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主旨:本公司總代理之安本基金 - 印度債券基金將變更基準及 其更新相應之投資目標及政策,此變更自民國2025年12月 1日起生效。

## 說明:

- 一、依境外基金管理辦法第12條規定辦理。
- 二、本基金目前之基準Markit iboxx Asia India Index (下稱「既有基準」)之指數供應商將停止編製,因此,自2025年12月1日(下稱「生效日」)起,本基金之基準將被新基準FTSE Indian Government Bond (Net) Index (USD))(下稱「新基準」)所取代。
- 三、此變更不會改變本基金之風險狀況或本基金之管理方式, 更新後亦無需就投資組合進行再平衡。
- 四、詳細內容請參閱股東通知信及生效日更新之基金公開說明書,本公司係配合全球統一公告日進行公告。
- 五、隨函附上股東通知信原文版及中文節譯文供參,中譯文與 原文相較可能不盡完整或有歧異,股東通知信之完整內容



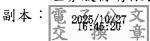


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六、以上說明,若有任何問題,請不吝與本公司聯繫。

正本:三信商業銀行股份有限公司、上海商業儲蓄銀行股份有限公司、中國信託商業銀 行股份有限公司、元大商業銀行股份有限公司、王道商業銀行股份有限公司、台 中商業銀行股份有限公司、台北富邦商業銀行股份有限公司、台新國際商業銀行 股份有限公司、永豐商業銀行股份有限公司、玉山商業銀行股份有限公司、兆豐 國際商業銀行股份有限公司、合作金庫商業銀行、安泰商業銀行股份有限公司、 京城商業銀行股份有限公司、板信商業銀行股份有限公司、法商法國巴黎銀行台 北分公司、星展(台灣)商業銀行股份有限公司、高雄銀行股份有限公司、國泰世 華商業銀行股份有限公司、凱基商業銀行股份有限公司、渣打國際商業銀行股份 有限公司、華南商業銀行股份有限公司、陽信商業銀行股份有限公司、香港商香 港上海匯豐銀行股份有限公司台北分公司、瑞士商瑞士銀行股份有限公司台北分 公司、彰化商業銀行股份有限公司、臺灣土地銀行股份有限公司、臺灣中小企業 銀行股份有限公司、臺灣新光商業銀行股份有限公司、臺灣銀行股份有限公司、 遠東國際商業銀行股份有限公司、聯邦商業銀行股份有限公司、元大證券股份有 限公司、元富證券股份有限公司、永豐金證券股份有限公司、兆豐證券股份有限 公司、基富通證券股份有限公司、統一綜合證券股份有限公司、凱基證券股份有 限公司、新加坡商瑞銀證券股份有限公司台北分公司、群益金鼎證券股份有限公 司、中租證券投資顧問股份有限公司、萬寶證券投資顧問股份有限公司、鉅亨證 券投資顧問股份有限公司、富達證券投資信託股份有限公司、野村證券投資信託 股份有限公司、好好證券股份有限公司、凱基人壽保險股份有限公司、保誠人壽 保險股份有限公司、南山人壽保險股份有限公司、全球人壽保險股份有限公司、 合作金庫人壽保險股份有限公司、安聯人壽保險股份有限公司、宏泰人壽保險股 份有限公司、富邦人壽保險股份有限公司、新光人壽保險股份有限公司、台灣人 壽保險股份有限公司、國泰人壽保險股份有限公司、安達國際人壽保險股份有限 公司、遠雄人壽保險事業股份有限公司、華泰商業銀行股份有限公司、國泰綜合 證券股份有限公司

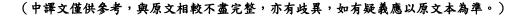




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(節譯文)

此乃重要文件,請立即詳閱。如有疑問,請徵詢專業建議。

2025年10月27日

親愛的股東:

## 安本基金

謹致函通知台端,安本基金(下稱「本公司」)之董事會擬對本公司及其部分子基金(下稱「本基金」)進行變更,並將自2025年12月1日起生效(下稱「生效日」)。 本函詳述擬進行之主要變更。

除本函另有定義者外,本函中所使用之定義詞彙應與本公司最新版公開說明書(下稱「公開說明書」)中之詞彙具有相同涵義。

- 1. (與台灣無關,故略譯)
- 2. 安本基金-環球創新股票基金-投資目標及政策之更新與名稱之變更

自生效日起,將更新本基金之投資目標及政策,以強化投資人對投資策略之清晰度及透明度。此等強化現得以更適切納入本基金目前投資之主要結構「未來主題」。此外,本基金得投資於中國大陸股票及股權相關證券之最高比例將自 10%提高至 20%,以增加彈性擴大投資機會。

此等更新不會改變本基金之績效或風險概況,也無須因此等更新而重新調整投資組合。 依據歐盟永續金融揭露規範之分類,本基金仍將歸類為第8條。

此外,本基金將自生效日起變更其名稱為安本基金-環球未來趨勢股票基金。此舉將更適切反應更新後之投資及目標政策中所述有關本基金投資聚焦之「未來主題」。

本基金之新投資目標及政策之詳情,請參見附錄 1,投資方法文件可於 www.aberdeeninvestments.com取得。

3. 安本基金-印度債券基金基準之變更及其投資目標及政策之相應變更

本基金目前之基準 Markit iboxx Asia India Index (下稱「既有基準」)即將由指數供應商停止編製,因此,自生效日起,本基金之既有基準將被一新基準 FTSE Indian Government Bond Index (稅後) (FTSE Indian Government Bond (Net) Index (USD)) (下稱「新基準」)所取代。將納入新基準以作為正式財務基準、投資組合建構之參考點及超越績效之目標,並取代既有基準用於設定風險限制。

當本基金於 2016 年發行時,由於對非國內進入印度債券市場之限制,其被認爲不適合 有正式財務基準。因此,既有基準向來僅被本基金用作設定風險之基準。

印度債券市場已經發展成為一個基本上得自由進入之市場,因此,我們現在認為對本基金制定一個正式財務基準以取代既有基準係屬妥適,而不是僅採用一個替代的風險設定基準。

新基準被認為對股東而言是一個正面的變更,因其將提供一個明確的參照標準以評價 本基金之績效,而本基金目前尚無此一標準。

此變更不會改變本基金之風險狀況或本基金之管理方式,更新後亦無需就投資組合進行再平衡。

- 4. (與台灣無關,故略譯)
- 5. (與台灣無關,故略譯)

### 股東之權利

受上述變更影響之股東如認為其不再符合其投資需求,得於 2025 年 11 月 28 日盧森堡時間 13:00 前,請求免費買回或轉換其股份。

### 公開說明書

本函中所載之變更將反映於 2025 年 12 月 1 日之新版公開說明書中。相關重要資訊文件亦將相應更新。本函亦得於 www.abrdn.com/en-lu/investor-communications 取得。

董事會對本函所載資料之準確性負責。據董事會之最佳所知及所信(經採取合理措施以確保確係如此),本函所載資訊均屬實,且未遺漏任何可能影響該等資訊重要性之內容。

若您有任何疑問或需要更多資訊,請透過註冊辦事處,或撥打以下任一股東服務中心之熱線聯繫我們:

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亞洲:+65 6395 2700

董事會認為此等變更實屬公允及合理,且符合股東之最大利益。

誠摯地,

Emily J. Smart.

代表 董事會--安本基金

### 附錄 1-新投資目標及政策

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## 安本基金-環球創新股票基金 (將自生效日更名為環球未來趨勢股票基金)

## 投資目標及政策

本基金的投資目標在於追求長期總報酬,以至少 70%的基金資產投資於股票和股票相關證券,該等股票及股票相關證券之發行公司為各種規模的企業,其商業模式著重於及/或獲利自「未來主題」的結構性成長,並於包括新興市場在內之全球證券交易所上市。

本基金至多得將其資產淨值 20%投資於中國大陸股票及與股權相關證券,包括透過滬 港股票市場交易互聯互通機制或深圳香港股票市場交易互聯互通機制進行之投資。

投資經理已決定長期結構性成長之三個主要領域,該等領域被視為未來之核心主題 (下稱「未來主題」)。這三個未來主題涵蓋:

- 轉型技術:新技術可提高效率並創造長期競爭優勢。
- 能源演進:氣候及自然解決方案之演進,及不斷緊縮之法規,加速了對綠色替代 品及永續產品及服務之需求。
- 健康與世代更替:醫療保健領域的突破正在延長人類壽命、提高人類生活品質, 及改變人口結構。與此同時,世代行為之轉變也開啟了許多機會。

本基金受到主動管理。研究過程的重點在於透過評估企業的業務、所處行業、財務實力、管理團隊之能力及永續性特徵,找出符合此等「未來主題」且具吸引力之優質企業。本基金之目標是扣除費用前之績效優於MSCI世界指數(美元)基準。該基準亦被用於投資組合建構之參考點及設定風險限制之基礎,惟並未納入任何永續性標準。

為實現其目標,本基金將持有比重偏離基準之部位,且得投資於不包含在基準之證券。本基金之投資可能與基準中的組成部分及其各自之權重有明顯偏離。由於管理過程之主動性,本基金之績效表現可能會與基準之績效表現明顯偏離。

本基金提倡環境及社會特徵,但無永續投資目標。

所有股票及股票相關證券之投資皆遵循 abrdn 之「未來環球提倡 ESG 股票投資方法」。

透過實行此方法,本基金承諾設有 10%之永續投資最低門檻,且其目標為同於或優於基準之 ESG 評級,及大幅低於基準之碳濃度。

此方法使用 abrdn 之股票投資流程,使投資組合經理得質化識別及避開 ESG 落後者。為了補充此研究,abrdn 之 ESG 評分被用來量化識別及排除曝險於最高 ESG 風險之公司。此外,abrdn 採用與聯合國全球盟約、爭議性武器、菸草製造及動力煤相關之公司排除名單。整體流程之詳情載於 abrdn 之未來環球提倡 ESG 股票投資方法中,該方法係發布於 www.abrdn.com 網站「基金中心」項下。

與外部公司管理團隊議合係用於評估該等公司之所有權結構、公司治理和管理品質,以便為投資組合構建提供資訊。

金融衍生性工具、貨幣市場工具及現金可能不遵循此等方法。

為了避險及/或投資目的或為了管理外匯風險,且於適用之法令之條件及限制下,本基金得運用金融衍生性工具。預期衍生性工具運用於避險及/或投資目的將非常有限,主要是於大量資金流入本基金而可投資現金時,同時維持本基金股票及股票相關證券投資。

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27 October 2025

Dear Shareholder,

### abrdn SICAV I

We are writing to inform you of the changes that the Board of Directors of abrdn SICAVI (the "Company") proposes to make to the Company and certain of its sub-funds (the "Funds") with effect from 1 December 2025 (the "Effective Date"). The principal proposed changes are detailed in this letter.

Capitalised terms used in this letter shall have the same meaning as set out in the latest version of the prospectus of the Company (the "**Prospectus**") unless the context otherwise requires.

1. Conversion of abrdn SICAV I - Select Emerging Markets Investment Grade Bond Fund into a Promoting ESG Fund and associated updates to its Investment Objective and Policy and Change of Name

Aberdeen is committed to reviewing its range of Funds with the aim of ensuring that they continue to meet client and regulatory requirements and expectations.

Sustainability risk integration is a key part of Aberdeen's investment process and as part of this we are now looking to make changes to the Fund to further promote its ESG characteristics.

From the Effective Date, the Fund will follow a Promoting ESG approach, which incorporates negative screening based on ESG Factors and societal norms. In addition, securities with the highest ESG risks will be screened out via Aberdeen's ESG House Score, or a suitable external alternative, along with quantitative and qualitative inputs and asset class specific screens. Finally, the Fund will have explicit portfolio ESG targets as set out in its new Investment Objective and Policy. Through the application of this approach, the Fund commits to having a minimum of 10% in Sustainable Investments.

This change does not alter the risk profile of the Fund.

The following table summarises the changes to the Fund that will take place on the Effective Date. It also sets out the SFDR classification and estimated rebalancing costs as further described below.

	Minimum in Sustainable Investments	Estimated rebalancing costs (% of AUM as at 22 September 2025)	Category	SFDR Classification	
Fund Name				Current	New
abrdn SICAV I – Emerging Markets Investment Grade Bond Fund*	10%	0.035%	Promoting ESG	Article 6	Article 8

#### abrdn SICAV I

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*New name from			
Effective Date.			

The new Investment Objective and Policy for the Fund, detailing the ESG investment strategy to be applied, can be found in Appendix 1 and the investment approach document can be found at <a href="https://www.aberdeeninvestments.com">www.aberdeeninvestments.com</a>.

In addition, the Investment Objective and Policy will be updated to remove specific reference to major rating agencies (Standard & Poor's, Moody's and Fitch).

In addition to the above changes, the term "Select" will be removed from the Fund's name in order to be consistent with other funds in the Aberdeen SICAV range. It will therefore be named abrdn SICAV I – Emerging Markets Investment Grade Bond Fund from the Effective Date.

### Portfolio Rebalancing

Shareholders are informed of the associated cost impact of the rebalancing of the portfolio with the estimated amount as set out in the table above (including spreads, commissions and taxes). Such costs will be borne by the Fund. Any additional cost associated with the rebalancing of the portfolio (such as legal, regulatory or administrative costs) will be borne by a group company of Aberdeen Group plc.

Please note, that it is intended that the Fund will become fully compliant with its new investment mandate as described above (the "**New Investment Mandate**") as soon as practicably possible, but this is not expected to exceed 1 calendar month following the Effective Date (the "**Rebalancing Period**"). Shareholders should be aware that during the Rebalancing Period, the Investment Manager may need to adjust the Fund's portfolio and asset allocations in order to implement the New Investment Mandate. As such, the Fund may not fully adhere to the New Investment Mandate during this brief period.

### **SFDR**

The Fund will, from the Effective Date, be classified as Article 8 under the EU's Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation ("SFDR"), changing from Article 6 as shown in the table above. Article 8 funds are those that promote social and/or environmental characteristics, invest in companies that follow good governance and give binding commitments but do not have a sustainable investment objective.

# 2. abrdn SICAV I - Global Innovation Equity Fund - Update to its Investment Objective and Policy and Change of Name

From the Effective Date, the Fund's Investment Objective and Policy will be updated to provide enhanced clarity and transparency for investors on the investment strategy. These enhancements now better incorporate the key structural "Future Themes" in which the Fund currently invests.

In addition, the maximum percentage the Fund may invest in Mainland China equity and equity-related securities will increase from 10% to 20% to enable increased flexibility to broaden the investment opportunities.

The update will not alter the performance or risk profile of the Fund, and no portfolio rebalancing will be required as a result of the update. The Fund will remain classified as Article 8 under the EU's Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation classification.

In addition, the Fund will change its name to abrdn SICAV I – Future Global Equity Fund from the Effective Date. This better reflects the "Future Themes" in which the Fund targets investments as described in the updated Investment and Objective Policy.

Details of the new Investment Objective and Policy for the Fund can be found in Appendix 1 and the investment approach document can be found at <a href="https://www.aberdeeninvestments.com">www.aberdeeninvestments.com</a>.

# 3. Benchmark change for abrdn SICAV I – Indian Bond Fund and associated changes to its Investment Objective and Policy

The Fund's current benchmark, Markit iBoxx Asia India Index (the "Existing Benchmark") is due to be discontinued by the index provider, and therefore from the Effective Date, the Fund's Existing Benchmark will be replaced with a new benchmark, the FTSE Indian Government Bond (Net) Index (USD) (the "New Benchmark"). The New Benchmark will be introduced as a formal financial benchmark and as a reference point for portfolio construction and outperformance target, as well as replacing the Existing Benchmark for the purposes of setting risk constraints.

When the Fund was launched in 2016, it was deemed that a formal financial benchmark was not appropriate for the Fund due to the restrictions on non-domestic access to the Indian bond market. As a result, the Existing Benchmark has been used by the Fund as a risk-setting benchmark only.

The Indian bond market has since developed into a market which is essentially freely accessible, therefore we now believe that it is appropriate to set a formal financial benchmark for the Fund to replace the Existing Benchmark, rather than simply adopt an alternative risk-setting benchmark.

The New Benchmark is considered to be a positive change for Shareholders as it will provide a clear comparator to evaluate the performance of the Fund against, which the Fund does not currently have.

This change will not alter the risk profile of the Fund or how the Fund is managed, and no portfolio rebalancing will be required as a result of the update.

# 4. abrdn SICAV I – Global Government Bond Fund – Disclosure update and associated changes to its Investment Objective and Policy

From the Effective Date, the Fund's Investment Objective and Policy will be updated to include an explicit disclosure that the Fund may invest up to 20% of its net assets in mainland China debt and debt-related securities. The update is simply to provide enhanced transparency for Shareholders and will align the Fund with other funds in the range.

This change will not alter the risk profile of the Fund, how the Fund is managed, or its portfolio allocation, and no portfolio rebalancing will be required as a result of the update.

#### 5. abrdn SICAV I - Global High Yield Sustainable Bond Fund - Disclosure update

From the Effective Date, the Fund's Investment Objective and Policy will be updated to reflect that up to 10% of its net assets may be invested in contingent convertible securities, an increase from the current limit of 5%. This update provides flexibility for the Fund to have increased exposure to contingent convertible securities where deemed appropriate, which will provide additional opportunity for the Fund to deliver positive performance. The change will align the Fund with other similar funds in the range.

This change will not alter the risk profile of the Fund, and no portfolio rebalancing will be required as a result of the update.

## **Rights of Shareholders**

Shareholders affected by the changes mentioned above, who feel that they no longer meet their investment requirements, may request redemption, free of charge, or switching, free of charge, of their Shares until 13:00 hours Luxembourg time on 28 November 2025.

### **Prospectus**

The changes detailed in this letter will be reflected in a new Prospectus to be dated 1 December 2025. The relevant Key Information Documents will be updated accordingly. This letter is also available at www.abrdn.com/en-lu/investor-communications.

Your Board of Directors accepts responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this letter. To the best of the knowledge and belief of your Board of Directors (who have taken reasonable care to ensure this is the case) the information contained in this letter is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the importance of such information.

If you have any questions or would like any further information please contact us at our registered office or, alternatively, call one of the following Shareholder Service Centre helplines:

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Your Board of Directors believes that the changes are fair and reasonable and are in the best interests of Shareholders.

Yours faithfully,

For and on behalf of

the Board of Directors - abrdn SICAV I

### Appendix 1 - New Investment Objectives and Policy

# ABRDN SICAV I - SELECT EMERGING MARKETS INVESTMENT GRADE BOND FUND (to be renamed EMERGING MARKETS INVESTMENT GRADE BOND FUND from the Effective Date

### **Investment Objective and Policy**

The Fund's investment objective is long term total return to be achieved by investing at least two-thirds of the Fund's assets in Investment Grade Debt and Debt-Related Securities which are issued by governments or government-related bodies domiciled in an Emerging Market country, and/or corporations (including holding companies of such corporations) with their registered office, principal place of business or preponderance of their business activities in an Emerging Market country.

At the point of investment all bonds shall be investment grade, meaning they will either: (i). Have a credit rating of "BBB-" or higher from at least one major rating agency; or (ii). Have an internal credit rating of "BBB-" or higher assigned, based on the Investment Manager's assessment.

The Fund may utilise financial derivative instruments for hedging and/ or investment purposes, or to manage foreign exchange risks, subject to the conditions and within the limits laid down by applicable laws and regulations. Derivatives used for investment purposes will be limited to currency forwards to take active currency positions.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Investment Manager may alter the currency exposure of the Fund, solely through the use of forward FX contracts (without buying or selling underlying currencies). Furthermore, the Fund's portfolio may be fully or partially hedged back to the Base Currency if, in the opinion of the Investment Manager, this is believed to be appropriate.

The Fund is actively managed.

The Fund aims to outperform the JP Morgan EMBI Global Diversified Investment Grade Index (USD) benchmark before charges. The benchmark is also used as a reference point for portfolio construction and as a basis for setting risk constraints.

In order to achieve its objective, the Fund will take positions whose weightings diverge from the benchmark or invest in securities which are not included in the benchmark. The investments of the Fund may deviate significantly from the components of and their respective weightings in the benchmark. Due to the active nature of the management process, the Fund's performance profile may deviate significantly from that of the benchmark over the longer term.

The Fund promotes environmental and social characteristics but does not have a sustainable investment objective.

Investment in all investment grade debt and debt-related securities will follow the Aberdeen "Emerging Markets Investment Grade Bond Promoting ESG Investment Approach".

Through the application of this approach, the Fund commits to having a minimum of 10% in Sustainable Investments. This approach is designed to evaluate the Environmental, Social, Governance and Political ("ESGP") characteristics of sovereign issuers using a range of data points. This data results in a score being calculated for each of the four ESGP pillars and an overall ESGP score is then assigned to each issuer, based on an equally weighted average across the pillars. The overall ESGP score allows a subset of countries falling below a threshold to be excluded from the investment universe.

In addition to the exclusion threshold, a forward-looking qualitative Direction of Travel assessment is conducted. This assessment is based on internal research and focuses on material ESG factors, allowing quantitative exclusions to be overridden where ESGP weaknesses are being adequately addressed by the sovereign issuer, and this is not reflected in the data.

To promote sustainable development, the Fund may invest in Green bonds, Social bonds or Sustainable bonds issued by excluded countries where the proceeds of such issues can be confirmed as having a positive environmental or social impact.

For investments in investment grade debt and debt-related securities issued by corporations, the Aberdeen ESG House Score is used to quantitatively identify and exclude those companies exposed to the highest ESG risks. In addition, Aberdeen applies a set of company exclusions, which are related to the UN Global Compact, Controversial Weapons, Tobacco Manufacturing and Thermal Coal. While these exclusions are applied at a company level, investment is permitted in Green bonds, Social bonds or Sustainable bonds issued by companies otherwise excluded by the environmental screens, where the proceeds of such issues can be confirmed as having a positive environmental impact.

Engagement with issuers is a part of Aberdeen's investment process and ongoing stewardship programme. As part of this, where the engagement process identifies companies in high carbon emitting sectors with ambitious and credible targets to decarbonise their operations, up to 5% of assets may be invested in these companies in order to support their transition to ultimately comply with the environmental screens.

Further detail of this overall process is captured within the "Emerging Markets Investment Grade Bond Promoting ESG Investment Approach", which is published at www.abrdn.com under "Fund Centre".

# ABRDN SICAV I - GLOBAL INNOVATION EQUITY FUND (to be renamed FUTURE GLOBAL EQUITY FUND from the Effective Date

### **Investment Objective and Policy**

The Fund's investment objective is long term total return to be achieved by investing at least 70% of the Fund's assets in equities and equity-related securities of companies of all sizes whose business models are focused on and/or benefit from the structural growth of 'Future Themes', listed on global stock exchanges including Emerging Markets.

The Fund may invest up to 20% of its net assets in Mainland China equity and equity-related securities including through the Shanghai-Hong Kong and Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect programme.

The investment manager has identified three key areas of long-term structural growth that are considered the core themes for the future ('Future Themes'). These three Future Themes cover:

- Transformational Technology: New technologies are enabling efficiencies and creating long-term competitive advantages.
- Energy Evolution: The evolution of climate and nature solutions and the tightening regulatory landscape has accelerated the demand for green alternatives and sustainable products and services.
- Health & the Generational Shift: Breakthroughs in healthcare are contributing to longer and higher quality human lives and changing demographics. At the same time, generational shifts in behaviours are unlocking opportunities.

The Fund is actively managed. The research process is focused on finding attractive high-quality companies that align to these Future Themes through the assessment of their business, the industry they operate in, their financial strength, the capability of their management team, and sustainability characteristics. The Fund aims to outperform the MSCI AC World Index (USD) benchmark before charges. The benchmark is also used as a reference point for portfolio construction and as a basis for setting risk constraints, but does not incorporate any sustainable criteria.

In order to achieve its objective, the Fund will take positions whose weightings diverge from the benchmark and may invest in securities which are not included in the benchmark. The investments of the Fund may deviate significantly from the components of and their respective weightings in the benchmark. Due to the active nature of the management process, the Fund's performance profile may deviate significantly from that of the benchmark.

The Fund promotes environmental and social characteristics but does not have a sustainable investment objective.

Investment in all equity and equity-related securities will follow the abrdn "Future Global Promoting ESG Equity Investment Approach".

Through the application of this approach the Fund commits to having a minimum of 10% in Sustainable Investments. Furthermore, the Fund targets an ESG rating that is equal to or better, and a meaningfully lower carbon intensity, than the benchmark.

This approach utilises abrdn's equity investment process, which enables portfolio managers to qualitatively identify and avoid ESG laggards. To complement this research, the abrdn ESG House Score is used to quantitatively identify and exclude those companies exposed to the highest ESG risks. Additionally, abrdn apply a set of company exclusions which are related to the UN Global Compact, Controversial Weapons, Tobacco Manufacturing and Thermal Coal. More detail on this overall process is captured within the abrdn Future Global Promoting ESG Equity Investment Approach, which is published at www.abrdn.com under "Fund Centre".

Engagement with external company management teams is used to evaluate the ownership structures, governance and management quality of those companies in order to inform portfolio construction. Financial derivative instruments, money-market instruments and cash may not adhere to this approach.

The Fund may utilise financial derivative instruments for hedging and/or investment purposes, or to manage foreign exchange risks, subject to the conditions and within the limits laid down by applicable laws and regulations. The use of derivatives for hedging and/or investment purposes is expected to be very limited, mainly in those cases where there are significant inflows into the Fund so that cash can be invested while the Fund's investments in equity and equity related securities is maintained.