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## FIXED INCOME

# AXA World Funds - Asian Short Duration Bonds

A Sub-Fund of AXA World Funds SICAV

Share class: AXA World Funds - Asian Short Duration Bonds E (Hedged) Distribution Quarterly EUR (ISIN : LU1196530882)

This Sub-Fund is managed by AXA Funds Management S.A., part of the AXA IM Group

## Objective and Investment Policy

### Investment Objective

The Sub-Fund investment objective is to seek performance by investing at least two thirds of its total assets in short duration debt securities issued in the Asian fixed income market over a medium term period.

### Investment Policy

The Sub-Fund is actively managed in order to capture opportunities in short duration debt securities issued in the Asian fixed income market.

The following investment decisions are undertaken after comprehensive macroeconomic and microeconomic analysis of the market:

- geographical allocation
- duration positioning (duration measures, in number of years, the portfolio's sensitivity to interest rate variations)
- yield curve positioning (the yield curve illustrates the relationship between investment term and bond yield)
- issuer selection

The Sub-Fund invests at least two thirds of its total assets in transferable debt securities issued by Asian countries' governments, corporations, public or private companies and supra national entities in hard currency (hard currencies are globally traded major currencies). The Sub-Fund will invest in transferable debt securities mainly rated investment grade. The Sub-Fund may also invest in such transferable debt securities rated sub-investment grade. The Investment Manager anticipates that the average duration of the Sub-Fund will generally be three years or less. The Sub-Fund may invest up to 100% in sovereign debt securities but it is not intended that the Sub-Fund will invest more than 10% of its net asset value in securities issued by or guaranteed by any single country (including its government, a public or local authority of that country) with a credit rating below investment grade (as defined below).

The Sub-Fund may invest up to 15% of its assets in bonds in local currency.

Out of the 15% limit, the Sub-Fund may invest up to 10% of its assets in bonds denominated in Off-shore RMB.

Investment grade securities will be rated at least BBB- by Standard & Poor's or equivalent rating by Moody's or Fitch or if unrated then deemed to be so by the Investment Manager.

Sub-investment grade securities will be rated between BB+ and B- by Standard & Poor's or equivalent rating by Moody's or Fitch or if unrated then deemed to be so by the Investment Manager. In case of downgrade below B- by Standard & Poor's or equivalent rating by Moody's or Fitch or if unrated then deemed to be so by the Investment Manager, securities will be sold within 6 months.

If two different ratings of rating agencies exist, the lower rating will be considered, if more than two different ratings of rating agencies exist, the second highest rating will be considered.

The selection of credit instruments is not exclusively and mechanically based on their publicly available credit ratings but also on an internal credit or

market risk analysis. The decision to buy or sell assets is also based on other analysis criteria of the Investment Manager.

The Sub-Fund may invest the remaining third of its assets in Money Market Instruments.

The Sub-Fund may invest up to 5% of net assets in contingent convertible bonds (CoCos).

Within the limit of 200% of the Sub-Fund's net assets, the investment strategy may be achieved by direct investments and/or through derivatives, including Credit Default Swaps. Derivatives may also be used for hedging purposes. The use of derivatives for investment purposes is limited to 50% of the Sub-Fund's net assets.

The Share Class aims at hedging the foreign exchange risk resulting from the divergence between the reference currency of the Sub-Fund and the currency of this Share Class by using derivatives instruments whilst retaining the exposure to Investment Policy described above.

### Income

For Distribution share classes (Dis), the dividend is distributed.

### Sub-Fund Currency

The reference currency of the Sub-Fund is USD.

### Investment Horizon

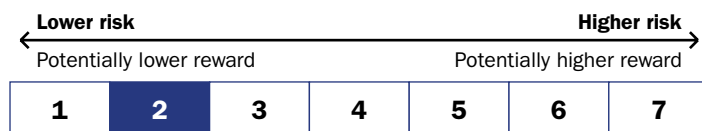
This Sub-Fund may not be suitable for investors who plan to withdraw their contribution within 3 years.

### Processing of subscription and redemption orders

The subscription, conversion or redemption orders must be received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent on any Valuation Day no later than 3 p.m. Luxembourg time. Orders will be processed at the Net Asset Value applicable to the following Valuation Day. The investor's attention is drawn to the existence of potential additional processing time due to the possible involvement of intermediaries such as Financial Advisers or distributors.

The Net Asset Value of this Sub-Fund is calculated on a daily basis.

## Risk and Reward Profile



The risk category is calculated using historical performance data and may not be a reliable indicator of the Sub-Fund's future risk profile.

The risk category shown is not guaranteed and may shift over time.

The lowest category does not mean risk free.

### Why is this Sub-Fund in this category?

The capital of the Sub-Fund is not guaranteed. The Sub-Fund is invested in financial markets and uses techniques and instruments which are subject to low levels of variation under normal market conditions but, which may still result in losses.

### Additional Risks

**Counterparty Risk:** Risk of bankruptcy, insolvency, or payment or delivery failure of any of the Sub-Fund's counterparties, leading to a payment or delivery default.

**Geopolitical Risk:** investments in securities issued or listed in different countries may imply the application of different standards and regulations. Investments may be affected by movements of foreign exchange rates, changes in laws or restrictions applicable to such investments, changes in

exchange control regulations or price volatility.

**Liquidity Risk:** risk of low liquidity level in certain market conditions that might lead the Sub-Fund to face difficulties valuing, purchasing or selling all/part of its assets and resulting in potential impact on its net asset value.

**Credit Risk:** Risk that issuers of debt securities held in the Sub-Fund may default on their obligations or have their credit rating downgraded, resulting in a decrease in the Net Asset Value.

**Impact of any techniques such as derivatives:** Certain management strategies involve specific risks, such as liquidity risk, credit risk, counterparty risk, legal risk, valuation risk, operational risk and risks related to the underlying assets.

The use of such strategies may also involve leverage, which may increase the effect of market movements on the Sub-Fund and may result in significant risk of losses.



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## Charges

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

**One-off charges taken before or after you invest**

Entry Charge	none
Exit Charge	none

This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it is invested.

**Charges taken from the fund over a year**

Ongoing charge	1.53%
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**Charges taken from the fund under certain specific conditions**

Performance fees	none
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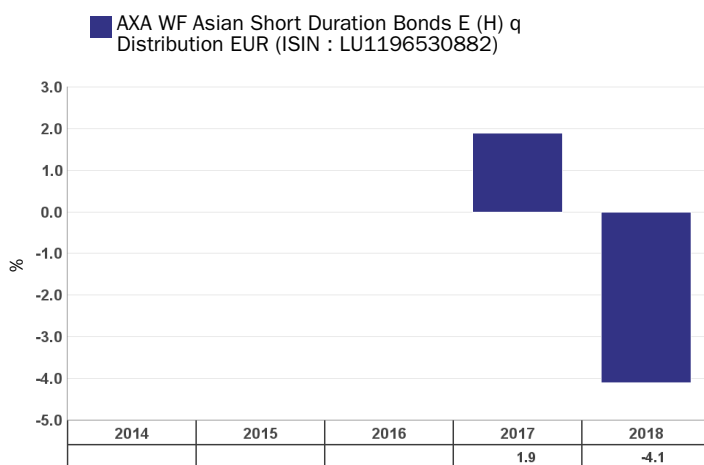
The entry and exit charges shown are maximum figures. In some cases, you might pay less - you can find this out from your Financial Adviser.

The ongoing charges figure is based on expenses for the twelve month period ending December 2018. This figure is adjusted with implemented budget changes for 2018. This figure may vary from year to year. It excludes:

- Performance fees
- Portfolio transaction costs, except in the case of an entry/exit charge paid by the Sub-Fund when buying or selling units in another collective investment undertaking

For more information about charges, please refer to the Fees and Expenses section of the prospectus which is available at [www.axa-im.com](http://www.axa-im.com).

## Past Performance



Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

Past performance is shown after the deduction of ongoing charges. Any entry/exit fees are excluded from the calculation.

The Sub-Fund was launched on 10/03/2015 and the share class in 2016. Past performance has been calculated in EUR and is expressed as a percentage change of the Sub-Fund's Net Asset Value at each year end.

## Practical Information

**Custodian:**

State Street Bank Luxembourg S.C.A.  
49, Avenue J.F. Kennedy  
L-1855 Luxembourg

**Further Information:**

More detailed information on this Sub-Fund, such as the prospectus as well as the latest annual and semi-annual report, can be obtained free of charge, in English, German, French, Spanish and Italian from the Sub-Fund Management Company, the central administrator, the Sub-Funds' distributors or online at [www.axa-im.com](http://www.axa-im.com).

More share classes are available for this Sub-Fund. For more details about other share classes, please refer to the prospectus, which is available at [www.axa-im.com](http://www.axa-im.com).

Details of the up to date remuneration policy of the company are published online at <https://www.axa-im.com/en/remuneration>. This includes the description of how remuneration and benefits are awarded for employees, and information on the remuneration committee. The company provides a paper copy free of charge upon request.

**Net Asset Value Publication:**

The Net Asset Value per share is available at [www.axa-im.com](http://www.axa-im.com), and at the registered office of the Management Company.

**Tax Legislation:**

The Sub-Fund is subject to the tax laws and regulations of Luxembourg. Depending on your own country of residence this might have an impact on your investments. For further details, you should consult a Tax Adviser.

**Liability Statement:**

AXA Funds Management S.A. may be held liable solely on the basis of any statement contained in this document that is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent with the relevant parts of the prospectus for the Sub-Fund.

**Switching between Sub-Funds:**

Shareholders may apply for any share classes of any Sub-Funds to be

converted into share classes of another Sub-Fund, provided that the conditions for accessing the target share class, type or sub-type are fulfilled with respect to this Sub-Fund, on the basis of their respective Net Asset Value calculated on the Valuation Day following receipt of the conversion request.

The redemption and subscription costs connected with the conversion may be charged to the shareholder as indicated in the prospectus.

For more details about how to switch compartment, please refer to the prospectus, section switch between Sub-Funds, which is available at [www.axa-im.com](http://www.axa-im.com).



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This Sub-Fund is authorised in Luxembourg and regulated by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier (CSSF). AXA Funds Management S.A. is authorised in Luxembourg and regulated by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier. This key investor information is accurate as at 04/11/2019.