# **Boston Common Emerging Markets ESG Equities**

a sub-fund of ABN AMRO Funds

# **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**

## A USD Capitalisation (LU2757518712)

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This product is managed by ABN AMRO Investment Solutions, an investment management company of the ABN Amro Group, which is authorised in Luxembourg and supervised by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier (CSSF). For more information on this product, please refer to www.abnamroinvestmentsolutions.com or call +33156219612

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## What is this product?

### Type

This product is an investment fund.

#### Term

The Fund is established for an unlimited duration, with the possibility for the Board of Directors to decide the termination of the Fund at its sole discretion.

## **Objectives**

Boston Common Emerging Markets ESG Equities belongs to the category of Single Manager Funds.

The Fund seeks to increase the value of its assets over the long term capital appreciation with a diversified and actively managed portfolio of emerging market equities, without any specific restriction on tracking error, by investing predominantly in transferable equity securities such as equities, other equity shares such as co-operative shares or warrants on transferable equity securities issued by companies which are domiciled in or exercise the predominant part of their economic activity in the Emerging Markets.

The minimum asset allocation in such securities on a consolidated basis (direct and indirect investments through the use of derivative instruments) will be of 60% of the sub-fund's net assets. Moreover, the minimum sub-fund's investment in equity securities will be of 75% of the sub-fund's net assets.

The sub-fund may also invest in debt securities (such as fixed and floating rate bonds, Money Market Instruments, including High Yield bonds) up to 10% of its net assets, in particular for cash management purposes.

The sub-fund may invest up to 10% of its net assets into Chinese equities (A-shares), denominated in CNH and that are listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, via the Shanghai-Hong Kong and Shenzhen Stock Connect

The sub-fund may invest up to 20% in bank deposits at sight, including cash held in current accounts with a bank accessible at any time.

**Sustainable Investment Policy** The sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics and qualifies as an investment product in accordance with article 8(1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 on sustainability related disclosures in the financial services sector as set out in Book I

The External Investment Manager integrates ESG analysis at every stage of its investment process in order to build a diversified portfolio of companies with strong ESG profiles that align with three long-term sustainable themes namely climate change and earth renewal, inclusion and empowerment as well as health and community well-being.

The External Investment Manager's ESG research department has built

a proprietary research process to evaluate the sustainable characteristics of a broad set of companies. Beyond the initial universe screening, the focus of the External Investment Manager's research process is bottom-up and fundamental. The External Investment Manager has developed a dynamic "monitor list" drawing upon the fundamental inputs from both the ESG and the financial analysts teams. Using an ESG lens, the External Investment Manager examines the material risks and opportunities that impact companies in a specific sector, benchmarking leaders and laggards in each sector. Similarly, the financial analysts use their global sector experience and expertise to generate stock specific ideas in their sectors. As a result, the monitor list is narrowed down to a focus list.

The portfolio management team draws from the names on the focus list to create a diversified portfolio, using the stocks which have been vetted and approved by both teams. The External Investment Manager assesses the financial and ESG risks and opportunities and prefers to buy the companies that have a large exposure in revenues (>50%) to the three long-term sustainable themes. The External Investment Manager seeks companies that are sustainability leaders, with responsible practices and innovative products or services. However, in order to build a diversified portfolio, the External Investment Manager may also invest in high quality companies that meet or exceed their Comprehensive ESG guidelines but are not yet leaders in sustainability. In these instances, the External Investment Manager aims to raise the sustainability profile of the equity holdings through active shareholder engagement.

The Sub-Fund plans to invest at least 90% of its net assets in assets that have been determined as "eligible" as per the ESG process in place. The Fund complies with the sets of exclusions applying to article 8+ investment product on corporate issuers and as defined by the Management company policy.

**Relation to the Reference Portfolio** This Fund is actively managed and is compared to the MSCI Emerging Markets TR Net for performance and risk level indicator purposes. However, the reference to this Reference Portfolio does not constitute any objective or limitation in the management and composition of the portfolio and the Fund does not restrain its universe to the Reference Portfolio's components.

The Reference Portfolio does not evaluate or include its constituents on the basis of environmental and/or social characteristics and is therefore not aligned with the ESG characteristics promoted by the sub-fund.

The base currency of the Fund is EUR.

Income is systematically reinvested.

Investors are able to redeem on a daily basis (on Luxembourg bank business days).

### Intended retail investor

This product is intended for investors who plan to stay invested for at least 3 years and are prepared to take on a medium level of risk of loss to their original capital in order to get a higher potential return. It is designed to form part of a portfolio of investments.

#### Practical information

Custodian Bank State Street Bank International GmbH, Luxembourg Branch

**Further information** Further information about the Fund, the prospectus and the latest annual and semi-annual report may be obtained free of charge, in English, from the Management Company, the local agents or online at www.abnamroinvestmentsolutions.com.

# What are the risks and what could I get in return? Risks



The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay you.

We have classified this product as 4 out of 7, which is a medium risk class

This rates the potential losses from future performance at a medium level, and poor market conditions could impact the capacity of ABN AMRO Investment Solutions to pay you.

**Be aware of currency risk.** You will receive payments in a different currency, so the final return you will get depend on the exchange rate between the two currencies. This risk is not considered in the indicator shown above.

Beside the risks included in the risk indicator, other risks may affect the fund performance. Please refer to the fund prospectus, available free of charge at www.abnamroinvestmentsolutions.com.

### **Performance scenarios**

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, which may also affect how much you get back.

What you will get from this product depends on future market performance. Market developments in the future are uncertain and cannot be accurately predicted.

The unfavourable, moderate, and favourable scenarios shown are illustrations using the worst, average, and best performance of the product over the last 10 years. Markets could develop very differently in the future.

The stress scenario shows what you might get back in extreme market circumstances.

Unfavourable: this type of scenario occurred for an investment between June 2021 and December 2023.

Moderate: this type of scenario occurred for an investment between June 2015 and June 2018.

Favourable: this type of scenario occurred for an investment between February 2016 and February 2019.

Recommended holding period  Example Investment		3 years 10,000 USD	
Scenarios		if you exit after 1 year	if you exit after 3 years (recommended holding period)
Minimum	There is no minimum guaranteed return. You could lose some or all of your investment.		
Stress	What you might get back after costs Average return each year	<b>4,020 USD</b> -59.8%	<b>4,390 USD</b> -24.0%
Unfavourable	What you might get back after costs Average return each year	<b>6,490 USD</b> -35.1%	<b>7,490 USD</b> -9.2%
Moderate	What you might get back after costs Average return each year	<b>9,520 USD</b> -4.8%	<b>11,070 USD</b> 3.5%
Favourable	What you might get back after costs Average return each year	<b>14,900 USD</b> 49.0%	<b>14,320 USD</b> 12.7%

# What happens if ABN AMRO Funds Boston Common Emerging Markets ESG Equities is unable to pay out?

If we are not able to pay you out what we owe you, you are not covered by any national compensation scheme. To protect you, the assets are held with a separate company, a depositary. Should we default, the depositary would liquidate the investments and distribute the proceeds to the investors. In the worst case, however, you could lose your entire investment.

# What are the costs?

The person advising on or selling you this product may charge you other costs. If so, this person will provide you with information about these costs and how they affect your investment.

### Costs over time

The tables show the amounts that are taken from your investment to cover different types of costs. These amounts depend on how much you invest, how long you hold the product. The amounts shown here are illustrations based on an example investment amount and different possible investment periods.

We have assumed:

- in the first year you would get back the amount that you invested (0% annual return). For the other holding periods we have assumed the product performs as shown in the moderate scenario,
- 10,000 USD is invested.

Example Investment 10,000 USD	if you exit after 1 year	if you exit after 3 years (recommended holding period)
Total Costs	843 USD	1,329 USD
Annual cost impact*	8.4%	4.8% each year

(\*) This illustrates how costs reduce your return each year over the holding period. For example it shows that if you exit at the recommended holding period your average return per year is projected to be 8.3% before costs and 3.5% after costs.

## **Composition of costs**

One-off costs upon entry or exit		Annual cost impact if you exit after 1 year	
Entry costs	<b>5.00%</b> of the amount you pay in when entering this investment. This is the most you will be charged. The person selling you the product will inform you of the actual charge.	Up to 500 USD	
Exit costs	<b>1.00%</b> of your investment before it is paid out to you. This is the most you will be charged. The person selling you the product will inform you of the actual charge.	100 USD	
Ongoing costs taken each year		Annual cost impact if you exit after 1 year	
Management fees and other administrative or operating costs	<b>1.98%</b> of the value of your investment per year.  This is an estimate based on actual costs over the last year.	198 USD	
Transaction costs	<b>0.45%</b> of the value of your investment per year. This is an estimate of the costs incurred when we buy and sell the underlying investments for the product. The actual amount will vary depending on how much we buy and sell.	45 USD	
Transaction costs  Incidental costs taken under sp	costs incurred when we buy and sell the underlying investments for the product. The actual amount will vary depending on how much we buy and sell.	Annual cost impact if you exit after 1 year	

## How long should I hold it and can I take money out early?

### Recommended holding period: 3 years

This product is designed for longer term investments; you should be prepared to stay invested for at least 3 years. However, you can redeem your investment without penalty at any time during this period, or hold the investment longer. Redemptions are possible on every bank business day in Luxembourg; it will take 3 working days for you to be paid. The price for the day, reflecting the actual value of the fund, is set each day at noon, and published on our website www.abnamroinvestmentsolutions.com.

# How can I complain?

You can send your complaint to the fund's management company at 119-121 boulevard Haussmann, 75008 Paris, France or by e-mail to aais. contact@fr.abnamro.com.

If you have a complaint about the person that advised you about this product, or who sold it to you, they will tell you where to complain.

## Other relevant information

Cost, performance and risk The cost, performance and risk calculations included in this key information document follow the methodology prescribed by EU rules. Note that the performance scenarios calculated above are derived exclusively from the past performance of the Company's share price and that past performance is not a guide to future returns. Therefore, your investment may be at risk and you may not get back the returns illustrated. Investors should not base their investment decisions solely upon the scenarios shown.

Performance scenarios You can find previous performance scenarios updated on a monthly basis at www.abnamroinvestmentsolutions.com.

Past performance There is insufficient performance data available to provide a chart of annual past performance.

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