

**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 risks of investing in this Fund. You are advised to read it so you can make an informed decision about whether to invest.

**iShares Emerging Markets Equity ESG  
Screened and Optimised Index Fund (UK)**

A sub-fund of BlackRock Collective Investment Funds

**Class X Accumulating GBP**

ISIN: GB00BN09052 1

Manager: BlackRock Fund Managers Limited

**Objectives and Investment Policy**

- ▶ The Fund aims to provide a return (gross of charges) on your investment (generated through an increase in the value of the assets held by the Fund) by tracking closely the performance of the Morningstar Emerging Markets ESG Enhanced Index (the "Benchmark Index").
- ▶ The Fund is passively managed and will invest in a portfolio of equity securities (e.g. shares) that as far as possible and practicable consist of the component securities of the Fund's benchmark index in similar proportions to their weightings in the Fund's benchmark Index.
- ▶ The Benchmark Index aims to reflect the performance of a sub-set of equity securities within the Morningstar Emerging Markets Target Market Exposure Index (the "Parent Index") which remain after the index provider has excluded securities using pre-defined ESG screens and weighted securities using an optimisation process, as determined by the index provider (as further described in the Fund's prospectus).
- ▶ The Benchmark Index excludes issuers based on their involvement in certain activities deemed by the index provider to have negative environmental or social outcomes based on their involvement in the following business lines/activities (or related activities): controversial weapons, tobacco, nuclear weapons, civilian firearms, thermal coal, oil sands, adult entertainment, alcohol, gambling and issuers which are classified as violating the United Nations Global Compact principles. The Benchmark Index also excludes companies which are identified by the index provider as being involved in controversies that have a negative ESG impact on their operations and/or products and services based on a certain controversy score.
- ▶ The Fund may indirectly invest in emerging markets by investing in American Depository Receipts (ADRs) and Global Depository Receipts (GDRs), which are listed or traded on stock exchanges and regulated markets outside emerging markets. ADRs and GDRs are investments issued by financial institutions which give exposure to underlying equity securities.
- ▶ The Fund's aim is to track the performance of the Benchmark Index, but not to outperform it. The Benchmark Index has been chosen because it forms part of the investment objective of the Fund (i.e. a target benchmark), and should be used by unitholders to compare the performance of the Fund.
- ▶ The Fund uses optimising techniques to achieve a similar return to its Benchmark Index. These techniques may include the strategic selection of certain securities that make up the Benchmark Index or other securities which provide similar performance to certain constituent securities. These may also include the use of derivatives (i.e. investments the prices of which are based on one or more underlying assets).
- ▶ The Fund may also use derivatives for efficient portfolio management purposes (EPM) (i.e. to reduce risk or costs within the Fund's portfolio, or generate additional income). 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.  
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- ▶ 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 £10,000,000.

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**



- ▶ The risk indicator was calculated incorporating simulated 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.
  - 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.

- Investment risk is concentrated in specific sectors, countries, currencies or companies. This means the Fund is more sensitive to any localised economic, market, political, sustainability-related or regulatory events.
- 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.
- The benchmark index only excludes companies engaging in certain activities inconsistent with ESG criteria if such activities exceed the thresholds determined by the index provider. Investors should therefore make a personal ethical assessment of the benchmark index's ESG screening prior to investing in the Fund. Such ESG screening 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.
  - 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 January 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).

\*\* (i) 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. (ii) Holders in this unit class may be subject to additional periodic charges outside of the Fund by way of separate agreement with BlackRock.

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	0.07%**
Charges taken from the Fund under certain conditions	
Performance Fee	None

## Past Performance

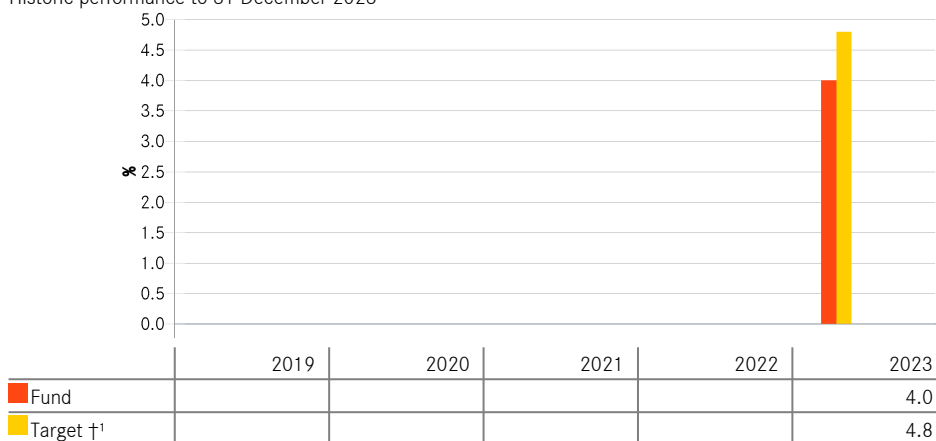
Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

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 2022. The unit class was launched in 2022.

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

†<sup>1</sup>Morningstar Emerging Markets ESG Enhanced Index (Net) (GBP)

Historic performance to 31 December 2023



## 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 BlackRock Collective Investment Funds (BCIF). 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 BCIF, an umbrella structure comprising different sub-funds. This document is specific to the Fund and unit class stated at the beginning of this document. However, the prospectus, annual and half-yearly reports are prepared for the 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.
- ▶ The assets of the Fund are held on trust for its unitholders under English trust law which means that its assets cannot be used to discharge the liabilities of other sub-funds within BCIF. 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 BCIF, 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.