## **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.

# Global Short-Term Investment Grade Fixed Income Fund Share Class: SGD Accumulation (Hedged) (ISIN: IE00BF20L655)

a sub fund of Dimensional Funds Plc.

### **Objectives & Investment Policy**

The aim is to maximise total returns from investments.

The fund is managed on a discretionary basis and invests in investment grade debt instruments such as, without limitation, bonds, commercial paper, bank and corporate debt.

A security will be considered by the fund to be "investment grade" if it, or its issuer or guarantor, has a rating of BBB- or higher by Standard & Poor's (a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.), Baa3 or higher by Moody's Investors Service, Inc., BBB- or higher by Fitch, Inc., or has the equivalent or higher rating from another recognised credit rating agency.

The fund will generally maintain an average duration of its investments to three years or less. This debt is issued by governments, other public bodies and companies from developed countries and, at the time of purchase, this debt is generally rated at least BBB- or Baa3 by the major rating agencies. In addition to investment grade instruments, the fund may invest in unrated

instruments which are deemed to be of similar quality. If the investments are downgraded below this level, they may be sold if in the best interests of the fund.

The fund will purchase debt in various currencies. The fund will use financial contracts or instruments (derivatives) to manage its exposure to these currencies.

The fund will use derivatives in an attempt to protect your returns against exchange rate fluctuations between the currency of your share class and the base currency of the fund (hedging).

The fund may use derivatives to manage risk, reduce costs or improve returns.

Income is not distributed and is rolled up (accumulated) into the value of your investment.

You may sell your investment in the fund on a demand on a daily basis.

## Risk and Reward Profile



The risk and reward category is calculated using historical data which may not be a reliable indicator of the fund's future risk profile.

The risk and reward category may shift over time and is not a target or a guarantee.

The lowest category (i.e. Category 1) does not mean a risk-free investment.

The fund is in Category 2 because of the low range and frequency of price movements (volatility) of the underlying investments referenced by the fund.

The following are additional risks not covered by the risk and reward category.

The fund may invest in tradeable debt (bonds), the return on which depends on the issuer's ability or willingness to make its payments. There is a risk that the issuer will fail to do so. Although the fund generally invests in bonds with high ratings, these ratings are subjective and a high rating does not guarantee an issuer's ability or willingness to pay.

The fund will use derivatives for various reasons, including to try to reduce the effect of currency fluctuations between the currency of its assets and the base currency of the fund. The effectiveness of any hedging strategy is not guaranteed to succeed and may

prevent the fund from benefitting from an increase in value of a particular currency. Derivatives can be a risky asset. They can be subject to risks such as counterparty, liquidity, interest rate, market, credit and management risks and improper valuation. The fund, in turn, may be affected by this and the share price may fluctuate, which may result in a loss to the fund.

Fluctuations in interest rates may affect the value of your shares because the prices of bonds tend to move in the opposite direction of interest rates. When interest rates rise, the price of bonds fall. When interest rates fall, the price of bonds rise.

Tradeable debt (bonds) are interest rate sensitive, meaning that the range and frequency of price movements of the bonds may be significant due to various factors, including changes in interest rates, the creditworthiness of the bond issuer and the ease with which similar investments may be bought or sold (liquidity).

Where the fund uses futures or forward foreign currency contracts (derivatives), it may become exposed to certain investment risks including leverage, market, mismatching of exposure and/or counterparty risk, liquidity, interest rate, credit and management risks and the risk of improper valuation. While the fund is not expected to have exposure to leverage to a material degree, any movement in the price of these investments can have a significant impact on the value of the fund and the fund could lose more than the amount invested.

More information in relation to risks in general may be found in the "Risk Factors" section of the prospectus.



#### Charges

The charges you pay 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.

One-off charges taken before or after you invest		The entry and ex
Entry charge	None	some cases you
Exit charge	None	your financial ad
This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it		ore it The ongoing cha
is invested (entry charge) and before the proceeds of your investment		ment charges as ther
are paid out (exit charge).		portfolio transac
Charges taken from the Fund over a year		fund's annual rep on the exact cha
Ongoing charges	0.31%	More detailed of
Charges taken from the Fund under certain specific conditions		
Performance fee	None	No conversion
		investment man

The entry and exit charges shown are maximum figures. In some cases you might pay less, you can find this out from your financial adviser or distributor.

The ongoing charges figure shown here is an estimate of the charges as there is insufficient historical data. It excludes portfolio transaction costs and performance fees, if any. The fund's annual report for each financial year will include detail on the exact charges made.

More detailed charges information may be found in the "Fees and Expenses" section of the prospectus.

No conversion fee will be charged by the fund or the investment manager.

#### Past Performance

There is insufficient data to provide a useful indication of past performance to investors.

Please be aware that past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

The Fund was launched in 2014 and the share class was launched in 2017.

#### Practical Information

The depositary is State Street Custodial Services (Ireland) Limited.

Copies of the prospectus (which includes additional information relating to your investment), the latest annual reports and subsequent half-yearly reports (all in English), as well as other information (including the latest share prices) are available free of charge at www.dimensional.com.

Details of the up-to-date remuneration policy, including, but not limited to, a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated, the identity of persons responsible for awarding the remuneration and benefits, are available at www.dimensional.com. A hard copy version will be made available free of charge upon request.

The prospectus and the periodic reports are prepared for Dimensional Funds Plc as a whole.

More share classes may be available for this fund – please refer to the prospectus for further details. Please note that not all share

classes may be registered for distribution in your jurisdiction. You may apply for shares in this fund to be converted into shares of the same class in another fund of Dimensional Funds Plc. For more information on how to convert your shares, please refer to the relevant section in the prospectus for further details.

The taxation regime applicable to the fund in Ireland may affect your personal tax position.

Dimensional Funds Plc 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 UCITS.

Dimensional Funds Plc has a number of different funds. The assets and liabilities of each fund are segregated by law and your investment in the fund should not be available to pay the liabilities of any other fund.

The fund is authorised in Ireland and regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland. This key investor information is accurate as at 19-02-2018.