BLACKROCK STRATEGIC FUNDS

BSF European Credit Strategies Fund Class X2 EUR

MAY 2018 FACTSHEET

Performance, Portfolio Breakdowns and Net Asset information as at: 31-May-2018. All other data as at: 13-Jun-2018.

Investors should read the Key Investor Information Document and Prospectus prior to investing.

Capital at risk. All financial investments involve an element of risk. Therefore, the value of your investment and the income from it will vary and your initial investment amount cannot be guaranteed.

FUND OVERVIEW

The Fund aims to achieve positive absolute returns on your investment through a combination of capital growth and income regardless of market conditions. The Fund seeks to gain at least 70% of any market exposure to fixed income (FI) securities, FI-related securities which may either be denominated in European currencies or issued by governments and, government agencies of, and companies and supranationals domiciled, or the main business of which is in, Europe (including former Soviet Union countries). This is achieved by investing at least 70% of its assets in FI securities and FI-related securities and where appropriate, deposits and cash. FI securities include bonds and money market instruments. FI-related securities include financial derivative instruments (FDIs). The Fund will invest in the full range of FI securities which may include investments with a relatively low credit rating or which are unrated.

KEY FACTS

Asset Class	Fixed Income
Morningstar Category	Alt - Long/Short Debt
Fund Launch Date	16-Feb-2011
Share Class Launch Date	16-Feb-2011
Fund Base Currency	EUR
Share Class Currency	EUR
Fund Size (AUM)	82.99 EUR
Domicile	Luxembourg
Fund Type	UCITS
ISIN	LU0573588075
Bloomberg Ticker	BRECSXE
Distribution Type	Accumulating
Minimum Initial Investment	10,000,000 USD*

* or currency equivalent

PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

Stephen Gough
Jose Aguilar (Since: 25 Jul 2017)

RATINGS

GROWTH OF HYPOTHETICAL 10,000



Share Class performance displayed in Euro. Source: BlackRock. Performance is show on a net asset value basis, with gross income reinvested. **Past performance is not a guide to future performance**

% CALENDAR YEAR RETURNS

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Share Class	3.04	-1.11	-1.86	3.77	8.38

Share Class performance is calculated on a Net Asset Value (NAV) basis, net of fees in the dealing currency specified and do not include sales charge or taxes. Returns assume reinvestment of any distributions. Past performance is not a guide to future performance and should not be the sole factor of consideration when selecting a product.

CUMULATIVE & ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE

	Cumulative (%)					Annualized (% p.a.)		
	1m	3m	6m	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception
Share Class	-1.44%	-1.75%	-0.29%	-1.22%	-0.05%	-1.91%	1.50%	3.39%
Quartile Rank	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

The figures shown relate to past performance. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results and should not be the sole factor of consideration when selecting a product or strategy. Share Class and Benchmark performance displayed in EUR, hedged fund benchmark performance is displayed in EUR. Performance is shown on a Net Asset Value (NAV) basis, with gross income reinvested where applicable. The return of your investment may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations if your investment is made in a currency other than that used in the past performance calculation. **Source:** BlackRock

Key Risks: The fund invests a large portion of assets which are denominated in other currencies; hence changes in the relevant exchange rate will affect the value of the investment. The fund invests in fixed interest securities issued by companies which, compared to bonds issued or guaranteed by governments, are exposed to greater risk of default in the repayment of the capital provided to the company or interest payments due to the fund. The fund invests in high yielding bonds. Companies who issue higher yield bonds typically have an increased risk of defaulting on repayments. In the event of default, the value of your investment may reduce. Economic conditions and interest rate levels may also impact significantly the values of high yield bonds.

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Key Risks Continued: The fund invests in fixed interest securities such as corporate or government bonds which pay a fixed or variable rate of interest (also known as the 'coupon') and behave similarly to a loan. These securities are therefore exposed to changes in interest rates which will affect the value of any securities held. The Fund may be exposed to finance sector companies, as a service provider or as counterparty for financial contracts. Liquidity in the financial markets has been severely restricted, causing a number of firms to withdrawn from the market, or in some extreme cases, becoming insolvent. This may have an adverse affect on the activities of the fund. The strategies utilised by the Fund involve the use of derivatives to facilitate certain investment management techniques including the establishment of both 'long' and 'synthetic short' positions and creation of market leverage for the purposes of increasing the economic exposure of a Fund beyond the value of its net assets. The use of derivatives in this manner may have the effect of increasing the overall risk profile of the Funds. Investors in this fund should understand that the Fund is not guaranteed to produce a positive return and as an absolute return product, performance may not move in line with general stock market trends as both positive and negative share movements affect the overall value of the fund. The Manager employs a risk management process to oversee and manage derivative exposure within the Fund.The fund may invest in securities whereby the issuing company has a high risk of defaulting on their interest payments, capital repayment or both. In the event of default, the value of the investment may reduce. Economic conditions and interest rate levels may also impact significantly the values of high yield bonds. The Fund will attempt to reduce (or 'hedge') the risk of currency movements between the Base Currency and the currency in which some or all of the underlying investments are transacted. It should be noted that the hedging strategy employed will not completely eliminate the exposure of the Fund to movements between the Base Currency and these other currencies. The hedging strategies may be entered into whether the Base Currency is declining or increasing in value compared to the currency of the underlying investments. This may have a positive or negative impact on the performance of the Fund.

SECTOR BREAKDOWN (%)

	Long	Short	Net
Building Materials	11.70	0.00	11.70
Banking	23.33	-12.57	10.76
HEDGE	35.59	-29.74	5.84
Automotive	6.70	-1.53	5.17
Cable and Satellite	7.54	-2.48	5.06
Wirelines	6.62	-1.58	5.04
Wireless	6.46	-3.07	3.39
Industrial Other	3.23	0.00	3.23
Oil Field Services	2.78	0.00	2.78
P&C	1.96	0.00	1.96
Metals and Mining	2.65	-0.95	1.70

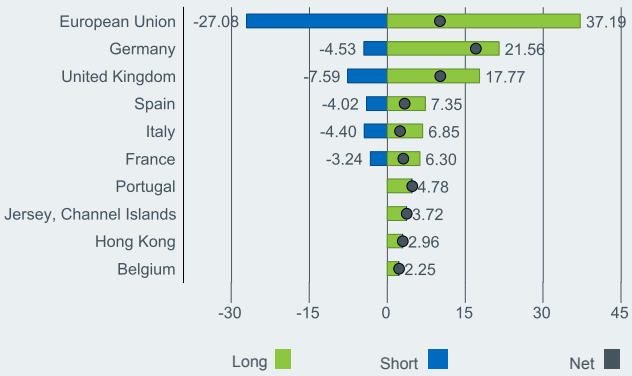
FEES AND EXPENSES

Max Initial Charge	0.00%
Max Exit Fee	0.00%
Ongoing Charge	0.16%
Performance Fee	0.00%

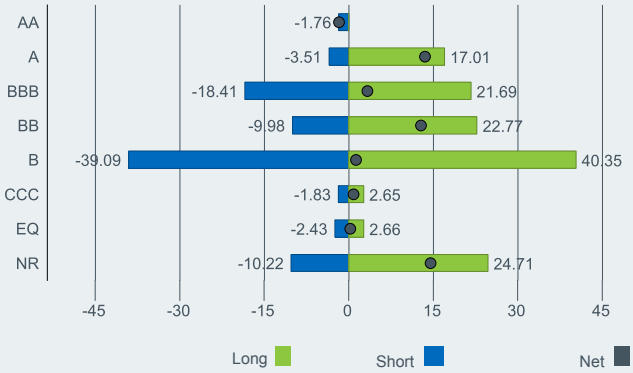
DEALING INFORMATION

Settlement	Trade Date + 3 days
Dealing Frequency	Weekly, Business Day

TOP COUNTRIES (%)



CREDIT RATINGS (%)



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GLOSSARY

Effective Duration: A measure of price sensitivity of a bond to changes in interest rates. The Modified Duration of the fund is calculated as the average of the underlying bonds' modified duration values, adjusted to take account of their relative weight (size) within the fund.

Ongoing Charge: is a figure representing all annual charges and other payments taken from the fund.

Quartile Rank: categorizes a fund into four equal bands based on their performance over a specified period within the relevant Morningstar's sector. The top or first quartile contains the top 25% of funds, through to the bottom or 4th quartile which contains the bottom 25% of funds.

SRRI: is a value based on the volatility of the fund, which gives an indication of the overall risk and reward profile of the Fund.

Nominal Weighted Average Life (WAL): A bond's maturity is the length of time until the principal amount of the bond is to be repaid. WAL of the fund is calculated as the average of the underlying bonds' maturities, adjusted to take account of their relative weight (size) within the fund.

Yield To Worst: The lowest potential yield that can be received on a bond without the issuer actually defaulting. The yield to worst is calculated by making worst-case scenario assumptions on the issue by calculating the returns that would be received if provisions are used by the issuer.

Performance Fee: is charged on any returns that, subject to a High Water Mark, the Fund achieves above it's performance fee benchmark. Please refer to the Prospectus for further information.