

# 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.

## Baillie Gifford Worldwide European High Yield Bond Fund - Class B EUR Shares

Accumulation Shares - ISIN IE00BHTCM093.

Baillie Gifford Worldwide European High Yield Bond Fund ("the Fund") is a sub-fund of Baillie Gifford Worldwide Funds PLC (the Company). The Fund is managed by Baillie Gifford Investment Management (Europe) Limited.

### Objectives and investment policy

#### Objective

- Fund aims to achieve a high level of total return through combined capital growth and income payment. The Fund also aims to promote certain sustainability-related characteristics and contribute to the objectives of the Paris Climate Agreement through a sustainable and low-carbon approach, measured by using the weighted average greenhouse gas intensity of the portfolio.

#### Policy

- To invest mainly in below investment grade bonds which meet the relevant sustainable criteria.
- Investments will be selected following application of sector-based screen and norms-based evaluation.
- Investments in companies that derive annual revenues above a particular level from tobacco, armaments or fossil fuel extraction and production are not permitted. The Fund will not invest in companies that are assessed as inconsistent with global norms covering areas including human rights, labour rights, environmental safeguards and combating bribery and corruption.
- The Fund applies a qualitative evaluation to identify how companies contribute towards the sustainability dimensions as outlined by the Sustainability Accounting Standards Board and will exclude companies that do not meet this evaluation. The proportion of the Fund's portfolio subject to sustainability-related analysis is at least 90 per cent of the Fund's Net Asset Value.
- To help to achieve the total return target, derivatives, which are a type of financial contract, are used.
- The Fund is actively managed and no index is used for the purposes of determining or constraining the composition of the Fund's portfolio. The Fund's performance (after deduction of costs) is measured against the ICE BofAML European Currency High Yield Constrained Index (hedged to euro). The Fund seeks to outperform the index.
- The Fund's weighted average greenhouse gas intensity is also measured against the index, with an overall aim to have a weighted average greenhouse gas intensity that is lower than the index.

#### Other Information

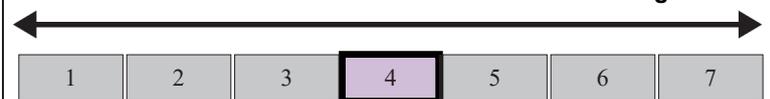
- Bonds are a type of investment which can be issued by companies when they want to borrow money. The issuer of the bond owes the holder a debt. The issuer is obliged to pay interest and/or repay the debt at a later date.
- Below investment grade bonds typically mean the risk of non-payment is high.
- You can sell some or all of your shares on any day on which banks in Ireland are open for business by contacting the Transfer Agent by phone or post.
- Income will be re-invested. No further shares will be purchased but the reinvestment will be reflected in the price of your existing accumulation shares.
- More than 35% in value of the property of this Fund may be invested in Government and Public Securities ("GAPS").
- For further explanation and information see the investment objective and policy section of the Prospectus, which is available by contacting us.
- Recommendation: this Fund may not be appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money within three years.

### Risk and reward profile

The Risk and Reward Indicator table demonstrates where the Fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Fund's ranking on the Risk and Reward Indicator.

Typically lower rewards,  
lower risk

Typically higher rewards,  
higher risk



- Please note that even the lowest risk class can lose you money and that extreme adverse market circumstances can mean you suffer severe losses in all cases. The Fund is classified in the category above because it invests in corporate bonds which generally provide higher rewards and higher risks than other investments such as government bonds and cash. Where no share price history is available for any part of the last five years (and thus no returns), the returns of the Fund's comparative index is used in its place to calculate the Risk and Reward Indicator. The indicator does not take into account the following relevant material risks which may affect the Fund and mean you may not get back the amount you invested: Investment markets can go down as well as up and market conditions can change rapidly. The value of an investment in the Fund, and any income from it, can fall as well as rise. Bonds may be affected by changes in interest rates, expectations of inflation and a decline in the creditworthiness of the bond issuer. The issuers of bonds may not be able to pay the bond income as promised or could fail to repay the capital amount. The concentrated portfolio relative to similar funds may result in large short term share price movements. Derivatives may be used to alter exposure to assets and may result in the Fund being leveraged. This may result in greater movements (down or up) in the price of shares in the Fund. It is not our intention that their use will significantly change the overall risk profile of the Fund. Market values for illiquid securities which are difficult to trade may not be readily available, and there can be no assurance that any value assigned to them will reflect the price the Fund might receive upon their sale. In certain circumstances it can be difficult to buy or sell holdings and even small purchases or sales can cause their prices to move significantly, affecting the value of the Fund and the price of shares in the Fund. The Fund invests according to sustainable and responsible investment criteria meaning it cannot invest in certain sectors and companies. Available investments will be more limited than for other funds that do not apply such criteria/ exclusions, therefore the Fund may have different returns than these funds.

## 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

Entry charge	0.00%
Exit charge	0.00%

These are the maximum charges that we might take out of your money before it is invested and before we pay out the sale proceeds of your investment. In some cases, you might pay less and you should speak to your financial adviser about this.

### Charges taken from the Fund over a year

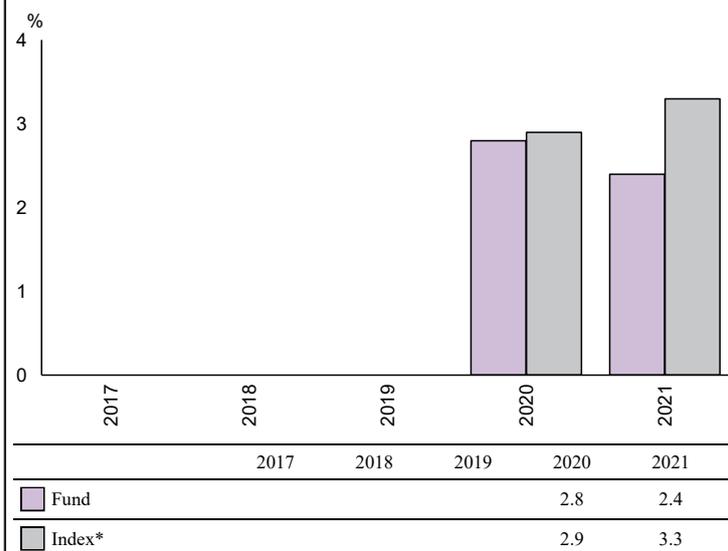
Ongoing charges	0.33%
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### Charges taken from the Fund under specific conditions

Performance fee	NONE
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- The ongoing charges figure is based on the last year's expenses and may vary from year to year. It excludes the costs of buying or selling assets for the Fund (unless these assets are shares of another fund).
- The Fund's annual report for each financial year will include detail on the exact charges made.
- You can find further details about the charges in the fees and expenses section of the Prospectus, which is available at [www.bailliegifford.com](http://www.bailliegifford.com).
- Please note that the management fee will be at a reduced rate as specified in the Prospectus, for a limited period of time. Until the expiry of this offer the ongoing charges will be 0.33%.

## Past performance



Source: FE fundinfo 2022

- You should be aware that past performance is not a guide to future performance.
- Fund launch date: 19/02/2019.
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- Performance is calculated in EUR.
- Performance reflects the annual charge but excludes any initial charge paid.
- Performance figures are to 31 December each year.
- Details of the Fund's performance relative to the index are presented for illustrative purposes only. There can be no guarantee that the Fund's performance will match or exceed the performance of the index.
- \* ICE BofA European Currency High Yield Constrained Hedge EUR

## Practical information

- The Company's Depositary is Brown Brothers Harriman Trustee Services (Ireland) Limited.
- You can obtain further information on the Fund, the Prospectus, the latest share prices and the latest annual and interim reports from Baillie Gifford or by visiting the website at [www.bailliegifford.com](http://www.bailliegifford.com). All such documents are available in English on paper and are free of charge on request. Details of the Manager's remuneration policy is available at [www.bailliegifford.com/BGERemunerationpolicy](http://www.bailliegifford.com/BGERemunerationpolicy). A paper copy of the remuneration policy will be made available from the Manager free of charge upon request.
- This Key Investor Information Document describes the Fund only. The Prospectus and the annual and interim reports and accounts are prepared for the Company.
- The assets of the Fund are segregated from other funds in the Company. This means that the assets of one fund cannot be used to meet the liabilities of another fund.
- Tax laws in Ireland may have an impact on your own tax position.
- You may at any time switch all or some of your shares in the Fund for shares in any other fund of the Company and may obtain further information about this from the conversion of shares section of the Prospectus.
- The Manager 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.
- To contact us please call Brown Brothers Harriman Fund Administration Services (Ireland) Limited: 00-353-1-241-7156 (fax 00-353-1-241-7157) or visit the Baillie Gifford website at [www.bailliegifford.com](http://www.bailliegifford.com) for further information.