## **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.



# Kames Ethical Cautious Managed Fund

### a sub-fund of Kames Capital ICVC

### Sterling Class B - Accumulation shares (ISIN: GB00B7V2CD05)

This fund is managed by Kames Capital plc. ("the authorised corporate director (ACD)").

### **Objectives and investment policy**

**Objective:** provide a combination of income and capital growth over a 7 year period.

**Policy:** to invest in a diversified portfolio of equities denominated in any currency; and corporate bonds denominated in Sterling and issued anywhere in the world.

The Fund operates an ethical screen which means that the Fund may not invest in particular industries and sectors. In all cases, the investments of the Fund will meet the Fund's predefined ethical criteria. Set out in Appendix D of the Prospectus. The Fund is actively managed and the portfolio may at any one time be allocated more towards equities or bonds depending on the ACD's view on the current market conditions.

Equities will be limited to a maximum of 60% of the Fund's value at all times. At least 80% of equity exposure will be to UK companies which are listed, quoted or traded in UK markets or which have their headquarters or a significant part of their activities in the UK but which may also be quoted on a regulated market outside of the UK.

In relation to investment in equities, the Fund can invest in companies of any market capitalization (small, medium or large) and in a range of industry sectors, subject to the Fund's ethical criteria.

The Fund will typically invest in publicly quoted companies and have a bias towards small and medium companies.

At least 90% of all corporate bond investments will be in investment grade corporate bonds.

Investment grade corporate bonds are bonds issued by companies whose credit rating is deemed to be investment grade, defined as Baa3 or higher by Moody's Investor Services (Moody's) BBB- or higher by Standard & Poor's (S&P) or BBB- or higher by Fitch or its successors or equivalent or, in the case of unrated bonds, are deemed to have an equivalent rating by the ACD.

To the extent that the Fund is not fully invested in the main asset classes listed above, the Fund may also invest in other transferable securities, collective investment schemes (up to 10% of Net Asset Value and which may include schemes managed by the ACD or its affiliates), money market instruments, deposits and cash and near cash. It is intended that investment in any other collective investment schemes will be predominately in approved money market instruments.

Derivatives may be used for efficient portfolio management (including hedging to reduce currency risk).

Non-Sterling equity exposure may or may not be hedged back to Sterling to reduce currency risk.

### **Risk and reward profile**



#### potentially lower rewards

potentially higher rewards

The risk/reward profile shows the risk of investing in the Fund, based on the rate at which its value has changed in the past. This Fund has the above risk/reward rating because the prices of shares and bonds can be affected by political or economic events, changes in exchange rates and changes in interest rates.

The Fund's category is not guaranteed and may change over time. It is calculated using historical data, which may not be a reliable indication for the future. Category 1 does not mean 'risk free'.

The following risks, which are not, or are not fully, reflected in the risk/ reward profile are also relevant to the Fund:

**Credit:** An issuer of bonds may be unable to make payments due to the Fund (known as a default). The value of bonds may fall as default becomes more likely. Both default and expected default may cause the Fund's value to fall. High yield bonds generally offer higher returns because of their higher default risk and investment grade bonds generally offer lower returns because of their lower default risk.

**Liquidity:** The Fund's value may fall if some investments, especially in smaller companies or high yield bonds, become more difficult to trade or value due to market conditions or a lack of supply and demand.

#### **Other information**

You can buy, sell or exchange the Fund's shares on any business day (see 'Dealing Day' in the Prospectus Definitions for more information). Income the Fund receives will be reinvested and automatically reflected in the value of your shares.

The Fund is not managed in reference to any index or benchmark It is expected that the Fund will be held as part of a diversified portfolio which may include other assets such as bonds, equities, property and cash.

Interest Rate Risk: Bond values are affected by changes in interest rates. When interest rates rise, the value of the Fund is likely to fall. Full details of risks are disclosed in the section 'Risk Factors' in the Prospectus.



### Charges

The charges you pay are used to pay the costs 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		
Exit charge	0.00%	
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 fund over a year		
Ongoing charges	0.78%	

Charges taken from the fund under certain specific conditions	
Performance fee	None

### Past performance



Source: Lipper

#### **Practical information**

Kames Capital ICVC is a UCITS scheme structured as an umbrella company with various sub-funds, with segregated liability between sub-funds. This document describes one sub-fund of the UCITS; the Prospectus and the Report and Accounts are prepared for the entire UCITS.

You can exchange your holdings into another share class of the Fund, or another sub-fund of the UCITS, at any time. More detailed information on exchanging can be found in the 'Buying, Redeeming, Switching and Conversion of Shares' section of the Prospectus.

The assets and liabilities of the Fund are segregated by law. Accordingly, the assets of this Fund belong exclusively to it and may not be used to meet the liabilities of, or claims against, any other fund within the Kames Capital ICVC. Any liability incurred on behalf of, or attributable to, the Fund shall be discharged solely out of the assets of the Fund.

The depositary is Citibank Europe plc, UK Branch.

The prices of shares will be published daily on our website (www.kamescapital.com).

Further information about the Fund and copies of the Prospectus and the latest Annual and Semi-Annual Report and Accounts can be obtained, free of charge, on our website (www.kamescapital.com) or by calling 0800 358 3009. These documents are available in English.

You should be aware that tax legislation in the UK (where the Fund is authorised) may have an impact on your personal tax position.

Kames Capital 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.

Details of the up to date remuneration policy of Kames Capital plc ("the Company") including but not limited to, a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated, the identity of persons responsible for awarding the remuneration and benefits, are available at www.kamescapital.com. A paper copy will be available free of charge upon request at the registered office of the Company.

The entry and exit charges shown are the maximum figures, and in some cases you may pay less. You can find out specific charges which apply to your investment by contacting your financial adviser, distributor, or by contacting us using the details given in the Practical Information section.

The ongoing charge is based on expenses for the year to 31 December 2018. This figure may vary from year to year. It excludes any portfolio transaction costs (except in the case of an entry/exit charge paid by the Fund when buying and selling shares in another fund).

Switches or Conversion: 1st 4 in any calendar year are free, and subject to a charge of 1.5% on each transaction thereafter.

More detailed information on charges can be found in the 'Fees and Expenses' section of the Prospectus.

Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Fund launch date: 01 March 2007 Share class launch date: 14 May 2013

Performance is calculated in GBP.

The past performance calculation does not take into account the entry and exit charges but does take into account the ongoing charge, as shown in the 'Charges' section.

Source: Lipper