# **Key Investor Information**



This document provides you with key investor information about this Fund. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature and the risks of investing in this Fund. You are advised to read it so you can make an informed decision about whether to invest.

## Russell Investments Global High Yield Fund (the "Fund")

A sub-fund of Russell Investment Company plc (the "UCITS") managed by Russell Investments Ireland Limited

Class A Roll Up (ISIN: IE00B459FF93)

Currency: Euro

## **Objective and Investment Policy**

The Fund aims to achieve income and growth on your investment over the long-term.

To achieve this objective, the Fund will invest at least 70% of its assets in high yield corporate bonds issued by companies in both emerging and developed markets. High yield bonds are bonds with a lower credit rating, higher risk of default and hence usually pay a higher rate of return than government bonds or investment-grade corporate bonds.

Russell Investments may employ a variety of management styles. This may include delegating investment management to money managers or managing strategies in-house. Each money manager or Russell Investments-managed strategy will have a complementary investment style, with a focus on bonds issued by companies traded worldwide.

At least 80% of the Fund's investments are bonds which are rated non-investment grade (lower quality). The Fund invests in bonds which pay either a fixed or variable rate of interest.

The Fund may invest up to 20% of its assets in convertible bonds (being a type of bond which can be converted to common stock or cash) and other debt instruments.

The Fund may invest up to 10% of its assets in short-term instruments, unlisted securities and equities or securities with equity type features listed on regulated markets worldwide.

The Fund is broadly diversified across countries worldwide and across currencies and with varying maturities (defined holding term for a bond).

The Fund may invest in emerging markets (developing countries).

The Fund may gain market exposure indirectly through the use of specialist financial techniques (known as derivatives). Derivatives may

be used to manage the Fund's exposures, to reduce risk, or to manage the Fund more efficiently.

The Fund is actively managed with reference to the ICE BofA Developed Markets HY Constrained Index (EUR Hdg) (the "Index").

The Fund's performance will be measured against the Index which it seeks to outperform by 0.75% over the medium to long term.

Russell Investments and/or the money managers may manage a portion of the Fund with reference to an index which is not the Index. Any such indexes used will be relevant to each Russell Investments and/or money manager strategy and may be used as the basis for portfolio constraints or for performance measurement purposes. Any such constraints are not expected to materially constrain the relevant portfolio from being managed on a fully discretionary basis.

Income of the Fund will be re-invested to increase the value of your investment.

You may sell your shares in the Fund on any day on which banks are normally open for business in Ireland. For further information please refer to the "Repurchases of Shares" section of the prospectus.

**Recommendation:** this Fund may not be appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money within 5 years.

#### Risk and Reward Profile



The risk category for this Fund was calculated using historical data and is based on how volatile the Fund's shares are likely to be. The risk category may not be a reliable indicator of the Fund's future risk profile. The risk category shown is not guaranteed to remain unchanged and may change over time.

The risk and reward profile is classified by the level of historical fluctuation (i.e. volatility) of the Net Asset Values of the share class, and within this classification, categories 1-2 indicate a low level of historical fluctuations, 3-5 a medium level and 6-7 a high level. A category 1 fund is not a risk-free investment - the risk of losing your money is small, but the chance of making gains is also limited.

The risk category does not take into account the following material risks:

**Market risk**: bond prices can go down as well as up due to global economic, currency and interest rate conditions and the creditworthiness (as measured by rating agencies) of the bond issuer. The value of your investment may go down as well as up and investors may not get back the original amount invested.

Credit risk: there is a risk that bond or debt security issuers may not be able to pay interest or repay their debt. The risk is greater where the

Fund invests in a bond or debt security with a low credit rating, as measured by rating agencies. Bonds which have a low credit rating are considered to be of a lower quality. These bonds may pay a higher rate of interest (income) to the Fund, but also have a greater risk of default (non-payment). There is also a risk of a bond being downgraded (i.e. rated as being of lower quality) and that the value of your investment may fall.

**Derivative risk:** the Fund may use specialist financial techniques (known as derivatives) to both reduce or "off-set" risk and for investment purposes. The value of a derivative depends primarily on the performance of the underlying asset. A small movement in the value of the underlying asset may cause a large movement in the value of the derivative.

Securities Lending Risk: The Fund may also engage in short term secured lending of its investments to certain eligible third parties. Such arrangements may involve risks such as of delay in recovery of the securities which have been lent or default of such third parties in any of their obligations under the securities lending arrangements. Whilst the Fund will receive collateral in connection with such transactions, there is also a risk that the value of the collateral received as part of a transaction may fall and the Fund suffers a loss as a result.

For a more detailed explanation of risks, please refer to the "Risk Factors" section of the prospectus.

# **Charges for this Fund**

The charges you pay are used to pay the costs 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 and before the proceeds of your investment are paid out.	
Charges taken from the Fund over each year	
Ongoing charges	1.08%
Charges taken from the Fund under certain specific conditions	
Performance fee	None
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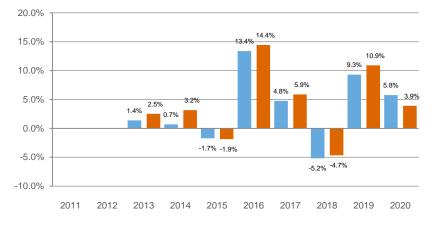
The **entry** and **exit charges** shown are maximum figures. In some cases you might pay less. You can find this out from your financial adviser or distributor.

A charge of up to 5.00% may be payable when switching shares from the Fund to another sub-fund in the UCITS.

The **ongoing charges** figure is based on the expenses for the year ending December 2020. This figure excludes portfolio transaction costs (except for entry/exit charges paid when buying/selling shares in other schemes) and performance fees. This figure may vary from year to year.

You can find out more details about the charges by looking at the "Fees and Expenses" section of the prospectus, which is available at https://russellinvestments.com.

#### **Past Performance**



The past performance will not take into account any entry, exit or switching charges but will take into account the ongoing charges, shown in the Charges section above.

The performance of this class is calculated in Euro.

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. The current index for performance purposes is the ICE BofA Developed Markets HY Constrained Index (EUR Hdg). Prior to 31st March 2019 the index was BofAml Global High Yield 2% Constrained EH Index. Prior to 3rd December 2015, the composite index was 70% BofAml Global High Yield 2% Constrained EH, 30% JP Morgan EMBIG EH. Past performance data shown is based on the index of the fund at the relevant time.

The Fund launched on 28 February 2012. This class started to issue shares on 28 February 2012.

The Fund was subject to a material change to the investment policy on 3 December 2015, at which point it adopted a new name and an amended investment policy. Accordingly, the performance data set out for the period before 3 December 2015 was achieved in circumstances which no longer apply.

## **Practical Information**

Class A Roll Up

The depositary is State Street Custodial Services (Ireland) Limited.

The share price is published on each business day and is available online at www.bloomberg.com.

■ICE BofA Developed Markets HY Constrained Index (EUR Hdg)

Further information about the Fund, copies of the prospectus in English, German, French and Italian and the latest annual and semi-annual reports in English may be obtained free of charge by writing to Russell Investments, P.O. Box 786055, Rex House, 10 Regent Street, London SW1Y 4PE, England. They are also available online at <a href="https://russellinvestments.com">https://russellinvestments.com</a>.

This Fund is subject to tax laws and regulations of Ireland. Depending on your home country of residence, this might have an impact on your personal tax position. For further details, please speak to your financial adviser.

You may switch your shares to the shares of another sub-fund of the UCITS subject to a 5% handling charge. For further information please refer to the "Administration of the Funds" section of the prospectus.

This key investor information is specific to this share class. Shares other than Class A Roll Up are offered by the Fund, as set out in the prospectus. The prospectus, annual and semi-annual reports are prepared for the entire UCITS.

Russell Investments Global High Yield Fund is a sub-fund of the UCITS. The assets and liabilities of each sub-fund are segregated which means the assets of a sub-fund cannot be used to meet the liabilities of another sub-fund.

Russell Investments Ireland Limited 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 UCITS.

As required under applicable laws for UCITS, details of Russell Investments Ireland Limited's remuneration policy are available here: <a href="https://russellinvestments.com/-/media/files/emea/legal/russell-investments-remuneration-disclosure.pdf">https://russellinvestments.com/-/media/files/emea/legal/russell-investments-remuneration-disclosure.pdf</a> and a paper copy will also be available free of charge upon request.

Information about the Fund and Russell Investments' responsible investing policies can be found at <a href="https://russellinvestments.com/ie/important-information">https://russellinvestments.com/ie/important-information</a>.

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This key investor information is accurate as at 15 February 2021.