

Blue Planet Investment Trust plc

Key Information Document

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

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Product: Blue Planet Investment Trust plc - Ordinary Shares. Company Number SC192153

ISIN: GB0005327076

London Stock Exchange Ticker: "BLP LN"

Regulator: The Company is not regulated or authorised by the Financial Conduct Authority but is subject to the Listing Rules, the Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules, the Market Abuse Regulations and the Prospectus Rules as applicable to closed-ended investment companies. The Company is subject to the oversight of the Financial Conduct Authority in relation to the content and preparation of this document.

Website: www.blueplanet.eu

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Registered office: 17 Grosvenor Crescent, Edinburgh, EH12 5EL, United Kingdom.

What is this product?

Type	The Company is a closed-ended investment company incorporated in Scotland and listed on the London Stock Exchange. The Company's shares are therefore available to the general public.
Intended Retail Investor	These shares are not marketed at any particular class of investor.
Objective	<p>The Company's objective is to provide investors with a combination of capital growth and income. To achieve this, it invests in securities (including equities, exchange traded funds, equity-related securities, bonds and derivatives) issued by companies, Governments and other types of issuers located throughout the world. The Company has not set maximum exposures for any type of issuer, geographical regions or sectors. How the Company's investments are allocated will depend on market conditions and the judgement of the Board as to what is in the best interests of Shareholders. This is to provide it with the flexibility that is necessary to deal with an ever-changing economic environment. No more than 15 per cent of the Company's portfolio may be invested in any one investment at the time the investment is made. There is no restriction on the amount that may be invested in any one country. Full information on the Company's objectives can be found in the Annual Report & Accounts available from www.blueplanet.eu</p> <p>The Company may borrow to purchase assets for the Company. This will magnify any gains or losses made by the Company. The maximum gearing permitted by the articles of association is 75% of shareholders funds.</p> <p>Shares of the Company are bought and sold via markets. Typically, at any given time on any given day, the price you pay for a share will be higher than the price at which you could sell it.</p>

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

Summary Risk Indicator



The risk indicator assumes you keep the investment for 5 years. The Company is ranked at level 6 because it has experienced medium to high levels of volatility over the past 5 years.

The value of your investment and any income from it is not guaranteed and can go up and down depending on underlying investment performance. The Company continues to face various risks which form an intrinsic part of international investment. These risks tend not to change from year to year. Market risk arises mainly from the uncertainty regarding the future price performance of equities, bonds and other investments held by the Company which can be affected by any number of unforeseen external events. This risk is magnified when gearing is used and will affect the Net Asset Value of the Company. Gearing the Company by borrowing also means that interest-rate risks arise. These risk factors are beyond the control of the Company but the Board relies on the manager to monitor markets daily and react accordingly. The Fund is exposed to foreign currency risk due to the range of currencies in which investments are held. This can affect the value of its portfolio, its income in sterling terms and its Net Asset Value. Currency risk is a risk that can partially be controlled by employing hedging strategies and the use of these is considered on a case-by-case basis. To mitigate this risk, the Investment Manager monitors currency movements daily and economic data which affects the value of the currencies it has investments in. Where investments are made in emerging markets there is a risk of higher volatility in the price performance of these equities and their associated currencies. Political risk and adverse economic circumstances are more likely to arise, putting the value of the investment at a higher risk. The registration and settlement arrangements in emerging markets may be less developed than in more mature markets, so operational risks of investing are higher.

Further information on risks can be found in the Company's Annual Report & Accounts, available at www.blueplanet.eu.

Performance Scenarios

The table below shows the money you could get back over the next 5 years, under different scenarios as set out in EU regulations, assuming that you invest £10,000. The scenarios shown illustrate how your investment could perform. You can compare them with the scenarios of other products. The scenarios presented are an estimate of future performance based on evidence from the past on how the value of this investment varies and are not an exact indicator. What you will get will vary depending on how the market performs and how long you keep the product. The stress scenario shows what you might get back in extreme market conditions. The figures shown include all the costs of the Company but do not include the costs you may pay to third parties, such as a broker, or local transaction taxes.

Assumed Investment: £10,000				
Scenarios		1 year	3 years	5 years
Stress scenario	What you might get back after costs	£ 4,352	£ 4,454	£ 4,157
	Average return each year	-56.5%	-23.6%	-16.1%
Unfavourable scenario	What you might get back after costs	£ 8,859	£ 10,074	£ 12,455
	Average return each year	-11.4%	0.2%	4.5%
Moderate scenario	What you might get back after costs	£ 11,855	£ 18,337	£ 33,210
	Average return each year	18.5%	22.4%	27.1%
Favourable scenario	What you might get back after costs	£ 15,928	£ 40,674	£ 146,990
	Average return each year	59.3%	59.6%	71.2%

What happens if Blue Planet Investment Trust plc is unable to pay out?

As a shareholder of Blue Planet Investment Trust plc you would not be able to make a claim to the Financial Services Compensation Scheme about the Company in the event that the Company is unable to pay out.

The Company has a fixed share capital. Shareholders maximum losses are limited to their initial investment. Should the Company be liquidated, the amount you receive for your shareholding will be based on the value of the assets available for distribution after all other liabilities have been paid.

What are the costs?

The Reduction in Yield (RIY) shows what impact the total costs you pay will have on the investment return you might get. The total costs take into account one off, ongoing and incidental costs.

The amounts shown here are the cumulative costs of the product itself, for three different holding periods. The figures assume you invest £10,000. The figures are estimates and may change in the future.

	1 year	3 years	5 years
Total Costs	£ 388	£ 1,119	£ 1,794
Impact on return (RIY) per year	3.88%	3.73%	3.59%

This table shows the impact on return per year

One off costs	Entry Costs	n/a	One off costs, such as broker commission charged on purchases and sales, are paid directly by the investor to third parties. One off costs are costs borne by the investor that are not deducted from the assets of the Company. Investors should refer to their chosen third party for details of these costs. There is 0.5% UK government stamp duty to pay on purchases.
	Exit Costs	n/a	
Ongoing costs	Portfolio Transaction Costs	0.11%	The impact of the cost of the Company buying and selling underlying investments for the Company
	Other Ongoing Costs	3.76%	
Incidental Costs	Performance Fees	0.00%	Not applicable
	Carried		
	Interests	0.00%	

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

The Company does not recommend any particular period of holding; this being entirely at the discretion of shareholders on which independent advice is recommended. However, for the purpose of this document and following the regulations laid down, the Company has selected a holding period of 5 years to provide comparability to other investment products.

The Company has a fixed share capital and does not offer subscriptions or redemptions. Shares can be traded daily on the London Stock Exchange. The Company does not have a fixed life, however, the Company is subject to a "Winding up Resolution" by way of Special Resolution at its Annual General Meeting every 5 years. The next vote will be at the AGM in 2019.

How can I complain?

Complaints should be directed to Blue Planet Investment Management Ltd marked for the attention of the Board of Blue Planet Investment Trust plc.

Contact details for Blue Planet Investment Management are given below:

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Other relevant information

The calculation of performance scenarios, impact of costs on potential returns and risk calculations contained in this Key Information Document follow the methodology prescribed by EU regulation 2017/653

Annual and Interim Report & Accounts for the Company are available to download from www.blueplanet.eu

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