# **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**

Product Name: Euro Corporate Bond Fund, Z Inc EUR Shares

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## What is this product?

### Type

Euro Corporate Bond Fund (the "Fund") is a Euro denominated sub-fund of a SICAV (société d'investissement à capital variable), abrdn SICAV II, incorporated in Luxembourg.

#### Term

abrdn SICAV II (the "Company") has no maturity date. The Fund and the Company may not be unilaterally terminated by abrdn Investments Luxembourg S.A.

#### Objective

The Fund aims to achieve a combination of income and growth by investing in bonds (which are like loans that can pay a fixed or variable interest rate) issued by companies, governments or other bodies.

The Fund aims to outperform the iBoxx Euro Corporates Index (EUR) benchmark (before charges).

### **Portfolio Securities**

- The Fund invests at least 80% of its assets in Euro denominated investment grade bonds issued by corporations.
- The Fund may invest up to 20% in sub-investment grade bonds.
- The Fund may invest in a wide range of bonds (e.g. government, convertible, supranational, government-backed, index-linked, asset backed and mortgage backed) in order to take advantage of opportunities identified by our investment team.
- Non-Euro denominated assets will typically be hedged back to Euro.
- Investment in corporate bonds will follow the abrdn "Euro Corporate Bond Promoting ESG Investment Approach" (the "Investment Approach").
- This approach utilises abrdn's fixed income investment process, which enables portfolio managers to qualitatively assess how ESG factors are likely to impact on the company's ability to repay its debt, both now and in the future. To complement this research, the abrdn ESG House Score is used to quantitatively identify and exclude those companies exposed to the highest ESG risks. In addition, abrdn apply a set of company exclusions, which are related to the UN Global Compact, Controversial Weapons, Tobacco Manufacturing and Thermal Coal.
- Green bonds, Social bonds or Sustainable bonds issued by companies otherwise excluded by the environmental screens are permitted, where the proceeds of such issues can be confirmed as having a positive environmental impact.
- Further detail of this overall process is captured within the Investment Approach, which is published at www.abrdn.com under "Fund Centre".
- Financial derivative instruments, money-market instruments and cash may not adhere to this approach.

## **Management Process**

- The Fund is actively managed.
- Through the application of the Investment Approach, the Fund commits to having a minimum of 10% in Sustainable Investments. Furthermore, the Fund targets a lower carbon intensity than the benchmark.
- Engagement with external company management teams is used to evaluate the ownership structures, governance and management quality of those companies, in order to inform portfolio construction. As part of this, up to 5% of asset may be invested in companies in high carbon emitting sectors, which are seen as having ambitious and credible targets to decarbonise their operations, in order to support their transition to ultimately comply with the environmental screens.
- The benchmark is used as a reference point for portfolio construction and as a basis for setting risk constraints, but does not incorporate any sustainable criteria
- In order to achieve its objective, the Fund will take positions whose weightings diverge from the benchmark or invest in securities which are not included in the benchmark. The investments of the Fund may deviate significantly from the components and their weightings in the benchmark. Due to the Fund's risk constraints, its performance profile is not ordinarily expected to deviate significantly from that of the benchmark over the longer term.

### **Derivatives and Techniques**

- The Fund will routinely use derivatives to reduce risk or cost, or to generate additional capital or income at proportionate risk (Efficient Portfolio Management) or to meet its investment objective. Derivatives may be used to provide market exposures different to those that could be achieved through investment in assets in which the fund is primarily invested. Usage of derivatives is monitored to ensure that the fund is not exposed to excessive or unintended risks.

### This fund is subject to Article 8 of the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation ("SFDR").

Investors in the fund may buy and sell shares on any dealing day (as defined in the Prospectus). If you invest in income shares, income from investments in the fund will be paid out to you. If you invest in accumulation shares, income will be added to the value of your shares.

#### Intended Retail Investor

Investors with basic investment knowledge. Investors who can accept large short term losses. Investors wanting an income and some growth over the longer term (5 years or more). The Fund has specific and generic risks with a risk rating as per the risk indicator. The Fund is intended for general sale to retail and professional investors through all distribution channels with or without professional advice.

The Fund's depositary is Citibank Europe plc Luxembourg Branch. The prospectus, the articles of association, the annual reports and interim reports may be obtained free of charge from our website or via the contact details in 'Other relevant information'. All documents are available in English and German; the prospectus is also available in French and Italian. For further information about abrdn SICAV II, including the latest share prices, please visit www.abrdn.com.

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



#### Lower risk

Higher risk



The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years. The actual risk can vary significantly if you sell it at an earlier stage. The value of investments and the income from them can go down as well as up, and you may get back less than you invested.

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 2 out of 7, which is a low risk class. This rates the potential losses from future performance at a low level, and poor market conditions are very unlikely to impact our capacity to pay you.

Where the currency of the country where you are resident is different to the currency of the product, **please 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.

Further information on risks is detailed in the prospectus available at www.abrdn.com or on request from the management company.

This product does not include any protection from future market performance or any capital guarantee against credit risk, so you could lose some or all of your investment.

# **Performance Scenarios**

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 / a suitable benchmark over the last 10 years. The scenarios shown are illustrations based on results from the past and on certain assumptions. Markets could develop very differently in the future.

| Recommended holding period:  Example Investment: |   | 5 years                  |                           |
|--|---|--------------------------|---------------------------|
|  |   | 10,000 EUR               |                           |
|  |   | If you exit after 1 year | If you exit after 5 years |
| Scenarios  |   |                          |                           |
| Minimum  | There is no minimum guaranteed return. You could lose some or all of your investment. |                          |                           |
| Stress   | What you might get back after costs   | 6,290 EUR                | 6,620 EUR                 |
|  | Average return each year  | -37.1%                   | -7.9%                     |
| Unfavourable                                     | What you might get back after costs   | 8,040 EUR                | 8,740 EUR                 |
|  | Average return each year  | -19.6%                   | -2.7%                     |
| Moderate   | What you might get back after costs   | 9,680 EUR                | 10,010 EUR                |
|  | Average return each year  | -3.2%                    | 0.0%                      |
| Favourable                                       | What you might get back after costs   | 10,480 EUR               | 11,320 EUR                |
|  | Average return each year  | 4.8%                     | 2.5%                      |

The figures shown include all the costs of the product itself, and includes the costs of your advisor or distributor. The figures do not take into account your personal tax situation, which may also affect how much you get back.

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

The unfavourable scenario occurred for an investment between November 2017 and October 2022. The moderate scenario occurred for an investment between April 2017 and March 2022. The favourable scenario occurred for an investment between January 2016 and December 2020.

# What happens if the Company is unable to pay out?

There is no financial compensation scheme for retail investors in SICAVs domiciled in Luxembourg. In the absence of a compensation scheme applicable to investments in the Fund, investors may face a financial loss of up to their entire investment amount.

### 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 and how well the product does. 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.

|                        | If you exit after 1 year | If you exit after 5 years |
|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Total costs            | 525 EUR                  | 658 EUR                   |
| Annual cost impact (*) | 5.2%                     | 1.3% each year            |

<sup>\*</sup> 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 1.3% before costs and 0.0% after costs.

We may share part of the costs with the person selling you the product to cover the services they provide to you. They will inform you of the amount.

### Composition of costs

| One-off costs upon entry or exit                            |   | If you exit after 1 year |  |  |
|---|---|--------------------------|--|--|
| Entry costs   | 5.00% 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 EUR            |  |  |
| Exit costs  | We do not charge an exit fee for this product.  | 0 EUR                    |  |  |
| Ongoing costs taken each year                               |   |                          |  |  |
| Management fees and other administrative or operating costs | 0.12% of the value of your investment per year. This is an estimate based on actual costs over the last year and includes any known future changes.   | 12 EUR                   |  |  |
| Transaction costs   | 0.13% 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. | 13 EUR                   |  |  |
| Incidental costs taken under specific conditions            |   |                          |  |  |
| Performance fees  | There is no performance fee for this product.   |                          |  |  |

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

### Recommended holding period: 5 years

This product has no required minimum holding period but you should have an investment time horizon of at least 5 years. You may buy or sell shares in the product, without penalty, on any normal business day as set out in the prospectus. Please contact your broker, financial adviser or distributor for information on any costs and charges relating to the purchase or sale of the shares.

# How can I complain?

If you wish to complain, you may do so by letter to abrdn Investments Luxembourg S.A. Shareholder Service Centre, c/o International Financial Data Services (Luxembourg) S.A., 49 Avenue J.F. Kennedy, L-1855 Luxembourg, Luxembourg; by email to asi\_luxembourgcs@statestreet.com; or by telephone 00 352 464 010 820 or 01224 425255 (from the UK).

## Other relevant information

This document describes only one share class; other share classes are available. The facility to switch into another share class within this fund or any other fund, is subject to the availability, compliance with any eligibility requirements and/or other specific conditions or restrictions attached to this fund or any other fund within abrdn SICAV II. Please see the prospectus for more details.

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Further information on this fund or abrdn Investments Luxembourg S.A. (including the remuneration policy) is available at www.abrdn.com and can also be obtained from abrdn Investments Luxembourg S.A., 35a, Avenue J.F. Kennedy, L-1855 Luxembourg. Telephone: (+352) 46 40 10 820. Email: asi luxembourgcs@statestreet.com.

Please refer to www.abrdn.com/kid-hub for further information including previous performance scenario calculations and past performance. The website shows 10 years of past performance data for this product.

The representative and paying agent in Switzerland is BNP PARIBAS, Paris, Zurich branch, Selnaustrasse 16, 8002 Zurich, Switzerland. Starting from 1 October 2024, the Swiss representative will be FIRST INDEPENDENT FUND SERVICES LTD., Feldeggstrasse 12, 8008 Zurich, Switzerland.

Starting from 1 October 2024, the Swiss paying agent will be NPB New Private Bank Ltd, Limmatquai 1, 8001 Zurich, Switzerland. Until and including 30 September 2024, the Prospectus, the Key Information Documents, the Articles of Incorporation and the annual and interim reports of the Company may be obtained free of charge from the Company's current representative in Switzerland, BNP PARIBAS, Paris, Zurich branch and starting from 1 October 2024 may be obtained from the Company's new representative in Switzerland, FIRST INDEPENDENT FUND SERVICES LTD.