

## Key Investor Information

This document provides you with key investor information about this Fund. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature and the risks of investing in this Fund. You are advised to read it so you can make an informed decision about whether to invest.



**BNY MELLON**  
INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

# Responsible Horizons Strategic Bond Fund

**INSTITUTIONAL SHARES W (ACCUMULATION) (ISIN: GB00BMD53287)**

a sub-fund of BNY Mellon Investment Funds. This Fund is managed by BNY Mellon Fund Managers Limited

## Objectives and Investment Policy

### OBJECTIVE

To generate a return through a combination of income and capital returns, whilst taking environmental, social and governance ("ESG") factors into account.

### POLICY

#### The Fund will:

- typically invest at least 80% of its assets in Sterling denominated (or hedged back to sterling) fixed or floating global fixed income securities debt securities;
- take ESG factors into account and will assess the overall suitability of an issuer based on an ESG rating. The Fund will seek to obtain exposure to issuers with stronger ESG ratings and may therefore screen out issuers who are involved in industries/sectors which have weaker ESG scores; and
- limit investment in collective investment schemes to 10%.

#### The Fund may:

- invest in bonds with low credit ratings (i.e. rated below investment grade (BBB-) by Standard and Poor's or similar agencies);
- invest in emerging markets;
- invest in cash and cash-like investments; and

- invest in derivatives (financial instruments whose value is derived from other assets) to help achieve the Fund's investment objective. The Fund may also use derivatives with the aim of risk or cost reduction or to generate additional capital or income.

**Benchmark:** The Fund will measure its performance against the UK Investment Association Sterling Strategic Bond Sector as a comparator benchmark (the "Benchmark"). The Fund will use the Benchmark as an appropriate comparator because it represents a broad range of similar Sterling denominated bond funds that invest in corporate bonds.

The Fund is actively managed, which means the Investment Manager has discretion over the selection of investments, subject to the investment objective and policies as disclosed in the Prospectus.

### OTHER INFORMATION

**Treatment of income:** net income generated will be retained within the Fund and reflected in the value of your shares.

**Dealing:** you can buy and sell your shares in the Fund between 9:00 and 17:00 (UK time) on each business day in England and Wales. Instructions received before 12:00 will receive the price quoted on that day. The minimum initial investment for this share class is GBP 500,000.

## Risk and Reward Profile



We have calculated the risk and reward indicator, as shown above. As this Fund has less than 5 years performance data available, it is based on simulated volatility. It is not a guide to the future risk and reward rating of the Fund. The rating shown is not a target or guarantee and may shift over time. Even the lowest rating of 1 does not mean a risk-free investment.

This Fund is rated 4 because its simulated historical value has shown moderate volatility. With a Fund rating of 4, you have a moderate risk of losing money but your chance for gains is also moderate.

### THE FOLLOWING RISKS MAY NOT BE FULLY CAPTURED BY THE RISK AND REWARD INDICATOR:

**Objective/Performance Risk:** There is no guarantee that the Fund will achieve its objectives.

**Currency Risk:** This Fund invests in international markets which means it is exposed to changes in currency rates which could affect the value of the Fund.

**Derivatives Risk:** Derivatives are highly sensitive to changes in the value of the asset from which their value is derived. A small movement in the value of the underlying asset can cause a large movement in the value of the derivative. This can increase the sizes of losses and gains,

causing the value of your investment to fluctuate. When using derivatives, the Fund can lose significantly more than the amount it has invested in derivatives.

**Changes in Interest Rates & Inflation Risk:** Investments in bonds/money market securities are affected by interest rates and inflation trends which may negatively affect the value of the Fund.

**Credit Ratings and Unrated Securities Risk:** Bonds with a low credit rating or unrated bonds have a greater risk of default. These investments may negatively affect the value of the Fund.

**Credit Risk:** The issuer of a security held by the Fund may not pay income or repay capital to the Fund when due.

**Emerging Markets Risk:** Emerging Markets have additional risks due to less-developed market practices.

**Volcker Rule Risk:** The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation or one of its affiliates ("BNYM") has invested in the Fund. As a result of restrictions under the "Volcker Rule," which has been adopted by U.S. Regulators, BNYM must reduce its shareholding percentage so that it constitutes less than 25% of the Fund within, generally, three years of the Fund's establishment (which starts when the Fund's manager begins making investments for the Fund). Risks may include: BNYM may initially own a proportionately larger percentage of the Fund, and any mandatory reductions may increase Fund portfolio turnover rates, resulting in increased costs, expenses and taxes. Details of BNYM's investment in the Fund are available upon request.

**CoCo's Risk:** Contingent Convertible Securities (CoCo's) convert from debt to equity when the issuer's capital drops below a pre-defined level. This may result in the security converting into equities at a discounted share price, the value of the security being written down, temporarily or permanently, and/or coupon payments ceasing or being deferred.

**Sustainable Funds Risk:** The Fund follows a sustainable investment approach, which may cause it to perform differently than funds that have a similar objective but which do not integrate sustainable investment criteria when selecting securities. The Fund will not engage in stock lending activities and, therefore, may forego any additional returns that may be produced through such activities.

**Counterparty Risk:** The insolvency of any institutions providing services such as custody of assets or acting as a counterparty to derivatives or other contractual arrangements, may expose the Fund to financial loss.

A complete description of risk factors is set out in the Prospectus in the section entitled "Risk Factors".

## Charges

The charges cover the costs of running the Fund, including the costs of marketing and selling. These charges reduce the potential growth of your investment.	
<b>ONE-OFF CHARGES TAKEN BEFORE OR AFTER YOU INVEST</b>	
Entry charge	<b>0.00%</b>
Exit charge	<b>None</b>
<i>This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it is invested and before the proceeds of your investment are paid out.</i>	
<b>CHARGES TAKEN FROM THE FUND OVER A YEAR</b>	
Ongoing charge*	<b>0.60%</b>
<b>CHARGES TAKEN FROM THE FUND UNDER CERTAIN SPECIFIC CONDITIONS</b>	
Performance fee	<b>None</b>

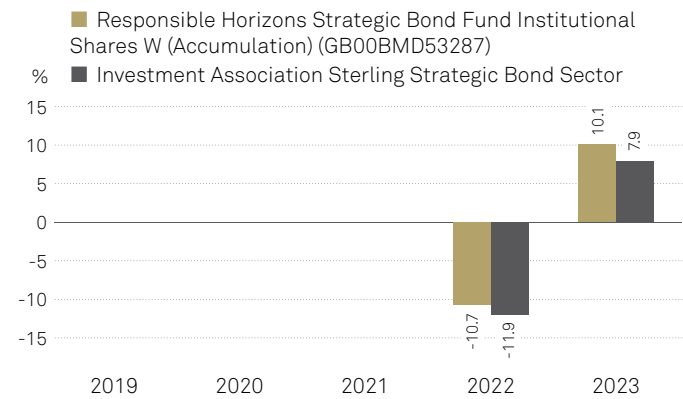
The ongoing charge is based on expenses calculated on 31 December 2023. This may vary from year to year. It excludes performance fees and portfolio transaction costs, except in the case of an entry/exit charge paid when buying or selling units in another investment fund.

Currently BNY Mellon Fund Managers Limited is temporarily partially absorbing (capping) some of the expenses incurred by the Fund which is reflected in the ongoing charge figure stated here. There is no guarantee that BNY Mellon Fund Managers Limited will continue to cap the Fund's expenses and therefore the Fund's ongoing charge could increase significantly.

\*It should be noted that the ongoing charge figure shown includes ongoing charges in respect of other open-ended investment funds but excludes ongoing charges from closed-ended funds held. The ongoing charges from closed-ended funds held were 0.00% as at 31 December 2023.

More information about charges is available in the "Fees and Expenses" section of the Prospectus.

## Past Performance



The chart includes all charges except entry charges.
Fund launch date - 24 August 2021.
Share class launch date - 24 August 2021.
Performance of this share class is shown in GBP.
Performance of the Benchmark is shown in GBP.
Past performance is not a guide to future performance.
The chart shows the Fund's performance for each full calendar year against the Benchmark.

## Practical Information

**Legal Status:** The Fund is a sub-fund (part) of BNY Mellon Investment Funds ("BNY MIF"), an umbrella structure comprising different sub-funds. The assets of the Fund belong exclusively to that sub-fund and may not be used to discharge the liabilities of or claims against any other person or body, including BNY MIF or any other sub-fund within the umbrella.

**Documents:** Copies of the Prospectus, annual and semi-annual reports which are prepared for the umbrella may be obtained free of charge from [www.bnymellonim.com](http://www.bnymellonim.com) or from BNY Mellon Investment Management EMEA Limited, BNY Mellon Centre, 160 Queen Victoria Street, London EC4V 4LA. These documents are available in English.

**Share price:** The latest share price and other information, including how to buy or sell shares, are available from the website and address given above. Other share classes are offered by the Fund as set out in the Prospectus.

**Switching:** Investors may switch shares in the Fund for shares in other sub-funds of BNY MIF provided they satisfy the criteria applicable to investment in other sub-funds. Further information on switching is contained in the "Switching" section of the Prospectus.

**Liability statement:** BNY Mellon 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 Prospectus for the Fund.

**Depository:** NatWest Trustee and Depositary Services Limited.

**Tax:** The tax legislation of the Fund's domicile may have an impact on your personal tax position. For further details, please speak to an adviser.

**Remuneration Policy:** Details of the up-to-date remuneration policy of BNY Mellon Fund Managers Limited including, but not limited to, a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated and the identity of persons responsible for awarding the remuneration and benefits are available on [www.bnymellonim.com](http://www.bnymellonim.com). A paper copy will be made available free of charge upon request.

**Index Providers:** Further information about the index providers is set out under 'Benchmark Provider Disclaimers' in the Prospectus.