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**14 December 2020**

Dear Shareholder,

## **Schroder International Selection Fund – Enhancement of disclosures on benchmarks**

We are writing to advise you that the board of directors of Schroder International Selection Fund (the "Company") has enhanced certain disclosures with respect to the sub-funds of the Company (as detailed in a table available at [https://www.schroders.com/en/sysglobalassets/digital/hong-kong/investor-notice/202012\\_sisf\\_enhancement\\_of\\_disclosures\\_on\\_benchmarks\\_table\\_en.pdf](https://www.schroders.com/en/sysglobalassets/digital/hong-kong/investor-notice/202012_sisf_enhancement_of_disclosures_on_benchmarks_table_en.pdf)<sup>1</sup>), specifically, the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) Q&A on the application of the UCITS Directive (March 2019 update) regarding the way in which funds describe their use of benchmarks and display performance to shareholders.

As a result of this guidance, we have stated for each sub-fund whether it has a target benchmark (which defines the sub-fund's target performance) and the extent to which any other benchmarks should be used by shareholders to assess performance (i.e. comparator benchmarks). We have also explained why a particular benchmark has been selected for the relevant sub-fund. In addition, we have confirmed that each sub-fund is actively managed and some investment policies include additional detail in that respect.

For sub-funds that have target benchmarks, their investment objectives have been enhanced to define the sub-fund's target performance. For instance, where a sub-fund's objective previously stated it aimed to provide 'capital growth', we are now providing more information as to what we mean by 'capital growth', for example to exceed the return of the target benchmark after fees have been deducted over a stated period. We have set out the enhanced investment objectives of the relevant sub-funds in a table available at [https://www.schroders.com/en/sysglobalassets/digital/hong-kong/investor-notice/202012\\_sisf\\_enhancement\\_of\\_disclosures\\_on\\_benchmarks\\_table\\_en.pdf](https://www.schroders.com/en/sysglobalassets/digital/hong-kong/investor-notice/202012_sisf_enhancement_of_disclosures_on_benchmarks_table_en.pdf)<sup>1</sup>.

The Company confirms in each case that:

- there are no changes to how the sub-funds are managed;

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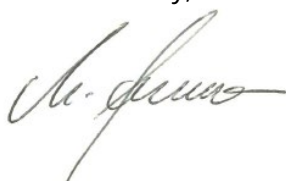
<sup>1</sup> This website has not been reviewed by the SFC.

- the investment style, investment philosophy and risk profile of the sub-funds remains the same; and
- the fees chargeable in respect of the sub-funds as stated in the Prospectus remain the same.

The Hong Kong offering documents of the Company (comprising the Prospectus, Hong Kong Covering Document and Product Key Facts Statements) will be revised in due course to reflect the above updates.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact your usual professional advisor or the Representative at Level 33, Two Pacific Place, 88 Queensway, Hong Kong or calling the Schroders Investor Hotline on (+852) 2869 6968.

Yours faithfully,



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***This statement provides you with key information about this product.  
This statement is a part of the offering document.  
You should not invest in this product based on this statement alone.***

### Quick facts

<b>Management company:</b>	Schroder Investment Management (Europe) S.A.			
<b>Investment manager:</b>	Schroder Investment Management (Japan) Limited, located in Japan, internal delegation			
<b>Depository:</b>	J.P. Morgan Bank Luxembourg S.A.			
<b>Ongoing charges over a year*:</b>	Class A1 EUR Acc	2.43%	Class A1 JPY Acc	2.43%
	Class A EUR Hedged Acc	1.96%	Class A1 USD Acc	2.43%
	Class A JPY Acc	1.93%	Class A USD Hedged Acc	1.96%
	Class A EUR Acc	1.93%		
<b>Dealing frequency:</b>	Daily			
<b>Base currency:</b>	JPY			
<b>Dividend policy:</b>	<p>A, A1 and D Accumulation share classes – Dividend will not be distributed but will be reinvested into the fund.</p> <p>A, A1 and D Distribution share classes – The board of directors generally has discretion as to whether or not to make any distribution.</p> <p>Distributions may be paid out of capital and reduce the fund's net asset value.</p>			
<b>Financial year end of this fund:</b>	31 December			
<b>Minimum investment:</b>	<p>A, A1 and D share classes: Initial – EUR1,000 or USD1,000 (or equivalent); Subsequent investment – EUR1,000 or USD1,000 (or equivalent)</p>			

\* The ongoing charges figure is based on the expenses for the year ended 31 December 2019. This figure may vary from year to year.

Note: As of the date of this document, Class D shares of the fund are not being offered to the public in Hong Kong.

### What is this product?

This is a sub-fund of Schroder International Selection Fund, a mutual fund domiciled in Luxembourg and its home regulator is Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier.

## Objectives and investment strategy

### Investment Objective

The fund aims to provide capital growth by investing in equity and equity related securities of small-sized Japanese companies.

### Investment Policy

The fund invests at least two-thirds of its assets in equity and equity related securities of small-sized Japanese companies. These are companies which, at the time of purchase, are considered to be in the bottom 30% by market capitalisation of the Japanese equities market. As the fund is index-unconstrained it is managed without reference to an index.

The fund may also invest in money market investments and hold cash.

Under exceptional circumstances (e.g. market crash or major crisis), the fund may be invested temporarily up to 100% of its net asset value in liquid assets such as bank deposits, certificates of deposit, commercial paper and treasury bills for cash flow management.

The fund may use derivatives with the aim of achieving investment gains, reducing risk or managing the fund more efficiently. Derivatives can be used for instance to create market exposures through equity, currency, volatility or index related financial derivative instruments and include over-the-counter and/or exchange traded options, futures, contracts for difference, warrants, swaps, forward contracts and/or a combination of the above.

## Use of derivatives / investment in derivatives

The fund's net derivative exposure may be up to 50% of the fund's net asset value.

## What are the key risks?

**Investment involves risk. Please refer to the offering document for details including the risk factors.**

### **1. Equity investment risk**

Investment in equity securities is subject to the risk that the market value of the stocks may go down as well as up due to numerous factors such as changes in investment sentiment, political environment, economic environment, issuer-specific factors, regional or global economic instability, currency and interest rate fluctuations. If the market value of the stocks go down the net asset value of the fund may be adversely affected.

### **2. Concentrated geographical locations**

The fund investing in concentrated geographical locations may be subject to a higher level of risks comparing to a fund investing in a more diversified portfolio/strategy. The value of the fund may be more susceptible to adverse economic, political, policy, foreign exchange, liquidity, tax, legal or regulatory event affecting the relevant geographical locations.

### **3. Smaller companies risk**

Fund invests in smaller companies may fluctuate in value more than other funds and may be more vulnerable to adverse developments than those in larger companies. During periods where markets are falling, securities of smaller companies may become less liquid and experience short-term price volatility and wide spreads between dealing prices.

#### 4. Derivatives

The fund may use derivatives to meet its specific investment objective. There is no guarantee that the performance of derivatives will result in a positive effect for the fund. Derivative exposure may lead to a high risk of significant capital loss. Risks associated with derivatives include credit risk and counterparty risk, liquidity risk, valuation risk, volatility risk, over-the-counter transaction risks and hedging risk. The leverage element/component of derivatives can result in a loss significantly greater than the amount invested in the derivatives by the fund. There is no guarantee that the desired hedging instruments will be available or hedging techniques will achieve their desired result. In adverse situations, the use of hedging instruments may become ineffective in hedging and the fund may suffer significant losses.

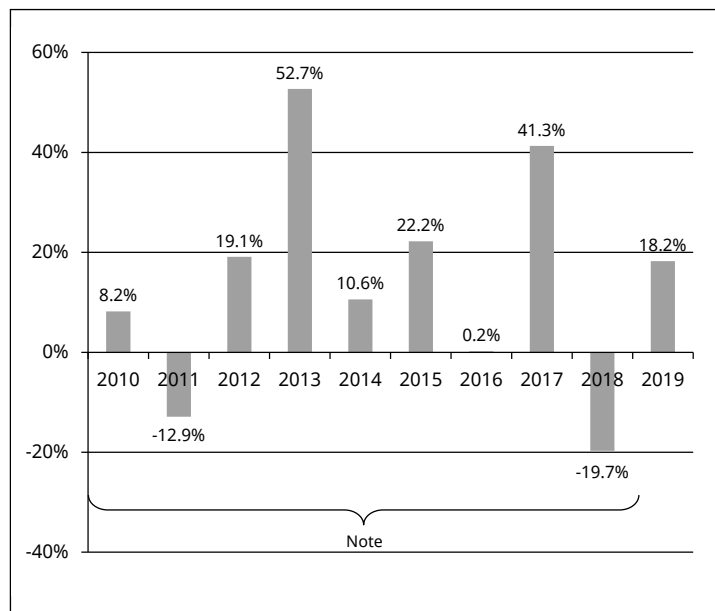
#### 5. Risks relating to distributions

- For distribution share classes with a general dividend policy, expenses will be paid out of capital rather than out of gross income. The amount of distributable income therefore increases and the amount so increased may be considered to be dividend paid out of capital; capital growth will be reduced and in periods of low growth capital erosion may occur.
- Distribution share classes with a fixed dividend policy will distribute the dividends based on a fixed amount or fixed percentage of the net asset value per share. This may result in share classes with fixed distributions either paying out both income and capital in distribution payments, or not substantially distributing all the investment income which a share class has earned.
- **You should note that in the circumstances where the payment of distributions are paid out of capital, this represents and amounts to a return or withdrawal of part of the amount you originally invested or capital gains attributable to that and may result in an immediate decrease in the net asset value of shares.**
- The distribution amount and net asset value of the currency hedged share class may be adversely affected by differences in the interest rates of the reference currency of the currency hedged share classes and the fund's base currency, resulting in an increase in the amount of distribution that is paid out of capital and hence a greater erosion of capital than other non-currency hedged share classes.

#### 6. Currency risks

Assets and share classes may be denominated in currencies other than JPY and some may not be freely convertible. The fund may be adversely affected by changes in foreign exchange rates and exchange rate controls of the currencies in which securities are held, the reference currencies of the share classes and JPY. This exposes all share classes of the fund to exchange rate fluctuations and currency risk. It may not be practicable or possible to hedge against such foreign exchange/currency risk exposure.

## How has the fund performed?



- Past performance information is not indicative of future performance. Investors may not get back the full amount invested.
- The computation basis of the performance is based on the calendar year end, NAV-To-NAV, with dividend reinvested.
- These figures show by how much the fund's Class A JPY Accumulation increased or decreased in value during the calendar year being shown. Performance data has been calculated in JPY including ongoing charges and excluding subscription fee and redemption fee you might have to pay.
- Where no past performance is shown there was insufficient data available in that year to provide performance.
- Fund launch date: 1993
- Class A JPY Accumulation launch date: 2000
- The management company views the Class A JPY Accumulation, being the retail share class denominated in the base currency of the fund, as the most appropriate representative share class of the fund.

Note: The performance of these years was achieved under circumstances that no longer apply. During these years, there was material change(s) to the fund, namely, reduction of fee(s).

## Is there any guarantee?

This fund does not have any guarantees. You may not get back the full amount of money you invest.

## What are the fees and charges?

### Charges which may be payable by you

You may have to pay the following fees when dealing in the shares of the fund.

Fee	What you pay		
	Share class	A	A1 D
Subscription fee (Initial charge)		Up to 5.00% of the total subscription amount	Up to 4.00% of the total subscription amount Nil
Switching fee (Switching charge)		Up to 1.00% of the value of the shares to be switched	
Redemption fee (Redemption charge)		Nil	

**Ongoing fees payable by the fund**

The following expenses will be paid out of the fund. They affect you because they reduce the return you get on your investments.

	<b>Annual rate (as a % of the fund's value)</b>		
<b>Share class*</b>	A	A1	D
<b>Management fee</b>	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%
<b>Depositary fee</b>	Up to 0.005%		
<b>Performance fee</b>	Nil		
<b>Administration fee</b>	Up to 0.25%		
<b>Distribution charge</b>	Nil	0.50%	1.00%
<b>Custody safekeeping fee</b>	Up to 0.3%		
<b>Transaction fees (charged by the Depositary)</b>	Up to USD75 per transaction		
<b>Fund accounting and valuation fees</b>	Up to 0.0083%		

\* Where currency hedged share class is offered, a hedging charge of up to 0.03% per annum of the net asset value per share will be borne by the currency hedged share class in relation to which the charge is incurred. The hedging charge will be payable to the management company, which provides the currency hedging service.

Note: As of the date of this document, Class D shares of the fund are not being offered to the public in Hong Kong.

**Other fees**

You may have to pay other fees when dealing in the shares of the fund. Please refer to the offering document for fees payable by the fund.

### **Additional information**

- You generally buy and redeem shares at the fund's relevant net asset value ("NAV") after Schroder Investment Management (Hong Kong) Limited receives your request, directly or via a distributor, in good order at or before 5pm HK time, being the fund's dealing cut-off time on each dealing day of the fund. Before placing your subscription or redemption orders, please check with your distributor for the distributor's internal dealing cutoff time (which may be earlier than the fund's dealing cut-off time).
- A dividend calendar including details on the distribution frequency and the dividend calculation basis for all available distribution share classes and a composition of the dividend payments (i.e. the percentages of distribution being paid out of capital and net distributable income) for the last twelve months for each of these distribution share classes (i) with a variable distribution policy or (ii) with a fixed dividend policy and paying dividends out of capital are also available from the Schroder Investment Management (Hong Kong) Limited on request and from the Schroders' Internet site ([www.schroders.com.hk](http://www.schroders.com.hk)).
- Past performance information of other share classes offered to Hong Kong investors is available online at [www.schroders.com.hk](http://www.schroders.com.hk).
- The net asset value of this fund is calculated and the price of shares is published on each dealing day. They are available online at [www.schroders.com.hk](http://www.schroders.com.hk). This website has not been reviewed by the SFC.

### **Important**

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