

# Candriam European ESG Smaller Companies 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

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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](http://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

Candriam European ESG Smaller Companies Equities belongs to the category of Single Manager Funds.

The Fund seeks to increase the value of its assets over the long term by investing predominantly in transferable equity securities such as equities, other equity shares such as co-operative shares and participation certificates issued by, or warrants on transferable equity securities of, companies which are domiciled in or exercise the predominant part of their economic activity in Europe.

The minimum asset allocation in such securities on a consolidated basis (direct and indirect investments) will be of 60% of the Fund's net assets (after deduction of the Fund's cash). Moreover, the minimum ownership of equities in companies established in countries of the European Economic Area having concluded a tax agreement with France including a clause on administrative cooperation for combating fraud and tax evasion will be at least 75% of the Fund's net assets.

The Fund may invest for maximum 10% of its net assets in funds that have been selected in accordance with a number of qualitative and quantitative criteria.

Investments in debt securities will not exceed 15% of its net assets.

**Sustainable Investment Policy** The sub-fund promotes environmental or 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.

In that respect, the eligible universe is determined by using proprietary ESG framework combining:

- exclusions filters which exclude companies and activities involved within selected activities that do not embody sustainability (controversial activities) as well as companies that do not uphold the principles of the UN Global Compact (Norms-based analysis). Next to these exclusions, the External Investment Manager should pass the exclusions rules of the Sustainable Investment Policy of the Management Company,

- SRI approaches: the screening process integrate a positive screening process such as best in class approach. The screening process integrates also a stakeholders analysis which evaluate the extent how

each company incorporates the interests of six stakeholders in its long-term strategy such as Investors, Human Capital, Suppliers, Clients, Society and Environment.

- Stewardship: Engagement, Dialogue, and Proxy Voting are central to the investment process in providing additional information on issuers and encouraging best practices.

The ESG information are integrated and analyzed into equity investment decisions in order to better assess the risks and opportunities that stem from the business activities and operations of companies.

The Investment Manager's ESG analysis will cover at least 90% of the fund's investments. The percentage of "non-rated ESG" assets in the portfolio should be no more than 10% of the net assets.

This in-depth analysis makes it possible to focus securities selection on the best companies from an ESG perspective, to eliminate issuers with the worst ESG profiles from the selection. The bottom 20% (at least) of issuers are removed from the universe.

The methodological limitations can be assessed in terms of the nature of the ESG information (quantification of qualitative data), ESG coverage (some data are not available for some issuers) and the coherency of ESG data (methodological differences).

The derivative instruments are not covered by the ESG analysis.

**Relation to the Reference Portfolio** This Fund is actively managed and is compared to the MSCI Europe Small Cap 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.

Therefore, returns may deviate materially from the performance of the Reference Portfolio.

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).

This Fund is eligible to the French Plan d'Épargne en Actions (PEA).

### Intended retail investor

This product is intended for investors who plan to stay invested for at least 5 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.

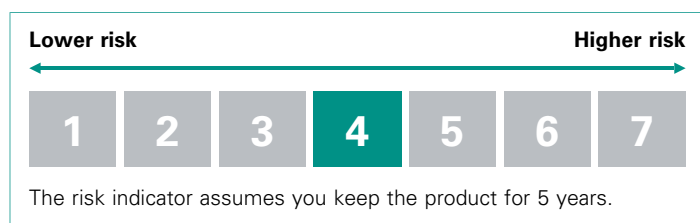
## Practical information

**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](http://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.

### 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 August 2021 and October 2023.

**Moderate:** this type of scenario occurred for an investment between December 2015 and December 2020.

**Favourable:** this type of scenario occurred for an investment between October 2016 and October 2021.

Recommended holding period		5 years	
Example Investment		10,000 EUR	
Scenarios		if you exit after 1 year	if you exit after 5 years (recommended holding period)
Minimum	There is no minimum guaranteed return. You could lose some or all of your investment.		
Stress	<b>What you might get back after costs</b> Average return each year	<b>4,640 EUR</b> -53.6%	<b>3,460 EUR</b> -19.1%
Unfavourable	<b>What you might get back after costs</b> Average return each year	<b>7,140 EUR</b> -28.6%	<b>6,760 EUR</b> -7.5%
Moderate	<b>What you might get back after costs</b> Average return each year	<b>10,010 EUR</b> 0.1%	<b>12,760 EUR</b> 5.0%
Favourable	<b>What you might get back after costs</b> Average return each year	<b>15,010 EUR</b> 50.1%	<b>16,770 EUR</b> 10.9%

## What happens if ABN AMRO Funds Candriam European ESG Smaller Companies 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 depository. Should we default, the depository 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 EUR is invested.

Example Investment 10,000 EUR	if you exit after 1 year	if you exit after 5 years (recommended holding period)
<b>Total Costs</b>	<b>712 EUR</b>	<b>1,161 EUR</b>
<b>Annual cost impact*</b>	<b>7.1%</b>	<b>2.5% each year</b>

(\*) 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 7.5% before costs and 5.0% after costs.

### Composition of costs

One-off costs upon entry or exit		Annual cost impact if you exit after 1 year
<b>Entry costs</b>	<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.	<b>Up to 500 EUR</b>
<b>Exit costs</b>	<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.	<b>100 EUR</b>
Ongoing costs taken each year		Annual cost impact if you exit after 1 year
<b>Management fees and other administrative or operating costs</b>	<b>0.94%</b> of the value of your investment per year. This is an estimate based on actual costs over the last year.	<b>94 EUR</b>
<b>Transaction costs</b>	<b>0.18%</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.	<b>18 EUR</b>
Incidental costs taken under specific conditions		Annual cost impact if you exit after 1 year
<b>Performance fees</b>	There is no performance fee for this product.	<b>0 EUR</b>

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

#### Recommended holding period: 5 years

This product is designed for longer term investments; you should be prepared to stay invested for at least 5 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 2 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](http://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](mailto: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](http://www.abnamroinvestmentsolutions.com).

**Past performance** You can download the past performance over the last 3 years from our website at [www.abnamroinvestmentsolutions.com](http://www.abnamroinvestmentsolutions.com).

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