

# **Key Investor Information Document**

This document provides you with key investor information about this Fund. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature and the risks of investing in this Fund. You are advised to read it to help you make an informed decision about whether to invest.

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# Lazard European Alternative Fund C Dist USD Hedged

Lazard European Alternative Fund is a sub-fund of Lazard Global Investment Funds Public Limited Company (the "UCITS")

### **Objectives and Investment Policy**

Lazard European Alternative Fund (the "Fund") aims to seek long-term capital growth. The Fund will pursue its objective primarily by investing in a diversified portfolio of equities (i.e. shares) and equity-related securities of companies that are domiciled, incorporated or listed in Europe or which are not domiciled, incorporated or listed in Europe but which derive significant sources of profit from or have close economic links with Europe and in other financial instruments which provide exposure to such shares.

The Fund may invest up to 10% of its value in shares of companies that are domiciled, incorporated or listed in non-European countries which do not have close economic links with Europe.

Up to 20% of the Fund's value may be invested in emerging markets and up to 5% of the Fund's value may be invested in securities listed or traded in Russia.

The Fund may invest in cash and in investments that are deemed to be nearly equivalent to cash at any time and to the extent considered appropriate in light of market conditions. The Fund may invest up to 10% in aggregate of its net assets in units or shares in other investment funds (including exchange traded funds).

The Fund may also invest in listed REITS (i.e. real estate investment trusts), exchange traded notes and closed-ended collective investment schemes where such investments are consistent with the Fund's Investment Policy

The Fund may gain exposure to the asset classes above either by investing in them directly, or by using derivatives (which are financial contracts whose value is linked to the price of an underlying investment).

As a result of its use of derivatives, the Fund may be 'geared' or 'leveraged' (which can lead to a proportionately much larger movement in the value of the fund's assets). The expected level of the Fund's leverage will be 250% of the value of the Fund.

You can buy and sell your shares in the Fund on a day on which the stock exchanges in London and Dublin are open for business.

Any distributions that are paid to you will normally be reinvested to buy further shares unless you have elected to receive payment in cash.

The Fund has discretion as to which investments it will hold within the limits of the Investment Objective and Policy and stock selection is not undertaken by reference to a benchmark.

Recommendation: this Fund may not be appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money within the short term.

### **Risk and Reward Profile**



The risk and reward categories above are calculated using historic data and may not be a reliable indicator of the Fund's future risk profile. The risk and reward category may shift over time and is not a target or guarantee. The lowest category (i.e. category 1) does not mean "risk free"

The risk rating of this Share Class is calculated on the basis of historic volatility – i.e. how much the value of the underlying assets of the Fund has fluctuated over the last 5 years. As this Share Class does not have 5 years' performance data available, we have simulated the volatility based on historic data.

This Share Class has been placed in the risk category stated above, because based on the simulated historic data, the underlying assets within the Fund have shown moderately low volatility.

Please note, there are other risks that may not be reflected in the risk and reward categories above. Some of these risks are summarised below.

- There is no capital guarantee or protection of the value of the Fund. The value of your
  investment and the income from it can go down as well as up and you may not get
  back the amount you invested.
- This Fund may invest in the securities of emerging markets. These markets may be
  less developed than others and so there is a risk that the Fund may experience greater
  volatility, delays in buying, selling and claiming ownership of these investments.
   Emerging markets may also have less developed political, economic and legal systems
  and there is a higher risk that the Fund may not get back its money.

- The returns from your investment may be affected by changes in the exchange rate between the Fund's base currency, the currency of the Fund's investments, your share class and your home currency.
- There is a risk that the other side to certain contracts that the Fund may enter into
  may not be able to meet obligations. For example, this may arise in the Fund where
  an investment is made using a derivative (or a debt instrument), and the other side to
  the contract becomes insolvent, or is otherwise unable to meet its obligations. In such
  a case, the Fund may incur loss.
- There are additional risks relating to the use of derivatives the Fund invests in
  derivatives for the purposes of reducing exposure (hedging), gaining greater exposure,
  and speculating in the value of underlying investments. The use of derivatives to gain
  greater exposure to investments rather than by direct investment can increase the
  possibility for profit but also increase the risk of loss.
- The Fund may invest in units or shares of other investment funds. Such other funds
  may themselves be subject to their own fees and expenses.
- Shareholders who acquire shares after commencement of a performance period may
  be liable for a performance fee, even where there has not been an appreciation of
  performance of the relevant share class during the period in which those shares were
  actually held. Performance fees may be paid on unrealised gains which may
  subsequently never be realised.
- Your shares will be hedged with the aim of reducing the effect of exchange rate fluctuations between their denominated currency and the base currency of the Fund.
   This may not completely eliminate currency risk and therefore, may affect the performance of your shares.

See "Risk Factors" in the UCITS' Prospectus and Fund Supplement for more information about risks.

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### Charges

The charges you pay are used to pay the costs of running the Fund, including marketing and distributing costs. These charges reduce the potential growth of your investment.

One-off charges taken before or after you invest

Entry charge	3.00%
Exit charge	2.00%

This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it is invested and before proceeds of your investment are paid out.

Charges taken from the Fund over a year

Ongoing charges 1.27%

Charges taken from the Fund under certain specific conditions

Performance fee 20.00%

In the Fund's last calendar year the performance fee was 0.46% of the Share Class.

The entry and exit charges shown are maximum figures. In some cases you may pay less You can find out the actual charges from your financial advisor.

The ongoing charges figure is based on expenses for the year ending 31 December 2017 and does not include any performance fee or portfolio transaction costs incurred where we buy or sell assets for the Fund. Ongoing charges may vary from year to year.

In the case of a large purchase or sale of shares in the Fund an amount for "Duties and Charges" as defined in the UCITS' Prospectus may be applied where the Directors believe it is in the best interests of the other shareholders.

Please see "Fees and Expenses" in the UCITS' Prospectus, Fund Supplement and Appendix 1 Share Class Details of the Fund Supplement.

The Directors may, in their absolute discretion, charge a switching fee of up to 1% of the Net Asset Value of the Shares to be switched.

The manager is entitled to receive an annual performance fee, of 20% of the net gain, if any, over a hurdle rate capped at 5% per year and over a high water mark. The net gain will be calculated by reference to the average number of shares of the relevant class and equalization will not apply. Please see the Fund Supplement for further details.

#### **Past Performance**

As this Share Class does not yet have performance data for one complete calendar year, there is insufficient data to provide a useful indication of past performance to investors.

The Fund was established on: 16/09/2015

The Share Class seed date was: 10/03/2017

#### **Practical Information**

The UCITS' depositary is State Street Custodial Services (Ireland) Limited. The Fund is one of a number of sub-funds of the UCITS. The assets and liabilities of each sub-fund are segregated by law from each other and the rights of investors and creditors in relation to a sub-fund should normally be limited to the assets of that sub-fund. You may switch between sub-funds of the UCITS. See "Switching Between Share Classes and Funds" in the UCITS' Prospectus.

Further information about the Fund may be obtained from the UCITS' Prospectus (available in English and German), the annual and half-yearly Report and Accounts which are prepared for the UCITS as a whole (available in English, German and Italian). These documents are available free of charge from Lazard Asset Management Limited, 50 Stratton Street, London, W1J 8LL or at www.lazardassetmanagement.com. The Fund is subject to the tax legislation of Ireland. This may have an impact on your personal tax position.

Latest share prices of the UCITS are available at www.lazardassetmanagement.com. Details of Lazard Fund Managers (Ireland) Limited's Remuneration Policy, including a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated and the identities of the persons responsible for awarding such remuneration/benefits, can be accessed from the following website: www.lazardassetmanagement.com. A paper copy of these policy details is also available free of charge from Lazard Fund Managers (Ireland) Limited upon requiest

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