

Important changes to the HSBC Selected Investment Funds Terms and Conditions (the “Terms”)

Please read this notice carefully and keep it in a safe place for future reference.

These changes are being made in two stages, as explained below – stage one came into effect on 6 April 2018 and stage two will be effective from 1 July 2018.

We are making variations to the Terms for a number of reasons which are set out in this notice. The variations will come into effect in TWO STAGES.

STAGE ONE: CHANGES TO THE TERMS TO UPDATE PROVISIONS RELATING TO TAXATION AND ISA REGULATIONS

We have made a number of changes to the Terms to reflect the latest taxation provisions applying to your Account and to incorporate additional regulatory changes. The key changes to the Terms in the first stage will be:

- Making provision for keeping your SIF ISA open for up to three years after you die so that your estate can benefit from the ISA tax advantages on income and gains arising after your death,
- Setting out the limits that will apply on Additional Permitted Subscriptions under the ISA Regulations if your spouse or civil partner dies, and
- To confirm that the only type of ISAs that we can accept on a transfer into your Account are stocks and shares ISAs or cash ISAs.

As we think these changes are either beneficial or are made to clarify existing terms, you have not received advance notification of them and these changes are already in effect from 6 April 2018.

STAGE TWO: CHANGES TO THE TERMS TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF OUR NEW PRIVACY NOTICE AND OTHER CHANGES

A new data privacy law is being introduced later this year in the UK. As a result, we're publishing a new Privacy Notice to make it easier for you to find out how we use and protect your information within the HSBC Group. We won't be changing the ways we use your personal information, but the new notice will provide you with additional details. We have updated the Terms to include our new Privacy Notice.

The key changes being made to the Privacy Notice explain:

- Your increased rights in relation to the information we hold about you,
- How we keep your personal information secure,
- The types of personal information the HSBC Group collects about you and how we collect and use it, and

- The legal grounds for how we use your information.

On 3 January 2018, a key piece of European legislation, the new Markets in Financial Instruments Directive (known as "MiFID II") came into force. Your Terms already reflect most of the changes that were made as a result of the introduction of MiFID II, but we are now making some additional changes in relation to the information that must be provided to you.

The key changes to the Terms will be:

- We require your agreement to provide you with certain types of information relating to your Account via a website. The information we will provide on our website may include details of our costs and charges, key information documents, and information about our trading terms and Best Execution Policies. The Terms are being updated to provide that your acceptance of the Terms will give us permission to provide you with this information via a website. We also explain the circumstances in which you will be able to request hard copies if you wish to do so.
- We are required to provide you with more detailed information about our costs and charges, and the return on your investment before providing you with our services, and then on an annual basis. The Terms tell you when and how you can expect to receive that information.
- We have updated our Conflicts of Interest Policy which is reflected in the summary of the Conflicts of Interest Policy contained in the Terms.

The changes to the Terms in the second stage will take effect on **1 July 2018**.

We have also made changes where necessary to the HSBC Selected Investment Funds Key Features Document to reflect the changes in the second stage. These changes will also come into effect on **1 July 2018**.

The changes in stages one and two are explained in this Notice of Variation. There are other small changes taking place to update your Terms that are intended to set out more clearly the terms on which we provide the Selected Investment Funds Account to you.

We do not believe these updates will have any practical impact on you. Please note that where necessary, we have adjusted and renumbered clause references and made minor and other typographical amendments which are not in this Notice of Variation. For full details of the amended Terms and Conditions document and Key Features Document please contact us on 03457 456 123*.

Expressions defined in the Terms and used in this Notice of Variation shall have the meaning given to them in the Terms.

We recommend you carefully read the information set out in this Notice of Variation and keep it in a safe place for future reference.

Do I need to do anything?

If you're happy to accept the changes being proposed, you don't need to do anything.

If you do not agree to the changes you have the right to close your Account(s) with us at any time and, if applicable, the right to transfer your SIF ISA to another ISA provider. If you do not agree to the changes in Stage Two, please let us know in advance.

If we do not hear from you before 1 July 2018 about changes in Stage Two we will be entitled to assume you accept the changes and consent to the updated Terms.

There will be no charge for closing your Account(s), however, if the value of your Account Investments has fallen, you may get back less than you paid in. In the case of an Account held within an ISA, if it is closed without transferring to another ISA, any associated tax benefits will be lost.

How to contact us

Please contact us on 03457 456 123* if you would like to discuss the changes set out below or if you would like us to send you a copy of the amended Terms.

*** Lines are open from 8am to 6pm Monday to Friday excluding public holidays. To help us continually improve our services and in the interests of security, we may monitor and/or record your communication with us.**

STAGE ONE: CHANGES TO THE TERMS TO UPDATE PROVISIONS RELATING TO TAXATION AND ISA REGULATIONS

Change to the Terms (effective from 6 April 2018)

Please note that where necessary, we have made minor typographical amendments and removed out of date references.

ADDITIONAL PERMITTED SUBSCRIPTION

Clause 4: Management

We have amended the Terms to explain the limits that will apply on Additional Permitted Subscriptions under the ISA Regulations if your spouse or civil partner dies according to the relevant tax year.

We have amended clauses 4.15 and 4.17, and added a new clause 4.16 so that they now read:

4.15 If your spouse or partner died on or before 5 April 2018, the Additional Permitted Subscription must not exceed the combined value of your spouse or civil partner's ISAs which they held at the date of their death (including any income accrued, but not paid or credited to the ISA at the date of death), and must be made in accordance with the requirements set out in the Regulations.

4.16 If your spouse or civil partner dies on or after 6 April 2018, the Additional Permitted Subscription must not exceed the higher of the combined value of your spouse or civil partner's ISAs which they held at either (i) the date of their death (including any income accrued, but not paid or credited to the ISAs at the date of death), or (ii) the point the ISAs ceased to be a "continuing account of a deceased investor" (including any income accrued, but not paid or credited to the ISA at that date), and must be made in accordance with the requirements set out in the Regulations.

4.17 You may make several Additional Permitted Subscriptions; however, they must not, in aggregate, exceed the relevant values set out at 4.15 or 4.16 above and must be made within the timescales set out in the Regulations.

TERMINATION ON DEATH

Under new Regulations applying after 6 April 2018 we can keep your SIF ISA open for up to three years after you die so that your estate can benefit from the ISA tax advantages on income and gains arising after your death. We have made amendments to our termination clause to explain how this will work.

21. Termination

We have amended Clause 21.9 (i) Sole Investors so that it now reads:

If you died on or before 5 April 2018, the Account will terminate on your death, however your personal representatives should provide proof of the date of your death and of their appointment. Once we receive such proof as is acceptable to us, we will deal with the Account Investments in accordance with the instructions of your personal representatives who will become subject to these Terms. Any tax refunds claimed on your behalf after you die will be repaid to HM Revenue & Customs.

You will immediately lose the tax benefits associated with the SIF ISA. We reserve the right to deduct a sufficient amount of funds from your SIF ISA to pay any tax liability you may have in respect of any tax liabilities which have arisen in relation to credit interest payments made to you on or prior to 5 April 2016. Where you have incurred a tax liability in respect of credit interest payments made to you on or after 6 April 2016 we will not deduct any amount in respect of these liabilities and it shall be your estate's responsibility to account to HM Revenue & Customs for the full amount of such liabilities.

If you die on or after 6 April 2018, we will designate your SIF ISA as a "continuing account of a deceased investor" in accordance with the Regulations. Your SIF ISA will remain as a "continuing account of a deceased investor" until the earlier of:

- *the completion of the administration of your estate;*
- *the closure of your SIF ISA; and*
- *the third anniversary of your death.*

We are not required to check with your executors if or when the administration of your estate has been completed.

While your SIF ISA is a "continuing account of a deceased investor", no Payments may be made into it but the existing investments will continue to be held and to benefit from ISA tax advantages. This means that any interest, dividends or gains in respect of Investments in your SIF ISA will be exempt from UK income tax and capital gains tax.

If the administration of your estate has not been completed by the third anniversary of your death, then your SIF ISA will cease to be a "continuing account of a deceased investor". This means that the investments in your SIF ISA are no longer held in an ISA wrapper and subsequent income or gains on your investments will become taxable.

Personal representatives appointed to administer your estate are not entitled to:

- *apply to us to change a stocks and shares ISA into a cash ISA, innovative finance ISA or Lifetime ISA; or*
- *request the transfer of a "continuing account of a deceased investor" managed by us to an alternative ISA Manager.*

These Terms will continue to apply to your SIF ISA while it is designated as a "continuing account of a deceased investor", but we may choose to waive any fees and charges which become due in this period at our discretion.

TRANSFERS

23. SIF ISA Transfers In

The only type of ISAs that we can accept on a transfer into your Account are stocks and shares ISAs or cash ISAs. We have therefore made it clear that we cannot accept innovative finance ISAs or Lifetime ISAs.

Clause 23.1 now reads:

If your Account is a SIF ISA, you may transfer all or part of another stocks and shares or cash ISA held with us or with another ISA manager into that Account. If you wish to transfer Subscriptions made in the current Tax Year then all Subscriptions made in the current Tax Year must be transferred. We do not accept transfers from innovative finance ISAs or Lifetime ISAs.

STAGE TWO: CHANGES TO THE TERMS TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF OUR NEW PRIVACY NOTICE AND OTHER CHANGES

Change to the Terms (effective from 1 July 2018)

We have substituted Clause 26 with a new Clause 26 which reads as follows:

26. Your Information

'Definitions'

Capitalised terms used in this Clause 26 shall have the following meanings:

'Authorities' includes any judicial, administrative, public or regulatory body, any government, any Tax Authority, court, central bank or law enforcement body, or any of their agents with jurisdiction over any part of the HSBC Group.

'Compliance Obligations' means obligations of the HSBC Group to comply with: (a) Laws or international guidance and internal policies or procedures, (b) any demand from Authorities or reporting, disclosure or other obligations under Laws, and (c) Laws requiring us to verify the identity of our customers.

'Connected Person' means any natural person or legal entity (other than you) whose information (including Personal Data or Tax Information) you provide, or which is provided on your behalf, to any member of the HSBC Group or which is otherwise received by any member of the HSBC Group in connection with the provision of the Services. A Connected Person may include any guarantor or any other persons or entities with whom you have a relationship that is relevant to your relationship with the HSBC Group. A Connected Person may include any guarantor or owner of a legal estate in land over which we are to take security, provider or recipient of a payment or any other persons or entities with whom you have a relationship that is relevant to your relationship with the HSBC Group.

'Customer Information' means your Personal Data, confidential information, and/or Tax Information or that of a Connected Person.

'Financial Crime' means money laundering, terrorist financing, bribery, corruption, tax evasion, fraud, evasion of economic or trade sanctions, and/or any acts or attempts to circumvent or break any Laws relating to these matters.

'Financial Crime Risk Management Activity' means any action to meet Compliance Obligations relating to the detection, investigation and prevention of Financial Crime. This may include (a) screening, intercepting and investigating any communication, application for Services or any payment, whether sent to or by you or on your behalf, (b) investigating the source of or intended recipient of money, (c) combining Customer Information with other related information in the possession of the HSBC Group and/or (d) making further enquiries as to the status of a relevant person or entity (whether they are subject to a sanctions regime or confirming their identity or status).

'HSBC Group' and **'any member of the HSBC Group'** means HSBC Holdings plc, and/or any of its affiliates, subsidiaries, associated entities, and any of their branches or offices, and includes HSBC Bank plc.

'Laws' include any local or foreign law, regulation, judgment or court order, voluntary code, sanctions regime, agreement between any member of the HSBC Group and an Authority, or agreement or treaty between Authorities and applicable to us or any other member of the HSBC Group.

'Personal Data' means any information relating to an individual from which they can be identified.

'Services' includes (a) the opening, maintaining and closing of your accounts with us, including your mortgage account (b) providing you with credit facilities and other banking products and services, processing applications, credit and eligibility assessment, and (c) maintaining our overall relationship with you, including marketing services or products to you, market research, insurance, audit and administrative purposes.

'Tax Authorities' means UK or foreign tax, revenue or monetary authorities (for example, HMRC).

'Tax Information' means documentation or information about a person's tax status, including yours.

Reference to the singular includes the plural (and vice versa).

26.1 Privacy

Your privacy is important to HSBC.

Our Privacy Notice explains how we collect, use, disclose, transfer and store your information and sets your rights in relation to your information.

A copy of our Privacy Notice is available separately and we will inform you when we make any changes to it. You can find a copy at www.hsbc.co.uk or you can ask for a copy in branch or by telephone.

26.2 Your responsibilities

If we make a reasonable request for information, you must give it to us as soon as possible. If you don't give it to us, or if we suspect fraudulent or criminal activity of any kind:

- you might not be able to carry on doing some or all of your banking with us anymore;
- we might try to get it from another source, ourselves.

It's up to you to make sure the information you give us is accurate and up to date, and you must tell us if anything changes, within 30 days.

We'll use your information as explained in our Privacy Notice. We'll give it to others if we're compelled to do so by law, we've a public duty to disclose it, we need to disclose to protect our own interests (for example in any legal proceedings) or if we have your specific agreement. For example, if we believe you may have tax obligations in other countries, we may have to disclose information about you directly to HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) or other local tax authorities.

26.3 Tax Compliance

It's up to you to meet your tax responsibilities in the UK and any other countries where this arises. This relates to the opening and use of accounts and services provided by members of the HSBC Group. Some countries' tax laws may

apply to you even if you don't live there or aren't a citizen of that country. Connected Persons, who are people connected with you in a way that's relevant to your relationship with us, are responsible for their own tax obligations. As you are responsible for your own tax obligations (and Connected Persons, for theirs), no HSBC Group member is responsible for this nor provides tax advice. It is your choice if you seek independent legal and tax advice.

26.4 Actions we may take in order to prevent Financial Crime

Members of the HSBC Group, are required, and may take any action to meet Compliance Obligations relating to or in connection with the detection, investigation and prevention of Financial Crime ("Financial Crime Risk Management Activity"). Such action may include, but is not limited to:

- a. screening, intercepting and investigating any instruction or communication sent to or by you or a Connected Person, or on your or their behalf;
- b. investigating the source of or intended recipient of funds;
- c. combining Customer Information with other related information in the possession of any member of the HSBC Group; and/or
- d. making further enquiries as to the status of a person or entity, whether they are subject to a sanctions regime, or confirming their identity and status.

Exceptionally, our Financial Crime Risk Management Activity may lead to us:

- a. delaying or refusing to either process a payment or your instructions;
- b. being unable to provide all or part of the Services to you and ending our entire relationship with you;
- c. taking necessary steps for any member of the HSBC Group to meet the Compliance Obligations; and/or
- d. blocking or closing your account(s) (although not any of your mortgage account(s)).

To the extent permissible by law, no member of HSBC Group shall be liable to you or any third party in respect of any loss (however it arose)

that was suffered or incurred by you or a third party, caused in whole or in part in connection with the undertaking of Financial Crime Risk Management Activity.

OTHER CHANGES – MIFID II

The new Markets in Financial Instruments Directive (known as “MiFID II”) came into force on 3 January 2018. As a result we are now making some additional changes to your terms to reflect new requirements in relation to the information that we must provide to you. We are also making amendments to reflect how we provide information to you.

Introduction

We have added a new paragraph to this section. The new paragraph reads:

Before we can accept an application from you, you will need to confirm that you have read the latest version of the Costs and Charges Disclosure Document and Key Investor Information Document. You can view, download and print a copy of the relevant Costs and Charges Disclosure Document and Key Investor Information Document by visiting www.hsbc.co.uk/costs-and-charges Alternatively we can provide these documents either electronically or by post.

1. Definitions

We have added the following new definitions:

‘Communications’ means all communications made by us to you between us and you by post, electronically or by telephone relating to the Selected Investment Funds and/or your Account(s) including, without limitation, statements, trade confirmations, notices of changes to the Terms and general communication or information;

‘Costs and Charges Disclosure Document’ means the document that gives you important information about charges and the breakdown of costs you pay in respect of your Funds and the Service we provide to you;

‘Costs and Charges Statement’ means the document which we will provide to you annually that gives you important information about charges and the breakdown of costs you pay in respect of your Funds and the related Service we provide to you;

‘We’, ‘Us’, and ‘Our’ means HSBC Trust Company (UK) Limited;

8. Communications

We require your agreement to provide you with certain types of information relating to your Account via a website. The information we will provide on our website may include details of our costs and charges, key information documents, and information about our trading terms and Best Execution Policies.

We have added a new Clause 8.5 which reads:

To ensure we carry out your instructions (including any Fund Instructions), to help us continually improve our service and in the interest of security, we may monitor and/or record your telephone calls with us. We will retain these records for seven years. You may ask for a copy of any record at any time during this period. Any recordings remain our sole property and may be used as evidence in any dispute or anticipated dispute.

We have added a new Clause 8.6 which reads:

We may provide you with information including documentation via our website www.hsbc.co.uk as permitted by the FCA rules and where you have agreed to this. By agreeing to these Terms you agree to receive information via the website. We will notify you of the website address electronically when such information is put onto the website where it will be updated from time to time. You agree that we may in particular provide the following to you via a website:

- (i) our terms in relation to trading;
- (ii) a general description of the nature and risks of financial instruments;
- (iii) our published fee tariffs, Costs and Charges Disclosure Document and other information on our costs and charges;
- (iv) details of our Best Execution policies; and
- (v) Key Information Documents (KIDs) and Key Investor Information Documents (KIIDs) (as required).

We have added a new Clause 8.7 which reads:

8.7 KIDs (where available) and KIIDs may be accessed and viewed, downloaded, saved and printed from our website or from another website that we will provide to you. We will provide you with a KID or KIID on paper, or via the website depending on the choice you made when becoming a client or subsequently chose.

Where you have chosen to receive KIDs or KIIDs via the website you confirm that you have regular access to the internet and you have provided us with your email address. Where we have provided you with a KID or KIID via a website, you have the right to request a paper copy of the KID or KIID free of charge. We will direct you to the website or websites on which any KIDs or KIIDs are available.

18. Statements

We have added a new Clause 18.5 which reads:

You will also receive an annual Costs and Charges Statement around the anniversary of your Selected Investment Funds Account. This will provide you with information about how much your investment has cost over a year and will include:

- *Service Costs – which include any advice fees, Account Fee and transaction costs associated with your investment; and*
- *Product Costs – which include charges relating to management costs and the Ongoing Charges Figure.*
- *We will also provide you with information if third party payments have been received in respect of your fund/Account.*

Annex 2 – Policy on HSBC conflicts of interest

The Policy on HSBC conflicts of interest has been updated to clarify that where permitted by applicable laws and regulatory requirements, HSBC Bank plc may deal as principal for its own investment account and may be matching transactions with another client.

Policy on HSBC Conflicts of Interest

The HSBC Group is a global organisation which provides a wide range of financial services. As such, it, or a company with whom it has an association (HSBC), may from time to time have interests which conflict with its clients' interests or with the duties that it owes to its clients. These include conflicts arising between the interests of HSBC, its associates and employees on the one hand and the interests of its clients on the other and also conflicts between clients themselves.

HSBC has established procedures which are designed to identify and manage such conflicts. These include organisational and administrative

arrangements to safeguard the interests of clients. A key element of this policy is that persons engaged in different business activities involving a conflict of interest must carry on those activities independently of one another.

Where necessary, HSBC maintains arrangements which restrict the flow of information to certain employees in order to protect its clients' interests and to prevent improper access to client information.

HSBC may also deal as Principal for its own investment account and may be matching transactions with another client. Procedures are in place in order to protect the client's interest in this instance.

In some cases, HSBC's procedures and controls may not be sufficient to ensure that a potential conflict of interest does not damage a client's interests. In these circumstances, HSBC may consider it appropriate to disclose the potential conflict to the client and obtain the client's formal consent to proceed. However, HSBC may decline to act in any circumstance where there is residual risk of damage to the interests of any client.

You may have further questions which relate to the underlying procedures within HSBC. In such cases you should contact the Client Enquiry team, who will direct your enquiry accordingly.

Changes to the HSBC Selected Investment Funds Key Features Document (Effective Date 6 April 2018)

Please note that where necessary, we have made minor typographical amendments and removed out of date references.

Who can apply for and hold a SIF Plan and SIF ISA?

The only type of ISAs that we can accept on a transfer into your Account are stocks and shares ISAs or cash ISAs. We have therefore made it clear that we cannot accept innovative finance ISAs or Lifetime ISAs.

We have amended the fourth paragraph of this section which reads as follows:

You can only subscribe to a SIF ISA if you are resident in the UK or if you are performing duties as a UK Crown employee working

overseas or you are married to, or in civil partnership with, a person who performs such duties. You may be able to transfer your existing stocks and shares or cash ISA to us from another ISA manager, however, this will depend on your country of residence.

What is an ISA

We have added a new paragraph to the section headed **What is an ISA?** which reads as follows:

The SIF ISA is not a flexible ISA under the Regulations, which means that amounts subscribed and then withdrawn cannot be reinvested without counting towards the annual subscription limit in the same tax year.

We have amended the fourth and fifth paragraphs which reads as follows:

Because of their tax advantages ISAs are subject to annual subscription limits. The overall ISA subscription limit is £20,000 for the 2018/19 tax year.

You can subscribe to any combination of permitted ISAs in the same tax year, subject to the subscription limits and eligibility requirements for each type of ISA, but you cannot exceed the overall maximum ISA allowance of £20,000 for the 2018/19 tax year.

Can I change my selection of funds?

We have updated this section with a new paragraph which reads:

If you are making regular payments you can choose to switch your existing holdings, your future investments or both.

We have amended the eleventh paragraph which reads as follows:

To switch funds you can call us, or you can write to us giving us your instructions. You will also need to confirm that you have read the most recent Costs and Charges Disclosure Document and KIID before we can process your request. You can view, download and print a copy of the relevant Costs and Charges Disclosure Document and KIID by visiting www.hsbc.co.uk/costs-and-charges Alternatively we can provide these documents either electronically or by post.

What is a Feeder Option?

We have amended the sixth paragraph in this section which reads:

When the whole amount in the Feeder Fund has been switched to a SIF ISA, no further automatic switches will take place. If you would like automatic switches to be made in future you will need to invest further money into your Feeder Fund or instruct us to allocate an alternative fund as the Feeder Fund.

Can I transfer my ISA from another ISA manager?

We have amended the first paragraph which reads:

We accept transfers of existing stocks and shares ISAs and cash ISAs. We do not accept transfers from innovative finance ISAs or Lifetime ISAs. You should complete a SIF ISA Transfer Form (available by contacting us) and send it to us. If you wish to make a subscription to your ISA following the transfer, you will also need to complete a new SIF Application Form unless you have already subscribed to a SIF ISA in the current tax year or previous tax year.

Can I transfer my SIF ISA to another ISA manager?

We have amended the first paragraph which reads:

You can transfer all or part of your SIF ISA to another stocks and shares, cash, innovative finance, or Lifetime ISA with another ISA manager at any time by telling us in writing. The new ISA manager must agree to the transfer. You can transfer cash and/or transfer the investments without selling them, where permitted by the new ISA manager.

We have added a new paragraph which reads:

However please note that if you transfer to a Lifetime ISA from an ISA that is not a Lifetime ISA, the amount transferred does still count towards the Lifetime ISA 'current year payment limit'. The current year payment limit is £4,000 for the 2018/19 tax year.

Can I change my mind about my investment?

We have amended the second paragraph of the section headed **Cancelling an investment where shares were purchased** which now reads:

If you cancel an investment where you have transferred your ISA into SIF from another ISA manager and purchased shares, we will sell those shares and hold the cash proceeds as Client Money in your Account awaiting further instructions from you. You can transfer your investment to another stocks and shares, cash, innovative finance or Lifetime ISA, either with HSBC or another ISA manager. Alternatively, you can have the cash proceeds paid to you. If we do not receive any instructions from you within 30 days of receiving your cancellation instruction then we may return the cash proceeds to you. This will result in you losing the benefits of holding those cash proceeds in an ISA.

Can I take an income?

We have added two new paragraphs to clarify the share types available and how we will invest your money which read:

If you invest in an accumulation share class all income generated by the fund will be held within the fund and will serve to increase the value of the fund, which will be reflected in the share price. If you choose to have income paid out we will purchase income shares. Income will be paid out to you depending on the income frequency of the fund and when you want it paid out to you.

Where available you may be able to choose to have your income reinvested. Where you have chosen to have income reinvested, we will use the income in your Account to purchase further shares in the fund(s). The income will be used to purchase shares in the same class of shares and the same fund from which it was generated.

Changes to the HSBC Selected Investment Funds Key Features Document (Effective Date 1 July 2018)

What is the purpose of this document?

We have amended the second paragraph of this section which reads as follows:

The Financial Conduct Authority is a financial services regulator. It requires us, HSBC Trust Company (UK) Limited, to give you this important information to help you to decide whether our HSBC SIF Plan and SIF ISA is right for you. You should read this document

along with the other important documents listed below so that you understand what you are buying, and then keep it safe for future reference. This document only outlines the key features so it is important that you also read the SIF Terms and Conditions, the Fund Information Document and the Costs and Charges Disclosure Document. You should also read any applicable Key Investor Information Document (KIID) provided by the fund provider before investing in a fund. Before we can accept an instruction from you, you will need to confirm that you have received the latest version of the Costs and Charges Disclosure Document and Key Investor Information Document. You can view, download and print a copy of the relevant Costs and Charges Disclosure Document and KIID by visiting www.hsbc.co.uk/costs-and-charges Alternatively we can provide these documents either electronically or by post.

How can I invest?

We have amended the final paragraph of this section which reads as follows:

Before you invest in any fund and share class you will need to confirm you have read the relevant Costs and Charges Disclosure Document and KIID for that fund and share class. You can view, download and print copies of these documents by visiting www.hsbc.co.uk/costs-and-charges Alternatively we can provide these documents either electronically or by post.

What are the charges?

We have added a new paragraph to the 'Ongoing Charge' section which read as follows:

The Costs and Charges Disclosure Document includes all costs and associated charges which can include one-off charges, on-going charges and transaction costs from the provision of the investment service. Transaction costs are incurred from purchasing and selling investments within SIF and include Trading Fees, Stamp Duty Reserve Tax or Panel on Takeovers and Mergers (PTM) levy (where applicable).

How do the charges and expenses affect my investment?

We have amended the first paragraph which reads as follows:

The Costs and Charges Disclosure Document shows how the charges and expenses affect your investment. Unless indicated otherwise, any costs related to the Service are exclusive of any applicable VAT, stamp duty, stamp duty reserve tax, other taxes and levies relevant to orders you place.

We have added a new paragraph which reads as follows:

Each year around the anniversary of the date on which you opened your account we will send you a Costs and Charges Statement which sets out the actual charges that have been made together with an illustration of the cumulative affect of those charges on your Fund investments.

Can I change my selection of funds?

We have amended the 11th paragraph which reads as follows:

To switch funds you can call us, or you can write to us giving us your instructions. You will also need to confirm that you have read the most recent Costs and Charges Disclosure Document and KIID before we can process your request. You can view, download and print a copy of the relevant Costs and Charges Disclosure Document and KIID by visiting www.hsbc.co.uk/costs-and-charges Alternatively we can provide these documents either electronically or by post.

Can I switch my investment from a SIF Plan to a SIF ISA?

We have amended the final paragraph in this section which reads as follows:

To switch your investment from a SIF Plan to a SIF ISA, you can write to us giving us your instructions. If you are switching between different funds or share classes when switching your investment from a SIF Plan to a SIF ISA, you will also need to confirm that you have read the most recent Costs and Charges Disclosure Document and KIID before we can process your request. You can view, download and print a copy of the relevant Costs and Charges Disclosure Document and KIID by visiting www.hsbc.co.uk/costs-and-charges Alternatively we can provide these documents either electronically or by post.

Once I have invested what will I receive from you?

We have added a new paragraph which reads as follows:

You will also receive an annual Costs and Charges Statement around the anniversary of your investment. This will provide you with information about how much your investment has cost over a year and will include:

- *Service Costs – which include any advice fees, Account Fee and transaction costs associated with your investment; and*
- *Product Costs – which include charges relating to management costs and the Ongoing Charges Figure.*
- *We will also provide you with information if third party payments have been received in respect of your fund/Account.*

How can I obtain further information?

We have added a new section headed “**How can I obtain further information?**” which reads as follows:

We may provide you with information including documentation via our Website www.hsbc.co.uk as permitted by the FCA rules and where you have agreed to this. We will let you know the website address electronically, when we put information up on the website where such information will be available and updated from time to time. We may in particular provide the following to you via a website:

- (a) our terms in relation to trading;*
- (b) a general description of the nature and risks of financial instruments;*
- (c) our published fee tariffs, Costs and Charges Disclosure Document, Costs and Charges Disclosure Statements and other information on our costs and charges;*
- (d) details of our Best Execution policies; and*
- (e) Key Information Documents (KIDs) and Key Investor Information Documents (KIIDs) (as required).*

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Selected Investment Funds

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How to contact us

Telephone – Call our Customer Service Centre on: 03457 456 123

By telephone for general enquiries: 03457 660 391

Lines are open 8am – 6pm Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays). To help us continually improve our services and in the interests of security, we may monitor and/or record your telephone calls. Any calls that lead to or may lead to a transaction will be recorded. We will keep these records for seven years during which time you may ask for a copy of the record at any time.

Post – Write to us at:

HSBC Trust Company (UK) Limited, PO Box 6189, Coventry CV3 9HS. If you write to us, we may need to contact you about your investment. Please provide a contact number to avoid delays in processing. Please note that, except where expressly permitted in the Terms, fund instructions may not be given by post. We will inform you of any changes to our contact details.

Introduction

The Selected Investment Funds is an investment service provided by HSBC Trust Company (UK) Limited through which you can open and invest in a range of funds through the Selected Investment Funds Plan and Selected Investment Funds ISA. The Selected Investment Funds Service may be available through your HSBC Bank plc Adviser. As the provider of your Account HSBC Trust Company (UK) Limited will not itself advise you in relation to your investment in the Funds and is not therefore required to assess the suitability of the service provided. Unless you separately receive advice from an HSBC Bank plc adviser, you will not therefore benefit from the protection of the Rules on suitability.

Your agreement with us in respect of each Account you hold (the 'Terms') consists of these Selected Investment Funds Terms and Conditions, your Application Form, the Key Features Document, the Fund Information Document and the Costs and Charges Disclosure Document.

The Key Features Document includes important information relevant to the Terms including:

- the charges which are payable; and
- certain specific terms and conditions and limitations which apply to your investments in the Funds.

The charges which are payable are also set out in the Fund Information Document and further information in the Costs and Charges Disclosure Document. We will also provide you with the Key Investor Information Document produced by the Manager for the Funds you invest in.

You will be categorised as a retail client in relation to any Account you hold in the Selected Investment Funds.

No third party will have any rights under the Terms.

Please read the Terms before you apply and invest and keep them in a safe place. You can ask for a copy of the Terms at any time by calling or writing to us.

1. Definitions

In these Terms:

'Account' means a SIF Plan or a SIF ISA opened in accordance with these Terms or any previous terms and conditions, your Application Form, the Regulations and the Rules;

'Account Investments' means the Shares and cash held in the Account;

'Account Fee' means the fee we charge for the services we provide to you in connection with your Account and your Account Investments in accordance with these Terms as set out in the Key Features Document;

'Account Manager', 'we', 'us', 'our' or 'ourselves' means, unless otherwise advised in these Terms, HSBC Trust Company (UK) Limited which is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority;

'Additional Permitted Subscription' means an additional subscription which you can apply to make into your Account following the death of your spouse or civil partner. The Additional Permitted Subscription will not count towards your current tax year ISA subscription limit.

'Administrative Office' means PO Box 6189, Coventry, CV3 9HS or such other address notified to you from time to time;

'Application Form' means the completed application form(s) used to open the Account or such other document or method of application as is acceptable to us;

'Associate' means any company in the same group as us and any of our or their subsidiaries as such term is defined in the Companies Act 2006 as amended or replaced from time to time;

'Automatic ISA Subscription' means selling Shares in your SIF Plan and using the proceeds to buy Shares to be held within your SIF ISA on the date(s) specified by us each Tax Year;

'Best Possible Result' means the best possible result for the purchase and sale of Shares in accordance with the Rules;

'Business Day' means Monday to Friday except UK public holidays;

'CASS Rules' means the rules of the FCA in relation to client money and assets;

'CAT Standards' means the voluntary standards for Charges, Access and Terms published by HM Treasury;

'Clean Share Class' means those classes of Shares for which the annual management charge does not include any commission or rebate to be paid to us or any Associate in respect of advising on or distributing those Shares;

'Client Money' means, in relation to the Account, money held on your behalf by us in our name and deposited with any third party nominated by us. Such money is identified as Client Money and is segregated from our money in accordance with the Rules;

'Corporate Action' means any mandatory or voluntary corporate action event including, without limitation, any events concerning takeovers, mergers, other offers or reorganisations and the exercise of conversion and subscription rights relating to Account Investments;

'Costs and Charges Disclosure Document' means the costs and charges disclosure document which forms part of the Terms together with any changes we subsequently tell you about;

'Effective Date' means the Business Day upon which we accept both your Application Form and initial Payment or, if you are re-registering Shares, your Application Form, Initial Payment and/or Shares;

'Execution Policy' means our internal policy setting out how we will deliver the Best Possible Result when we receive and transmit orders for the purchase and sale of Shares to our Associate for execution;

'Feeder Option' means the option for you to make an Automatic ISA Subscription;

'Financial Conduct Authority' or 'FCA' means the authority responsible for the conduct supervision of all regulated financial firms and the prudential supervision of those not supervised by the Prudential Regulation Authority;

'Fund' or 'Funds' means the investment fund(s) from the range we offer from time to time;

'Fund Information Document' means the Fund Information Document you were given when you applied for this Account which forms part of the Terms together with any changes we subsequently tell you about;

'Income' means any income including dividends and tax reclaims but excluding Interest held in your Account;

'Interest' means any money earned on cash which is held on your behalf as Client Money within your Account;

'ISA' means an Individual Savings Account in accordance with the Regulations;

'Key Features Document' means the key features document and any changes we subsequently tell you about;

'Key Investor Information Document' or 'KIID' means the Key Investor Information Document produced by the relevant Manager (where available) and made available to you by us before you purchase Shares in an Account and includes any key information document prepared for any non UCITS Fund;

'Legacy Share Classes' means classes of shares in funds for which the annual management charge includes payments of commission by the product provider to the relevant distributor;

'Manager' means the manager or the Authorised Corporate Director (ACD) of a Fund;

'New Provider' means an entity to which we transfer your agreement with us under clause 6.1 of these Terms;

'Nominee' means the Company appointed to hold Shares on your behalf, being a non-trading company within the HSBC group;

'Payment' or **'Payments'** means any cash amount received from you, or from another ISA manager on your behalf, for investment in your Account;

'Prudential Regulation Authority' means the authority responsible for the prudential supervision and regulation of banks, building societies, credit unions, insurers and investment firms;

'Regulations' means the Individual Savings Account Regulations 1998 as amended or replaced from time to time, and any other applicable statutes and regulations;

'Rules' means the rules of the FCA that apply to your Account;

'Share' or **'Shares'** means units or shares in a Fund;

'SIF ISA' means an Account which is a Selected Investment Funds stocks and shares ISA opened with us in accordance with these Terms;

'SIF Plan' means an Account opened with us in accordance with these Terms which is not a SIF ISA;

'Subscription' or **'Subscriptions'** means any contribution made by you to your Account during a Tax Year that counts towards the annual subscription limits under the Regulations, and where applicable, an Additional Permitted Subscription;

'Tax Year' means a year beginning on 6 April and ending on the following 5 April;

'Terms' means these terms and conditions together with the Application Form, the Key Features Document, the Fund Information Document, and the Costs and Charges Disclosure Document;

'UCITS' means the European Directive that regulates certain of the Funds;

'You' or **'Your'** means the person(s) whose name(s), address(es) and other particulars appear in the relevant Application Form.

2. Appointment

2.1 You appoint us as the Account Manager to manage your Account in accordance with these Terms, the Regulations and the Rules.

2.2 You authorise us to claim and receive distributions from Funds, interest payments and other entitlements accruing in respect of your Account and to take any applicable Account Fee.

3. Cancellation

3.1 Following your first Payment into your Account, we will send you a reminder of your right to cancel your Account. If you wish to cancel your Account under this clause 3, you may notify us by writing to our Administrative Office within 30 days of the date we purchased your Shares. If an Account Fee has been collected we will return all of that fee to you. You also have the right to terminate your Account at any time in accordance with clause 21 subject to paying any outstanding fees and charges.

3.2 Where we have received a Payment directly from you and you wish to cancel your Account under this clause 3, we will sell all the Shares relating to that Payment in your Account and return the Payment to you.

3.3 Where we have received a Payment into your SIF ISA by way of a transfer of an existing ISA from another ISA manager, if you exercise your right to cancel:

- (i) we will sell the Shares in your SIF ISA and hold your Payment as Client Money, until we receive your further instructions;
- (ii) if your further instructions are not received within a further 30 Business Days, we may return your Payment to you.

If we return your Payment to you, this will result in a loss of the tax benefits relating to holding your Payment within an ISA.

3.4 If you cancel an Account and a Payment is returned to you:

- (i) if the value of the Shares purchased with your Payment has fallen the cash amount returned to you will be reduced. If the value of the Shares purchased with your Payment has increased the amount returned to you will be your initial Payment only.
- (ii) all Payments will be returned without interest.

3.5 Where we have received Shares into your Account, if you exercise your right to cancel:

- (i) we will retain the Shares in your Account pending further instructions from you;
- (ii) if your further instructions are not received within a further 30 Business Days, we may return all your Shares to you. Where the relevant Manager(s) agree, this means that we will re-register those Shares into your name and return them to you.

The value of the returned Shares will be subject to fluctuations and therefore may be more or less than their value at the time they were transferred into your Account.

Where Shares have been transferred into your SIF ISA, if we return your Shares to you in this way this will result in a loss of the tax benefits relating to holding your investments within an ISA.

If we cannot re-register Shares into your name we may sell those Shares and return the cash proceeds to you. The proceeds from the sale of those Shares may be less than the value of those Shares at the time they were transferred to us due to market movement.

3.6 If you cancel an Account and Shares are returned to you any Income earned by those Shares will be paid out to you.

3.7 If you choose not to exercise your right to cancel under this clause 3 you will be subject to these Terms including all the risks and charges. Please note that we will not allow you partially to cancel your Account.

4. Management

4.1 Each Fund is subject to a minimum investment limit and minimum remaining investment limit. The minimum limits are set out in the Key Features Document and are available on request. We may change the minimum investment limits in accordance with clause 27.

4.2 Where you have opened a SIF ISA on the basis that it complies with the CAT Standards, your SIF ISA will be managed in accordance with those standards. Where we decide that it is no longer possible to manage the SIF ISA according with those standards then, provided we have given you not less than 90 days' prior written notice, your CAT Standard SIF ISA will be managed on terms equivalent or better than those standards. We no longer offer a CAT Standard SIF ISA for new investment.

4.3 Income or other monies pending investment or payment to you will be held as Client Money in accordance with clause 13.

4.4 Any Interest earned on the money held as Client Money will be credited to your Account quarterly in March, June, September and December. Interest is variable and is paid at 2.5% below the Bank of England base rate. Where the Bank of England base rate is 2.5% or lower, no interest will be earned on uninvested cash held as Client Money. We will also not pay interest on any money held as Client Money which is returned to you under clause 3.4.

- (i) In the case of the SIF Plan, Interest will be paid gross.
- (ii) Where you have chosen to have Income invested, any Interest earned may be used to pay the Account Fee in accordance with clause 17 and/or purchase further Shares. Where the Interest is invested, it will be used to purchase Shares proportional to the value of each Fund in your Account held at the time the investment is undertaken. Interest will be invested back into the Account in which it was earned.

(iii) Where you have chosen to have Income paid out, any Interest earned will be paid out to you within four Business Days of it being received into your Account providing the amount of Income and Interest due is greater than £1.50. Interest less than £1.50 will be retained in the relevant Account until further Income or Interest is added and the amount exceeds £1.50.

(iv)(a) Once any type of payment is issued by us to you from your Account, we will not pay any further Interest to you on the amount of the payment.

(b) If you are closing your Account or transferring your Account to another ISA manager we will not pay you Interest on any further Income (for example residual distributions) that may be received into your Account.

4.5 We have the right to deduct an amount from your Account necessary to reduce or repay any amounts which are due from you on the Account. This could involve selling any Shares that we may choose, or deducting money from any future Income or Interest. These may include any Account Fee and/or outstanding tax liabilities or charges.

4.6 We or any Associate may aggregate any transaction for you with those of other investors although this may result in a less favourable transaction price on a particular order than might have been achieved had the transaction been effected separately. This may result in a dilution levy or dilution adjustment being applied by the Manager on the purchase or sale of Shares in order to protect the interests of the remaining investors in the relevant Fund.

We will only aggregate orders in line with our or our Associate's order allocation policy and where it is unlikely that the aggregation will work to your overall disadvantage.

4.7 If we receive more than one instruction from you at the same time your instructions will be carried out separately. This means that such instructions will potentially be subject to different Share prices. Any Payments will normally be processed first and if necessary we will seek clarification of your instructions.

4.8 Where a SIF Plan is held in joint names, we will only accept instructions to cancel, make a withdrawal, convert between classes of Shares, switch Funds or terminate the Account if the instruction is given by all holders. This is subject to clauses 14, 15, 22, 23 and 24 under which we may switch Funds and/or convert between classes of Shares without your instruction in certain limited circumstances.

4.9 We will treat a request to transfer your Shares or your Account as an instruction from you if such request is received from a new plan manager, ISA manager or Manager (as appropriate) and we are reasonably satisfied that the request is made on a valid authority from you.

4.10 We will notify you if, by reason of any failure to satisfy the Regulations, your ISA (or any part of it) has or will become void. As soon as practicable thereafter we shall write to you with details of the corrective action taken. Any action taken will be subject to such deductions (if any) as we may require to meet tax or other liabilities.

4.11 If your ISA has become void because invalid subscriptions have been made to it, we will remove the invalid subscriptions and place them either into a new SIF Plan that we will open in your name for you or into an existing SIF Plan in your name if you already hold one. If we open a new SIF Plan for you, you will automatically be subject to the terms and conditions of that new SIF Plan.

4.12 If you apply to open a SIF Plan under trust we will use the trust deed for verification of the nature and purpose of the trust and the names of the trustees only. We will not be obliged to adhere to the contents of the trust deed.

Additional Permitted Subscription

4.13 If your spouse or civil partner dies you may be able to make an Additional Permitted Subscription into your Account. You must complete the relevant form each time that you wish to make an Additional Permitted Subscription.

4.14 The Additional Permitted Subscription must not exceed the combined value of your spouse or civil partner's ISAs which they held at the date of their death (including any income accrued, but not paid or credited to the ISA at the date of death), and must be made in accordance with the requirements set out in the Regulations.

4.15 You may make several Additional Permitted Subscriptions; however, they must not, in aggregate, exceed the combined value of your spouse or civil partner's ISAs as at the date of their death and must be made within the timescales set out in the Regulations.

4.16 We will not accept an Additional Permitted Subscription where we know that the information you provide in the relevant form is false or where the requirements set out in the Regulations are not satisfied.

Corporate Actions – Entitlement to shares and other benefits

4.17 For any Corporate Action, entitlements to shares and any other benefits, including cash proceeds, will be distributed amongst all investors who hold investments as described in Clause 13.2. The distribution will be in the same proportion as the respective holdings of clients who have given identical instructions in connection with the relevant Corporate Action. In the case of mandatory Corporate Action, investor instructions will be deemed to have been given. In the case of voluntary Corporate Actions, the entitlement will be paid on the default option for any events not instructed on.

4.18 We will apply any share entitlements to the fullest extent possible however where any Corporate Action results in you being entitled to the cash value of a fraction of a share, we will credit your Account with that cash amount in full.

5. Delegation

5.1 We may delegate any of our functions under these Terms to any person however, before doing so and from time to time thereafter, we will satisfy ourselves that such person is competent to carry out those functions. We will remain fully responsible to you for our service under these Terms notwithstanding any such delegation.

6. Transfer of your agreement

6.1 We may not transfer your agreement with us under these Terms to a third party without your consent, except that you agree we may transfer it to an Associate (which is suitably authorised and capable of providing the services to you at a similar level of service) as part of an internal re-organisation of our business. In the event that we do undertake such a transfer, we will give you at least 30 days' advance personal written notice of the change. In these circumstances, the new contracting entity will assume our obligations to provide the services to you, and our rights to benefit (such as receiving charges), under these Terms in our place. If you do not agree to the transfer, you have the right to end this agreement in accordance with clause 27.5 and where relevant, transfer your Shares to another provider.

6.2 If we transfer our business to a New Provider in accordance with clause 6.1 of these Terms, we may also transfer your Client Money to the New Provider. In these circumstances, we will ensure that the New Provider will hold your Client Money in accordance with the CASS Rules or, to the extent the New Provider will not hold this money as Client Money, we will exercise all due skill, care and diligence in assessing whether the New Provider will apply adequate measures to protect your Client Money when transferred to that New Provider.

7. Conflicts of Interests

7.1 A summary of the HSBC policy on conflicts of interests is set out in Annex 2 at the end of these Terms.

7.2 We owe you a duty to act in your best interests in carrying out any transaction for your Account.

7.3 HSBC has established procedures which are designed to take all appropriate steps to identify, and prevent or manage such conflicts which may adversely affect the interests of clients. These are summarised in Annex 2.

7.4 For some of our services we may receive other minor benefits (but not payments) that we believe improve the quality of the service provided to you. Such benefits will be minor in nature so that they do not impact on our ability to always act in your best interests.

8. Communications

8.1 You agree that we may use any contact details you have provided to us to communicate with you, including your postal address, telephone number(s) (including your mobile telephone number) and email address.

Please tell us as soon as you can if you change any details in respect of your Account. We will not be responsible for communications or notices sent to your old details prior to our receipt of your new details or the consequences of your non receipt of such communications unless this is due to our mistake or negligence.

8.2 All communications relating to your Account must be sent to us in writing at our Administrative Office, unless otherwise permitted within these Terms (including where set out in the Key Features Document).

8.3 We will only accept instructions from you relating to transactions in Fund Shares by telephone, or in writing. We will not accept any instructions relating to transactions in Fund Shares received from you by way of secure e-messaging or email or any other form of electronic message.

8.4 You will be deemed to have received any written communications from us on the fifth Business Day after posting.

9. Buying and Selling Shares

9.1 You may provide us with instructions to buy and/or sell Shares. We will normally place your instruction with the Manager for the purchase or sale of Shares within 24 hours of receipt of your instructions (together with, for the purchase of Shares, the applicable Payment) whether your instructions are in writing or by telephone. All instructions to buy and/or sell Shares, whether in writing or by telephone which are received after 12pm will be treated as though they were received at 9am on the following Business Day. The Shares will be purchased or sold at the price calculated at the next available valuation point from the Business Day on which we place your instructions. We may occasionally suspend dealing in any Fund for a temporary period where we are required to do so to respond to a change in relevant law, regulation or to reflect a change in industry guidance or code of practice or good banking practice, or good industry practice, or to respond to the suspension of the Fund by the Manager. You will not be able to place any instruction to buy and/or sell Shares in the affected Fund(s) during the relevant suspension period. We will give you advance notice in writing of any such suspension provided that it is reasonably practicable for us to do so.

9.2 We will act as an intermediary in making arrangements for the purchase or sale of Shares for your Account.

9.3 We will write to you to confirm how many Shares have been bought and/or sold for you, the Share price and the price of the Shares at the time the transaction was executed.

9.4 We will not usually write to you where Shares are purchased in the following circumstances (unless they take place at the same time as a lump sum purchase):

- Reinvesting Income
- Reinvest the Interest paid on money held as Client Money
- Where Shares are purchased with regular Payments, (except where Shares are purchased with a combined lump sum and regular Payment).

9.5 We will not usually write to you where Shares are sold to pay an Account Fee. Details of these transactions will appear on your quarterly statement.

9.6 You will not receive any share certificates in respect of your investment.

9.7 If you instruct us to buy Shares and a KIID is available for the Fund you wish to invest in, if we cannot confirm that you have received the most recent version of the KIID for that Fund, we will send you the most recent version of the KIID after your instruction has been processed.

9.8 Purchases and sales of Shares will be received and transmitted by us to an Associate for execution in accordance with our Best Execution Disclosure Statement, which is set out in Annex 1 at the end of these Terms.

9.9 You agree and confirm that for such time as we are appointed as the Account Manager you will be deemed to have consented to our Execution Policy.

9.10 You cannot elect to hold the proceeds from the sale of Shares as cash in the Account.

9.11 Where you sell Shares, we will normally pay the proceeds out to you within seven Business Days of the date we place your instruction with the Manager (subject to receipt of the proceeds from the Manager).

10. Regular Payments

10.1 Where available, you can invest regularly by making monthly Payments into your Account by direct debit.

10.2 Shares will normally be purchased within four Business Days of us receiving each regular Payment. We will send you a letter confirming receipt of your application to make regular Payments.

10.3 Subject to the minimum investment limits stated in the Key Features Document you may increase, decrease or stop your regular Payments at any time. Your written notice must reach our Administrative Office at least seven Business Days before the payment date from which the change or stop is to be effective, otherwise it will be effective from the following payment date.

10.4 If you instruct us to increase your direct debit and we cannot confirm that you have received the most recent version of the KIID (where available) for the Fund you want to invest in we will send you the most recent version of that KIID after your instruction has been processed.

10.5 If you stop your regular Payments and the value of any Fund within your Account is less than the minimum investment limit required for that Fund:

- (i) we will retain the Shares in your Account pending further instructions from you; or
- (ii) if your further instructions are not received within a further 30 Business Days, we may return all your Shares to you. Where the relevant Manager(s) agree, this means that we will re-register those Shares into your name and return them to you. Where the Shares are held in a SIF ISA, you will lose your ISA benefits in respect of those re-registered Shares.

The value of the returned Shares will be subject to fluctuations and therefore may be more or less than their value at the time they were bought and invested into your Account.

If we cannot re-register Shares into your name we may sell those Shares and return the cash proceeds to you. The proceeds from the sale of those Shares may be less than the value of those Shares at the time they were bought.

10.6 If we are unable to collect any regular Payment because it is refused, we reserve the right to stop collecting future regular Payments. We will send you a letter to let you know if we do this.

11. Feeder Option

11.1 For certain Funds we will allow you to have a Feeder Option. The Funds available for a Feeder Option are shown in the Key Features Document and may vary from time to time. On giving you 30 days' written notice we may change the Funds available for a Feeder Option.

11.2 You may only select one Fund and class of Shares in that Fund from your SIF Plan for your Feeder Option.

11.3 Each year we will write to you to tell you the date(s) on which we will make an Automatic ISA Subscription from your selected Fund and class of Shares you are holding within your SIF Plan into the same Fund and class of Shares you are holding within your SIF ISA.

11.4 The amount of the Automatic ISA Subscription will be the value of your selected Fund and class of Shares held in your SIF Plan, provided this is at least £1, subject to the maximum Subscription amounts specified for a stocks and shares ISA under the Regulations.

11.5 If the maximum Subscription amount increases during a Tax Year, we may make more than one Automatic ISA Subscription for that Tax Year.

11.6 You may tell us in writing not to make an Automatic ISA Subscription for a Tax Year. We must receive your instructions at least five Business Days before the date of the Automatic ISA Subscription specified in our letter. If you tell us not to make an Automatic ISA Subscription, you may need to complete a new Application Form before a further Automatic ISA Subscription can be made. We will supply you with an Application Form to complete before the Automatic ISA Subscription for the next Tax Year. However, if the Automatic ISA Subscription is not made for two consecutive Tax Years we will not send you a further Application Form.

11.7 If the value of the Fund you have chosen for a Feeder Option is nil for one complete Tax Year, a further Automatic ISA Subscription cannot be made until you complete a new Application Form. You should contact us to obtain an Application Form in this case.

12. Additional ISA Investment

12.1 If you do not make a Subscription to your SIF ISA during one complete Tax Year, you will need to complete a new Application Form before you can make any Subscriptions to your SIF ISA in subsequent Tax Years.

13. Custody and Cash in your Account

13.1 You will be, and will remain, the beneficial owner of the Shares in your Account. However, the title to any Shares in your Account will be registered in the name of our Nominee. We remain responsible for the custody of the Shares in your Account to the full extent required by the Rules.

13.2 Your Shares will be registered with investments made by other investors in the name of our Nominee and will be segregated from our property in order to protect your interests in the event that HSBC Trust Company (UK) Limited or our Nominee were to fail. Your Shares will be held on an omnibus basis which means that they will be pooled with those of other investors

and may not therefore be individually and separately identifiable. However we will keep a separate record of your individual entitlement.

13.3 If we or our Nominee default then any irreconcilable shortfall in the Shares registered in the same Nominee name may be shared pro rata among all investors whose investments are so registered. We are responsible to you for the acts and omissions of our Nominee to the same extent as for our own acts and omissions.

13.4 We may sell Shares in your Account for the purpose of paying the Account Fee in accordance with clause 17. However our power to deal with your Shares is subject at all times to our fiduciary duties and the Rules. You may not use your Account Investments as security for a loan.

13.5 All Payments into your Account pending investment, together with any Income, Interest, or other monies pending investment or payment out to you will be held as Client Money on trust for you in accordance with the Rules. Client Money will be deposited with a number of financial institutions which may include HSBC Bank plc and/or other third party financial institutions as we may nominate from time to time. We remain responsible to you for your Client Money to the full extent required by the Rules. Interest is payable on Client Money in accordance with clause 4 above.

13.6 We have policies and procedures in place to undertake checks and reconciliations of the records and accounts of your Shares, resolve any discrepancies which are identified and to deal with any shortfalls in your Shares. Where we are responsible for any such shortfall we may hold Client Money immediately at our cost to correct our position.

13.7 In the event HSBC Trust Company (UK) Limited (or a third party bank with which your Client Money is deposited) were to fail, the FCA's client money distribution and transfer rules contained in the Rules apply to your Client Money. The purpose of the client money distribution and transfer rules is to protect your interests and seek to facilitate the timely return of your Client Money following any such failure.

13.8 The protection accorded to your Account Investments under the Rules is in addition to any rights you may have, subject to eligibility, to claim compensation under the Financial Services Compensation Scheme, as set out in the section below entitled 'General Information – Compensation'.

14. Conversion

14.1 Where the relevant Manager has agreed with us to do so, you may convert all or part of your holdings in a class of Shares within your Account for the equivalent value of Shares of another class of the same Fund.

14.2 You can request a conversion in writing or by telephone (telephone instructions received after 2pm will be treated as though they were received on the following Business Day).

14.3 Upon receipt of your instructions we will normally place your request to convert with the Manager on the next Business Day. Where we are not able to do this, we will place your instructions within three Business Days of receipt of your instructions. The Manager will normally complete the conversion on the Business Day we place the instruction. However, some Managers have restrictions to the dates when conversions can be processed and the type of conversions they can facilitate. You should refer to the Fund Information Document for specific conversion information about each Manager and Fund.

14.4 Your Shares will not be out of the market during the conversion process.

14.5 We will write to you to confirm your holdings in the class of Shares you have converted to once the conversion is complete.

14.6 If you instruct us to convert classes of Shares and we cannot confirm that you have received the most recent version of the KIID (where available) for the class of Share you want to convert into, we will provide you with a KIID for that class of Share after your instruction has been processed.

14.7 Please note that conversions may not be available for all Funds. If you request a conversion and a conversion is not available for the relevant Fund, unless your request also includes a request to switch where conversion is not available, we will not process your request. You will need to place a separate switch instruction with us if you still wish to change the class of

Shares you hold in the Fund. However, if your instruction does not specify whether you require a conversion or a switch, we will first look to process a conversion but if this is not available we will treat your instruction as a switch instruction in accordance with clause 15.

14.8 Occasionally we may need to convert your Shares from one class to a different class within the same Fund without receiving instructions from you. This might happen for example, if the Manager tells us about changes being made to the Fund. In these cases we will convert your Shares but only if we are satisfied that this is necessary and you will be notified of the conversion.

15. Switching

15.1 You may switch between Funds and/or classes of Shares either within the same SIF Account or from one SIF Account to another SIF Account (excluding switches from a SIF ISA to a SIF ISA), by telling us in writing or by telephone. Telephone instructions received after 2pm will be treated as though they were received on the following Business Day. Upon receipt of your instructions:

(i) in the case of a switch within the same Account we will normally place the order to sell Shares in the Fund and class of Shares with the Manager on the next Business Day. Shares will be sold using the share price at the next available valuation point on or following the Business Day we place your order with the Manager. Once we have received confirmation from the Manager that your Shares have been sold we will normally place the order to purchase Shares on the following Business Day. Confirmation from the Manager received after 5pm will be deemed to have been received on the following Business Day. If the settlement period for the Fund you have instructed us to switch into is shorter than the Fund you are switching out of, we will delay placing your order to purchase Shares. This will normally result in the settlement of both transactions taking place on the same day. Shares will be purchased using the share price at the next available valuation point on or following the Business Day we place your order to buy the Shares with the Manager.

Where the settlement periods for the fund you are switching out of and the fund you are switching into are the same, the switch process will normally take up to four Business Days. Your investment will normally be out of the market for two Business Days and during this time the market may move up or down, resulting in potential loss of growth and/or Income.

Where the settlement period for the fund you are switching into is shorter than the settlement period for the fund you are switching out of, the switch process may take longer and could take up to six Business Days. Your investment could be out of the market for up to four Business Days and during this time the market may move up or down, resulting in potential loss of growth and/or Income.

(ii) in the case of a switch between Accounts we will normally place the order to sell Shares in the Fund and class of Shares with the Manager within two Business Days. Shares will be sold using the share price at the next available valuation point on or following the Business Day we place your order to sell the Shares with the Manager. Once we have received confirmation from the Manager that your Shares have been sold we will normally place the order to purchase Shares within five Business Days. Confirmation from the Manager received after 5pm will be deemed to have been received on the following Business Day. Shares will be purchased using the share price at the next available valuation point on or following the Business Day we place your order to buy the Shares with the Manager. Your investment will be normally out of the market for up to five Business Days and during this time the market may move up or down, resulting in potential loss of growth and/or Income.

15.2 We will write to confirm your holdings in the Fund you have switched to once the switch has been completed.

15.3 If you instruct us to switch Funds and/or Share classes and we cannot confirm that you have received the most recent version of the KIID (where available) for the Fund and class of Shares you want to switch in to we will provide you with a KIID for that Fund and class of Shares after your instruction has been processed.

15.4 If you request us to switch between classes of Shares of the same Fund and a conversion is available for that Fund we will convert your holdings between those classes of Shares instead of switching them. If your instruction does not specify that you

require a conversion or a switch, we will first look to process a conversion but if this is not available we will treat your instruction as a switch instruction in accordance with this clause 15.

15.5 Occasionally we may need to switch your Shares from one Fund to another Fund or between classes of Shares without receiving instructions from you. This might happen for example, if the Manager tells us about changes being made to the Fund. In these cases we will switch your Shares but only if we are satisfied that this is necessary and you will be notified of the switch.

16. Adding or Removing Funds

16.1 We may add or remove Funds from the range we offer. Our range is shown in the Fund Information Document. We will notify you of Funds added or removed.

16.2 If we are notified by a Manager that a Fund is to be wound up we will give you as much written notice as practicably possible in accordance with the Rules, with details of the options available to you.

16.3 If we are notified by a Manager that a Fund is to be closed to new business, while you can continue to hold your Shares in that Fund, you will not be able to make any further Payment into that Fund.

17. Charges

17.1 The charges associated with your Account are explained in the Key Features Document, the Fund Information Document, the Costs and Charges Disclosure Document and/or these Terms.

We may make changes to the charges we apply to your Account (including introducing new charges or fees or making changes to the amount, rate or basis on which we charge) in accordance with clause 27.

17.2 Charges may also be applied by Managers in respect of the Fund. These may include ongoing charges and/or redemption charges. Full details of the charges associated with a particular Fund and any payments we may receive from a Manager in respect of a Fund can be found in the Fund Information Document. The Managers may change their charges at any time in accordance with the fund prospectus. As soon as reasonably practicable after we receive this notification, we will inform holders of Shares in the affected Funds of the relevant change.

Account Fee

17.3 Where you hold Shares within your Account, an Account Fee will be payable by you.

17.4 The Account Fee is calculated as a percentage of the average value of Shares held within your Account on each calendar day during the charging period. The charging period is quarterly and runs from 1 January to 31 March, 1 April to 30 June, 1 July to 30 September and 1 October to 31 December each year. The level of the Account Fee applicable is set out in the Key Features Document and may be varied in accordance with clause 27. If you hold both a SIF Plan and a SIF ISA, your Account Fee will be calculated and payable separately for each Account.

17.5 The Account Fee is payable by you in arrears and is calculated on the tenth Business Day following the end of each charging period. Where Shares have not been held for a full charging period then the Account Fee will be applied pro rata for the number of calendar days the Shares have been held during that charging period.

17.6 The Account Fee will be taken from money we hold as Client Money on your behalf in respect of your Account. However, we will not use any cash we hold for you pending investment or amounts awaiting payment out to you by way of proceeds from the sale of Shares or by way of Income or Interest.

17.7 Where such cash is available for payment of the Account Fee, we will take payment on the tenth Business Day following the end of each charging period. If we hold insufficient cash on your behalf on that date to pay the total Account Fee due, we will sell Shares held within your Account to raise the outstanding amount.

17.8 Where Shares are to be sold, we will place the instruction on the following Business Day after the Account Fee is calculated. We will sell Shares in proportion to the value of your total holdings in the Funds in your Account as at that date (Shares that have a value that is less than five percent of that total will be excluded). The proceeds will be held as Client Money until we take payment of the outstanding amount (which will be on the same day as settlement of the sale transactions). You may incur

a liability to capital gains tax if your taxable gains from all sources during the year exceed your annual exemption.

17.9 Due to fluctuations in the price of Shares, we may not be able to sell the exact amount of Shares required to meet the balance of the Account Fee due. Any cash proceeds from the sale of Shares not used for the payment of the Account Fee will be retained and held by us on your behalf as Client Money.

17.10 You agree that we may use amounts held by us as Client Money on your behalf for the payment of the Account Fee and authorise us to take payment of the Account Fee from such amounts and to sell Shares in accordance with these Terms.

17.11 If, for any reason, we are not able to collect payment of all or any part of the Account Fee due from you in respect of your Account for a particular charging period, the outstanding amount will still be payable by you and we will have the right to collect payment from you of any such outstanding amounts owed. Where you have a joint Account, you will all together and individually be responsible for the payment of the Account Fee. Without limiting any other rights we may have, we may collect any outstanding Account Fee which has not been paid in accordance with clause 17, from money we hold as Client Money on your behalf in your Account and/or through the sale of Shares within your Account when we are able to do so. We will let you know in writing before we do this.

17.12 We may pass all or part of the Account Fee received by us on to an Associate for services they provide to us in connection with managing and operating your account under these terms.

Other Charges

17.13 We may charge you or deduct from your Account any charges, fees or expenses payable to us under the Account. We will notify you of any such charges that will be made.

17.14 Subject to clause 27.5, on termination or transfer of the Account any fees due to the date of termination or transfer will be payable by you. Where the date of termination or transfer is during, but not on the last day of, a charging period, then the fees will be applied pro rata for the number of days in that charging period up to the date of the termination or transfer, not including that date. We may deduct these fees from your Client Money or from the proceeds of sale of Shares on the basis set out in this clause 17 and we may do so a reasonable amount of time prior to the date of termination or transfer. In that case, the fees will only be applied pro rata for the number of days in that charging period up to the date of the deduction of the fees, not including that date, and we will not charge you for the period between the date of deduction and the date of termination or transfer.

17.15 We will normally deduct the pro rata fees calculated under clause 17.14 as a separate payment from previous quarterly payments. Alternatively, we may delay payment of the fees from the immediately preceding quarter and deduct, as set out in clause 17.14, as a single payment the cumulative amount of the fees for that preceding quarter and the pro rata amount for the charging period leading up to the date of termination or transfer. We will inform you in advance if we will be deducting the cumulative amount as a single payment.

18. Statements

18.1 We will send you a quarterly statement and a valuation of your Account as at or near to 5 January, 5 April, 5 July and 5 October. This will be sent to you within five weeks of the relevant date. You have the right to request additional statements of your Account Investments at any time.

18.2 The statement will show Payment(s), sales, purchases (including switches between Funds and/or Share classes), conversions between Share classes, fees (including the Account Fee), Income, Interest, Corporate Action and withdrawals made since the commencement of your Account or the date of the previous statement, as appropriate.

18.3 The valuation will be based on the selling price of Shares but it will not include any measure of performance.

18.4 We will also send you an investment report that will provide a market summary and information on our other investment products.

18.5 If you have a SIF Plan, each year you will be sent a summary of all distributions received in respect of the SIF Plan. Any interest credited in the previous Tax Year will also be included. This will be sent within ten weeks after the end of the Tax Year.

18.6 Where an Account Fee has been taken from your Account, any initial payment from cash held as Client Money and subsequent payment from cash held as Client Money resulting from the sale of appropriate Shares, will be shown as separate transactions.

19. Voting and Fund Information

19.1 Subject to clause 17.13, if you ask us, we will arrange for you to:

- (i) receive copies of the annual and interim reports and accounts last issued in respect of a Fund; and
- (ii) receive a copy of the relevant prospectus or equivalent document; and
- (iii) attend meetings which holders of the Shares are entitled to attend; and
- (iv) exercise the voting rights in respect of Shares held; and
- (v) receive any other information issued in respect of a Fund to investors in addition to the documents in this clause 19.

19.2 If you ask for copies of the reports and accounts, short form versions will be issued as standard where available. A specific request must be made to our Administrative Office for long form versions.

19.3 Subject to the Rules we may exercise the voting rights applicable to your Shares unless you have exercised them yourself.

20. Income

20.1 Where available, you can choose to have Income paid out or invested, either on your Application Form at the time of opening your Account, or by notifying us in writing at any time afterwards.

20.2 If you choose to have Income paid out, you must give us details of your bank or building society account on your Application Form or by writing to us. If we cannot pay out Income, for example, if you have provided us with incorrect bank details or any cheques issued are returned, any Income will be added to the cash balance of your Account and may be used to pay the Account Fee in accordance with clause 17 and/or purchase further Shares. Where Shares are purchased they will be purchased proportional to the value of each Fund and class of Shares in your Account held at the time the purchase is undertaken.

20.3 Where you have chosen to have Income invested, we will use the Income in your Account to purchase further Shares in the Fund(s). The Income will be used to purchase Shares in the same class of Shares and the same Fund from which it was generated. If you no longer hold Shares in the class of Shares of the Fund from which the Income was generated, then the Income will be used to purchase further Shares proportional to the value of each Fund and class of Shares in your Account at the time the Income is invested.

20.4 If you have chosen to have Income paid out we will not make a payment to you unless the amount of Income and Interest is greater than £1.50. Income and Interest less than £1.50 will be retained in the relevant Account until further Income and Interest are added and the amount exceeds £1.50.

20.5 Such Income will normally be paid to you within four Business Days of being received into your Account. Where you have chosen to receive any Income quarterly, half-yearly or annually, such Income will be paid to you on the dates advised in the Key Features Document.

21. Termination

21.1 On termination, there may be some outstanding transactions. We will continue to operate your Account until they have been completed. Your Account will then be closed.

Termination by you

21.2 You may terminate your Account at any time by writing to our Administrative Office. Depending on your instructions we will: (i) sell all your Shares and pay you the value of your Account within five Business Days of receiving your instruction; and/or (ii) transfer the Account Investments to you without first selling the Shares within twenty five Business Days of receiving your instruction.

You can stipulate an alternative time period in which we will carry out your instructions provided such period is not less than that specified in clauses 21.2(i) and 21.2(ii).

Termination by us

21.3 We may terminate your Account immediately and close your Account in the following instances:

- (i) If you have seriously and/or persistently broken any of the Terms including where:
 - you are, or we reasonably suspect that you may be using or obtaining, or allowing someone else to use or obtain an account, service or money illegally; or
 - your Account is, or we reasonably suspect your Account is, being used for an illegal purpose; or
 - you are, or we reasonably suspect you may be, acting fraudulently; or
- (ii) in the circumstances set out in clause 26.1.6; or
- (iii) if we reasonably consider that by continuing our agreement with you:
 - we may break a law, regulation, code, court order or other duty; or
 - we, or an Associate, may be exposed to action or censure from any government, regulatory or law enforcement agency; or
- (iv) you were not entitled to open your Account or cease to be eligible for an Account as described in the Key Features Document; or
- (v) if we have reason to believe that your conduct will adversely affect the ability of others to trade or the terms on which they trade; or
- (vi) in the case of non-personal investors, if the corporate entity is declared insolvent. In practice we will follow the instructions of any administrator appointed in such a scenario.

We will inform you in writing immediately if we decide to close your Account under this clause 21.3.

21.4 We may also end our agreement with you and close your Account for any other valid reason by giving you at least 30 days' advance notice in writing.

21.5 If we terminate your Account, no additional charges will apply. Our letter of termination will tell you the options available to you which will include transferring your ISA to another ISA manager. However, if you close your ISA without transferring to another ISA manager the Account Investments will no longer be contained within an ISA and any associated tax benefits will be lost.

21.6 If your Account is to be closed under this clause 21 and we do not receive instructions from you within a reasonable time (which we will notify you of), we will sell any Shares within your Account and pay the value of the Account Investments out to you. If we are unable to contact you and your Account Investments remain unclaimed we may (on expiry of such period as may be specified in the Rules) pay away the relevant unclaimed sums in accordance with the Rules.

21.7 If your Account is closed any outstanding Account Fees applicable to the charging period in which your Account is closed will not be charged on your Account. All other outstanding charges on your Account will be deducted from your Account Investments before closure.

21.8 If we terminate your agreement and close your Account in the circumstances set out in clause 26.1.6, please be aware that, in some circumstances, we may also end or restrict the provision of any other services we provide to you or close any other accounts you have with us. In addition, other members of the HSBC Group may end their relationship with you and restrict or close accounts you hold with them or restrict or terminate the provision of any services to you (see clause 26).

Termination on Death

21.9 On your death:

(i) Sole investors – The Account will terminate on your death, however your personal representatives should provide proof of the date of your death and of their appointment. Once we receive such proof as is acceptable to us, we will deal with the Account Investments in accordance with the instructions of your personal representatives who will become subject to these Terms. Any tax refunds claimed on your behalf after you die will be repaid to HM Revenue & Customs.

(ii) Joint investors – If you have a joint SIF Plan, in the event of the death of one of the parties, and upon production of such proof of death as we may reasonably request, we will transfer the SIF Plan into the survivor's sole name subject to any rights which we or a third party may have. The Account will continue to be subject to these Terms.

22. SIF Plan- Re-registration of Shares into and out of your Account

22.1 If your Account is a SIF Plan, we can at your request arrange for Shares to be transferred into your Account without first being sold. We can normally only do this if your investments are in Funds within our range and your previous plan manager and/or the relevant Manager agrees. If your Shares are not available within our range then we may transfer your Shares if we agree with your previous plan manager and/or the Manager that your Shares can be converted into a suitable share class that is within our range.

22.2 It will normally take us up to a maximum of 30 days from the date we receive your Selected Investment Funds Plan Transfer Form (available by contacting us using the contact details at the beginning of these terms and conditions) to complete the transfer of your investments. However, the time period for completing this may depend on your previous plan manager or the relevant Manager and the time it takes them to send across the investments to us. There may be occasions where the transfer will take longer to complete for example because your Shares will need to be converted under clause 22.1 or due to other circumstances beyond our control.

22.3 Once your Shares have been re-registered into your Account, we will write to you to confirm the number of Shares that have been re-registered and the value of those Shares as at the date they were re-registered.

22.4 Where you ask us to do so, we can arrange for Shares to be transferred out of your Account and re-registered into your name or into the name of another nominee (plan manager). We can only do this if your new plan manager and/or the relevant Manager agree.

22.5 If your new plan manager and/or the Manager does not offer the same Funds or classes of Shares as the ones currently held by you, then we may arrange for your Shares to be converted to a share class that we agree with the new plan manager and/or the Manager (as appropriate) is suitable.

22.6 From the date we are in receipt of both your written instruction and confirmation of acceptance from your new plan manager and/or the Manager (as applicable), it will normally take up to 25 calendar days to transfer your Shares out of your Account.

There may be occasions where the transfer will take longer to complete for example because your Shares will need to be converted under clause 22.5 or due to other circumstances beyond our control.

22.7 If we subsequently receive any Income in respect of Shares which are no longer held within your Account and you remain entitled to that Income, we will pay that Income out to your new plan manager or the Manager. If your new plan manager or the Manager notifies us that they will not accept the payment, we will pay the relevant Income to you within five Business Days following notification by your plan manager or the Manager.

23. SIF ISA Transfers In

23.1 If your Account is a SIF ISA, you may transfer all or part of another ISA held with us or with another ISA manager into that Account. If you wish to transfer Subscriptions made in the current Tax Year then all Subscriptions made in the current Tax Year must be transferred.

23.2 In order to request an ISA transfer, you will need to complete a Selected Investment Funds ISA Transfer Form (available by contacting us using the contact details at the beginning of these terms and conditions) and return it to us by post. We will then contact the relevant ISA manager(s) on your behalf and arrange the transfer for you.

23.3 Payments from your previous ISA manager(s) will be invested in your SIF ISA in accordance with the instructions provided on the Selected Investment Funds ISA Transfer Form. Once we have received the initial Payment any subsequent monies received from the previous ISA manager(s) will be invested across the Fund(s) held in the relevant Account proportional to the value of each Fund and Share class in your Account at the time the monies are invested.

23.4 Alternatively, where requested to do so at the time you give your request to transfer in and if agreed with your previous ISA manager and each relevant Manager, we will also arrange for your Shares to be transferred into your SIF ISA without first

being sold. We can normally only do this where the investments are in Funds in our range. If the Funds or classes of Shares you want to transfer are not available through the Account then we may transfer your Shares if we agree with your ISA manager and/or the Manager that your Shares can be converted into a suitable share class that is available. Otherwise, if your ISA manager or the Manager does not agree to re-register, we will instruct your ISA manager to sell your investments and transfer the value in cash. Please note that, we will not accept re-registrations of Legacy Share Class holdings into your SIF ISA. If we receive a request to re-register Legacy Share Class holdings into your SIF ISA we will instruct your ISA Manager to sell those holdings and transfer the value in cash. Alternatively, you may be able to agree with your ISA manager for your Legacy Share Classes to be converted to Clean Share Classes prior to re-registration.

23.5 It will normally take a maximum of 30 days to complete the transfer of your ISA into the SIF ISA, irrespective of whether the transfer is in cash, or Clean Share Classes. During this time your investment may be out of the market, which may move up or down resulting in a potential loss of growth and/or income.

However, the time period for completing your transfer request into your SIF ISA may depend on your previous ISA manager and the relevant Manager(s) and the time it takes them to re-register the investments. There may be occasions where the transfer will take longer to complete for example because your Shares will need to be converted under clause 23.4 or due to other circumstances beyond our control.

23.6 Once we have completed the transfer we will write to you to confirm the number of Shares that were purchased and/or re-registered into your Account, together with the share price and value as at the date the Shares were purchased and/or re-registered.

24. SIF ISA Transfers Out

24.1 If your Account is a SIF ISA, at your written request, we will transfer all or part of that Account (where appropriate with all rights and obligations of the parties to it) to another ISA manager, in accordance with the Regulations relating to transfers, provided the new ISA manager agrees to such a transfer. If your transfer request includes Subscriptions for the current Tax Year, these must be transferred in whole. If you transfer part of your SIF ISA to another ISA Manager any remaining amount held in any Fund in your SIF ISA must meet the minimum investment limits set out in the Key Features Document.

24.2 Where we are requested to transfer out the relevant value in cash, we will (where appropriate) sell the relevant Shares and transfer the cash value of your Account Investments to the ISA manager you have chosen.

24.3 Alternatively, if requested by you at the time you give your request to transfer, and if agreed with the new ISA manager and/or each relevant Manager, we will transfer the requested Shares directly to the new ISA manager without first being sold. Any cash we hold on your behalf as Client Money within your SIF ISA will also be transferred to the new ISA manager, subject to clause 24.6.

24.4 If your new ISA manager and/or the Manager does not offer the same Funds or classes of Shares as the ones currently held by you, then we may arrange for your Shares to be converted to a share class that we agree with the new ISA manager and/or the Manager (as appropriate) is suitable.

24.5 From the date we are in receipt of both your written instruction and confirmation of acceptance from your new ISA manager, it will normally take a maximum of 30 days to complete the transfer of your ISA out of the SIF ISA, irrespective of whether the transfer is in cash, or Clean Share Classes. During this time your investment may be out of the market, which may move up or down resulting in a potential loss of growth and/or income. There may be occasions where the transfer will take longer to complete for example because your Shares will need to be converted under clause 24.4 or due to other circumstances beyond our control.

24.6 Before we make a payment to you or transfer your SIF ISA, we shall be entitled to deduct from your Account an amount necessary to discharge all amounts in connection with your Account (including tax liabilities) which may be due from you to any person including us and HM Revenue & Customs.

24.7 If we subsequently receive any Income from Fund(s) transferred out, we will send it to your new ISA manager. If your new ISA manager refuses to accept the transfer of any cash we hold as Client Money on your behalf, we will pay it to you within five Business Days following receipt of the instruction from your new ISA manager.

24.8 Once we have completed the transfer we will write to you to confirm the number of Shares that were sold and/or re-registered out of your Account, together with the share price and value as at the date the Shares were sold and/or re-registered.

25. Withdrawal

25.1 You may withdraw all or part of your Account at any time. Following your instructions we will:

- (i) sell your Shares and pay you the amount of the withdrawal in accordance with clause 9; or
- (ii) transfer to you, your new plan manager(s) or new ISA manager(s) Shares to the value of the amount requested for withdrawal in accordance with clauses 22 and 24 (as applicable).

You can stipulate an alternative time period for the withdrawal, provided such period is not less than the relevant timescales quoted in clauses 9, 22 and 24 (as applicable).

25.2 When making a cash withdrawal, you must specify the Account, Fund(s) and class of Shares you wish the money to be withdrawn from otherwise we will not be able to carry out the sale transaction(s).

25.3 We have a minimum withdrawal amount and minimum balance requirement for each Fund. These are shown in the Key Features Document. If the minimum balance is not maintained when making a withdrawal from a Fund then we may require you to sell the remaining Shares in that Fund. The minimum balance is based on the selling price of the Shares at the time any withdrawal is made.

25.4 We can amend the minimum withdrawal amount and/or minimum balance requirement in accordance with clause 27.

25.5 As some Funds have different settlement periods this may mean that where you are making a cash withdrawal from more than one Fund, you may receive the proceeds as more than one payment. Further details about the settlement periods for each Fund can be found in the Fund Information Document.

26. Your Information

Definitions

Capitalised terms used in this clause 26 shall have the following meanings:

Authorities includes any judicial, administrative, public or regulatory body, any government, any Tax Authority, securities or futures exchange, court, central bank or law enforcement body, or any of their agents with jurisdiction over any part of the HSBC Group.

Compliance Obligations means obligations of the HSBC Group to comply with: (a) Laws or international guidance and internal policies or procedures, (b) any demand from Authorities or reporting, disclosure or other obligations under Laws, and (c) Laws requiring us to verify the identity of our customers.

Connected Person means a person or entity (other than you) whose information (including Personal Data or Tax Information) you provide, or which is provided on your behalf, to any member of the HSBC Group or which is otherwise received by any member of the HSBC Group in connection with the provision of the Services. A Connected Person may include, but is not limited to, any guarantor, a director or officer of a company, partners or members of a partnership, any Substantial Owner, Controlling Person or beneficial owner, trustee, settlor or protector of a trust, account holder of a designated account, payee of a designated payment, your representative, agent or nominee, or any other persons or entities with whom you have a relationship that is relevant to your relationship with the HSBC Group.

Controlling Persons means individuals who exercise control over an entity. For a trust, these are the settlor, the trustees, the protector, the beneficiaries or class of beneficiaries, and anybody else who exercises ultimate effective control over the trust, and for entities other than a trust, these are persons in equivalent or similar positions of control.

Customer Information means your Personal Data, confidential information, and/or Tax Information or that of a Connected Person.

Financial Crime means money laundering, terrorist financing, bribery, corruption, tax evasion, fraud, evasion of economic or trade sanctions, and/or any acts or attempts to circumvent or violate any Laws relating to these matters.

Laws include any local or foreign law, regulation, judgment or court order, voluntary code, sanctions regime, agreement between any member of the HSBC Group and an Authority, or agreement or treaty between Authorities and applicable to us or a member of the HSBC Group.

Personal Data means any information relating to an individual, from which they can be identified.

Services includes (a) the opening, maintaining and closing of your bank, investment or other accounts, (b) providing you with credit facilities and other banking products and services (including, for example, investment dealing, discretionary investment management, broker, agency and custodian services), processing applications, credit and eligibility assessment, and (c) maintaining our overall relationship with you, including marketing services or products to you, market research, insurance, audit and administrative purposes. Services include all services provided to you in connection with your Account and these Terms.

Substantial Owners means any individuals entitled to more than 10% of the profits of or with an interest in more than 10% of an entity either directly or indirectly.

Tax Authorities means UK or foreign tax, revenue or monetary authorities (for example, HM Revenue & Customs).

Tax Certification Forms means any forms or other documentation which may be issued or required by a Tax Authority or by us from time to time to confirm your tax status or the tax status of a Connected Person.

Tax Information means documentation or information about your tax status and the tax status of any owner, Controlling Person, Substantial Owner or beneficial owner.

Reference to the singular includes the plural (and vice versa).

26.1 Collection, processing and sharing of customer information

This clause explains how we will use Customer Information. By using the Services, you agree that we and members of the HSBC Group may use Customer Information in accordance with such clauses.

Customer Information will not be disclosed to anyone other than where:

- we are legally required to disclose;
- we have a public duty to disclose;
- our, or a third party's, legitimate business purposes require disclosure;
- the disclosure is made with your consent; or
- it is disclosed as set out in this clause.

Collection

26.1.1 We and other members of the HSBC Group may collect, use and share Customer Information (including information about you, your transactions, your use of our products and services, and your relationships with the HSBC Group). Customer Information may be requested by us, by any member of the HSBC Group or by a third party on behalf of us or any member of the HSBC Group, and may be collected from you directly, from a person acting on your behalf or from other sources (including from publicly available information), and it may be generated or combined with other information available to us or any member of the HSBC Group.

Processing

26.1.2 We will process, transfer and disclose Customer Information in connection with any of the following purposes (the "Purposes"):

- a. the provision of Services and to approve, manage, administer or effect any transactions that you request or authorise;
- b. meeting Compliance Obligations;
- c. conducting Financial Crime Risk Management Activity set out in clause 26.3 below;
- d. collecting any amounts due and outstanding from you;
- e. conducting credit checks and obtaining or providing credit references;

- f. enforcing or defending our rights, or those of a member of the HSBC Group;
- g. our internal operational requirements or those of any member of the HSBC Group (including credit and risk management, system or product development and planning, insurance, audit and administrative purposes);
- h. maintaining our overall relationship with you (including, if you agree, marketing or promoting financial services or related products, and market research); and/or
- i. verifying your identity.

Sharing

26.1.3 By using the Services, you agree that we may, as necessary and appropriate for the Purposes, transfer and disclose any Customer Information to the following recipients globally (who may also process, transfer and disclose such Customer Information for the Purposes):

- a. any member of the HSBC Group;
- b. any sub-contractors, agents, service providers, or associates of the HSBC Group (including their employees, directors and officers);
- c. any Authorities, in response to their requests, or where you have provided us with false or inaccurate information and Financial Crime is detected;
- d. persons acting on your behalf, payment recipients, beneficiaries, account nominees, intermediary, correspondent and agent banks, clearing houses, clearing or settlement systems, market counterparties, upstream withholding agents, swap or trade repositories, stock exchanges, companies in which you have an interest in securities (where such securities are held by us for you);
- e. any party to a transaction acquiring interest in, or assuming risk in, or in connection with, the Services;
- f. other financial institutions, fraud prevention organisations, trade associations, credit reference agencies or credit bureaus, and debt recovery agents;
- g. any third party fund manager who provides asset management services to you;
- h. any introducing broker to whom we provide introductions or referrals;
- i. any third party in connection with a transfer, disposal, merger or acquisition of business by us or any HSBC Group member; and
- j. selected third parties for marketing purposes where you have consented to marketing, wherever located, including in jurisdictions which do not have data protection laws providing the same level of protection as the jurisdiction in which the Services are supplied.

Your obligations

26.1.4 You agree to inform us promptly, and in any event, within 30 days, in writing if there are any changes to Customer Information supplied to us or a member of the HSBC Group from time to time, and to respond promptly to any request from us or a member of the HSBC Group.

26.1.5 You must ensure that every Connected Person whose information (including Personal Data or Tax Information) you (or anyone else on your behalf) provided or will from time to time provide to us or a member of the HSBC Group has been notified of and agreed to the processing, disclosure and transfer of their information as set out in these Terms before their information is provided. You must at the same time advise them that they have rights of access to, and correction of, their Personal Data.

26.1.6 Where:

- you fail to provide promptly Customer Information or any other necessary information that we reasonably request, or
 - you withhold or withdraw any consents that we may need to process, transfer or disclose Customer Information for the Purposes (except for purposes connected with marketing or promoting products and services to you), or
 - we have, or a member of the HSBC Group has, suspicions regarding Financial Crime or an associated risk,
- then we or any other member of the HSBC Group with which you have a relationship, may, where permitted by Laws:

- a. be unable to action your instruction, provide new, or continue to provide all or part of any Services to you and may end the relationship with you;

b. take actions necessary for us or a member of the HSBC Group to meet the Compliance Obligations; and/or

c. block, transfer or close your account(s) you have with us or another member of the HSBC Group.

In addition, if you fail to supply promptly your, or a Connected Person's, Tax Information and accompanying statements, waivers and consents, as may be requested, then we may make our own judgment with respect to your status, including whether you are reportable to a Tax Authority, and we or other persons may withhold amounts where legally required by any Tax Authority and pay such amounts to the appropriate Tax Authority.

We shall not be liable for any loss that you may incur as a result of us taking action under this clause 26.1.6.

26.2 Data protection

26.2.1 You may be resident in countries where data protection laws don't provide the same level of protection as in the UK.

For example, tax reporting regulations may require us to report certain information about you (and/or about certain Connected Persons) to the Tax Authorities in the country in which your Account is maintained (eg, HM Revenue & Customs in the UK), which may transfer that information to Tax Authorities in countries where you or a Connected Person may be tax resident pursuant to international agreements to exchange financial account information.

However, whether it's processed in the UK or overseas, Customer Information will be protected by a strict code of secrecy and security applying to all members of the HSBC Group, their staff and third parties holding information on their behalf.

26.2.2 Under data protection legislation, individuals can make a written request for a copy of certain personal records we hold about them.

The current fee is £10.00 per request from each individual.

26.3 Financial Crime Risk Management Activity

26.3.1 We, and members of the HSBC Group, are required, and may take any action to meet Compliance Obligations relating to or in connection with the detection, investigation and prevention of Financial Crime ("Financial Crime Risk Management Activity").

Such action may include, but is not limited to: (a) screening, intercepting and investigating any instruction, communication, drawdown request, application for Services, or any payment sent to or by you, or on your behalf, (b) investigating the source of or intended recipient of funds, (c) combining Customer Information with other related information in the possession of any member of the HSBC Group, and/or (d) making further enquiries as to the status of a person or entity, whether they are subject to a sanctions regime, or confirming their identity and status.

26.3.2 Exceptionally, our Financial Crime Risk Management Activity may lead to us delaying, blocking or refusing the making or clearing of any payment, the processing of your instructions or application for Services or the provision of all or part of the Services. To the extent permissible by law, neither we nor any other member of HSBC Group shall be responsible to you or any third party in respect of any loss (however it arose) that was suffered or incurred by you or a third party, caused in whole or in part in connection with the undertaking of Financial Crime Risk Management Activity.

26.4 Tax compliance

You acknowledge that you are solely responsible for understanding and complying with your tax obligations (including but not limited to, tax payment and filing of returns or other required documentation relating to the payment of all relevant taxes) in all jurisdictions in which those obligations arise and relating to the opening and use of account(s) and/or Services provided by us and/or members of the HSBC Group. Each Connected Person (acting in their capacity as a Connected Person and not in their personal capacity) also makes the same acknowledgement in their own regard. Certain countries may have tax legislation with extra-territorial effect regardless of your or Connected Person's place of domicile, residence, citizenship or incorporation. Neither we nor any member of the HSBC Group provide tax advice. You are advised to seek independent legal and/or tax advice. Neither we nor any member of the HSBC Group have responsibility in respect of your tax obligations in any jurisdiction in which they may arise including any that may relate specifically to the opening and use of account(s) and/or Services provided by us and/or members of the HSBC Group.

26.5 Website and email personalisation

When you use a computer or other device to access websites operated by or on behalf of the HSBC Group and associated third parties, information may be stored and accessed on that device:

- to improve your experience;
- to improve the functionality, security and performance of those websites;
- to provide you with promotional content; and/or
- to provide us with information about how those websites are used and how users arrive at those websites.

In the event that you receive emails sent by or on behalf of the HSBC Group, such emails may contain technologies to track for market research purposes whether you opened those emails and whether you accessed internet links contained within those emails. You agree to information being stored, accessed and used in this way.

Members of the HSBC Group may also exchange, analyse and use relevant information about you in the ways described above to ensure that promotional content displayed to you on screen when you use HSBC Group websites is more likely to be relevant and of interest. Further information is available on our cookie policy, and site terms and privacy statement at our website hsbc.co.uk.

26.6 Further information and marketing

26.6.1 To ensure that we carry out your instructions accurately, to help us to improve our service and in the interests of security, we may monitor and/or record your communications with us including telephone calls and conversations we have with you in our branches. In the interests of security and for preventing and investigating crime we may use closed-circuit television in and around our premises for the monitoring and collection of sound and/or visual images. Any recordings remain our sole property.

26.6.2 We may make and retain copies of passports, driving licences or other identification evidence that you provide.

26.6.3 We will obtain your written consent before providing a banker's reference about you, however, if we receive a request from another financial services institution we will provide information required to verify your identity for money laundering prevention purposes.

26.6.4 If you change your mind at any time about receiving marketing information via post, telephone, email or any other method or about participating in market research, then please let us know.

26.7 Miscellaneous

26.7.1 Any consents, authorisations, waivers requested by us or any member of the HSBC Group and permissions that already exist from you in relation to Customer Information shall continue to apply in full force and effect, to the extent permissible by applicable local law.

26.7.2 If all or any part of the provisions of these Terms become illegal, invalid or unenforceable in any respect under the law of any jurisdiction, that shall not affect or impair the legality, validity or enforceability of such provision in any other jurisdictions or the remainder of these Terms in that jurisdiction.

26.8 Survival on termination

This clause 26 shall continue to apply notwithstanding their termination, any termination by us or a member of the HSBC Group of the provision of any Services to you or the closure of any account, including the termination of this agreement.

27. Changing the Terms

27.1 We may amend these Terms (including introducing new charges or fees or making changes to the amount, rate of or basis on which we charge, including changes to the Account Fee), in the following ways:

- (i) if we reasonably consider that the change is favourable to you, by telling you about it within 30 days of the change;
- (ii) if the change is not favourable to you, by giving you at least 30 days' prior written notice before we make the change.

27.2 We may make any change to the Terms for all or any of the reasons set out in this clause 27 that apply.

- If the change is favourable to you.
- Following, or in anticipation of and to respond to a change in relevant law, regulation or to reflect a change in industry guidance or code of practice or good banking practice.

- To respond to the making of a recommendation, requirement or decision of any court, ombudsman, regulator or similar body.
- To respond to the costs or consequences of any event beyond our control that may impact our provision of accounts, services or facilities to you.
- To make the Terms clearer.
- To respond to any change in our systems and procedure, including any change arising from the reorganisation of our business as a result of it being acquired by or our acquiring another bank or organisation.
- To respond to changes or anticipated changes in costs associated with relevant technology, the costs we pay to others in respect of your Account, inflation and/or in our costs of providing accounts, services or facilities.
- To improve the service we provide.
- To respond to our internal policies on competitiveness, market share and/or the profitability of our business as a whole, where we are not acting dishonestly, for an improper purpose, in a manner which unreasonably discriminates against a particular customer or as an unreasonable financial institution would.

Other reasons for making a change

27.3 We may also make changes to the Terms (including introducing new charges or fees or changing the amount, rate of, or basis on which we charge, including changes to the Account Fee) for any other valid reason that applies and is not described in clauses 27.1 and 27.2 above. We will always give you at least 30 days' prior written notice of any such change.

27.4 We will only make a change under clause 27.2 or 27.3 if the change is proportionate to the underlying reasons for the change and provided that, if we increase our charges (or introduce any new charges) we consider that any such change represents fair value for our service.

What you can do when we tell you about a change

27.5 You may close your Account in accordance with clause 21 within 30 days of the date of any advance notice of a change we send you or, if longer, up to the date the change is due to take effect. If you do not tell us that you want to close your Account by this time, then you will be deemed to have accepted such a change and the change will take effect automatically. There will be no charge for closing your Account and you will not be charged any Account Fee for the charging period in which we receive your notice of termination in accordance with this clause 27.5. If we deduct a pro rata Account Fee under clause 17.14 and you subsequently close your Account in accordance with this clause 27.5, we shall reimburse you for any such pro rata fee to give effect to the provisions of this clause 27.5.

28. General

28.1 We may decline to accept your instruction for the purchase or sale of Shares or delay acceptance of your instruction where we

- (i) reasonably believe that you are not eligible to hold Shares under the terms of the relevant Fund prospectus;
- (ii) reasonably consider that by accepting your instruction we may break a law, regulation, code, court order or other duty; or
- (iii) become aware or have reason to believe you are resident in or otherwise connected to a country into which we are not permitted to distribute or offer the Shares, provided that we will use reasonable endeavours to contact you personally unless we are not permitted to do so.

28.2 We will not be responsible to you for any loss you may suffer if we or an Associate are prevented from or delayed in complying with the Terms, carrying out your instructions to the extent the loss is caused by:

- (i) abnormal or unforeseen circumstances beyond our reasonable control, the consequences of which would have been unavoidable despite efforts to the contrary; and/or
- (ii) any obligations we have under applicable law and regulations. Nothing in these Terms is intended to exclude or limit our liability for personal injury, fraud, fraudulent misrepresentation or for any duty we may owe to you under the Rules.

We may occasionally allow you extra time to comply with your obligations or decide not to exercise some of our rights. However, we can still insist on the strict application of the Terms later on.

28.3 Nothing in these Terms will reduce your statutory rights relating to misdescribed products or services and the fairness of terms on which they are offered. For further information about your statutory rights contact your local authority Trading Standards Department or Citizens Advice Bureau. The services of the Citizens Advice Bureau may not be available to non-personal investors.

29. Governing Law and Language

29.1 These Terms are governed by the laws of England and Wales. You and we submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts in the jurisdiction in which you are habitually resident.

29.2 These Terms are in English and all communications we send to you will be in English.

30. Fraud Prevention

30.1 We may carry out certain checks on transactions on your Account as part of our fraud prevention measures. We may contact you by post, telephone (including mobile phone), email or mobile messaging to say there may be suspicious activity on your Account, or we may leave a message to ask that you call us. If we ask you, you must contact us as soon as possible. In respect of payments made through our telephone service, if you do not reply to us, we will assume you have not authorised the transaction and it will not proceed. This will not prevent you from later disputing you authorised the transaction.

30.2 We may, at any time, suspend your use of our telephone service if we have reasonable grounds which relate to the security of or the suspected unauthorised or fraudulent use of our telephone service. We will normally give you advance notice or contact you personally if we are going to suspend your use of our telephone service. We will tell you why we are taking this action but we will not give you notice or details of the reason for the suspension if this would compromise our reasonable security measures or if it is unlawful to do so. We may occasionally suspend your use of our telephone service without notifying you where we have been unable to contact you in advance. We may also suspend your use of our telephone service due to national or European legal obligations which apply to us.

General Information

Compensation

HSBC Trust Company (UK) Limited is covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). You may be eligible to compensation from the scheme if you have a valid claim against us in respect of investment business and we cannot meet our obligations. Most types of investment business are covered up to a maximum limit of £50,000 per person. For further information about the compensation provided by the FSCS (including the amounts covered and eligibility to claim) please refer to the FSCS website www.FSCS.org.uk or call the FSCS on 0207 741 4100. Please note only compensation related queries should be directed to the FSCS.

How to complain

If we do not deliver the standard of service you expect, or if you think we have made a mistake, please let us know. We will investigate the situation and, if necessary, set about putting matters right as quickly as possible. Where appropriate we will also take steps to prevent a recurrence. However, if the matter is not resolved to your satisfaction and you would like further information about our process for resolving complaints, please ask us for our explanatory leaflet 'Listening to Your Comments'. You may be able to refer your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service, Exchange Tower, London E14 9SR.

Telephone: 0800 0234 567 or 0300 1239123

Email: complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk
www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

The Financial Ombudsman Service will generally review complaints from retail customers. However, their criteria for reviewing complaints may mean that even if you have been categorised by a provider of products and services as a retail client they may not regard you as an eligible complainant.

To help us continually improve our service and in the interests of security we may monitor and/or record your telephone calls.

HSBC Trust Company (UK) Limited is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority and is entered on

the Financial Services Register as number 119297. You can check this on the Financial Services Register www.fca.org.uk. Our main business is the provision of trustee services and administering investments.

The address of the head office of the Financial Conduct Authority is:
25 The North Colonnade
London E14 5HS.

The address of the Prudential Regulation Authority is:
20 Moorgate
London EC2R 6DA.

Past performance is no guarantee of future performance. Funds are investment products and involve risk. The value of your investments (and the level of Income you receive from them) can fall as well as rise and so you may not get back the amount you originally invested.

Annex 1

Best Execution Disclosure Statement

1. Purpose and scope

This Best Execution Disclosure Statement provides a summary of the steps we will take to achieve the Best Possible Result for the sale and purchase of Shares under our best interest policy on a consistent basis including where possible in situations of market stress. Best execution is the requirement to take all sufficient steps to obtain the Best Possible Result when executing orders taking into account execution factors such as price, costs, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, size, nature or any other consideration relevant to the execution of an order. We will not execute any orders for the sale or purchase of Shares ourselves. Orders received will be transmitted for execution to an Associate, HSBC Bank plc who will execute them on our behalf.

2. Execution of Transactions

Your instructions for the purchase or sale of Shares will be executed within the time periods specified in the Terms or, where applicable, at such time as you instruct. Any specific instructions from you may prevent the Manager from taking the steps that Manager has designed and implemented to obtain the Best Possible Result for the execution of those orders in respect of the elements covered by those instructions. The share price for all purchases and sales of Fund Shares will be determined at the next valuation point following the receipt of our instructions by the relevant Manager.

3. Specific instruction warning

We will only execute your instruction as set out within these Terms and we will process your order in accordance with our Execution Policy. We are not able to accept any additional specific instructions you give us as to how to execute an order e.g. to use a specific broker or Execution Venue.

Where you are permitted to give a specific instruction this may prevent us from achieving the Best Possible Result in accordance with our Execution Policy in respect of the aspects covered by the specific instruction.

4. Execution Venue

The Shares can only be traded with the Manager and therefore are never traded on a Regulated Market, Multilateral Trading Facility or Organised Trading Facility (as defined in the FCA Rules).

All instructions for the purchase or sale of Shares will be executed with the relevant Manager, which will be the Execution Venue for the purposes of the Rules.

5. Effective date, review, amendments and monitoring

This Best Execution Disclosure Statement will be reviewed at least annually. We will also review our Execution Policy annually or where a material change has occurred. We will inform you in writing of any material changes to the Execution Policy. You may ask us at any time in the seven years following a transaction to demonstrate that we have executed your order in accordance with our Execution Policy.

Information regarding execution and the top five Execution Venues can be accessed via our website www.hsbc.co.uk. Please note for unit trusts and open-ended investment companies the fund manager is the relevant Execution Venue.

Annex 2

HSBC Policy on Conflicts of Interest

'HSBC Group' means HSBC Holdings plc and its subsidiaries, associated and affiliated companies. The HSBC Group is a global organisation, which provides a wide range of financial services. As such, it, or a company with whom it has an association ('HSBC'), may from time to time have interests which conflict with its clients' interests or with the duties that it owes to its clients.

These include conflicts arising between the interests of HSBC, its associates and employees on the one hand and the interests of its clients on the other and also conflicts between clients themselves. Conflicts may also arise from the receipt of payments or benefits from third parties or from remuneration and other incentive structures.

HSBC has established procedures, which are designed to take all appropriate steps to identify, prevent or manage such conflicts which may adversely affect the interests of clients. These include organisational and administrative arrangements to safeguard the interests of clients.

A key element of this policy is that persons engaged in different business activities involving a conflict of interest must carry on those activities independently of one another.

Where necessary, HSBC maintains arrangements which restrict the flow of information to certain employees in order to protect its clients' interests and to prevent improper access to client information.

HSBC may also deal as Principal for its own investment account and may be matching transactions with another client. Procedures are in place in order to protect the client's interest in this instance.

In some cases, HSBC's procedures and controls may not be sufficient to ensure that a potential conflict of interest does not damage a client's interests. In these circumstances, HSBC will consider whether it is appropriate to disclose the potential conflict to the client and obtain the client's formal consent to proceed. However, HSBC may decline to act in any circumstance where there is residual risk of damage to the interests of any client.

You may have further questions which relate to the underlying procedures within HSBC. In such cases you should contact us.

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If you'd like this document in another format such as large print, Braille or audio, please contact us on 03457 404 404.

A textphone service is available for customers with hearing and/or speech impairment(s) on 03457 125 563 (+44 2070882077 from overseas). BSL Video Relay Service is also available (Monday-Friday, 8am-6pm, excluding Bank and Public Holidays) at www.hsbc.co.uk/accessibility.

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