# Investment Managers

## **Purpose**

This document provides you with key information about this investment product. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature, risks, costs, potential gains and losses of this product and to help you compare it with other products.

## **Product**

## AXA WF ACT European High Yield Bonds Low Carbon I Capitalisation EUR

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The Autorité des Marchés Financiers (AMF) is responsible for supervising AXA INVESTMENT MANAGERS PARIS S.A. in relation to this Key Information Document.

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You are about to purchase a Product that is not simple and may be difficult to understand

# What is this product?

#### Type

The Product is a share class of the Sub-Fund "AXA World Funds - ACT European High Yield Bonds Low Carbon" (the Sub-Fund) which is part of the SICAV "AXA World Funds" (the "Company").

#### Term

This product has no maturity date, although it has been created for 99 years and could be liquidated under the conditions laid down in the articles of incorporation of the company.

#### **Objectives**

#### **Investment Objective**

To seek high income in EUR by investing in European corporate bonds whose carbon footprint is at least 30% lower than that of the ICE BofA European Currency High Yield index (Benchmark). As a secondary extra-financial objective, the water intensity of the portfolio aims at being at least 30% lower than the Benchmark.

#### **Investment Policy**

The Sub-Fund is actively managed and references the Benchmark in order to capture opportunities in the European corporate debt market, primarily investing in securities that are part of the Benchmark universe. The Investment Manager has broad discretion over the composition of the Sub-Fund's portfolio and can take exposure to companies, countries or sectors not included in the Benchmark or take different positioning in terms of duration, geographical allocation and/or sector or issuer selection compared to the Benchmark, even though the Benchmark constituents are generally representative of the Sub-Fund's portfolio. Thus, the deviation from the Benchmark is likely to be significant.

Specifically, the Sub-Fund mainly invests in high yield fixed or floating rate bonds, issued by public or private companies mainly located in Europe (and up to 20% of net assets, in other jurisdictions, including in the US or in emerging markets) denominated in European currencies, having a rating lower than BBB (according to Standard & Poor's or equivalent rating by Moody's or other rating agency or, if unrated, judged equivalent to those levels).

The total assets of the Sub-Fund may be invested in or exposed to callable bonds.

The Sub-Fund may, up to 10%, hold distressed and defaulted securities as a result of their rating downgrade, if they are considered to be consistent with the Sub-Fund's objective. These securities are expected to be sold within 6 months unless specific events prevent the Investment Manager from sourcing their liquidity. The selection of credit instruments is not exclusively and mechanically based on their publicly available credit ratings but also on an internal credit or market risk analysis. The decision to buy or sell assets is also based on other analysis criteria of the Investment Manager.

The Sub-Fund may invest up to 1/3 of net assets in money market instruments and  $\frac{1}{4}$  in convertible securities (including up to 10% in contingent convertible bonds (CoCos)).

Within a limit of 200% of the Sub-Fund's net assets, the investment strategy may be achieved by direct investments and/or through derivatives and in particular by entering into Credit Default Swaps. Derivatives may also be used for hedging and efficient portfolio management purposes.

The Investment Manager bindingly uses at all times an ESG 'extra-financial indicator improvement' approach, as further described in the SFDR annex of the Sub-Fund.

Firstly, the investment manager analyses carbon intensity and water intensity data to ensure that the average of KPI carbon intensity and water intensity calculated at Sub-Fund's level is at least 30% better than that calculated for the Benchmark, followed by the application of a second exclusion filter, as described in AXA IM's Sectorial Exclusion and ESG Standards Policies (https://www.axa-m.com/our-policies). Secondly, the investment manager conducts a comprehensive macroeconomic and microeconomic analysis of the market (issuer selection, sector allocation, credit curve positioning (which illustrates the relationship between the investment term and the credit yield).

The Sub-Fund excludes from its investment universe the majority of securities within carbon intensive sub-sectors, including Metals, Mining and Steel Producers and most sub-sectors within the Energy and Utility sectors.

The ESG data used in the investment process are based on ESG methodologies relying in part on third-party data, and in some cases are internally developed, are subjective and may change over time. The lack of harmonised definitions can make ESG criteria heterogeneous. As such, the different investment strategies that use ESG criteria and ESG reporting are difficult to compare with each other. Strategies incorporating ESG criteria and those incorporating sustainable development criteria may use ESG data that appear similar, but which should be distinguished because their calculation method may be different. AXA IM's ESG different methodologies described herein may evolve in the future to take into account any improvements in data availability and reliability, or any developments of regulations or other external frameworks or initiatives - among others.

The Fund is a financial product that promotes environmental and/or social characteristics within the meaning of article 8 of the Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 of 27 November 2019 on sustainability-related disclosures in the financial sector.

## Income

For Capitalisation share classes (Cap), the dividend is reinvested.

#### **Investment Horizon**

The risk and the reward of the product may vary depending on the expected holding period. We recommend holding this product at least for 5 years.

### Processing of subscription and redemption orders

The subscription, conversion or redemption orders must be received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent on any Valuation Day no later than 3 p.m. Luxembourg time. Orders will be processed at the Net Asset Value applicable to such Valuation Day. The investor's attention is drawn to the existence of potential additional processing time due to the possible involvement of intermediaries such as Financial Advisers or distributors.

The Net Asset Value of this Sub-Fund is calculated on a daily basis.

Minimum initial investment: USD 5,000,000 or the equivalent in the relevant currency of the relevant Share class.

#### Intended retail Investor

The sub-fund is designed for retail investors who have neither financial expertise nor any specific knowledge to understand the sub-fund but may bear total capital loss. It is suited for clients who seek growth of capital [and ESG. Potential investors should have an investment horizon of at least 5 years.

## Depositary

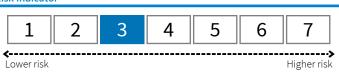
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#### Further Information

Please refer to the 'Other relevant information' section below.

# What are the risks and what could I get in return?

## Risk Indicator



The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years.

The actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less.

The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay you.

We have classified this product as 3 out of 7 which is the a medium-low risk class. This rates the potential losses from future performance at a medium-low level. The risk category associated to this product was determined based on past observations, it is not guaranteed and can evolve in the future.

**Be aware of currency risk.** You will receive payments in a different currency, so the final return you will get depend on the exchange rate between the two currencies. This risk is not considered in the indicator shown above.

This product does not include any protection from future market performance so you could lose some or all of your investment.

#### **Performance Scenarios**

The figures shown include all the costs of the Product itself, but may not include all the costs that you pay to your advisor or distributor. The figures do not take into account your personal tax situation, which may also affect how much you get back.

What you will get from this product depends on future market performance. Market developments in the future are uncertain and cannot be accurately predicted. The unfavourable, moderate and favourable scenarios shown are illustrations using the worst, average and best performance of the product and the suitable benchmark over the last 10 years. Markets could develop very differently in the future.

Recommended holding period:		5 years	
Example Investment:		€10 000	
		If you exit after 1 year	If you exit after 5 years
Scenarios			
Minimum	There is no minimum guaranteed return. You could lose some or all of your investment		
Stress	What you might get back after costs	€7 080	€7 710
	Average return each year	-29.20%	-5.07%
Unfavourable	What you might get back after costs	€8 470	€9 410
	Average return each year	-15.30%	-1.21%
Moderate	What you might get back after costs	€10 270	€11 250
	Average return each year	2.70%	2.38%
Favourable	What you might get back after costs	€12 140	€12 410
	Average return each year	21.40%	4.41%

The stress scenario shows what you might get back in extreme market circumstances.

Unfavourable Scenario: This type of scenario occurred for an investment between 09 2017 and 09 2022.

Moderate Scenario : This type of scenario occurred for an investment between 01 2019 and 01 2024.

Favourable Scenario : This type of scenario occurred for an investment between 02 2016 and 02 2021.

An appropriate benchmark of the Product was used to calculate the performance.

# What happens if AXA INVESTMENT MANAGERS PARIS S.A. is unable to pay out?

The product is constituted as a separate entity from AXA Investment Managers Paris S.A. In case of default of AXA Investment Managers Paris S.A., the assets of the product kept by the custodian will not be affected. In case of default of the custodian, the risk of financial loss of the product is mitigated because of the legal segregation of the assets of the custodian from those of the product.

# What are the costs?

The person advising on or selling you this product may charge you other costs. If so, this person will provide you with information about these costs and how they affect your investment.

#### Costs over Time

The tables show the amounts that are taken from your investment to cover different types of costs. These amounts depend on how much you invest, how long you hold the product and how well the product does. The amounts shown here are illustrations based on an example investment amount and different possible investment periods.

We have assumed:

- In the first year you would get back the amount that you invested (0 % annual return). For the other holding periods we have assumed the product performs as shown in the moderate scenario.
- EUR 10 000 is invested

	If you exit after 1 year	If you exit after 5 years
Total costs	€114	€655
Annual cost impact (*)	1.1%	1.2% each year

(\*) This illustrates how costs reduce your return each year over the holding period. For example it shows that if you exit at the recommended holding period your average return per year is projected to be 3.55 % before costs and 2.38 % after costs.

We may share part of the costs with the person selling you the Product to cover the services they provide to you. They will inform you of the amount.

#### **Composition of Costs**

One-off costs upon entry or exit		If you exit after 1 year		
Entry costs	We do not charge an entry fee.	€0		
Exit costs	We do not charge an exit fee for this Product.	€0		
Ongoing costs taken each year				
Management fees and other administrative or operating costs	0.66% of the value of your investment per year. This percentage of ongoing costs is an estimate.	€66		
Transaction costs	0.48 % of the value of your investment per year. This is an estimate of the costs incurred when we buy and sell the underlying investments for the product. The actual amount will vary depending on how much we buy and sell.	€48		
Incidental costs taken under specific conditions				
Performance fees (and carried interest)	There is no performance fee for this Product.	€0		

# How long should I hold it and can I take money out early?

#### Recommended holding period: 5 years

This Product has no minimum required holding period, the 5 years has been calculated to be in line with the time frame which the Product may need in order to achieve its investment objectives.

You may sell your investment before the end of the recommended holding period without penalty. The performance or risk of your investment may be negatively impacted. The section "What are the costs?" provides information on the impact of costs over time.

Please refer to the "What is this product" section for the redemption procedure.

# How can I complain?

Complaints shall be addressed to the Complaint Handling Officer with the complainant' details (name, role, contact details, involved account numbers and any other relevant document) to the following address AXA World Funds 49, avenue J.F. Kennedy L-1855 Luxembourg Grand Duchy of Luxembourg or to compliancelux2@axa-im.com.

## Other relevant information

You can get further information about this Product, including the prospectus, latest annual report, any subsequent half-yearly report and the latest Net Asset Value from the Fund Administrator: State Street Bank International GmbH (Luxembourg Branch) and from https://www.axa-im.com/fund-centre. They are available free of charge.

For information about the performance of the product up to 10 years and previous performance scenario calculations, please visit: https://www.axa-im.com/fund-centre.

When this product is used as part of a unit-linked contract, or similar contract, the additional information, such as the costs of the contract, which are not included in the this document, in addition to the contact in case of claim and what happens in the event of failure of the insurance company, must be provided in the key information document of the contract issued by your insurer, broker or other insurance intermediary in accordance with their legal obligation.

### Information for Investors in Switzerland:

The Swiss representative is FIRST INDEPENDENT FUND SERVICES LTD, Feldeggstrasse 12, CH-8008 Zurich. The Swiss paying agent is NPB New Private Bank Ltd, Limmatquai 1, CH-8001 Zurich. The prospectus, the key information documents, the articles of incorporation as well as the annual and semi-annual reports can be obtained free of charge from the Swiss representative.