

# BSF Emerging Markets Flexi Dynamic Bond Fund

### **BlackRock**

## Class D4 Hedged British Pound BlackRock Strategic Funds

March 2024

Unless otherwise stated, Performance, Portfolio Breakdowns and Net Asset information as at: 31-Mar-2024. All other data as at 10-Apr-2024.

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### **FUND OVERVIEW**

- The Fund aims to maximise the return on your investment through a combination of capital growth and income on the Fund's assets.
- The Fund seeks to gain at least 70% of any investment exposure to fixed income (FI) securities and FI-related securities denominated in both emerging market and nonemerging market currencies, issued by, or giving exposure to, governments, government agencies and supranationals (e.g. the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development) of emerging market countries, and companies domiciled or the main business of which is in, emerging market countries.
- This is achieved by investing at least 70% of its total assets in FI securities, FI-related securities, deposits and cash. FI securities include bonds (which may be unrated or have a low credit rating) as well as money market instruments (i.e. debt securities with short term maturities). FI-related securities include financial derivative instruments (FDIs) (i.e. investments the prices of which are based on one or more underlying assets) which may generate market leverage (i.e. where the Fund gains market exposure in excess of the value of its assets).

### **RISK INDICATOR**

Lower Risk
Potentially Lower Rewards
Potentially Higher Rewards

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

**CAPITAL AT RISK:** The value of investments and the income from them can fall as well as rise and are not guaranteed. Investors may not get back the amount originally invested.

### KEY RISKS:

- Credit risk, changes to interest rates and/or issuer defaults will have a significant impact
  on the performance of fixed income securities. Potential or actual credit rating
  downgrades may increase the level of risk.
- Emerging markets are generally more sensitive to economic and political conditions than developed markets. Other factors include greater 'Liquidity Risk', restrictions on investment or transfer of assets, failed/delayed delivery of securities or payments to the Fund and sustainability-related risks.
- 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.
- Fixed income securities issued or guaranteed by government entities in emerging markets generally experience higher 'Credit Risk' than developed economies.
- 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.
- Liquidity Risk: Lower liquidity means there are insufficient buyers or sellers to allow the Fund to sell or buy investments readily.

#### **KEY FACTS**

Comparator\*1: 3 Month SOFR Compounded in

Arrears

Comparator<sup>12</sup>: JP Morgan EMBI Global Diversified Index (50%) and JP Morgan GBI-EM

Global Diversified Index (50%)

Asset Class: Fixed Income

Fund Launch Date: 12-Jun-2013

Share Class Launch Date: 20-Aug-2014

Fund Base Currency: USD
Share Class Currency: GBP
Use of Income: Distributing

Net Assets of Fund (M): 1,167.42 USD Morningstar Category: Other Bond

**SFDR Classification:** Other **Domicile:** Luxembourg **ISIN:** LU1093538335

 $\textbf{Management Company:} \ \mathsf{BlackRock}$ 

(Luxembourg) S.A.

\* or currency equivalent

### **FEES AND CHARGES**

Annual Management Fee: 0.75%

Ongoing Charge: 1.03%
Performance Fee: 0.00%

### **DEALING INFORMATION**

Minimum Initial Investment: 100,000 GBP \*

Settlement: Trade Date + 3 days

Dealing Frequency: Daily, forward pricing basis

\* or currency equivalent

### **PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS**

Effective Duration: 4.66 yrs

Average Weighted Maturity: 7.74

Yield To Maturity: 6.99%

Standard Deviation (3y): 7.92

3y Beta: 4.92

 $\textbf{Number of Holdings:}\ 306$ 

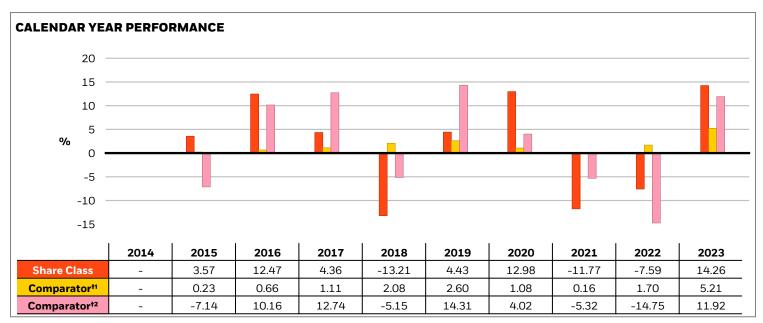
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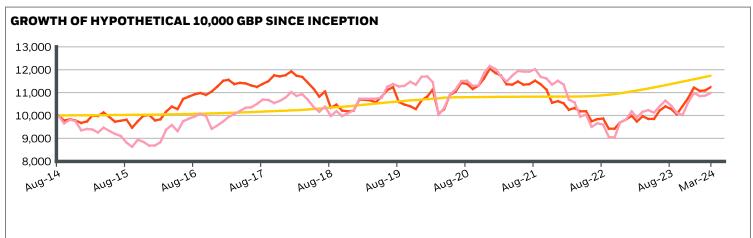
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		С	UMULATIVE (%	ANNUALISED (% p.a.)				
	1m	3m	6m	YTD	<b>1</b> y	Зу	5у	Since Inception
Share Class	1.33	0.21	11.83	0.21	12.79	-0.37	1.07	1.32
Comparator <sup>†1</sup>	0.46	1.35	2.74	1.35	5.44	2.77	2.26	1.68
Comparator <sup>†2</sup>	1.03	-0.05	8.56	-0.05	8.07	-1.47	0.46	1.03

The figures shown relate to past performance. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of current or future performance and should not be the sole factor of consideration when selecting a product or strategy. Share Class and Benchmark performance displayed in GBP, hedged share class benchmark performance is displayed in USD. Performance is shown on a Net Asset Value (NAV) basis, with gross income reinvested where applicable. The return of your investment may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations if your investment is made in a currency other than that used in the past performance calculation. **Source:** BlackRock

Share Class BSF Emerging Markets Flexi Dynamic Bond FundClass D4 Hedged British Pound

Comparator<sup>11</sup> 3 Month SOFR Compounded in Arrears

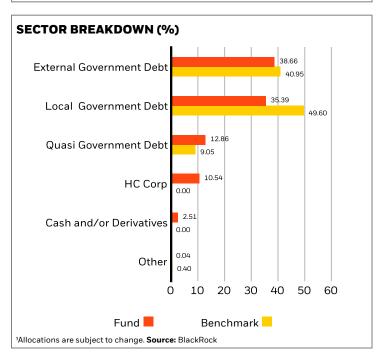
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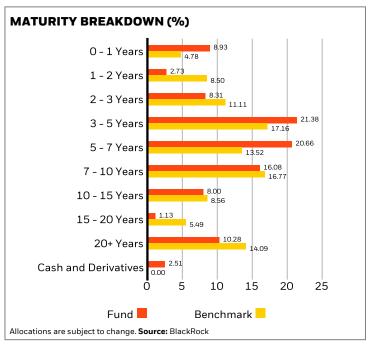
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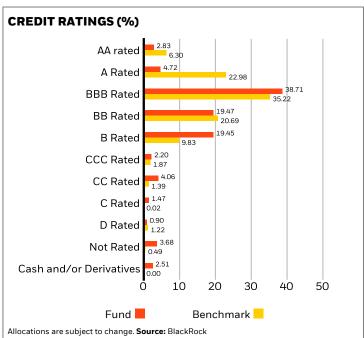
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TOP 10 HOLDINGS (%)	
MEXICO (UNITED MEXICAN STATES) (GO 8.5 05/31/2029	5.47%
COLOMBIA (REPUBLIC OF) 7.5 08/26/2026	5.18%
COLOMBIA REPUBLIC OF (GOVERNMENT) 6 04/28/2028	4.61%
INDONESIA (REPUBLIC OF) 7 05/15/2027	2.71%
POLAND (REPUBLIC OF) 2.75 10/25/2029	1.85%
EGYPT (ARAB REPUBLIC OF) MTN RegS 7.903 02/21/2048	1.71%
INDONESIA (REPUBLIC OF) 7 09/15/2030	1.67%
SOUTH AFRICA (REPUBLIC OF) 7 02/28/2031	1.64%
UKRAINE (GOVERNMENT OF) RegS 7.75 08/01/2041	1.63%
COLOMBIA (REPUBLIC OF) 5.75 11/03/2027	1.54%
Total of Portfolio	28.01%
Holdings subject to change	







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#### SUSTAINABILITY CHARACTERISTICS

Sustainability Characteristics can help investors integrate non-financial, sustainability considerations into their investment process. These metrics enable investors to evaluate funds based on their environmental, social, and governance (ESG) risks and opportunities. This analysis can provide insight into the effective management and long-term financial prospects of a fund.

The metrics below have been provided for transparency and informational purposes only. The existence of an ESG rating is not indicative of how or whether ESG factors will be integrated into a fund. The metrics are based on MSCI ESG Fund Ratings and, unless otherwise stated in fund documentation and included within a fund's investment objective, do not change a fund's investment objective or constrain the fund's investable universe, and there is no indication that an ESG or Impact focused investment strategy or exclusionary screens will be adopted by a fund. For more information regarding a fund's investment strategy, please see the fund's prospectus.

MSCI ESG % Coverage	85.78%	MSCI ESG Fund Rating (AAA-CCC)	ВВ
MSCI ESG Quality Score - Peer Percentile	38.84%	MSCI ESG Quality Score (0-10)	3.98
Funds in Peer Group	430	Fund Lipper Global Classification	Bond Emerging Markets Global HC
MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity % Coverage	17.04%	MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (Tons CO2E/\$M SALES)	1,046.34

All data is from MSCI ESG Fund Ratings as of **21 Mar 2024**, based on holdings as of **31 Aug 2023**. As such, the fund's sustainable characteristics may differ from MSCI ESG Fund Ratings from time to time.

To be included in MSCI ESG Fund Ratings, 65% (or 50% for bond funds and money market funds) of the fund's gross weight must come from securities with ESG coverage by MSCI ESG Research (certain cash positions and other asset types deemed not relevant for ESG analysis by MSCI are removed prior to calculating a fund's gross weight; the absolute values of short positions are included but treated as uncovered), the fund's holdings date must be less than one year old, and the fund must have at least ten securities.

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#### **GLOSSARY**

**SFDR Classification: Article 8:** Products that promote environmental or social characteristics and promote good governance practices. **Article 9:** Products that have sustainable investments as an objective and follow good governance practices. **Other:** Products that do not meet the criteria to be classified as Article 8 or 9.

**Funds in Peer Group:** The number of funds from the relevant Lipper Global Classification peer group that are also in ESG coverage.

**Fund Lipper Global Classification:** The fund peer group as defined by the Lipper Global Classification.

MSCI ESG Quality Score (0-10): The MSCI ESG Quality Score (0 - 10) for funds is calculated using the weighted average of the ESG scores of fund holdings. The Score also considers ESG Rating trend of holdings and the fund exposure to holdings in the laggard category. MSCI rates underlying holdings according to their exposure to industry specific ESG risks and their ability to manage those risks relative to peers.

MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (Tons CO2E/\$M SALES): Measures a fund's exposure to carbon intensive companies. This figure represents the estimated greenhouse gas emissions per \$1 million in sales across the fund's holdings. This allows for comparisons between funds of different sizes.

**Yield to Maturity:** Yield to Maturity (YTM) is the discount rate that equates the present value of bond's cash flows with its market price (including accrued interest). The fund YTM is the weighted average of fund's individual bond holding YTMs based upon Net Asset Value ('NAV'). The measure does not include fees and expenses. For callable bonds, YTM is the Yield-to-Worst.

**MSCI ESG % Coverage:** Percentage of the fund's holdings for which the MSCI ESG ratings data is available. The MSCI ESG Fund Rating, MSCI ESG Quality Score, and MSCI ESG Quality Score - Peer Percentile metrics are displayed for funds with at least 65% coverage.

**Effective Duration:** Effective duration is a measure of a fund's interestrate sensitivity. Put simply, the longer a fund's duration, the more sensitive the fund is to shifts in interest rates. So a fund with a duration of 10 years is twice as volatile as a fund with a five-year duration.

**MSCI ESG Fund Rating (AAA-CCC):** The MSCI ESG Rating is calculated as a direct mapping of ESG Quality Scores to letter rating categories (e.g. AAA = 8.6-10). The ESG Ratings range from leader (AAA, AA), average (A, BBB, BB) to laggard (B, CCC).

**MSCI ESG Quality Score - Peer Percentile:** The fund's ESG Percentile compared to its Lipper peer group.

MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity % Coverage: Percentage of the fund's holdings for which MSCI Carbon Intensity data is available. The MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity metric is displayed for funds with any coverage. Funds with low coverage may not fully represent the fund's carbon characteristics given the lack of coverage.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

'Negative weightings may result from specific circumstances (including timing differences between trade and settlement dates of securities purchased by the funds) and/or the use of certain financial instruments, including derivatives, which may be used to gain or reduce market exposure and/or risk management. Allocations are subject to change

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