



What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and are there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

#2 Other" includes cash and derivatives. The investments included under "#2 Other" are used for hedging, liquidity, and efficient portfolio management purposes, while cash is used in the meaning of ancillary liquid assets. There are currently no minimum environmental or social safeguards for these investments.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

No

#### Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics that they



# Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: Our funds | https://sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds/ our-luxembourg-funds

Pre-contractual disclosure for the financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraphs 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

**Product name:** SEB Global Focus Fund Legal entity identifier: 529900MNF70NDBE54I22

# **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

# Sustainable investment means an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the investee companies follow good governance practices.

The **EU Taxonomy** is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation does not include a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.

| Does to | Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective? |   |     |          |   |
|---------|--|---|-----|----------|---|
| ••      |  | Yes   | • 0 | <b>✓</b> | No  |
|         |  | It will make a minimum of sustainable investments with an environmental objective:%                   |     | Ø        | It promotes Environmental/Social (E/S) characteristics and while it does not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it will have a minimum proportion of 20.00% of sustainable investments |
|         |  | in economic activities that qualify as<br>environmentally sustainable under<br>the EU Taxonomy        |     |          | with an environmental objective in<br>economic activities that qualify as<br>environmentally sustainable under the EU<br>Taxonomy   |
|         |  | in economic activities that do not<br>qualify as environmentally<br>sustainable under the EU Taxonomy |     | ☑        | with an environmental objective in<br>economic activities that do not qualify as<br>environmentally sustainable under the EU<br>Taxonomy  |
|         |  |   |     | Ø        | with a social objective   |
|         |  | It will make a minimum of <b>sustainable investments with a social objective</b> %                    |     |          | It promotes E/S characteristics, but will not make any sustainable investments  |



# What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-Fund promotes environmental and social characteristics withing the meaning of Article 8 of SFDR.

The sub-fund's promotes general sustainability characteristics, such as fair business practices, human rights, labour rights, anti- corruption and fair competition. To promote social and general sustainability characteristics, the Sub Fur

rights, anti- corruption and fair competition. To promote social and general sustainability characteristics, the Sub Fund excludes investments in companies that operate in sectors or business areas that are assessed to present major sustainability challenges.

The Sub-Fund integrates sustainability risk and opportunities by considering the Management Company's proprietary sustainability model (SIMS-S) which by external and internal data sources gives each potential investment company a sustainability score. In SIMS-S the companies are ranked on sustainability performance indicators. Characteristics within the model include, but are not limited to, carbon emissions, climate solutions, diversity, and equality.

The environmental and social characteristics of this Sub-Fund include:

- Integration, the Sub-Fund promotes companies that:
- $\bullet\,$  Integrate sustainability into their ongoing business model and strategy
- Demonstrate a high degree of willingness to reduce their greenhouse-gas emissions (transitioning companies) or aim to be more energy efficient.
- Active ownership, the Sub-Fund seeks to influence issuers towards a more sustainable direction. This is for
  example done through direct dialogues with companies, collaboration with other companies and by voting at the
  shareholder meetings.
- Exclusions, the Sub-Fund excludes issuers that:
- Breach international norms and standards

- Operate in controversial sectors or business areas such as tobacco, recreational cannabis, pornography, com-mercial gambling, civilian weapons, and alcohol.
- Have exposure to fossil fuels or other activities with negative climate impact.

The Sub-Fund can invest in companies that are assessed to be in transformation in accordance with The Management Company's sustainability policy.

# What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainable indicators to measure the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub Fund are:

- Exclusion of companies that breach international norms and standards: is measured by the number of companies restricted as a result of this sustainable indicator compared to the Sub-Fund's benchmark or investment universe
- Exclusion of companies that operate in controversial sectors or business areas: is measured by the number of companies restricted as a result of this sustainable indicator compared to the Sub-Fund's benchmark or investment universe
- Exclusion of companies that have exposure to fossil fuels or other activities with negative environmental impact: is measured by the number of companies restricted as a result of this sustainable indicator compared to the Sub-Fund's benchmark or investment universe
- Integrate sustainability in their ongoing business model and strategy: is measured by the Sub-Fund's proprietary ESG score based on the SIMS-S framework.
- Influence the companies towards a more sustainable direction: is measured by the number of companies subject to engagement, either directly, through collaborative initiatives or via voting at the annual general meeting.

# • What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The Sub-Fund has sustainable investments with environmental and/or social objectives connected to the EU environmental taxonomy and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals ("UNSDGs").

The environmental objectives:

Sustainability indica-

tors measure how the

environmental or social characteristics promoted

by the financial product

are attained.

To positively contribute to the environmental SDGs:

SDG 6: Clean water and sanitation

SDG 7: Affordable and clean energy

SDG 9: Industry, innovation, and infrastructure

SDG 11: Sustainable cities and communities

SDG 12: Responsible consumption, and production

SDG 13: Climate action

SDG 14: Life below water

SDG 15: Life on land

The social objectives:

Social inclusion, cohesion, and partnerships. To positively contribute to the social SDGs:

SDG 1: No Poverty

SDG 2: Zero hunger

SDG 3: Good health and wellbeing

SDG 4: Quality education

SDG 5: Gender equality

SDG 6: Clean water and sanitation

SDG 8: Decent work and economic growth

SDG 10: Reduced inequalities

SDG 11: Sustainable cities and communities

SDG 16: Peace, justice, and strong institutions

SDG 17: Partnerships for the goals

The Management Company uses a "pass/fail approach", where a company is classified and accounted for as sustainable, if the company fulfil one or more of the following conditions:

- 10 percent of the companies' revenue, capital expenditure or operating costs has, through conservative estimation or reporting, been classified as a significant contributor according to the EU taxonomy
- 20 percent of the companies' revenue has been assessed to contribute to other environmental or social global goals, directly or indirectly linked to the UN's above-mentioned objectives for sustainable development
- The company outperforms relative to its sector and region in terms of emission factors, according to quantitative data
- The company outperforms relative to its region in terms of gender equality factors, according to quantitative data
- The company outperforms relative to its sector and region in terms of other resource efficiency such as water use, raw material consumption or waste generation, according to quantitative data
- Has been fundamentally analyzed and viewed as having high contribution and exposure to the objectives.

In addition to complying with at least one of the conditions above, the issuer must pass the do no significant harm ("DNSH") test (as further described below) applied on the issuer's entire revenue.

Other management companies may use another approach and other criteria to classify a sustainable investment. Therefore, the levels of sustainable investments may differ between different management companies.

# How do the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make, not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

The Management Company's sustainability policy is used to ensure no sustainable investment cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective.

Companies are excluded and not available for investment if they:

- do not comply with international norms and standards
- operates in controversial sectors and business areas
- have exposure to fossil fuels or other activities with negative environmental impact

The Sub-Fund is also screened for misalignment/obstruction towards the UN SDGs. A significant misalignment can lead to exclusion from the Sub-Fund's sustainable investments universe if the issuer is considered at risk of doing significant harm to environmental and/or social objectives.

Apart from the data-driven analysis and exclusion, each sustainable investment will be fundamentally tested not significantly to harm any other environmental or social sustainable investment objective.

The Management Company has developed internal tools and processes to assess and consider the negative consequences of the Principal Adverse Impact ("PAI") indicators in Annex I of the CDR 2022/1288, relevant PAIs in Tables 2 and 3 of Annex 1 of the CDR 2022/1288. However, the indicators are subject to current data availability. They will, together with fundamental analysis, the internal exclusion process, and the internal proprietary sustainability score from SIMS-S, affect the impact analysis in the do no significant harm ("DNSH") test.

• How have the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors been taken into account?
PAI 4, 10 and 14 of Table 1 of Annex I of the RTS are, via The Management Company, subject to exclusionary screening and thus taken into account by exclusion. 4, 10 and 14 of Table 1 of Annex I of the RTS are, via The Management Company, subject to exclusionary screening and thus taken into account by exclusion.
All PAIs in Table 1, and relevant in Tables 2 and 3 of Annex I, are also screened to find underperformance that indicates that there is a risk of significant harm. This is done in relation to where the company is located geographically, and in which sector and sub-sector the company operates within to provide context for the

environmental and/or social objectives across various conditions for business

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights? Details:

The sustainable investments are aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human rights via both the norm-based exclusion criteria stated in the Management Company's sustainability policy and using the SIMS-S.

analysis. This tries to capture the specific challenges, and thus the most material risks for significant harm to

Norm-based exclusions mean that the Management Company expects issuers to adhere to international laws and conventions such as:

- the UN Principles for Responsible Investment
- the UN Global Compact, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anti-corruption and anti-bribery matters.

- the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, including the principles and rights set out in the eight fundamental conventions identified in the Declaration of the International Labour Organization on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and the International Bill of Human Rights.

Companies with confirmed breach are not considered as sustainable.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do not significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investments must also not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives.



# Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

- ☐ Yes, Prior to the investment decision, the following PAIs are considered:
- On exclusionary basis:

From Table 1-Annex 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288

PAI 4: Exposure to companies active in the fossil sector

PAI 10: Violations of UN Global Compact Principles & OECD Guidelines for multinational enterprises

PAI 14: Exposure to controversial weapons

• During the ESG integration process using the SIMS-S combined with fundamental analysis:

From Table 1-Annex 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288

PAI 1: GHG emissions

PAI 2: Carbon footprint

PAI 3: GHG intensity of investee companies

PAI 5: Share of non-renewable energy consumption and production

PAI 6: Energy consumption intensity per high-impact climate sector

PAI 7: Activities negatively affecting biodiversity-sensitive areas

PAI 8: Emissions to water

PAI 9: Hazardous waste ratio

PAI 11: Lack of processes and compliance mechanisms to monitor compliance with UN Global Compact principles and OECD guidelines for Multinational Enterprises.

PAI 12: Unadjusted gender pay gap

PAI 13: Board gender diversity

From Table 2-Annex 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288

PAI 4: Investments in companies without carbon emission reduction initiatives

From Table 3-Annex 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288 PAI

4: Lack of a supplier code of conduct.

During the investment period, these PAIs are considered:

• In engagement dialogues with issuers:

PAI 1 - 6 from Table 1-Annex 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288

PAI 4, from Table 2-Annex 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288: Investments in companies without carbon emission reduction initiatives

More information about PAIs on sustainability factors is available in the SEB Principal adverse Impact Statement found at https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/our-divisions/seb-investment-management/our-sustainability-approach and also in the Fund's annual report at:

Our funds | https://sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds

□ No



#### The investment strategy guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance.

# What investment strategy does this financial product follow?

The ESG strategy of this Sub-Fund include:

Integration, the Sub-Fund promotes companies that:

- Successfully manage sustainability risks and opportunities within their operations and products/services.
- Demonstrate a high degree of willingness to reduce their greenhouse-gas emissions (transitioning issuers) or aim to be more energy efficient.

Active ownership, the Sub-Fund seeks to influence companies towards a more sustainable direction. This is, for example, done through direct engagement dialogues with companies, collaboration with other companies and by voting at the shareholder meetings.

Exclusions, the Sub-Fund excludes companies that:

- Breach international norms and standards
- Operate in controversial sectors or business areas such as tobacco, recreational cannabis, pornography, commercial gambling, civilian weapons, and alcohol.
- Have exposure to fossil fuels or other activities with a negative climate impact.

The Sub-Fund can invest in companies that is are assessed to be in transformation in accordance with The Management Company's sustainability policy.

The management company's sustainability score ("SIMS-S"), is central to our sustainability integration process and evaluation. SIMS-S focuses on risks and opportunities related to sustainable development in company management, products & services and operations, using metrics such as alignment with the Paris Agreement, carbon footprint, gender diversity, Taxonomy alignment and revenue aligned with the sustainable development goals ("SDGs"). The SIMS-S consists of overall scores and underlying component scores. Each of them has two versions, a raw and an adjusted score. The raw score is the issuer's standalone overall sustainability score, whereas the adjusted is sector and region adjusted. The underlying component scores, building up to the overall SIMS-S, make it possible to have a specific focus on specific sustainability topics. The SIMS-S ranges between 0 and 10, with 10 being the highest sustainability score.

Further details on

- The Management Company's exclusions are laid out in the sustainability policy available at SEB IM
   Sustainability Approach | <a href="https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/our-divisions/seb-investment-management/our-sustainability-approach">https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/our-divisions/seb-investment-management/our-sustainability-approach</a>
- Active ownership is available in here: Principles for Shareholders' Engagement | https://sebgroup.com/legal-and-regulatory-information/legal-notice/application-of-the-principles-for-shareholders-engagement
- What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The binding elements in the investment strategy are:

- complying with the Management Company's exclusion policy, described in the question above. The Sub-Fund will have no exposure to excluded companies based on:
- breaches in international norms and standards
- operation in controversial sectors or business areas
- issuer exposure to fossil fuels and other activities with negative environmental impact The Sub-Fund commits to a minimum proportion of sustainable investments of 20%.
- What is the committed minimum rate to reduce the scope of the investments considered prior to the application of that investment strategy?

Not applicable. The Sub-Fund does not commit to a minimum rate to reduce the scope of the investments considered prior to the application of the investment strategy.

#### What is the policy to assess good governance practices of the investee companies?

The Management Company ensures good governance of the securities in the financial product, partly by exclusions and screenings based on:

- sector screenings
- · norm breaches
- safeguards such as adherence to the UN Global Compact, ILO conventions and OECD Guidelines in the investment decision process.

# Good governance

practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance. Screening for relevant sanctions is also applied. The Sub-Fund's investments are monitored in these regards as well, as stated in the Management Company's sustainability policy.

The governance of each company held in the Sub-Fund is assessed by several additional factors, including:

- sustainability and independence of board directors
- · board and management diversity
- appropriate levels of pay and variable remuneration (including sustainability-linked incentives),
- · separation of senior management and board positions
- anti-corruption
- tax evasion practices
- environmental and climate impacts
- · human rights
- working conditions, both regarding the company's own operations and through its supply chain.

# What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?



**Asset allocation** describes the share of investments in specific

Out of the sub-fund's net assets a minimum of 85% promotes E/S characteristics and a minimum of 20% are considered sustainable investments. Net exposure in cash and derivatives are for liquidity and efficient portfolio management while cash is used in the meaning of ancillary liquid assets.



**#1** Aligned with E/S characteristics includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

The category #1 Aligned with E/S characteristics covers:

- The sub-category~ #1A Sustainable covers~ sustainable~ investments~ with~ environmental~ or~ social~ objectives.
- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

# How does the use of derivatives attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?

Not applicable.

The sub-fund does not use derivatives as a way to attain its sustainability investment objectives.



To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

0%

The Sub-Fund does not commit to any minimum sustainable investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. The sustainable investments in the Sub-Fund may or may not be aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for fossil gas include limitations on emissions and switching to renewable power or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive safety and waste management rules.

# Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy 1?

Yes:

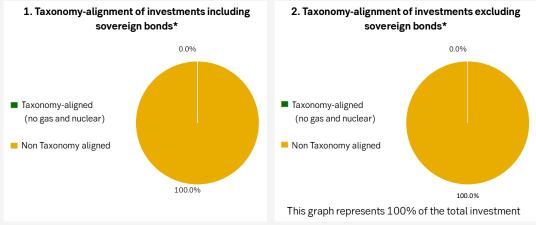
In fossil gas □ In nuclear energy

☑ No

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.

1. Taxonomy-alignment of investments including sovereign bonds\*

2. Taxonomy-alignment of investments excluding sovereign bonds\*



<sup>\*</sup> For the purpose of these graphs, 'sovereign bonds' consist of all sovereign exposures

# • What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

The investments in the Sub-Fund may or may not be in transitional and enabling activities. However, the Sub-Fund does not commit to having a minimum proportion of investments in transitional and enabling activities.



What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy? 1%.

The sub-fund does not commit to any minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy, nor does it exclude any investments that would be aligned with the EU taxonomy.



**Enabling activities** 

directly enable other activities to make a

to an environmental objective.

substantial contribution

Transitional activities

are activities for which low-carbon alternatives

are not yet available and

levels corresponding to

the best performance.

among others have greenhouse gas emission

are environmentally sustainable investments that do not take into account the criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.



# What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

1%, where the sum of sustainable investments with a social or environmental objective will have a minimum proportion of 20%.



What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and are there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

#2 Other includes cash and derivatives.

The investments included under "#2 Other" are used for hedging, liquidity, efficient portfolio management purposes or to achieve the investment objective, while cash is used in the meaning of ancillary liquid assets.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

There are currently no minimum environmental or social safeguards for these investments.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

No

# Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure

whether the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics that they promote.



# Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: Our funds | https://sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds/ our-luxembourg-funds

Template pre-contractual disclosure for the financial products referred to in Article 9, paragraphs 1 to 4a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 5, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

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# Sustainable investment objective

# **Sustainable investment** means an investment in an

means an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the investee companies follow good governance practices.

The EU Taxonomy is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation does not include a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.

### Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective? • 0 ☑ It will make a minimum of sustainable It promotes Environmental/Social (E/S) investments with an environmental characteristics and while it does not have objective: 40.00% as its objective a sustainable investment, it will have a minimum proportion of \_\_\_\_\_% of sustainable investments in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the with an environmental objective in economic **EU Taxonomy** activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy with an environmental objective in economic in economic activities that do not activities that do not qualify as qualify as environmentally sustainable environmentally sustainable under the EU under the EU Taxonomy Taxonomy with a social objective It promotes E/S characteristics, but will not It will make a minimum of sustainable investments with a social objective make any sustainable investments 10.00%



# What is the sustainable investment objective of this financial product?

The Sub-Fund has sustainable investments as its objective within the meaning of Article 9 of SFDR". The objective of the Sub-Fund is to create a positive environmental and social impact to achieve, inter alia, the long-term objectives of the Paris Agreement.

This is performed by investing in companies that offer products or services within specified themes considered to align with the Paris Agreement, UN Sustainable development goals (SDGs), EU Taxonomy, and EU Green Deal's long-term objectives. The themes are amongst others, energy transition (Companies that contribute to reducing greenhouse gas emission by increasing renewable capacity or enable the transition from fossil based economy to renewable thus creating a positive societal impact), resource efficiency and circularity (Companies that accelerate and enable the necessary green transition by providing eco-friendly products and services or enable others save resources and/or energy consumption), sustainable mobility (Companies that offer sustainable mobility and infrastructure solutions described in EU regulatory frameworks, e.g. EU Sustainable and Smart mobility strategy) and healthy societies (Companies that enable the transition to plant-based nutrition, improve the societal level of health, safety and education creating more inclusive communities).

For the Sub-Fund to reach its sustainable objective, companies are evaluated from a business model perspective, starting with the thematic view where the respective business model is assessed based on its contribution to the sustainable objective. Since all equities of the Sub-Fund are assessed and measured regarding their ability to contribute to climate change mitigation and adaption and/or social contribution, the investment team is able to identify companies that are involved in economic activities that are considered environmentally sustainable, and/or those involved in enabling and transitional activities, according to the Taxonomy Regulation. A large part of the Sub-Fund's holdings are constituents of the benchmark, VINX All Cap, which does not qualify as an EU Climate Transition Benchmark nor an EU Paris-aligned Benchmark and does not fully comply with all the methodological requirements in the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/181.) Hence, the benchmark is purely for performance comparison and not designated as a reference benchmark to meet the sustainable investment objective.

The objective of reducing carbon emissions is instead attained by identifying and investing in companies with verifiable revenue streams in relation to the identified structural themes. The Sub-Fund use a "pass/fail approach", where a company is classified and accounted for as sustainable, if the company, based on quantitative measurements provided by third party data providers, fulfil one or more of the following conditions:

- A minimum of 10% of their revenue is potentially EU taxonomy-aligned based on the last available data either from company or third party
- A minimum of 20% of their total revenue attributable to enablement or direct contribution to any UN SDG  $\,$
- A combination of minimum of 20% of their total revenue attributable to enablement or direct contribution to any UN SDG or revenue streams potentially EU Taxonomy aligned based on the last data available from company or third party

In addition to complying with at least one of the conditions above, the issuer must pass the do no significant harm ("DNSH") test (as further described below) applied on the issuer's entire revenue.

# • What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of the sustainable investment objective of this financial product?

- Share of companies with a minimum of 20% of revenue derived from activities related to certain themes, described further in the investment strategy below.
- Weighted revenues a minimum of 50% at portfolio level from economic activities related to the sub-fund strategy's themes.

## How do sustainable investments not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

The management company excludes companies that are verified not to comply with international standards and conventions concerning human rights, the environment, anti-corruption, or employment rights, and where the company cannot present clear goals and ongoing measures to address the issue(s). If the identified infringements are confirmed and the company does not show an interest in change, or if the change process is unusually protracted, the management company will divest the holdings. Sudden divestment may not take place if this is detrimental to the unit holders or the management company. the management company also excludes companies that produce fossil fuels or use unconventional extraction methods, companies engaged in developing, processing and exploiting coal, oil and/or natural gas resources, companies generating energy from fossil fuels, companies where distribution linked to fossil fuels exceeds 5% of total revenues, and companies for which services related to fossil fuels exceed 50% of total revenues. Product-based exclusions are exclusions based on ethical positions. the management company's product-based exclusions are tobacco, recreational cannabis, pornography, commercial gambling,

civilian weapons and alcohol. All funds exclude companies that, in conflict with international conventions, are engaged in the manufacturing, development or sale of nuclear and controversial weapons. The sustainable investments that the sub-fund partially intends to make do not include companies that receive more than 5% of their revenue from the defence industry. The exclusions ensure that no investments, sustainable investments or not, are made in companies that do significant harm to environmental and/or social objectives.

The management company permits investments in transition companies. These are certain companies with exposure to fossil fuels, mainly in the energy sector, or in sectors which face other sustainability challenges, such as materials, mining or transportation. This is done in order to finance, support, and hasten the transition to sustainable business models. The transition companies need to meet the management company's minimum requirements for company conduct and have a high future potential to contribute to the Paris Agreement or the UN Sustainable Development Goals, either via their own products and services or by enabling other companies. The transition companies must also have a strategic decarbonization plan, be open to investor dialogue on sector specific issues and challenges and commit to either net-zero emission targets or Science Based Targets.

In addition to excluding companies with verified controversies, alleged controversies are examined to make sure that the company does not do any significant harm over time. A verified severe controversy, where no action to address the issue by the company is shown, will lead to an exclusion of the company from the management company's investment universe. Less severe controversies, where the company shows little or no credible action, will lead to an exclusion of the company from the investment universe for the sustainable

Sustainability indicators measure how the sustainable objectives of this financial product are attained.

investments. Controversies with a clear link to environmental and/or social objectives will be subject to extensive scrutiny to ensure that no significant harm will be done by the company going forward.

The sub-fund is also screened for misalignment/obstruction towards the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), where a significant misalignment is researched and can lead to exclusion from the sustainable investments universe, if the company is considered to be at risk of doing significant harm to environmental and/or social objectives. To capture the specific challenges, and the most material risks for significant harm to environmental and/or social objectives across various conditions for business, the management company screens principle adverse impacts ("PAIs") in Table 1, and relevant PAIs in Tables

2 and 3 of Annex I of Regulation (EU) 2022/1288), as amended (the "RTS"). Geographical location, sector and sub-sector of the company's operations are taken into account.

Apart from the data-driven analysis, the risk for significant harm is an important part of the investment analysis for both fundamental and quantitative strategies that make sustainable investments. For fundamental strategies, this is a core part of the analysis of each investment, and for quantitative strategies, the strategy is designed with long-term sustainability in focus.

How have the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors been taken into account?

PAIs 4, 10 and 14 of Table 1 of Annex I of the RTS are, via the management company, subject to exclusionary screening and thus taken into account by exclusion.

All PAIs in Table 1, and relevant in Tables 2 and 3 of Annex I, are also screened to find underperformance that indicates that there is a risk of significant harm. This is done in relation to where the company is located geographically, and in which sector and sub-sector the company operates within to provide context for the analysis. This tries to capture the specific challenges, and thus the most material risks for significant harm to environmental and/or social objectives across various conditions for business.

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights? Details:

The sustainable investments are aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN

Guiding Principles on Business and Human rights via the norm-based exclusion criteria stated in the Management Company's sustainability policy.

Norm-based exclusions mean that the Management Company expects issuers to adhere to international laws and conventions such as:

- the UN Principles for Responsible Investment
- ${\operatorname{\mathsf{--}}}$  the UN Global Compact, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
- the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, including the principles and rights set out in the eight fundamental conventions identified in the Declaration of the International Labour Organization on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and the International Bill of Human Rights.

Companies with confirmed breach are not considered as sustainable.



# Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anti-corruption and anti-bribery matters.

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significant negative

impacts of investment decisions on

sustainability factors

environmental, social and employee matters,

respect for human rights, anti-corruption and anti-bribery matters.

relating to

# Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

### ✓ Yes

Yes, PAI 4, 10 and 14 of Table 1 of Annex I of the RTS are, via the management company, subject to exclusionary screening and thus taken into account by exclusion. PAI 13 is, through the management company's work, both by voting and proxy voting, and in the cases where the management company is included in the nomination committee, considered via the management company's commitment and long-term objective to foster diversity and equality. All Table 1 PAIs a r e analyzed both in a quantitative and fundamental way for all investment decisions. This analysis is an essential part of the investment process, and the sub-fund seeks to find top performers and avoid laggards. The management company has an internal proprietary sustainability integration model, which seeks to capture sustainability risks and opportunities. PAIs 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 of Table 1 are incorporated in the model, and the model is used as support in all investment decisions for the sub fund.

More information about PAIs on sustainability factors is available at https://sebgroup.com/about-us/ourbusiness/our-divisions/seb-investment-management/our-sustainability-approach and the Fund's annual report at : Our funds | https://sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds

□ No



### The investment strategy guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives

and risk tolerance.

# What investment strategy does this financial product follow?

The Sub-Fund is actively managed and invests mainly in Nordic companies ranging from growth stage to larger companies. To create a positive and/or social impact the investment team seeks to identify companies with enabling technologies that contribute to specific themes.

Thematic Impact Investing

- The themes are amongst others, energy transition (Companies that contribute to reducing greenhouse gas emission by increasing renewable capacity or enable the transition from fossil based economy to renewable thus creating a positive societal impact), resource efficiency and circularity (Companies that accelerate and enable the necessary green transition by providing eco-friendly products and services or enable others save resources and/or energy consumption), sustainable mobility (Companies that offer sustainable mobility and infrastructure solutions described in EU regulatory frameworks, e.g. EU Sustainable and Smart mobility strategy) and healthy societies (Companies that enable the transition to plant-based nutrition, improve the societal level of health, safety and education creating more inclusive communities). ESG Integration
- The investment team fundamentally explores and assesses how companies contribute to positive change through their business models and evaluate their alignment and contribution to the set themes.
- The Sub-Fund uses the SIMS-S framework for initial evaluation of the business models. The SIMS-Consists of overall scores and underlying component scores. Each of them has two versions, a raw and an adjusted score. The raw score is the companies' standalone overall sustainability score, whereas the adjusted is sector and region adjusted. The underlying component scores, building up to the overall SIMSS, make it possible to have a specific focus on specific sustainability topics. The SIMS-S ranges between 0 and 10, with 10 being the highest sustainability score.
- The investment team assesses each company included into the fund where the investment team takes
  into account whether a company is causing a significant negative impact on both social and
  environmental sustainability using data from third party and through direct dialogue with the companies.
  The sustainability risks are considered both from a systematic and fundamental analysis point of view.
- A comprehensive assessment of sustainability risks and opportunities and how the selected companies
  through their business models contribute to positive change within the themes, assessing alignment with
  set themes with the purpose of verifying sustainable revenue streams. A company that materially
  contributes to one or more of the set themes through sustainable revenue streams from its products,
  services, or processes, qualifies for inclusion in the sub-fund's investment universe.
- · Aspects that are evaluated: Governance and adaptation, a company's governing practices in relation to regulatory changes, investor and other stakeholder sustainability expectations that support long term sustainable value creation and a sound sustainable capital allocation. Analysis focusing on if alignment of company policies and improvements within, management of the companies' operational risks, company transparency and sustainability-related disclosures in order to assure good governance; Sustainable operations; Company's current operational alignment, preparedness and structure supporting continued sustainable value creation, mid to long-term, considering sustainability challenges that may lead to changes in business model or capital allocation. Analysis focusing on direct company financial material risks and opportunities in relation to climate change; like greenhouse gas emissions, waste management and energy efficiency in operations. This factor is assessed in combination with the companies' overall governance and adaptation strategies and management insight; Climate and social adherence in supply chain and operations, company's operational and production set up from a climate and social perspective. Analysis focusing on risk and opportunity perspective from a climate and social perspective to sustain market position, growth and long-term sustainable value creation integrating companies' dedication to provide an equitable, diverse and inclusive environment for its employees (supply chain and direct), social and environmental dimension practices (physical risks) in its day-to-day decision-making processes, product governance and products/services impacting sustainable development; Management Insight, management knowledge, structural belief, and strategic insights in relation to underlying sustainability risks and opportunities that enable growth and continued competitive market position. Fundamental view on management from a sustainability perspective is compiled.

### **ESG Engagement**

The Sub-fund seeks to influence companies towards a more sustainable direction. This could include
adopting new business models, lowering the emissions of the company or improving social requirements
in the value chain. This could be done through direct dialogues with companies, collaboration with other
asset managers or partners, or via collaborative initiatives. This could also be done by voting at the
shareholder meetings, in support of, or against, specific shareholder- or management proposals.

#### **Exclusions**

• The management company excludes companies that are verified not to comply with international standards and conventions concerning human rights, the environment, anti-corruption, or employment rights, and where the company cannot present clear goals and ongoing measures to address the issue(s). If the identified infringements are confirmed and the company does not show an interest in change, or if the change process is unusually protracted, the management company will divest the holdings. Sudden divestment may not take place if this is detrimental to the unit holders or the management company. The management company also excludes companies that produce fossil fuels or use unconventional extraction methods, companies engaged in developing, processing and exploiting coal, oil and/or natural gas resources, companies generating energy from fossil fuels, companies where distribution linked to fossil fuels exceeds 5% of total revenues, and companies for which services related to fossil fuels exceed 50% of total revenues. Product-based exclusions are exclusions based on ethical positions. The management company's product-based exclusions are tobacco, recreational cannabis, pornography, commercial gambling, civilian weapons and alcohol. All funds exclude companies that, in conflict with international conventions, are engaged in the manufacturing, development or sale of nuclear and controversial weapons. The sustainable investments that the sub-fund intends to make do not include companies that receive more than 5% of their revenue from the defence industry.

The sustainability policy ensures that no investments, sustainable investments or not, are made in companies that do significant harm to environmental and/or social objectives. The Sub-Fund can invest in companies that are assessed to be in transition in accordance with the Management Company's sustainability policy. More information on exclusion criteria can be found at: Our funds | https://sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds

# • What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain the sustainable investment objective?

### Thematic

- The sub-fund will invest in companies with a minimum of 20% of revenue derived from economic activities related to the themes.
- Weighted revenues a minimum of 50% at portfolio level from economic activities related to the sub-fund strategy's themes.

### **ESG** Integration

• The sub-fund commits to a minimum proportion of sustainable investments of 85% out of which at least 5 % are Taxonomy aligned.

### ESG engagemang

• The Sub-Fund will seek to influence issuers towards a more sustainable direction through engagement dialogues, either in direct dialogues or in collaborations.

### Exclusion

The Sub-Fund will comply with the Management Company's sustainability policy and therefore excludes companies that:

- Breach international norms and standards
- Receive more than 5% of their revenue from the defence industry
- Operate in controversial sectors or business areas such as tobacco, recreational cannabis, pornography, commercial gambling, civilian weapons, and alcohol.
- Have exposure to fossil fuels or other activities with a negative climate impact.
- generating energy from fossil fuels, companies where distribution linked to fossil fuels exceeds 5% of total revenues, and companies for which services related to fossil fuels exceed 50% of total revenues.
- that score low on the Management Company's internal proprietary sustainability score SIMS-S• that are involved in controversial behavior related to child labor according to our third-party controversy monitoring service.

### Good governance

practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.

### What is the policy to assess good governance practices of the investee companies?

The Management Company ensures good governance of the securities in the financial product, partly by exclusions and screenings based on:

- sector screenings
- · norm breaches
- safeguards, such as adherence to the UN Global Compact, ILO conventions and OECD Guidelines in the investment decision process.

Screening for relevant sanctions is also applied. The Sub-Fund's investments are monitored in these regards as well, as stated in the Management Company's sustainability policy.

The governance of each company held in the Sub-Fund is assessed by several additional factors, including:

- sustainability and independence of board directors
- · board and management diversity
- appropriate levels of pay and variable remuneration (including sustainability-linked incentives)
- · separation of senior management and board positions
- anti-corruption
- tax evasion practices
- environmental and climate impacts
- · human rights
- working conditions, both regarding the company's own operations and through its supply chain.

More information about the Management Company's policy for good governance can be found here: Principle for Shareholder Engagement



# What is the asset allocation and the minimum share of sustainable investments?

The sub-fund commits to a minimum proportion of sustainable investments of 85% out of a minimum of 5% are Taxonomy aligned. Out of those 85%, a minimum of 40% will be in companies deemed to contribute to environmental objectives, and a minimum of 10% will be in companies deemed to contribute to social objectives. "#2 Not sustainable" includes cash and derivatives. Where derivatives are used for hedging and liquidity purposes, while cash is used in the meaning of ancillary liquid assets.

The investments in "#2 Not sustainable" need to comply with the Management Company's exclusion policy as the minimum environmental and social safeguards.



Not applicable. The sub-fund does not use derivatives as a way to attain the sustainable investment objectives.

#1 Sustainable covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives.

 $\textbf{#2 Not sustainable} \ \text{includes investments which do not qualify as sustainable investments}.$ 

How does the use of derivatives attain the sustainable investment objective?

# describes the share of investments in specific

Asset allocation



To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

5%, as a minimum.

To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for fossil gas include limitations on emissions and switching to renewable power or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive safety and waste

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of:

management rules.

- turnover reflecting the share of revenue from green activities of investee companies
- capital expenditure (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy.
- operational expenditure (OpEx) reflecting green operational activities of investee companies.

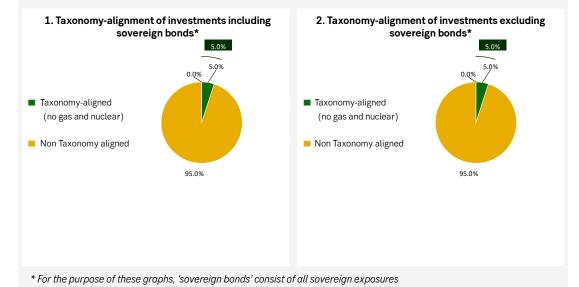
Enabling activities directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which low-carbon alternatives are not yet available and among others have greenhouse gas emission levels corresponding to the best performance.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy 1?

☐ Yes☐ In fossil gas☐ n nuclear energy☑ No

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

Not applicable. The investments in the Sub-fund may or may not be in transitional and enabling activities. However, the Fund does not commit to having a minimum proportion of investments in transitional and enabling activities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?



1%. The sub-fund does not commit to any minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy, nor does it exclude any investments that would be aligned with the EU taxonomy.



Taxonomy.



What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with a social objective? A minimum of 10% will be in companies deemed to contribute to social objectives. The social objectives are connected to the sub-fund's investment themes.

What investments are included under "#2 Not sustainable", what is their purpose and are there any minimum environmental or social safeguards? "#2 Not sustainable" includes cash and derivatives. Where derivatives are used for hedging and liquidity purposes, while cash is used in the meaning of ancillary liquid assets. The investments in "#2 Not sustainable" need to comply with the Management Company's exclusion policy as the minimum environmental and social safeguards.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to meet the sustainable investment objective?

No

### Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the sustainable investment objective.



# Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: More product-specific information can be found on the website:

https://sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds/our-luxembourg-funds

More information about the sustainability approach of the Management Company can be found on the website: https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/our-divisions/seb-investment-management/our-sustainability-approach

Pre-contractual disclosure for the financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraphs 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

Product name: SEB US Focus Core Fund Legal entity identifier: 529900C38VRSUXAEKV61

# **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

# Sustainable investment means an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the investee companies follow good governance practices.

The EU Taxonomy is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation does not include a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.

### Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective? It will make a minimum of sustainable It promotes Environmental/Social (E/S) investments with an environmental characteristics and while it does not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it objective: \_\_\_\_% will have a minimum proportion of \_\_\_% of sustainable investments with an environmental objective in in economic activities that qualify as economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the environmentally sustainable under the EU **EU Taxonomy** Taxonomy with an environmental objective in economic activities that do not qualify as in economic activities that do not environmentally sustainable under the EU qualify as environmentally sustainable Taxonomy under the EU Taxonomy with a social objective It promotes E/S characteristics, but will not make any sustainable investments It will make a minimum of sustainable investments with a social objective %



# What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

"The sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics within the meaning of Article 8 of SFDR". The environmental and social characteristics promoted by this Sub-Fund include:

The sub-fund's promotes general sustainability characteristics, such as fair business practices, human rights, labour rights, anti- corruption and fair competition, the Sub-Fund excludes companies that breach international norms and

standards where the company cannot present clear goals and ongoing measures to address the issue(s). To promote social and general sustainability characteristics, the Sub-Fund excludes investments in companies that operate in sectors or business areas that are assessed to present major sustainability challenges, such as tobacco, recreational cannabis, pornography, commercial gambling, civilian weapons and alcohol.

Sustainability aspects are further promoted through consideration of material ESG risk factors, level of controversy involvement, and alignment with long-term sustainable themes. Material ESG risks are those that can meaningfully impact a company's financial performance and can vary by sector and industry. Assessments of internal risk factors primarily focus on governance and social issues related to a company's policies, management, working conditions, and internal controls, among many other considerations related to its ongoing operations. External risk factors are those related to the impact a company has on its external stakeholders, its community, customers, partnerships, the environment, and climate change.

The sub-fund seeks to identify these material ESG risks, and importantly, assess a management team's ability to mitigate any risks over time. Continuous monitoring of controversy involvement in violation of global norms, if any, can be an important indication of a management team's ability to mitigate material ESG risks. Quantitative assessment of

the fund's carbon footprint (e.g. total GHG emissions, carbon intensity) can provide an overall view that can be tracked and monitored over time. In addition, it enables the identification of material climate-change related risks within the sub-fund at the company level, as well as serves as a measurement by which climate related improvement goals over time can be set.

Sustainability indicators measure how the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are attained. What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

For carbon foot printing: carbon intensity, weighted average carbon intensity, and total owned GHG emissions are measured. Sustainability indicators to assess social characteristics are considered by Sustainalytics, a third-party ESG data/ratings provider, within its scoring methodology.

- What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives? Not applicable.
- How do the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make, not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anti-corruption

and anti-bribery matters.

Not applicable.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do not significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

 $Any \ other \ sustainable \ investments \ must \ also \ not \ significantly \ harm \ any \ environmental \ or \ social \ objectives.$ 



# Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

- Yes, Principle adverse impacts ("PAIs") 1 through 3 of Table 1 in Annex I of Regulation (EU) 2022/1288), as amended (the "RTS") are assessed and monitored with our carbon footprint analysis. PAI 10 is monitored through third-party Controversy Involvement research. PAI 14 can be monitored through third-party Product Involvement research, if required by a client.

  Information about PAIs on sustainability factors will be made available in the annual report of the Fund at:
  - Our funds | https://sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds
  - □ No



### The investment strategy guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance.

# What investment strategy does this financial product follow?

The Sub-Fund is actively managed and invests primarily in stocks from so-called core companies in the US market. Sustainability-related characteristics of the Sub-Fund are promoted partly through integrated sustainability analysis, based on fundamental analysis. The investment team evaluates companies on material ESG risks and controversies, engages management teams on issues, and if necessary, pushes for change or remedies to issues. As part of an overall bottom-up fundamental investment process that seeks to identify companies poised to benefit from secular themes, product cycles and cyclical trends, the portfolio manager seeks to identify sustainable trends and the companies positioned to benefit.

The ESG strategy applied in the Sub-Fund is through:

- Integration:
- · Integrated sustainability analysis based on fundamental analysis.
- Quantitative assessment of the fund's carbon footprint (e.g., total GHG emissions, carbon intensity)
- Active ownership, the Sub-Fund seeks to influence companies towards a more sustainable direction. This could include adopting new business models, lowering the emissions of the company or improving social requirements in the value chain. This could be done through direct dialogues with companies, collaboration with other asset managers or partners, or via collaborative initiatives. This could also be done by voting at the shareholder meetings, in support of, or against, specific shareholder- or management proposals.
- Exclusion, the Sub-Fund will comply with the Management Company's exclusion policy and therefore excludes companies that:
- Breach international norms and standards where the company cannot present clear goals and ongoing measures to address the issue(s).
- Operate in controversial sectors or business areas such as tobacco, recreational cannabis, pornography, commercial gambling, civilian weapons, and alcohol.
- Companies where more than 5% of their revenue is from the development, production and service of weapons comprising combat equipment or certain other military equipment.
- Produce fossil fuels or use unconventional extraction methods. Consequently, the Fund has limited exposure to:
- companies generating energy from fossils fuel companies, where distribution linked to fossil fuels exceeds 5% of total revenue
- companies for which services related to fossil fuels exceed 50% of total revenues.

The Management Company's exclusions are laid out in the sustainability policy available here:

SEB IM Sustainability Approach | https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/our-divisions/seb-investment-management/our-sustainability-approach

# What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The binding elements in the investment strategy are:

- Complying with the Management Company's exclusion policy, described in the question above. The Sub-Fund will have no exposure to excluded companies based on:
- breaches in international norms and standards
- operation in controversial sectors or business areas
- companies' exposure to fossil fuels and other activities with a negative environmental impact

## What is the committed minimum rate to reduce the scope of the investments considered prior to the application of that investment strategy?

Not applicable. The Sub- Fund does not commit to a minimum rate to reduce the scope of the investments considered prior to the application of the investment strategy.

### What is the policy to assess good governance practices of the investee companies?

The Management Company ensures good governance of the securities in the financial product, partly by exclusions and screenings based on: • sector screenings

- norm breaches
- safeguards such as adherence to the UN Global Compact, ILO conventions and OECD Guidelines in the investment decision process.

### Good governance

practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance. Screening for relevant sanctions is also applied. The Fund's investments are monitored in these regards as well, as stated in the Management Company's sustainability policy.

The governance of each company held in the Fund is assessed by several additional factors, including:

- sustainability and independence of board directors
- · board and management diversity
- appropriate levels of pay and variable remuneration (including sustainability-linked incentives),
- · separation of senior management and board positions
- anti-corruption
- tax evasion practices
- environmental and climate impacts
- human rights
- $\bullet \ \ working \ conditions, both \ regarding \ the \ company's \ own \ operations \ and \ through \ its \ supply \ chain.$

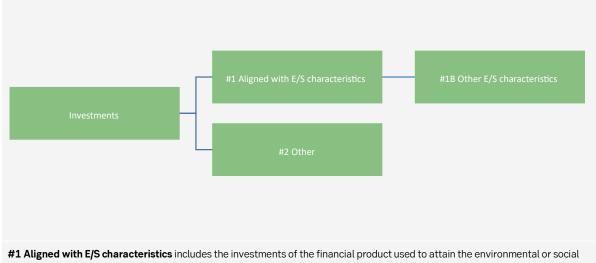
More information about good governance can be found at:

SEB IM Sustainability Approach | https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/our-divisions/seb-investmentmanagement/our-sustainability-approach/active-ownership.



# What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

At least 85% of the Sub-Fund's investments are aligned with the environmental or social, E/S, characteristics. The investments in the "#2 Other" category are cash and/or cash equivalents, government bonds, derivatives, or ETFs which are used for hedging, liquidity and efficient portfolio management, while the cash is used in the meaning of ancillary liquid assets. The "2# Other" category has no minimum environmental or social safeguards.



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

## How does the use of derivatives attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?

Not applicable.

The Sub-Fund does not use derivatives to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by it.

Asset allocation

describes the share of

investments in specific

To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for fossil gas include limitations on emissions and switching to renewable power or lowcarbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive safety and waste management rules.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of:

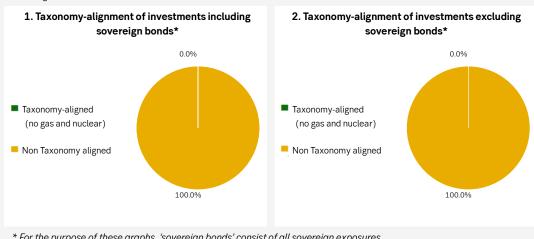
- turnover reflecting the share of revenue from green activities of investee companies
- capital expenditure (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy.
- operational expenditure (OpEx) reflecting green operational activities of investee companies.

To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Not applicable. The Sub-Fund does not commit to making any sustainable investments.

- Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy 1?
- In fossil gas  $\ \square$  In nuclear energy
  - $\square$ Nο

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereian bonds.



\* For the purpose of these graphs, 'sovereign bonds' consist of all sovereign exposures

**Enabling activities** directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

### **Transitional activities**

are activities for which low-carbon alternatives are not yet available and among others have greenhouse gas emission levels corresponding to the best performance.

What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

0%. The investments in the Sub-Fund may or may not be in transitional and enabling activities. However, the Sub Fund does not commit to having a minimum proportion of investments in transitional and enabling activities.



What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and are there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

Not applicable.

The Sub-Fund does not commit to any minimum share of sustainable investments with a social objective.

<sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.



Reference benchmarks

are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics that they promote.

Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

No



# Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: More product-specific information can be found on the website: https://sebgroup.lu/private/our-funds/our-luxembourg-funds

More information about the sustainability approach of the Management Company can be found on the website: https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/our-divisions/seb-investment-management/our-sustainabilityapproach

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

follow good governance practices.

The **EU Taxonomy** is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation does not include a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be

aligned with the

Taxonomy or not.

Sustainability indicators measure how the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are attained.

Pre-contractual disclosure for the financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraphs 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

Product name: SEB Montrusco Bolton Global Equity Fund

Legal entity identifier: 636700AN0BUC7WSOM596

# **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

|  | Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?                            |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|
|  | Yes   | No No  |  |  |  |
|  | It will make a minimum of sustainable investments with an environmental objective:%             | It promotes Environmental/Social (E/S) characteristics and while it does not have as its objective a sustainable investment it will have a minimum proportion of% of sustainable investments |  |  |  |
|  | in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy        | with an environmental objective in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy   |  |  |  |
|  | in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy | with an environmental objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy  |  |  |  |
|  | It will make a minimum of sustainable investments with a social objective:%                     | with a social objective  It promotes E/S characteristics, but will not make any sustainable investments  |  |  |  |

### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-Fund promotes environmental and social characteristics within the meaning of Article 8 of SFDR.

The Sub-Fund promotes environmental and social characteristics by actively limiting negative impacts on sustainability factors. Environmentally, the Subf-Fund promotes climate action goal by excluding investments in fossil fuels, thereby minimizing Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions. Socially, the Subf-Fund ensures ethical standards by avoiding investments in companies that breach international norms related to human rights and labor standards.

To do so, the Sub-Fund excludes investments in companies that are deemed to present major sustainability challenges. Companies with verified violations of international norms and standards or with inadequate corporate governance structures are also excluded.

Exceptions to the exclusion criteria can be made in individual cases. For example, exceptions can be made when the management company has an ongoing dialogue, or for other reasons has insight into the company's operations and transformation work.

Exceptions from exclusion related to fossil fuels can be made if the company is assessed to be undergoing a transition process. When we decide whether a company can be considered to be a so-called transition company, we apply three factors to assess the companies:

- Willingness a company's strategic understanding and plan for managing climate-related risks and opportunities;
- Capability a company's current operational readiness, i.e. whether its business model can transform to meet the 1.5°C target of the Paris Agreement within set timeframes; and

 Action - a company's actual work and its investments towards the 1.5°C target – a company must demonstrate its financial commitment to strategic plans.

Read more about the management company's exclusions in our <a href="https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/our-divisions/seb-investmentmanagement/our-sustainability-approach">https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/our-divisions/seb-investmentmanagement/our-sustainability-approach</a>.

The Sub-Fund also seeks to influence the companies towards improving their ESG management practices through direct dialogues with companies, collaboration with other asset managers or partners, or via collaborative initiatives. For instance, initiating dialogues with companies aimed at enhancing their environmental policies.

No benchmark has been designated for the purpose of attaining the environmental and social characteristics that the Sub-Fund promotes.

What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainable indicators to measure the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-Fund are:

- Exclusion of companies that violate international norms and standards: is measured by the number of companies restricted as a result of this sustainable indicator compared to the Sub-Fund's benchmark or investment universe.
- Exclusion of companies that operate in controversial sectors or business areas: is measured by the number of companies restricted as a result of this sustainable indicator compared to the Sub-Fund's benchmark or investment universe.
- Exclusion of companies that are involved in the production of fossil fuels: is measured by the number of companies restricted as a result of this sustainable indicator compared to the Sub-Fund's benchmark or investment universe.
- Influence the companies towards a more sustainable direction: is measured by the number of companies subject to engagement, either directly, through collaborative initiatives or via voting at the annual general meeting.
- What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

Not applicable.

The Sub-Fund does not commit to make any sustainable investments.

How do the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make, not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

Not applicable.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investments must also not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives.



# Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

\* Yes, the Sub-Fund considers principal adverse impacts ("PAIs") on sustainability indicators.

The Sub-Fund considers principle adverse impacts on sustainability factors through the exclusions outlined in the Fund's Management Company's Sustainability Policy where companies with operations in the following were excluded:

- Companies with activities in the fossil fuel sector;
- Companies with facilities /operations located in or near biodiversity sensitives areas where the activitis of these companies negatively impact these areas;

- Companies that do not comply with international norms and standards, such as the UN Global Compact principles
  and the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises;
- Companies involved in the manufacture or sale of controversial weapons (landmines, cluster bombs, chemical and biological weapons); and
- Companies whose activities affect endangered species.

Prior to the investment decision and during the investment period, the following PAIs are considered (From Annex 1 – Table 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288):

- On an exclusionary basis:
  - PAI 4: Exposure to companies active in the fossil sector
  - PAI 10: Violations of UN Global Compact Principles & OECD Guidelines for multinational enterprises
  - PAI 14: Exposure to controversial weapons

More information about PAIs on sustainability factors is available in the SEB Principal adverse Impact Statement found at <a href="https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/our-divisions/seb-investmentmanagement/our-sustainability-approach">https://sebgroup.com/about-us/our-business/our-divisions/seb-investmentmanagement/our-sustainability-approach</a> and also in the Fund's annual report at:

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### What investment strategy does this financial product follow?



The fundamental investment objective of the Sub-Fund is to achieve long-term growth of capital through the investment of its assets mainly in the global equity markets , including emerging markets, and considering sustainability criteria.

The Sub-Fund is actively managed and invests in exchange traded equities.

The Sub-Fund's investment strategy considers sustainability factors into its investment process, mostly through exclusions and active ownership.

The Sub-Fund excludes issuers that:

- Violate international norms and standards and cannot present clear goals and measures to address the issue(s),
- Operate in controversial sectors or business areas, and more specifically:
  - o Issuers that derive more than 5% of their revenues from the following activities are restricted: adult entertainment (production and distribution), gambling (operations and specialized equipment), tobacco products (production and retail), alcoholic beverages (production and retail), small arms (civilian and military customers, assault and non-assault weapons), military contracting (weapons and weapon-related products and/or services), nuclear production, oil & gas production and energy generation, and/or thermal coal power generation.
  - Issuers that derive more than 0% of their revenues from: the extraction of shale energy, the extraction of oil sands, and/or the extraction of thermal coal.
  - o Issuers that are involved in controversial weapons.
  - Issuers that belong to the Mining GICS Industry, including Aluminium, Diversified Metals & Mining,
     Copper, Gold, Precious Metals & Minerals, Silver and Steel Sub-Industries.
- What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-Fund considers principle adverse impacts on sustainability factors through the exclusions outlined in the Management Company's sustainability policy where companies with operations in the following were excluded:

Companies with activities in the fossil fuel sector,

The investment strategy guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance.

Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.

- Companies with facilities/operations located in or near biodiversity-sensitive areas where the activities of these companies negatively impact these areas,
- Companies that do not comply with international norms and standards, such as the UN Global Compact principles and the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises,
- Companies involved in the manufacture or sale of controversial weapons (landmines, cluster bombs, chemical and biological weapons), and
- Companies whose activities affect endangered species.
- What is the committed minimum rate to reduce the scope of the investments considered prior to the application of that investment strategy?

The Sub-Fund does not commit to a minimum rate to reduce the scope of the investments considered prior to the application of the investment strategy.

What is the policy to assess good governance practices of the investee companies?

The Investment Manager ensures good governance practices of the investee companies partly by exclusions and screenings based on sector screenings and international norms violations (norm-based exclusions). Screening for relevant sanctions is also applied. The Sub-Fund's investments are monitored quarterly on those issues.

According to the Fund's Management Company's sustainability policy, all investments are required to be aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights through the norms based exclusion criteria stated in the Management Company's sustainability policy.

Norm-based exclusions mean that the Management Company expects issuers to adhere to international laws and conventions, such as:

- The UN Global Compact;
- The OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises; and
- The UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, including the principles and rights set out in the eight fundamental conventions identified in the Declaration of the International Labour Organisation on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and the International Bill of Human Rights.

Additionnally, the governance of each company held in the Sub-Fund is assessed by several governance factors within the Investment Manager's investment process, including:

- Alignment of compensation pratices with stakeholders,
- Compensation aligned with ESG targets,
- Approriate board composition (experience and independence),
- Turnover of key management, and
- Separation of CEO position and chairperson.

### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

At least 85% of the Sub-Fund's investments are aligned with the environmental or social, E/S, characteristics. The investments in the "#2 Other" category are cash and/or cash equivalents, and/or other permitted assets as indicated in the "Permitted assets, techniques and transactions" section of the prospectus. The permitted assets

are used for hedging, liquidity and efficient portfolio management, while the cash is used in the meaning of ancillary liquid assets. The "2# Other" category has no minimum environmental or social safeguards.

Asset allocation describes the share of investments in specific assets.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of:

- turnover reflecting the share of revenue from green activities of investee companies
- capital expenditure (Capex) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy.
- operational expenditure (OpEx) reflecting green operational activities of investee companies.

To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for fossil gas include limitations on emissions and switching to renewable power or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive safety and waste management rules.

Enabling activities directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which low-carbon alternatives are not yet available and among others have greenhouse gas emission levels corresponding to the best performance.

#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics

#2 Other

#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

#2 Other includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

How does the use of derivatives attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?

The Sub-Fund does not use derivatives to achieve the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the Sub-Fund.



To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

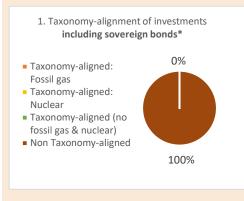
The Sub-Fund does not commit to making any sustainable investments.

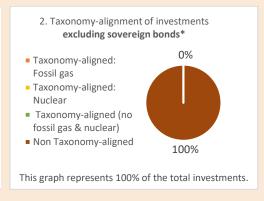
Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy<sup>1</sup>?

|   | Yes: |                  |                |
|---|------|------------------|----------------|
|   |      | In fossil gas In | nuclear energy |
| × | No   |                  |                |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.





\* For the purpose of these graphs, 'sovereign bonds' consist of all sovereign exposures.

## What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

0%.

The investments in the Sub-Fund may or may not be in transitional and enabling activities. However, the Sub-Fund does not commit to having a minimum proportion of investments in transitional and enabling activities.



What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and are there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

"#2 Other" includes cash and/or cash equivalents, and/or other permitted assets as indicated in the "Permitted assets, techniques and transactions" section of the prospectus. The investments included under "#2 Other" are used for hedging, liquidity, and efficient portfolio management purposes. There are currently no minimum environmental or social safeguards for these investments.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

The Sub-Fund does not use a benchmark to determine whether it is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes.

### Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics

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the EU Taxonomy.

### Where can I find more product specific information online?



More product-specific information can be found on the website:

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# Additional information for investors in Germany

In accordance with Section 310 (1) and (2) of the Investment Code (Kapitalanlagegesetzbuch KAGB), the Management Company has notified the Bundesanstalt für Finanzdienstleistungsaufsicht (BaFin: the German Federal Financial Supervisory Authority), Frankfurt am Main, of the distribution of Fund units in Germany.

The following Sub-Fund(s) are not publicly approved for distribution in Germany:

SEB Fund 1 - SEB Europe Exposure Fund

SEB Fund 1 - SEB US Focus Core Fund

SEB Fund 1 - SEB Montrusco Bolton Global Equity Fund

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### **Publications**

The prospectus, the key investor information documents, the constitutive documents as well as the annual and semi-annual reports can be obtained free of charge from the Information Agent and are available to investors on the website www.sebgroup.lu. The issue and redemption prices of Fund are available upon request at the office of the Management Company and published on the website www.sebgroup.lu.In addition, the investors in Germany will be provided by means of a durable medium in accordance with § 167 KAGB in German or in a language that is customary in the sphere of international finance (§ 298 clause 2 KAGB):

- a) suspension of the redemption of the units of an EU UCITS;
- b) termination of an EU UCITS' management or the winding-up of an EU UCITS;
- c) amendments to the sub-fund rules which are inconsistent with existing investment principles, affect material investor rights, or relate to remuneration or the reimbursement of expenses that may be amendments and the rights of investors, the information must be communicated in an easily understandable form and manner
- d) and must indicate where and how further information may be obtained;
- e) the merger of EU UCITS in the form of information on the proposed merger which must be drawn up in accordance with Article 43 of Directive 2009/65/EC;
- f) the conversion of an EU UCITS into a feeder sub-fund or any change to a master sub-fund in the form of information which must be drawn up in accordance with Article 64 of Directive 2009/65/EC. All payments to unitholders (sales proceeds, distributions, if applicable, and all other payments) may be received in Germany through the Transfer Agent of the sub-fund via the German correspondent bank. Furthermore, investors in Germany may address their redemption or conversion request directly to their German correspondent bank.