

# **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

Name: Foresight Solar & Technology VCT plc ("the Company") "FWT" Shares

Manufacturer: Foresight Solar & Technology VCT plc

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ISIN: GB00BKF2JH04

Competent Authority: Financial Conduct Authority

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

WHAT IS THIS	S PRODUCT
Туре:	The FWT ordinary shares of 1p each (Shares) of the Company, which is a venture capital trust ("VCT") and a self-managed Alternative Investment Fund ("AIF"), are listed on the premium segment of the Official List of the UKLA and admitted for trading on the Main Market of the London Stock Exchange. There is no specified maturity date or unilateral termination date.
Objectives:	To provide attractive returns from a portfolio of investments in unquoted UK technology companies and to optimise tax-free income from dividends and interest received on investments. The value of the Shares, and income therefrom, will depend on the performance of the underlying investments.
Intended retail investor:	Retail investors, aged 18 or over, who are UK tax-payers. VCT investing is only suitable for investors who are capable of evaluating the risks and merits of such investment and who have sufficient resources to bear any loss which might result from the investment.
Notes:	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 can sell it.

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### WHAT ARE THE RISKS AND WHAT COULD I GET IN RETURN?

This product cannot be easily cashed in. This means it is difficult to estimate how much you would get back if you cash in before the end of the recommended holding period. You will either be unable to cash in early or you will have to pay high costs or make a large loss if you do so. Your maximum loss would be that you will lose all your investment.

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 or any initial VCT income tax relief, which may also affect how much you get back. The tax legislation of your home Member State may have an impact on your actual pay-out.

Market developments in the future cannot be accurately predicted. The scenarios shown are only an indication of some of the possible outcomes based on recent returns. Actual returns could be lower.

## WHAT HAPPENS IF FORESIGHT SOLAR & TECHNOLOGY VCT PLC IS UNABLE TO PAY OUT?

As a shareholder in the Company 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. You may face a financial loss should the Company default on its obligations. There is no compensation or guarantee scheme in place which may offset all, or any, of this loss.

Table 1: Costs over Time	The Reduction in Yield (RIY) shows what impact the total costs you pay will have on the investment return you might get. Th 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. They include potential early exit penalties. The figures assume you invest £10,000. The figures are estimates and may change in the future.							
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	Impact of return	(RIY) per year			4.70%	2.98%	2.63%	
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asset value. Distribution costs may arise.

#### **RECOMMENDED MINIMUM HOLDING PERIOD: 5 YEARS**

You should be prepared to hold your shares for a minimum of 5 years in order to retain your initial income tax relief. If you sell your shares earlier, you will be required to repay any initial income tax relief you claimed. It is recommended that you hold your shares for more than 5 years, as VCTs are intended to have a long investment horizon. An investment in the Company should be considered as a long-term investment.

The Company does not have a fixed winding up date and therefore, unless shareholders voted to wind-up the Company, Shareholders will only able to realise their investment through the market. You may sell your investments within the recommended holding period without penalty fee.

The Company's share prices are quoted on the London Stock Exchange so, provided there is a willing buyer, you may realise your investment through a stockbroker or share dealing account. Previously owned VCT shares do not qualify for initial income tax relief and there is, therefore, a limited market for secondary VCT shares. The price you receive on the open market may therefore not reflect the underlying net asset value of the shares. The Company aims, but is not committed, to offer liquidity to shareholders through an ongoing share buyback policy, subject to cash availability, at a target discount of approximately 10% to net asset value. In line with regulation governing public companies, there are specific periods when buybacks are prohibited, such as when the Company is preparing its annual and half-yearly reports and accounts.

The secondary market for VCT shares is generally illiquid and Shareholders may find it difficult to realise their investment.

# HOW CAN I COMPLAIN?

As a shareholder of the Company you do not have the right to complain to the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS) about the management of the Company. The Manager has established procedures in accordance with the FCA Rules for consideration of complaints. Details of these procedures are available from it on request. Should an investor have a complaint about the product or this KID, he should contact the Manager at Foresight Group LLP, The Shard, 32 London Bridge Street London SE1 9SG; +44 (0)20 3667 8100; www.foresightgroup.eu. Where the Investor is categorised by the Manager as an eligible complainant, if for any reason the investor is dissatisfied with the Manager's final response, the Investor is entitled to refer its complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service. A leaflet detailing the procedure involved will be provided in the Manager's final response.

## **OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION?**

The cost, performance and risk calculations included in this key information document follow the methodology prescribed by EU rules.

Depending on how you buy these shares you may incur other costs, including broker commission platform fees and stamp duty. The distributor will provide you will additional documents where necessary.

Certain tax reliefs are available to shareholders and new investors as below.

## Tax relief

# (a) Income tax

#### (i) Relief from income tax on investment

A qualifying investor subscribing for new Shares will be entitled to claim income tax relief on amounts subscribed up to a maximum of £200,000 invested in VCTs in any tax year. The relief is given at the rate of 30% on the amount subscribed for VCT shares regardless of whether the qualifying investor is a higher rate, additional rate or basic rate tax payer, provided that the relief is limited to the amount which reduces the qualifying investor's income tax liability to nil. Investments to be used as security for or financed by loans may not qualify for relief, depending on the circumstances.

#### (ii) Dividend relief

A qualifying investor, who acquires shares in VCTs in any tax year costing up to a maximum of £200,000, will not be liable to income tax on dividends paid on those shares and there is no withholding tax thereon.

#### (iii) Purchases in the market

A qualifying investor who purchases existing shares in the market will be entitled to claim dividend relief (as described in paragraph (a)(ii) above) but not relief from income tax on investment (as described in paragraph (a)(i) above).

#### (iv) Withdrawal of relief

Relief from income tax on a subscription for VCT shares will be withdrawn if the VCT shares are disposed of (other than between spouses or on death) within five years of issue or if the VCT loses its approval within this period as detailed below. Dividend relief ceases to be available if the VCT loses its approval within this period, as detailed below, or if shares are no longer owned by a qualifying investor.

#### (b) Capital gains tax

(i) Relief from capital gains tax on the disposal of VCT shares. A disposal by a qualifying investor of VCT shares will give rise to neither a chargeable gain nor an allowable loss for the purposes of UK capital gains tax. The relief is limited to the disposal of VCT shares acquired within the limit of £200,000 for any tax year and does not apply where VCT shares were issued after 5 April 2014 and are repurchased by the VCT directly from the shareholder within three years of issue.

# (ii) Purchases in the market

An individual purchaser of existing VCT shares in the market will be entitled to claim relief from capital gains tax on disposal (as described in paragraph b(i) above)

The latest annual report and accounts of the Company can be found at http://www.foresightgroup.eu/retail-investors/vct/foresight-solar-technology-vctplc/reports-and-accounts/. Please contact Foresight Group LLP for further information.