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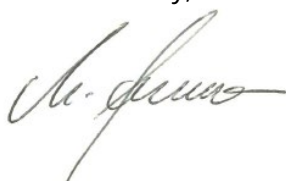
<sup>1</sup> This website has not been reviewed by the SFC.

- 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,



**Mike Sommer**  
Authorised Signatory



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Authorised Signatory

***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 Limited, located in the United Kingdom, internal delegation			
<b>Depositary:</b>	J.P. Morgan Bank Luxembourg S.A.			
<b>Ongoing charges over a year*:</b>	Class A EUR Acc	1.85%	Class A HKD Acc	1.85%
	Class A EUR Dis AV	1.85%	Class A USD Acc	1.85%
	Class A1 EUR Acc	2.35%	Class A1 USD Acc	2.35%
	Class A GBP Dis AV	1.85%		
<b>Dealing frequency:</b>	Daily			
<b>Base currency:</b>	USD			
<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. The distribution frequency is indicated in the share class designation as follows: M = monthly, Q = quarterly, S = semi-annual, A = annual</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 Brazilian, Russian, Indian and Chinese companies.

### Investment Policy

The fund invests at least two-thirds of its assets in a range of equities of companies in the MSCI BRIC index.

The fund typically holds 25-50 companies.

The fund is managed with reference to material environmental, social and governance factors. This means issues such as climate change, environmental performance, labour standards or board composition that could impact a company's value may be considered in the assessment of companies.

The fund may invest directly in China A-Shares via the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect and the Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect (collectively "Stock Connect") (as further described in the section headed "Stock Connect" in the Hong Kong Covering Document). Indirect exposure to China A-Shares may also be sought for the fund through investment in financial instruments such as China market access products and other funds with China access through quota held by Qualified Foreign Institutional Investors or Renminbi Qualified Foreign Institutional Investors. The fund does not currently intend to invest (i) more than 5% of the net asset value of the fund in China A-Shares via Stock Connect and (ii) more than 10% of the net asset value of the fund directly and indirectly in China A-Shares and China B-Shares.

The fund is not subject to any limitation on the market capitalisation of the companies that it may invest in.

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. Emerging and less developed markets

The fund may invest in emerging and less developed markets. Investing in emerging and less developed markets is subject to greater risks than investing in securities of developed countries such as ownership and custody risks, political and economic risks, market and settlement risks, liquidity and volatility risk, legal and regulatory risks, execution and counterparty risk, and currency risk, which may adversely affect the net asset value per share of the fund and investors may as a result suffer losses.

## 3. Risks related to investment in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC")

Investing in the securities market in the PRC is subject to the risks specific to the PRC market including change in political, social or economic policy risk, liquidity and volatility risk, currency and exchange risk.

- **Change in political, social or economic policy risk** – The investment will be sensitive to any significant change in political, social or economic policy in the PRC which may adversely affect the capital growth and thus the fund performance.
- **Legal and regulatory risk** – The regulatory and legal framework for capital markets and joint stock companies in the PRC may not be as well developed as those of developed countries. PRC companies are required to follow the PRC accounting standards and practice which may deviate significantly from international accounting standards. The settlement and clearing systems of the Chinese securities markets may not be well tested and may be subject to increased risks of error or inefficiency. Securities exchanges in the PRC typically have the right to suspend or limit trading in any security traded on the relevant exchange. The government or the regulators may also implement policies that may affect the financial markets. All these may have a negative impact on the fund.
- **Liquidity and volatility risk** – Compared with the choice available in other markets, there is a low level of liquidity in the A-Shares and B-Shares of the PRC markets. This could potentially lead to severe price volatility.
- **Currency and exchange risk** – The PRC government's control of currency conversion and exchange rates may adversely affect the operations and financial results of the companies invested in by the fund.
- **PRC taxation consideration** – The fund investing in securities issued by companies resident in the PRC are subject to dividend withholding tax but are not currently subject to capital gains tax in the PRC. The tax laws, regulations and practice in the PRC are inherently uncertain and liable to change without prior notice. They may also be changed with retrospective effect. The fund does not currently make any provision for Chinese capital gains tax. If appropriate, a provision may be introduced for the fund to cover capital gains tax, withholding taxes or other taxes. Consequently, investors may be advantaged or disadvantaged depending upon the final rules.

## 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. 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.

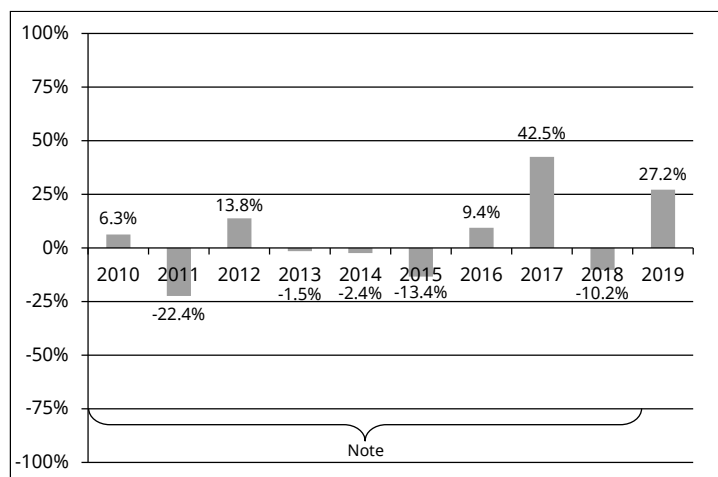
## 6. Risks relating to distributions

- 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.**

## 7. Currency risks

Assets and share classes may be denominated in currencies other than USD 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 the US Dollar. 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 USD Accumulation increased or decreased in value during the calendar year being shown. Performance data has been calculated in USD 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: 2005
- Class A USD Accumulation launch date: 2005
- The management company views the Class A USD 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, changes of investment objective and policy and 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
<b>Subscription fee (Initial charge)</b>	Up to 5.00% of the total subscription amount	Up to 4.00% of the total subscription amount	Nil
<b>Switching fee (Switching charge)</b>	Up to 1.00% of the value of the shares to be switched		
<b>Redemption fee (Redemption charge)</b>	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.

	Annual rate (as a % of the fund's value)		
Share class*	A	A1	D
<b>Management fee</b>	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%
<b>Depository 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 Depository)</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.

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### 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 cut-off 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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