

### BlackRock ESG Screened and Selected Strategic Growth Fund

A sub-fund of BlackRock Investment Funds

Class D Accumulating GBP

ISIN: GB00BFBFWY68

Manager: BlackRock Fund Managers Limited

## Objectives and Investment Policy

- ▶ The aim of the Fund is to provide, over a period of 7 years, a return on your investment (generated through an increase in the value of the assets held by the Fund and/ or income received from those assets) of 4.5% per year on a gross basis (i.e. before deduction of Ongoing Charges) over the Bank of England's Base Interest Rate (as set by the Monetary Policy Committee) whilst incorporating ESG commitments.
- ▶ In addition, the Fund aims to manage its portfolio of investments with a view to having a volatility of return (i.e. the degree of fluctuation of the Fund's returns) that is lower than the volatility of the monthly returns (converted into an annual rate) of the MSCI All Country World Index (GBP) over a 7 year period.
- ▶ The Fund invests on a global basis directly, or indirectly through derivatives and funds, in fixed income securities (such as bonds), money-market instruments (i.e. debt securities with short term maturities), equity securities (e.g. shares), derivatives (i.e. investments the prices of which are based on one or more underlying assets), funds, deposits and cash. The fixed income securities and money-market instruments will be issued by governments, government agencies, companies and supnationals and may include investments with a relatively low credit rating or which are unrated.
- ▶ The IM will apply ESG commitments (as described in the Fund's prospectus) when selecting the Fund's investments. The IA intends to limit and/or exclude direct investment in corporate issuers which have certain levels of exposure to, or ties with, sectors as described in the Fund's prospectus. For further details regarding these ESG characteristics (and the applicable levels) please refer to the Fund's prospectus and the BlackRock website at <https://www.blackrock.com/corporate/literature/publication/blackrock-baseline-screens-in-europe-middleeast-and-africa.pdf> The IM will limit and/or exclude direct investment in corporate issuers which have certain levels of exposure to, or ties with, other sectors including conventional weapons, alcohol, gambling, adult entertainment, predatory lending or have an ESG rating below BBB (as defined by MSCI or another data vendor), as summarised in the Fund's prospectus. When investing indirectly via other funds, at least 70% of the funds in which the Fund invests will be ESG Funds and the IM will prioritise investment in ESG Funds that have an ESG objective (including, but not limited to, a carbon reduction target or an improvement in ESG scores) or that avoid or underweight issuers with the lower ESG scores or ratings and/or include or overweight issuers with the highest ESG scores or ratings. The Fund may also have indirect exposure (through, including but not limited to, FDIs and other funds) to issuers with exposures that are inconsistent with the IM's ESG analysis.
- ▶ The investment manager will use derivatives (i.e. investments the prices of which are based on one or more underlying assets) to help achieve the Fund's investment objective and for efficient portfolio management purposes. These may be used to gain indirect exposure to commodities (such as precious metals and agricultural produce) and to property. A significant proportion of the Fund's portfolio may consist of derivatives on a daily basis. The Fund may, via derivatives, generate varying amounts of market leverage (i.e. where the Fund gains market exposure in excess of the value of its assets). The Fund may engage in short-term secured lending of its investments to certain eligible third parties to generate additional income and off-set costs.
- ▶ The Fund also has a comparator benchmark of 45% MSCI All Country World Index, 30% Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Index and 25% 3-month SONIA compounded in arrears which can be used by Unitholders as an alternative performance measure for the Fund as it represents a blend of global bond and equity markets therefore reflecting a significant part of the Fund's investment universe.
- ▶ Your units will be accumulating units (i.e. dividend income will be included in their value).
- ▶ Your units will be denominated in Sterling, the Fund's base currency.
- ▶ You can buy and sell your units daily. The minimum initial investment for this unit class is £100,000.

For more information on the Fund, share/unit classes, risks and charges, please see the Fund's prospectus, available on the product pages at [www.blackrock.com](http://www.blackrock.com)

## Risk and Reward Profile



- ▶ This indicator is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund.
- ▶ The risk category shown is not guaranteed and may change over time.
- ▶ The lowest category does not mean risk free.
- ▶ The Fund is rated five due to the nature of its investments which include the risks listed below. These factors may impact the value of the Fund's investments or expose the Fund to losses.
  - Changes to interest rates, credit risk and/or issuer defaults will have a significant impact on the performance of fixed income securities. Non-investment grade fixed income securities can be more sensitive to changes in these risks than higher rated fixed income securities. Potential or actual credit rating downgrades may increase the level of risk.
  - Currency Risk: The Fund invests in other currencies. Changes in exchange rates will therefore affect the value of the investment.
- The value of equities and equity-related securities can be affected by daily stock market movements. Other influential factors include political, economic news, company earnings and significant corporate events.
- Derivatives may be highly sensitive to changes in the value of the asset on which they are based and can increase the size of losses and gains, resulting in greater fluctuations in the value of the Fund. The impact to the Fund can be greater where derivatives are used in an extensive or complex way.
- The Fund seeks to exclude companies engaging in certain activities inconsistent with ESG criteria. Such ESG screening may reduce the potential investment universe and this may adversely affect the value of the Fund's investments compared to a fund without such screening.
- ▶ Particular risks not adequately captured by the risk indicator include:
  - Counterparty Risk: The insolvency of any institutions providing services such as safekeeping of assets or acting as counterparty to derivatives or other instruments, may expose the Fund to financial loss.
  - Credit Risk: The issuer of a financial asset held within the Fund may not pay income or repay capital to the Fund when due. If a financial institution is unable to meet its financial obligations, its financial assets may be subject to a write down in value or converted (i.e. "bail-in") by relevant authorities to rescue the institution.
  - Liquidity Risk: Lower liquidity means there are insufficient buyers or sellers to allow the Fund to sell or buy investments readily.

## Charges

The charges 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.

The entry and exit charges shown are maximum figures. In some cases you might pay less. Please refer to your financial advisor or the distributor for the actual entry and exit charges.

\*Subject to a charge of up to 2% paid into the Fund where the Manager suspects excessive trading by an investor.

The ongoing charges figure is based on expenses for the twelve month period ending 31 December 2024. This figure may vary from year to year. It excludes portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian and any entry/exit charge paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

\*\* To the extent the Fund undertakes securities lending to reduce costs, the Fund will receive 62.5% of the associated revenue generated and the remaining 37.5% will be received by BlackRock as the securities lending agent. As securities lending revenue sharing does not increase the costs of running the Fund, this has been excluded from the ongoing charges.

One-off charges taken before or after you invest	
Entry Charge	None
Exit Charge	None*

This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it is invested or before proceeds of your investments are paid out.

Charges taken from the Fund over each year	
Ongoing Charges	0.29%**
Charges taken from the Fund under certain conditions	
Performance Fee	None

## Past Performance

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

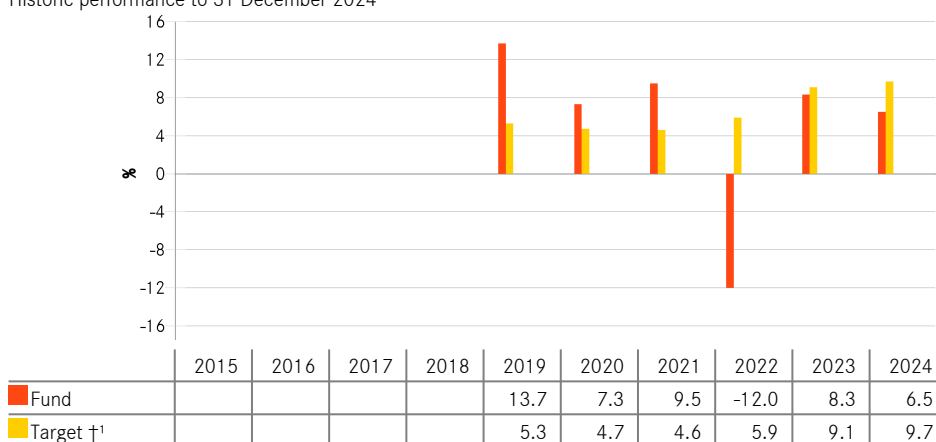
The chart shows the Fund's annual performance in GBP for each full calendar year over the period displayed in the chart. It is expressed as a percentage change of the Fund's net asset value at each year-end. The Fund was launched in 2018. The unit class was launched in 2018.

Performance is shown after deduction of ongoing charges. Any entry/exit charges are excluded from the calculation.

†<sup>1</sup>Bank of England Base Rate +4.5% (GBP)

It is not intended that the performance of the Fund will track the index.

Historic performance to 31 December 2024



## Practical Information

- ▶ The trustee and depositary of the Fund is The Bank of New York Mellon (International) Limited, which also acts as custodian.
- ▶ Further information about the Fund can be obtained from the latest annual report and half-yearly reports of the Fund. These documents are available free of charge in English. These can be found, along with other information, such as unit prices, on the BlackRock website at [www.blackrock.com](http://www.blackrock.com) or by calling Investor Services on 0800 44 55 22.
- ▶ Investors should note that the tax legislation that applies to the Fund may have an impact on the personal tax position of your investment in the Fund.
- ▶ The Fund is a sub-fund of BIF, an umbrella structure comprising different subfunds. This document is specific to the Fund and unit class stated at the beginning of this document. However, the Fund's prospectus, annual and half-yearly reports are prepared for the BIF umbrella.
- ▶ BlackRock Fund Managers Limited 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 Fund's prospectus.
- ▶ Under UK law, BIF has segregated liability between its sub-funds (i.e. the Fund's assets will not be used to discharge the liabilities of other sub-funds within BIF). In addition, the Fund's assets are held separately from the assets of other sub-funds.
- ▶ Investors may switch their units in the Fund for units in another sub-fund within BIF, subject to meeting certain conditions as set out in the prospectus.
- ▶ The Remuneration Policy of the Management Company, which describes how remuneration and benefits are determined and awarded, and the associated governance arrangements, is available at [www.blackrock.com/Remunerationpolicy](http://www.blackrock.com/Remunerationpolicy) or on request from the registered office of the Management Company.