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## FIXED INCOME

# AXA World Funds - ACT Emerging Markets Short Duration Bonds Low Carbon

A Sub-Fund of AXA World Funds SICAV

Share class: AXA World Funds - ACT Emerging Markets Short Duration Bonds Low Carbon E (Hedged) Distribution Quarterly EUR (ISIN : LU0964942204)

This Sub-Fund is managed by AXA Funds Management S.A., part of the AXA IM Group

## Objective and Investment Policy

### Investment Objective

To seek performance, in USD, by investing mainly in short duration debt securities issued in the emerging debt universe over a medium term period, whose carbon footprint is at least 30% lower than that of the index composed of 75% J. P Morgan Corporate Emerging Market Bond Index Broad Diversified + 25% J. P Morgan Emerging Market Bond Index Global Diversified (Benchmark). As a secondary 'extra-financial objective', the water intensity of the portfolio aims at being at least 30% lower than the Benchmark.

### Investment Policy

The Sub-Fund is actively managed in order to capture opportunities in emerging short duration bonds market, primarily investing in securities that are part of the Benchmark universe. The investment manager has broad discretion over the composition of the portfolio and can take exposure to companies, countries or sectors not included in the Benchmark, even though the Benchmark constituents are generally representative of the Sub-Fund's portfolio. The deviation from the Benchmark is likely to be significant.

The investment manager uses an 'extra-financial indicator improvement' approach in relation to the investable universe, the average of each extra-financial indicator calculated at Sub-Fund's level being at least 30% better than that calculated for the Benchmark.

The Sub-Fund adopts a sustainable investment approach according to which carbon intensity and water intensity assessments apply bindingly at all times in the securities selection process. The Sub-Fund excludes from its investment universe the securities of all issuers exceeding 800 CO<sub>2</sub>s tons/mn\$ revenue and non-green steel and oil sovereign owned entities. The Sub-Fund aims at excluding securities within the most carbon-intensive sectors including utilities and basic industries (e.g. metals and protein producers) and has the opportunity to invest in issuers who are transitioning to a more carbon sustainable path in sectors such as renewable energy and basic industry issuers who are focusing on de-carbonising their process and supply-chain.

Firstly, the investment manager analyses carbon intensity and water intensity data to ensure that the average of KPI carbon intensity and water intensity calculated at Sub-Fund's level is at least 30% better than that calculated for the investable universe, followed by the application of a second exclusion filter, described in AXA IM's Sectorial Exclusion and ESG Standards Policies (<https://www.axa-im.com/our-policies>). The coverage rate for the carbon intensity indicator and the ESG analysis rating within the portfolio are each at least 90% of the net assets of the Sub-Fund, while the coverage rate for the water intensity indicator within the portfolio will be at least 70% of the net assets of the Sub-Fund. Secondly, investment decisions are undertaken after comprehensive macro and microeconomic analysis of the market:

- geographical allocation
- duration positioning (duration measures, in number of years, the portfolio's sensitivity to interest rate variations)
- yield curve positioning (the yield curve illustrates the relationship between investment term and bond yield)
- issuer selection

The Sub-Fund invests in transferable debt securities issued by emerging countries governments, corporations, public or private companies and supranational entities in non-local currency, including investment in warrants. The Sub-Fund may invest up to 100% of its assets in debt securities rated sub-investment grade or unrated (i.e. neither the security itself nor its issuer has a credit rating).

The total assets of the Sub-Fund may be invested in or exposed to callable bonds.

The Sub-Fund may, up to 10%, hold distressed and defaulted securities as a result securities of their rating downgrade, if they are considered to be consistent with the Sub-Fund's objective. These securities are expected to be sold within 6 months unless specific events prevent the Investment

Manager from sourcing their liquidity.

The Sub-Fund may invest up to 100% in sovereign debt securities but it is not the current intention that the Sub-Fund will invest more than 10% of its assets in sub-investment grade securities issued or guaranteed by any single country (including its government, public or local authority of that country).

The selection of credit instruments is not exclusively and mechanically based on their publicly available credit ratings but also on an internal credit or market risk analysis. The decision to buy or sell assets is also based on other analysis criteria of the Investment Manager.\*

The Sub-Fund may invest up to one-third of its assets in money market instruments and up to 49% of its assets in anticipation of or during unfavourable market conditions.

The Sub-Fund will not invest in equity and equity related instruments.

The Investment Manager anticipates that the average duration of the Sub-Fund's investments will generally be three years or less.

The Sub-Fund may invest up to 5% of net assets in contingent convertible bonds (CoCos).

Within the limit of 200% of the Sub-Fund's net assets, the investment strategy may be achieved by direct investments and/or through derivatives, including Credit Default Swaps. Derivatives may also be used for hedging purposes. The use of derivatives for investment purposes is limited to 50% of the Sub-Fund's net assets.

The Fund is a financial product aiming to achieve a sustainable investment objective within the meaning of article 9 of the Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 of 27 November 2019 on sustainability-related disclosures in the financial sector.

The Share Class aims at hedging the foreign exchange risk resulting from the divergence between the reference currency of the Sub-Fund and the currency of this Share Class by using derivatives instruments whilst retaining the exposure to Investment Policy of the Sub-Fund.

### Income

For Distribution share classes (Dis), the dividend is distributed.

### Sub-Fund Currency

The reference currency of the Sub-Fund is USD.

### Investment Horizon

This Sub-Fund may not be suitable for investors who plan to withdraw their contribution within 3 years.

### Processing of subscription and redemption orders

The subscription, conversion or redemption orders must be received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent on any Valuation Day no later than 3 p.m. Luxembourg time. Orders will be processed at the Net Asset Value applicable to such Valuation Day. The investor's attention is drawn to the existence of potential additional processing time due to the possible involvement of intermediaries such as Financial Advisers or distributors.

The Net Asset Value of this Sub-Fund is calculated on a daily basis.

## Risk and Reward Profile



The risk category is calculated using historical performance data and may not be a reliable indicator of the Sub-Fund's future risk profile.

The risk category shown is not guaranteed and may shift over time.

The lowest category does not mean risk free.

### Why is this Sub-Fund in this category?

The capital of the Sub-Fund is not guaranteed. The Sub-Fund is invested in financial markets and uses techniques and instruments which are subject to some levels of variation, which may result in gains or losses.

### Additional Risks (risks materially relevant to the fund which are not adequately captured by the indicator)

Counterparty Risk: Risk of bankruptcy, insolvency, or payment or delivery failure of any of the Sub-Fund's counterparties, leading to a payment or

delivery default.

Impact of any techniques such as derivatives: Certain management strategies involve specific risks, such as liquidity risk, credit risk, counterparty risk, legal risk, valuation risk, operational risk and risks related to the underlying assets. The use of such strategies may also involve leverage, which may increase the effect of market movements on the Sub-Fund and may result in significant risk of losses.

Geopolitical Risk: investments in securities issued or listed in different countries may imply the application of different standards and regulations. Investments may be affected by movements of foreign exchange rates, changes in laws or restrictions applicable to such investments, changes in exchange control regulations or price volatility.

Liquidity Risk: risk of low liquidity level in certain market conditions that might lead the Sub-Fund to face difficulties valuing, purchasing or selling all/part of its assets and resulting in potential impact on its net asset value.

Credit Risk: Risk that issuers of debt securities held in the Sub-Fund may default on their obligations or have their credit rating downgraded, resulting in a decrease in the Net Asset Value.

## Charges

The charges you pay are used to pay the cost of running the fund, including the costs of marketing and distributing it. These charges reduce the potential growth of your investment.

### One-off charges taken before or after you invest

Entry Charge	none
Exit Charge	none

This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it is invested.

### Charges taken from the fund over a year

Ongoing charge	1.53%
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### Charges taken from the fund under certain specific conditions

Performance fees	none
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The entry and exit charges shown are maximum figures. In some cases, you might pay less - you can find this out from your Financial Adviser.

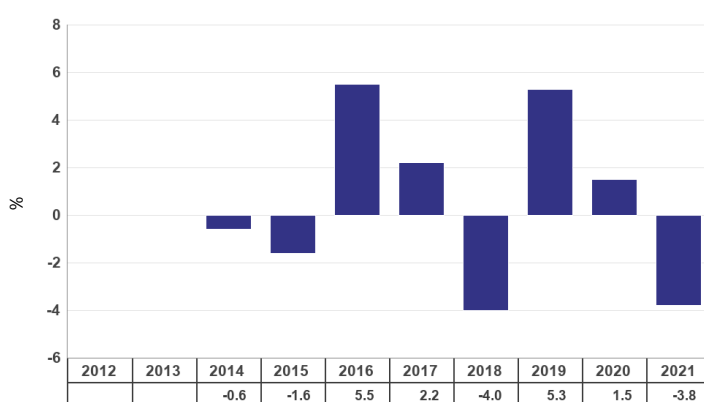
The ongoing charges figure is based on expenses for the twelve month period ending December 2021. This figure is adjusted with implemented budget changes for 2021. This figure may vary from year to year. It excludes:

- Performance fees
- Portfolio transaction costs, except in the case of an entry/exit charge paid by the Sub-Fund when buying or selling units in another collective investment undertaking

For more information about charges, please refer to the Fees and Expenses section of the prospectus which is available at [www.axa-im.com](http://www.axa-im.com).

## Past Performance

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Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

Past performance is shown after the deduction of ongoing charges. Any entry/exit fees are excluded from the calculation.

The Sub-Fund was launched on 06/09/2012 and the share class in 2013. Past performance has been calculated in EUR and is expressed as a percentage change of the Sub-Fund's Net Asset Value at each year end.

## Practical Information

### Custodian:

State Street Bank International GmbH, Luxembourg Branch  
49, Avenue J.F. Kennedy  
L-1855 Luxembourg

### Further Information:

The Environmental, Social and Governance criteria, as further detailed in the prospectus, contribute to, but are not a determining factor in, the investment manager's decision making.

More share classes are available for this Sub-Fund. For more details about other share classes, please refer to the prospectus, which is available at <https://funds.axa-im.com/>.

Details of the up to date remuneration policy of the company are published online at [www.axa-im.com/important-information/remuneration-policy](http://www.axa-im.com/important-information/remuneration-policy).

This includes the description of how remuneration and benefits are awarded for employees, and information on the remuneration committee. The company provides a paper copy free of charge upon request.

Each Sub-Fund corresponds to a distinct part of the assets and liabilities of the UCITS. As a consequence, the assets of each Sub-Fund are segregated from the assets of the other Sub-Funds and exclusively available to satisfy the rights of investors in relation to that Sub-Fund and the right of creditors whose claims have arisen in connection with the creation, the operation or the liquidation of that Sub-Fund.

### Net Asset Value Publication:

The Net Asset Value per share is available at <https://funds.axa-im.com/>, and at the registered office of the Management Company.

### Tax Legislation:

The Sub-Fund is subject to the tax laws and regulations of Luxembourg. Depending on your own country of residence this might have an impact on your investments. For further details, you should consult a Tax Adviser.

### Liability Statement:

AXA Funds Management S.A. may be held liable solely on the basis of any statement contained in this document that is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent with the relevant parts of the prospectus for the Sub-Fund.

### Switching between Sub-Funds:

Shareholders may apply for any share classes of any Sub-Funds to be converted into share classes of another Sub-Fund, provided that the conditions for accessing the target share class, type or sub-type are fulfilled with respect to this Sub-Fund, on the basis of their respective Net Asset Value calculated on the Valuation Day following receipt of the conversion request.

The redemption and subscription costs connected with the conversion may be charged to the shareholder as indicated in the prospectus.

For more details about how to switch compartment, please refer to the prospectus, section switch between Sub-Funds, which is available at <https://funds.axa-im.com/>.

### Information for Investors in Switzerland:

The Swiss representative is First Independent Fund Services Ltd, Klausstrasse 33, CH-8008 Zurich. The Swiss paying agent is Credit Suisse (Switzerland) Ltd, Paradeplatz 8, CH-8001 Zurich. The prospectus, the Key Investor Information Documents (the "KIID"), the articles of incorporation as well as the annual and semi-annual reports can be obtained free of charge from the Swiss representative.