# **Key Information Document**



# **Purpose**

This document provides you with key information about this investment product. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature, risks, costs, potential gains and losses of this product and to help you compare it with other products.

### **Product**

A JPY (IE00B563Q870) is a share class of Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund (the "Fund") which is a sub-fund of E.I. Sturdza Funds plc (the "UCITS"). The UCITS is authorised in Ireland. PRIIPs Manufacturer: Eric Sturdza Management Company S.A. (the "Manager") whose website is www.ericsturdza.lu. Call +352 28 99 19 10 for more information. The Manager has been appointed as an external Management Company to the UCITS. The Central Bank of Ireland is responsible for supervising the Manager in relation to this Key Information Document. Date of Production: 21/01/2023.

You are about to purchase a product that is not simple and may be difficult to understand.

# What is this product?

#### Type

A JPY is a share class of the Fund which is a sub-fund of the UCITS, an open-ended umbrella investment company comprising a number of different sub-funds. The assets of the Fund are segregated from other sub-funds in the umbrella structure which means that your investment in the Fund will not be affected by any claims made against any other sub-fund of the UCITS. Please contact info@ericsturdza.com for additional information regarding alternative share classes and their associated terms.

Investors may switch their shares in the Fund for shares in a different currency class or for shares within another sub-fund in the umbrella structure. For further information please refer to the Fund's supplement.

### Term

There is no fixed term for the UCITS.

#### **Objectives**

The Manager has appointed E.I. Sturdza Strategic Management Limited (the "Investment Manager") who manages the Fund with the objective of achieving long-term capital growth through active sector allocation and stock selection resulting from changes in economic conditions in a range of Japanese equities.

The Fund's investments will be primarily listed on a Recognised Stock Exchange and the Fund will target underlying investments that can easily be bought or sold in the market with few liquidity constraints. The Fund has the flexibility to invest in cash or money market instruments including short term government bonds issued by the Japanese Government and denominated in JPY, but these assets do not make up a large part of the Fund's investments. In addition, the

Fund may also use financial derivatives such as futures and options both to hedge the value of the assets within the investment portfolio and also to gain additional investment exposure.

Pursuant to the EU's Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 ('SFDR'), this Fund is classified as a fund that promotes environmental or social characteristics. The Fund will have an averaged ESG score higher than the averaged ESG score of its initial investment universe.

The Investment Manager is free to choose how the Fund is invested within the limits of its investment policy.

You can buy and sell your shares in the Fund on a daily basis.

The Shares that you will hold in the Fund are accumulating, meaning that the income from the Fund's investments will be included in the value of your shares rather than being paid as a dividend.

### Intended retail investor

The Fund is deemed to be appropriate for investors who plan to invest for the medium to long term.

The Fund is actively managed, with reference to the TOPIX TR JPY (the "Index") for performance monitoring and calculation of performance fees (where applicable).

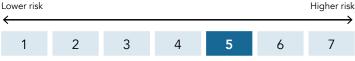
The Depositary is The Bank of New York Mellon SA/NV, Dublin Branch.

Further information including the Prospectus, latest annual and half-yearly reports are available on www.ericsturdza.com and are also available from the Administrator or the Global Distributor (see details below) free of charge. The UCITS documentation is available in English. Other practical information, including where to find the latest prices of shares are available on www.ericsturdza.com

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

### **Summary Risk Indicator**

The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay you.



The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for a minimum of 5 years. The actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less.

We have classified this product as 5 out of 7, which is a medium-high risk class.

This rates the potential losses from future performance at a mediumhigh level, and poor market conditions will likely impact the capacity of Eric Sturdza Management Company S.A. to pay you.

The risk indicator is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indicator of the future risk profile of the Fund, is not guaranteed and may change over time. The lowest category does not mean risk free. The risk indicator for the Fund reflects the historic price behaviour of the Fund.

Factors that affect the risk profile of the Fund include:

Investments in equity securities are subject to fluctuations in value dependent on market conditions which will directly affect the value of investments held by the Fund. The Fund invests with a single country focus which will increase the risk of investing compared to a fund that invests in a globally diversified range of countries.

**Taxation Risks:** the risks of changes in taxation regimes, including legal and regulatory changes.

**Custody and Settlement Risk:** the risk that the transactions entered into by the Fund are not settled or registered as appropriate.

**Operational Risk:** the risks associated with correctly reflecting the value and safekeeping of the assets of the Fund.

**Counterparty Risk:** the risk associated with holding assets with an unrelated third party who may fail to deliver the assets or whose financial standing may affect the value of the assets.

**Liquidity Risk:** the risk that the assets of the Fund may have low levels of liquidity in some circumstances.

You can buy and sell your shares in the Fund on a daily basis. Investors are advised the value of any investments, the funds and the income which may be generated from them can go down as well as up and therefore investors must be able to bear the risks of a substantial impairment or loss of their entire investments. There is theoretically unlimited upside associated with an investment in the Fund.

This product does not include any protection from future market performance so you could lose some or all of your investment.

If we are not able to pay you what is owed, you could lose your entire investment.

# **Performance Scenarios**

The figures shown include all the costs of the product itself, (where applicable) [but may not include all the costs that you pay to your advisor or distributor/and includes the costs of your advisor or distributor]. The figures do not take into account your personal tax situation, which may also affect how much you get back. What you will get from this product depends on future market performance. Market developments in the future are uncertain and cannot be accurately predicted.

The unfavourable, moderate, and favourable scenarios shown are illustrations using the worst, average, and best performance of the Fund over the last 10 years. Markets could develop very differently in the future.

Recommended holding period:		5 years	
Example Investment:		1000000 JPY	
Scenarios		If you exit after 1 year	If you exit after 5 years
Minimum	There is no minimum guaranteed return if you exit before 5 years. You could lose some or all of your investment.		
Stress	What you might get back after costs	116110 JPY	98170 JPY
	Average return each year	-88.39%	-37.14%
Unfavourable	What you might get back after costs	661790 JPY	709820 JPY
	Average return each year	-33.82%	-6.63%
Moderate	What you might get back after costs	1089920 JPY	1250080 JPY
	Average return each year	8.99%	4.57%
Favourable	What you might get back after costs	1737950 JPY	1953800 JPY
	Average return each year	73.80%	14.33%

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

Unfavourable Scenario: This type of scenario occurred for an investment between 20 March 2015 and 19 March 2020.

Moderate Scenario: This type of scenario occurred for an investment between 21 May 2013 and 21 May 2018.

Favourable Scenario: This type of scenario occurred for an investment between 08 January 2013 and 05 January 2018.

# What happens if Eric Sturdza Management Company S.A. is unable to pay out?

The UCITS is not a guaranteed UCITS and as a result there is no guarantee scheme in place which provides a guaranteed rate of return. The Fund does not provide compensation or operate a guarantee against any loss in the value of an investment, the funds or any income generated.

# What are the costs?

Any advisors, distributors or any other person advising on, or selling, the UCITS will provide additional information detailing any cost associated with the distribution of the Fund that are not included in the costs specified above. Such insights will allow you to determine the cumulative effect that the aggregated costs may have on the return on your investment.

The tables show the amounts that are taken from your investment to cover different types of costs. These amounts depend on how much you invest, how long you hold the product and how well the product does. The amounts shown here are illustrations based on an example investment amount and different possible investment periods.

### **Costs over Time**

We have assumed

- In the first year you would get back the amount that you invested (0 % annual return). For the other holding period we have assumed the product performs as shown in the moderate scenario.
- That your JPY 1,000,000.00 has been invested.

	If you exit after 1 year	If you exit after 5 years
Total costs	21,405 JPY	124,635 JPY
Annual cost impact (*)	2.1%	2.1% each year

(\*) This illustrates how costs reduce your return each year over the holding period. For example, it shows that if you exit at maturity your average return per year is projected to be 6.7 % before costs and 4.5 % after costs.

We may share part of the costs with the person selling you the product to cover the services they provide to you. (Where applicable) [They will inform you of the amount].

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#### **Composition of Costs**

One-off costs upon entry or exit	If you exit after 1 year			
Entry costs	$\bullet 0.00\%$ , represent that charges that might be taken out of your money before it is invested or before the proceeds of your investment are paid out.	0 JPY		
Exit costs	$\bullet 0.00\%$ , represent that charges that might be taken out of your money before it is invested or before the proceeds of your investment are paid out.	0 JPY		
Ongoing costs taken each year				
Management fees and other administrative or operating costs	•1.9% based on est. fees & costs that will be paid in 1 year, it may vary over time. Perf fees & portfolio transaction costs are excluded, whilst Management Fees are included.	18500 JPY		
Transaction costs	ullet 0.2% of the value of your investment per year. This is an estimate of the costs incurred when we buy and sell the underlying investments for the product. The actual amount will vary depending on how much we buy and sell.	1661 JPY		
Incidental costs taken under specific conditions				
Performance fees	15.00% of relative outperformance, if any, of the Net Asset Value per Share (before deducting the amount of any accrued liability for a performance fee) over the TOPIX TR JPY.	1301 JPY		

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

### Recommended Holding Period: 5 Years

The Fund offers daily liquidity to investors, as such subscriptions and redemptions can be processed on a daily basis. There are no lock up periods or penalties associated with redeeming a holding prior to the recommended holding period.

The Fund has been assessed as being suitable for mid to long term investors as a result of the concentrated and directional nature of the investment portfolio. This means that the Fund will hold a different exposure mix compared to the TOPIX TR JPY (the "Benchmark"), wider market and peers, and it is possible that at different parts of the markets cycle that the maintained positioning will benefit or be negatively impacted. As such, investors holding an investment for a short time frame may not benefit from the exposure offered by the Fund.

# How can I complain?

Complainants can request information, complain and/or make comments free of charge by contacting the Manager whose details are listed below. Investors can request a copy of the Manager's complaints handling policy, or access this via their website at http://www.ericsturdza.lu/. Any complaints, claim or comments may be provided in writing, in English or in French, together with supporting documents by mail to the attention of the Complaints Handling Officer at:

Eric Sturdza Management Company S.A., 16, rue Robert Stümper,L-2557 Luxembourg, or by email to: esmc@ericsturdza.lu.

# Other relevant information

Additional information and documentation, including the prospectus, country specific supplements (where relevant), annual and interim reports, as well as shareholder communications can be obtained from the Investment Manager's website: https://ericsturdza.com/literature/ or by contact info@ericsturdza.com.

Information regarding the past performance of the Fund can be obtained on <a href="https://ericsturdza.com/funds/nippon-growth-ucits-ie00b563q870/">https://ericsturdza.com/funds/nippon-growth-ucits-ie00b563q870/</a>. Past performance data for the Fund is available since inception on the 22 October 2009.

Past performance scenario calculations will be made available at https://ericsturdza.com/literature/

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Global Distributor: E.I. Sturdza Strategic Management Limited, 3rd Floor, Maison Trinity, Rue du Pre, St Peter Port, Guernsey GY1 1LT

**Tax:** The Fund is subject to tax laws and regulations of Ireland. Depending on your home country of residence, this might have an impact on your investment. For further details, please speak to an adviser.

**Remuneration:** Details of the Manager's up-to-date remuneration policy, including, but not limited to, a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated, the identity of persons responsible for awarding the remuneration and benefits, are available at the following website https://ericsturdza.lu/ and a paper copy of such remuneration policy is available to investors free of charge upon request.

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Markets could develop very differently in the future. It can help you to assess how the Fund has been managed in the past.

The representative agent in Switzerland is CACEIS (Switzerland) SA, 35 route de Signy, CH-1260 Nyon and the paying agent is CACEIS Bank, Montrouge, Nyon Branch / Switzerland, 35 route de Signy, CH-1260 Nyon.

Copies of the Prospectus, the Key Information Documents, Articles of Incorporation, annual & half-yearly reports may be obtained, free of charge, at the registered office of the representative agent in Switzerland.