

# Key Investor Information

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 so you can make an informed decision about whether to invest. Unless otherwise defined in this document, all words and expressions defined in the Fund's current Prospectus shall have the same meaning herein.



## GAM Star Japan Leaders (the "Fund") a sub-fund of GAM Star Fund plc.

**Class Ordinary JPY Accumulation** (the "Share Class") **ISIN: IE0003014572**

**Manager: GAM Fund Management Limited** part of GAM Group AG.

### Objectives and Investment Policy

- The investment objective of the Fund is to achieve capital appreciation.
- The Fund seeks to achieve this objective by investing primarily in quoted equity securities (e.g. shares) of companies which have principal offices in Japan.
- The fund manager adopts a disciplined bottom-up investment process, selecting stocks with a focus on businesses that have superior long term growth potential, a high return on equity and low leverage.
- Shares in the Fund can be bought and sold daily (every Business Day of the Fund).
- Any income arising from this Share Class will be accumulated. Other share classes of the Fund may distribute income.
- The fund manager has discretion in managing the investments of the Fund.
- The Fund may use a limited number of simple derivative instruments for efficient portfolio management purposes. Further information on the Fund's use of derivatives can be found under the Derivatives section within the Fund's Supplement. Although the use of derivatives may give rise to an additional exposure any such additional exposure will not exceed the Fund's Net Asset Value.
- The Fund may also use the following techniques and instruments for efficient portfolio management purposes; Repurchase and Reverse Repurchase Agreements, Stocklending Agreements, Sub-underwriting Agreements and Participation Notes.
- Recommendation: this Fund may not be appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money within 7 years.

### Risk and Reward Profile



The risk indicator is based on the volatility of the Fund's performance over the last 5 years. Where 5 years' performance history is not available the data is supplemented by proxy fund, benchmark data or a simulated historical series as appropriate.

- This profile is determined using historical data, as such may not be a reliable indication for the future risk profile. It is not guaranteed and may shift over time.
- The lowest category does not mean 'risk free'.
- The Fund does not offer any capital guarantee or assurance that the investor will receive a fixed amount when redeeming.

Further risks that may have a significant effect on the net asset value of the Fund include:

- **Currency Risk - Non Base Currency Share Class:** non-base currency share classes may or may not be hedged to the base currency of the Fund. Changes in exchange rates will have an impact on the value of shares in the Fund which are not denominated in the base currency. Where hedging strategies are employed, they may not be fully effective.

- **Concentration Risk:** concentration in a limited number of securities and industry sectors may result in more volatility than investing in broadly diversified funds.
- **Single Country Risk:** investment in companies of a single country may be subject to greater political, social, economic and tax risks and may be more volatile than investments in more broadly diversified funds. Local tax law may change retrospectively and without notice.
- **Equity:** investments in equities (directly or indirectly via derivatives) may be subject to significant fluctuations in value.
- **Capital at Risk:** all financial investments involve an element of risk. Therefore, the value of the investment and the income from it will vary and the initial investment amount cannot be guaranteed.

The "Risk Factor" section of the Prospectus and the "Risk Factor" section of the Fund Supplement for this Fund give you more details about all the risks for the Fund – see under "Practical Information" for how to obtain a copy.

## Charges for this Share Class

The charges you pay are used to pay the costs of running the Share Class, 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	Up to 5%
Exit charge	Nil
Switching charge	Up to 1%
This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it is invested/before the proceeds of your investment are paid out.	
Charges taken from the Class over a year	
Ongoing charges	1.61%
Charges taken from the Class under certain specific conditions	
Performance fee	None

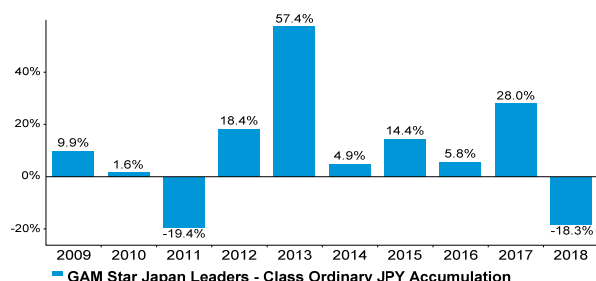
The **entry, exit and switching charges** shown are maximum figures. In some cases you might pay less – you can find this out from your financial adviser.

You may be charged a **dilution levy** of up to 1% of the value of the Shares (representing the cost of buying or selling investments) on entry to or exit from the Fund.

The **ongoing charges** figure is based on expenses for the year ending 29 December 2017. This figure may vary from year to year. It excludes bank interest, portfolio transaction costs and any performance fees if applicable.

**For more information about charges, please see the “Fees and Expenses” section of the Prospectus and the “Fees” section of the Fund Supplement, which are available at [www.gam.com](http://www.gam.com)**

## Past Performance



- Please note that past performance is not necessarily a guide to the future performance of the Fund.
- The data is net of tax and charges and is exclusive of subscription and redemption fees, as any subscription and redemption fees are not received by the Fund.
- The Fund launched in 1992. Performance shown relates to the Share Class and is calculated in JPY.

## Practical Information

- The custodian of the Fund is State Street Custodial Services (Ireland) Limited.
- Should you require further information on this Fund, the Share Class or other share classes of the Fund, you may visit GAM's website ([www.gam.com](http://www.gam.com)) to obtain the current Prospectus and Fund Supplement and the most recent annual and any subsequent half-yearly reports and accounts. The documents referred to shall be provided free of charge in English on request.
- This Key Investor Information Document is specific to the Share Class but is considered representative of all other Ordinary, Ordinary Distribution, Non UK RFS, U, W, X and Z share classes for this Fund, except for the Ordinary EUR Income and Accumulation share classes, for this Fund. Information relating to these share classes is available in the “Description of Shares” section of the Prospectus.
- The Net Asset Value of the Fund is calculated in JPY and is available from GAM Fund Management Limited, on [www.gam.com](http://www.gam.com) and the Irish Stock Exchange.
- The Fund is subject to the tax laws and regulations of Ireland. Depending on your home country of residence, this might have an impact on your investment. For further details, please speak to an adviser.
- The Directors of GAM Star Fund plc 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 and Fund Supplement.
- Details of the up-to-date remuneration policy of the Manager (including, but not limited to, a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated and the identity of persons responsible for awarding the remuneration and benefits) are available on [www.gam.com](http://www.gam.com). A paper copy will be made available upon request and free of charge by the Manager.
- Subject to the conditions set down in the Prospectus, you are entitled to switch from one share class to another, either in the Fund or in another sub-fund of GAM Star Fund plc. Please refer to the “How to Switch Shares” section of the Prospectus for further information on how to switch.
- This Fund is a sub-fund of GAM Star Fund plc, an umbrella fund with segregated liability between sub-funds. You can find out more information about the umbrella fund in the Prospectus. The Prospectus and periodic reports are prepared in the name of GAM Star Fund plc.

This Fund is authorised in Ireland and regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland. GAM Fund Management Limited is authorised in Ireland and is also regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland.

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