# **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

# Brown Advisory US Flexible Equity Fund a sub-fund of Brown Advisory Funds plc Euro Class A Acc H (IE00BJ357X67)

Manufacturer: Brown Advisory (Ireland) Limited

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# What is this product?

#### Туре

This product is a UCITS sub-fund of Brown Advisory Funds Plc. The Fund's assets are held through its Depository, which is Brown Brothers Harriman Trustee Services (Ireland) Limited.

#### Term

This Fund is an umbrella type open-ended UCITS and this product is not subject to any fixed term. For full investment objectives and policy details, please refer to the Investment Objectives and Investment Policy in the Fund's Supplement to the Prospectus, which are available at <a href="https://www.brownadvisory.com/intl/home.">https://www.brownadvisory.com/intl/home.</a> The Fund's assets are held through its Depository, which is Brown Brothers Harriman Trustee Services (Ireland) Limited. The NAV per share of the Fund will be published daily and made available on the internet at <a href="https://www.brownadvisory.com">www.brownadvisory.com</a> and will be updated following each calculation of NAV. You may sell Shares in the Fund by submitting a redemption request to the Fund's Administrator before 3.00pm (Irish Time) on each dealing day. The Company may compulsorily repurchase all of the Shares of any Fund if the Net Asset Value of the relevant Fund is less than the Minimum Fund Size (if any) as specified in the Supplement. Where an investor makes a repurchase request which brings his holding below the relevant Minimum Shareholding, the Directors are entitled to compulsorily repurchase all of the Shares held by that investor. Please also refer to Anti-Money Laundering and Counter Terrorist Financing Measures/Payment for Shares in the Prospectus for further information on compulsory redemptions. Further details on the conditions associated with the redemption of shares is included under the section "How long should I hold it and can I take money out early?"

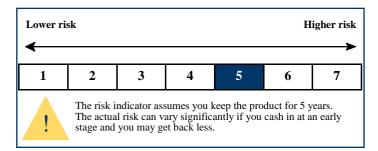
#### Objectives

The objective of the Fund is to achieve capital appreciation by investing primarily in U.S. equities.

#### Investment Policy

The Fund is committed to investing at least 80% of its assets in equity securities, with a focus on mid-size and large companies that have market capitalizations above \$2 billion at the time of purchase. The Investment Manager selects

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



companies listed or traded on U.S. markets and exchanges, which exhibit strong or improving long-term business characteristics that are not fully reflected in their share prices.

In addition to U.S. equities, the Fund may allocate portions of its assets to a variety of other investments. This includes non-U.S. securities, convertible debt securities (such as U.S. Rule 144a Securities), American and Global Depositary Receipts, U.S. treasury bills, fixed and/or floating rate U.S. government securities, real estate investment trusts, and unlisted securities. The investments in non-U.S. securities are limited to 15% of the Fund's Net Asset Value, and investments in below Investment Grade debt securities will not exceed 10% of the Fund's Net Asset Value.

The Investment Manager has determined that the Fund is an Article 8 financial product for sustainability-related disclosures ("SFDR").

The Fund promotes Sustainability Characteristics through its investment selection and ongoing monitoring processes, as described under the section titled **Promotion of Sustainability Characteristics** in the Fund's documentation.

The Fund's approach is designed to ensure a balance between achieving its investment objective and adhering to sustainability considerations.

This class utilises forward foreign exchange contracts (an obligation to purchase or sell a foreign currency at a specific date and exchange rate) to hedge currency risk between the share class currency and the US dollar.

The fund is actively managed and it is not constrained by the benchmark, the S&P 500 Index which is used for performance comparison purposes only.

The Fund does not intend to distribute income on your shares. The price of your shares shall rise by the net income earned per share. For full investment policy details please refer to the Fund Supplement's Investment Objective and Policies section.

#### **Intended Retail Investor**

The Fund is suitable for any investor (institutional and, unless prohibited by the rules of a particular jurisdiction, retail) seeking to achieve capital appreciation over the long term (i.e., greater than five (5) years). As the Fund invests primarily in equities, investors should consider an investment in the Fund as medium to high risk.

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

We have classified this product as 5 out of 7, which is a medium-high risk class. This rates the potential losses from future performance at a medium-high level, and poor market conditions will likely impact the ability for you to receive a positive return on your investment.

Be aware of currency risk. You will receive payments in a different currency, so the final return you will get depends on the exchange rate between the two currencies. This risk is not considered in the indicator shown above.

For other risks materially relevant to the product which are not taken into account in the summary risk indicator, please read the product's Annual Report or Prospectus available at <u>https:// www.brownadvisory.com/intl/ucits-legal-document-library</u>.

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

### **Performance scenarios**

The figures shown include all the costs of the product itself but may not include all the costs that you pay to 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 product and a suitable benchmark over the last 10 years. Markets could develop very differently in the future. The stress scenario shows what you might get back in extreme market circumstances.

#### **Recommended Holding Period: 5 years**

#### Investment: EUR 10,000

Scenarios Minimum: There is no minimum guaranteed return if you exit before 5 years		If you exit after 1 year	If you exit after 5 years (recommended holding period)	
Stress	What you might get back after costs	<b>830 EUR</b>	<b>810 EUR</b>	
	Average return each year	-91.65%	-39.45%	
Unfavourable <sup>1</sup>	What you might get back after costs	<b>7,540 EUR</b>	<b>10,620 EUR</b>	
	Average return each year	-24.58%	1.21%	
Moderate <sup>2</sup>	What you might get back after costs	<b>11,360 EUR</b>	<b>16,730 EUR</b>	
	Average return each year	13.65%	10.84%	
Favourable <sup>3</sup>	What you might get back after costs	<b>16,010 EUR</b>	<b>24,210 EUR</b>	
	Average return each year	60.11%	19.34%	

<sup>1</sup> This type of scenario occurred for an investment between December 2021 and May 2024.

<sup>2</sup> This type of scenario occurred for an investment between December 2014 and December 2019.

<sup>3</sup> This type of scenario occurred for an investment between June 2016 and June 2021.

## What happens if Brown Advisory (Ireland) Limited is unable to pay out?

If we are not able to pay you out what we owe you, you are not covered by any national compensation scheme. To protect you, the assets are held with a separate company, a depositary. Should we default, the depositary would liquidate the investments and distribute the proceeds to the investors. In the worst case, however, you could lose your entire investment.

### What are the costs?

The person advising on or selling you this product may charge you other costs. If so, this person will provide you with information about these costs and how they affect your investment.

#### Costs over time

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

We have assumed, in the first year you would get back the amount that you invested (0 % annual return). For the other holding period, we have assumed the fund performs as shown in the moderate scenario and the investment is EUR 10,000.

Investment: EUR 10,000	If you exit after 1 year	If you exit after 5 years
Total costs	222 EUR	1,693 EUR
Annual cost impact (*)	2.2%	2.3%

(\*) This illustrates how costs reduce your return each year over the holding period. For example it shows that if you exit at the recommended holding period your average return per year is projected to be 13.2% before costs and 10.8% after costs.

## Composition of costs

One-off costs upon entry or exit	If you exit after 1 year	
Entry costs	The impact of the costs you pay when entering your investment. [This is the most you will pay, and you could pay less].	0 EUR
Exit costs	1% - This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before the proceeds of your investment are paid out.	0 EUR
Ongoing costs taken each year	If you exit after 1 year	
Management fees and other administrative or operating costs	The impact of the costs that we take each year for managing your investments.	165 EUR
Transaction costs	The impact of the costs of us buying and selling underlying investments for the product.	57 EUR
Incidental costs taken under specifi	If you exit after 1 year	
Performance fees	This product does not have any performance fees.	0 EUR

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

#### **Recommended holding period: 5 years**

The fund has daily liquidity. The recommended holding period of the fund assumes the fund being the sole or majority holding of the investor. The recommended holding period is primarily based on the historic volatility of the underlying investments and is not directly applicable if used in a portfolio based on the investor's risk profile. The fund is not intended for short term speculation purposes. The Fund is open-ended and, accordingly, investors will have the right to request the redemption (whether in whole or in part) of their shares by contacting the Administrator as per the terms set out in the Prospectus. A 1% Repurchase Charge will only be charged in instances where there is a significant (typically in excess of 10%) net redemption or in the case of an investor engaging in excessive trading. While an exit fee may be levied on any redemption, the Investment Manager does not currently intend to do so and prior Shareholder notice will be provided should this policy change.

#### How can I complain?

As a Shareholder in the Fund, you are entitled to make a complaint free of charge. Any such complaint must be handled by the management company promptly and effectively. You also have the right to refer the relevant complaint to the Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman after following the Fund's complaints process if you are still not satisfied with the response received. Further information on the complaints policy relating to the Fund is available from <u>BAIrelandOps@Brownadvisory.com</u> or please visit the following for further details <u>Complaints Disclosure</u>. (Contact Address: Brown Advisory Limited, 18 Hanover Square, 1st Floor, London, W1S 1JY).

#### Other relevant information

Please see offering documentation for further information. The cost, performance and risk calculations included in this KID follow the methodology prescribed by EU regulation. Past performance for the previous 10 years and historical performance scenarios are available at: <u>https://www.brownadvisory.com/intl/kiid-library</u>.