

# *Prospectus* January 2024

#### SICAV umbrella fund incorporated under Luxembourg law

Subscriptions may only be made on the basis of this prospectus (the "Prospectus") including the fact sheets for each of the sub-funds and on the basis of the key information document ("KID"). The Prospectus may only be distributed if accompanied by the latest annual report and the latest half-yearly report if the latter is more recent than the annual report.

The fact that the SICAV is listed on the official list drawn up by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier ("CSSF") should not, under any circumstances or in any way whatsoever, be considered as a positive appraisal by the CSSF as to the quality of the shares offered for subscription. Any statement to the contrary would be unauthorised and illegal.

No reliance may be placed on any information other than that contained in the Prospectus and these Articles of Association, as well as in the documents mentioned by the latter.



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#### THE SICAV AND THE AGENTS

Name of the SICAV: DPAM L Registered office of the SICAV: 12, rue Eugène Ruppert, L-2453 Luxembourg Luxembourg Trade and Companies Registry number: R.C.S. B 27.128 Legal form:

Société d'Investissement à Capital Variable umbrella fund incorporated under Luxembourg law subject to Part I of the Law of 17 December 2010 on undertakings for collective investment, as amended ("Law of 2010").

# Board of Directors of the SICAV:

Yvon LAURET Independent Director Mr Peter DE COENSEL Degroof Petercam Asset Management S.A. Mr Tomas MURILLO Degroof Petercam Asset Management S.A. Mr Jean-Michel LOEHR Director Philippe DENEF Degroof Petercam Asset Management S.A. Ms Sophie DOCCLO Degroof Petercam Asset Management S.A.

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# Manager:

Degroof Petercam Asset Management S.A., 18, rue Guimard, B-1040 Brussels

# **Domiciliary agent:**

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# **Custodian and Principal Paying Agent:**

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# **Central Administrative Agent:**

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# **Statutory Auditor of the SICAV:**

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# INTRODUCTION

No person is authorised to provide information, make declarations or give confirmations regarding the offer, placement, subscription, sale, conversion, transfer or redemption of shares in the SICAV other than those contained in the Prospectus. If, however, such information, declarations or confirmations are provided, they cannot be considered to have been authorised by the SICAV. The provision of the Prospectus, of the offer, the placement, conversion, transfer, subscription or issue of shares in the SICAV does not imply and does not create an obligation for the information contained in the Prospectus to remain correct after the date of issue of said Prospectus, offer, investment, conversion, transfer, subscription or issue of shares in the SICAV.

This Prospectus may be updated. Potential subscribers are therefore requested to inquire with the SICAV as to the publication of any more recent Prospectuses.

Investing in the shares of the SICAV entails the risks stated in chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN A SICAV".

The providing of the Prospectus and the offer or acquisition of shares in the SICAV may be forbidden or restricted in certain jurisdictions. The Prospectus does not constitute an offer, invitation or solicitation to subscribe to or acquire shares in the SICAV in any jurisdiction in which such offer, invitation or solicitation is not authorised or would be illegal. Persons in any jurisdiction whatsoever who receive the Prospectus may not consider the provision of the Prospectus as constituting an offer, invitation for solicitation is authorised or acquire shares in the SICAV unless, in the jurisdiction concerned, such offer, invitation or solicitation is authorised and no legal or regulatory constraints apply. It is the responsibility of any person in possession of the Prospectus and of any person wishing to subscribe to or acquire shares in the SICAV to obtain information on the legal and regulatory provisions in the respective jurisdictions and to comply with these.

The SICAV draws investors' attention to the fact that a nominative investor may fully exercise his rights directly visà-vis the SICAV, in particular the right to participate in general meetings of shareholders, only if he is listed in the SICAV's register of shareholders or is himself the owner of a securities account in his own name. In cases where an investor invests in the SICAV through an intermediary investing in the SICAV in its name but on behalf of the investor, certain rights attaching to the status of shareholder may not necessarily be exercisable by the investor directly vis-à-vis the SICAV. Investors are recommended to obtain information on their rights.

By subscribing to shares in the SICAV, the investor becomes a shareholder of the SICAV and of the sub-fund concerned. The shareholding relationship between the investor and the SICAV is governed by Luxembourg law, and in particular by the Law of 2010, as well as by the law of 10 August 1915 on commercial companies, as amended ("Law of 1915"), unless otherwise indicated in said Law of 2010. In general terms, the Luxembourg courts are competent to settle any disputes that might arise between a shareholder and the SICAV.

Regulation (EC) No. 593/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the law applicable to contractual obligations (Rome I) and Regulation (EC) No. 864/2007 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the law applicable to non-contractual obligations (Rome II) (the "Rome Regulations") have the force of law in Luxembourg. Consequently, the choice of applicable law in any contract is subject to the provisions of the Rome Regulations. Regulation (EC) No. 44/2001 of the Council on jurisdiction and the recognition and enforcement of judgements in civil and commercial matters has the force of law in Luxembourg.





In accordance with these provisions, a judgement obtained before a court in another jurisdiction of the European Union will generally be recognised and enforced in Luxembourg, without its substance being reviewed, except in certain exceptional circumstances.

# Protection of personal data

In accordance with the provisions of the data protection act applicable in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, and Regulation No. 2016/679 of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data applicable since 25 May 2018 (the "Data Protection Act"), the SICAV, acting as data controller, gathers, stores, modifies, processes and uses, in physical or electronic form, data provided by investors for the purposes of providing the services required by investors and complying with its legal and regulatory obligations. The data processed includes in particular the name, contact details (including postal or e-mail address), bank details and the amount invested by each investor (or, where the investor is a legal person, the data of its contact persons and/or owner(s)) ("Personal Data").

Investors may, at their discretion, refuse to disclose their Personal Data to the SICAV. In this case, however, the SICAV will reject the subscription application.

In accordance with the conditions set out in the Data Protection Act, each investor has the right:

- to access their Personal Data;
- to request that their Personal Data be corrected if they are inaccurate or incomplete;
- to object, in certain circumstances, to the processing of its Personal Data;
- to request the deletion of their Personal Data;
- to request that their Personal Data be transferred.

Each investor may exercise the above rights by writing to the registered office of the SICAV.

Investors also acknowledge the existence of their right to file a complaint with a data protection supervisory authority.

The Personal Data provided by investors is processed in particular in order to process subscriptions, redemptions and conversions of shares and the payment of distributions to investors, account management, client relationship management, tax identification required by Luxembourg or foreign laws and regulations (including laws and regulations relating to CRS/FATCA) and compliance with applicable anti-money laundering rules. Personal Data provided by investors are also processed for the purpose of keeping the SICAV's shareholder register up to date. In addition, Personal Data may also be processed for commercial purposes. All investors have the right to object to the use of their personal data for commercial purposes by notifying the SICAV's registered office in writing of their refusal.

To this end, personal data may be transferred to affiliated and third-party entities supporting the activities of the SICAV, including the Management Company, the Manager, the Global Distributor, the Custodian, the Principal Paying Agent and Local Paying Agents, the Registered Auditor and/or any other agent/delegate of the SICAV, all acting as sub-contractors (the "Sub-contractors").

The Sub-contractors are located in the European Union or may be based in countries where data protection standards and legal protections are equal to or lower than those in force in the European Union with respect to the storage, modification and processing of such data. The SICAV may transfer Personal Data to third parties such as governmental or regulatory agencies, including tax authorities, inside or outside the European Union, in accordance





with applicable laws and regulations. In particular, such personal data may be disclosed to the Luxembourg tax authorities, which, in turn, as data controller, may disclose them to foreign tax authorities.

Personal data will not be stored longer than necessary for the purposes of data processing, subject to the applicable legal retention periods provided for by law.

When communication takes place by telephone for the purpose of giving investment instructions or other instructions, potential investors and Shareholders are deemed to have agreed that their telephone calls with the SICAV, the Management Company or its representatives may be recorded, monitored and stored, and that the SICAV or the Management Company may use them for any permitted purpose, including in legal proceedings.

The SICAV takes reasonable measures to ensure the accuracy and confidentiality of Personal and/or Confidential Data and does not use or disclose them beyond what is described in this Prospectus without the consent of the Shareholder or the potential investor concerned. In parallel, the SICAV, the Management Company and the Degroof Petercam entities disclaim any liability for the sharing of Personal and/or Confidential Data with third parties, except in the event of negligence on the part of the SICAV, the Management Company, a Degroof Petercam entity or their employees or managers.

The Management Company's Privacy Policy is available at http://www.dpas.lu/ under the heading "Investor Information".



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# **DESCRIPTION OF THE SICAV**

DPAM L is an open-ended undertaking for collective investment in transferable securities ("UCITS") in the legal form of a Société d'Investissement à Capital Variable ("SICAV") umbrella fund under Luxembourg law which was established in the form of a société anonyme for an unlimited period on 23 December 1987.

The SICAV is authorised in Luxembourg as a UCITS under Part I of the Law of 2010 and is considered a UCITS for the purposes of Directive 2009/65/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on the coordination of laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to undertakings for collective investment in transferable securities, as amended.

The articles of association were last amended by the extraordinary general meeting of 2 January 2017. The deed of 2 January 2017 was published in the Luxembourg "Recueil Electronique des Sociétés et Associations" (the "RESA") dated 6 January 2017, issue number RESA\_2017\_006.

The consolidation currency is the euro. The minimum share capital of the SICAV is one million two hundred and fifty thousand euros (EUR 1,250,000.00) or its equivalent in another currency. The SICAV's capital is equal to the sum of the net assets of the various sub-funds.

The financial year end is 31 December of each year.

#### The following sub-funds are currently offered for subscription:

Name	Reference currency of the sub-fund
DPAM L BALANCED CONSERVATIVE SUSTAINABLE	EUR
DPAM L BONDS CLIMATE TRENDS SUSTAINABLE	EUR
DPAM L BONDS CORPORATE EUR	EUR
DPAM L BONDS EMERGING MARKETS CORPORATE SUSTAINABLE	EUR
DPAM L BONDS EMERGING MARKETS HARD CURRENCY SUSTAINABLE	EUR
DPAM L BONDS EMERGING MARKETS SUSTAINABLE	EUR
DPAM L BONDS EMU INV. GRADE GOV. INDEX	EUR
DPAM L BONDS EUR CORPORATE 2026	EUR
DPAM L BONDS EUR CORPORATE HIGH YIELD	EUR
DPAM L BONDS EUR HIGH YIELD SHORT TERM	EUR
DPAM L BONDS EUR INFLATION-LINKED	EUR
DPAM L BONDS EUR QUALITY SUSTAINABLE	EUR
DPAM L BONDS EUR SHORT TERM	EUR
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DPAM L EQUITIES EUROPE BEHAVIORAL VALUE	EUR
DPAM L EQUITIES EUROPE VALUE TRANSITION	EUR
DPAM L EQUITIES US SRI MSCI INDEX	EUR
DPAM L EQUITIES WORLD SRI MSCI INDEX	EUR
DPAM L GLOBAL TARGET INCOME	EUR
DPAM L PATRIMONIAL FUND	EUR

The SICAV reserves the right to create new sub-funds. In this case, the Prospectus will be updated accordingly.

The SICAV is a sole and single legal entity. The assets of a sub-fund correspond exclusively to the rights of the shareholders of that sub-fund and those of the creditors whose debt arose from the formation, operations or liquidation of this sub-fund.





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# **OBJECTIVE OF THE SICAV**

The SICAV's objective is to offer shareholders the opportunity to take part in the professional management of portfolios of transferable securities and/or other financial assets as defined in the investment policy of each sub-fund (see sub-fund fact sheets). The objective of each of the SICAV's sub-funds is to generate the highest possible ordinary income while ensuring the safety of the capital invested.

An investment in the SICAV should be considered as a medium to long-term investment. There is no guarantee that the investment objectives of the SICAV will actually be achieved.

The SICAV's investments are subject to normal market fluctuations and the risks inherent to any investment and no guarantee can be given that the SICAV's investments will be profitable. The SICAV intends to have a diversified investment portfolio in order to mitigate the investment risks.

When used in the investment objective and policy of the sub-funds, the term:

- "principally" should be understood to mean at least half of the net assets of the sub-fund in question,
- "mainly" or "predominantly" is equivalent to at least two-thirds of the net assets of the sub-fund in question,
- "ancillary" or "on an ancillary basis" should be understood to mean investments representing less than 49.9% of the net assets of the sub-fund in question (with the exception of liquid assets, see below).

These concepts of "principally", "mainly", "predominantly", "ancillary" or "on an ancillary basis" can apply to the type of financial asset, the geographical or industrial area, the level of stock market capitalisation of the companies, the quality of issuers or the investment currency.

The use of these concepts in the description of the investment policy of the sub-funds indicates a minimum threshold defined as an objective by the SICAV's Board of Directors and is not a constraint. The sub-fund may therefore temporarily make an exception to these minimum limits, for example: (i) to take account of specific market situations, (ii) following the availability of cash pending investment opportunities, or (iii) in the event of capital movements (subscriptions or redemptions) followed by purchases or sales of securities temporarily impacting a sub-fund due to the possible differences in accounting records.

It is further specified that the sub-funds of the SICAV may temporarily derogate from the minimum limits and/or other investment restrictions applicable to them, including a total or partial liquidation of the underlying assets, in the event of (i) liquidation, (ii) merger with another sub-fund of this SICAV or another structure, and/or (iii) a change in the investment objectives and/or policy. This temporary derogation must be concomitant with the above-mentioned events and may be applicable up to 5 business days before and/or after the defined date of the said events.

The term "investment grade issuer" means a quality issuer that has an investment grade rating from a rating agency.



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# **ELIGIBLE INVESTMENTS**

# 1. The SICAV's investments are made up exclusively of one or more of the following components:

- a) securities and money market instruments listed or traded on a regulated market within the meaning of Directive 2004/39/EC of the European Parliament and the Council of 21 April 2004 regarding markets in financial instruments;
- b) securities and money market instruments traded on another market located in a Member State of the European Union, which is regulated, operates on a regular basis, is recognised and open to the public;
- c) transferable securities and money market instruments admitted to official listing on a stock exchange in a non-Member State of the European Union or traded on another market in a non-Member State of the European Union which is regulated, operates regularly, is recognised and open to the public;
- d) newly-issued transferable securities and money market instruments, provided that:
  - the terms of the issue include an undertaking that application will be made for admission to official listing on a stock exchange or another regulated market, which operates regularly, is recognised and open to the public; and
  - admission is obtained no later than one year from the date of issue;
- e) units in UCITS approved in accordance with Directive 2009/65/EC ("UCITS") and/or other UCIs within the meaning of article 1, paragraph (2), points a) and b) of Directive 2009/65/EC, regardless of whether or not they are established in a Member State of the European Union ("other UCIs"), provided that:
  - such other UCIs are authorised under a law which provides that they are subject to supervision considered by the CSSF (Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier, Luxembourg's financial sector supervisory authority) to be equivalent to that laid down in Community law and that cooperation between authorities is sufficiently assured;
  - the level of protection for unit holders in such other UCIs is equivalent to that provided for unit holders of UCITS and, in particular, that the rules on asset segregation, borrowings, lending and short selling of transferable securities and money market instruments are equivalent to the requirements of Directive 2009/65/EC;
  - the business of such other UCIs is reported in half yearly and annual reports enabling an assessment to be made of the assets, liabilities, revenues and operations over the reporting period;
  - the proportion of the net assets that such UCITS or other UCIs may acquire in units of other UCITS or UCIs may not, according to their management regulations or formation documents, exceed 10%;
- f) deposits with a credit institution repayable on demand or which can be withdrawn and maturing in no more than twelve months, provided that the credit institution has its registered office in a Member State of the European Union or, if its registered office is in a non-Member State, that it is subject to prudential rules considered by the CSSF to be equivalent to those laid down in Community law;
- g) financial derivatives, including equivalent instruments giving rise to a settlement in cash, which are traded on a regulated market of the type referred to in points a), b) and c) above, or derivative financial instruments traded over-the counter ("OTC derivatives"), provided that:
  - the underlying consists of instruments covered by this point 1, of financial indices, interest rates, foreign exchange rates or foreign currencies in which the SICAV may invest according to its investment objectives as set forth in this Prospectus and in its articles of association;



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- the counterparties to OTC derivative transactions are institutions subject to prudential supervision and belonging to the categories approved by the CSSF; and
- the OTC derivative instruments are subject to reliable and verifiable valuation on a daily basis and can be sold, liquidated or closed out by an offsetting transaction at any time and at their fair value at the SICAV's initiative;
- money market instruments other than those traded on a regulated market and covered by article 1 of the Law of 2010, insofar as the issue or issuer of these instruments are themselves subject to regulations protecting investors and savings and providing these instruments are:
  - issued or guaranteed by a central, regional or local government authority, by a central bank of a Member State, by the European Central Bank, by the European Union or by the European Investment Bank, by another country or, in the case of a federal state, by one of the members of the federation, or by an international public body of which one or more Member States are members; or
  - issued by a company whose shares are traded on the regulated markets referred to under points a), b) or c) above, or issued or guaranteed by an institution subject to prudential supervision in line with the criteria defined by Community law, or by an institution subject to and complying with prudential rules considered by the CSSF to be at least as strict as those stipulated in Community legislation; or
  - issued by other bodies belonging to the categories approved by the CSSF, insofar as investments in these instruments are subject to investor protection rules which are equivalent to those laid down under the first, second or third points, and that the issuer is a company with capital and reserves amounting to at least ten million euros (EUR 10,000,000) and which presents and publishes its annual accounts pursuant to the Fourth Directive 78/660/EEC, or a body which, within a group of companies including one or more listed companies, is dedicated to the financing of the group, or a body dedicated to financing securitisation vehicles benefiting from a line of bank finance.

# 2. However the SICAV may not:

- a) invest its net assets in an amount of more than 10% in transferable securities or money market instruments other than those referred to in point 1 of this chapter;
- b) acquire precious metals or certificates representative thereof.

# 3. The SICAV may:

- a) acquire the moveable assets and real estate essential for the direct exercise of its activity;
- b) hold, on an ancillary basis (i.e. within the meaning of the CSSF FAQ dated 3 November 2021), cash up to a maximum of 20% of the net assets of each sub-fund. This limit may only be temporarily waived by decision of the SICAV's Board of Directors for a period of time strictly necessary when, due to exceptionally unfavourable market conditions, circumstances so require and such waiver is justified in the interest of investors.

This limit may also be waived in the event of the liquidation or merger of the SICAV (or any of its subfunds) provided that this is in the interest of investors.



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# INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS

The principles and restrictions described below must be adhered to by each of the SICAV's sub-funds.

#### **Restrictions relating to transferable securities and money market instruments**

- The SICAV may invest no more than 10% of its net assets in transferable securities or money market instruments issued by the same issuer. The SICAV may not invest more than 20% of its net assets in deposits with the same entity. The SICAV's counterparty risk in an OTC derivative instrument transaction may not exceed 10% of its net assets if the counterparty is one of the credit institutions referred to in the chapter "ELIGIBLE INVESTMENTS" point 1.f), or 5% of its assets in other cases.
  - b. The total value of the transferable securities and money market instruments held by the SICAV with issuers in each of which it invests more than 5% of its net assets may not exceed 40% of the total value of its net assets. This limit does not apply to deposits with financial institutions which are subject to prudential supervision or to OTC derivative transactions with such institutions.

Notwithstanding the individual limits set in point 1.a. above, the SICAV may not combine two or more of the following components if this would result in the investment of more than 20% of its net assets in a single entity:

- investments in transferable securities or money market instruments issued by said entity,
- deposits with said entity, or
- risks stemming from OTC derivative instrument transactions with said entity.
- c. The limit set forth in the first sentence of point 1.a. above is raised to a maximum 35% if the transferable securities or money market instruments are issued or guaranteed by a European Union Member State, its regional public authorities, by a non-Member State or by public international bodies of which one or more European Union Member States are members.
- d. The limit set forth in sentence 1 of point 1.a. above is raised to a maximum of 25% for certain bonds when they are issued by a credit institution which has its registered office in a European Union Member State and is subject by law to special public supervision by the public authorities designed to protect bondholders. In particular, sums deriving from the issue of these bonds must be invested, in accordance with the law, in assets which, during the whole period of validity of the bonds, are able to cover the claims attaching to the bonds and which, in the case of bankruptcy of the issuer, would be used on a priority basis for the repayment of principal and payment of accrued interest.

If the SICAV invests more than 5% of its net assets in the bonds mentioned in the first indent issued by a single issuer, the total value of these investments may not exceed 80% of the value of the net assets of the SICAV.

e. The transferable securities and money market instruments mentioned in points 1.c. and 1.d. are not taken into consideration to apply the 40% limit mentioned in point 1.b.

The limits stated in points 1.a., 1.b., 1.c. and 1.d. above may not be combined. Consequently the investments in the transferable securities and money market instruments issued by a single entity in deposits or in derivative instruments with this entity in accordance with points 1.a., 1.b., 1.c. and 1.d. above may not exceed 35% of the SICAV's net assets.

Companies that are grouped for purposes of consolidating accounts within the meaning of Directive 83/349/EEC or in accordance with recognised international accounting standards are considered as a single entity in calculating the limits set in this paragraph.



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The SICAV may invest a cumulative figure of up to 20% of its net assets in transferable securities or money market instruments issued by a single group.

- 2. a. Without prejudice to the limits set forth in point 5 below, the limits set forth in point 1 above are increased to a maximum of 20% for investments in shares and/or in debt securities issued by a single entity, if, in accordance with the articles of association, the SICAV's investment policy is to replicate the composition of a specific share or debt instrument index which is recognised by the CSSF, on the following basis:
  - the composition of the index is sufficiently diversified;
  - the index represents an adequate benchmark for the market to which it refers;
  - it is published in an appropriate manner.
  - b. The limit set forth in point 2.a. above will be 35% if and when this proves to be justified by exceptional market conditions, in particular on regulated markets where certain transferable securities or certain money market instruments are highly dominant. Investment up to this limit is permitted for only one issuer.
- 3. The SICAV may invest, in accordance with the principle of risk diversification, up to 100% of its net assets in various issues of transferable securities and money market instruments issued or guaranteed by a European Union Member State, its regional authorities, by a Member State of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development, by public international bodies of which one or more European Union Member States are members or by a non-Member State of the European Union approved by the CSSF, including Singapore, Brazil, Russia and Indonesia provided that it holds securities belonging to at least six different issues and the securities belonging to any one issue do not exceed 30% of the total amount.

# **Restrictions concerning UCITS and other UCIs**

4. a. Unless stated in its fact sheet that a particular sub-fund may not invest more than 10% of its net assets in units of UCITS and/or other UCIs, the SICAV may acquire the units in UCITS and/or other UCIs referred to in the chapter "ELIGIBLE INVESTMENTS", point 1.e ("other UCIs") provided it does not invest more than 20% of its net assets in a single UCITS or other UCI.

For the purposes of applying this investment limit, each sub-fund of an umbrella UCI is to be considered as a separate issuer, provided the principle of segregation of liabilities of the different sub-funds with regard to third parties is observed.

b. Total investments in the units of other UCIs may not exceed a total of 30% of the SICAV's net assets.

If the SICAV acquires units of UCITS and/or other UCIs, the assets of these UCITS or other UCIs are not combined for the purposes of the limits set forth in point 1. above.

- c. When the SICAV invests in the units of other UCITS and/or other UCIs which are managed, directly or by delegation, by the SICAV's Management or by any other legal entity to which the SICAV's Management is related by a co-management or co-control agreement, or by means of a significant direct or indirect holding (each referred to as a "Related UCI"), the Management of the SICAV or the other legal entity may not charge subscription or redemption fees for the investment by the SICAV in the units of other Related UCIs.
- d. If a SICAV invests a significant portion of its assets in other Related UCIs, the maximum level of management fees which may be charged to both the sub-funds concerned and to the other Related





UCIs in which the sub-funds concerned intend to invest shall not exceed 4% of the assets under management. The SICAV will state in its annual report the percentage of management fees incurred both at the level of the sub-funds concerned and at that of the UCITS and/or other UCIs in which the sub-funds concerned invest.

- e. A sub-fund of the SICAV ("Investor Sub-fund") may subscribe to, acquire and/or hold shares issued or to be issued by one or more other sub-funds of the SICAV (each referred to as a "Target Sub-fund"), without the SICAV being subject to the requirements stipulated by the Law of 10 August 1915 on commercial companies, as amended, in terms of the subscription, acquisition and/or holding by a company of its own shares, providing however that:
  - the Target Sub-fund does not in turn invest in the Investor Sub-fund which is invested in this Target Sub-fund; and
  - the total proportion of net assets that the Target Sub-funds to be acquired may invest in the shares of other Target Sub-funds of the SICAV in accordance with their fact sheets does not exceed 10%; and
  - any voting rights attached to the shares held by the Investor Sub-fund in the Target Sub-fund are suspended for as long as they are held by the Investor Sub-fund in question, without prejudice to an appropriate treatment in the accounts and the periodic reports; and
  - in all circumstances and as long as the shares of the Target Sub-fund are held by the Investor Sub-fund, their value is not included when calculating the net assets of the SICAV for the purposes of verification of the minimum net asset threshold imposed by the Law of 2010; and
  - the management, subscription or redemption fees are not duplicated between these fees at the level of the Investor Sub-fund and this Target Sub-fund.
- f. By way of exception to the principle of risk diversification in the chapter "ELIGIBLE INVESTMENTS", in this chapter "INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS", points 1. and 5. b. 3rd points and the restrictions above, in accordance with the applicable legislation and regulations, each of the SICAV's sub-funds (hereinafter "feeder sub-fund") may be authorised to invest at least 85% of its net assets in units of another UCITS or investment sub-fund thereof (hereinafter "master UCITS").

A feeder sub-fund may invest up to 15% of its net assets in one or more of the following components:

- cash on an ancillary basis in accordance with the chapter "ELIGIBLE INVESTMENTS", point 3.b;
- derivative financial instruments, which can be used only for the purpose of hedging, in accordance with the chapter "ELIGIBLE INVESTMENTS", point 1. g and this chapter "INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS" points 10 and 11;
- the moveable assets and real estate essential for the direct exercise of its activity.

For the purpose complying with this chapter "INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS", point 10., the feeder subfund calculates its total risk from derivative financial instruments by combining its own direct risk in respect of this point f., first subparagraph, 2nd point with:

 either the real risk of the master UCITS in terms of derivative financial instruments in proportion to the feeder sub-fund's investments in the master UCITS; or





- the total potential maximum risk of the master UCITS from derivative financial instruments stated in the management regulations or the formation documents of the master UCITS in proportion to the feeder sub-fund's investment in the master UCITS.
- g. A sub-fund of the SICAV may also and to the greatest extent provided for by applicable legislation and regulations, but in compliance with the conditions stated therein, be created as or converted into a master UCITS within the meaning of article 77 (3) of the Law of 2010.

# **Restrictions on acquisition of control**

- 5. a. The SICAV may not acquire shares carrying voting rights which would enable it to exercise a significant influence over the management of an issuer.
  - b. In addition, the SICAV may not acquire more than:
    - 10% of the non-voting shares of a single issuer;
    - 10% of the debt securities of a single issuer;
    - 25% of the units of a single UCITS and/or other UCI;
    - 10% of the money market instruments issued by a single issuer.

The limits laid down in the second, third and fourth points above may be disregarded at the time of acquisition if, at that time, the gross amount of the bonds or money market instruments, or the net amount of the securities issued, cannot be calculated.

- c. The limits laid down in points a) and b) above do not apply to:
  - transferable securities and money market instruments issued or guaranteed by a European Union Member State or its regional public authorities;
  - transferable securities and money market instruments issued or guaranteed by a non-Member State of the European Union;
  - transferable securities and money market instruments issued by public international bodies of which one or more European Member States are members;
  - shares held by the SICAV in the capital of a company incorporated in a non-Member State of the European Union investing its assets mainly in the securities of issuers from said State where, by virtue of the legislation of that State, such investment is the only way for the SICAV to invest in the securities of issuers from that State. However, this exception applies only on condition the company in the non-Member State of the European Union observes the limits set forth in points 1, 4, 5.a. and 5.b. in its investment policy. In the event that the limits stipulated in points 1 and 4 are exceeded, point 6 shall apply mutatis mutandis;
  - shares held by the SICAV in the capital of subsidiaries carrying on the activities of management, advisory services or sales in the country where the subsidiary is based, as regards the redemption of shares at the request of bearers, exclusively on its or their behalf.

#### Exceptions

6. a. The SICAV does not necessarily have to comply with the limits stated in this chapter when exercising subscription rights relating to transferable securities or money market instruments forming part of its assets. While ensuring compliance with the principle of risk diversification, the SICAV may deviate





from points 1, 2, 3 and 4 a, b, c and d for a period of six months following the date of its being approved.

b. If the limits set forth in point 6.a. are exceeded unintentionally by the SICAV or as a result of exercising subscription rights, its priority objective in its selling transactions must be to rectify this situation, taking into account the interests of the shareholders.

#### Restrictions on borrowings, loans and short selling

- 7. The SICAV may not borrow, except for:
  - the acquisition of foreign currencies through back-to-back loans;
  - borrowings of up to a maximum of 10% of its net assets provided these are of a temporary nature;
  - borrowings of up to 10% of its net assets, provided they are for the acquisition of property indispensable to the direct exercise of its activities, in which case, these borrowings and those referred to in the second point of this point may not, under any circumstances, jointly exceed 15% of the SICAV's assets.
- 8. Without prejudice to the application of the provisions of the chapter "ELIGIBLE INVESTMENTS" above and this chapter "INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS" points 10 and 11, the SICAV may not grant credit or act as guarantor for third parties. This restriction does not prevent the acquisition by the SICAV of transferable securities, money market instruments or other financial instruments referred to in the chapter "ELIGIBLE INVESTMENTS" points 1.e., 1 g and 1 h which are not fully paid-up.
- 9. The SICAV may not short-sell transferable securities, money market instruments or other financial instruments referred to in the chapter "ELIGIBLE INVESTMENTS" points 1.e., 1 g and 1 h.

#### **Restrictions relating to derivative financial instruments**

10. Derivative financial instruments may be used for the purpose of investment, hedging and the efficient management of the portfolio. Additional restrictions or exceptions, where applicable, may be described for some sub-funds in the fact sheets of the sub-funds concerned.

The total risk of each sub-fund arising from derivative instruments may not exceed the total net asset value of the sub-fund in question.

Risk is calculated taking account of the current value of the underlying assets, counterparty risk, foreseeable market trends and the time available to liquidate the positions.

The SICAV may, within the framework of its investment policy and subject to the limits set forth in point 1 e. above, invest in derivative financial instruments provided that, overall, the risks to which the underlying assets are exposed do not exceed the investment limits set forth in point 1. If the SICAV invests in derivative financial instruments which are based on an index, these investments will not be combined with the limits set forth in point 1.

If a transferable security or money market instrument includes a derivative instrument, this derivative must be taken into account when applying the provisions of this point.

If the SICAV enters into OTC derivative financial instrument transactions, the financial guarantees serving to reduce the exposure to counterparty risk must at all times comply with the following criteria:





- Liquidity: any asset (other than cash) received as a financial guarantee must be liquid and traded on a regulated market (or a multilateral trading system) offering transparent prices, such that it may be sold quickly at a price close its valuation prior to the sale. The assets received by way of a financial guarantee must also satisfy the provisions of article 56 of directive 2009/65/EC.
- Valuation: the assets received by way of financial guarantee must be valued on a daily basis. Assets with high volatility levels cannot be accepted as financial guarantees unless sufficiently prudent discounts are applied.
- Credit quality of issuers: the assets received as a financial guarantee must be of a high quality.
- Correlation: the assets received as a financial guarantee must be issued by an entity which is independent of the counterparty of the SICAV and their performance must not be closely correlated to that of the counterparty.
- Diversification of assets: the assets received as a financial guarantee must be sufficiently diversified in terms of countries, markets and issuers. The diversification criterion will be considered to have been met if the SICAV receives a basket of assets from a counterparty with an exposure to a given issuer of no more than 20% of its net asset value. If the SICAV has more than one counterparty, the various baskets of assets received as financial guarantee must be aggregated when calculating the 20% exposure limit.
- The risks of managing financial guarantees such as operational risks and legal risks, must be identified, managed and mitigated by the risk management process.
- Assets received as financial guarantee (by means of a transfer of ownership by way of guarantee) must be deposited with the SICAV's custodian. Other types of financial guarantee contracts may be held by a third party custodian which is subject to prudential supervision and which does not have any connection with the provider of the financial guarantees.
- The SICAV must be able to execute its financial guarantee at any time and without prior consultation or approval of the counterparty.
- Assets, other than cash, received by way of financial guarantee may not be sold, reinvested or pledged.
- Cash received as a financial guarantee must be:
  - deposited with entities listed in article 50, point f) of directive 2009/65/EC;
  - invested in high-quality government bonds; or
  - invested in short-term monetary UCITS.

# **Risk management method**

11. The SICAV's management uses a risk management method that enables it at all times to monitor and measure the risk associated with positions and the contributions of these positions to the general risk profile of the portfolio and to carry out an accurate and independent valuation of OTC derivative instruments. The risk management method employed is based on the specific investment policy of each sub-fund. Unless otherwise stipulated for a specific sub-fund in the corresponding fact sheet, the commitment-based approach will be used to measure total risk.



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# RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV

Before deciding to subscribe to shares of the SICAV, investors are urged to study closely the information contained in the Prospectus and to take account of their personal present and future financial and tax position. Investors should pay particular attention to the risks described in this chapter, the fact sheets and the KIDs. The risk factors listed above are likely, individually or collectively, to reduce the return on the investment in the shares of the SICAV and could result in the loss of some or all of the value of the investment in the shares of the SICAV.

The value of the investment in the shares of the SICAV may rise or fall and there is no form of guarantee whatsoever. The shareholders run the risk that the redemption price of their shares or the amount of the liquidation surplus corresponding to their shares may be significantly lower than the price the shareholders paid to subscribe to the shares of the SICAV or otherwise buy the shares of the SICAV.

An investment in the shares of the SICAV is exposed to risks which may include or be related to equity, bond, foreign exchange, interest rate, credit, counterparty and volatility risks as well as political risks and the risk of the occurrence of events of force majeure. Each type of risk may also occur in combination with other risks.

The risk factors listed in the Prospectus and the KIDs are not exhaustive. Other risk factors may exist, which an investor should take into consideration depending on his personal situation and specific present and future circumstances.

Investors must also be fully aware of the risks relating to investing in shares of the SICAV and obtain the services of their legal, tax and financial, accounting or other adviser in order to obtain information on (i) the appropriateness of an investment in these shares based on their personal financial and tax position and specific circumstances, (ii) the information contained in the Prospectus, the fact sheets and the KIDs, before deciding whether to invest.

The diversification of the portfolios of the sub-funds as well as the conditions and limits stated in the chapters "ELIGIBLE INVESTMENTS" and "INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS" are intended to set and limit the risks without, as such, excluding them. No guarantee can be given that an investment strategy used by the SICAV in the past and which proved to be successful will continue to be successful in the future. Similarly, no guarantee can be given that the past performance of the investment strategy used by the SICAV will be similar to future performance. The SICAV cannot therefore guarantee that the objective of the sub-funds will be achieved or that investors will recover the amount of their initial investment.

# **Market risk**

This is a risk of a general nature that affects all types of investments, meaning that the value of an investment can rise or fall depending on changes in market variables. Trends in prices of transferable securities and other instruments are basically determined by trends on the financial markets, as well as by the performance of the issuers, who are themselves affected by the general world economic situation, and by the economic and political conditions prevailing in their countries. Although the aim is for each sub-fund to be diversified in order to reduce market risk, the investments of a sub-fund will remain subject to fluctuations in market variables and to the risks inherent in investing in the financial markets.

# **Risks relating to equities markets**

The risks associated with investing in equities and similar instruments encompass significant fluctuations in prices, negative news about the issuer or the market and the subordinated nature of shares compared with bonds issued by the same company. Fluctuations are also often amplified in the short term. The risk that one or more companies will suffer a downturn or fail to grow can have a negative impact on the performance of the overall portfolio at any given time.







Some sub-funds may invest in initial public offerings ("IPOs"). In this case, the risk is that the price of the newly listed share may be highly volatile as a result of factors such as the absence of an existing public market, unseasonal transactions, the limited number of tradable securities and the lack of information on the issuer.

Sub-funds investing in growth stocks may be more volatile than the market in general and may react differently to economic, political and market developments and to specific information about the issuer. Growth stocks traditionally show higher volatility than other stocks, especially over very short periods. These stocks may also be more expensive in relation to their profits than the market in general. Consequently, growth stocks may react more violently to variations in their profit growth.

# Risk relating to investing in bonds, debt securities, fixed-income products (including high yield stocks) and convertible bonds

For sub-funds which invest in bonds or other debt securities, the value of these investments will depend on market interest rates, the credit quality of the issuer and liquidity considerations. The net asset value of a sub-fund investing in debt securities will fluctuate in line with interest rates, the perception of the credit quality of the issuer, the liquidity of the market and also foreign exchange rates (when the investment currency differs from the reference currency of the sub-fund holding this investment). Some sub-funds may invest in high yield debt securities when the level of return is possibly relatively high compared with investing in high-quality debt securities. However the risk of impairment and of realising capital losses on such debt securities held will be higher than for lower yield debt securities.

Investing in convertible bonds has a sensitivity to the fluctuations in the prices of the underlying equities ("equity component" of the convertible bond) while offering some form of protection of some of the capital ("bond floor" of the convertible bond). The higher the equity component, the weaker the capital protection will be. As a consequence a convertible bond that has experienced a significant rise in its market value as a result of the rise in price of the underlying equity will have a risk profile which is closer to that of a share. On the other hand, a convertible bond that has experienced a fall in its market value to its bond floor as a result of the fall in price of the underlying share will have from this level a risk profile close to that of a conventional bond.

Convertible bonds, like other types of bonds, are subject to the risk that the issuer may not be able to meet its obligations in terms of the payment of interest and/or redemption of the capital on maturity (credit risk). The perception by the market of the increase in the probability of occurrence of this risk for a given issuer results in a sometimes considerable fall in the market value of the bond and therefore the protection offered by the bond content of the convertible bond. Bonds are also exposed to the risk of a fall in market value following a rise in the reference interest rates (interest rate risk).

# Risk related to investments in contingent convertible bonds ("CoCo bonds")

Some sub-funds may invest in contingent convertible bonds. Given the terms of these securities, certain triggering factors, including events under the control of the issuer's management, may result in a permanent loss of principal and accrued interest or a conversion into capital shares. These triggers include (i) a reduction in the Core Tier 1/Common Equity Tier 1 (CT1/CET1) ratio (or other capital ratios) below a predetermined threshold, (ii) a subjective decision made at any time by a regulator to declare the issuing institution "non-viable", i.e. requiring public sector intervention to prevent its insolvency, its bankruptcy or its inability to honour a substantial portion of its debts as they fall due or to continue its activities in any other way, either to convert the contingent convertible bonds into equity shares in circumstances beyond the issuer's control or (iii) a decision by a national authority to inject capital.

Investors of sub-funds authorised to invest in convertible bonds are informed of the following risks associated with investing in this type of instrument:



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# Risk of inversion of the capital structure

Unlike a traditional capital hierarchy, holders of contingent convertible bonds can suffer a capital loss where holders of equity securities are protected against it. In some scenarios, holders of contingent convertible bonds will incur losses before holders of equity securities. This is contrary to a normal capital structure in which the holders of capital securities suffer losses first.

# Risk of extension of repayment

Most contingent convertible bonds are issued in the form of perpetual instruments, repayable at preestablished levels only with the approval of the competent authority. It cannot be assumed that contingent convertible bonds will be redeemed at the redemption date. Perpetual contingent convertible bonds are a form of permanent capital. The investor might not recover the invested principal if he/she plans to recover it at the redemption date or any date.

# Risk related to lack of experience

Due to their innovative structure, there is a lack of clarity regarding contingent convertible bonds. It is not clear how they will behave in a pressurised environment in which the underlying characteristics of these instruments are tested. In case of activation of the trigger factor or a suspension of coupon by a given issuer, will the market consider that this is an idiosyncratic or a systemic event? In the second case, it is possible that there may be a contagion effect on the prices and potential volatility of the whole class of assets. This risk may be worsened, depending on the level of arbitrage on the underlying instrument. In addition, pricing pressure could be increased in a market lacking liquidity.

# Sectoral concentration risk

Contingent convertible bonds are issued by banks/insurance institutions. If a Sub-fund invests heavily in contingent convertible bonds, its performance will depend to a greater extent on the overall situation of the financial services sector than a Sub-fund adopting a more diversified strategy.

# Liquidity risk

In certain circumstances, finding the right buyer for contingent convertible bonds may be difficult and the seller may have to accept a significant discount on the expected value of the bond in order to sell it.

# **Risks relating to structured products**

Certain sub-funds may invest in structured products. Structured products can take the form of securities (usually bond instruments or "notes") repayment of which is guaranteed by certain types of assets (which may include "mortgage backed securities", or "MBS" and other types of assets such as trade receivables, rental payments or other income from tradable assets ("asset backed securities" or "ABS")). They can also take the form of bonds (i) in the form of credit-linked notes or similar, repayment of which depends on the performance not only of their issuer but also of another entity or other reference assets, trends in which (particularly in the event of materialisation of a credit risk such as a bankruptcy or a rating downgrade) may have a negative effect on repayment of the product or (ii) in the form of fiduciary notes having the same characteristics as credit-linked notes but for which the issuer acts as a trustee.

# Asset backed securities (ABS) and/or mortgage backed securities (MBS)

Some sub-funds may be exposed to a range of securities backed by assets (groupings known as pool(s) of receivables of different types), such as asset-backed securities or "ABS" (securities backed by a pool of receivables deriving for example from car loans or student loans) or mortgage-backed securities or "MBS" (securities backed by a pool of receivables deriving for mortgage loans for residential and/or commercial property).



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The assets underlying these securities may be subject to higher credit, liquidity and interest rate risks than other debt securities such as government bonds.

ABS and MBS confer the right to payments, the amounts of which depend mainly on the flows generated by the underlying assets.

ABS and MBS are often exposed to risks of expansion and early repayment, which may have a considerable effect on the maturity schedule and the amounts of financial flows generated by the assets by which they are backed, and may have a negative effect on their performance.

The average term of each individual security may be affected by a large number of factors such as the existence and frequency of exercise of optional or mandatory early repayment clauses, the predominant level of interest rates, the actual default rate of the underlying assets, the time needed to return to normal and the rotation rate of the underlying assets.

# Credit linked notes (CLN) and fiduciary notes

Sub-funds investing in credit linked notes are exposed to the risk of credit deterioration of the underlying reference as well as a separate risk of default by the issuer which could result in a total loss of the amount invested. Sub-funds investing in Fiduciary Notes are exposed only to a risk of deterioration of the underlying reference credit.

Credit linked notes and fiduciary notes are securities in the meaning of article 2 of the Grand Duchy regulation of 8 February 2008.

# **Derivatives risk**

Within the limits of the investment policy described in each of the fact sheets for the sub-funds, the Manager may use derivative financial instruments. These products may be used for the purposes of hedging but also, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the objectives. The use of derivative financial instruments may expose the sub-fund which uses them to additional costs and/or risks.

Apart from the other risks stated in this section, some risks are specific to the use of derivative products:

Valuation risk

Derivative instruments are more likely to be over- or under-valued than other assets because the accuracy of their valuation depends not only on the accuracy of the Manager's predictions (as regards movements in interest rates, foreign exchange markets and/or the prices of financial instruments) but also on the fact that, due to the complexity of some products, the counterparty may apply a different valuation to that used by the sub-fund.

Correlation risk

Due to its structure, the value of a derivative product depends on the value of its underlying instrument(s). This being the case, since the correlation between the value of a derivative product and that of the underlying may be imperfect, it is possible that the use of a derivative financial instrument does not allow the objective relating to the sub-fund's investment policy to be achieved.

# Liquidity risk

To the extent that market makers may, under certain circumstances, stop offering prices, the Manager may, despite the fact that the instrument is listed, be compelled to execute the transaction on less favourable price terms. Consequently the value of the sub-fund may be negatively affected (see also below, "Liquidity Risk").

If a derivative financial instrument has to be unwound, it may be difficult in practice, depending on the type of instrument, to find a counterparty to agree to execute the transaction at the expected price.





The sub-fund is thus exposed to the risk of its transactions being conducted on terms that are ultimately disadvantageous and may, in both cases, find it impossible to meet any requests for redemption that might be made.

#### Counterparty risk

OTC derivative transactions are carried out outside regulated markets and without any central counterparty being involved. Accordingly there is a particular exposure to the risk of default by the counterparty. Since OTC derivative instruments are agreed with a specific counterparty, the inability of this counterparty to honour all or part of its commitments gives rise to the risk that the Manager may not be able to liquidate the position (see also below "Counterparty Risk").

#### Leverage effect

The usage of derivative instruments may generate a leverage effect when the capital invested to acquire said instrument is less that the capital which would have been needed to acquire the underlying assets. The higher the leverage effect, the greater the variation in price of the derivative financial instrument in the event of fluctuation in the price of the underlying asset.

# Risks arising from short selling

The loss from the short selling of a derivative financial instrument is potentially unlimited.

Legal and regulatory risk

The regulatory and tax laws on derivatives are prone to change, which could possibly generate losses for the sub-fund.

# Risk arising from assets received as a financial guarantee

The value of assets received by way of financial guarantee in transactions in derivative products may be less than the value of the derivative product due to several factors such as a turnaround in the markets, an incorrect valuation of the assets used as a guarantee or a lack of liquidity on the market on which the assets received in guarantee are exchanged. The timescales needed to settle the derivative transaction and, where applicable, settle the securities received in guarantee may delay the sub-fund's ability to satisfy any redemption requests.

The value of the assets given as a financial guarantee in transactions in derivative products may be less than the value of the derivative product due to several factors such as a rise in the value of the assets given as a guarantee or an improvement in the rating of the issuer of the securities. The timescales needed to settle the derivative transaction and, where applicable, recover the assets given as a guarantee may delay the sub-fund's ability to satisfy any redemption requests.

# Risks relating to investing in emerging and frontier markets

Suspensions and stoppages of payment by developing countries are due to various factors such as political instability, poor economic management, a lack of foreign currency reserves, capital flight, internal conflicts or the lack of political will to pursue the service of the previously contracted debts.

The ability of private sector issuers to meet their obligations may also be affected by these same factors. In addition, these issuers are subject to the effects of the decrees, laws and regulations introduced by the government authorities. Examples include amendments to foreign exchange controls and the legal and regulatory regime, expropriations and nationalisations and the introduction or increase of taxes such as withholding taxes.

The transaction settlement or clearing systems are often less well organised than in developed markets. This results in a risk that the settlement or clearing of transactions may be delayed or cancelled. Market practices may require payment for transactions to be made prior to receipt of the transferable securities or other instruments acquired



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or transferable securities or other instruments sold to be delivered prior to receipt of payment. Under these circumstances, default by the counterparty through which the transaction is executed or settled may result in losses for the sub-fund investing in these markets.

Uncertainty stemming from the lack of clarity in the legal environment and the inability to establish well-defined property and legal rights are other determining factors. Added to that is the lack of reliability of the sources of information in these countries, the non-compliance of accounting methods with international standards and the absence of financial or commercial controls.

At present, investments in Russia are subject to greater risks regarding the ownership and custodianship of Russian transferable securities. It is possible that the ownership and custody of transferable securities is represented only by records in the books of the issuer or of the holder of the register, who are neither agents of nor responsible to the depositary. No certificates representing the title of ownership in transferable securities issued by Russian companies will be held by the depositary or by a local correspondent of the depositary or by a central depositary. Due to these market practices and the absence of regulation and effective controls, the SICAV could lose its status as owner of the transferable securities issued by Russian companies as a result of fraud, theft, destruction, negligence, loss or disappearance of the transferable securities in question. In addition, due to market practices, it is possible that Russian transferable securities will have to be deposited with Russian institutions that do not have adequate insurance to cover the risks of losses arising from the theft, destruction, loss or disappearance of these deposited securities.

The countries which do not appear in the list below considered to be emerging countries: Eurozone member states, Scandinavian member states, Switzerland, United States of America, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and Japan. Investment in these emerging countries is carried out compliance with article 41 of the Law of 2010. Investors who wish to obtain a list of the emerging countries in which the SICAV is currently invested may request this, at no additional cost, from the Management Company, as defined below.

# **Custody risk**

The assets of the SICAV and its sub-funds are held by the Custodian and its sub-custodian(s) and/or the brokerdealers appointed by the SICAV. Investors are informed that cash deposits and fiduciary deposits may not be treated as separate assets and therefore may not be segregated from the proprietary assets of the Custodian, the subcustodian(s), any third party bank and/or broker-dealer in the event of insolvency or the initiation of bankruptcy proceedings, the suspension of payments, liquidation or reorganisation of the Custodian, the sub-custodian(s), any third party bank or broker-dealer. Subject to the specific preferential rights of depositors in bankruptcy proceedings, as defined by the regulations in the jurisdiction of the Custodian, sub-custodian(s), third-party bank or broker-dealer, the SICAV's claim may not be preferential and may be ranked only on a par with all other unsecured claims. The SICAV and/or its sub-funds may not be able to recover all of their assets.

# **Concentration risk**

Depending on conditions in the financial markets at the time of the investment and/or the prospects offered by these markets, investments of the SICAV's sub-funds may be concentrated in one or more countries, geographical regions, economic sectors, asset classes, types of instruments or currencies, such that these sub-funds may be more affected in the event of economic, social, political or tax events affecting the countries, geographical regions, economic sectors, asset classes, types of instruments or currencies in question.

# Interest rate risk

The value of an investment may be affected by fluctuations in interest rates. Interest rates may be influenced by numerous factors or events such as monetary policy, discount rates, inflation etc. The attention of investors is drawn to the fact that a rise in interest rates results in a decrease in the value of investments in bond instruments and other debt securities or derivatives, and vice versa. In some cases, early redemptions (i.e. unscheduled early





repayment of principal) may entail a reinvestment risk, as the proceeds may be reinvested at lower rates of return and have an impact on the performance of the sub-fund.

# Volatility risk

Risk related to the uncertainty of price variations. In general, the higher the volatility of an asset or instrument, the greater its risk. The prices of the securities in which the sub-funds invest may change significantly in the short term.

#### **Credit risk**

This is the risk that may result from the deterioration in the creditworthiness of an issuer of bonds or debt securities and therefore be likely to reduce the value of the investments. This risk is linked to an issuer's ability to honour its debts.

The downgrading of the rating of an issue or an issuer could lead to a fall in the value of the debt securities in question in which the sub-fund is invested. Bonds or debt securities issued by entities with a low rating are as a general rule considered to have a higher credit risk and probability of default of the issuer than are those of issuers with higher ratings. If an issuer of bonds or debt securities finds itself in financial or economic difficulties, the value of the bonds or debt securities and of the payments made in respect of these bonds or debt securities may be affected by this, and may even be reduced to zero.

#### **Exchange risk**

If a sub-fund has assets denominated in currencies other than its reference currency, it may be affected by any fluctuations in exchange rates between its reference currency and such other currencies or by any change in exchange controls. If the currency in which a share is denominated appreciates against the reference currency of the sub-fund, the equivalent value of the security in this reference currency will appreciate. Conversely if the same currency depreciates, this will result in the depreciation of the equivalent value of the security.

If the sub-fund carries out hedging transactions against foreign exchange risk, it cannot be guaranteed that such transactions will be fully effective.

# **Liquidity risk**

Liquidity risk exists when a particular instrument is difficult to buy or sell. On the asset side, liquidity risk refers to a sub-fund's inability to sell investments at or close to their estimated value within a reasonable period of time. On the liabilities side, liquidity risk refers to a sub-fund's inability to raise sufficient cash to meet a redemption request due to its inability to sell investments. In principle, each sub-fund will only make investments for which there is a liquid market or which can be sold, liquidated or closed out at any time within a reasonable period of time. However, in certain circumstances, investments may become less liquid or illiquid due to a variety of factors, including adverse conditions affecting a particular issuer, a counterparty, or the market in general, as well as legal, regulatory or contractual restrictions on the sale of certain instruments.

In the case of derivative transactions, if a derivative financial transaction is particularly large or the market concerned is illiquid, it may not be possible to initiate a transaction or liquidate a position at an advantageous price (however, a Sub-fund will only enter into OTC derivative financial instruments if it is permitted to liquidate such transactions at fair value at all times). Difficulties in disposing of investments may result in a loss to a Sub-fund and/or compromise the Sub-fund's ability to meet a redemption request.

# **Counterparty risk**

Counterparty risk refers to the risk of loss for a sub-fund resulting from the fact that the counterparty to a transaction entered into by the sub-fund may default on its contractual obligations. There is no guarantee that an issuer or counterparty will not experience credit or other difficulties resulting in a breach of their contractual obligations and the loss of all or part of the amounts due to the sub-fund. This risk may arise at any time when the





assets of a sub-fund are deposited, rolled over, committed, invested or otherwise subject to actual or implied contractual arrangements. For example, counterparty risk may arise when a sub-fund has deposited cash with a financial institution or invests in debt securities and other fixed-income instruments.

When entering into over-the-counter contracts, the SICAV may be exposed to risks relating to the solvency of its counterparties and their ability to meet the conditions of these contracts. The SICAV may therefore enter into futures, options and swap contracts or use other derivative techniques which will each present the risk to it that the counterparty will not meet its commitments under the respective contract. In the event of the bankruptcy or insolvency of a counterparty, the sub-fund concerned could experience delays in liquidating the position and incur significant losses, including declines in the value of its investment during the period in which the SICAV is seeking to enforce its rights, the inability to realise gains on its investment during that period and the costs and expenses incurred in enforcing its rights.

It is also possible that the aforementioned agreements and derivatives may be terminated as a result of, for example, bankruptcy, a change in their legal status or changes in tax or accounting laws compared with those in force at the time the agreement was entered into. In such circumstances, investors may not be able to cover any losses incurred. Derivative financial transactions, such as swap contracts the SICAV enters into on behalf of a sub-fund, involve credit risk, which may result in the loss of the entire investment of the sub-fund, which may be fully exposed to the creditworthiness of a single approved counterparty, where such exposure is guaranteed.

# **Inflation risk**

The value of an investment may be subject to inflation risk to various degrees depending on the type of securities or financial instruments.

The purchasing power of the currency of a given country falls as inflation rises.

Some securities such as bonds pay a set nominal rate. The "real rate" is calculated by deducting inflation from this nominal rate. Consequently the higher the inflation rate, the lower the real rate, which results in a fall in the value of the bond.

# **Risks relating to investing in units of UCIs**

Investments made by the SICAV in units of UCIs, including investments by certain sub-funds of the SICAV in units of other sub-funds of the SICAV, expose the SICAV to risks arising from the financial instruments that these UCIs hold in their portfolios as described above. Some risks are, however, specific to the holding by the SICAV of UCI units. Some UCIs may have recourse to leverage effects either by using derivative instruments or by borrowing. The use of leverage effects increases the price volatility of these UCIs and therefore the risk of the loss of capital. Most of these UCIs also provide for the possibility of temporarily suspending redemptions in specific circumstances of an exceptional nature. Investments made in units of UCIs may accordingly present a liquidity risk which is higher than that associated with investing directly in a portfolio of transferable securities. On the other hand, investing in units of UCIs allows the SICAV to gain flexible and efficient access to various professional management styles and to diversify its investments. If a sub-fund invests primarily through UCIs it must ensure that its UCI portfolio has the appropriate liquidity characteristics to allow it to meet its own redemption obligations.

Investing in the units of UCIs may involve a duplication of certain costs in the sense that in addition to the costs deducted at the level of the sub-fund in which an investor is invested, the investor in question is subject to a portion of the costs deducted at the level of the UCI in which the sub-fund is invested. The SICAV offers investors a choice of portfolios which may present a different degree of risk and therefore, in principle, the prospect of long-term overall yield in relation to the degree of risk accepted.

Investors will find the degree of risk of each class of shares offered in the KIDs.







The higher the risk level, the longer the investor's investment horizon should be and the more he should be prepared to accept the risk of a significant loss of the capital invested.

# **Operational risk**

The operations of the SICAV (including investment management) are carried out by the service providers mentioned in this Prospectus. In the event of the bankruptcy or insolvency of a service provider, investors may experience delays (for example, delays in processing subscriptions, conversions and redemptions of shares) or other disruptions.

# Settlement risk

The risk of loss resulting from the inability of a counterparty to meet the terms of a contract at the time of settlement. The acquisition and transfer of interests in certain investments may entail significant delays and transactions may have to be carried out at unfavourable prices because clearing, settlement and registration systems may not be well organised in certain markets.

#### Legal risk

The SICAV may be subject to a number of legal and regulatory risks, including conflicting interpretations or applications of laws, an incomplete, unclear or evolving legal framework, restrictions on general public access to regulations, practices and customs, ignorance or violation of laws by counterparties and other market participants, a lack of established or effective legal remedies, inadequate investor protection, or a failure to enforce applicable laws. Difficulties in asserting, protecting and enforcing rights can have a significant negative impact on the subfunds and their operations.

In the case of derivative financial transactions, there is also a risk that the derivative financial transactions may be terminated, for example, due to bankruptcy, an irregularity or a change in tax or accounting laws. In such circumstances, the SICAV may be required to cover all losses incurred.

In addition, some transactions are based on complex legal documents. Under certain circumstances, these documents may be difficult to enforce or may be the subject of disputes as to their interpretation. Although the rights and obligations of the parties to a legal document may, for example, be governed by Luxembourg law, in certain circumstances (such as insolvency proceedings) other legal systems may take precedence, which may adversely affect the enforceability of existing transactions.

# Taxation

Investors should bear in mind that (i) the proceeds from the sale of securities in certain markets or the collection of dividends or other income may be or may become subject to duties, taxes, duties or other costs or charges imposed by the authorities of such markets, including the withholding of tax at source and/or (ii) the sub-fund's investments may be subject to specific taxes or charges imposed by the authorities of certain markets. The tax laws and practices of certain countries in which the sub-fund invests or may invest in the future are not clearly established. Consequently it is possible that the current interpretation of the legislation or the understanding of a practice may change, or that the legislation may be amended with retroactive effect. It is therefore possible that the sub-fund may be subject to additional taxation in such countries although such taxation was not anticipated on the date of this Prospectus or on the date on which the investments were made, valued or sold.

# Specific risks associated with an investment in China A-shares

Subject to specific mention in its investment policy, a Sub-fund may invest in and have direct access to certain eligible China A-shares through the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect programme or the Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect programme ("Stock Connect"). Stock Connect is an interconnected securities trading and clearing programme developed by Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (HKEx), the Shanghai Stock Exchange, the





Shenzhen Stock Exchange (together with the Shanghai Stock Exchange, SSE) and China Securities Depository and Clearing Corporation Limited (ChinaClear), aimed at allowing reciprocal stock market access between mainland China and Hong Kong.

Stock Connect features a North-South trading channel, the Northbound Trading Link, dedicated to investments in China A-shares, which allows investors, through the intermediary of their Hong Kong stockbrokers and a securities trading company established by the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong (SEHK), to pass orders on eligible securities listed on the SSE by transferring these orders to the SSE.

With Stock Connect, international investors (including the Sub-fund) will, subject to the rules and regulations that are regularly issued and amended, be able to trade in China A-shares listed on the SSE (the "SSE securities") through the intermediary of the Northbound Trading Link. SSE securities comprise at any given time all the securities listed in the SSE 180 and SSE 380 indices and all China A-shares not listed in these indices but for which there are H-shares listed on the SEHK, with the exception of (i) shares listed on the SSE but not available for trading, in renminbi (RMB) and (ii) shares listed on the SSE appearing on the "risk alert board". The list of eligible securities may be changed at any time after examination and agreement by the competent regulators of the People's Republic of China (PRC).

You will find more extensive information on Stock Connect at the following address: <u>http://www.hkex.com.hk/eng/market/sec\_tradinfra/chinaconnect/chinaconnect.htm</u>.

# Quota risk

Stock Connect is subject to investments quotas, which may restrict the Sub-fund's ability to invest quickly in China A-shares through the intermediary of Stock Connect, and the Sub-fund may not be able to implement its investment policy effectively.

# Risk of suspension

The SEHK and the SSE reserve the right to suspend trading if necessary in order to ensure the equitable and orderly functioning of the market and to manage risks prudently, which would affect the Sub-fund's ability to access the market of mainland China through the intermediary of Stock Connect.

# Different trading days

Stock Connect operates when the stock markets of mainland China and Hong Kong are both open for trading and when the banks in both these two markets are open on the corresponding settlement dates. It may be therefore that international investors (such as the Sub-fund) are unable to pass orders on China A-shares even though the date corresponds to a trading day in mainland China. Consequently, the Sub-fund may be exposed to the risk of price fluctuations in China A-shares during the period when Stock Connect is not functioning.

# Clearing and settlement risks, custodian risk

Hong Kong Securities Clearing Company Limited (HKSCC), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the HKEx, and ChinaClear have established clearing links, and each is a member of the other so as to facilitate clearing and settlement of international trades. As national central counterparty for mainland China's securities market, ChinaClear manages a comprehensive network of structures for the clearing, settlement and holding of securities. ChinaClear has put in place a risk management framework and measures which have been approved by and are overseen by the China Securities Regulatory Commission (CSRC). The likelihood of ChinaClear's defaulting is considered remote.

In the unlikely event that ChinaClear should default and/or be declared bankrupt, HKSCC would seek in all good faith to recover the securities and funds from ChinaClear through existing legal channels or by means of the liquidation of ChinaClear. In such case, the Sub-fund might suffer a delay in the recovery process or not be able to recover all its losses from ChinaClear.







China A-shares traded through the intermediary of Stock Connect are issued in dematerialised form, and investors such as the Sub-fund will not hold any China A-shares in physical form. Hong Kong investors and international investors such as the Sub-fund who have acquired SSE securities through the intermediary of the Northbound Trading Link must keep them in securities accounts opened by their stockbrokers or custodians with the Central Clearing and Settlement System operated by HKSCC for clearing of securities listed or traded on the SEHK. More detailed information on the custody arrangements for Stock Connect is available on request from the Fund's registered office.

# Nominee holding arrangements for China A-shares

HKSCC is the nominee holder of the SSE securities acquired by international investors (notably the Sub-fund) through the intermediary of Stock Connect. The CSRC rules as they apply to Stock Connect stipulate explicitly that investors such as the Sub-fund have the rights and benefits of the SSE securities acquired through the intermediary of Stock Connect in accordance with applicable legislation. The CSRC has specified, in a FAQ forum published on 15 May 2015, that (i) the concept of nominee shareholder is recognised in mainland China, (ii) international investors must hold SSE securities through the intermediary of HKSCC and benefit from ownership interests in these securities in their capacity as shareholders, (iii) the legislation of mainland China does not explicitly provide that the beneficial owner in a nominee holding structure can instigate legal proceedings, but nor does it prohibit him from doing so, (iv) insofar as the certification issued by HKSCC is considered as legitimate proof of the holding by a beneficial owner of SSE securities by virtue of the legislation of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, such certification will be fully recognised by the CSRC and (v) insofar as an international investor can show proof of his direct interest as beneficial owner, this investor may instigate legal proceedings in his own name before the courts of mainland China.

By virtue of the rules of the Central Clearing and Settlement System operated by HKSCC for clearing securities listed or traded on the SEHK, HKSCC as nominee holder will have no obligation to instigate legal proceedings or take legal action to assert or defend rights on behalf of investors in respect of SSE securities in mainland China or elsewhere. Consequently, even though the Sub-fund's status as owner may ultimately be recognised and even though HKSCC confirms its readiness to assist beneficial owners of SSE securities if necessary, the Sub-fund could experience delays or difficulties in exercising its rights to China A-shares. Furthermore, it remains to be seen whether the courts of mainland China will accept suit brought independently by an international investor with a certification of holding of SSE securities issued by HKSCC.

Insofar as HKSCC is deemed to perform custodial functions for the assets held through its intermediary, it should be noted that neither the custodian bank nor the Sub-fund will have any legal link with HKSCC or would have any legal recourse against it if a Fund were to incur losses by reason of HKSCC's poor performance or insolvency.

# Investor compensation

The Sub-fund's investments through the intermediary of North-South trades under Stock Connect will not be covered by the Hong Kong Investor Compensation Fund. This fund was set up to pay compensation to investors of any nationality suffering financial loss as a result of the default of an approved intermediary or financial institution in relation to products traded on the Hong Kong stock exchange.

Since any defaults occurring in respect of North-South trading through the intermediary of Stock Connect do not concern products listed or traded on the SEHK or on the Hong Kong Futures Exchange, they will not be covered by the investor compensation fund. Similarly, since the Sub-fund makes North-South trades through the intermediary of stockbrokers in Hong Kong and not through stockbrokers in mainland China, it is not covered by mainland China's compensation fund for investors in Chinese securities.

# Operational risk

Stock Connect provides Hong Kong investors and international investors such as the Sub-fund with a new direct access channel to the stock market of mainland China.







Stock Connect relies on the smooth workings of the operating systems of the participants in the market concerned. Market operators can take part in this programme providing they meet a number of requirements, notably as regards IT and risk management capabilities as specified by the stock exchange or clearing house concerned.

It must be borne in mind that the negotiable securities regimes and the legal systems of the two markets differ appreciably, and in order to ensure the smooth functioning of the pilot scheme, market operators will probably be obliged to address the problems created by these differences as and when they arise.

Furthermore, the connectivity in the Stock Connect programme requires cross-border orders to be sent. This requires the development of new IT systems by SEHK and the market participants. More precisely, a new order transmission system (China Stock Connect System) must be put in place by the SEHK and the market participants will have to connect to it. There is no guarantee that the systems of the SEHK and of the market participants will function correctly or that they will continue to be adapted to the changes and developments in the two markets. If the systems concerned were not to function correctly, trading on both markets through the intermediary of the programme could be interrupted. That would have a negative effect on the Sub-fund's ability to access the China A-shares market (and therefore to implement its investment strategy).

# Transaction costs

In addition to the transaction fees and the stamp duty associated with trading in China A-shares, the Sub-fund may also have to pay new portfolio fees, tax on dividends and income tax generated by the transfers of securities, which remain to be defined by the competent authorities.

# Regulatory risk

The CSRC rules for Stock Connect are administrative regulations with the force of law in the People's Republic of China. However, the application of these rules has not yet been put to the test, and there is no guarantee that the courts of mainland China will recognise them, for example as they relate to the liquidation of mainland Chinese companies.

Stock Connect is an innovative system, and the programme is subject to regulations issued by the regulatory authorities and the rules for implementation laid down by the stock exchanges of both mainland China and Hong Kong. Furthermore, new rules may be announced frequently by the regulators in respect of transactions and the international legal application as to cross-border trades in the context of Stock Connect.

The regulations have yet to be put to the test, and there is no certainty as to how they will be applied. Moreover, they are likely to evolve. There can be no guarantee that Stock Connect will not be closed down. The Sub-fund could be penalised by such changes.

# Tax risks linked to Stock Connect

In accordance with Caishui 2014 no. 81 ("Notice 81"), foreign investors investing in China A-shares listed on the Shanghai or Shenzhen stock exchange through the intermediary of Stock Connect would be temporarily exempt from corporation tax and commercial tax in China on capital gains realised on the sale of these China A-shares. Dividends would be subject to mainland China corporation tax based on a withholding tax of 10%, except where there is a double taxation treaty with China allowing this rate to be reduced subject to prior request for approval and granting of such approval by the competent Chinese tax authorities.

It should be noted that Notice 81 stipulates that the exemption from corporation tax in force since 17 November is temporary. Accordingly, once the PRC authorities announce the expiry date of this exemption, the Sub-fund will have to take steps to take account of the tax due, which could have a clearly negative effect on the Sub-fund's Net Asset Value.





# **Risk linked to Bond Connect**

Bond Connect is a mutual bond market access link established between Hong Kong and the People's Republic of China (PRC) that facilitates investment in the China Interbank Bond Market (CIBM) through mutual access and connection arrangements for trading, custody and settlement between related financial infrastructures in Hong Kong and the PRC.

A sub-fund may purchase interest rate instruments traded on the CIBM through Bond Connect (the "Bond Connect Securities"). As the sub-fund's investments in the CIBM are made through the Bond Connect, these investments may be exposed to additional risk factors.

Under current PRC regulations, eligible overseas investors wishing to invest in Bond Connect Securities may do so through an offshore custodian approved by the Hong Kong Monetary Authority (the "Offshore Custodian"), which will be responsible for opening an account with the relevant onshore custodian approved by the PRC central bank. As the opening of an account to invest in the CIBM market through Bond Connect must be done through an Offshore Custodian, the relevant sub-fund is exposed to the risks of default or errors on the part of the Offshore Custodian.

Trading in Bond Connect Securities may be subject to clearing and settlement risk. If the PRC clearing house defaults on its obligation to deliver securities/make a payment, the sub-fund may experience delays in recovering its losses or may not be able to recover its losses in full.

Investments through Bond Connect are not subject to a quota but the competent authorities may suspend the opening or trading through Bond Connect, and in the absence of direct access to the CIBM or an RQFII quota, the ability of the sub-fund to invest on the CIBM will be limited and the sub-fund may not be able to effectively pursue its investment strategy or it may adversely affect the performance of the sub-fund. The sub-fund may also suffer losses as a result.

The Bond Connect Securities of a sub-fund will be held in accounts with the Central Moneymarkets Unit (CMU), as the central securities depository in Hong Kong.

As CMU is only a holder and not the beneficial owner of the Bond Connect Securities, in the unlikely event that CMU becomes subject to winding-up proceedings in Hong Kong, investors are advised that the Bond Connect Securities will not be considered part of the general assets of CMU available for distribution to creditors, even under PRC law.

However, CMU will not be required to institute any legal proceedings or take any action in the courts to enforce any rights on behalf of investors in Bond Connect Securities in the PRC. A failure or delay by CMU to perform its obligations may result in a failure to settle, or the loss of, Bond Connect Securities and/or monies related thereto and a sub-fund and its investors may suffer losses as a result. The SICAV, the Management Company and the Manager shall not be responsible or liable for any such loss.

A sub-fund's ownership of or interest in Bond Connect Securities and its rights therein (whether legal, equitable or otherwise) will be subject to applicable requirements, including laws relating to any foreign ownership disclosure requirements or restrictions, if any. Chinese courts may not recognise investors' ownership of securities and investors may not be able to bring legal proceedings against Chinese entities in the event of a dispute. Bond Connect Securities may be declared ineligible for trading through Bond Connect for various reasons, in which case Bond Connect Securities may be sold, but not purchased. This may affect the portfolio or the investment strategies of the sub-fund. Transactions conducted through Bond Connect are not covered by the Hong Kong Investor Compensation Fund or the Chinese Securities Investor Protection Fund. Investments in Bond Connect Securities are exposed to various risks related to the legal and technical framework of Bond Connect. Due to differences in public holidays between Hong Kong and the PRC or for other reasons such as adverse weather conditions, there may be differences in trading days and times on the markets accessible through Bond Connect. Bond Connect only operates on days when these markets are open simultaneously and when the banks in these markets are open on the corresponding





settlement days. There may be occasions when, on a normal trading day for the PRC CIBM, it is not possible to trade Bond Connect Securities in Hong Kong.

# Sustainability risk

Sustainability risk refers to an environmental, social or governance event or condition which, if it occurs, could have an actual or potential material adverse effect on the value of the investment.

To this end, investors should consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" below for more information on the classification and sustainability risk of the SICAV's sub-funds.

# Risk of changes in the benchmark by the index provider

Shareholders' attention is drawn to the fact that the benchmark provider has sole discretion regarding making decisions on and modifying the characteristics of the relevant benchmark for which it acts as sponsor. Depending on the terms of the licence agreement, an index provider may not be required to provide licensees using the relevant benchmark (including the SICAV) with sufficient notice of any changes to that benchmark. As a result, the SICAV will not necessarily be able to inform the shareholders of the relevant sub-funds in advance of changes made by the relevant index provider to the characteristics of the relevant benchmark.

The above information is not exhaustive. It is not intended to constitute, nor does it constitute, a legal opinion. In case of doubt, potential investors must carefully read the Prospectus and consult their own professional advisers about the consequences of subscribing or trading shares.



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# GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION

# SFDR and sustainability risks

Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 of 27 November 2019 on sustainability-related disclosures in the financial services sector ("SFDR") establishes harmonised rules for financial market participants and financial advisors on transparency with regard to the integration of sustainability risks and the consideration of negative sustainability effects in its processes and the provision of sustainability information.

For example, environmental, social and personnel issues, respect for human rights and the fight against corruption and bribery may represent a risk defined as an event or situation in the environmental, social or governance areas which, if it occurs, could have a material adverse effect, actual or potential, on the value of the SICAV's investments.

The likely effects of these risks on the value of the SICAV's investments are essentially:

- that one or more investments of the SICAV which have been made after taking into account sustainability factors will underperform as a result of a sustainability risk compared to one or more investments which have not been made after taking into account such factors, or
- that investments outperform comparable investments made by the SICAV after taking into account sustainability factors.

Although common standards have been established, there may still be a divergence between actors in their approaches to this subject and thus introduce a certain subjectivity by these actors with respect to environmental, social or governance factors by introducing a judgment factor and various interpretations applied within this area. A further point to mention in relation to the above is that environmental, social or governance information from data providers may therefore be incomplete, unavailable or inaccurate.

Finally, the approach to issues in the environmental, social or governance areas is likely to evolve as a result of applicable new legal and regulatory developments, as well as market practice.

According to SFDR, the sub-funds can be classified into 3 categories:

- Sub-funds that have sustainable investment as their objective (referred to as "Article 9" sub-funds): sustainable investment is defined as an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental objective, measured for example by means of key resource efficiency indicators relating to the use of energy, renewable energy, raw materials, water and land, waste production and greenhouse gas emissions or effects on biodiversity and the circular economy, or an investment in an economic activity that contributes to a social objective, in particular an investment that contributes to the fight against inequality or promotes social cohesion, social inclusion and labour relations, or an investment in human capital or economically or socially disadvantaged communities, provided that such investments do not materially prejudice any of these objectives and that the companies in which the investments are made apply good governance practices, in particular with regard to sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of competent staff and compliance with tax obligations.
- Sub-funds promoting, among other aspects, environmental or social aspects or a combination of these aspects, provided that the companies in which investments are made apply good governance practices (referred to as "Article 8" sub-funds).
- Sub-funds for which sustainability risks are either integrated taking into account the assessment of the likely impact of sustainability risks on the performance of financial products or are not relevant (referred to as "Article 6" sub-funds).

Sustainability risk is the risk of the probability of occurrence of an environmental, social or governance event that could lead to an actual or potential material loss in the value of the sub-fund as a result of that event.





Sustainability risks include two main risk factors: physical risk (related to climate change and environmental degradation) and transition risk (related to the process of adapting to a more sustainable economy in environmental, social or governance terms). These risks affect the resilience of institutions in the medium to long term, especially in sectors and markets vulnerable to climate and environmental risks.

Physical and transition risks can also lead to reputational risk as investors associate the company with negative environmental impacts.

The way in which sustainability risks are integrated by Degroof Petercam Asset Management S.A., to whom the Management Company of the SICAV has delegated the discretionary management of the SICAV's sub-funds in the investment decisions, are described in the responsible and Sustainable Investment Policy, which can be accessed via the website <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

The sustainability classification and risk of the SICAV's sub-funds are as follows:

Sub-fund	Classification	Sustainability risk
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DPAM L BONDS EMU INV. GRADE GOV. INDEX DPAM L EQUITIES EMERGING MSCI INDEX Article 6

**High.** Sustainability considerations are not systematically part of the sub-fund's investment selection process, with the exception of investments in companies with exposure to controversial activities such as tobacco, the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, and depleted uranium ammunition and armour which are basically excluded.

The impact of adverse sustainability events could have negative effects on the performance of the sub-fund.

As the SFDR classification may change over time, the Prospectus will be updated accordingly.

Additional information is provided in the sub-fund factsheet for Article 8 and Article 9 sub-funds.

# Alignment with the Taxonomy

Given the different interpretations in different Member States of what constitutes a "sustainable" investment, the European Commission decided that a common taxonomy was needed.

Regulation (EU) 2020/852 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 June 2020 on establishing a framework for sustainable investment and amending the SFDR ("Taxonomy Regulation") establishes a classification system (or taxonomy) that provides companies with a common language for determining whether or not a given economic activity should be considered "environmentally sustainable". The Taxonomy Regulation also establishes disclosure obligations that complement SFDR and Directive 2014/95/EU with regard to activities that contribute to an environmental objective.

The Taxonomy Regulation includes six environmental objectives:

- 1. Mitigation of climate change;
- 2. Adaptation to climate change;
- 3. Sustainable use and protection of water and marine resources;
- 4. Transition to a circular economy;
- 5. Pollution prevention and control;
- 6. Protection and restoration of biodiversity and ecosystems.

An economic activity is considered environmentally sustainable when that economic activity:

- contributes substantially to one or more of the six environmental objectives,
- does not cause significant harm to any of the environmental objectives ("do not significantly harm" or "DNSH" principle),
- is exercised in compliance with the minimum guarantees provided for in Article 18 of the Taxonomy Regulation.

In accordance with Article 7 of the Taxonomy Regulation, the investments underlying the so-called Article 6 subfunds do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

In accordance with Article 6 of the Taxonomy Regulation, the principle of "not causing significant harm" applies only to the investments underlying the so-called Article 8 sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of the so-called Article 8 sub-funds do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.





To date, the Taxonomy Regulation does not provide a methodology for assessing the alignment of sovereign bonds with the Taxonomy Regulation. For the sub-funds that invest primarily in sovereign bonds, the Manager is therefore currently unable to describe:

- a) the extent and proportion, as a percentage of the sub-fund's portfolio, to which the sub-fund's investments are made in environmentally sustainable economic activities and are aligned with the Taxonomy Regulation; or
- b) the proportion, as a percentage of the sub-fund's portfolio, of investments in enabling and transitional activities within the meaning of Articles 16 and 10(2) of the Taxonomy Regulation.

The Manager is currently improving their data collection to align with the Taxonomy Regulation to ensure the accuracy and adequacy of their sustainability reporting under the Taxonomy Regulation. Subsequent updates of the prospectus will be made accordingly.

#### **Pre-contractual information**

SFDR, which is designed to reduce information asymmetry with regard to the promotion of environmental or social characteristics and sustainable investment objectives, requires pre-contractual information be communicated to investors. For the purpose of ensuring comparability of the material adverse effect statement, pre-contractual information and periodic reports under the SFDR, and to ensure that this information is easily understandable for investors, the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 of 6 April 2022 supplementing the SFDR sets out standard formats for the presentation of such information.

The pre-contractual information for the sub-funds referred to in Article 8 of the SFDR and Article 6 of the Taxonomy Regulation and for the sub-funds referred to in Article 9 of the SFDR and Article 5 of the Taxonomy Regulation is available in Appendix 1 below.



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#### THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors of the SICAV (hereinafter the "Board of Directors") is invested with the widest possible powers to act in any circumstances, on behalf of the SICAV, subject to the powers expressly reserved by Luxembourg law to the general meeting of shareholders.

The Board of Directors is responsible for the general management and administration of the SICAV, including, among other things, the appointment and supervision of the management company, the custodian and other service providers, the determination of the investment objectives and policies of the sub-funds, the exercise of any rights attached directly or indirectly to the assets of the SICAV's sub-funds, the creation of additional sub-funds, etc.

The Board of Directors is responsible for the information contained in this Prospectus and has taken all reasonable precautions to ensure that it is accurate and complete as of the date of publication. Consequently, any information or statement not contained in the Prospectus, in the annexes to the Prospectus, if any, in the KID(s) or in the financial reports forming an integral part thereof, must be considered as unauthorised.





#### THE MANAGEMENT COMPANY AND DELEGATE(S)

The Board of Directors has appointed DEGROOF PETERCAM ASSET SERVICES S.A. (DPAS) as management company (the "Management Company") of the SICAV, charged with performing all the collective portfolio management functions referred to in appendix II to the Law of 2010, namely portfolio management and administration and marketing of the SICAV, as well as the function of domiciliary agent. As such, it assumes the administrative functions required by Luxembourg Law and the regulatory provisions in force, such as keeping the accounts and company books, including the shareholders' register. It shall also take charge of the calculation of the net asset value per share in each sub-fund and in each class, if applicable. These functions are referred to generically as Central Administration.

DEGROOF PETERCAM ASSET SERVICES S.A. is authorised as a management company within the meaning of chapter 15 of the Law of 2010. The Management Company exercises its mandate for an indefinite period and the Board of Directors may replace it.

At the date of the Prospectus, DPAS manages other collective investment schemes in addition to the SICAV, including alternative investment funds, a list of which is available at the registered office of the Management Company and on its website (www.dpas.lu).

Subject to the applicable legal provisions, the Management Company may delegate, under its control and supervision, the exercise of one or more of its functions to third parties holding the required approvals and licences to perform the functions that the Management Company intends to delegate to them.

Under its responsibility and control, the Management Company has delegated the portfolio management of all of the sub-funds of the SICAV to DEGROOF PETERCAM ASSET MANAGEMENT S.A. (the "Manager").

DEGROOF PETERCAM ASSET MANAGEMENT S.A./N.V., in short Degroof Petercam AM or DPAM, was incorporated on 29 December 2006 as a société anonyme under Belgian law and is subject to the supervision of the Autorité des Services et Marchés Financiers, Belgium ("FSMA").

Similarly the Management Company, under its responsibility and control, delegated the sale of units of SICAV subfunds to DPAM acting as Principal Distributor of the SICAV.

The Management Company's remuneration in respect of management of the SICAV's various sub-funds is described in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus. The Manager is remunerated directly by the Management Company.



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#### CUSTODIAN

The Board of Directors has appointed Banque Degroof Petercam Luxembourg S.A. as the SICAV's custodian (hereinafter the "Custodian") within the meaning of Article 33 of the Law of 2010.

Banque Degroof Petercam Luxembourg S.A. is a Luxembourg registered public limited liability company. It was incorporated in Luxembourg on 29 January 1987 for an unlimited period, under the name Banque Degroof Luxembourg S.A. It is headquartered at L-2453 Luxembourg, 12, Rue Eugène Ruppert, and has performed banking activities since its incorporation.

The Custodian fulfils its duties under the terms of an open-ended custodian agreement.

Under the terms of that agreement, Banque Degroof Petercam Luxembourg S.A. also acts as a paying agent for the financial service relating to the SICAV's shares.

The Custodian shall fulfil the obligations and duties set out under the laws of Luxembourg and, in particular, the missions stipulated in articles 33 to 37 of the Law of 2010.

The Custodian must act honestly, fairly, professionally, independently and solely in the interest of the SICAV and of the shareholders of the SICAV.

The Custodian shall not carry out activities with regard to the SICAV or the Management Company acting on behalf of the SICAV that may create conflicts of interest between the SICAV, the shareholders, the Management Company and itself. An interest is a source of incentive of any nature whatsoever and a conflict of interest is a situation in which the Custodian's interests, when carrying out its activities, are not in line with those of the SICAV, the shareholders and/or the Management Company.

The Custodian may provide a number of banking services for the SICAV, either directly or indirectly, in addition to its custodian services, in the strict meaning of the term.

The provision of additional services, and capital links between the Custodian and some of the SICAV's partners, may lead to conflicts of interest between the SICAV and the Custodian.

Situations that may potentially lead to conflicts of interest for the Custodian in the exercise of its activities include the following:

- if the Custodian is likely to make a financial gain or avoid a financial loss at the expense of the SICAV;
- if the Custodian's interest in exercising its activities is not in line with the interest of the SICAV;
- if the Custodian, motivated by financial or other reasons, puts a client's interests before those of the SICAV;
- if the Custodian receives or will receive a benefit for exercising its activities, in addition to its normal fees, from a counterparty other than the SICAV;
- if the Custodian and the Management Company are directly or indirectly linked to Banque Degroof Petercam S.A. and if certain employees of Banque Degroof Petercam Luxembourg S.A. are members of the Management Company;
- if the Custodian employs delegates and sub-delegates to perform its duties;
- If the Custodian provides a number of banking services for the SICAV in addition to its custodian services.

The Custodian may exercise this type of activity provided that it has separated, according to function and hierarchy, its Custodian duties and its other tasks that could give rise to a potential conflict of interests and if the potential conflicts of interest have been duly detected, managed, monitored and notified to the SICAV's shareholders.

The Custodian has implemented procedures and measures on conflicts of interest to mitigate, identify, prevent and







ease potential conflicts of interest, to ensure, in particular, that in the event of a conflict of interest, the Custodian's interest is not unjustly favoured. To that end: no employee of Banque Degroof Petercam Luxembourg S.A. performing or participating in safekeeping, surveillance and/or monitoring of cash flow duties may be a member of the Board of Directors of the SICAV;

The Custodian has published a list of its delegations and sub-delegations at <u>https://www.degroofpetercam.lu/fr/protection-de-linvestisseur</u>, under the heading "List of investment markets and sub-custodians of Banque Degroof Petercam Luxembourg".

The Custodian's selection and management of sub-delegates complies with the Law of 2010. The Custodian shall manage any conflicts of interest that may arise with its sub-delegates.

If a potential conflict of interest arises with the Custodian, despite the measures put in place to mitigate, identify, prevent and ease them, the Custodian must comply with its legal and contractual obligations to the SICAV at all times. If a conflict of interest is likely to have a significant adverse effect on the SICAV or the shareholders of the SICAV and cannot be resolved, the Custodian shall duly inform the SICAV, which will take appropriate action.

Updated information relating to the Custodian may be obtained by shareholders upon request.

The remuneration of the Custodian with respect to the different sub-funds of the SICAV is described in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES".





#### STATUTORY AUDITOR

PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS Luxembourg, appointed as statutory auditor of the SICAV at the annual general meeting of shareholders, fulfils the obligations and duties prescribed by law and carries out, in particular, an independent analysis of the financial statements of the SICAV and all the sub-funds once a year.





#### LOCAL AGENTS

In certain countries or markets, the SICAV may engage local agents, whose duties may include providing the relevant documents (such as the Prospectus, KIDs and financial reports), in the local language where applicable. In some countries, the use of an agent is mandatory and its role is not limited to facilitating transactions, but it may also hold shares in its name on behalf of investors. Local agents in the different countries are mentioned in the financial reports.



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### DESCRIPTION OF THE SHARES, MINIMUM SUBSCRIPTION AMOUNT, RIGHTS OF SHAREHOLDERS AND DISTRIBUTION POLICY

#### **Types of shares**

Shares of each class may be issued in the form of registered or dematerialised shares as defined in Article 7.2 of the Articles of Association of the SICAV. At the date of this prospectus, the shares of each class are issued as registered shares only.

The shares issued bear no reference to value, and are fully paid up, freely negotiable and confer no preferential or pre-emptive rights.

Shares may be issued in fractions of up to one thousandth of a share.

The rights attaching to fractions of shares can be exercised in proportion to the fraction held by the shareholder, with the exception of voting rights, which can be exercised only for a whole number of shares.

#### **Description of the shares**

The following share classes may be issued for the sub-funds currently offered for subscription:

Class A shares: distribution shares offered to the public.

*Class A CHF shares*: distribution shares which differ from class A shares in that they are denominated in Swiss francs.

*Class A CHF Hedged shares*: distribution shares which differ from class A CHF shares in that the exchange risk against the Swiss franc is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency Exposure" below. *Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES"*.

*Class A EUR Hedged shares*: distribution shares which differ from class A shares in that the exchange risk against the euro is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency Exposure" below. *Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES"*.

*Class A USD shares*: distribution shares which differ from A class shares in that they are denominated in US dollars.

*Class B shares*: capitalisation shares offered to the public.

*Class B CHF shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class B shares in that they are denominated in Swiss francs.

*Class B CHF Hedged shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class B CHF shares in that the exchange risk against the Swiss franc is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency Exposure" below. *Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES"*.

*Class B BIS CHF Hedged shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class B CHF shares in that the subscription currency of the share class is hedged against the reference currency of the relevant sub-fund. However, the extent of hedging may fluctuate slightly around the full hedging level. Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES".





*Class B EUR Hedged shares* : capitalisation shares which differ from class B shares in that the exchange risk against the euro is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency Exposure" below. *Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES"*.

*Class B LC shares:* capitalisation shares which differ from class B shares by the fact that (i) they are reserved for investors affected, directly or indirectly, by one or more current "Services Agreement Life Cycle" contracts with Degroof Petercam Asset Management, (ii) and that they have a different management fee.

*Class B USD shares* : capitalisation shares which differ from B class shares in that they are denominated in US dollars.

*Class B USD Hedged shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class B USD shares in that the exchange risk against the US dollar is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency Exposure" below. *Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES"*.

*Class B BIS USD Hedged shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class B USD shares in that the subscription currency of the share class is hedged against the reference currency of the relevant sub-fund. However, the extent of hedging may fluctuate slightly around the full hedging level. Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES".

*Class E shares*: distribution shares which differ from class A shares in that they are reserved for institutional investors within the meaning of Article 174 (2) of the Law of 2010.

*Class E CHF shares*: distribution shares which differ from class E shares in that they are denominated in Swiss francs.

*Class E CHF Hedged shares*: distribution shares which differ from class E CHF shares in that the exchange risk against the Swiss franc is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency Exposure" below. *Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES"*.

*Class E EUR Hedged shares*: distribution shares which differ from class E shares in that the exchange risk against the euro is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency Exposure" below. *Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES"*.

*Class E USD shares*: distribution shares which differ from class E shares in that they are denominated in US dollars.

*Class F shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class B shares in that they are reserved for institutional investors within the meaning of Article 174 (2) of the Law of 2010.

*Class FCHF shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class F shares in that they are denominated in Swiss francs.

*Class F CHF Hedged shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class F CHF shares in that the exchange risk against the Swiss franc is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged



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Currency Exposure" below. Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES".

*Class F BIS CHF Hedged shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from F CHF class shares in that the subscription currency of the share class is hedged against the reference currency of the relevant sub-fund. However, the extent of hedging may fluctuate slightly around the full hedging level. Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES".

*Class F EUR Hedged shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class F shares in that the exchange risk against the euro is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency Exposure" below. *Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES".* 

*Class F LC shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class F shares by the fact that (i) they are reserved for investors affected, directly or indirectly, by one or more current "Services Agreement Life Cycle" contracts with Degroof Petercam Asset Management, (ii) they have no minimum initial subscription amount (iii) and that they have a different management fee.

*Class F BIS USD Hedged shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class F USD shares in that the subscription currency of the share class is hedged against the reference currency of the relevant sub-fund. However, the extent of hedging may fluctuate slightly around the full hedging level. Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES".

*Class F USD shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from F class shares in that they are denominated in US dollars.

*Class I shares*: distribution shares that differ from class E shares in that (i) they are reserved (i) to institutional or professional investors having one or more current discretionary management mandates with one or more companies belonging to Degroof Petercam Group, (ii) to the account(s) to which these discretionary management mandates apply, and in that (iii) they have a different management fee.

*Class I EUR Hedged shares*: distribution shares which differ from class I shares in that the exchange risk against the euro is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency Exposure" below. *Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES".* 

*Class I USD shares*: distribution shares which differ from class I shares in that they are denominated in US dollars.

*Class J shares*: capitalisation shares that differ from class F shares in that (i) they are reserved (i) to institutional or professional investors having one or more current discretionary management mandates with one or more companies belonging to Degroof Petercam Group, (ii) to the account(s) to which these discretionary management mandates apply, and in that (iii) they have a different management fee.

*Class J EUR Hedged shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class J shares in that the exchange risk against the euro is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency Exposure" below. *Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES"*.

*Class J USD shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class J shares in that they are denominated in US dollars.





*Class L shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class B shares by the fact they have (i) a minimum initial subscription, (ii) a different maximum marketing fee and (iii) a management fee that may be different.

*L* EUR Hedged shares: capitalisation shares which differ from class L shares in that the exchange risk against the euro is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency Exposure" below. Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES".

*Class L USD shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class L shares in that they are denominated in US dollars.

*Class M shares*: distribution shares which differ from class A shares due to the fact that they (i) are reserved for investors currently holding one or more discretionary management mandates with one or more Degroof Petercam Group companies, and that (ii) they are reserved for the account(s) to which these discretionary management mandates apply, and (iii) they are reserved for all-in mandates and due to the fact that (iv) they have a different management fee. *In this context, "all-in" includes at least the management fees and custody fees charged to the account(s) to which these "all-in" discretionary management mandates apply.* 

*Class M EUR Hedged shares*: distribution shares which differ from class M shares in that the exchange risk against the euro is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency Exposure" below. *Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES"*.

*Class M USD shares*: distribution shares which differ from M class shares in that they are denominated in US dollars.

*Class N shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class B shares due to the fact that they (i) are reserved for investors currently holding one or more discretionary management mandates with one or more Degroof Petercam Group companies, and that (ii) they are reserved for the account(s) to which these discretionary management mandates apply, and (iii) they are reserved for all-in mandates and due to the fact that (iv) they have a different management fee. *In this context, "all-in" includes at least the management fees and custody fees charged to the account(s) to which these "all-in" discretionary management mandates apply.* 

*Class N EUR Hedged shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class N shares in that the exchange risk against the euro is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency Exposure" below. *Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES"*.

*Class N USD shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class N shares in that they are denominated in US dollars.

*Class P shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class F shares by the absence of (i) a management fee and (ii) a minimum initial subscription amount and in that they are (i) they are reserved for investors currently holding one or more discretionary management mandates with Degroof Petercam Asset Management and (ii) they are reserved for the account(s) to which these discretionary management mandates apply.

*Class P EUR Hedged shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class P shares in that the exchange risk against the euro is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency



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Exposure" below. Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES".

*Class V shares*: distribution shares which differ from class A shares in that (i) at the discretion of the Management Company they may be offered to distributors and platforms in the United Kingdom, Switzerland and European Union Member States, except to Banque Degroof Petercam Belgique and Banque Degroof Petercam Luxembourg, (ii) that they may be offered by distributors and platforms which have separate remuneration agreements with their clients that are not subject to any rebate, and (iii) there is no rebate on the management fee.

*Class V CHF shares*: distribution shares which differ from class V shares in that they are denominated in Swiss francs.

*Class V CHF Hedged shares*: distribution shares which differ from class V CHF shares in that the exchange risk against the Swiss franc is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency Exposure" below. *Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES"*.

*Class V EUR Hedged shares*: distribution shares which differ from class V shares in that the exchange risk against the euro is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency Exposure" below. *Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES".* 

*Class V USD shares*: distribution shares which differ from V class shares in that they are denominated in US dollars.

*Class V BIS USD Hedged shares*: distribution shares which differ from class V USD shares in that the subscription currency of the share class is hedged against the reference currency of the relevant sub-fund. However, the extent of hedging may fluctuate slightly around the full hedging level. *Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES"*.

*Class W shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class B shares in that (i) at the discretion of the Management Company they may be offered to distributors and platforms in the United Kingdom, Switzerland and European Union Member States, except to Banque Degroof Petercam Belgique and Banque Degroof Petercam Luxembourg, (ii) that they may be offered by distributors and platforms which have separate remuneration agreements with their clients that are not subject to any rebate, and (iii) there is no rebate on the management fee.

*Class W CHF shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class W shares in that they are denominated in Swiss francs.

*Class W CHF Hedged shares :* capitalisation shares which differ from class W CHF shares in that the exchange risk against the Swiss franc is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency Exposure" below. *Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES"*.

*Class W BIS CHF Hedged shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class W CHF shares in that the subscription currency of the share class is hedged against the reference currency of the relevant sub-fund. However, the extent of hedging may fluctuate slightly around the full hedging level. Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES".

Class W EUR Hedged shares: capitalisation shares which differ from class W shares in that the exchange risk

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against the euro is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency Exposure" below. *Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES"*.

*Class W USD shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class W shares in that they are denominated in US dollars.

*Class W BIS USD Hedged shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class W USD shares in that the subscription currency of the share class is hedged against the reference currency of the relevant sub-fund. However, the extent of hedging may fluctuate slightly around the full hedging level. Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES".

*Class Z shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class F shares in that they are reserved (i) for investors initially subscribing the minimum amount of EUR 25,000,000 and in that (ii) they have a different management fee, it being understood that shareholders investing in this class may not request the redemption of their shares so as to reduce their level of investment to below the minimum initial subscription amount.

*Class Z EUR Hedged shares*: capitalisation shares which differ from class Z shares in that the exchange risk against the euro is hedged. The Manager must take measures to systematically hedge the exchange risk in relation to the sub-fund's reference currency within a tolerance threshold defined in the section "Minimum Hedged Currency Exposure" below. Investors are advised that implementing an exchange risk hedging policy may result in additional costs as mentioned in the section "Costs and Expenses".

Dividends payable on any distribution class may, at the request of the shareholder, be paid in cash or in the form of new shares of the respective class.

The available share classes for each sub-fund are shown in the fact sheet for each sub-fund.

#### **Minimum initial subscription**

Share classes	Minimum subscription amount
E, E EUR Hedged	EUR 25,000
F, F EUR Hedged	23,000
E CHF, E CHF Hedged	CHF 25,000
F CHF, F CHF Hedged, F BIS CHF Hedged	Cin 23,000
E USD	USD 25,000
F BIS USD Hedged, F USD	030 23,000
L, L EUR Hedged	EUR 1,000
L USD	USD 1,000
Z, Z EUR Hedged	EUR 25,000,000
The other share classes	N/A



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#### Minimum exposure to the hedged currency

The minimum exposure to the hedged currency for the following sub-funds is:

Sub-funds	Minimum exposure in % of the net asset value of the hedged class
DPAM L BONDS EMERGING MARKETS CORPORATE SUSTAINABLE	95%
DPAM L BONDS EMERGING MARKETS HARD CURRENCY SUSTAINABLE	95%
DPAM L BONDS EUR QUALITY SUSTAINABLE	95%
DPAM L BONDS GOVERNMENT GLOBAL	80%
DPAM L BONDS GOVERNMENT SUSTAINABLE	80%





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#### SUBSCRIPTIONS, REDEMPTIONS, CONVERSIONS AND TRANSFERS

#### Subscriptions, redemptions, conversions and transfers

Subscriptions, redemptions, conversion and transfers of shares of the SICAV will be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the articles of association included in this Prospectus and as mentioned in the fact sheets of the sub-funds.

Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions are carried out in the currency of the share class, as mentioned in the fact sheet of the sub-fund.

Subscription, redemption, conversion and transfer forms may be obtained on requested from:

- the registered office of the SICAV;
- at the registered office of DEGROOF PETERCAM ASSET MANAGEMENT S.A/N.V. and DEGROOF PETERCAM ASSET SERVICES S.A.

Subscription, redemption, conversions and transfer orders for the SICAV should be sent to DEGROOF PETERCAM ASSET SERVICES S.A., 12, rue Eugène Ruppert, L-2453 Luxembourg or to the entities authorised to receive subscription, redemption, conversion and transfer orders on behalf of the SICAV in the countries where the SICAV's shares are offered for subscription to the public.

Investors may subscribe to registered shares in the SICAV through a nominee who acts as an intermediary between the investors and the SICAV by subscribing to the shares in its name but on behalf of such investors. In this capacity, the nominee may subscribe, convert and redeem shares on behalf of the investors and request registration of these transactions in the register of registered shares of the SICAV in its name. The nominee keeps a separate register in order to provide investors, by means of its intermediary, with the personalised information on the shares which they indirectly hold in the SICAV. Unless otherwise provided by laws and regulations, investors may invest directly in the SICAV without using a nominee. Unless it is essential or compulsory for legal, regulatory or restrictive practice reasons to use the services of a nominee, investors who hold shares through a nominee may at any time request direct ownership of the shares to which they subscribed in this way and demand that the shares be included in the register of registered shares of the SICAV in their own names.

#### Restrictions on the acquisition or holding of shares

Subscribers are advised that certain sub-funds or classes may not be accessible to all investors. The SICAV therefore reserves the right to limit the subscription to or acquisition of sub-funds or classes to investors who meet the criteria set by the SICAV. These criteria may relate inter alia to the country of residence of the investor in order to allow the SICAV to comply with the laws, customs, commercial practices, tax implications or with other considerations relating to the countries in question or the status of the investor (for example, the status of institutional investor).

Furthermore, the Board of Directors has the power to take such measures as it deems appropriate (such as, but without limitation, measures aimed at delaying or refusing approval of a request for subscription or for redemption of all or part of the shares held by a person who is not eligible):

- ensure that no share of the SICAV is acquired or held by or on behalf of (a) any person whose situation, in the
  opinion of the Board of Directors, may lead to the SICAV or its shareholders incurring tax charges or any other
  disadvantage (notably regulatory or financial) that it would not otherwise have incurred or (b) a person not
  meeting the eligibility criteria established in this Prospectus or falling into one of the categories of shareholders
  prohibited by this Prospectus; or, more generally,
- when it appears that a potential investor or a shareholder of the SICAV (investing in his name, whether for his
  own account or on behalf of a beneficial owner) is not compliant with the applicable legal or regulatory
  provisions (including FATCA, the IGA and/or any relevant transposition measure) and/or when the acquisition

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or holding of shares of the SICAV entails or might entail non-compliance by the SICAV with its legal or regulatory obligations (including the obligations imposed by FATCA, the IGA and/or any relevant transposition measure).

The SICAV reserves the right, (a) when a shareholder fails to provide it with the required information (concerning his tax status, identity or residence) to meet such disclosure or other requirements as might apply to the SICAV by virtue of laws in force, or (b) if it learns that a shareholder (i) does not comply with the laws in force or (ii) might cause the SICAV to become non-compliant with its legal obligations (or to find itself subject, in any other way, to a FATCA withholding at source on payments it receives):

- to delay or refuse the subscription to shares by said shareholder;
- to require said shareholder to sell his shares to a person eligible to acquire or hold them; or
- to redeem the shares concerned at their net asset value as determined on the Valuation Day following notification to the shareholder of the compulsory redemption.

Insofar as necessary, it is stipulated that any reference above to applicable laws or legal obligations includes the laws and obligations deriving from or otherwise imposed by the IGA or any legislation implementing it.

In the event of closures to new subscriptions or conversions, the <u>https://funds.degroofpetercam.com</u> and <u>http://www.dpas.lu/funds/list</u> website will be amended to show the change of position in the class of shares or sub-fund in question. Investors are invited to check the current status of the sub-funds or the classes of shares on the <u>https://funds.degroofpetercam.com</u> and <u>http://www.dpas.lu/funds/list</u> websites.

#### Restrictions on subscription and transfer of shares

The sale of the shares of the SICAV may be restricted in certain jurisdictions. Persons in possession of the Prospectus must obtain information on such restrictions from the Management Company and agree to comply with them.

The Prospectus does not constitute a public offer or solicitation to acquire shares of the SICAV made to persons in jurisdictions in which such a public offer of the shares of the SICAV is not authorised or if it is considered that such an offer is not authorised in respect of such person.

The SICAV is also entitled to:

- refuse a share subscription application as it wishes,
- forcibly redeem shares in accordance with the provisions of the articles of association.

### Restrictions on the subscription and transfer of shares applicable to US Persons as defined by Regulation S

In particular, the shares of the SICAV have not been and will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") or any other similar law promulgated by the United States including any state or other political subdivision of the United States or its territories, possessions or other regions subject to United States jurisdiction (hereinafter referred to collectively under the term "United States"). Furthermore, the SICAV has not been and will not be registered in accordance with the requirements of the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940.

Consequently, the shares of the SICAV may not be offered, sold or assigned in the United States or to U.S. Persons as defined by Regulation S.

For the purposes of this prospectus, the term "U.S. Resident as defined by Regulation S" shall be understood to comprise the persons referred to in Regulation S of the Securities Act, and refers in particular to any natural person resident in the United States, and any legal entity (partnership, joint stock company, limited liability company or any similar entity) or any other entity incorporated or organised under the laws of the United States (including any





estate or trust of such a person created in the United States or organised under the laws of the United States or any investor acting on behalf of such persons).

Investors are obliged to inform the SICAV immediately if they are or if they become U.S. Residents as defined by Regulation S. If the SICAV learns that an investor is a U.S. Resident as defined by Regulation S, the SICAV shall be entitled to carry out the compulsory redemption of the shares concerned in accordance with the provisions of the articles of association and of this Prospectus.

These restrictions apply without prejudice to other restrictions, including in particular those arising from legal and/or regulatory requirements associated with the implementation of FATCA (as defined hereunder). Investors are urged to read attentively chapters ("RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH AN INVESTMENT IN THE SICAV"), 11 ("DESCRIPTION OF THE SHARES, SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS AND DISTRIBUTION POLICY"), 14 ("TAXATION OF THE SICAV AND OF SHAREHOLDERS") before subscribing to shares of the SICAV.

Before deciding to subscribe to or acquire shares of the SICAV, investors are urged to consult their legal, tax and financial adviser, accounting or other professional adviser.

#### **Compulsory redemption**

In all the cases referred to in the chapter "TAXATION OF THE SICAV AND OF SHAREHOLDERS" (and particularly if it appears to the board of directors of the SICAV that shares are held (i) by a shareholder (acting on his own behalf or on behalf of a beneficial owner) who is not or who is no longer an eligible investor; (ii) in breach of a law or other regulation; or (iii) in all any circumstances likely to entail adverse regulatory or tax consequences or any other harm to the SICAV) and without prejudice to the provisions of this chapter, the Board of Directors shall be entitled to proceed to forced redemption in accordance with the provisions of the articles of association.

Shareholders are obliged to inform the Central Administrative Agent as soon as they cease to meet the conditions of eligibility established in this Prospectus or as soon as they hold shares on behalf of a person who (i) does not meet, or no longer meets, these eligibility conditions, (ii) holds the shares in breach of a law or other regulation or (iii) is in any other circumstances likely to entail adverse regulatory or tax consequences or any other harm to the SICAV. If a shareholder fails to provide the information requested by the Board of Directors (or any other duly authorised agent) within ten days of the request, the Board of Directors shall be authorised to proceed to the forced redemption of the shares.

In general, the Board of Directors or any other duly appointed agent may decide to proceed to the forced redemption of any share the acquisition or holding of which is not or has ceased to be in accordance with the applicable legal or regulatory provisions or the requirements of the Prospectus.

#### Mechanisms for combating money laundering and the financing terrorism

In accordance with international rules and the laws and regulations applicable in Luxembourg on combating money laundering and the financing of terrorism, financial sector professionals are subject to obligations with a view to preventing the use of undertakings for collective investment for purposes of money laundering and the financing of terrorism. Pursuant to these provisions, the SICAV, the Central Administrative Agent or any other duly authorised person must in principle identify the subscriber pursuant to the Luxembourg laws and regulations. The SICAV, the Central Administrative Agent or any other duly authorised person may require the subscriber to provide any document or any information that it deems necessary in order to make such identification.

In the event of a delay or a failure to provide the required documents or information, the subscription, or, where applicable, the redemption, conversion or transfer request, may be refused by the SICAV, by the Central Administration Agent or any other authorised person. The SICAV, the Central Administrative Agent or any other authorised person cannot be held liable (1) for the refusal to accept an application, (2) for a delay in the processing of an application, or (3) for the decision to suspend payments in connection with an application accepted if the





investor has not provided the requested documents or information or has provided incomplete documents or information.

Shareholders may also be asked to provide additional or updated documents in accordance with the ongoing monitoring and supervision obligations pursuant to the laws and regulations in force.

#### Market timing and late trading

In accordance with the applicable legal and regulatory provisions, the SICAV does not authorise practices associated with market timing and late trading. The SICAV reserves the right to reject any subscription or conversion orders from an investor whom the SICAV suspects of using such practices, and the SICAV reserves the right to take the necessary measures to protect the other shareholders of the SICAV, where appropriate. Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions take place at an unknown net asset value.



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#### DEFINITION AND CALCULATION OF THE NET ASSET VALUE

The net asset of each of the SICAV's sub-funds will be valued and the net asset value ("NAV") per share will be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the articles of association on each valuation day indicated in the fact sheet of the sub-fund ("Valuation Day").

The NAV of a share, regardless of the sub-fund and share class in respect of which it is issued, will be determined in the respective currency of the share class.

#### **Swing Pricing**

Swing pricing is a mechanism that allows the various sub-funds of the SICAV to settle the transaction fees arising from the subscriptions and redemptions of entering and exiting investors. With swing pricing, existing investors should, in principle, no longer indirectly incur the transaction fees, which will now be directly integrated into calculation of the NAV and borne by the entering and exiting investors.

The mechanism is applied at sub-fund level to all share classes and is not intended to address the specific requirements of individual investors.

The sub-funds apply partial swing pricing, which means that the NAV will be adjusted only when a given threshold value is reached. The Board of Directors determines a threshold value as the trigger event for net subscriptions and redemptions. This threshold value is defined per sub-fund and expressed as a percentage of the total net assets of the sub-fund in question.

In swing pricing, the NAV is adjusted to reflect the net transaction fees on each NAV calculation if this threshold value is exceeded.

The direction of the swing depends on the net flow of capital applicable to a NAV. In the case of a net inflow of capital, the swing factor linked to subscriptions of shares in the sub-fund will be added to the NAV. For net redemptions, the swing factor linked to redemptions of shares in the sub-fund in question will be deducted from the NAV. In both cases, all entering/exiting investors on a given date will have the same NAV applied.

The swing factors with which the NAV is adjusted are calculated on the basis of external brokerage charges, taxes and duties and estimated variances between the buy and sell prices of the transactions that the sub-fund carries out following share subscriptions and redemptions.

A performance fee, if any, will be applied on the basis of the non-swing NAV.

The swing factor value will be determined by the Board of Directors and may vary from one sub-fund to the next without, however, exceeding 3% of the unadjusted NAV. However, the Board of Directors may decide to temporarily apply a swing factor that is higher than the threshold mentioned above in exceptional circumstances (such as very high levels of volatility), while taking care to protect the best interests of shareholders.

The threshold and swing factors, as well as any information relating to the decision to temporarily exceed the usual swing factor, will be published on the Management Company's website <u>www.dpas.lu</u> (under "Fund information") or that of the Global Distributor <u>https://funds.degroofpetercam.com</u> (under "News"). Shareholders are advised to consult these websites to check whether or not a sub-fund applies threshold and swing factors.



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#### **COSTS AND EXPENSES**

#### Non-recurring fees and costs charged to the investor

Amount attributable to entities and agents acti	ive in the sale and pla	cement of the sh	ares.		
Share classes	Entry fee	Exit fee	Conversion fee		
A, A CHF, A CHF Hedged, A EUR Hedged, A USD					
B, B CHF, B CHF Hedged, B BIS CHF Hedged, B EUR Hedged, B LC, B USD, B USD Hedged, B BIS USD Hedged			Difference between the respective front end loads of the sub-funds in		
L, L EUR Hedged, L USD	max. 2% of the				
M, M EUR Hedged, M USD	subscribed amount	Nil	question, if the front end load of the sub-fund		
N, N EUR Hedged, N USD	(*)		from which investment		
V, V CHF, V CHF Hedged, V EUR Hedged, V USD, V BIS USD Hedged			is withdrawn is less than the front end load of the		
W, W CHF, W CHF Hedged, W BIS CHF HEDGED, W EUR Hedged, W USD, W BIS USD Hedged			sub-fund into which investment is made,		
E, E CHF, E CHF Hedged, E EUR Hedged, E USD			payable to the placement agents		
F, F CHF, F CHF Hedged, F BIS CHF Hedged, F EUR Hedged, F LC, F BIS USD Hedged, F USD	max. 1% of the subscribed amount (*)	Nil	and/or distributors.		
I, I EUR Hedged, I USD	()				
J, J EUR Hedged, J USD					
P, P EUR Hedged	Nil	Nil	Nil		
Z, Z EUR Hedged					

(\*) attributable to entities and agents active in the sale and placement of the shares.

Amount covering the cost of acquiring/realising assets								
Sub-fundEntry fee (*)Exit fee (*)								
DPAM L Bonds EMU Inv. Grade Gov. Index	0.10%	Nil						
DPAM L Equities Emerging Markets ESG Leaders Index	0.25%	0.25%						
DPAM L Equities Emerging MSCI Index	0.25%	0.2370						
DPAM L EQUITIES EMU SRI MSCI INDEX	0.15%	0.10%						
DPAM L Equities US SRI MSCI Index	0.10%	0.10%						
DPAM L Equities World SRI MSCI Index	0.15%	0.15%						

(\*) acquired by the sub-fund concerned.

#### Recurring commissions, fees and expenses borne by the sub-funds

#### Management commissions

In return for its services, the Management Company receives an annual fee from the sub-funds as described below. The Manager is remunerated directly by the Management Company.



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Sub-fund	Class	Management fee Maximum % p.a.
	А, В	1.15
DPAM L Balanced Conservative Sustainable	E, F, M, N, V, W	0.575
	L	1.725
	А, В	0.80
	E, F, M, N, V, W	0.40
DPAM L Bonds Climate Trends Sustainable	J	0.20
	L	1.20
	Р	0.00
	А, В	0.60
	E, F, M, N, V, W	0.30
DPAM L Bonds Corporate EUR	J	0.15
	L	0.90
	Р	0.00
	A, B, B EUR Hedged, B LC, B USD	1.20
DPAM L Bonds Emerging Markets Corporate Sustainable	E, F, F EUR Hedged, F LC, F USD, M, N, V, W, W EUR Hedged, W USD	0.60
Draw E bonus Emerging Markets Corporate Sustainable	J	0.30
	L	1.80
	Р	0.00
	A, B, B EUR Hedged, B USD	0.90
	B LC	1.20
DDAML Danda Extension Markata Lland Currency Custoin able	E, F, F EUR Hedged, F USD, M, N, V, W, W EUR Hedged, W USD	0.45
DPAM L Bonds Emerging Markets Hard Currency Sustainable	F LC	0.60
	J	0.23
	L	1.35
	Р	0.00
	A, B, B BIS USD Hedged, B CHF, B USD	0.90
DPAM L Bonds Emerging Markets Sustainable	E, F, F BIS USD Hedged, F CHF, F USD, M, M USD, N, N USD, V, V BIS USD Hedged, W, W CHF, W USD, W BIS USD Hedged	0.45
	J	0.225
	L	1.35
	Р	0.00
	А, В	0.30
DPAM L Bonds EMU Inv. Grade Gov. Index	E, F, M, N	0.15
	l, J	0.075



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Sub-fund	Class	Management fee Maximum % p.a.
	А, В	0.25
DPAM L Bonds EUR Corporate 2026	E, F, M, N, V, W	0.125
DFAM E BONGS FOR COLPORATE 2020	J	0.0625
	Р	0.00
	А, В	0.90
	E, F, M, N, V, W	0.45
DPAM L Bonds EUR Corporate High Yield	J	0.225
	L	1.35
	Р	0.00
	A, B, B CHF	0.65
	B LC	1.20
	E, F, F CHF, M, N, V, W	0.325
DPAM L Bonds EUR High Yield Short Term	F LC	0.60
	J	0.16
	L	0.975
	Р	0.00
	А, В	0.40
	E, F, M, N, V, W	0.20
DPAM L Bonds EUR Inflation-Linked	J	0.10
	L	0.60
	Р	0.00
	A, B, B CHF, B USD Hedged, F LC	0.60
	BLC	1.20
	E, F, F CHF, M, N, V, W	0.30
DPAM L Bonds EUR Quality Sustainable	J	0.15
	L	0.90
	P	0.00
	А, В	0.60
	E, F, M, N, V, W	0.30
DPAM L Bonds EUR Short Term	J	0.15
	L	0.90
	Е Р	0.00
	A, A EUR Hedged, B, B EUR	
	Hedged	0.45
DPAM L Bonds Government Global	E, E EUR Hedged, F, F EUR Hedged, M, M EUR Hedged, N, N EUR Hedged, V, W	0.225
	J, J EUR Hedged	0.11
	L	0.675
	P, P EUR Hedged	0.00



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Sub-fund	Class	Management fee Maximum % p.a.	
	A, B, B CHF	0.45	
	B LC	1.20	
	E, F, F CHF, M, N, V, W	0.225	
DPAM L Bonds Government Sustainable	F LC	0.60	
	J	0.11	
	L	0.675	
	Р	0.00	
	Z	0.11	
	A, B, B CHF	0.45	
	E, F, F CHF, M, N, V, W	0.225	
For the DPAM L Bonds Government Sustainable Hedged sub-fund,	J	0.11	
the current rates are as follows for the classes indicated below:	L	0.675	
	Р	0.00	
	Z	0.11	
	A, A EUR Hedged, B, B BIS CHF Hedged, B CHF, B EUR Hedged	0.45	
	B LC	1.20	
On the date of the merger, and therefore on completion of the merger as described in the notice to shareholders and on page 170 of the prospectus, for the DPAM L Bonds Government	E, E EUR Hedged, F, F BIS CHF Hedged, F CHF, F EUR Hedged, M, M EUR Hedged, N, N EUR Hedged, V, V EUR Hedged, W, W BIS CHF Hedged, W EUR Hedged	0.225	
Sustainable Hedged sub-fund, the rates will be as follows for the classes indicated below:	F LC	0.60	
	J, J EUR Hedged	0.11	
	L, L EUR Hedged	0.675	
	P, P EUR Hedged	0.00	
	Z, Z EUR Hedged	0.11	
	A, B, B CHF	0.90	
	B LC	1.20	
	E, F, F CHF, M, N, V, W	0.45	
DPAM L Bonds Higher Yield	F LC	0.60	
	J	0.225	
	L	1.35	
	Р	0.00	





Sub-fund	Class	Management fee Maximum % p.a.
	A, B, B CHF	0.80
	B LC	1.20
	E, F, F CHF, M, N, V, W	0.40
DPAM L Bonds Universalis Unconstrained	F LC	0.60
	J	0.21
	L	1.23
	Р	0.00
	A, B, B CHF	1.10
	E, F, F CHF, M, N, V, W	0.55
DPAM L Equities Conviction Research	J	0.28
	L	1.65
	Р	0.00
	A, B, B USD	0.60
	E, F, M, N, N USD, V, W	0.30
DPAM L Equities Emerging Markets ESG Leaders Index	J	0.15
	L	0.90
	Р	0.00
	A, A USD, B, B USD	0.50
DDAMAL Equition Emerging MSCL Index	E, F, M, N	0.25
DPAM L Equities Emerging MSCI Index	J	0.125
	Р	0.00
	А, В	0.60
	E, F, M, N, V, W	0.30
DPAM L Equities EMU SRI MSCI Index	J	0.15
	L	0.90
	Р	0.00
	А, В	1.60
	E, F, M, N, V, W	0.80
DPAM L Equities Europe Behavioral Value	J	0.40
	L	2.40
	Р	0.00
	А, В	1.60
	E, F, M, N, V, W	0.80
DPAM L Equities Europe Value Transition	J	0.40
	L	2.40
	Р	0.00





Sub-fund	Class	Management fee Maximum % p.a.
	A, A USD, B, B USD	0.60
	E, E USD, F, F USD, M, M USD, N, N USD, V, W	0.30
DPAM L Equities US SRI MSCI Index	J	0.15
	L	0.90
	Р	0.00
	А, В	0.60
	E, F, M, N, V, W	0.30
DPAM L Equities World SRI MSCI Index	J	0.15
	L	0.90
	Р	0.00
	А, В	0.85
	B LC	1.20
	E, F, V, W	0.45
DPAM L Global Target Income	F LC	0.60
	M, N	0.425
	L	1.35
	Р	0.00
	A, B, B CHF	1.00
DPAM L Patrimonial Fund	E, F, F CHF, M, N, V, W	0.50
	L	1.50
	Р	0.00

#### Commissions for classes that hedge exchange risk

Each class hedging currency risk may incur additional costs for this currency hedging policy. Therefore, the Management Company and/or the Manager may receive from each relevant share class an additional fee as set out below:

Share class	Commission Maximum % per month
A CHF Hedged, A EUR Hedged, B CHF Hedged, B EUR Hedged, B USD Hedged, E CHF Hedged, E EUR Hedged, F CHF Hedged, F EUR Hedged, I EUR Hedged, J EUR Hedged, L EUR Hedged, M EUR Hedged, N EUR Hedged, P EUR Hedged, V CHF Hedged, V EUR Hedged, W CHF Hedged, W EUR Hedged, Z EUR Hedged	0.010
B BIS CHF Hedged, B BIS USD Hedged, F BIS CHF Hedged, F BIS USD Hedged, V BIS USD Hedged, W BIS CHF Hedged, W BIS USD Hedged	0.005





#### Performance fees

For the following sub-funds: DPAM L Bonds EUR Short Term, DPAM L Equities Conviction Research and DPAM L Patrimonial Fund, the Manager is entitled to receive, out of the net assets of the relevant Share Class of the relevant Sub-fund, a performance fee (the "**Performance Fee**") calculated by comparing the performance of the Net Asset Value per Share (the "**NAV**") to that of the Benchmark (as defined below) over the same period of time, as well as to a High Water Mark ("**HWM**").

The Performance Fee is calculated and accrued for each Share Class within a Sub-fund on each Valuation Day according to the methodology described below.

The Performance Fee is measured over a calculation period (hereinafter the "**Calculation Period**") corresponding to one financial year of the Fund.

Each time a Calculation Period begins, the NAV and Benchmark to be taken into account for the calculation of the Performance in respect of that Calculation Period shall be based on the NAV and Benchmark of the last Business Day of the Fund's previous financial year.

The first year of the Calculation Period will begin (i):

- the last Business Day of the SICAV's financial year, or
- on the launch date of each Share Class launched after the last Business Day of the Fund's financial year.

The applicable Performance Fee rate is set at

DPAM L Bonds EUR Short Term	<b>20%</b> for all classes and the benchmark index used to calculate the Performance Fee is the 20% €STR composite (ticker: OISESTR Index) + 80% IBOX Euro Corporate 1-3 years (ticker: QW5C Index) (the " <b>Benchmark</b> ").
DPAM L Equities Conviction Research	<b>20%</b> for all classes and the benchmark index used to calculate the Performance Fee is the MSCI Europe Net Total Return denominated in EUR (ticker: MSDEE15N) (the " <b>Benchmark</b> ").
DPAM L Patrimonial Fund	<b>10%</b> for all classes and the benchmark index used to calculate the Performance Fee is the Euribor 3M (ticker: EUR003M) (the " <b>Benchmark</b> ").

For each Calculation Period and for the purpose of calculating the Performance Fee, each year shall commence on the last Business Day of each Fund's financial year and end on the last Business Day of the following Fund's financial year. For any Share Class launched during a Calculation Period, the first Calculation Period will last at least 12 months and will end on the last Business Day of the following financial year of the Fund.

The performance reference period ("**Performance Reference Period**" or "**PRP**") is the period over which performance is measured and lasts a maximum of 5 years on a rolling basis. At the end of this period, the compensation mechanism for past underperformance (or negative performance) can be reset.

Only at the end of a five-year overall underperforming PRP can losses be partially compensated, on a rolling annual basis, by cancelling the first year of performance of the current PRP for the Class. Within the PRP in question, losses in the first year can be offset by gains in subsequent years in that PRP.

When a Performance Fee is crystallised at the end of a Calculation Period, a new PRP starts.

The Performance Fee is calculated on the basis of the outperformance of the NAV compared to the benchmark. It is calculated after deducting all expenses and fees (excluding any Performance Fee accrued but not yet paid) and including subscriptions, redemptions and dividend distributions during the relevant Calculation Period.



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Notwithstanding the above, the Performance Fee is only payable if the performance of the NAV exceeds that of the Benchmark during the PRP. In this case, in order to determine the Performance Fee, the performance fee rate is applied to the difference between:

- (i) the last NAV per share calculated at the end of a Calculation Period, and
- (ii) the higher of the following two values:
  - (ii.a) the previous NAV on which a Performance Fee has been crystallised as at the last Business Day of the Fund's financial year of the current PRP OR the initial NAV if no Performance Fee has ever been paid (only under the 1st PRP) (the "HWM"), or
  - (ii.b) that same NAV but adjusted by the change in the Benchmark Index over the same Calculation Period.

The Performance Fee is accrued and calculated on each Valuation Day. Unless otherwise stated above and subject to the provisions of the paragraph below, the accrued performance fee is payable annually in arrears at the end of the Calculation Period.

The outperformance of the NAV compared to the Benchmark Index is determined by the difference between the performance of the relevant NAV and the Benchmark Index over the same period. The NAV performance is the change in the NAV between the relevant Valuation Day and the NAV at the end of the previous Calculation Period (which will be reduced by dividends paid to shareholders). The performance of the Benchmark Index is the change in the Benchmark Index over the same period as the NAV performance Calculation Period.

The Manager will receive the Performance Fee at the end of the Calculation Period provided that the performance of the NAV of the relevant Share Class exceeds that of the Benchmark. The crystallisation frequency is annual and occurs on the last Business Day of the Fund's financial year.

The Performance Fee Benchmark will be calculated in the currency of the Share Class for all Share Classes (regardless of the currency in which the relevant Share Class is denominated, and regardless of whether the relevant Share Class is hedged).

If a Shareholder redeems Shares prior to the end of a Calculation Period, any accrued but unpaid Performance Fee in respect of such redeemed Shares will be definitively accrued and paid to the Manager after the end of the Calculation Period.

In the event of a change in the Performance Fee Benchmark at any time during a Calculation Period, such change will be reflected and taken into account in the calculation of the Performance Fee by ensuring continuity in the calculation by linking the previous performance between the Benchmark and the new Benchmark.

If a Share Class is closed before the end of a Calculation Period (e.g. in the event of full redemption, merger, liquidation, transfer), the Performance Fee for that Calculation Period shall be calculated and, if applicable, paid on such closing date as if it marked the end of the relevant Calculation Period.

If the Delegated Management Agreement with the Manager entitled to a Performance Fee is terminated prior to the end of a Calculation Period, the Performance Fee for that Calculation Period will be calculated and, where applicable, paid on that termination date as if it were the end of the relevant Calculation Period.

#### Substantial changes and termination of a Benchmark

If the Performance Fee Benchmark is substantially changed or ceases to be provided, the Management Company, with the assistance of the Manager, will take appropriate action in accordance with its procedure established under REGULATION (EU) 2016/1011 of 8 June 2016 on indices used as benchmarks for financial instruments and contracts or to measure the performance of investment funds. Any new Benchmark chosen to replace the existing Benchmark which is no longer provided or which has undergone substantial changes shall be an appropriate alternative.





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#### Example (based on a Performance Fee ("PF") rate of 10%) and an initial NAV of 100 at the beginning of the first year:

						Benchmar	k index ("Index"):		HWM					
Year	NAV before PF	Performance amount Annual NAV	Performance amount Annual index	Annual outperformanc e	Amount to be carried forward	Adjustment of compensat ed loss in A-5	Amount to be made up after compensation	Net outperformanc e vs Index	Performance vs HWM	Final net outperformanc e	PF	PF payment for the Year	NAV after PF	HWM
1	110.0	10.00	5.00	5.00				5.00	10.00	5.00	1.00	YES	109.00	100.00
2	101.0	-8.00	1.00	-9.00	0.00		0.00	-9.00	-8.00	-9.00	0.00	NO	101.00	109.00
3	105.0	4.00	-1.00	5.00	-9.00		-9.00	-4.00	-4.00	-4.00	0.00	NO	105.00	109.00
4	106.0	1.00	2.00	-1.00	-4.00		-4.00	-5.00	-3.00	-5.00	0.00	NO	106.00	109.00
5	105.0	-1.00	-3.00	2.00	-5.00		-5.00	-3.00	-4.00	-4.00	0.00	NO	105.00	109.00
6	103.0	-2.00	-1.00	-1.00	-3.00		-3.00	-4.00	-6.00	-6.00	0.00	NO	103.00	109.00
7	108.0	5.00	2.00	3.00	-4.00	2.00	-2.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	0.20	YES	107.80	106.00
8	108.8	1.00	-4.00	5.00	0.00		0.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	0.20	YES	108.60	107.80
9	106.6	-2.00	-3.00	1.00	0.00		0.00	1.00	-2.00	-2.00	0.00	NO	106.60	108.60

Year 1: The amount of the annual performance (10) of the NAV per share before PF is higher than the amount of the annual performance of the Index (5). In addition, the NAV before PF (110) is higher than the High Water Mark ("HWM" (100)) by an amount equal to 10. The excess performance of 5 generates a PF equal to EUR 1. The next HWM is set at 109.

Year 2: The NAV per share decreases by -8, while the annual performance of the Index is 1. This generates an underperformance of -9 for the year. The net outperformance since the end of year 1 is -9. In addition, the NAV before PF (101) is lower than the HWM (109). No performance fee is calculated.

Year 3: The NAV per share increases by 4, while the annual performance of the Index is -1. This generates an outperformance of 5 for the year. The net outperformance since the end of year 1 is -4. In addition, the NAV before PF (105) is lower than the HWM (109). No performance fee is calculated.

Year 4: The NAV per share increases by 1, while the annual performance of the Index is 2. This generates an underperformance of -1 for the year. The net outperformance since the end of year 1 is -5. In addition, the NAV before PF (106) is lower than the HWM (109). No performance fee is calculated.

Year 5: The NAV per share decreases by -1, while the annual performance of the Index is -3. This generates an outperformance of 2 for the year. The net outperformance since the end of year 1 is -3. In addition, the NAV before PF (105) is lower than the HWM (109). No performance fee is calculated.

Year 6: The NAV per share decreases by -2, while the annual performance of the Index is -1. This generates an underperformance of -1 for the year. The net outperformance since the end of year 1 is -4. In addition, the NAV before PF (103) is lower than the HWM (109). No performance fee is calculated.





As the NAV has underperformed the Index for 5 consecutive years, the losses in year 2 of -9, corrected by the subsequent gains in year 3 (5) and year 5 (2), for a total of -2, are no longer to be taken into account when calculating performance from the beginning of year 7. In parallel, the HWM is adjusted, the losses in year 2 of -8, adjusted by the subsequent gains in year 3 (4) and year 4 (1), for a total of -3, are no longer to be taken into account in the performance calculation from the beginning of year 7. The next HWM is 106.

Year 7: The NAV per share increases by 5, while the annual performance of the Index is 2. This generates an outperformance of 3 for the year and offsets the remaining losses from the previous year of -2. The net outperformance is 1. In addition, the NAV before PF (108) is higher than the newly adjusted HWM (106) by an amount equal to 2. The final outperformance is 1 and generates a performance fee of 0.20. The next HWM is set at 107.80.

Year 8: The NAV per share increases by 1, while the annual performance of the Index is -4. This generates an outperformance of 5 compared to the Index. However, the NAV per share exceeds the HWM by only 1. Therefore, the PF is calculated on the performance against the HWM and corresponds to 0.20. The next HWM is set at 108.60.

Year 9: the NAV per share decreases by -2, while the annual performance amount of the Index is -3, generating an outperformance of 1. However, the NAV per share before PF (106.60) is below the HWM of 108.60. No performance fee is calculated.



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#### Example (based on a Performance Fee ("PF") rate of 20%) and an initial NAV of 100 at the beginning of the first year:

					Benchmark index ("Index")				HWM					
Year	NAV before PF	Performance amount Annual NAV	Performance amount Annual index	Annual outperformance	Amount to be carried forward	Adjustment of compensated loss in A-5	Amount to be made up after compensation	Net outperformance vs Index	Performance vs HWM	Final net outperformance	PF	PF payment for the Year	NAV after PF	HWM
1	110.0	10.00	5.00	5.00				5.00	10.00	5.00	1.00	YES	109.00	100.00
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5	105.0	-1.00	-3.00	2.00	-5.00		-5.00	-3.00	-4.00	-4.00	0.00	NO	105.00	109.00
6	103.0	-2.00	-1.00	-1.00	-3.00		-3.00	-4.00	-6.00	-6.00	0.00	NO	103.00	109.00
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#### Central Administration Fee and Domiciliary Fee

In return for its services as central agent and domiciliary agent for the SICAV, the Management Company will receive, at the expense of each sub-fund of the SICAV, an annual fee at a maximum rate of **0.045% p.a.** 

Compensation is payable on a quarterly basis and calculated based on average net assets in each of the sub-funds during the quarter under review.

The Management Company will also receive an annual flat-rate fee of **EUR 2,000** per active share class in the subfund concerned chargeable to each SICAV sub-fund, distributed among all the active share classes of the sub-fund concerned in proportion to the assets of each share class concerned.

+ VAT if applicable

#### **Depositary Fee**

As compensation for its depositary services for the SICAV, the Depositary shall receive an annual flat-rate fee of at a minimum rate of **0.025% p.a.**, chargeable to each SICAV sub-fund, excluding trading fees and corresponding charges.

This fee is payable on a quarterly basis and calculated based on average net assets in each of the sub-funds during the quarter under review.

#### + VAT if applicable

#### **Remuneration of directors**

The SICAV uses the services of certain non-salaried directors of the Degroof Petercam Group. This results in costs for the SICAV of at most EUR 30,000 per year, per director, to be paid by the SICAV. This does not include any taxes such as VAT where applicable, or any other related costs and expenses.

#### Other costs and expenses

The SICAV will bear all its other operating costs including, without limitation, formation costs, costs of amendment of the Articles of Association and other instruments of incorporation, fees payable to supervisory authorities, fees payable to its Management Company, managers and investment advisers, including performance fees where applicable, and to distributors, costs and fees payable to accountants and auditors, to the depositary and its correspondents where applicable, to domiciliary, administrative, register and transfer agents, to the listing agent, to any paying agent, to the permanent representatives of the places where the SICAV must be registered and to any other employee of the SICAV, the remuneration of directors (where applicable) and employees of the SICAV as well as expenses reasonably incurred by them, insurance costs and reasonable travel costs relative to meetings of the Board of Directors, costs incurred for legal assistance and auditing of the SICAV's annual accounts, costs incurred for legal, tax and accounting assistance and costs incurred on the advice of other experts or consultants, costs and expenses incurred for registering and maintaining registration of the SICAV with government authorities and stock exchanges in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg or abroad, advertising costs including the preparation, printing, translation and distribution of the prospectus, the KIDs, regular reports and registration declarations, the costs of reports to shareholders, all taxes and duties levied by government authorities and all similar taxes, all expenses related to development of the SICAV such as marketing costs, and all other operating expenses, including the costs of buying and selling assets, financial, bank or brokerage fees, postal service, telephone and telex costs and costs related to winding-up of the SICAV. The SICAV may take into account administrative and other expenses of a regular or periodic nature by estimating them for the year or for any other period.

The sub-funds will also incur other operating costs, as mentioned in article 31 of the SICAV's articles of association. Certain techniques used to manage the portfolio efficiently, such as the use of derivative products, involve direct and indirect costs for the additional services required by these techniques. These costs are charged to the respective







sub-fund and paid to the entities which provide these additional services. For example, the use of listed derivative products gives rise to brokerage fees, which are deducted by the market intermediaries, while the use of OTC derivatives gives rise to independent valuation and collateral management fees, which are deducted by the custodian bank.





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#### TAXATION OF THE SICAV AND THE SHAREHOLDERS

#### **Taxation of the SICAV**

Under the terms of current legislation, the SICAV is not subject to any Luxembourg tax.

It is, however, subject to a subscription tax of 0.05% per annum, payable quarterly on the basis of the net assets of each of the SICAV's sub-funds on the last day of each quarter. Net assets invested in UCIs which are already subject to a subscription tax are exempt from the subscription tax. The classes of shares which are aimed exclusively at institutional investors within the meaning of article 174 (2) of the Law of 2010, as defined in the chapter entitled "DESCRIPTION OF THE SHARES, RIGHTS OF SHAREHOLDERS AND DISTRIBUTION POLICY " in the Prospectus are subject to a reduced subscription tax of 0.01%.

In various countries, the SICAV is subject to taxes withheld at source which may apply to the income, dividends and interest on its investments in these countries. These amounts may not necessarily be recoverable.

Finally, it may also be subject to indirect taxes on its transactions, assets, subscriptions, redemptions and conversions, on securities transactions and on the services billed to it in accordance with the various different legislations in force.

#### Automatic exchange of information

European Directive 2014/107/EU of 9 December 2014 (the "Directive") amending Directive 2011/16/EU regarding the automatic and mandatory exchange of tax information, along with other international agreements such as those made and to be made within the framework of the standard in terms of exchanges of information produced by the OECD (more generally known under the name of "Common Reporting Standards" or "CRS") requires participating jurisdictions to obtain information from their financial institutions and to exchange this information with effect from 1 January 2016.

Pursuant notably to the Directive, investment funds, as financial institutions, are required to collect specific information in order to properly identify their investors.

The Directive also provides that the personal and financial data<sup>1</sup> related to each investor that is:

- a private individual or legal entity subject to declaration<sup>2</sup> or
- a passive non-financial entity (NFE)<sup>3</sup> of which the controlling person is subject to declaration<sup>4</sup>,

shall be sent by the financial institution to the local tax authorities, which in turn shall transmit this information to the tax authorities of the country or countries in which the investor is a resident.

If the SICAV units are held in an account with a financial institution, this organisation entity is responsible for exchanging information.

Consequently, the SICAV, whether directly or indirectly (i.e. through a contact appointed for this purpose):

 may have cause, at any time, to request and obtain from each investor an update of the documents and information already supplied as well as any other document or additional information for whatever purposes;



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Including but not limited to: name, address, country of residence, tax identification number, place and date of birth, bank account number, income, value of sales redemption or repayment proceeds, valuation of the "account" at the end of the calendar year or at the end thereof.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Natural or legal persons not residing in the country of incorporation of the SICAV but residing in a participating country. The list of countries participating in the automatic exchange of information can be found on the http://www.oecd.org/tax/automatic-exchange/Website.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Non-financial entity, that is an Entity which is not a financial institution pursuant to the Directive.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Physical or natural persons not residing in the country of incorporation of the Fund but residing in a participating country. The list of countries participating in the automatic exchange of information can be found on the http://www.oecd.org/tax/automatic-exchange/Website.



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• is required pursuant to the Directive to notify all or some of the information supplied by the investor in connection with the investment in the SICAV to the competent local tax authorities.

Investors are advised of the potential risk of inaccurate and/or incorrect exchange of information in the event that the information they provide is no longer accurate or complete. In the event of a change affecting the notified information, the investor undertakes to inform the SICAV (or any intermediary appointed to this effect), as soon as possible and to provide, where applicable, new certification within 30 days with effect from the event that rendered this information inaccurate or incomplete.

The mechanisms and scope of application of these arrangements for exchanging information may change in future. It is recommended that all investors should consult their own tax advisers to ascertain the possible impact of CRS regulations on an investment in the SICAV.

In Luxembourg, investors have, pursuant to the Law of 2 August 2002 relating to personal protections as regards the processing of personal data, the right to access and correct the data on them which is notified to the tax authorities. This data will be retained by the SICAV or any intermediary appointed to this effect in accordance with the stipulations of said law.

#### Application of FATCA to Luxembourg

The provisions relating to foreign account tax compliance of the Hiring Incentives to Restore Employment Act enacted in the United States in 2010 and the related regulations and directives, more generally referred to as FATCA (Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act), introduce a new disclosure and withholding tax regime applicable to (i) certain U.S. source payments, (ii) gross proceeds of disposal of assets that might generate U.S. source income in the form of interest or dividends and (iii) certain payments made by, and certain financial accounts held with, entities considered as foreign financial institutions for the purposes of FATCA, each of these entities being a Foreign Financial institution ("FFI").

FATCA was put in place with a view to putting an end to non-compliance with U.S. tax laws by U.S. taxpayers investing through foreign financial accounts. With a view to receiving information on financial accounts whose beneficial owners are U.S. taxpayers from FFIs, the FATCA regime applies a 30% withholding at source to certain U.S. source payments to FFIs that do not agree to comply with certain disclosure and at-source withholding obligations with regard to their account holders.

A large number of countries have entered into intergovernmental agreements transposing FATCA with a view to reducing the burden resulting from the obligations of compliance and withholding at source weighing on financial institutions established in these countries. On 28 March 2014, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and the United States entered into such an Intergovernmental Agreement, hereinafter the "IGA".

The IGA significantly increases the tax information exchanged automatically between Luxembourg and the United States. It provides, inter alia, for disclosure and automatic exchange of information concerning Financial Accounts held with Luxembourg financial institutions by (i) certain U.S. persons, (ii) certain non-U.S. entities, the beneficial owners of which are substantially U.S. persons, (iii) FFIs that do not comply with FATCA or (iv) persons refusing to provide documentation or information concerning their FATCA status.

The IGA was transposed into Luxembourg law by the Law of 24 July 2015 approving the Agreement between the Government of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and the Government of the United States of America aimed at improving compliance with tax obligations internationally. This agreement relates to the US law on the exchange of information known as FATCA (Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act), including its two annexes and the related Memorandum of Understanding, signed in Luxembourg on 28 March 2014 and the exchange of notes thereto, signed on 31 March and 1 April 2015.

The SICAV expects to be treated as a deemed-compliant FFI given that it has classified as a Sponsored Entity for FATCA purposes. Insofar as the SICAV and its Sponsor Entity complies or comply with the conditions of the IGA and



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with the legislation implementing it, no FATCA withholding at source should apply to the payments that the SICAV receives.

To comply with its obligations in the framework of FATCA, the SICAV (or its Sponsor Entity) may request and obtain certain information, documents and attestations from its shareholders and (if applicable) their beneficial owners. Through its Sponsor Entity, the SICAV must send this information and these documents and attestations to the competent authority in Luxembourg and, potentially, withhold tax at 30% on certain payments that it makes to non-FATCA compliant shareholders or Recalcitrant Shareholders.

The SICAV and its authorised agents shall be entitled to require shareholders to provide it with all such information relating to their tax status, identity or residence as may be necessary in order meet such disclosure or other requirements as may apply to the SICAV by virtue of the IGA or any legislation implementing it, and shareholders shall be deemed, by their subscribing to or holding shares, to have authorised the automatic transmission (by the SICAV or any other person) of this information to the tax authorities. Shareholders who do not provide the required information or who otherwise prevent the SICAV from fulfilling its disclosure obligations under FATCA may be subject to forced redemption or transfer of their shares, a 30% withholding at source on certain payments and/or other penalties.

In relation to the foregoing, but without limiting the information, documents or attestations that the SICAV might require of a shareholder, each shareholder shall send to the SICAV (i) if this shareholder is a United States Person in the meaning of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended (the "IRC"), an IRS Form W-9 or such other form as may replace it, fully and accurately completed ("W-9") or, (ii) if this shareholder is not a United States Person, an IRS Form W-8 fully and accurately completed (including Form W-8BEN, Form W-8BEN-E, Form W-8ECI, Form W-8EXP or Form W-8IMY or such forms as may replace them, including information concerning the status of the shareholder under Chapter 4 of the IRC) ("W-8"), and undertakes to provide the SICAV rapidly with an updated Form W-9 or W-8 as the case may be when a previous version of the form becomes obsolete or when the SICAV requests it.

Furthermore, each shareholder agrees to inform the SICAV immediately in the event of any change in the information provided to the SICAV by the shareholder and to sign and send to the SICAV any form or any other additional information that the SICAV might reasonably request.

In the case of any doubt as to their status for FATCA purposes or regarding the implications of the FATCA law or the IGA in their personal circumstances, investors should consult their financial, legal or fiscal advisers before subscribing to shares in the SICAV.

#### Directive 2018/822/EU - "CAD 6"

Directive (EU) 2018/822 amending EU Council Directive 2011/16 on the automatic and obligatory exchange of information for tax purposes in relation to reportable cross-border arrangements, known as "CAD 6", entered into force on 25 June 2018. Luxembourg transposed it into national law on 25 March 2020. In view of the COVID-19 pandemic, on 24 June 2020 the EU Council adopted the possibility of postponing the initial notification dates for declarations by 6 months. Therefore, in Luxembourg, the original effective date of the CAD 6 Directive of 1 July 2020 is replaced by 1 January 2021.

The primary objective of the CAD 6 Directive is to ensure that Member States obtain information on "potentially aggressive" cross-border tax arrangements, i.e. arrangements that are set up in different jurisdictions that allow taxable profits to be shifted to more favourable tax regimes or that have the effect of reducing the taxpayer's total tax base.

As a result, from 1 January 2021, any intermediary<sup>5</sup> (as defined in the CAD 6 Directive) is obliged to notify, by means



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Any person who designs, markets or organises a notifiable transboundary device, makes it available for implementation or manages its implementation (Article 3, point 21).



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of a declaration, within 30 days from the first steps of the implementation of the structure, any potentially aggressive cross-border device, depending on the marker<sup>6</sup> identified.

The Management Company is a potential intermediary within the meaning of CAD 6 and may have to report crossborder devices that have one or more markers.

The CAD 6 Directive covers any scheme that was implemented on or after 25 June 2018, the date of entry into force of the Directive.

As a transitional measure, where the first step for the implementation of a cross-border scheme was taken between 25 June 2018 and 30 June 2020 and between 1 July 2020 and 31 December 2020, the scheme had to be declared by 28 February 2021 and 31 January 2021, respectively.

Shareholders, as taxpayers, are likely to be secondarily responsible for the reporting of cross-border arrangements falling within the scope of the CAD 6 Directive and should therefore consult their tax advisors for further information.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> A characteristic or feature of a cross-border arrangement that indicates a potential risk of tax evasion, [...] (Article 3, point 20).



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### **BENCHMARK**

#### **General considerations**

Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2016 on indices used as benchmarks for financial instruments and contracts or to measure the performance of investment funds and amending Directives 2008/48/EC and 2014/17/EU and Regulation (EU) no. 596/2014 (hereinafter the "Benchmark Regulation") establishes a common framework to ensure the accuracy and integrity of indices used as benchmarks for financial instruments and contracts, or to measure the performance of investment funds within the European Union. The Benchmark Regulation entered into force on 1 January 2018.

The Management Company of the SICAV, in accordance with the provisions of Article 28.2 of the Benchmark Regulations, has established and maintains a robust written procedure defining the measures to be taken in the event that the reference index changes or ceases to be provided.

A copy of this procedure may be obtained free of charge from the registered office of the SICAV or the Management Company.

All benchmarks mentioned in the Prospectus are used either

- as an investment universe, and/or;
- as a tracker, and/or;
- to compare performance, and/or;
- to calculate the performance fee

and are published by benchmark administrators registered in the register of benchmarks held by the European Securities and Markets Authority ("ESMA") in accordance with Article 36 of the Benchmark Regulation, with certain exceptions.

Further information on the use of benchmarks for the sub-funds can be found in the sub-fund fact sheets.

#### Benchmark administrators and benchmarks

Benchmark index	Index administrator:	Sub-fund concerned
€STR (Euro short-term rate)	European Central Bank <sup>(1)</sup>	DPAM L Bonds EUR Short Term
Bloomberg Barclays Global Developed Treasuries GDP Weighted Index	Bloomberg Index Services Limited <sup>(3)</sup>	DPAM L Bonds Government Global
Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Total Return	Bloomberg Index Services Limited <sup>(3)</sup>	DPAM L Bonds Climate Trends Sustainable
Bloomberg Euro High Yield 3% Capped ex Fin	Bloomberg Index Services Limited <sup>(3)</sup>	DPAM L Bonds EUR Corporate High Yield
Euribor 3 Months	European Money Markets Institute (EMMI) <sup>(2)</sup>	DPAM L Patrimonial Fund
iBoxx Euro Corporate 1-3	IHS Markit Benchmark Administration Limited <sup>(2)</sup>	DPAM L Bonds EUR Short Term
iBoxx Euro Corporate Overall Total Return	IHS Markit Benchmark Administration Limited <sup>(2)</sup>	DPAM L Bonds EUR Quality Sustainable
iBoxx Euro Corporate BBB	IHS Markit Benchmark Administration Limited <sup>(2)</sup>	DPAM L Bonds Corporate EUR





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Benchmark index	Index administrator:	Sub-fund concerned
iBoxx Euro Corporate ex-BBB	IHS Markit Benchmark Administration Limited <sup>(2)</sup>	DPAM L Bonds Corporate EUR
J.P. Morgan EMU Government Investment Grade Total Return	J.P. Morgan Securities PLC <sup>(3)</sup>	DPAM L Bonds EMU Inv. Grade Gov. Index
J.P. Morgan Euro Linkers Securities Total Return	J.P. Morgan Securities PLC <sup>(3)</sup>	DPAM L Bonds EUR Inflation-Linked
MSCI All Country World SRI Net Return	MSCI Limited <sup>(3)</sup>	DPAM L Equities World SRI MSCI Index
MSCI Emerging Markets ESG Leaders Net Return	MSCI Limited <sup>(3)</sup>	DPAM L Equities Emerging Markets ESG Leaders Index
MSCI Emerging Markets Net Return	MSCI Limited <sup>(3)</sup>	DPAM L Equities Emerging MSCI Index
MSCI EMU SRI Net Return	MSCI Limited <sup>(3)</sup>	DPAM L EQUITIES EMU SRI MSCI INDEX
MSCI Europe Net Return	MSCI Limited <sup>(3)</sup>	DPAM L Equities Conviction Research
		DPAM L Equities Europe Behavioral Value
MSCI Europe Value Net Return	MSCI Limited <sup>(3)</sup>	DPAM L Equities Europe Value Transition
MSCI USA SRI Net Return	MSCI Limited <sup>(3)</sup>	DPAM L Equities US SRI MSCI Index

<sup>(1)</sup> The European Central Bank is exempt from Article 2.2(a) of the Benchmark Regulation and as such does not have to be listed in the register of benchmark administrators and benchmarks maintained by ESMA.

<sup>(2)</sup> Entities registered with ESMA in accordance with the provisions of Article 36 of the Benchmark Regulation as administrators of benchmarks pursuant to Article 34 of the Benchmark Regulation.

<sup>(3)</sup> Since 1 January 2021, these index administrators have been considered as "third country" UK administrators vis-à-vis the European Union and are no longer on the benchmark register. Non-European benchmarks are allowed to be used in the European Union until the transition period of the Benchmark Regulation, which has been extended until 31 December 2025. During this period, these administrators may either be granted UK "equivalence" by the European Union or "approval" or "recognition" under the Benchmark Regulation.

#### Notice for certain sub-funds whose objective is to replicate the performance of a benchmark

THE SUB-FUNDS DPAM L EQUITIES WORLD SRI MSCI INDEX, DPAM L EQUITIES EMERGING MARKETS ESG LEADERS INDEX, DPAM L EQUITIES EMERGING MSCI INDEX, DPAM L EQUITIES EMU SRI MSCI INDEX AND DPAM L EQUITIES US SRI MSCI INDEX (THE "SUB-FUNDS") ARE NOT SPONSORED, ENDORSED, MARKETED OR PROMOTED BY MSCI INC. ("MSCI"), ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES, ANY OF ITS INFORMATION PROVIDERS OR ANY OTHER THIRD PARTY INVOLVED IN, OR RELATED TO, THE COMPILATION OR CREATION OF ANY MSCI INDEX (COLLECTIVELY, THE "MSCI PARTIES").

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# **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

The SICAV publishes an annual report for each financial year as at 31 December, which is examined by the statutory auditors, and an unaudited semi-annual report as at 30 June.

These financial reports contain, among other items, the separate financial statements drawn up for each sub-fund. The consolidation currency is the euro.





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# **GENERAL MEETINGS**

The Annual General Meeting of Shareholders is held in Luxembourg at the registered office of the SICAV or at such other place as may be specified in the notice of meeting, on the second Wednesday of April of each year at 2:00 p.m. or, if such day is not a business day in Luxembourg, on the first following business day. In exceptional circumstances, the Board of Directors may hold the Annual General Meeting outside Luxembourg. Other shareholder meetings may be held at other places and times.

General Meetings of Shareholders are convened by a notice to shareholders specifying the date, time, place, conditions of admission, agenda and necessary quorum and majority requirements within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Subject to the conditions provided for law, the notice of convocation of any General Meeting of Shareholders may specify that the applicable quorum and majority shall be determined by reference to the shares issued and outstanding at a certain date and an hour before the General Meeting (the "Registration Date"), it being understood that the right of a shareholder to attend the General Meeting of Shareholders and the voting rights attached to his share(s) will be determined by reference to the shares held by the shareholder on the Registration Date.

Each share, irrespective of the sub-fund or class to which it belongs and of the net asset value per share, confers the right to one vote at the general meeting of shareholders (subject to the applicable rules on cross-investments). Fractions of shares do not carry a right to vote.

The shareholders of the class(es) of shares issued for a sub-fund may at any time hold General Meetings for the purpose of considering matters relating solely to that sub-fund.

In addition, the shareholders of the class of shares may at any time hold General Meetings for the purpose of considering matters relating solely to that share class.

Resolutions taken at such meetings apply to the SICAV, the sub-fund and/or the share class concerned.

For further information on admission and voting at any meeting, please refer to the applicable notice of meeting to be issued at that time.





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### **INFORMATION FOR SHAREHOLDERS**

The net asset value, issue price, redemption price and conversion price of each share class are available each full business day in Luxembourg from the SICAV's registered office.

Amendments to the articles of association of the SICAV will be published in the RESA.

Notices to shareholders other than those relating to the convening of general meetings of shareholders will be communicated in accordance with the laws of Luxembourg and the laws of the countries in which the shares of the SICAV are offered to the public for subscription. These notices will also be published on the websites of the Management Company (http://www.dpas.lu/funds/list) and the Global Distributor (https://funds.degroofpetercam.com).

The following documents are available to the public at the registered office of the SICAV or from the <u>http://www.dpas.lu/funds/list</u> or <u>https://funds.degroofpetercam.com</u> websites:

- the articles of association of the SICAV;
- SICAV Prospectus;
- KIDs (by share class); and
- the financial reports of the SICAV.

A copy of the agreements entered into with the Manager may be inspected free of charge at the registered office of the SICAV.

The shares of the SICAV's various sub-funds are not listed on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange.

The Management Company has a remuneration policy ("the Policy") within the meaning of Article 111bis of the Law of 2010 and in compliance with the principles laid down by Article 111ter of the Law of 2010.

The Policy aims essentially to prevent risk-taking incompatible with sound and effective risk management, with the economic strategy, objectives, values and interests of the Management Company or the SICAV, with the interests of the SICAV's shareholders, to avoid conflicts of interest and to uncouple the decisions on control operations from the performance obtained. The Policy includes an assessment of the performance within a multiannual framework adapted to the holding period recommended to the SICAV's investors so as to ensure that the assessment process is based on the SICAV's long-term performance and investment risks. The variable component of remuneration is also based on a number of other qualitative and quantitative factors. The Policy contains an appropriate balance of fixed and variable remuneration components.

This Policy is adopted by the Management Company which is also responsible for its implementation and supervision. It applies to all benefits paid by the Management Company, and to all amounts paid directly by the SICAV itself including any performance commission, and to any transfer of shares in the SICAV to a category of personnel governed by the Policy.

Its general principles are reviewed at least once a year by the Management Company, and depend on the size of the Management Company and/or on the size of the UCITS it manages.

Details of the up-to-date Policy of the Management Company can be found on the website <u>www.dpas.lu</u>, under the heading "Investor Information". A hard copy can be obtained free-of-charge on request.

The official language of the Prospectus and the Articles of Association is French, however the Board of Directors of the SICAV, the Custodian Bank, the Management Company and the Manager may, on their own behalf and on behalf of the SICAV, consider translations into the languages in which the SICAV's shares are offered and sold to be obligatory. The French version shall prevail in the event of any discrepancy between the French text and any other language into which the Prospectus is translated.





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# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR INVESTORS IN THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA

#### Sub-Funds

The following investment Sub-Funds are registered with the Austrian Financial Market Authority for distribution in Austria within the jurisdiction of the Investment Funds Act 2011 (InvFG 2011):

- DPAM L Balanced Conservative Sustainable
- DPAM L Bonds Climate Trends Sustainable
- DPAM L Bonds Corporate EUR
- DPAM L Bonds Emerging Markets Corporate Sustainable
- DPAM L Bonds Emerging Markets Hard Currency Sustainable
- DPAM L Bonds Emerging Markets Sustainable
- DPAM L Bonds EUR Corporate High Yield
- DPAM L Bonds EUR High Yield Short Term
- DPAM L Bonds EUR Inflation-Linked
- DPAM L Bonds EUR Quality Sustainable
- DPAM L Bonds EUR Short Term
- DPAM L Bonds Government Global
- DPAM L Bonds Government Sustainable
- DPAM L Bonds Government Sustainable Hedged
- DPAM L Bonds Higher Yield
- DPAM L Bonds Universalis Unconstrained
- DPAM L Equities Conviction Research
- DPAM L Equities Emerging Markets ESG Leaders Index
- DPAM L Equities EMU SRI MSCI Index
- DPAM L Equities Europe Behavioral Value
- DPAM L Equities US SRI MSCI Index
- DPAM L Equities World SRI MSCI Index
- DPAM L Global Target Income
- DPAM L Patrimonial Fund

#### **Facility Agent in Austria**

The function of facility agent in Austria according to EU directive 2019/1160 article 92 is performed by:

Erste Bank der oesterreichischen Sparkassen AG (Erste Bank Oesterreich)

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The facility agent shall ensure that facilities are available in Austria for making payments to unitholders, repurchasing or redeeming units and making available the information which the SICAV is obliged to provide.

The following documents and information can be obtained free of charge from the Austrian facility agent:

- Prospectus
- Articles of association
- Key information documents (PRIIPs KIDs)
- Annual and semi-annual reports







- Precontractual documents
- Issue and redemption prices
- Any notices to investors.

#### **Publications**

All information for investors relating to issue and redemption appears at https://funds.degroofpetercam.com.



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### FACT SHEET - DPAM L BALANCED CONSERVATIVE SUSTAINABLE SUB-FUND

### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The objective of the sub-fund is to offer investors exposure to equities (and analogous instruments) and bonds (and related instruments) by means of active portfolio management.

The term Balanced Conservative means that the Sub-fund adopts a flexible approach to the allocation of its assets between exposure to equities (and analogous instruments) and bonds (and analogous instruments), and may adjust its exposure to these asset classes depending on market conditions and opportunities. In normal market conditions, the proportions of assets allocated by the Sub-fund to these classes may vary between 20% and 50% as regards exposure to equities (and analogous instruments) on the one hand and between 50% and 80% as regards exposure to bonds (and analogous instruments) on the other. However, investments in convertible contingent bonds ("CoCo Bonds") will be limited to 5% of the sub-fund's net assets.

#### Investment policy

In normal market conditions the allocation of the Sub-fund's assets will be predominantly to bonds. Nonetheless, this allocation of assets to equities (and analogous instruments) and bonds (and analogous instruments) may be rebalanced whenever the Manager deems it opportune in order to be able to take advantage of any opportunities associated with movements in the equity markets.

The Sub-fund's investments will be selected on the basis of an economic and financial analysis on the one hand and in conformity with sustainability, environmental, social and governance criteria on the other.

The criteria that must be met by issuers of shares and bonds in order to be eligible for inclusion in the Sub-fund's investment universe are linked to the principles of the United Nations Global Compact (human rights, international labour standards, the environment and combating corruption). The investment universe may exclude any issuer that does not comply with the Global Compact and against which serious allegations are made in respect of such varied subjects as commercial ethics, trading incidents, the management of the subcontracting chain and/or corporate governance.

The Sub-fund may make use of derivative instruments for both investment and hedging purposes. The Sub-fund will use derivative financial instruments in such a way as not to cause any significant change in the Sub-fund's risk profile relative to how it was or would be in the absence of derivative financial instruments.

Derivative financial instruments likely to be used include (without limitation): forward exchange contracts, warrants, futures, options, swaps and any other OTC derivative instrument.

It should be pointed out that the sub-fund may be exposed to emerging and frontier markets, notably through:

- direct investments in equities (and analogous instruments) of companies based in an emerging or frontier country or carrying on the greater part of their business there;
- direct investments in bonds issued or guaranteed by public international bodies, governments of emerging or frontier countries or their agencies or companies based in an emerging or frontier country or carrying on the greater part of their business there;
- investments in American Depositary Receipts and Global Depositary Receipts, hereinafter ADR and GDR respectively, the underlying securities of which are issued by companies based in an emerging country, and which are traded on a regulated market outside said emerging country, mainly in the United States or Europe. ADRs and GDRs are used as alternatives to shares that cannot be bought locally for legal reasons. ADRs and GDRs are not listed locally but on markets such as New York and London. Moreover, they are issued by first class banks and/or financial institutions of industrialised countries. If an ADR or a GDR contains an embedded derivative, the latter must comply with Article 41 of the law of 2010;





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- investments in UCITS or UCIs including exchange traded funds (ETFs) entailing exposure to emerging and frontier markets;
- investments in the Chinese market, in China A-shares, either directly through the Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect and/or the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect or indirectly through UCITS or UCIs with access to China A-shares as QFII (qualified foreign institutional investors);
- investments in derivative financial instruments as described above;

The Sub-fund may, subject to a limit of 10% of its net assets, invest in UCIs (UCITS and/or other UCIs, including exchange-traded funds (ETFs)) either for the purpose of pursuing its principal investment policy, or to place its liquid assets (in which case the Sub-fund then invests (i) in monetary UCIs and/or (ii) in UCIs which invest in debt securities with a residual term, at the time of acquisition, not exceeding 12 months and/or the interest rate of which is adjusted at least once per year).

The Sub-fund may also invest in all types of eligible financial assets (i.e. transferable securities other than those mentioned in the main policy, money market instruments, term deposits) in accordance with the conditions and limits set out in the main part of this prospectus, either to pursue its investment policy or to invest its liquidity.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

The sub-fund will not invest in ABS ("Asset Backed Securities") or MBS ("Mortgage Backed Securities").

The Sub-fund will however take care to avoid any excessive concentration of its assets in a single other UCITS or money market mutual fund and more generally to adhere to investment limits and rules for diversification of risks. There is no restriction as to the currency of issue of these securities.

# Benchmark

# Benchmark index: n/a

The sub-fund is actively managed and no benchmark is used.

# Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

# Environmental and social aspects of the sub-fund, with some investments in assets with a sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund promotes, among other aspects, a combination of environmental and social aspects, and may be partially invested in assets with a sustainable investment objective, according to SFDR.

The sub-fund invests in securities promoting environmental and social aspects, as well as in securities promoting environmental and social objectives as defined by SFDR in the proportions indicated in the pre-contractual information of the sub-fund.

The promotion of environmental and social characteristics aims, through a rigorous methodology (see section "ESG investment selection methodology" below) to defend fundamental rights, not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and to promote best practices and best efforts in sustainability. In addition, the sub-fund also intends to contribute, through its investments, to a positive impact in environmental terms (access to drinking water and water purification, use of renewable energies, responsible consumption, fight against climate change, protection of aquatic and terrestrial fauna and flora) and social terms (eradication of poverty, fight against hunger, access to health care, access to quality education and reduction of social inequalities)





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The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

### No significant harm to the sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund does not have a sustainable investment objective but may be partially invested in assets with a sustainable investment objective.

Nevertheless, the sub-fund aims to apply a precautionary principle so as not to "cause significant harm" to the environment or society. The investment process of the sub-fund follows a rigorous multi-stage ESG screening process, as described in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment and in the sections "Investment strategy" and "ESG investment selection methodology" below.

Through a combination of screening, qualitative ESG analysis and engagement with companies as described below, the portfolio aims to reduce the potential negative impact of its investments and maximise its net positive impact by investing in solutions to sustainability issues.

The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

### **Investment Strategy**

# Methodology for selecting ESG investments:

The criteria which the companies must meet in order to be included in the investment universe are determined through independent external research and/or internal research at the Manager. These selection criteria are as follows:

- Exclusion filter based on compliance with the Global Standards: Companies must comply with the founding principles of the United Nations Global Compact (human rights, labour law, protection of the environment, fight against corruption) and the United Nations Guiding Principles, ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and underlying conventions and treaties. The Manager uses specific ESG research from non-financial rating agencies to determine whether or not a company is in compliance with these principles.
- Exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities: The policy of excluding controversial activities defined by the Manager covers several sectors and economic activities that are subject to debate as to whether or not they are ethical and sustainable. For each of these sectors and economic activities, the exclusion policy for controversial activities defines the exclusion criteria and thresholds. Companies involved in these controversial sectors and activities and meeting the exclusion criteria set out in the policy are excluded from the investment portfolio.
- Exclusion filter for companies involved in major ESG controversies: Companies should not be involved in major ESG controversies, such as incidents or allegations related to environmental, social or governance issues.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes the most severe controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed.





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The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

- **ESG quantitative approach** ("best-in-class"): The Manager filters the universe by screening based on the quality of the ESG profile of the companies, as assessed by non-financial rating agencies.
- Qualitative ESG approach: The quantitative screening is complemented by qualitative analyses based on the Manager's fundamental research and dialogues with companies on financial issues relating to the companies' strategy and the most relevant and material ESG risks and issues to which they are exposed.

The sub-fund limits its choice of investments to securities included in the universe defined above; investments in securities of companies whose activity consists in the manufacture, use or holding of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions and depleted uranium ammunition and armour are therefore excluded.

In the event that a company's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Standards non-compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the issuer emerges, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months.

### Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described below and in the section "ESG investment selection methodology" above:

- (i) Exclusion filter based on compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- (ii) Exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- (iii) Quantitative ESG ("best-in-class") approach: governance criteria in the broad sense and corporate governance criteria in particular are an integral part of the "best-in-class" exercise, which uses external ESG ratings to define the eligible universe.
- (iv) Fundamental and qualitative ESG approach with a strong focus on governance and corporate governance issues.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

# Examples of selection criteria for sustainable investments

- Companies with material exposure to tobacco are excluded from the investment portfolio. Tobacco is first and foremost a controversial subject because of the considerable negative impact that its consumption has on human health, while tobacco cultivation appears to provide very few societal or environmental benefits. The Manager has decided to exclude not only tobacco producers but also the entire tobacco supply chain from the investment portfolio. In practice, the Manager excludes all tobacco producers and all tobacco suppliers, distributors and retailers from the exposure thresholds as a percentage of sales, as defined in the policy on controversial activities mentioned above.
- Companies with material exposure to gambling are excluded from the investment portfolio. Gambling is considered a controversial activity, mainly because of the addiction problems and the risk of personal bankruptcy associated with it. The Manager systematically excludes from the investment portfolio all companies exposed to gambling products and services above the sales exposure threshold as defined in the controversial activities policy mentioned above.





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Companies with material exposure to thermal coal are excluded from the investment portfolio. Coal-fired power generation is a major emitter of greenhouse gases, and in the light of climate change and the Paris Agreement, the Manager recognises that the continued use of thermal coal is hardly compatible with a sustainable future. Consequently, the Manager has decided to exclude from the investment portfolio all companies involved in activities related to thermal coal mining, or which have plans to expand assets related to thermal coal mining, as defined in the controversial activities policy mentioned above.

#### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.

#### Company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria. The Manager uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global sustainability criteria, or whether it does not.

#### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u>.

#### **Pre-contractual information**

#### At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

#### Reference currency

EUR

#### Investment horizon

Minimum 3 years

#### Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

#### **Risk factors**

Investors are invited to refer to the chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of this Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund, and in particular the section relating to the specific risks associated with an investment in China A shares.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

#### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.





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# Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
A	EUR	LU1499202692
В	EUR	LU0215993790
E	EUR	LU1516019798
F	EUR	LU1516019871
M	EUR	LU1867119122
N	EUR	LU1867119395
L	EUR	LU2409165680
V	EUR	LU1867119478
W	EUR	LU1867119635

# Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before **12:00 noon** on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter " " in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

# Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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### FACT SHEET - DPAM L BONDS CLIMATE TRENDS SUSTAINABLE SUB-FUND

### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The objective of the Sub-Fund is to offer investors, through active portfolio management, exposure to the bond market.

The Sub-fund has a sustainable investment objective according to SFDR.

The sustainability approach is based on the following threefold commitment: (1) defend fundamental rights, (2) not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and (3) to promote best practices and best efforts with regard to sustainability.

The aim of this threefold commitment is to achieve environmental objectives in order to generate a positive impact on the climate and to contribute to the transition to a low carbon economy. Through the majority of its investments, the Sub-Fund aims to have a positive impact in environmental terms, particularly in the areas of energy efficiency, mobility and electrification, eco-society, regenerative economy, alternative and renewable energy, land use, agriculture and water and the decarbonisation of manufacturing processes. The objectives are in line with the objectives of the Taxonomy.

The positive impact on the climate and the contribution to the transition to a low-carbon economy are assessed in two ways: first, by the impact projects financed by the impact bonds in which the Sub-fund invests and, in addition, by the contribution of the turnover of the invested companies to the UN Sustainable Development Goals and to the environmental impact themes mentioned above.

#### Investment policy

The sub-fund invests mainly in fixed or floating rate bonds and/or other debt securities, denominated in any currency, issued by public and/or private issuers throughout the world.

Securities purchased for the Sub-fund must have a rating of at least B- or B3 or a comparable rating from a recognised rating agency. For unrated securities or money market instruments, the issuer's rating is decisive. In the event ratings differ, the lower of the two best ratings is decisive. The Sub-fund may hold up to 3% of its value in assets with a rating below B- or B3 or in unrated securities with no rating at all, either at issue or issuer level.

The sub-fund may invest in convertible bonds (up to a maximum of 10% of its net assets) and/or equities or other equity securities (up to a maximum of 10% of its net assets). In addition, investments in contingent convertible bonds ("CoCo Bonds") will be limited to 5% of the sub-fund's net assets.

Structured products are held directly and may not exceed 20% of the sub-fund's net assets.

The sub-fund may also invest, on an ancillary basis, in money market instruments (such as, for example, certificates of deposit, commercial paper and/or promissory notes and/or treasury bills) in accordance with the conditions and limits set out in the main part of this prospectus, either to pursue its investment policy or to invest its cash.

The sub-fund may, subject to a limit of 10% of its net assets, invest in UCIs (UCITS and/or other UCIs, including exchange-traded funds (ETFs)) either for the purpose of pursuing its principal investment policy, or to place its cash resources (in which case the sub-fund then invests (i) in monetary UCIs and/or (ii) in UCIs which invest in debt securities with a residual term, at the time of acquisition, not exceeding 12 months and/or the interest rate of which is adjusted at least once per year).

The Sub-fund may, subject to the legal limits, invest in listed derivative products (in particular options and futures) and/or over-the-counter products such as forward transactions (forwards and/or non-deliverable forwards), swaps (e.g. credit default swaps or interest rate swaps) in order to achieve the investment objectives and for risk hedging purposes.

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The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

The sub-fund will not invest in ABS ("Asset Backed Securities") or MBS ("Mortgage Backed Securities").

### Benchmark

**Benchmark index:** Bloomberg Barclays Euro Aggregate Index (hereinafter the "index" or "benchmark")

#### Use of the index:

• to compare performance

The index is not aligned with the sustainable investment objective of the index. Please refer to the section "Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency", "Investment Strategy" below for an explanation of how the sub-fund's sustainable investment objective is achieved.

### Level of deviation of the portfolio's composition from the index:

The sub-fund is actively managed, which means that the Manager does not aim to replicate the performance of the benchmark. The selection and weighting of the assets in the sub-fund's portfolio may differ significantly from the composition of the benchmark.

### Additional information on the index:

Investors should refer to the chapter "BENCHMARK" in the main part of the Prospectus for further information on the index.

# Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The portfolio holdings aim not to cause significant harm to other sustainable investment objectives in the following ways. The investment process of the sub-fund follows a rigorous multi-stage ESG screening process, as described in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment and in "Investment strategy" and "Investment selection methodology" below.

Through a research process that combines an in-depth climate assessment framework with broader sustainability criteria and a combination of screening and best-in-class approaches, as well as a focused thematic and qualitative fundamental approach and engagement with companies described below, the portfolio aims to minimise the potential negative impact of its investments and maximise the net positive impact it aims to achieve by investing in solutions to sustainability issues.

#### **Investment Strategy**

#### Methodology for selecting sustainable investments

Climate change is at the beginning - and the heart - of the stock selection process. The criteria which the companies must meet in order to be included in the investment universe are determined through independent external research and/or internal research at the Manager. These selection criteria are as follows:

Compliance filter with the Global Standards described below: Companies must comply with the founding principles of the United Nations Global Compact (human rights, labour law, protection of the environment, fight against corruption) and the United Nations Guiding Principles, ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and underlying conventions and treaties. The Manager uses specific ESG research from non-financial rating agencies to determine whether or not a company is in compliance with these standards.





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 Exclusion filter for companies involved in major ESG controversies: Companies should not be involved in major ESG controversies, such as incidents or allegations related to environmental, social or governance issues.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes the most severe controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

Exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities: The policy of excluding controversial activities defined by the Manager covers several sectors and economic activities that are subject to debate as to whether or not they are ethical and sustainable. For each of these sectors and economic activities, the exclusion policy for controversial activities defines the exclusion criteria and thresholds. Companies involved in these controversial sectors and activities and meeting the exclusion criteria set out in the policy are excluded from the investment portfolio.

In addition, in order to integrate the proprietary investment universe that unifies issuers committed to addressing climate change, the three investment categories (impact bonds, climate challengers and climate enablers) are subject to a specific qualitative climate assessment:

- To assess the effectiveness of "Environmentally sustainable financing instruments", the Manager has created a proprietary qualitative scorecard that is applied before an investment is made. This scoreboard is based on best practices and market standards, and specifically analyses UoP obligations. In addition, a qualitative assessment ensures that the issuance of environmentally sustainable financing instruments is an integral part of the issuer's business strategy.
- Climate challengers: An assessment model was developed to evaluate the company's efforts based on the four pillars of the Taskforce on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD): governance, strategy, risk management, measures and targets. Only companies that can demonstrate that they have a state-of-the-art integrated strategy in place to address the transition risks of their sector will be eligible for investment in their ordinary bonds.
- Climate enablers: For climate enablers, issuers' business activities must be clearly documented and show a clear strategic focus on climate-friendly products or services that are in line with one of the sustainable environmental themes/objectives pursued by the portfolio and that account for a significant share of the issuers' revenues.
- Qualitative ESG approach: The investment process is complemented by qualitative analyses based on the Manager's fundamental research and dialogues with companies on financial issues relating to the companies' strategy and the most relevant and material ESG risks and issues to which they are exposed. This qualitative approach systematically includes consideration of the positive impact on the UN Sustainable Development Goals in general, and the environmental impact goals in particular. The activity of the company being considered for investment is analysed on the basis of its turnover, which is a direct and unequivocal contributor to one of the sustainable objectives and therefore an ESG impact issue.

It is important to note that the internal analyses of all the sub-fund's investments - environmentally focused sustainable financing instruments, climate challengers and climate enablers - are linked to the sub-fund's objective of creating a positive impact on energy efficiency, mobility and electrification, eco-society, regenerative economy, alternative and renewable energy, land use, agriculture and water and the decarbonisation of manufacturing processes.





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The investment process goes beyond climate labelled Bonds or environmentally focused sustainable finance instruments by including climate "challengers" and climate "enablers", both of which are necessary for the transition to a low carbon economy. Climate challengers are companies in key transition industries that are making significant progress in the transition to a low-carbon economy and governments that have demonstrated leadership in the transition to this economy. Climate enablers are companies that derive a significant proportion of their revenues from green products/services, thereby helping other companies to reduce their environmental impact.

The sub-fund limits its choice of investments to securities included in the universe defined above; investments in securities of companies whose activity consists in the manufacture, use or holding of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions and depleted uranium ammunition and armour are therefore excluded.

In the event that an issuer's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Compact non-compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the issuer emerges, the Manager will realise the investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months.

### Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described below and in the section "Investment selection methodology" above:

- (i) Exclusion filter based on compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- (ii) Exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- (iii) Fundamental and qualitative ESG approach with a strong focus on governance and corporate governance issues.
- (iv) Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

#### Examples of selection criteria for sustainable investments

- Companies with material exposure to tobacco are excluded from the investment portfolio. Tobacco is first and foremost a controversial subject because of the considerable negative impact that its consumption has on human health, while tobacco cultivation appears to provide very few societal or environmental benefits. The Manager has decided to exclude not only tobacco producers but also the entire tobacco supply chain from the investment portfolio. In practice, the Manager excludes all tobacco producers and all tobacco suppliers, distributors and retailers from the exposure thresholds as a percentage of sales, as defined in the policy on controversial activities mentioned above.
- Companies with material exposure to thermal coal are excluded from the investment portfolio. Coal-fired power generation is a major emitter of greenhouse gases, and in the light of climate change and the Paris Agreement, the Manager recognises that the continued use of thermal coal is hardly compatible with a sustainable future. Consequently, the Manager has decided to exclude from the investment portfolio all companies involved in activities related to thermal coal mining, or which have plans to expand assets related to thermal coal mining, as defined in the controversial activities policy mentioned above.





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#### **Financial derivative instruments**

The financial derivatives employed will not be used for the purpose of achieving the sustainable investment objective described above.

#### Company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria. The Manager uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global sustainability criteria, or whether it does not.

#### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u>.

#### **Pre-contractual information**

#### At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

#### Reference currency

EUR

#### Investment horizon

Minimum 3 years

#### Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

#### **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

#### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section " " in the main part of the Prospectus.

#### Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
А	EUR	LU1996436140
В	EUR	LU1996436223
E	EUR	LU1996436496
F	EUR	LU1996436579
J	EUR	LU1996436652
L	EUR	LU1996436736
M	EUR	LU1996436819





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Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
N	EUR	LU1996436900
Р	EUR	LU1996437031
V	EUR	LU1996437114
W	EUR	LU1996437205

# Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before 3:00 p.m. on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

# Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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#### FACT SHEET - DPAM L BONDS CORPORATE EUR SUB-FUND

### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The objective of the Sub-Fund is to offer investors, through active portfolio management, exposure to bonds and in particular to corporate bonds.

#### Investment policy

The assets of this sub-fund are invested in bonds issued in all currencies, of investment or equivalent grade. Emphasis is placed on euro-denominated corporate bonds; bonds denominated in a currency other than the euro are in principle hedged, in whole or in part, against the euro.

The sub-fund will not invest more than 10% of its net assets in UCITS or UCIs.

The sub-fund will not invest in ABS ("Asset Backed Securities") or MBS ("Mortgage Backed Securities").

The Sub-fund may also invest in all types of eligible financial assets (i.e. transferable securities other than those mentioned in the main policy, other bonds, money market instruments, term deposits) in accordance with the conditions and limits set out in the main part of this prospectus, either to pursue its investment policy or to invest its liquidity.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

#### Benchmark

**Benchmark index:** 80% iBoxx Euro Corporate ex-BBB / 20% iBoxx Euro Corporate BBB (hereinafter the "index" or "benchmark")

#### Use of the index:

• to compare performance

The index is not aligned with the promotion of the environmental and social aspects of the sub-fund. Please refer to the section "Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency", "Investment Strategy" below for an explanation of how the sub-fund promotes environmental and social features.

#### Level of deviation of the portfolio's composition from the index:

The sub-fund is actively managed, which means that the Manager does not aim to replicate the performance of the benchmark. The selection and weighting of the assets in the sub-fund's portfolio may differ significantly from the composition of the benchmark.

#### Additional information on the index:

Investors should refer to the chapter "BENCHMARK" in the main part of the Prospectus for further information on the index.

#### Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics, as defined by SFDR, through a rigorous methodology (see section "ESG investment selection methodology" below) aimed at defending fundamental rights, not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and to promote best practices and best efforts with respect to ESG characteristics.

The promotion of environmental and social characteristics applies to the entire portfolio with the exception of cash, potential derivatives, undertakings for collective investment and issuers that do not report sufficient information





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or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

Finally, the sub-fund also has strong ESG integration, consisting of the consideration – flexibly according to the material challenges of the sectors of activity – of several ESG criteria. Please refer to the "Investment Strategy" section below for a description of this "ESG integration" approach and the criteria it covers.

The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

#### No sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund does not have a sustainable investment objective within the meaning of the SFDR.

Nevertheless, the sub-fund aims to apply a precautionary principle so as not to "cause significant harm" to the environment or society. In doing so, the sub-fund applies the Manager's controversial activities policy for "conventional" strategies as detailed in the section "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" below and available at www.dpamfunds.com (Controversial Activities Policy). The sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not meet the Global Standards described below or in companies with controversies that are deemed to be extremely serious.

The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

#### **Investment Strategy**

#### Methodology for selecting ESG investments:

The sub-fund applies (i) binding investment restrictions in terms of company exposure to certain controversial activities and behaviours and (ii) a non-binding "ESG integration" investment approach:

- i) The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) securities which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) securities involved in controversial activities, and (c) securities involved in extremely serious controversies:
  - (a) Portfolio compliance with the Global Standards described below: the sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the United Nations Guiding Principles, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties, at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being downgraded to non-compliant status, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy, which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision;
  - (b) Exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: The sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution





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of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal. These exclusions apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

These exclusions are set out in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

(c) Portfolio exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: companies facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being exposed to an extremely serious controversy, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy (available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy)) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

- ii) The ESG integration approach consists of a flexible consideration of the following criteria:
  - a. The portfolio's exposure to ESG controversies, other than extremely serious controversies (which are formally excluded as in (i) above), i.e. controversies relating to a company's environmental or social impact or governance practices. The Managers is informed of the sub-fund's potential exposure to companies involved in ESG controversies, and is encouraged (but not formally constrained) to limit the sub-fund's investments in these companies as much as possible;
  - b. the ESG rating of the portfolio based on the ESG ratings of the companies held, provided by nonfinancial rating agencies;
  - c. the carbon intensity of the portfolio;
  - d. generally speaking, sector analysts take into account the most material and relevant ESG elements and information in their research and investment recommendations and the Manager integrates (without formal exclusions) these material elements and issues in their investment decisions.

The Manager intends to maintain flexibility in the consideration of the four criteria outlined in section (ii) ESG integration above. These criteria therefore do not lead to any formal or systematic exclusion (without prejudice to the exclusions arising from the controversial activities policy listed in point (i) above).

#### Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria, which are an integral part of active shareholding, engagement and responsible and sustainable investment policies, are included in the investment decision process through the various steps described in the "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" section above:

- i) Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- ii) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- iii) Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.
- iv) The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of minority



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shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

#### Examples of exclusion criteria:

- Example of exclusion based on the Global Standards: serious violation of labour rights in the supply chain.
- Example of exclusion based on companies involved in controversial activities: material exposure to tobacco i.e. tobacco producers and tobacco suppliers, distributors and retailers from the exposure thresholds as a percentage of sales, as defined in the policy on controversial activities which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Controversial Activities Policy).
- Example of exclusion on the basis of extremely serious ESG controversies: repeated anti-competitive practices with no sign of corrective and/or preventive measures.

#### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.

#### Company in charge of the evaluation of ESG criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of ESG selection criteria. The Manager uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global ESG criteria, or whether it does not.

#### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u>.

#### **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

Reference currency

EUR

Investment horizon

Minimum 3 years

Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

# **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.







# Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

# Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
А	EUR	LU0029264156
В	EUR	LU0029260675
E	EUR	LU0238159312
F	EUR	LU0238158421
J	EUR	LU1515108253
L	EUR	LU2648672405
М	EUR	LU1515108337
N	EUR	LU1515108410
Р	EUR	LU1515108501
V	EUR	LU1943621372
W	EUR	LU1943621455

# Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before 3:00 p.m. on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

# Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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#### FACT SHEET - DPAM L BONDS EMERGING MARKETS CORPORATE SUSTAINABLE SUB-FUND

### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The objective of the sub-fund is to offer investors exposure, through an actively managed portfolio, to debt securities issued by companies (including public companies) domiciled in emerging countries or carrying out the majority of their activities there and selected on the basis of sustainable development criteria.

#### Investment policy

The sub-fund invests mainly in bonds and/or other fixed-rate or floating-rate debt securities (including, but not limited to, perpetual notes and zero-coupon bonds), at fixed or floating rates, issued by companies (including public companies) domiciled in emerging countries or carrying out the majority of their activities in these countries and selected on the basis of sustainable development criteria.

Securities purchased for the Sub-fund must have a rating of at least B- or B3 or a comparable rating from a recognised rating agency. For unrated securities or money market instruments, the issuer's rating is decisive. In the event ratings differ, the lower of the two best ratings is decisive. The Sub-fund may hold up to 3% of its value in assets with a rating below B- or B3 or in unrated securities with no rating at all, either at issue or issuer level.

The sub-fund may also invest on an ancillary basis in money market instruments – such as, for example, deposit certificates, treasury notes and/or promissory notes – for investment purposes or to invest its cash.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

The Sub-fund may invest up to 10% of its net assets in contingent convertible bonds ("CoCo bonds").

The sub-fund may, subject to a limit of 10% of its net assets, invest in UCIs (UCITS and/or other UCIs, including exchange-traded funds (ETFs)) either for the purpose of pursuing its principal investment policy, or to place its cash resources (in which case the sub-fund then invests (i) in monetary UCIs and/or (ii) in UCIs which invest in debt securities with a residual term, at the time of acquisition, not exceeding 12 months and/or the interest rate of which is adjusted at least once per year).

The Sub-fund may, subject to the legal limits, invest in listed derivative products (in particular options and futures) and/or over-the-counter products such as forward transactions (forwards and/or non-deliverable forwards), swaps (such as credit default swaps or interest rate swaps) in order to achieve the investment objectives and for risk hedging purposes.

The sub-fund will not invest in ABS ("Asset Backed Securities"), MBS ("Mortgage Backed Securities") or convertible bonds.

#### Benchmark

#### Benchmark index: n/a

The sub-fund is actively managed and no benchmark is used.

# Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

# Environmental and social aspects of the sub-fund, with some investments in assets with a sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund promotes, among other aspects, a combination of environmental and social aspects, and may be partially invested in assets with a sustainable investment objective, according to SFDR.





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The promotion of environmental and social characteristics aims, through a rigorous methodology (see section "Investment selection methodology" below) to defend fundamental rights, not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and to promote best practices and best efforts in sustainability. In addition, the sub-fund also intends to contribute, through its investments, to a positive impact in environmental terms (access to drinking water and water purification, use of renewable energies, responsible consumption, fight against climate change, protection of aquatic and terrestrial fauna and flora) and social terms (eradication of poverty, fight against hunger, access to health care, access to quality education and reduction of social inequalities)

The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

# No significant harm to the sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund does not have a sustainable investment objective but may be partially invested in assets with a sustainable investment objective.

The portfolio holdings aim not to cause significant harm to other sustainable investment objectives in the following ways. The investment process of the sub-fund follows a rigorous multi-stage ESG screening process, as described in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment and in the sections "Investment strategy" and "Investment selection methodology" below.

Through a combination of screening, qualitative ESG analysis and engagement with companies as described below, the portfolio aims to reduce the potential negative impact of its investments and maximise its net positive impact by investing in solutions to sustainability issues.

The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

#### **Investment Strategy**

# Methodology for selecting sustainable investments

The criteria which the companies must meet in order to be included in the investment universe are determined through independent external research and/or internal research at the Manager. These selection criteria are as follows:

- Exclusion filter based on compliance with the United Nations Global Compact: Companies must comply with the founding principles of the United Nations Global Compact (human rights, labour law, protection of the environment, fight against corruption). The Manager uses specific ESG research from non-financial rating agencies to determine whether or not a company is in compliance with these principles.
- Exclusion filter for companies involved in major ESG controversies: Companies should not be involved in major ESG controversies, such as incidents or allegations related to environmental, social or governance issues.
- The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes the most severe controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed.







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The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

- Exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities: The policy of excluding controversial activities defined by the Manager covers several sectors and economic activities that are subject to debate as to whether or not they are ethical and sustainable. For each of these sectors and economic activities, the exclusion policy for controversial activities defines the exclusion criteria and thresholds. Companies involved in these controversial sectors and activities and meeting the exclusion criteria set out in the policy are excluded from the investment portfolio. The complete policy is available at: www.dpamfunds.com ("Sustainable Investment" tab).
- ESG quantitative approach ("best-in-class"): The Manager filters the universe by screening based on the quality of the ESG profile of the companies, as assessed by non-financial rating agencies. The bottom quartile of the economic sector ranking is not eligible for investment. Quartiles are formed by ranking companies in descending order of their ESG profile. The top 25% of companies form the first quartile. The bottom 25% of companies form the last quartile.
- The investment process includes a selection of best-in-class companies: the bottom 25% of ESG performers by sector (BICS, i.e. Bloomberg Industry Classification System) will be excluded.
- The sub-fund will have at least 20% exposure to companies with a positive net impact contribution. The net impact contribution of an invested company is the difference between its positive and negative impact contributions, calculated across all seventeen UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). For each SDG, the net impact contribution takes into account the extent to which the invested company's products and services contribute to the achievement of the SDG, as well as the negative impacts associated with these activities along the value chain. The portfolio's exposure to companies with a positive net impact contribution is calculated by taking into account the weights of the companies invested in the portfolio.
- The overall ESG risk rating of the portfolio will be lower than the ESG risk rating of the reference universe<sup>7</sup>.
- Qualitative ESG approach: The quantitative screening is complemented by qualitative analyses based on the Manager's fundamental research and dialogues with companies on financial issues relating to the companies' strategy and the most relevant and material ESG risks and issues to which they are exposed. This qualitative approach includes consideration of the positive impact on the UN Sustainable Development Goals in general, and the environmental impact goals in particular.

The sub-fund limits its choice of investments to securities included in the universe defined above; investments in securities of companies whose activity consists in the manufacture, use or holding of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions and depleted uranium ammunition and armour are therefore excluded.

In the event that a company's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Compact non-compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the issuer emerges, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> The reference universe referred to here is the list of constituent bonds of the JPMorgan Corporate Emerging Markets Bond Index (CEMBI). This reference universe will be used to measure overall ESG risk and is relevant for this purpose as it is representative of the ESG rating of emerging market companies and thus provides a meaningful basis against which to measure this intensity. The reference universe is only used for this purpose.



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#### Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described below and in the section "Investment selection methodology" above:

- i. Exclusion filter based on compliance with the UN Global Compact: prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles.
- ii. Exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and appropriate measures.
- iii. Fundamental and qualitative ESG approach with a strong focus on governance and corporate governance issues.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at www.dpamfunds.com (under the "Sustainable Investment" tab).

#### Examples of selection criteria for sustainable investments

- Companies with material exposure to tobacco are excluded from the investment portfolio. Tobacco is first and foremost a controversial subject because of the considerable negative impact that its consumption has on human health, while tobacco cultivation appears to provide very few societal or environmental benefits. The Manager has decided to exclude not only tobacco producers but also the entire tobacco supply chain from the investment portfolio. In practice, the Manager excludes all tobacco producers and all tobacco suppliers, distributors and retailers from the exposure thresholds as a percentage of sales, as defined in the policy on controversial activities mentioned above.
- Companies with material exposure to gambling are excluded from the investment portfolio. Gambling is considered a controversial activity, mainly because of the addiction problems and the risk of personal bankruptcy associated with it. The Manager systematically excludes from the investment portfolio all companies exposed to gambling products and services above the sales exposure threshold as defined in the controversial activities policy mentioned above.
- Companies with material exposure to thermal coal are excluded from the investment portfolio. Coal-fired power generation is a major emitter of greenhouse gases, and in the light of climate change and the Paris Agreement, the Manager recognises that the continued use of thermal coal is hardly compatible with a sustainable future. Consequently, the Manager has decided to exclude from the investment portfolio all companies involved in activities related to thermal coal mining, or which have plans to expand assets related to thermal coal mining, as defined in the controversial activities policy mentioned above.

#### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.

#### Company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria. It uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies with international reputations. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global sustainability criteria, or whether it does not.





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#### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website www.dpamfunds.com.

#### **Pre-contractual information**

### At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

#### Reference currency

EUR

#### Investment horizon

Minimum 4 years

### Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

# **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

# Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

# Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
А	EUR	LU2463506555
В	EUR	LU2463506639
B EUR HEDGED	EUR	LU2463506712
B LC	EUR	LU2463506803
B USD	USD	LU2463506985
E	EUR	LU2463507017
F	EUR	LU2463507108
F EUR HEDGED	EUR	LU2463507280
F LC	EUR	LU2463507363
F USD	USD	LU2463507447
J	EUR	LU2463508254
L	EUR	LU2463508338
М	EUR	LU2463507520
Ν	EUR	LU2463507793
Р	EUR	LU2463508411
V	EUR	LU2463507876
W	EUR	LU2463507959





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Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
W EUR HEDGED	EUR	LU2463508098
W USD	USD	LU2463508171

### Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before 3:00 p.m. on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

### Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The objective of the sub-fund is to offer investors exposure, through an actively managed portfolio, to debt securities issued or guaranteed by emerging countries, including their public regional authorities and public (or equivalent) bodies, or by public international bodies, denominated in a strong currency (USD, EUR, JPY, GBP, CHF), and selected on the basis of sustainable development criteria.

The sub-fund has a sustainable investment objective according to SFDR.

The sustainability approach is based on the following threefold commitment: (1) defend fundamental rights, (2) not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and (3) to promote best practices and best efforts with regard to sustainability.

### Investment policy

The sub-fund invests mainly in bonds and/or other debt securities, including, but not limited to, perpetual bonds, inflation-linked bonds, zero coupon bonds, credit-linked notes and fiduciary notes, with a fixed or floating rate, denominated in any currency, issued (or guaranteed) by emerging countries, including their regional public authorities and public (or equivalent) bodies or by international public bodies such as the World Bank or the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, denominated in a strong currency (USD, EUR, JPY, GBP, CHF), and selected on the basis of sustainable development criteria such as social equity, respect for the environment and socially equitable political and economic governance.

Securities purchased for the Sub-fund must have a rating of at least B- or B3 or a comparable rating from a recognised rating agency. For unrated securities or money market instruments, the issuer's rating is decisive. In the event ratings differ, the lower of the two best ratings is decisive. The Sub-fund may hold up to 3% of its value in assets with a rating below B- or B3 or in unrated securities with no rating at all, either at issue or issuer level.

The sub-fund may also invest on an ancillary basis in money market instruments – such as, for example, deposit certificates, treasury notes and/or promissory notes – either for investment purposes or to invest its cash.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

The sub-fund may, subject to a limit of 10% of its net assets, invest in UCIs (UCITS and/or other UCIs, including exchange-traded funds (ETFs)) either for the purpose of pursuing its principal investment policy, or to place its cash resources (in which case the sub-fund then invests (i) in monetary UCIs and/or (ii) in UCIs which invest in debt securities with a residual term, at the time of acquisition, not exceeding 12 months and/or the interest rate of which is adjusted at least once per year).

The Sub-fund may, subject to the legal limits, invest in listed derivative products (in particular options and futures) and/or over-the-counter products such as forward transactions (forwards and/or non-deliverable forwards), swaps (such as credit default swaps or interest rate swaps) in order to achieve the investment objectives and for risk hedging purposes.

The sub-fund will not invest in ABS ("Asset Backed Securities"), MBS ("Mortgage Backed Securities") or contingent convertible bonds (CoCo bonds).

#### Benchmark

#### Benchmark index: n/a

The sub-fund is actively managed and no benchmark is used.





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# Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

#### Promotion of sustainable investment objectives

The promotion of environmental and social objectives is carried out through a rigorous process as described in the investment selection methodology below.

The assets are invested according to the following triple commitment, adapted to the context of sovereign issuers:

- i) defend fundamental rights,
- ii) not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments,
- iii) to promote best practices and best efforts with regard to sustainability.

The assets therefore meet the following criteria:

- exclusion of countries that do not meet minimum democratic requirements: the sub-fund does not invest in countries that do not meet minimum democratic requirements. To determine whether a country does not meet this minimum, the Manager applies a methodology that is mainly based on the classifications of the International NGO Freedom House ("not free") and The Economist Intelligence Unit ("authoritarian regime").
  - This exclusion and the methodology are detailed in the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (section on "International Sanctions") available at www.dpamfunds.com (Controversial Activities Policy);
- investment limits according to the sustainability rating based on a proprietary sustainability model.

Based on country-specific sustainability challenges and with the assistance of external experts, the proprietary sustainability model focuses on environmental, social and governance challenges, based on various sustainable dimensions such as:

- i) transparency & democratic values,
- ii) environment,
- iii) education and innovation,
- iv) population, health care & wealth distribution.

The 17 sustainable development objectives are reflected in the individual criteria spread across the different dimensions, so as to integrate the contribution to a positive impact in environmental terms (access to drinking water and water purification, use of renewable energies, responsible consumption, combating climate change, protection of aquatic and terrestrial fauna and flora) and social terms (eradication of poverty, combating hunger, access to healthcare, access to quality education and reduction of social inequalities) through investments in sovereign debt.

The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

#### No significant harm to the sustainable investment objective

The portfolio holdings aim not to cause significant harm to other sustainable investment objectives in the following ways. The investment process of the sub-fund follows a rigorous multi-stage ESG screening process, as described in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment and in the sections "Investment strategy" and "Sustainable investment selection methodology" below.







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Through a combination of screening, qualitative ESG analysis and engagement with countries as described below, the portfolio aims to reduce the potential negative impact of its investments and maximise its net positive impact by investing in solutions to sustainability issues.

#### **Investment Strategy**

### Methodology for selecting sustainable investments

The criteria which the countries must meet in order to be included in the investment universe are determined through independent external research and/or internal research at the Manager. These selection criteria are as follows:

- Exclusion filter based on democratic minimums: countries considered "unfree" according to the NGO Freedom House and "authoritarian regimes" according to the Democracy Index published by the Economist Intelligence Unit are excluded from the universe eligible for investment.
- Analysis and rating of the country's sustainability profile using a proprietary sustainability model: the Manager, via its Country Sustainability Advisory Board, focuses on environmental, social and governance challenges through sustainability dimensions such as transparency, environment, education, etc. and the related sustainability criteria.

The sustainability review is characterised by the use of criteria that governments can use to influence their policy (government, authorities, law), avoiding criteria related to the geography or population density of the country. The model is quantitative, tracking a country's current performance, which provides comparable data and does not rely solely on treaties, as these do not guarantee real commitment. Similarly, no data are used on the basis of future promises (political, etc.).

- Sustainability dimensions are based on issues such as:
  - (i) transparency and democratic values: corruption index, press freedom, security, women's rights, ...;
  - (ii) environment: GHG emissions, CO2 emissions, biodiversity, energy efficiency, etc.;
  - (iii) education and innovation: expenditure on education, participation at different levels of education;
  - (iv) population, health care & wealth distribution: GINI index, health expenditure, income distribution, poverty.
- On the basis of some sixty indicators from government databases, international government agencies, etc., countries are evaluated against each other and given a score between 0 and 100.

The sub-fund pursues a sustainable objective:

- by investing a minimum of 40% of its assets in countries ranked in the first quartile and a maximum of 10% in countries ranked in the last quartile. Quartiles are formed by ranking countries in descending order of ESG score. The top 25% (calculated in number of countries) of countries form the first quartile. The bottom 25% of countries form the last quartile. When the model is updated, the Manager will comply with the investment rules (minimum 40% in the top quartile and maximum 10% in the bottom quartile) as soon as possible and never more than two months after the new classification takes effect.
- in terms of the environment, it targets a lower greenhouse gas emissions intensity (scope 1, 2 and 3/GDP million euros) than its reference universe, as defined by SFDR.







- in terms of governance, on the one hand, by defending democratic requirements and by excluding countries that do not respect international treaties and, on the other hand, by aiming for a weighted democracy score of the portfolio that is higher than that of the reference universe. The Freedom House score is the aggregate of the "civil liberties" and "political rights" scores. It ranges from 0 to 100. The sub-fund aims for a weighted average portfolio score that is higher than the weighted average score of the reference universe.

The analysis of these data is based on a variety of data sources, including data from issuers and external data providers. Different regions and asset classes present different challenges in terms of the quality and coverage of the data that need to be taken into account, especially in emerging markets. Investors should be aware that some data sets are based on modelled data rather than reported data. The indicators used, like any other quantitative or qualitative model, are inherent to model risk and may fail to capture anticipated changes in the sustainability risk profile of issuers.

The above screenings may be supplemented by qualitative analyses based on the Manager's fundamental research and dialogues with issuers on financial issues relating to the issuers' strategy and the most relevant and material ESG risks and issues to which they are exposed.

The Manager's engagement policy helps promote good practices on governance, environmental and social issues with the various issuers. This policy is available at: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> ("Engagement policy").

#### Good governance criteria

Countries that do not respect a minimum of democracy according to the Freedom House country classification and/or the Democracy Index, published by the Economist Intelligence Unit are excluded from the universe of eligible investments.

In addition, good governance criteria are included in the investment decision process through the criteria retained in the "transparency and democratic values" pillar, which are based on the World Bank's governance indicators. These are based on six dimensions of governance:

- i. voice and responsibility,
- ii. political stability and absence of violence,
- iii. effectiveness of government,
- iv. quality of regulations,
- v. rule of law,
- vi. control of corruption.

These aggregate indicators combine the views of a large number of companies, citizens and experts who responded to surveys in both industrialised and developing countries. The data are based on over 30 individual data sources produced by various survey institutes, think tanks, non-governmental organisations, international organisations and private sector companies.

#### Examples of selection criteria for sustainable investments

- The Inequality Index, published by the UNDP, tends to assess this global problem by measuring the loss of success due to gender inequality in three dimensions (labour market, health and empowerment).
- The importance of marine and terrestrial protected areas in relation to a country's total land area, as published by the World Bank, demonstrates the country's commitment to protecting its biodiversity.
- The GINI coefficient estimates income equality within a country. While not a perfect measure, it remains an important indicator of inequality within a population. This indicator needs to be complemented by other





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factors to assess different aspects of inequality, in particular the share of total income earned by the top 20% of earners with the total earned by the lowest earners or the poverty line.

#### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.

#### Company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria. For country sustainability, it relies on an advisory board including external experts and uses sustainability criteria from reliable sources. The Manager also has its own internal ESG research capabilities. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a country complies with the global sustainability criteria, or whether it does not.

#### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website www.dpamfunds.com.

#### **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

#### Reference currency

EUR

Investment horizon

Minimum 4 years

#### Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

#### **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to the chapter "Risks associated with investing in the SICAV" in the main part of this Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund, and in particular the section relating to the specific risks associated with investing in structured products such as credit-linked notes, which may present an additional credit risk to the issuer of the product.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

#### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.





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#### Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Curren cy	ISIN Code
А	EUR	LU2463508502
В	EUR	LU2463508684
B EUR HEDGED	EUR	LU2463508767
B LC	EUR	LU2463508841
B USD	USD	LU2463508924
E	EUR	LU2463509062
F	EUR	LU2463509146
F EUR HEDGED	EUR	LU2463509229
F LC	EUR	LU2463509492
F USD	USD	LU2463509575
J	EUR	LU2463510235
L	EUR	LU2463510318
М	EUR	LU2463509658
N	EUR	LU2463509732
Р	EUR	LU2463510409
V	EUR	LU2463509815
W	EUR	LU2463509906
W EUR HEDGED	EUR	LU2463510078
W USD	USD	LU2463510151

#### Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before 3:00 p.m. on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

#### Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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#### FACT SHEET - DPAM L BONDS EMERGING MARKETS SUSTAINABLE SUB-FUND

#### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The objective of the sub-fund is to offer investors exposure, through an actively managed portfolio, to debt securities issued or guaranteed by emerging countries, including their public regional authorities and public (or equivalent) bodies, or by public international bodies selected on the basis of sustainable development criteria.

The sub-fund has a sustainable investment objective according to SFDR.

The sustainability approach is based on the following threefold commitment: (1) defend fundamental rights, (2) not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and (3) to promote best practices and best efforts with regard to sustainability.

#### Investment policy

The sub-fund invests mainly in bonds and/or other debt securities, including, but not limited to, perpetual bonds, inflation-linked bonds, zero coupon bonds, credit-linked notes and fiduciary notes, with a fixed or floating rate, denominated in any currency, issued (or guaranteed) by emerging countries, including their regional public authorities and public (or equivalent) bodies or by international public bodies such as the World Bank or the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development and selected on the basis of sustainable development criteria such as social equity, respect for the environment and socially equitable political and economic governance.

The sub-fund may invest, on an ancillary basis, in money market instruments (such as, for example, certificates of deposit, commercial paper and/or promissory notes) in accordance with the conditions and limits set out in the main part of this prospectus, either to pursue its investment policy or to invest its cash.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

The sub-fund may, subject to a limit of 10% of its net assets, invest in UCIs (UCITS and/or other UCIs, including exchange-traded funds (ETFs)) either for the purpose of pursuing its principal investment policy, or to place its cash resources (in which case the sub-fund then invests (i) in monetary UCIs and/or (ii) in UCIs which invest in debt securities with a residual term, at the time of acquisition, not exceeding 12 months and/or the interest rate of which is adjusted at least once per year).

The Sub-fund may, subject to the legal limits, invest in listed derivative products (in particular options and futures) and/or over-the-counter products such as forward transactions (forwards and/or non-deliverable forwards), swaps (such as credit default swaps or interest rate swaps) in order to achieve the investment objectives and for risk hedging purposes.

The Sub-fund will not invest in ABS ("Asset Backed Securities") or MBS ("Mortgage Backed Securities").

#### Benchmark

#### Benchmark index: n/a

The sub-fund is actively managed and no benchmark is used.

#### Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The promotion of environmental and social objectives is carried out through a rigorous process as described in the investment selection methodology below.





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The assets are invested according to the following triple commitment, adapted to the context of sovereign issuers:

- i) defend fundamental rights,
- ii) not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments,
- iii) to promote best practices and best efforts with regard to sustainability.

The assets therefore meet the following criteria:

exclusion of countries that do not meet minimum democratic requirements: the sub-fund does not invest in countries that do not meet minimum democratic requirements. To determine whether a country does not meet this minimum, the Manager applies a methodology that is mainly based on the classifications of the International NGO Freedom House ("not free") and The Economist Intelligence Unit ("authoritarian regime").

This exclusion and the methodology are detailed in the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (section on "International Sanctions") available at www.dpamfunds.com (Controversial Activities Policy);

• investment limits according to the sustainability rating based on a proprietary sustainability model.

Based on country-specific sustainability challenges and with the assistance of external experts, the proprietary sustainability model focuses on environmental, social and governance challenges, based on various sustainable dimensions such as:

- i) transparency & democratic values,
- ii) environment,
- iii) education and innovation,
- iv) population, health care & wealth distribution.

The 17 sustainable development objectives are reflected in the individual criteria spread across the different dimensions, so as to integrate the contribution to a positive impact in environmental terms (access to drinking water and water purification, use of renewable energies, responsible consumption, combating climate change, protection of aquatic and terrestrial fauna and flora) and social terms (eradication of poverty, combating hunger, access to healthcare, access to quality education and reduction of social inequalities) through investments in sovereign debt.

The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

#### No significant harm to the sustainable investment objective

The portfolio holdings aim not to cause significant harm to other sustainable investment objectives in the following ways. The investment process of the sub-fund follows a rigorous multi-stage ESG screening process, as described in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment and in the sections "Investment strategy" and "Sustainable investment selection methodology" below.

Through a combination of screening, qualitative ESG analysis and engagement with countries as described below, the portfolio aims to reduce the potential negative impact of its investments and maximise its net positive impact by investing in solutions to sustainability issues.

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#### **Investment Strategy**

#### Methodology for selecting sustainable investments

The criteria which the countries must meet in order to be included in the investment universe are determined through independent external research and/or internal research at the Manager. These selection criteria are as follows:

- Exclusion filter based on democratic minimums: countries considered "unfree" according to the NGO
   Freedom House and "authoritarian regimes" according to the Democracy Index published by the
   Economist Intelligence Unit are excluded from the universe eligible for investment.
- Analysis and rating of the country's sustainability profile using a proprietary sustainability model: the Manager, via its Country Sustainability Advisory Board, focuses on environmental, social and governance challenges through sustainability dimensions such as transparency, environment, education, etc. and the related sustainability criteria.

The sustainability review is characterised by the use of criteria that governments can use to influence their policy (government, authorities, law), avoiding criteria related to the geography or population density of the country. The model is quantitative, tracking a country's current performance, which provides comparable data and does not rely solely on treaties, as these do not guarantee real commitment. Similarly, no data are used on the basis of future promises (political, etc.).

- Sustainability dimensions are based on questions such as:
  - (i) transparency and democratic values: corruption index, press freedom, security, women's rights, ...;
  - (ii) environment: GHG emissions, CO2 emissions, biodiversity, energy efficiency, etc.;
  - (iii) education and innovation: expenditure on education, participation at different levels of education;
  - (iv) population, health care & wealth distribution: GINI index, health expenditure, income distribution, poverty.
- On the basis of some sixty indicators from government databases, international government agencies, etc., countries are evaluated against each other and given a score between 0 and 100.

The sub-fund pursues a sustainable objective:

- by investing a minimum of 40% of its assets in countries ranked in the first quartile and a maximum of 10% in countries ranked in the last quartile. Quartiles are formed by ranking countries in descending order of ESG score. The top 25% (calculated in number of countries) of countries form the first quartile. The bottom 25% of countries form the last quartile. When the model is updated, the Manager will comply with the investment rules (minimum 40% in the top quartile and maximum 10% in the bottom quartile) as soon as possible and never more than two months after the new classification takes effect.
- in terms of the environment, it targets a lower greenhouse gas emissions intensity (scope 1, 2 and 3/GDP million euros) than its reference universe, as defined by SFDR.
- in terms of governance, on the one hand, by defending democratic requirements and by excluding countries that do not respect international treaties and, on the other hand, by aiming for a weighted democracy score of the portfolio that is higher than that of the reference universe. The Freedom House score is the aggregate of the "civil liberties" and "political rights" scores. It ranges from 0 to 100. The





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sub-fund aims for a weighted average portfolio score that is higher than the weighted average score of the reference universe.

The analysis of these data is based on a variety of data sources, including data from issuers and external data providers. Different regions and asset classes present different challenges in terms of the quality and coverage of the data that need to be taken into account, especially in emerging markets. Investors should be aware that some data sets are based on modelled data rather than reported data. The indicators used, like any other quantitative or qualitative model, are inherent to model risk and may fail to capture anticipated changes in the sustainability risk profile of issuers.

The Manager's engagement policy helps promote good practices on governance, environmental and social issues with the various issuers. This policy is available at: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> ("Engagement policy").

#### Good governance criteria

Countries that do not respect a minimum of democracy according to the Freedom House country classification and/or the Democracy Index, published by the Economist Intelligence Unit are excluded from the universe of eligible investments.

In addition, good governance criteria are included in the investment decision process through the criteria retained in the "transparency and democratic values" pillar, which are based on the World Bank's governance indicators. These are based on six dimensions of governance:

- i. voice and responsibility,
- ii. political stability and absence of violence,
- iii. effectiveness of government,
- iv. quality of regulations,
- v. rule of law,
- vi. control of corruption.

These aggregate indicators combine the views of a large number of companies, citizens and experts who responded to surveys in both industrialised and developing countries. The data are based on over 30 individual data sources produced by various survey institutes, think tanks, non-governmental organisations, international organisations and private sector companies.

#### Examples of selection criteria for sustainable investments

- The Inequality Index, published by the UNDP, tends to assess this global problem by measuring the loss of success due to gender inequality in three dimensions (labour market, health and empowerment).
- The importance of marine and terrestrial protected areas in relation to a country's total land area, as published by the World Bank, demonstrates the country's commitment to protecting its biodiversity.
- The GINI coefficient estimates income equality within a country. While not a perfect measure, it remains an important indicator of inequality within a population. This indicator needs to be complemented by other factors to assess different aspects of inequality, in particular the share of total income earned by the top 20% of earners with the total earned by the lowest earners or the poverty line.

#### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.







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#### Company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria. For country sustainability, it relies on an advisory board including external experts and uses sustainability criteria from reliable sources. The Manager also has its own internal ESG research capabilities. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a country complies with the global sustainability criteria, or whether it does not.

#### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website www.dpamfunds.com.

#### **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

#### Reference currency

EUR

#### Investment horizon

Minimum 4 years

#### Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

#### **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to the chapter "Risks associated with investing in the SICAV" in the main part of this Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund, and in particular the section relating to the specific risks associated with investing in structured products such as credit-linked notes, which may present an additional credit risk to the issuer of the product.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

#### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

#### Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
А	EUR	LU0907927171
В	EUR	LU0907927338
B CHF	CHF	LU0966596107
B USD	USD	LU1200235353
B BIS USD HEDGED	USD	LU2393943704
E	EUR	LU0907927841
F	EUR	LU0907928062
F CHF	CHF	LU0966596362
F USD	USD	LU1200235437





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Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
F BIS USD HEDGED	USD	LU2399149934
J	EUR	LU1518616955
L	EUR	LU0907928575
Μ	EUR	LU1518617094
M USD	USD	LU1874836114
Ν	EUR	LU1518616799
N USD	USD	LU1874836205
Р	EUR	LU0907928732
V	EUR	LU0966596529
V BIS USD HEDGED	USD	LU2393943886
W	EUR	LU0966596875
W CHF	CHF	LU1874836387
W USD	USD	LU1200235601
W BIS USD HEDGED	USD	LU2393943969

#### Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before 3:00 p.m. on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

#### Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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#### FACT SHEET - DPAM L BONDS EMU INV. SUB-FUND GRADE GOV. INDEX

#### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The sub-fund's objective is to obtain the highest overall return possible for its shareholders by investing mainly in euro-denominated bonds or euro-bonds issued by Member States of the European Union participating in the Economic and Monetary Union ("EMU") and having an investment grade rating.

The sub-fund is a tracker fund whose objective is to replicate as closely as possible the JP Morgan EMU Government Investment Grade Bond Index (the "Index") in order to offer a performance comparable to that of this Index.

With a view to achieving this objective, the Manager implements an index management strategy. The sub-fund's portfolio is indexed geographically to the Index.

#### Investment policy

The following asset categories are authorised:

- government bonds and
- quasi-government bonds.

The bonds will be investment grade.

Transactions in the following derivative financial instruments will be authorised:

bond futures contracts for the purpose of achieving the investment objectives. These contracts are
intended to supplement bond positions and to enable full investment without disrupting the structure
of the portfolio when issuing and redeeming units.

The sub-fund does not intend to hedge foreign exchange risk.

The sub-fund will not invest more than 10% of its net assets in shares or units of other UCITS and other UCIs in accordance with the conditions and limits set out in the main part of this prospectus, either to pursue its investment policy or to invest its cash.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

#### Benchmark

**Benchmark index:** J.P. Morgan EMU Government Bond Investment Grade Index (hereinafter the "index" or "benchmark")

#### Use of the index:

- as an investment universe;
- as a tracker;
- to compare performance

#### General description of the index:

This section contains a brief overview of the Index. It summarises the Index's main characteristics, but is not intended to be a comprehensive description. In the event of any inconsistency between the summary of the Index presented in this section and the full description of the Index, the full description of the Index shall prevail. Information on the Index can be obtained on the website mentioned below. This information may vary whenever necessary, but any changes will be indicated on the said website.





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Shareholders should be aware that the Promoter of the Index is authorised to change the description of the Index in order to make technical adjustments necessary for the efficient management of the Index.

The JP Morgan EMU Government Investment Grade Bond Index aims to replicate the market of euro-denominated domestic sovereign debt issued by a Member State of the eurozone and having an investment grade rating. As of 30 March 2018, the Index comprised bonds issued by the following countries: France, Italy, Germany, Spain, Belgium, the Netherlands, Austria, Ireland, Finland. The Index is calculated in euro on the basis of the daily closing prices. The Index is a total net return index and is revised and rebalanced monthly.

For more information about the Index, its composition, calculation and rules governing its periodic review and rebalancing, as well as the general methodology of JP Morgan indices, please consult the <u>https://www.jpmorgan.com/insights/research/index-research/composition-docs</u> website.

#### Level of deviation of the portfolio's composition from the index:

The sub-fund uses a "passive management" strategy which consists in investing the majority of its assets in government, quasi-government, supranational and mortgage bonds included in the Index. Each sector will be represented in proportion to its weight in the Index. It is therefore a physical replication-based sampling method. The objective is to track a benchmark with a tracking error of around 1%. An ex ante and ex post risk control model will be used.

#### Additional information on the index

Investors should refer to the chapter "BENCHMARK" in the main part of the Prospectus for further information on the index.

#### Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The investments underlying the sub-fund do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Investors should consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus.

#### Reference currency

EUR

Investment horizon

Minimum 3 years

Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

#### **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund, and in particular the section on the risk of changes in the benchmark index by the index provider.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.





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#### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

#### Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
A	EUR	LU1286706962
В	EUR	LU0788032588
E	EUR	LU1517250665
F	EUR	LU0628629551
I	EUR	LU1517250749
J	EUR	LU1517251044
М	EUR	LU1517251127
N	EUR	LU1517251390

#### Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before **1:30 p.m.** on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than two Luxembourg business days from the applicable Valuation Day.

#### Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.







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#### FACT SHEET - DPAM L BONDS EUR CORPORATE 2026 SUB-FUND

#### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The sub-fund is a sub-fund of limited duration, maturing on 31 December 2026. The objective of the sub-fund is to achieve a capital gain on maturity.

At least one month before 31 December 2026, the Board of Directors of the SICAV will approve the decision to liquidate the sub-fund and will immediately propose to shareholders to subscribe to a new sub-fund having a similar objective and investment policy and with a new maturity date. The shareholders will be informed of this decision and the Prospectus will be updated. Shareholders not interested in investing in the new sub-fund will be repaid at the latest net asset value of the sub-fund applicable on 31 December 2026.

Nevertheless, before the maturity of the sub-fund, the Board of Directors may propose, at any time, the liquidation of the sub-fund if, on the basis of its analysis, the pool of existing bonds in the market is no longer sufficient to enable the Manager to pursue its investment and risk management strategy.

#### Investment policy

The sub-fund will invest primarily in corporate bonds denominated in Euro. The underlying securities of the subfund are expected to have an investment grade rating from at least one of the rating agencies: BBB-(S&P, Fitch) or BBB3 (Moody's).

The sub-fund invests a maximum of 10% of its net assets in bonds with a high yield rating, in particular bonds with a minimum rating of BB- (S&P, Fitch) or BB3 (Moody's).

The sub-fund will not invest more than 10% of its net assets in UCITS or UCIs. The sub-fund may hold, in particular during the period preceding the maturity of the sub-fund and to facilitate its liquidation at the end of the period, cash on an ancillary basis in accordance with the conditions and limits set out in the main body of the Prospectus as well as short-term interest rate instruments.

The Sub-fund will not invest in ABS ("Asset Backed Securities") or MBS ("Mortgage Backed Securities").

The Sub-fund may, subject to the legal limits, invest in listed derivative products (in particular options and futures) and/or over-the-counter products such as forward transactions (forwards and/or non-deliverable forwards), swaps (such as credit default swaps or interest rate swaps) in order to achieve the investment objectives and for risk hedging purposes.

#### Benchmark

#### Benchmark index: n/a

The sub-fund is actively managed and no benchmark is used.

#### Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics, as defined by SFDR, through a rigorous methodology (see section "ESG investment selection methodology" below) aimed at defending fundamental rights, not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and to promote best practices and best efforts with respect to ESG characteristics.

The promotion of environmental and social characteristics applies to the entire portfolio with the exception of cash, potential derivatives, undertakings for collective investment and issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

Finally, the sub-fund also has strong ESG integration, consisting of the consideration – flexibly according to the material challenges of the sectors of activity – of several ESG criteria. Please refer to the "Investment Strategy"



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section below for a description of this "ESG integration" approach and the criteria it covers.

The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

#### No sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund does not have a sustainable investment objective within the meaning of the SFDR.

Nevertheless, the sub-fund aims to apply a precautionary principle so as not to "cause significant harm" to the environment or society. In doing so, the sub-fund applies the Manager's controversial activities policy for "conventional" strategies as detailed in the section "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" below and available at www.dpamfunds.com (Controversial Activities Policy). The sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not meet the Global Standards described below or in companies with controversies that are deemed to be extremely serious.

The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

#### **Investment Strategy**

#### Methodology for selecting ESG investments:

The sub-fund applies (i) binding investment restrictions in terms of company exposure to certain controversial activities and behaviours and (ii) a non-binding "ESG integration" investment approach:

- i) The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) securities which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) securities involved in controversial activities, and (c) securities involved in extremely serious controversies:
  - (a) Portfolio compliance with the Global Standards described below: the sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the Guiding Principles, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties, at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being downgraded to non-compliant status, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy, which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision.
  - (b) Exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: the sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal. These exclusions apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.





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These exclusions are detailed in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

(c) Portfolio exposure to **extremely serious ESG controversies**: companies facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being exposed to an extremely serious controversy, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy (available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy)) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

- ii) The ESG integration approach consists of a flexible consideration of the following criteria:
  - the portfolio's exposure to ESG controversies, other than extremely serious controversies (which are a. formally excluded as in (i) above), i.e. controversies, incidents or scandals relating to a company's environmental or social impact or governance practices. Different criteria are used to assess the impact and risks of these controversies, such as the severity, liability and exceptional nature of the impact, as well as the reputational and image risk. The assessment yields a categorisation that groups a company into 5 different categories of controversy, depending on their severity, on a scale from 1 (minor) to 5 (extremely severe). ESG rating agencies assess the severity of these issues based on their impact and frequency, the transparency of the information provided by the company and the preventive and corrective measures taken. Companies that are involved in the most severe allegations of controversy (category 5) are excluded. Companies in categories 3 and 4 (negative outlook) are analysed in depth by internal specialists within the Manager. After this analysis, companies with a level of controversy that warrants further analysis could also be excluded. The rationale for this exclusion based on the analysis carried out is discussed and validated in an ad hoc committee within the Manager. The Managers is informed of the sub-fund's potential exposure to companies involved in ESG controversies, and is encouraged (but not formally constrained) to limit the sub-fund's investments in these companies as much as possible. For additional details, please refer to the Sustainable and Responsible Investment Policy, which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy);
  - b. the ESG rating of the portfolio based on the ESG ratings of the companies held, provided by nonfinancial rating agencies;
  - c. the carbon intensity of the portfolio (i.e. the carbon intensity per emitter weighted by its portfolio weight);
  - d. generally speaking, sector analysts take into account the most material and relevant ESG elements and information in their research and investment recommendations and the Manager integrates (without formal exclusions) these material elements and issues in their investment decisions.

The Manager intends to maintain flexibility in the consideration of the four criteria outlined in section (ii) ESG integration above. These criteria therefore do not lead to any formal or systematic exclusion (without prejudice to the exclusions arising from the controversial activities policy listed in point (i) above).





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#### Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria, which are an integral part of active shareholding, engagement and responsible and sustainable investment policies, are included in the investment decision process through the various steps described in the "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" section above:

- i) Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- ii) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- iii) Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.
- iv) The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

#### Examples of exclusion criteria:

- Example of exclusion based on the Global Standards: serious violation of labour rights in the supply chain.
- Example of exclusion based on companies involved in controversial activities: material exposure to tobacco i.e. tobacco producers and tobacco suppliers, distributors and retailers from the exposure thresholds as a percentage of sales, as defined in the policy on controversial activities which is available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy").
- Example of exclusion on the basis of extremely serious ESG controversies: repeated anti-competitive practices with no sign of corrective and/or preventive measures.

#### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.

#### Company in charge of the evaluation of ESG criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of ESG selection criteria. The Manager uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global ESG criteria, or whether it does not.

#### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website www.dpamfunds.com.

#### **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.







#### Reference currency

EUR

#### Investment horizon

4 years

#### Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

#### **Risk factors**

Investors are invited to refer to the chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of this Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund, and in particular the section relating to the specific risks associated with investing in bonds.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

#### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

#### Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
A	EUR	LU2532470023
В	EUR	LU2532470296
E	EUR	LU2532470379
F	EUR	LU2532470452
J	EUR	LU2532470536
М	EUR	LU2532470619
N	EUR	LU2532470700
Р	EUR	LU2532470882
V	EUR	LU2532470965
W	EUR	LU2532471005

#### Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before 3:00 p.m. on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

#### Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.







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#### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The objective of the Sub-fund is to offer investors, by means of active portfolio management, exposure to debt securities issued by companies from any part of the world which have a rating falling within the "high yield" category as defined by Moody's or S&P or Fitch.

#### Investment policy

The Sub-fund principally invests in fixed or floating rate, short, medium and/or long term bonds and/or other debt securities (including, but not limited to, perpetual bonds, subordinated bonds, zero-coupon bonds and/or bonds whose interest may be capitalised or paid in kind by the issue of new bonds ("PIK bonds")), denominated in euros and issued by companies (outside the financial sector) from any part of the world which have a rating falling within the "high yield" category as defined by Moody's or S&P or Fitch.

If the rating of a security is downgraded below CCC+ (S&P, Fitch)/Caa1 (Moody's), the Manager will determine whether or not to continue to hold the security. A security will be sold if, in the opinion of the management team, the risk of continuing to hold it is not acceptable relative to its total return potential.

The Sub-fund may invest up to 10% of its net assets in bonds rated investment grade by rating agencies such as Moody's, S&P or Fitch.

The Sub-fund may also invest up to 10% of its net assets in bonds that are not rated by rating agencies such as Moody's, S&P or Fitch.

The Sub-fund may also invest up to 10% of its net assets in distressed securities. Distressed securities are defined as debt securities issued by companies whose default risk is considered to be extremely high, corresponding to bonds with a rating of CCC (S&P, Fitch)/Caa (Moody's) or lower.

The total weight of securities deemed to be distressed securities at the time of purchase, as defined above, must remain less than 10% of the total portfolio. However, this threshold may be exceeded at any given time during the portfolio review if certain bonds are downgraded and the decision taken following this downgrade is to maintain the position. Nevertheless, the total weight of distressed securities (including issues whose rating has been downgraded since purchase) may not exceed 20% of the assets of the Sub-fund.

The Sub-fund may invest in convertible bonds (up to a maximum of 25% of its net assets) and/or in shares or other equity securities (in a maximum amount of 10% of its net assets).

The Sub-fund may invest, on an ancillary basis, in money market instruments (such as, for example, certificates of deposit, commercial paper, promissory notes and/or treasury bills) in accordance with the conditions and limits set out in the main part of this Prospectus, either to pursue its investment policy or to invest its liquid assets.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

The Sub-fund may, subject to a limit of 10% of its net assets, invest in UCIs (UCITS and/or other UCIs, including exchange-traded funds (ETFs)) either for the purpose of pursuing its principal investment policy, or to place its liquid assets (in which case the Sub-fund then invests (i) in monetary UCIs and/or (ii) in UCIs which invest in debt securities with a residual term, at the time of acquisition, not exceeding 12 months and/or the interest rate of which is adjusted at least once per year).

The Sub-fund may, subject to the legal limits, invest in listed derivative products (in particular options and futures) and/or over-the-counter products such as forward transactions (forwards and/or non-deliverable forwards), swaps





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(such as credit default swaps or interest rate swaps) in order to achieve the investment objectives and for risk hedging purposes.

The Sub-fund will not invest in ABS ("Asset Backed Securities") or MBS ("Mortgage Backed Securities").

#### Benchmark

Benchmark index: Bloomberg Barclays Euro High Yield 3% Capped ex Fin (hereinafter the "index" or "benchmark")

#### Use of the index:

• to compare performance

The index is not aligned with the promotion of the environmental and social aspects of the sub-fund. Please refer to the section "Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency", "Investment Strategy" below for an explanation of how the sub-fund promotes environmental and social features.

#### Level of deviation of the portfolio's composition from the index:

The sub-fund is actively managed, which means that the Manager does not aim to replicate the performance of the benchmark. The selection and weighting of the assets in the sub-fund's portfolio may differ significantly from the composition of the benchmark.

#### Additional information on the index:

Investors should refer to the chapter "BENCHMARK" in the main part of the Prospectus for further information on the index.

#### Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics, as defined by SFDR, through a rigorous methodology (see section "ESG investment selection methodology" below) aimed at defending fundamental rights, not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and to promote best practices and best efforts with respect to ESG characteristics.

The promotion of environmental and social characteristics applies to the entire portfolio with the exception of cash, potential derivatives, undertakings for collective investment and issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

Finally, the sub-fund also has strong ESG integration, consisting of the consideration – flexibly according to the material challenges of the sectors of activity – of several ESG criteria. Please refer to the "Investment Strategy" section below for a description of this "ESG integration" approach and the criteria it covers.

The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

#### No sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund does not have a sustainable investment objective within the meaning of the SFDR.

Nevertheless, the sub-fund aims to apply a precautionary principle so as not to "cause significant harm" to the environment or society. In doing so, the sub-fund applies the Manager's controversial activities policy for "conventional" strategies as detailed in the section "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" below and available at www.dpamfunds.com (Controversial Activities Policy). The sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not meet the Global Standards described below or in companies with controversies that are deemed to be extremely serious.







The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

#### **Investment Strategy**

#### Methodology for selecting ESG investments:

The sub-fund applies (i) binding investment restrictions in terms of company exposure to certain controversial activities and behaviours and (ii) a non-binding "ESG integration" investment approach:

- i) The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) securities which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) securities involved in controversial activities, and (c) securities involved in extremely serious controversies:
  - a) Portfolio compliance with the **Global Standards** described below: the sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the Guiding Principles, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties, at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being downgraded to non-compliant status, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy, which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision;
  - b) Exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: the sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal. These exclusions apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

These exclusions are detailed in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

c) Portfolio exposure to **extremely serious ESG controversies**: companies facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being exposed to an extremely serious controversy, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.





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- ii) The ESG integration approach consists of a flexible consideration of the following criteria:
  - a. the portfolio's exposure to ESG controversies, other than extremely serious controversies (which are formally excluded as in (i) above), i.e. controversies relating to a company's environmental or social impact or governance practices. The Managers is informed of the sub-fund's potential exposure to companies involved in ESG controversies, and is encouraged (but not formally constrained) to limit the sub-fund's investments in these companies as much as possible;
  - b. the ESG rating of the portfolio based on the ESG ratings of the companies held, provided by nonfinancial rating agencies;
  - c. the carbon intensity of the portfolio;
  - d. generally speaking, sector analysts take into account the most material and relevant ESG elements and information in their research and investment recommendations and the Manager integrates (without formal exclusions) these material elements and issues in their investment decisions.

The Manager intends to maintain flexibility in the consideration of the four criteria outlined in section (ii) ESG integration above. These criteria therefore do not lead to any formal or systematic exclusion (without prejudice to the exclusions arising from the controversial activities policy listed in point (i) above).

#### Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria, which are an integral part of active shareholding, engagement and responsible and sustainable investment policies, are included in the investment decision process through the various steps described in the "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" section above:

- i) Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- ii) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- iii) Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.
- iv) The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

#### Examples of exclusion criteria

- Example of exclusion based on the Global Standards: serious violation of labour rights in the supply chain.
- Example of exclusion based on companies involved in controversial activities: material exposure to tobacco i.e. tobacco producers and tobacco suppliers, distributors and retailers from the exposure thresholds as a percentage of sales, as defined in the policy on controversial activities which is available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy").
- Example of exclusion on the basis of extremely serious ESG controversies: repeated anti-competitive practices with no sign of corrective and/or preventive measures.

#### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund,



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as described above.

#### Company in charge of the evaluation of ESG criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of ESG selection criteria. The Manager uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global ESG criteria, or whether it does not.

#### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u>.

#### **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

#### Reference currency

EUR

Investment horizon

Minimum 4 years

Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

#### **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "Risks associated with investing in the SICAV" of this Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

#### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

#### Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
A	EUR	LU0966248915
В	EUR	LU0966249301
E	EUR	LU0966249483
F	EUR	LU0966249640
J	EUR	LU1518617250
L	EUR	LU0966249996
M	EUR	LU1518617334
N	EUR	LU1518617417
Р	EUR	LU0966250143





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Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
V	EUR	LU0966250655
W	EUR	LU0966250812

#### Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before 3:00 p.m. on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

#### Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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#### FACT SHEET - DPAM L BONDS EUR HIGH YIELD SHORT TERM SUB-FUND

#### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The objective of the sub-fund is to offer investors, by way of an active portfolio management, an exposure to debt securities, denominated in euro, with a high dividend yield and a maturity (at issue) or residual maturity (upon subscription) not exceeding 4 years.

#### Investment policy

The sub-fund mainly invests in bonds and/or other debt securities, fixed or floating, denominated in euro (or if denominated in another currency, with a currency risk which is minimum 90% hedged), with a high yield and a maturity (at issue) or residual maturity (upon acquisition by the sub-fund) not exceeding 4 years.

Structured products are held directly and may not exceed 20% of the net assets of the sub-fund.

The sub-fund may invest, on an ancillary basis, in money market instruments (such as, for example, certificates of deposit, commercial paper and/or promissory notes) in accordance with the conditions and limits set out in the main part of this prospectus, either to pursue its investment policy or to invest its cash.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

The Sub-fund may, subject to a limit of 10% of its net assets, invest in UCIs (UCITS and/or other UCIs, including exchange-traded funds (ETFs)) either for the purpose of pursuing its principal investment policy, or to place its liquid assets (in which case the Sub-fund then invests (i) in monetary UCIs and/or (ii) in UCIs which invest in debt securities with a residual term, at the time of acquisition, not exceeding 12 months and/or the interest rate of which is adjusted at least once per year).

The Sub-fund may, subject to the legal limits, invest in listed derivative products (in particular options and futures) and/or over-the-counter products such as forward transactions (forwards and/or non-deliverable forwards), swaps (such as credit default swaps or interest rate swaps) in order to achieve the investment objectives and for risk hedging purposes.

The Sub-fund will not invest in ABS ("Asset Backed Securities") or MBS ("Mortgage Backed Securities").

#### Benchmark

#### Benchmark index: n/a

The sub-fund is actively managed and no benchmark is used.

#### Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics, as defined by SFDR, through a rigorous methodology (see section "ESG investment selection methodology" below) aimed at defending fundamental rights, not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and to promote best practices and best efforts with respect to ESG characteristics.

The promotion of environmental and social characteristics applies to the entire portfolio with the exception of cash, potential derivatives, undertakings for collective investment and issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

Finally, the sub-fund also has strong ESG integration, consisting of the consideration – flexibly according to the material challenges of the sectors of activity – of several ESG criteria. Please refer to the "Investment Strategy" section for a description of this "ESG integration" approach and the criteria it covers.





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The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

#### No sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund does not have a sustainable investment objective within the meaning of the SFDR.

Nevertheless, the sub-fund aims to apply a precautionary principle so as not to "cause significant harm" to the environment or society. In doing so, the sub-fund applies the Manager's controversial activities policy for "conventional" strategies as detailed in the section "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" below and available at www.dpamfunds.com (Controversial Activities Policy). The sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not meet the Global Standards described below or in companies with controversies that are deemed to be extremely serious.

The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

#### Investment Strategy

#### Methodology for selecting ESG investments:

The sub-fund applies (i) binding investment restrictions in terms of company exposure to certain controversial activities and behaviours and (ii) a non-binding "ESG integration" investment approach:

- i) The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) securities which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) securities involved in controversial activities, and (c) securities involved in extremely serious controversies:
  - a) Portfolio compliance with the **Global Standards** described below: the sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the Guiding Principles, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties, at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being downgraded to non-compliant status, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy, which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision;
  - b) Exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: The sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal. These exclusions apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

These exclusions are set out in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy")).







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c) The portfolio's exposure to **extremely serious ESG controversies**: Companies facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being exposed to an extremely serious controversy, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following these engagements and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision;

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

- ii) The ESG integration approach consists of a flexible consideration of the following criteria:
  - a. The portfolio's exposure to ESG controversies, other than extremely serious controversies (which are formally excluded as in (i) above), i.e. controversies relating to a company's environmental or social impact or governance practices. The Managers is informed of the sub-fund's potential exposure to companies involved in ESG controversies, and is encouraged (but not formally constrained) to limit the sub-fund's investments in these companies as much as possible;
  - b. the ESG rating of the portfolio based on the ESG ratings of the companies held, provided by nonfinancial rating agencies;
  - c. the carbon intensity of the portfolio;
  - d. generally speaking, sector analysts take into account the most material and relevant ESG elements and information in their research and investment recommendations and the Manager integrates (without formal exclusions) these material elements and issues in their investment decisions.

The Manager intends to maintain flexibility in the consideration of the four criteria outlined in the ESG integration section above. These criteria therefore do not lead to any formal or systematic exclusion (without prejudice to the exclusions arising from the controversial activities policy listed in point (i) above).

#### Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria, which are an integral part of active shareholding, engagement and responsible and sustainable investment policies, are included in the investment decision process through the various steps described in the "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" section above:

- i) Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- v) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- vi) Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.
- vii) The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

#### Examples of exclusion criteria







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- Example of exclusion based on the Global Standards: serious violation of labour rights in the supply chain.
- Example of exclusion based on companies involved in controversial activities: material exposure to tobacco i.e. tobacco producers and tobacco suppliers, distributors and retailers from the exposure thresholds as a percentage of sales, as defined in the policy on controversial activities which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Controversial Activities Policy).
- Example of exclusion on the basis of extremely serious ESG controversies: repeated anti-competitive practices with no sign of corrective and/or preventive measures.

#### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.

#### Company in charge of the evaluation of ESG criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of ESG selection criteria. The Manager uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global ESG criteria, or whether it does not.

#### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website www.dpamfunds.com.

#### **Pre-contractual information**

#### At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

#### Reference currency

EUR

#### Investment horizon

Minimum 5 years

#### Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

#### **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

#### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

#### Share classes offered for subscription





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Share class	Curren cy	ISIN Code
А	EUR	LU0517221833
В	EUR	LU0517222054
B CHF	CHF	LU0966594748
B LC	EUR	LU2170442789
E	EUR	LU0517222302
F	EUR	LU0517222484
F CHF	CHF	LU0966594821
F LC	EUR	LU2170442862
J	EUR	LU1518615981
L	EUR	LU0607297198
Μ	EUR	LU1518616013
Ν	EUR	LU1518616104
Р	EUR	LU0517222724
V	EUR	LU0966595042
W	EUR	LU0966595125

#### Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before 3:00 p.m. on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

#### Procedure for soft closing and hard closing

Given the investment policy and the constraints that may exist in terms of resources and investment capacity, the Board of Directors has put in place a process of "soft closing" (partial closure) of the sub-fund with a possibility of "hard closing" (complete closure) from a threshold, as described below.

The Board of Directors has therefore set a "soft closing" as soon as the net assets of the sub-fund reach 800 million euros (hereinafter defined as the "Threshold").

Once the Threshold has been reached, no new subscriptions from investors not recorded in the shareholders' register of the sub-fund will be accepted.

If several subscription orders arrive at the transfer agent and registrar on the same day and put the net assets of the sub-fund above the Threshold, they will be processed in order of arrival and only the subscription order(s) arriving before the Threshold has been reached will be accepted. Any order received after the order which results in the Threshold being exceeding will be refused by the transfer agent or the registrar unless instructed otherwise by the Board of Directors of the SICAV. As soon as the Threshold is reached, a notice will be published on the website of the Management Company of the SICAV (*www.dpas.lu*).

In addition, the Board of Directors reserves the right to set up a "hard closing" as soon as the net assets of the subfund reach an amount that the Board of Directors may establish at a later date (hereinafter referred to as the "Ceiling").

As soon as the Ceiling has been reached, all new subscriptions will be refused. If one or more subscription orders arrive at the transfer agent and registrar on the same valuation day and put the net assets of the sub-fund above the Ceiling, they will be processed in order of arrival and only the subscription order(s) arriving before the Ceiling





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has been reached will be accepted. Any order(s) received after the order which results in the Ceiling being exceeding will be refused by the transfer agent or the registrar unless instructed otherwise by the Board of Directors. As soon as the Ceiling is reached, a notice will be published on the website of the Management Company of the SICAV (<u>www.dpas.lu</u>).

The Board of Directors reserves the right to reopen the sub-fund to subscriptions of existing shareholders if the net assets of the sub-fund decrease to a level below the Ceiling set by the Board of Directors.

Similarly, the Board of Directors reserves the right to reopen the sub-fund to subscriptions of all investors if the net assets of the sub-fund decrease to a level below the Threshold set by the Board of Directors. As soon as the Board of Directors decides to reopen subscriptions, a notice will be published on the website of the Management Company (<u>www.dpas.lu</u>).

#### Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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#### FACT SHEET - DPAM L BONDS EUR INFLATION-LINKED SUB-FUND

#### Objective of the sub-fund

The objective of the Sub-Fund is to offer investors, through active portfolio management, exposure to bonds from high-quality issuers.

#### Investment policy

The sub-fund will largely comprise bonds issued by first-ranking international issuers. The Sub-fund may also invest in all types of eligible financial assets (i.e. equities, other bonds, money market instruments, term deposits) in accordance with the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus, either to pursue its investment policy or to invest its liquidity.

The Sub-fund may, subject to the legal limits, invest in listed derivative products (in particular options and futures) and/or over-the-counter products such as forward transactions (forwards and/or non-deliverable forwards), swaps (such as credit default swaps or interest rate swaps) in order to achieve the investment objectives and for risk hedging purposes.

The sub-fund will not invest more than 10% of its net assets in UCITS or UCIs.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

The Sub-fund will not invest in ABS ("Asset Backed Securities") or MBS ("Mortgage Backed Securities") or equivalent securities.

#### Benchmark

Benchmark index: JPM Euro Linkers Securities Total Return (hereinafter the "index" or "benchmark")

#### Use of the index:

to compare performance

The index is not aligned with the promotion of the environmental and social aspects of the sub-fund. Please refer to the section "Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency", "Investment Strategy" below for an explanation of how the sub-fund promotes environmental and social features.

#### Level of deviation of the portfolio's composition from the index:

The sub-fund is actively managed, which means that the Manager does not aim to replicate the performance of the benchmark. The selection and weighting of the assets in the sub-fund's portfolio may differ significantly from the composition of the benchmark.

#### Additional information on the index

Investors should refer to the chapter "BENCHMARK" in the main part of the Prospectus for further information on the index.

#### Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics, as defined by SFDR, through a rigorous methodology (see section "ESG investment selection methodology" below) aimed at defending fundamental rights and to promote best practices and best efforts with respect to ESG characteristics. This promotion consists of the exclusion of countries that do not respect a minimum of democratic requirements.

The promotion of environmental and social characteristics applies to the entire portfolio with the exception of cash, potential derivatives, undertakings for collective investment and issuers that do not report sufficient information



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or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

#### No sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund does not have a sustainable investment objective within the meaning of the SFDR.

Nevertheless, the sub-fund aims to apply a precautionary principle so as not to "cause significant harm" to the environment or society. To do this, the sub-fund has an exclusion policy:

The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

#### **Investment Strategy**

#### Methodology for selecting ESG investments:

**Exclusion of countries that do not meet minimum democratic requirements:** the sub-fund does not invest in countries that do not meet minimum democratic requirements. To determine whether a country does not meet this minimum, the Manager applies a methodology that is mainly based on the classifications of the International NGO Freedom House ("not free") and The Economist Intelligence Unit ("authoritarian regime").

This exclusion and the methodology are detailed in the Manager's Sustainable and Responsible Investment Policy which is available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Sustainable & Responsible Investment Policy").

This exclusion applies both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio. In the event that a country is downgraded, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

#### Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria such as the electoral process, civil liberties, national and local democratic governance are included in the models used by the International NGO Freedom House and the Economist Intelligence Unit.

#### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.

#### Company in charge of the evaluation of ESG criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of ESG selection criteria. The Manager uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global ESG criteria, or whether it does not.







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#### **Further information:**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website www.dpamfunds.com.

#### **Pre-contractual information**

#### At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

#### Reference currency

EUR

#### Investment horizon

Minimum 3 years

#### **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

#### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

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Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before 3:00 p.m. on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.







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#### Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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#### FACT SHEET - DPAM L BONDS EUR QUALITY SUSTAINABLE SUB-FUND

#### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The objective of the sub-fund is to offer investors, via an actively managed portfolio, exposure to debt securities denominated in euros and which have a minimum investment grade rating and selected on the basis of sustainable development criteria.

The sub-fund has a sustainable investment objective according to SFDR.

The sustainability approach is based on the following threefold commitment: (1) defend fundamental rights, (2) not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and (3) to promote best practices and best efforts with regard to sustainability.

Through this triple commitment, the sub-fund aims at environmental and social objectives and wants to contribute, through the majority of its investments, to a positive impact in environmental terms (access to drinking water and water purification, use of renewable energies, responsible consumption, fight against climate change, protection of aquatic and terrestrial fauna and flora) and social terms (eradication of poverty, fight against hunger, access to health care, access to quality education and reduction of social inequalities)

As this sub-fund has a sustainable investment objective, it aims to invest primarily in companies that provide solutions to environmental and social sustainability issues through their products and services. The contribution of their turnover to the UN Sustainable Development Goals and impact themes (empowerment, climate change and stability, natural capital and basic needs) is a key element in the investment decision process.

#### Investment policy

The sub-fund invests mainly in fixed or floating rate bonds and/or other debt securities (including, but not limited to, perpetual notes and zero-coupon bonds), denominated in euros, issued by companies and with (or whose issuers have) a minimum rating of BBB-/Baa3 ("investment grade") on the scales used by S&P and Moody's rating agencies and selected on the basis of sustainable development criteria such as social equity, respect for the environment and socially equitable political and economic governance.

The sub-fund may invest, on an ancillary basis, in money market instruments (such as, for example, certificates of deposit, commercial paper and/or promissory notes) in accordance with the conditions and limits set out in the main part of this prospectus, either to pursue its investment policy or to invest its cash.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

The sub-fund may, subject to a limit of 10% of its net assets, invest in UCIs (UCITS and/or other UCIs, including exchange-traded funds (ETFs)) either for the purpose of pursuing its principal investment policy, or to place its cash resources (in which case the sub-fund then invests (i) in monetary UCIs and/or (ii) in UCIs which invest in debt securities with a residual term, at the time of acquisition, not exceeding 12 months and/or the interest rate of which is adjusted at least once per year).

The Sub-fund may, subject to the legal limits, invest in listed derivative products (in particular options and futures) and/or over-the-counter products such as forward transactions (forwards and/or non-deliverable forwards), swaps (such as credit default swaps or interest rate swaps) in order to achieve the investment objectives and for risk hedging purposes.

The sub-fund will not invest in ABS ("Asset Backed Securities") or MBS ("Mortgage Backed Securities").

#### Benchmark

Benchmark index: iBoxx Euro Corporate All Maturities Total Return (hereinafter the "index" or "benchmark")





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#### Use of the index:

• to compare performance

The index is not aligned with the sustainable investment objective of the index. Please refer to the section "Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency", "Investment Strategy" below for an explanation of how the sub-fund's sustainable investment objective is achieved.

#### Level of deviation of the portfolio's composition from the index:

The sub-fund is actively managed, which means that the Manager does not aim to replicate the performance of the benchmark. The selection and weighting of the assets in the sub-fund's portfolio may differ significantly from the composition of the benchmark.

#### Additional information on the index

Investors should refer to the chapter "BENCHMARK" in the main part of the Prospectus for further information on the index.

#### Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The promotion of environmental and social objectives is carried out through a rigorous process as described in the sustainable investment selection methodology below.

The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

#### No significant harm to the sustainable investment objective

The portfolio holdings aim not to cause significant harm to other sustainable investment objectives in the following ways. The investment process of the sub-fund follows a rigorous multi-stage ESG screening process, as described in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment and in "Investment strategy" and "Investment selection methodology" below.

Through a combination of screening and best-in-class approaches, as well as the qualitative fundamental approach and engagement with companies described below, the portfolio aims to minimise the potential negative impact of its investments and maximise the net positive impact it aims to achieve by investing in solutions to sustainability issues.

#### Investment Strategy

#### Methodology for selecting sustainable investments

The criteria which the companies must meet in order to be included in the investment universe are determined through independent external research and/or internal research at the Manager. These selection criteria are as follows:

- Compliance filter with the Global Standards described below: Companies must comply with the founding principles of the United Nations Global Compact (human rights, labour law, protection of the environment, fight against corruption) and the United Nations Guiding Principles, ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and underlying conventions and treaties. The Manager uses specific ESG research from non-financial rating agencies to determine whether or not a company is in compliance with these standards.
- Exclusion filter for companies involved in **controversial activities**: The policy of excluding controversial activities defined by the Manager covers several sectors and economic activities that are subject to







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debate as to whether or not they are ethical and sustainable. For each of these sectors and economic activities, the exclusion policy for controversial activities defines the exclusion criteria and thresholds. Companies involved in these controversial sectors and activities and meeting the exclusion criteria set out in the policy are excluded from the investment portfolio.

 Exclusion filter for companies involved in major ESG controversies: Companies should not be involved in major ESG controversies, such as incidents or allegations related to environmental, social or governance issues.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes the most severe controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

- Quantitative ESG approach (best-in-class): The Manager filters the universe by screening based on the quality of the ESG profile of the companies, as assessed by non-financial rating agencies. The bottom decile of the economic sector ranking is not eligible for investment.
- Qualitative ESG approach: The quantitative screening is complemented by qualitative analyses based on the Manager's fundamental research and dialogues with companies on financial issues relating to the companies' strategy and the most relevant and material ESG risks and issues to which they are exposed.

The sub-fund limits its choice of investments to securities included in the universe defined above; investments in securities of companies whose activity consists in the manufacture, use or holding of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions and depleted uranium ammunition and armour are therefore excluded.

In the event that an issuer's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Compact non-compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the issuer emerges, the Manager will realise the investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months.

#### Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described below and in the section "Investment selection methodology" above:

- (i) Exclusion filter based on compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- (ii) Exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- (iii) Quantitative ESG ("best-in-class") approach: governance criteria in the broad sense and corporate governance criteria in particular are an integral part of the "best-in-class" exercise, which uses external ESG ratings to define the eligible universe.
- (iv) Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

#### Examples of selection criteria for sustainable investments

Companies with material exposure to tobacco are excluded from the investment portfolio. Tobacco is first and foremost a controversial subject because of the considerable negative impact that its consumption has on human health, while tobacco cultivation appears to provide very few societal or environmental benefits.





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The Manager has decided to exclude not only tobacco producers but also the entire tobacco supply chain from the investment portfolio. In practice, the Manager excludes all tobacco producers and all tobacco suppliers, distributors and retailers from the exposure thresholds as a percentage of sales, as defined in the policy on controversial activities mentioned above.

- Companies with material exposure to gambling are excluded from the investment portfolio. Gambling is
  considered a controversial activity, mainly because of the addiction problems and the risk of personal
  bankruptcy associated with it. The Manager systematically excludes from the investment portfolio all
  companies exposed to gambling products and services above the sales exposure threshold as defined in the
  controversial activities policy mentioned above.
- Companies with material exposure to thermal coal are excluded from the investment portfolio. Coal-fired power generation is a major emitter of greenhouse gases, and in the light of climate change and the Paris Agreement, the Manager recognises that the continued use of thermal coal is hardly compatible with a sustainable future. Consequently, the Manager has decided to exclude from the investment portfolio all companies involved in activities related to thermal coal mining, or which have plans to expand assets related to thermal coal mining, as defined in the controversial activities policy mentioned above.

### **Financial derivative instruments**

The financial derivatives employed will not be used for the purpose of achieving the sustainable investment objective described above.

### Company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria. The Manager uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global sustainability criteria, or whether it does not.

### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website www.dpamfunds.com.

### **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

### Reference currency

EUR

#### Investment horizon

Minimum 3 years

### Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

### **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund.







Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
A	EUR	LU0130966863
В	EUR	LU0130967168
B CHF	CHF	LU0966591645
B LC	EUR	LU2170442946
B USD Hedged	USD	LU0664124400
E	EUR	LU0174537778
F	EUR	LU0174537935
F CHF	CHF	LU0966591728
F LC	EUR	LU2170443084
J	EUR	LU1518613770
L	EUR	LU0451522782
М	EUR	LU1518613853
N	EUR	LU1518613937
Р	EUR	LU0336683171
V	EUR	LU0966591991
W	EUR	LU0966592023

### Share classes offered for subscription

### Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before 3:00 p.m. on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than two Luxembourg business days from the applicable Valuation Day.

### Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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### FACT SHEET - DPAM L BONDS EUR SHORT TERM SUB-FUND

### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The investment objective is to offer investors, over a recommended investment period of more than 18 months, via an actively managed portfolio, exposure mainly to debt securities denominated in euro and which have a minimum investment grade rating. The objective is to outperform the benchmark as defined below.

### Investment policy

The Sub-fund will invest primarily in instruments whose issue rating (or that of the issuer where applicable) is at least BBB- (Standard & Poor's long-term rating or equivalent rating from another recognised rating agency) at the time of investment ("investment grade").

The OECD is the predominant geographical area for this Sub-fund. It may be exposed to non-OECD countries up to a maximum of 10% of the portfolio's net assets.

The fixed income portfolio is composed of corporate bonds and/or sovereign bonds of all ratings. The exposure to high yield securities or unrated securities will not exceed 15% of the net assets, while excluding ratings lower than or equal to B (Standard & Poor's long-term rating or equivalent rating from another recognised rating agency).

Investing in corporate bonds makes it possible to benefit from the improvement of the financial situation of the companies and also from the growth of the equity markets, and to outperform compared to the benchmark while controlling the diversification on credit risks.

In the event of a downgrade of a high yield security to a rating of B or below (Standard & Poor's long term rating or equivalent rating from another recognised rating agency) by all major rating agencies, the Manager is permitted to hold the investment (i) for a maximum of three months from the downgrade and (ii) provided it is not detrimental to the best interests of the shareholders.

The Sub-fund will invest in bonds with a minimum nominal size at issue of:

- EUR 500 million for investment grade bonds, and
- EUR 250 million for high yield bonds.

These limits will not apply to money market instruments.

The range of sensitivity to interest rate risk will vary between 1 and 2. Sensitivity measures the change in capital as a function of interest rates.

Portfolio construction follows a fundamental selection process with a clear focus on interest rate sensitivity and credit quality.

The Manager may enter into financial futures contracts traded on European and/or international regulated markets (outside the Eurozone and including emerging markets) in order to protect the Sub-fund's assets or to achieve its investment objective, through exposure to or hedging of the Sub-fund's bonds, as well as for the management of subscriptions and redemptions (adjustment of equity or bond positions due to dilution or revaluation).

These transactions will be carried out up to a maximum of one time the net assets in order to hedge and/or expose the portfolio to economic sectors, geographical areas, interest rates, securities and similar securities or indices, and to hedge the portfolio against currency risk (hedging only).

Up to 30% of the Sub-fund may be exposed to currency risk.

The Sub-fund may, subject to a limit of 10% of its net assets, invest in UCIs (UCITS and/or other UCIs, including exchange-traded funds (ETFs)) either for the purpose of pursuing its principal investment policy, or to place its liquid

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assets (in which case the Sub-fund then invests (i) in monetary UCIs and/or (ii) in UCIs which invest in debt securities with a residual term, at the time of acquisition, not exceeding 12 months and/or the interest rate of which is adjusted at least once per year).

The Sub-fund will not invest in subordinated bonds but may invest in money market instruments.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

### Benchmark

Benchmark index: 20% €STR + 80% IBOX Euro Corporate 1-3 years (hereinafter the "index" or "benchmark")

The index is a composite index combining the €STR and the IBOX Euro Corporate 1-3 year index. It is expressed in euros.

- The iBoxx Euro Corporate 1-3 year Index is composed of investment grade bonds with maturities ranging from 1 to 3 years issued by companies in the Eurozone and denominated in euro.
- The €STR (Euro Short-Term Rate) index is the weighted average of the overnight transactions above €1 million in unsecured money market loans by the most active banks in the Eurozone. It is calculated by the European Central Bank from actual transaction data provided by a sample of the largest banks in the Eurozone and published on www.ecb.europa.eu.

### Use of the index:

- to compare performance
- to calculate the performance fee

The index is not aligned with the promotion of the environmental and social aspects of the sub-fund. Please refer to the section "Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency", "Investment Strategy" below for an explanation of how the sub-fund promotes environmental and social features.

### Level of deviation of the portfolio's composition from the index:

The sub-fund is actively managed, which means that the Manager does not aim to replicate the performance of the benchmark. The selection and weighting of the assets in the sub-fund's portfolio may differ significantly from the composition of the benchmark.

### Additional information on the index

Investors should refer to the chapter "BENCHMARK" in the main part of the Prospectus for further information on the index.

### Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics, as defined by SFDR, through a rigorous methodology (see section "ESG investment selection methodology" below) aimed at defending fundamental rights, not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and to promote best practices and best efforts with respect to ESG characteristics.

The promotion of environmental and social characteristics applies to the entire portfolio with the exception of cash, potential derivatives, undertakings for collective investment and issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

Finally, the sub-fund also has strong ESG integration, consisting of the consideration – flexibly according to the material challenges of the sectors of activity – of several ESG criteria. Please refer to the "Investment Strategy" section below for a description of this "ESG integration" approach and the criteria it covers.





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The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

### No sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund does not have a sustainable investment objective within the meaning of the SFDR.

Nevertheless, the sub-fund aims to apply a precautionary principle so as not to "cause significant harm" to the environment or society. In doing so, the sub-fund applies the Manager's controversial activities policy for "conventional" strategies as detailed in the section "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" below and available at www.dpamfunds.com (Controversial Activities Policy). The sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not meet the Global Standards described below or in companies with controversies that are deemed to be extremely serious.

The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

### **Investment Strategy**

### Methodology for selecting ESG investments:

The sub-fund applies (i) binding investment restrictions in terms of company exposure to certain controversial activities and behaviours and (ii) a non-binding "ESG integration" investment approach:

- i) The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) securities which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) securities involved in controversial activities, and (c) securities involved in extremely serious controversies:
  - a) Portfolio compliance with the **Global Standards** described below: the sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the Guiding Principles, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties, at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being downgraded to non-compliant status, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy, which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision;
  - b) Exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: The sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal. These exclusions apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

These exclusions are set out in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy")).







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c) The portfolio's exposure to **extremely serious ESG controversies**: Companies facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being exposed to an extremely serious controversy, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision;

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

- ii) The ESG integration approach consists of a flexible consideration of the following criteria:
  - a. The portfolio's exposure to ESG controversies, other than extremely serious controversies (which are formally excluded as in (i) above), i.e. controversies relating to a company's environmental or social impact or governance practices. The Managers is informed of the sub-fund's potential exposure to companies involved in ESG controversies, and is encouraged (but not formally constrained) to limit the sub-fund's investments in these companies as much as possible;
  - b. the ESG rating of the portfolio based on the ESG ratings of the companies held, provided by nonfinancial rating agencies;
  - c. the carbon intensity of the portfolio;
  - d. generally speaking, sector analysts take into account the most material and relevant ESG elements and information in their research and investment recommendations and the Manager integrates (without formal exclusions) these material elements and issues in their investment decisions.

The Manager intends to maintain flexibility in the consideration of the four criteria outlined in the ESG integration section above. These criteria therefore do not lead to any formal or systematic exclusion (without prejudice to the exclusions arising from the controversial activities policy listed in point (i) above).

### Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria, which are an integral part of active shareholding, engagement and responsible and sustainable investment policies, are included in the investment decision process through the various steps described in the "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" section above:

- i) Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- ii) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- iii) Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.
- iv) The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").







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### Examples of exclusion criteria:

- Example of exclusion based on the Global Standards: serious violation of labour rights in the supply chain.
- Example of exclusion based on companies involved in controversial activities: material exposure to tobacco i.e. tobacco producers and tobacco suppliers, distributors and retailers from the exposure thresholds as a percentage of sales, as defined in the policy on controversial activities which is available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy").
- Example of exclusion on the basis of extremely serious ESG controversies: repeated anti-competitive practices with no sign of corrective and/or preventive measures.

### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.

### Company in charge of the evaluation of ESG criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of ESG selection criteria. The Manager uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global ESG criteria, or whether it does not.

### **Further information:**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u>.

### **Pre-contractual information**

### At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

### Reference currency

EUR

### Investment horizon

Minimum 18 months

### Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

### **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.





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### Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
A	EUR	LU2393768861
В	EUR	LU2393768945
E	EUR	LU2393769083
F	EUR	LU2393769166
J	EUR	LU2393769240
L	EUR	LU2393769323
М	EUR	LU2393769596
N	EUR	LU2393769679
Р	EUR	LU2393769919
V	EUR	LU2393769752
W	EUR	LU2393769836

### Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before **12:00 noon** one business day preceding the Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

### Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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### FACT SHEET - DPAM L BONDS GOVERNMENT GLOBAL SUB-FUND

### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The objective of the Sub-fund is to offer investors, through active portfolio management, exposure to bonds of OECD member states, government agencies, local authorities established within an OECD member country or supranational bodies and with an investment grade rating.

### Investment policy

At least two thirds of the sub-fund's net assets will be invested in:

- bonds and equivalent securities denominated in currencies of OECD member States, and/or
- issued by or guaranteed by an OECD member State, government agencies or local authorities established in an OECD member State or by supranational bodies, and
- at the time of their acquisition, having a long-term "investment grade" rating (i.e. minimum Baa3/BBBgranted by at least one of the three leading ratings agencies, i.e. Moody's, S&P & Fitch)

The Sub-fund may also invest in all types of eligible financial assets (i.e. other bonds, money market instruments, term deposits) in accordance with the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus, either to pursue its investment policy or to invest its liquidity.

The Sub-fund may invest up to 30% of its net assets in securities traded on the Chinese interbank bond market through the Bond Connect programme.

The sub-fund will not invest more than 10% of its net assets in UCITS or UCIs.

The Sub-fund may, subject to the legal limits, invest in listed derivative products (in particular options and futures) and/or over-the-counter products such as forward transactions (forwards and/or non-deliverable forwards), swaps (such as credit default swaps or interest rate swaps) in order to achieve the investment objectives and for risk hedging purposes.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

The Sub-fund will not invest in ABS ("Asset Backed Securities") or MBS ("Mortgage Backed Securities") or equivalent securities.

### Benchmark

**Benchmark index:** Bloomberg Barclays Global Developed Treasuries GDP Weighted Index (hereinafter the "index" or "benchmark")

### Use of the index:

to compare performance

The index is not aligned with the promotion of the environmental and social aspects of the sub-fund. Please refer to the section "Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency", "Investment Strategy" below for an explanation of how the sub-fund promotes environmental and social features.





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### Level of deviation of the portfolio's composition from the index:

The sub-fund is actively managed, which means that the Manager does not aim to replicate the performance of the benchmark. The selection and weighting of the assets in the sub-fund's portfolio may differ significantly from the composition of the benchmark.

### Additional information on the index

Investors should refer to the chapter "BENCHMARK" in the main part of the Prospectus for further information on the index.

### Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics, as defined by SFDR. This promotion consists of the exclusion of countries that do not respect a minimum of democratic requirements.

The promotion of environmental and social characteristics applies to the entire portfolio with the exception of cash, potential derivatives, undertakings for collective investment and issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

### No sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund does not have a sustainable investment objective within the meaning of the SFDR.

Nevertheless, the sub-fund aims to apply a precautionary principle so as not to "cause significant harm" to the environment or society. To do this, the sub-fund has an exclusion policy:

The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

#### **Investment Strategy**

#### Methodology for selecting ESG investments:

**Exclusion of countries that do not meet minimum democratic requirements:** the sub-fund does not invest in countries that do not meet minimum democratic requirements. To determine whether a country does not meet this minimum, the Manager applies a methodology that is mainly based on the classifications of the International NGO Freedom House ("not free") and The Economist Intelligence Unit ("authoritarian regime").

This exclusion and the underlying methodology are detailed in the Manager's Sustainable and Responsible Investment Policy which is available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Sustainable & Responsible Investment Policy").

This exclusion applies both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio. In the event that a country is downgraded, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the sub-fund's shareholders within three months.





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### Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria such as the electoral process, civil liberties, national and local democratic governance are included in the models used by the International NGO Freedom House and the Economist Intelligence Unit.

#### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.

### Company in charge of the evaluation of ESG criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of ESG selection criteria. The Manager uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global ESG criteria, or whether it does not.

### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website www.dpamfunds.com.

### **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

#### **Reference currency**

EUR

Investment horizon

Minimum 2 years

Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

### **Risk factors**

Investors are invited to refer to the chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of this Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund, and in particular the section relating to the specific risks associated with Bond Connect.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

#### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.







### Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
А	EUR	LU1515111984
A EUR Hedged	EUR	LU1554272135
В	EUR	LU1515112016
B EUR Hedged	EUR	LU1554272218
E	EUR	LU1515112107
E EUR Hedged	EUR	LU1554272309
F	EUR	LU1515112289
F EUR Hedged	EUR	LU1554272481
J	EUR	LU1515112446
J EUR Hedged	EUR	LU1867711415
L	EUR	LU2648612682
М	EUR	LU1515112529
M EUR Hedged	EUR	LU1867711506
Ν	EUR	LU1515112792
N EUR Hedged	EUR	LU1867711761
Р	EUR	LU1515112875
P EUR Hedged	EUR	LU1554272721
V	EUR	LU1515112958
W	EUR	LU1515113097

### Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before **3:00 p.m.** on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

### Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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### FACT SHEET - DPAM L BONDS GOVERNMENT SUSTAINABLE SUB-FUND

The DPAM L BONDS GOVERNMENT SUSTAINABLE sub-fund will be merged into the DPAM L BONDS GOVERNMENT SUSTAINABLE HEDGED sub-fund on 31 January 2024. As a result, this sub-fund will cease to exist from 1 February 2024 and will be withdrawn in a later version of the SICAV's prospectus.

### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The objective of the sub-fund is to offer investors exposure, through an actively managed portfolio, to debt securities issued or guaranteed by OECD Member States, including their public regional authorities, or certain international public bodies selected on the basis of sustainable development criteria.

The sub-fund has a sustainable investment objective according to SFDR.

The sustainability approach is based on the following threefold commitment: (1) defend fundamental rights, (2) not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and (3) to promote best practices and best efforts with regard to sustainability.

### **Investment policy**

The sub-fund invests mainly in bonds and/or other fixed or floating rate debt securities, issued (or guaranteed) by an OECD Member State (including its regional public authorities) or international public bodies to which one or more OECD Member States belong and selected on the basis of sustainable development criteria, such as social equity, respect for the environment and socially equitable political and economic governance.

The Sub-fund may invest, on an ancillary basis, in money market instruments (such as, for example, treasury bills) in accordance with the conditions and limits set out in the main part of this prospectus, either to pursue its investment policy or to invest its cash.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

The sub-fund may, subject to a limit of 10% of its net assets, invest in UCIs (UCITS and/or other UCIs, including exchange-traded funds (ETFs)) either for the purpose of pursuing its principal investment policy, or to place its cash resources (in which case the sub-fund then invests (i) in monetary UCIs and/or (ii) in UCIs which invest in debt securities with a residual term, at the time of acquisition, not exceeding 12 months and/or the interest rate of which is adjusted at least once per year).

The Sub-fund may, subject to the legal limits, invest in listed derivative products (in particular options and futures) and/or over-the-counter products such as forward transactions (forwards and/or non-deliverable forwards), swaps (such as credit default swaps or interest rate swaps) in order to achieve the investment objectives and for risk hedging purposes.

The sub-fund will not invest in ABS («Asset Backed Securities») or MBS («Mortgage Backed Securities»).

### Benchmark

### Benchmark index: n/a

The sub-fund is actively managed and no benchmark is used.





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### Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

### Promotion of sustainable investment objectives

The promotion of environmental and social objectives is carried out through a rigorous process as described in the investment selection methodology below.

The assets are invested according to the following triple commitment, adapted to the context of sovereign issuers:

- i) defend fundamental rights,
- ii) not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments,
- iii) to promote best practices and best efforts with regard to sustainability.

The assets therefore meet the following criteria:

- exclusion of countries whose violation of international treaties is formally recognised by several international governance bodies;
- exclusion of countries with an insufficient sustainability score based on a proprietary sustainability model.

Based on country-specific sustainability challenges and with the assistance of external experts, the proprietary sustainability model focuses on environmental, social and governance challenges, based on various sustainable dimensions such as:

- i) transparency & democratic values,
- ii) environment,
- iii) education and innovation,
- iv) population, health care & wealth distribution.

The 17 sustainable development objectives are reflected in the individual criteria spread across the different dimensions, so as to integrate the contribution to a positive impact in environmental terms (access to drinking water and water purification, use of renewable energies, responsible consumption, combating climate change, protection of aquatic and terrestrial fauna and flora) and social terms (eradication of poverty, combating hunger, access to healthcare, access to quality education and reduction of social inequalities) through investments in sovereign debt.

The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

### No significant harm to the sustainable investment objective

The portfolio holdings aim not to cause significant harm to other sustainable investment objectives in the following ways. The investment process of the sub-fund follows a rigorous multi-stage ESG screening process, as described in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment and in the sections "Investment strategy" and "Investment selection methodology" below.

Through a combination of screening, qualitative ESG analysis and engagement with countries as described below, the portfolio aims to reduce the potential negative impact of its investments and maximise its net positive impact by investing in solutions to sustainability issues.





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### **Investment Strategy**

#### Investment selection methodology

The criteria which the countries must meet in order to be included in the investment universe are determined through independent external research and/or internal research at the Manager. These selection criteria are as follows:

- Exclusion filter based on violation of international treaties: countries whose violation of international treaties is formally recognised by several major international bodies are excluded from the universe eligible for investment.
- Analysis and rating of the country's sustainability profile using a proprietary sustainability model: the Manager, via its Country Sustainability Advisory Board, focuses on environmental, social and governance challenges through sustainability dimensions such as transparency, environment, education, etc. and the related sustainability criteria.

The sustainability review is characterised by the use of criteria that governments can use to influence their policy (government, authorities, law), avoiding criteria related to the geography or population density of the country. The model is quantitative, tracking a country's current performance, which provides comparable data and does not rely solely on treaties, as these do not guarantee real commitment. Similarly, no data are used on the basis of future promises (political, etc.).

- Sustainability dimensions are based on questions such as:
  - (i) transparency and democratic values: corruption index, press freedom, security, women's rights, ...;
  - (ii) environment: GHG emissions, CO2 emissions, biodiversity, energy efficiency, etc.;
  - (iii) education and innovation: expenditure on education, participation at different levels of education;
  - (iv) population, health care & wealth distribution: GINI index, health expenditure, income distribution, poverty.
- On the basis of some sixty indicators from government databases, international government agencies, etc., countries are evaluated against each other and given a score between 0 and 100.

The sub-fund pursues a sustainable objective

- by investing only in the highest-ranked countries (top 50% with scores rounded up), the subfund invests in countries that demonstrate the greatest commitment to sustainable development on governance, environmental and social issues. The framework provides for a transition mechanism in the event that a country is downgraded when the classification is updated.
- in terms of the environment, it targets a lower greenhouse gas emissions intensity (scope 1, 2 and 3/GDP million euros) than its reference universe, as defined by SFDR.
- in terms of governance, on the one hand, by defending democratic requirements and by excluding countries that do not respect international treaties and, on the other hand, by aiming for a weighted democracy score of the portfolio that is higher than that of the reference universe. The Freedom House score is the aggregate of the "civil liberties" and "political rights" scores. It ranges from 0 to 100. The sub-fund aims for a weighted average portfolio score that is higher than the weighted average score of the reference universe.

The analysis of these data is based on a variety of data sources, including data from issuers and external data providers. Different regions and asset classes present different challenges in terms of the quality

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and coverage of the data that need to be taken into account, especially in emerging markets. Investors should be aware that some data sets are based on modelled data rather than reported data. The indicators used, like any other quantitative or qualitative model, are inherent to model risk and may fail to capture anticipated changes in the sustainability risk profile of issuers.

The Manager's engagement policy helps promote good practices on governance, environmental and social issues with the various issuers. This policy is available at: <a href="http://www.dpamfunds.com">www.dpamfunds.com</a> ("Engagement policy").

### Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria are included in the investment decision process through the criteria retained in the "transparency and democratic values" pillar, which are based on the World Bank's governance indicators. These are based on six dimensions of governance:

- i. voice and responsibility,
- ii. political stability and absence of violence,
- iii. effectiveness of government,
- iv. quality of regulations,
- v. rule of law,
- vi. control of corruption.

These aggregate indicators combine the views of a large number of companies, citizens and experts who responded to surveys in both industrialised and developing countries. The data are based on over 30 individual data sources produced by various survey institutes, think tanks, non-governmental organisations, international organisations and private sector companies.

### Examples of selection criteria for sustainable investments

- The Inequality Index, published by the UNDP, tends to assess this global problem by measuring the loss of success due to gender inequality in three dimensions (labour market, health and empowerment).
- The importance of marine and terrestrial protected areas in relation to a country's total land area, as published by the World Bank, demonstrates the country's commitment to protecting its biodiversity.
- The GINI coefficient estimates income equality within a country. While not a perfect measure, it remains an important indicator of inequality within a population. This indicator needs to be complemented by other factors to assess different aspects of inequality, in particular the share of total income earned by the top 20% of earners with the total earned by the lowest earners or the poverty line.

### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.

### Company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria. The Manager uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global sustainability criteria, or whether it does not.

### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website www.dpamfunds.com.





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### **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

### Reference currency

EUR

Investment horizon

Minimum 3 years

Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

### **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

### Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
A	EUR	LU2098852804
В	EUR	LU2098852986
B CHF	CHF	LU2098853018
B LC	EUR	LU2170443167
E	EUR	LU2098853109
F	EUR	LU2098853281
F CHF	CHF	LU2098853364
F LC	EUR	LU2170443241
J	EUR	LU2098853448
L	EUR	LU2098853521
M	EUR	LU2098853794
N	EUR	LU2098853877
Р	EUR	LU2098853950
V	EUR	LU2098854099
W	EUR	LU2098854172
Z	EUR	LU2098854255





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### Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before **3:00 p.m.** on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

### Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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### FACT SHEET - DPAM L BONDS GOVERNMENT SUSTAINABLE HEDGED SUB-FUND

The DPAM L BONDS GOVERNMENT SUSTAINABLE HEDGED sub-fund will be renamed DPAM L BONDS GOVERNMENT SUSTAINABLE on 31 January 2024.

### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The objective of the sub-fund is to offer investors exposure, through an actively managed portfolio, to debt securities issued or guaranteed by OECD Member States, including their public regional authorities, or certain international public bodies selected on the basis of sustainable development criteria.

The sub-fund has a sustainable investment objective according to SFDR.

The sustainability approach is based on the following threefold commitment: (1) defend fundamental rights, (2) not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and (3) to promote best practices and best efforts with regard to sustainability.

### Investment policy

The sub-fund invests mainly in bonds and/or other fixed or floating rate debt securities, issued (or guaranteed) by an OECD Member State (including its regional public authorities) or international public bodies to which one or more OECD Member States belong and selected on the basis of sustainable development criteria, such as social equity, respect for the environment and socially equitable political and economic governance.

The Sub-fund may invest, on an ancillary basis, in money market instruments (such as, for example, treasury bills) in accordance with the conditions and limits set out in the main part of this prospectus, either to pursue its investment policy or to invest its cash.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

The sub-fund may, subject to a limit of 10% of its net assets, invest in UCIs (UCITS and/or other UCIs, including exchange-traded funds (ETFs)) either for the purpose of pursuing its principal investment policy, or to place its cash resources (in which case the sub-fund then invests (i) in monetary UCIs and/or (ii) in UCIs which invest in debt securities with a residual term, at the time of acquisition, not exceeding 12 months and/or the interest rate of which is adjusted at least once per year).

The Sub-fund may, subject to the legal limits, invest in listed derivative products (in particular options and futures) and/or over-the-counter products such as forward transactions (forwards and/or non-deliverable forwards), swaps (such as credit default swaps or interest rate swaps) in order to achieve the investment objectives and for risk hedging purposes.

The sub-fund will not invest in ABS («Asset Backed Securities») or MBS («Mortgage Backed Securities»).

### The sub-fund is subject to foreign exchange risk hedging of the currency of investments relative to the EUR. (This paragraph will no longer apply from 31 January 2024)

Benchmark

Benchmark index: n/a

The sub-fund is actively managed and no benchmark is used.





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### Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

### Promotion of sustainable investment objectives

The promotion of environmental and social objectives is carried out through a rigorous process as described in the investment selection methodology below.

The assets are invested according to the following triple commitment, adapted to the context of sovereign issuers:

- i) defend fundamental rights,
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- iii) to promote best practices and best efforts with regard to sustainability.

The assets therefore meet the following criteria:

- exclusion of countries whose violation of international treaties is formally recognised by several international governance bodies;
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Based on country-specific sustainability challenges and with the assistance of external experts, the proprietary sustainability model focuses on environmental, social and governance challenges, based on various sustainable dimensions such as:

- i) transparency & democratic values,
- ii) environment,
- iii) education and innovation,
- iv) population, health care & wealth distribution.

The 17 sustainable development objectives are reflected in the individual criteria spread across the different dimensions, so as to integrate the contribution to a positive impact in environmental terms (access to drinking water and water purification, use of renewable energies, responsible consumption, combating climate change, protection of aquatic and terrestrial fauna and flora) and social terms (eradication of poverty, combating hunger, access to healthcare, access to quality education and reduction of social inequalities) through investments in sovereign debt.

The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

### No significant harm to the sustainable investment objective

The portfolio holdings aim not to cause significant harm to other sustainable investment objectives in the following ways. The investment process of the sub-fund follows a rigorous multi-stage ESG screening process, as described in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment and in the sections "Investment strategy" and "Investment selection methodology" below.

Through a combination of screening, qualitative ESG analysis and engagement with countries as described below, the portfolio aims to reduce the potential negative impact of its investments and maximise its net positive impact by investing in solutions to sustainability issues.





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### **Investment Strategy**

#### Investment selection methodology

The criteria which the countries must meet in order to be included in the investment universe are determined through independent external research and/or internal research at the Manager. These selection criteria are as follows:

- Exclusion filter based on violation of international treaties: countries whose violation of international treaties is formally recognised by several major international bodies are excluded from the universe eligible for investment.
- Analysis and rating of the country's sustainability profile using a proprietary sustainability model: the Manager, via its Country Sustainability Advisory Board, focuses on environmental, social and governance challenges through sustainability dimensions such as transparency, environment, education, etc. and the related sustainability criteria.

The sustainability review is characterised by the use of criteria that governments can use to influence their policy (government, authorities, law), avoiding criteria related to the geography or population density of the country. The model is quantitative, tracking a country's current performance, which provides comparable data and does not rely solely on treaties, as these do not guarantee real commitment. Similarly, no data are used on the basis of future promises (political, etc.).

- Sustainability dimensions are based on questions such as:
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  - (iii) education and innovation: expenditure on education, participation at different levels of education;
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- On the basis of some sixty indicators from government databases, international government agencies, etc., countries are evaluated against each other and given a score between 0 and 100.

The sub-fund pursues a sustainable objective

- by investing only in the highest-ranked countries (top 50% with scores rounded up), the subfund invests in countries that demonstrate the greatest commitment to sustainable development on governance, environmental and social issues. The framework provides for a transition mechanism in the event that a country is downgraded when the classification is updated.
- in terms of the environment, it targets a lower greenhouse gas emissions intensity (scope 1, 2 and 3/GDP million euros) than its reference universe, as defined by SFDR.
- in terms of governance, on the one hand, by defending democratic requirements and by excluding countries that do not respect international treaties and, on the other hand, by aiming for a weighted democracy score of the portfolio that is higher than that of the reference universe. The Freedom House score is the aggregate of the "civil liberties" and "political rights" scores. It ranges from 0 to 100. The sub-fund aims for a weighted average portfolio score that is higher than the weighted average score of the reference universe.

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and coverage of the data that need to be taken into account, especially in emerging markets. Investors should be aware that some data sets are based on modelled data rather than reported data. The indicators used, like any other quantitative or qualitative model, are inherent to model risk and may fail to capture anticipated changes in the sustainability risk profile of issuers.

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### Good governance criteria

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- iii. effectiveness of government,
- iv. quality of regulations,
- v. rule of law,
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These aggregate indicators combine the views of a large number of companies, citizens and experts who responded to surveys in both industrialised and developing countries. The data are based on over 30 individual data sources produced by various survey institutes, think tanks, non-governmental organisations, international organisations and private sector companies.

### Examples of selection criteria for sustainable investments

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- The GINI coefficient estimates income equality within a country. While not a perfect measure, it remains an important indicator of inequality within a population. This indicator needs to be complemented by other factors to assess different aspects of inequality, in particular the share of total income earned by the top 20% of earners with the total earned by the lowest earners or the poverty line.

#### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.

### Company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria. The Manager uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global sustainability criteria, or whether it does not.

#### **Further information**







More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website www.dpamfunds.com.

### **Pre-contractual information**

### At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

### Reference currency

EUR

Investment horizon

Minimum 3 years

Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

### **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

### Share classes offered for subscription

The following share classes are currently offered for subscription.

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
A	EUR	LU0336683411
В	EUR	LU0336683502
E	EUR	LU0336683684
F	EUR	LU0336683767
J	EUR	LU1518615049
L	EUR	LU0451523590
М	EUR	LU1518615122
N	EUR	LU1518615395
Р	EUR	LU0336683841
V	EUR	LU0966593856
W	EUR	LU0966593930
Z	EUR	LU1175259610







### On the merger date i.e. **31 January 2024** the sub-fund's share classes will be renamed as follows:

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
A EUR Hedged	EUR	LU0336683411
B EUR Hedged	EUR	LU0336683502
E EUR Hedged	EUR	LU0336683684
F EUR Hedged	EUR	LU0336683767
J EUR Hedged	EUR	LU1518615049
L EUR Hedged	EUR	LU0451523590
M EUR Hedged	EUR	LU1518615122
N EUR Hedged	EUR	LU1518615395
P EUR Hedged	EUR	LU0336683841
V EUR Hedged	EUR	LU0966593856
W EUR Hedged	EUR	LU0966593930
Z EUR Hedged	EUR	LU1175259610

Following the merger, i.e. **31 January 2024** the following share classes will be offered to investors:

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
A	EUR	LU2098852804
A EUR Hedged	EUR	LU0336683411
В	EUR	LU2098852986
B BIS CHF Hedged	CHF	LU2648636863
B CHF	CHF	LU2098853018
B EUR Hedged	EUR	LU0336683502
B LC	EUR	LU2170443167
E	EUR	LU2098853109
E EUR Hedged	EUR	LU0336683684
F	EUR	LU2098853281
F BIS CHF Hedged	CHF	LU2648636947
F CHF	CHF	LU2098853364
F EUR Hedged	EUR	LU0336683767
F LC	EUR	LU2170443241
J	EUR	LU2098853448
J EUR Hedged	EUR	LU1518615049
L	EUR	LU2098853521
L EUR Hedged	EUR	LU0451523590
Μ	EUR	LU2098853794
M EUR Hedged	EUR	LU1518615122
N	EUR	LU2098853877
N EUR Hedged	EUR	LU1518615395
Р	EUR	LU2098853950
P EUR Hedged	EUR	LU0336683841
V	EUR	LU2098854099
V EUR Hedged	EUR	LU0966593856
W	EUR	LU2098854172





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Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
W BIS CHF Hedged	CHF	LU2648637085
W EUR Hedged	EUR	LU0966593930
Z	EUR	LU2098854255
Z EUR Hedged	EUR	LU1175259610

### Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before **3:00 p.m.** on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

### Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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### FACT SHEET - DPAM L BONDS HIGHER YIELD SUB-FUND

### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The objective of the sub-fund is to offer investors, by means of active portfolio management, exposure to debt securities which offer a higher yield than bonds issued by the German State, including its Federal entities ("Länder").

### Investment policy

The sub-fund invests mainly in fixed or floating rate bonds and/or other debt securities (including, but not limited to, perpetual notes and structured products), denominated in any currency, issued by (public and/or private) issuers from anywhere in the world and offering a higher return that bonds issued by the German government, including its federal entities (Länder).

The Sub-fund may invest in convertible bonds (up to a maximum of 25% of its net assets) and/or in shares or other equity securities (in a maximum amount of 10% of its net assets).

The Sub-fund may invest up to 30% of its net assets in securities traded in the Chinese interbank bond market through the Bond Connect program.

Structured products are held directly and may not exceed 20% of the net assets of the sub-fund.

The Sub-fund may invest, on an ancillary basis, in money market instruments (such as, for example, certificates of deposit, commercial paper, promissory notes and/or treasury bills) in accordance with the conditions and limits set out in the main part of this Prospectus, either to pursue its investment policy or to invest its liquid assets.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

The sub-fund may, subject to a limit of 10% of its net assets, invest in UCIs (UCITS and/or other UCIs, including exchange-traded funds (ETFs)) either for the purpose of pursuing its principal investment policy, or to place its cash resources (in which case the sub-fund then invests (i) in monetary UCIs and/or (ii) in UCIs which invest in debt securities with a residual term, at the time of acquisition, not exceeding 12 months and/or the interest rate of which is adjusted at least once per year).

The Sub-fund may, subject to the legal limits, invest in listed derivative products (in particular options and futures) and/or over-the-counter products such as forward transactions (forwards and/or non-deliverable forwards), swaps (such as credit default swaps or interest rate swaps) in order to achieve the investment objectives and for risk hedging purposes.

The Sub-fund may invest up to 10% of its net assets in contingent convertible bonds ("CoCo bonds").

The sub-fund will not invest in ABS ("Asset Backed Securities") or MBS ("Mortgage Backed Securities").

### Benchmark

#### Benchmark index: n/a

The sub-fund is actively managed and no benchmark is used.

### Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics, as defined by SFDR, through a rigorous methodology (see section "ESG investment selection methodology" below) aimed at defending fundamental rights, not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and to promote best practices and best efforts with respect to ESG characteristics.







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The promotion of environmental and social characteristics applies to the entire portfolio with the exception of cash, potential derivatives, undertakings for collective investment and issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

Finally, the sub-fund also has strong ESG integration, consisting of the consideration – flexibly according to the material challenges of the sectors of activity – of several ESG criteria. Please refer to the "Investment Strategy" section below for a description of this "ESG integration" approach and the criteria it covers.

The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

### No sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund does not have a sustainable investment objective within the meaning of the SFDR.

Nevertheless, the sub-fund aims to apply a precautionary principle so as not to "cause significant harm" to the environment or society. In doing so, the sub-fund applies the Manager's controversial activities policy for "conventional" strategies as detailed in the section "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" below and available at www.dpamfunds.com (Controversial Activities Policy). The sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not meet the Global Standards described below or in companies with controversies that are deemed to be extremely serious.

The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

### **Investment Strategy**

### Methodology for selecting ESG investments:

The sub-fund applies (i) binding investment restrictions in terms of company exposure to certain controversial activities and behaviours and (ii) a non-binding "ESG integration" investment approach:

- i) The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) securities which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) securities involved in controversial activities, and (c) securities involved in extremely serious controversies:
  - a) Portfolio compliance with the **Global Standards** described below: the sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the Guiding Principles, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties, at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being downgraded to non-compliant status, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy, which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision;
  - b) Exclusion of companies involved in **controversial activities:** the sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions,





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depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal. These exclusions apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

These exclusions are detailed in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

c) Portfolio exposure to **extremely serious ESG controversies**: companies facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being exposed to an extremely serious controversy, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

- ii) The ESG integration approach consists of a flexible consideration of the following criteria:
  - a. the portfolio's exposure to ESG controversies, other than extremely serious controversies (which are formally excluded as in (i) above), i.e. controversies relating to a company's environmental or social impact or governance practices. The Managers is informed of the sub-fund's potential exposure to companies involved in ESG controversies, and is encouraged (but not formally constrained) to limit the sub-fund's investments in these companies as much as possible;
  - b. the ESG rating of the portfolio based on the ESG ratings of the companies held, provided by nonfinancial rating agencies;
  - c. the carbon intensity of the portfolio;
  - d. generally speaking, sector analysts take into account the most material and relevant ESG elements and information in their research and investment recommendations and the Manager integrates (without formal exclusions) these material elements and issues in their investment decisions.

The Manager intends to maintain flexibility in the consideration of the four criteria outlined in section (ii) ESG integration above. These criteria therefore do not lead to any formal or systematic exclusion (without prejudice to the exclusions arising from the controversial activities policy listed in point (i) above).

### Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria, which are an integral part of active shareholding, engagement and responsible and sustainable investment policies, are included in the investment decision process through the various steps described in the "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" section above:

- i) Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- ii) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.





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- iii) Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.
- iv) The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

### Examples of exclusion criteria

- Example of exclusion based on the Global Standards: serious violation of labour rights in the supply chain.
- Example of exclusion based on companies involved in controversial activities: material exposure to tobacco i.e. tobacco producers and tobacco suppliers, distributors and retailers from the exposure thresholds as a percentage of sales, as defined in the policy on controversial activities which is available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy").
- Example of exclusion on the basis of extremely serious ESG controversies: repeated anti-competitive practices with no sign of corrective and/or preventive measures.

### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.

### Company in charge of the evaluation of ESG criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of ESG selection criteria. The Manager uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global ESG criteria, or whether it does not.

### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u>.

### **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

### Reference currency

EUR

### Investment horizon

Minimum 5 years

### Risk management method

Commitment-based approach





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### **Risk factors**

Investors are invited to refer to the chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of this Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund, and in particular the section relating to the specific risks associated with Bond Connect.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
А	EUR	LU0138643902
В	EUR	LU0138645519
B CHF	CHF	LU0966593187
B LC	EUR	LU2170443670
E	EUR	LU0174544808
F	EUR	LU0174545367
F CHF	CHF	LU0966593260
F LC	EUR	LU2170443753
J	EUR	LU1518614588
L	EUR	LU0451523244
M	EUR	LU1518614661
N	EUR	LU1518614745
Р	EUR	LU0336682793
V	EUR	LU0966593344
W	EUR	LU0966593427

### Share classes offered for subscription

### Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before **3:00 p.m.** on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

### Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The objective of the sub-fund is to offer investors, by means of an active portfolio management, exposure to debt securities of issuers worldwide.

### Investment policy

The sub-fund invests mainly in fixed or floating rate bonds and/or other debt securities (including, but not limited to, perpetual notes and structured products), denominated in any currency and issued by (public and/or private) issuers worldwide.

The majority of these transferable securities or, failing this, the issuers, must have a minimum rating of BBB-/Baa3 ("investment grade") on the scales used by S&P and Moody's rating agencies.

The Sub-fund may invest in convertible bonds (up to a maximum of 25% of its net assets) and/or in shares or other equity securities (in a maximum amount of 10% of its net assets).

The Sub-fund may invest up to 30% of its net assets in securities traded in the Chinese interbank bond market through the Bond Connect program.

Structured products are held directly and may not exceed 20% of the net assets of the sub-fund.

The sub-fund may invest, on an ancillary basis, in money market instruments (such as, for example, certificates of deposit, commercial paper, promissory notes and/or treasury bills) in accordance with the conditions and limits set out in the main part of this prospectus, either to pursue its investment policy or to invest its cash.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

The sub-fund may, subject to a limit of 10% of its net assets, invest in UCIs (UCITS and/or other UCIs, including exchange-traded funds (ETFs)) either for the purpose of pursuing its principal investment policy, or to place its cash resources (in which case the sub-fund then invests (i) in monetary UCIs and/or (ii) in UCIs which invest in debt securities with a residual term, at the time of acquisition, not exceeding 12 months and/or the interest rate of which is adjusted at least once per year).

The Sub-fund may, subject to the legal limits, invest in listed derivative products (in particular options and futures) and/or over-the-counter products such as forward transactions (forwards and/or non-deliverable forwards), swaps (such as credit default swaps or interest rate swaps) in order to achieve the investment objectives and for risk hedging purposes.

The sub-fund will not invest in ABS ("Asset Backed Securities") or MBS ("Mortgage Backed Securities").

### Benchmark

### Benchmark index: n/a

The sub-fund is actively managed and no benchmark is used.

### Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics, as defined by SFDR, through a rigorous methodology (see section "ESG investment selection methodology" below) aimed at defending fundamental rights, not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and to promote best practices and best efforts with respect to ESG characteristics.





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The promotion of environmental and social characteristics applies to the entire portfolio with the exception of cash, potential derivatives, undertakings for collective investment and issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

Finally, the sub-fund also has strong ESG integration, consisting of the consideration – flexibly according to the material challenges of the sectors of activity – of several ESG criteria. Please refer to the "Investment Strategy" section below for a description of this "ESG integration" approach and the criteria it covers.

The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

### No sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund does not have a sustainable investment objective within the meaning of the SFDR.

Nevertheless, the sub-fund aims to apply a precautionary principle so as not to "cause significant harm" to the environment or society. In doing so, the sub-fund applies the Manager's controversial activities policy for "conventional" strategies as detailed in the section "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" below and available at www.dpamfunds.com (Controversial Activities Policy). The sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not meet the Global Standards described below or in companies with controversies that are deemed to be extremely serious.

The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

### **Investment Strategy**

### Methodology for selecting ESG investments:

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- i) The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) securities which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) securities involved in controversial activities, and (c) securities involved in extremely serious controversies:
  - a) Portfolio compliance with the **Global Standards** described below: the sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the Guiding Principles, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties, at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being downgraded to non-compliant status, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy, which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision;
  - b) Exclusion of companies involved in **controversial activities:** the sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions,





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depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal. These exclusions apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

These exclusions are detailed in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

c) Portfolio exposure to **extremely serious ESG controversies**: companies facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being exposed to an extremely serious controversy, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

- ii) The ESG integration approach consists of a flexible consideration of the following criteria:
  - a. the portfolio's exposure to ESG controversies, other than extremely serious controversies (which are formally excluded as in (i) above), i.e. controversies relating to a company's environmental or social impact or governance practices. The Managers is informed of the sub-fund's potential exposure to companies involved in ESG controversies, and is encouraged (but not formally constrained) to limit the sub-fund's investments in these companies as much as possible;
  - b. the ESG rating of the portfolio based on the ESG ratings of the companies held, provided by nonfinancial rating agencies;
  - c. the carbon intensity of the portfolio;
  - d. generally speaking, sector analysts take into account the most material and relevant ESG elements and information in their research and investment recommendations and the Manager integrates (without formal exclusions) these material elements and issues in their investment decisions.

The Manager intends to maintain flexibility in the consideration of the four criteria outlined in section (ii) ESG integration above. These criteria therefore do not lead to any formal or systematic exclusion (without prejudice to the exclusions arising from the controversial activities policy listed in point (i) above).

### Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria, which are an integral part of active shareholding, engagement and responsible and sustainable investment policies, are included in the investment decision process through the various steps described in the "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" section above:

- i) Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- ii) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- iii) Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.







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iv) The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

### Examples of exclusion criteria:

- Example of exclusion based on the Global Standards: serious violation of labour rights in the supply chain.
- Example of exclusion based on companies involved in controversial activities: material exposure to tobacco i.e. tobacco producers and tobacco suppliers, distributors and retailers from the exposure thresholds as a percentage of sales, as defined in the policy on controversial activities which is available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy").
- Example of exclusion on the basis of extremely serious ESG controversies: repeated anti-competitive practices with no sign of corrective and/or preventive measures.

### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.

### Company in charge of the evaluation of ESG criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of ESG selection criteria. The Manager uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global ESG criteria, or whether it does not.

### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u>.

### **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

### Reference currency

EUR

#### Investment horizon

Minimum 4 years

### Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

### **Risk factors**

Investors are invited to refer to the chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of this Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund, and in particular the section





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relating to the specific risks associated with Bond Connect.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

### Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Curren cy	ISIN Code
А	EUR	LU0138638068
В	EUR	LU0138643068
B CHF	CHF	LU0966592700
B LC	EUR	LU2170443837
E	EUR	LU0174543826
F	EUR	LU0174544550
F CHF	CHF	LU0966592882
F LC	EUR	LU2170443910
J	EUR	LU1518614158
L	EUR	LU0451522949
Μ	EUR	LU1518614232
N	EUR	LU1518614315
Р	EUR	LU0336682280
V	EUR	LU0966592965
W	EUR	LU0966593005

### Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before **3:00 p.m.** on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

### Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.







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### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The objective of the sub-fund is to offer investors, directly or indirectly, through investment in UCIs, and by means of active portfolio management, exposure to the equity securities of companies worldwide.

### Investment policy

The sub-fund invests mainly in shares and/or other securities giving access to capital and, on an ancillary basis, in fixed or floating rate bonds and/or debt securities of companies from any part of the world in compliance with the conditions and limits set out in the main part of this prospectus, either to pursue its investment policy or to invest its liquidities.

The sub-fund may, with view to investing its cash resources and subject to the provisions of the "Investment Restrictions" chapter of the Prospectus, invest in (i) monetary UCIs and/or (ii) in UCIs which invest in debt securities with a residual term, at the time of acquisition, not exceeding 12 months and/or the interest rate of which is adjusted at least once per year.

Within the limits of article 41 (2) of the Law of 2010 and subject to the applicable regulatory provisions, the subfund may invest in unlisted transferable securities and/or in open-end UCIs with a precious metals or commodities bias, provided these UCIs comply with the conditions laid down in article 41 (1), e) of the Law of 2010.

The Sub-fund may, subject to the legal limits, invest in listed derivative products (in particular options and futures) and/or over-the-counter products such as forward transactions (forwards and/or non-deliverable forwards), swaps (such as credit default swaps or interest rate swaps) in order to achieve the investment objectives and for risk hedging purposes.

The sub-fund may, subject to a limit of 10% of its net assets, invest in UCIs (UCITS and/or other UCIs, including exchange-traded funds (ETFs)) either for the purpose of pursuing its principal investment policy, or to place its cash resources (in which case the sub-fund then invests (i) in monetary UCIs and/or (ii) in UCIs which invest in debt securities with a residual term, at the time of acquisition, not exceeding 12 months and/or the interest rate of which is adjusted at least once per year).

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

### Benchmark

Benchmark index: MSCI Europe Net Return (hereinafter the "index" or "benchmark")

#### Use of the index:

- to compare performance
- to calculate the performance fee

The index is not aligned with the sustainable investment objective of the index. Please refer to the section "Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency", "Investment Strategy" below for an explanation of how the sub-fund's sustainable investment objective is achieved.

### Level of deviation of the portfolio's composition from the index:

The sub-fund is actively managed, which means that the Manager does not aim to replicate the performance of the benchmark. The selection and weighting of the assets in the sub-fund's portfolio may differ significantly from the composition of the benchmark.





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# Additional information on the index

Investors should refer to the chapter "BENCHMARK" in the main part of the Prospectus for further information on the index.

# Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics, as defined by SFDR, through a rigorous methodology (see section "ESG investment selection methodology" below) aimed at defending fundamental rights, not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and to promote best practices and best efforts with respect to ESG characteristics.

The promotion of environmental and social characteristics applies to the entire portfolio with the exception of cash, potential derivatives, undertakings for collective investment and issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

Finally, the sub-fund also has strong ESG integration, consisting of the consideration – flexibly according to the material challenges of the sectors of activity – of several ESG criteria. Please refer to the "Investment Strategy" section for a description of this "ESG integration" approach and the criteria it covers.

The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy" tab).

#### No sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund does not have a sustainable investment objective within the meaning of the SFDR.

Nevertheless, the sub-fund aims to apply a precautionary principle so as not to "cause significant harm" to the environment or society. In doing so, the sub-fund applies the Manager's controversial activities policy for "conventional" strategies as detailed in the section "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" below and available at www.dpamfunds.com (Controversial Activities Policy). The sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not meet the Global Standards described below or in companies with controversies that are deemed to be extremely serious.

The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

#### **Investment Strategy**

# Methodology for selecting ESG investments:

The sub-fund applies (i) binding investment restrictions in terms of company exposure to certain controversial activities and behaviours and (ii) a non-binding "ESG integration" investment approach:

- i) The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) securities which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) securities involved in controversial activities, and (c) securities involved in extremely serious controversies:
  - a) Portfolio compliance with the **Global Standards** described below: the sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the Guiding Principles, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties, at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer





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being downgraded to non-compliant status, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy, which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision;

b) Exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: The sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal. These exclusions apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

These exclusions are detailed in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

c) The portfolio's exposure to **extremely serious ESG controversies**: Companies facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being exposed to an extremely serious controversy, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

- ii) The ESG integration approach consists of a flexible consideration of the following criteria:
  - a. The portfolio's exposure to ESG controversies, other than extremely serious controversies (which are formally excluded as in (i) above), i.e. controversies relating to a company's environmental or social impact or governance practices. The Managers is informed of the sub-fund's potential exposure to companies involved in ESG controversies, and is encouraged (but not formally constrained) to limit the sub-fund's investments in these companies as much as possible;
  - b. the ESG rating of the portfolio based on the ESG ratings of the companies held, provided by nonfinancial rating agencies;
  - c. the carbon intensity of the portfolio;
  - d. generally speaking, sector analysts take into account the most material and relevant ESG elements and information in their research and investment recommendations and the Manager integrates (without formal exclusions) these material elements and issues in their investment decisions.

The Manager intends to maintain flexibility in the consideration of the four criteria outlined in section (ii) ESG integration above. These criteria therefore do not lead to any formal or systematic exclusion (without prejudice to the exclusions arising from the controversial activities policy listed in point (i) above).







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### Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria, which are an integral part of active shareholding, engagement and responsible and sustainable investment policies, are included in the investment decision process through the various steps described in the "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" section above:

- i) Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- ii) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- iii) Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.
- iv) The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

#### Examples of exclusion criteria

- Example of exclusion based on the Global Standards: serious violation of labour rights in the supply chain.
- Example of exclusion based on companies involved in controversial activities: material exposure to tobacco i.e. tobacco producers and tobacco suppliers, distributors and retailers from the exposure thresholds as a percentage of sales, as defined in the policy on controversial activities which is available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy").
- Example of exclusion on the basis of extremely serious ESG controversies: repeated anti-competitive practices with no sign of corrective and/or preventive measures.

#### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.

#### Company in charge of the evaluation of ESG criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of ESG selection criteria. The Manager uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global ESG criteria, or whether it does not.

#### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website www.dpamfunds.com.

#### **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.







# Reference currency

EUR

# Investment horizon

Minimum 5 years

# Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

# **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

# Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

# Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
А	EUR	LU0159348084
В	EUR	LU0159348241
B CHF	CHF	LU0966594235
E	EUR	LU0174547223
F	EUR	LU0174547579
F CHF	CHF	LU0966594318
J	EUR	LU1518615551
М	EUR	LU1518615635
N	EUR	LU1518615718
L	EUR	LU2409165763
Р	EUR	LU0336681399
V	EUR	LU0966594409
W	EUR	LU0966594581

# Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before **3:00 p.m.** on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

# Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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# FACT SHEET - DPAM L EQUITIES EMERGING MARKETS ESG LEADERS INDEX SUB-FUND

# **Objective of the sub-fund**

The sub-fund is a tracker-type fund whose objective is to replicate physically, not synthetically, the cap-weighted index MSCI EMERGING MARKETS ESG LEADERS INDEX Net Dividends Reinvested in Euros.

# **Investment policy**

The following asset categories are authorised:

- the equities of companies (and other equity equivalent securities);
- warrants;
- convertible bonds;
- subscriptions rights; and
- cash.

Transactions in the following derivative financial instruments are authorised:

- futures contracts on stock market indices of emerging markets in order to achieve the investment objectives. These contracts are intended to supplement equity positions and enable the sub-fund to be fully invested without disrupting the structure of the portfolio when issuing and redeeming units.

The sub-fund will not invest more than 10% of its net assets in equities or units of other UCITS or other UCIs.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

# Benchmark

**Benchmark index:** MSCI EMERGING MARKETS ESG LEADERS INDEX in Euros (hereinafter the "Index" or "Benchmark")

### Use of the index:

- as an investment universe;
- as a tracker;
- to compare performance

#### General description of the index:

This section contains a brief overview of the index. It summarises the index's main characteristics, but is not intended to be a comprehensive description. In the event of any inconsistency between the summary of the index presented in this section and the full description of the index, the full description of the index shall prevail. Information on the index can be obtained on the website mentioned below. This information may vary whenever necessary, but any changes will be indicated on the said website.

Shareholders should be aware that the Promoter of the Index is authorised to change the description of the index in order to make technical adjustments necessary for the efficient management of the index. The index is calculated and managed by MSCI Inc.

The Index is a free float market capitalisation weighted index that provides exposure to companies selected from the MSCI EM Index ("parent index") on the basis of environmental, social and governance (ESG) criteria. These criteria exclude components based on their involvement in specific business activities, as well as ESG ratings and exposure to ESG controversies. The indices are derived from the MSCI Emerging Markets Index and aim to achieve





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sector weightings that mirror the sector weightings of the corresponding parent index. The MSCI Emerging Markets ESG Leaders Index is composed of large- and mid-cap companies in 24 emerging market countries<sup>8</sup>.

The construction of the Index seeks to cover 50% of the free float-adjusted market capitalisation of each Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS<sup>®</sup>) sector by selecting components primarily on the basis of criteria including ESG rating, the ESG rating trend and the company's industry-adjusted ESG score. The Index is part of the MSCI ESG Leaders Index series.

The benchmark index is calculated in EURO on the basis of the daily closing prices. The index is a total net return index. A total net return index calculates the performance of the components of the Index on the basis that all dividends and distributions are reinvested after deduction of any applicable taxes.

For more information about the Index, its composition, calculation and rules governing its periodic review and rebalancing, as well as the general methodology of MSCI indices, please consult the website <u>www.msci.com</u>.

The Index fact sheet and explanatory note on the methodology are available at the following links:

https://www.msci.com/documents/10199/66f15ed6-98d6-46c0-b004-0bb3696a698e

# https://www.msci.com/index-methodology

https://www.msci.com/eqb/methodology/meth\_docs/MSCI\_ESG\_Leaders\_Methodology\_May2023.pdf

# Level of deviation of the portfolio's composition from the index:

The sub-fund is passively managed, which means that the Manager will invest physically and non-synthetically in all securities in the index or a representative sample of these securities, holding each security in a proportion approximately identical to its weight in the index. Each sector is represented in a proportion approximately identical to its weight in the index. Each sector of 1.50%. Index tracking may be influenced by trading costs, reinvestment of dividends and general costs incurred by the sub-fund. An ex ante and ex post optimisation and risk control model is used. The aim of optimisation is to contract a portfolio that best tracks the benchmark index while also minimising the ex ante tracking error.

# Additional information on the index

Investors should refer to the chapter "BENCHMARK" in the main part of the Prospectus for further information on the index.

# Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The Sub-fund is a financial product that promotes, among other things, ESG characteristics in accordance with Article 8 of the SFDR. Information on how the index complies with ESG characteristics is described in the section "General description of the Index".

The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

# **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u>.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> According to the list in the Index fact sheet, the emerging countries are as follows: Brazil, Chile, China, Colombia, Czech Republic, Egypt, Greece, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Korea, Kuwait, Malaysia, Mexico, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Qatar, South Africa, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey and United Arab Emirates.



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# **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

#### Reference currency

EUR

Investment horizon

Minimum 5 years

Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

# **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund, and in particular the section on the risk of changes in the benchmark index by the index provider.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

# Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

# Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
A	EUR	LU2393944421
В	EUR	LU2393944694
B USD	USD	LU2393944777
E	EUR	LU2393944850
F	EUR	LU2393944934
J	EUR	LU2393945071
L	EUR	LU2393945154
М	EUR	LU2393945238
N	EUR	LU2393945311
N USD	USD	LU2393945667
Р	EUR	LU2393945741
V	EUR	LU2393945402
W	EUR	LU2393945584

# Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before **1:30 p.m.** one business day preceding the Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.







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Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

# Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.

If a market (including Shenzhen or Shanghai Hong Kong Stock Connect) representing 10% or more of the size of the Sub-Fund is closed, the Valuation Day will be the following Business Day. The same applies when several markets representing together 10% or more of the size of the Sub-Fund are closed."





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# FACT SHEET - DPAM L EQUITIES EMERGING MSCI INDEX SUB-FUND

# **Objective of the sub-fund**

The sub-fund is a tracker type fund, the objective of which is to replicate, physically or non-synthetically, the performance of the capitalisation-weighted MSCI Emerging Markets Index Net Dividends Reinvested in Euros.

# Investment policy

The following asset categories are authorised:

- the equities of emerging companies (and other equity equivalent securities), including China A-Shares;
- warrants;
- convertible bonds;
- subscriptions rights; and
- cash.

Transactions in the following derivative financial instruments are authorised:

- futures contracts on stock market indices of emerging markets in order to achieve the investment objectives. These contracts are intended to supplement equity positions and enable the sub-fund to be fully invested without disrupting the structure of the portfolio when issuing and redeeming units; and
- equity linked swaps involving a risk on emerging market equities. This does not lead to significant changes in the risk profile.

The sub-fund will not invest more than 10% of its net assets in equities or units of other UCITS or other UCIs.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

# Benchmark

Benchmark index: MSCI Emerging Markets Net Return (hereinafter the "index" or "benchmark")

#### Use of the index:

- as an investment universe;
- as a tracker;
- to compare performance

# General description of the index:

This section contains a brief overview of the index. It summarises the index's main characteristics, but is not intended to be a comprehensive description. In the event of any inconsistency between the summary of the index presented in this section and the full description of the index, the full description of the index shall prevail. Information on the index can be obtained on the website mentioned below. This information may vary whenever necessary, but any changes will be indicated on the said website.

Shareholders should be aware that the Promoter of the Index is authorised to change the description of the index in order to make technical adjustments necessary for the efficient management of the index. The index is calculated and managed by MSCI Inc.

It is a free float-adjusted market capitalisation-weighted index aiming to reflect the performance of large and midcap companies on global emerging markets.

Based on the MSCI Index calculation methodology, the Index seeks to cover 85% of free float-adjusted market





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capitalisation in each sectoral group of global emerging markets.

As of 28 April 2023, the Index comprised equities from the following emerging markets: Brazil, Chile, China, Colombia, Czech Republic, Egypt, Greece, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Kuwait, Malaysia, Mexico, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey and United Arab Emirates.

The Index is calculated in EURO on the basis of the daily closing prices. The index is a total net return index. A total net return index calculates the performance of the components of the Index on the basis that all dividends and distributions are reinvested after deduction of any applicable taxes.

The index is based on the MSCI Global Investable Market Indexes (GIMI) methodology, which is a comprehensive and consistent approach to index construction that provides meaningful global insights and cross-regional comparisons across all segments and combinations of market capitalisation size, sector and style. This methodology aims to provide exhaustive coverage of all relevant investment opportunities while focussing on the liquidity, investability and reproducibility of the index. The index is revised quarterly in February, May, August and November to reflect changes in the underlying equity markets in a timely manner, while limiting excessive index turnover. At the half-yearly reviews in May and November, the index is rebalanced and the large-cap and mid-cap thresholds are recalculated.

The Chinese constituents of the Index are listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange or consist of Chinese A-Shares (shares traded through the Shanghai Hong Kong Stock Connect or Shenzhen Hong Kong Stock Connect exchange platforms and/or through any acceptable connected securities trading and clearing platform to be developed by the Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited and another Chinese exchange).

Further information about the Index, its composition, calculation and rules governing its periodic review and rebalancing, as well as the general methodology of MSCI Indices, can be found on the website: www.msci.com.

The Index fact sheet and explanatory note on the methodology are available at the following links:

https://www.msci.com/documents/10199/c604d919-b570-4703-ad40-5b3fe6b35046

https://www.msci.com/index-methodology

# Level of deviation of the portfolio's composition from the index:

The sub-fund is passively managed, which means that the Manager will invest the majority of its assets in common stocks that are included in the Index. Each sector will be represented in proportion to its weight in the Index. It is therefore a physical replication-based sampling method. The objective is to track the benchmark with a tracking error of around 1%. An ex ante and ex post risk control model will be used.

# Additional information on the index

Investors should refer to the chapter "BENCHMARK" in the main part of the Prospectus for further information on the index.

# Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The investments underlying the sub-fund do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Investors should consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus.

# Reference currency

EUR







# Investment horizon

Minimum 7 years

# Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

# **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund, and in particular the section on the risk of changes in the benchmark index by the index provider.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

# Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

# Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
А	EUR	LU1531779889
A USD	USD	LU1726118851
В	EUR	LU0941591991
B USD	USD	LU1101799796
E	EUR	LU1531779962
F	EUR	LU0941591488
J	EUR	LU1531780119
М	EUR	LU1531780200
N	EUR	LU1531780382
Р	EUR	LU1101800479

# Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before **1:30 p.m.** one full Luxembourg business day preceding a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

# Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.

If a market (including Shenzhen or Shanghai Hong Kong Stock Connect) representing 10% or more of the size of the Sub-Fund is closed, the Valuation Day will be the following Business Day. The same applies when several markets representing together 10% or more of the size of the Sub-Fund are closed."





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# FACT SHEET - DPAM L EQUITIES EMU SRI MSCI INDEX SUB-FUND

# **Objective of the sub-fund**

The sub-fund is a tracker-type fund whose objective is to replicate physically, not synthetically, the cap-weighted index MSCI EMU SRI Net Dividends Reinvested in Euros.

# **Investment policy**

The following asset categories are authorised:

- the equities of companies (and other equity equivalent securities);
- warrants;
- convertible bonds;
- subscriptions rights; and
- cash.

Transactions in the following derivative financial instruments are authorised:

- futures contracts on European stock market indices in order to achieve the investment objectives. These contracts are intended to supplement equity positions and enable the sub-fund to be fully invested without disrupting the structure of the portfolio when issuing and redeeming units; and
- equity linked swaps involving a risk on European market equities. This does not lead to significant changes in the risk profile.

The sub-fund will not invest more than 10% of its net assets in shares or units of other UCITS or other UCIs.

The sub-fund intends to invest at least 75% of its net assets in equities of those companies whose head offices are located in a European Union Member State, or in another State party to the Agreement on the European Economic Area which has agreed a tax convention with France containing an administrative assistance clause so as to combat fraud or tax evasion.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

# Benchmark

Benchmark index: MSCI EMU SRI Net Return (hereinafter the "index" or "benchmark")

#### Use of the index:

- as an investment universe;
- as a tracker;
- to compare performance

# General description of the index:

This section contains a brief overview of the index. It summarises the index's main characteristics, but is not intended to be a comprehensive description. In the event of any inconsistency between the summary of the index presented in this section and the full description of the index, the full description of the index shall prevail. Information on the index can be obtained on the website mentioned below. This information may vary whenever necessary, but any changes will be indicated on the said website.

Shareholders should be aware that the Promoter of the Index is authorised to change the description of the index in order to make technical adjustments necessary for the efficient management of the index. The index is calculated and managed by MSCI Inc.







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The index includes large- and mid-cap stocks from 10 developed countries in the Economic and Monetary Union<sup>9</sup>. The index is a capitalisation-weighted index that provides exposure to companies with excellent environmental, social and governance (ESG) ratings, and excludes companies whose products have a negative social or environmental impact.

The index is intended for investors seeking a diversified socially responsible investment (SRI) benchmark composed of companies with a strong sustainability profile while avoiding companies that are incompatible with value screens. Component selection is based on research provided by MSCI ESG Research.

MSCI SRI Indices are constructed by applying a combination of values based exclusions and a Best-in-Class selection process to companies in the regional indices that make up MSCI ACWI, a global equity index consisting of developed and emerging market countries.

The exclusion process covers the following sectors: nuclear power, tobacco, alcohol, gambling, military weapons, civilian firearms, GMOs, thermal coal, ownership of fossil fuel reserves, fossil fuel extraction and adult entertainment. The MSCI Best-in-Class selection process is applied to the remaining eligible securities in the selection universe.

The MSCI SRI Indices target sector and region weights consistent with those of the underlying indices to limit the systematic risk introduced by the ESG selection process. The methodology aims to include the securities of companies with the highest ESG ratings making up 25% of the market capitalisation in each sector and region of the parent indices. Companies that do not constitute the MSCI Global SRI Indices must obtain an MSCI ESG rating of A or higher and an MSCI ESG Controversies score of 4 or higher to be eligible. The current components of the MSCI SRI Indices must have an MSCI ESG rating of BB or higher and an MSCI ESG Controversies score of 1 or higher to be eligible. The MSCI Global Investable Market indices. The index is weighted according to free float-adjusted market capitalisation.

The Index is calculated in EURO on the basis of the daily closing prices. The Index is a total net return index. A total net return index calculates the performance of the components of the Index on the basis that all dividends and distributions are reinvested after deduction of any applicable taxes.

Further information about the Index, its composition, calculation and rules governing its periodic review and rebalancing, as well as the general methodology of MSCI Indices, can be found on the website: <u>www.msci.com</u>.

The Index fact sheet and explanatory note on the methodology are available at the following links:

https://www.msci.com/www/index-factsheets/msci-emu-sri-index/07377610

https://www.msci.com/msci-sri-indexes

https://www.msci.com/eqb/methodology/meth\_docs/MSCI\_SRI\_Methodology\_Nov2022.pdf

# Level of deviation of the portfolio's composition from the index:

The sub-fund is passively managed, which means that the Manager will invest the majority of its assets in common stocks that are included in the Index. Each sector will be represented in proportion to its weight in the Index. It is therefore a physical replication-based sampling method. The objective is to track the benchmark with a tracking error of around 1%. An ex ante and ex post risk control model will be used.

# Additional information on the index

Investors should refer to the chapter "BENCHMARK" in the main part of the Prospectus for further information on the index.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> According to the list in the Index fact sheet, the developed EMU member countries are as follows: Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, the Netherlands, Portugal and Spain.



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# Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The Sub-fund is a financial product that promotes, among other things, ESG characteristics in accordance with Article 8 of the SFDR. Information on how the index complies with ESG characteristics is described in the section "General description of the Index".

The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

#### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u>.

# **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

# Reference currency

EUR

#### Investment horizon

Minimum 5 years

#### Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

# **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund, and in particular the section on the risk of changes in the benchmark index by the index provider.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

# Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

# Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
А	EUR	LU1494416206
В	EUR	LU1494416545
E	EUR	LU1494416891
F	EUR	LU1494417279
J	EUR	LU1531781786
L	EUR	LU2648612765





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Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
М	EUR	LU1531781869
N	EUR	LU1531781943
Р	EUR	LU1494417519
V	EUR	LU1859534163
W	EUR	LU1859534247

# Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before **1:30 p.m.** on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

# Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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# **Objective of the sub-fund**

This sub-fund's objective is to obtain long-term capital growth by investing predominantly in equities from European countries located in the European Union or outside the Union.

# Investment policy

The Sub-fund aims to invest its net assets in the shares of companies having their registered office in a European country. Included in the category of equities of companies that have their registered office in a European country (including the United Kingdom and Switzerland) are the equities of other companies that hold a significant proportion of their assets, activities, profit centres or decision-making centres in a European country.

The sub-fund will not invest more than 10% of its net assets in shares or units of other UCITS or other UCIs.

The Sub-fund may hold cash on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

#### Benchmark

Benchmark index: MSCI Europe Net Return (hereinafter the "index" or "benchmark")

#### Use of the index:

• to compare performance

The index is not aligned with the promotion of the environmental and social aspects of the sub-fund. Please refer to the section "Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency", "Investment Strategy" below for an explanation of how the sub-fund promotes environmental and social features.

# Level of deviation of the portfolio's composition from the index:

The sub-fund is actively managed, which means that the Manager does not aim to replicate the performance of the benchmark. The selection and weighting of the assets in the sub-fund's portfolio may differ significantly from the composition of the benchmark.

# Additional information on the index

Investors should refer to the chapter "BENCHMARK" in the main part of the Prospectus for further information on the index.

# *Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency*

# Environmental and social aspects of the Sub-fund

The promotion of environmental and social aspects within the meaning of the SFDR by the sub-fund consists of the exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities, as defined in the Manager's controversial activities policy (please refer to the section on "conventional" strategies accessible via the website www.dpamfunds.com ("Sustainable Investment" tab).

In addition, the sub-fund aims to defend fundamental rights as promoted by the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact. The sub-fund thus restricts investments in companies deemed to be non-compliant with the UN Global Compact principles and also restricts investments in companies whose behaviour is deemed to be highly controversial, i.e. companies involved in extremely serious controversies.

The sub-fund invests in securities promoting environmental and social aspects as defined by SFDR in the proportions indicated in the pre-contractual information of the sub-fund.





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Finally, the sub-fund also has strong ESG integration, consisting of the consideration – flexibly according to the material challenges of the sectors of activity – of several ESG criteria. Please refer to the "Investment Strategy" section for a description of this "ESG integration" approach and the criteria it covers.

The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which can be accessed at www.dpamfunds.com ("Sustainable Investment" tab).

# No sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund does not have a sustainable investment objective within the meaning of the SFDR.

Nevertheless, the sub-fund aims to apply a precautionary principle so as not to "cause significant harm" to the environment or society. In doing so, the sub-fund applies the Manager's controversial activities policy for "conventional" strategies. It does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact or in companies with controversies deemed to be extremely serious.

The technical review criteria ("TRC") are very detailed, are not yet in their final form and require the availability of multiple specific data points for each investment. As at the date of the Prospectus, there is insufficient reliable, timely and verifiable data for the Manager to be able to evaluate investments using TRC. Although there are investments in sub-funds that are in economic activities that contribute to an environmental objective and may be eligible to be assessed against the TRC, the Manager is not currently able to describe:

- the extent to which the investments of the sub-funds are in economic activities qualified as environmentally sustainable and aligned with the Taxonomy Regulation;
- the proportion, as a percentage of the sub-funds' portfolios, of investments in environmentally sustainable economic activities that are aligned with the Taxonomy Regulation; or
- the proportion, as a percentage of the sub-funds' portfolios, of enabling and transitional activities as described in the Taxonomy Regulation.

The Manager's controversial activities policy can be found at www.dpamfunds.com ("Sustainable Investment" tab).

The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

# **Investment Strategy**

# Methodology for selecting ESG investments:

The sub-fund applies (i) binding investment restrictions in terms of company exposure to certain controversial activities and behaviours and (ii) a non-binding "ESG integration" investment approach:

- (i) Binding investment restrictions apply to (a) companies not in compliance with the principles of the Global Standards described below (b) companies involved in controversial activities and (c) companies involved in extremely serious controversies:
  - (a) Exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: The sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The sub-fund also applies binding investment restrictions to the securities of companies whose business is the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the





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extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal. These exclusions apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio (e.g. in case of downgrading of an issuer to non-compliant status).

These exclusions are set out in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via www.dpamfunds.com ("Sustainable Investment" tab)).

(b) Compliance of the portfolio with the principles of the United Nations Global Compact: The sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being downgraded to non-compliant status, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy, which is available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Sustainable Investment" tab) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile.

In the event that the company is declared ineligible, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final decision of ineligibility.

(c) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: Companies facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being exposed to an extremely serious controversy, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Sustainable Investment" tab) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile.

In the event that the company is declared ineligible, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final decision of ineligibility.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

- (ii) The ESG integration approach consists of a flexible consideration of the following criteria:
  - a. The portfolio's exposure to ESG controversies, other than extremely serious controversies (which are formally excluded as in (i) above), i.e. controversies relating to a company's environmental or social impact or governance practices. The Manager is informed of the sub-fund's potential exposure to companies involved in ESG controversies, and is encouraged (but not formally constrained) to limit the sub-fund's investments in these companies as much as possible.
  - b. the ESG rating of the portfolio based on the ESG ratings of the companies held, provided by nonfinancial rating agencies;
  - c. the carbon intensity of the portfolio;
  - d. generally speaking, sector analysts take into account the most material and relevant ESG elements and information in their research and investment recommendations and the Manager integrates (without formal exclusions) these material elements and issues in their investment decisions.

The Manager intends to maintain flexibility in the consideration of the four criteria outlined in the ESG integration section above. These criteria therefore do not lead to any formal or systematic exclusion (without prejudice to the exclusions arising from the controversial activities policy listed above).

# Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria are included in the investment decision at different levels:







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### (i) Pre-investment

Good governance criteria are covered in the following ESG research:

- a. Compliance with the UN Global Compact: prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles.
- b. Analysis of the behaviour of companies through their exposure to ESG controversies, including those related to free competition, corruption, political lobbying and corporate governance.
- (ii) During the investment

The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

The Manager's voting and engagement policies and other elements of good governance are available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Sustainable Investment" tab).

#### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.

#### Company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of ESG selection criteria. It uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies with international reputations. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global ESG criteria, or whether it does not.

# **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website www.dpamfunds.com.

#### **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

#### Reference currency

EUR

#### Investment horizon

Minimum 5 years

# Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

# **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND





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SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

# Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

# Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
А	EUR	LU1531778139
В	EUR	LU0006098676
E	EUR	LU1531778212
F	EUR	LU0231631879
J	EUR	LU1531778485
L	EUR	LU2648612849
м	EUR	LU1531778568
N	EUR	LU1531778642
Р	EUR	LU1101798806
V	EUR	LU1859533355
W	EUR	LU1859533439

# Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before **3:00 p.m.** on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

# Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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# **Objective of the sub-fund**

The objective of the sub-fund is to offer investors exposure to equities and/or equity-equivalent securities issued by European companies located within or outside the European Union (e.g. Norway, United Kingdom, Switzerland) which the Manager considers to be undervalued, and selected on the basis of their compliance with environmental, social and governance (ESG) criteria with the aim of creating long-term sustainable value.

#### **Investment policy**

The sub-fund invests in shares of European companies located within or outside the European Union (e.g. Norway, United Kingdom, Switzerland) which the Manager considers to be undervalued and which are in compliance with certain environmental, social and governance (ESG) criteria. Included in this category are other companies belonging to the aforementioned universe that have a significant proportion of their assets, activities and profit centre or decision-making centres in Europe.

The sub-fund may also invest in any other securities giving entitlement to the capital of the companies referred to above, including convertible bonds.

The sub-fund may, subject to a limit of 10% of its net assets, invest in UCIs (UCITS and/or other UCIs, including exchange-traded funds (ETFs)) either for the purpose of pursuing its principal investment policy, or to place its cash resources (in which case the sub-fund then invests (i) in monetary UCIs and/or (ii) in UCIs which invest in debt securities with a residual term, at the time of acquisition, not exceeding 12 months and/or the interest rate of which is adjusted at least once per year).

The Sub-fund may, subject to the legal limits, invest in listed derivative products (in particular options and futures) and/or over-the-counter products such as forward transactions (forwards and/or non-deliverable forwards), swaps (such as credit default swaps or interest rate swaps) in order to achieve the investment objectives and for risk hedging purposes.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

The sub-fund will not invest in contingent convertible bonds ("CoCo bonds").

# Benchmark

**Benchmark index:** MSCI Europe Value Net Return (hereinafter the "index" or "benchmark")

#### Use of the index:

to compare performance

The index is not aligned with the promotion of the environmental and social aspects of the sub-fund. Please refer to the section "Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency", "Investment Strategy" below for an explanation of how the sub-fund promotes environmental and social features.

# Level of deviation of the portfolio's composition from the index:

The sub-fund is actively managed, which means that the Manager does not aim to replicate the performance of the benchmark. The selection and weighting of the assets in the sub-fund's portfolio may differ significantly from the composition of the benchmark.







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# Additional information on the index

Investors should refer to the chapter "BENCHMARK" in the main part of the Prospectus for further information on the index.

# Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

# Environmental and social aspects of the sub-fund, with some investments in assets with a sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund promotes, among other aspects, a combination of environmental and social aspects, and may be partially invested in assets with a sustainable investment objective, according to SFDR.

The sub-fund invests in securities promoting environmental and social aspects, as well as in securities promoting environmental and social objectives as defined by SFDR in the proportions indicated in the pre-contractual information of the sub-fund.

The promotion of environmental and social characteristics aims, through a rigorous methodology (see section "Investment selection methodology" below) to defend fundamental rights, not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and to promote best practices and best efforts in sustainability. In addition, the sub-fund also intends to contribute, through its investments, to a positive impact in environmental terms (access to drinking water and water purification, use of renewable energies, responsible consumption, fight against climate change, protection of aquatic and terrestrial fauna and flora) and social terms (eradication of poverty, fight against hunger, access to health care, access to quality education and reduction of social inequalities)

The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

# No significant harm to the sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund does not have a sustainable investment objective but may be partially invested in assets with a sustainable investment objective.

The portfolio holdings aim not to cause significant harm to other sustainable investment objectives in the following ways. The investment process of the sub-fund follows a rigorous multi-stage ESG screening process, as described in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment and in the sections "Investment strategy" and "Investment selection methodology" below.

The sustainability approach is based on the following dual commitment:

- ESG screening based on 3 pillars: (1) to defend fundamental rights (normative screening based on the United Nations Global Compact), (2) not to finance controversial activities that could affect the longterm reputation of investments (negative screening on the basis of the Manager's policy on controversial activities, with the exception of the energy sector, for which the fund has adopted different rules), and (3) to promote best practice and best efforts with regard to sustainability (bestin-class approach, commitment and integration of sustainability themes).
- 2. Engagement on energy transition with fund companies belonging to carbon-intensive industries ("TCFD" industries) to support them in achieving their climate targets or encourage them to set ambitious targets where appropriate.

The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.





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The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

# **Investment Strategy**

# Methodology for selecting sustainable investments

The criteria which the companies must meet in order to be included in the investment universe are determined through independent external research and/or internal research at the Manager. These selection criteria are as follows:

- Compliance filter with the **Global Standards** described below: Companies must comply with the founding principles of the United Nations Global Compact (human rights, labour law, protection of the environment, fight against corruption) and the United Nations Guiding Principles, ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and underlying conventions and treaties. The Manager uses specific ESG research from non-financial rating agencies to determine whether or not a company is in compliance with these standards.
- Exclusion filter for companies involved in **controversial activities**: The policy of excluding controversial activities defined by the Manager covers several sectors and economic activities that are subject to debate as to whether or not they are ethical and sustainable. For each of these sectors and economic activities, the exclusion policy for controversial activities defines the exclusion criteria and thresholds. Only the energy sector is subject to a significant deviation from the Manager's policy. Companies involved in these controversial sectors and activities and meeting the exclusion criteria set out in the policy are excluded from the investment portfolio. The full policy is available at https://www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy").
- Exclusion filter for companies involved in major ESG controversies: Companies should not be involved in major ESG controversies, such as incidents or allegations related to environmental, social or governance issues. The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes the most severe controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.
- Quantitative ESG approach (best-in-class): The Manager filters the universe by screening based on the quality of the ESG profile of the companies, as assessed by non-financial rating agencies. The bottom 15 percentiles of the economic sector ranking are not eligible for investment.
- **Qualitative ESG approach:** The quantitative screening is complemented by qualitative analyses based on the Manager's fundamental research and dialogues with companies on financial issues relating to the companies' strategy and the most relevant and material ESG risks and issues to which they are exposed.

# Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described below and in the section "ESG investment selection methodology" above:

- i. Exclusion filter based on compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- ii. Exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and appropriate measures.





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- iii. Quantitative ESG ("best-in-class") approach: governance criteria in the broad sense and corporate governance criteria in particular are an integral part of the "best-in-class" exercise, which uses external ESG ratings to define the eligible universe.
- iv. Fundamental and qualitative ESG approach with a strong focus on governance and corporate governance issues.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at www.dpamfunds.com (under the "Sustainable Investment" tab).

# Examples of selection criteria for sustainable investments

- Companies with material exposure to tobacco are excluded from the investment portfolio. Tobacco is first
  and foremost a controversial subject because of the considerable negative impact that its consumption has
  on human health, while tobacco cultivation appears to provide very few societal or environmental benefits.
  The Manager has decided to exclude not only tobacco producers but also the entire tobacco supply chain
  from the investment portfolio. In practice, the Manager excludes all tobacco producers and all tobacco
  suppliers, distributors and retailers from the exposure thresholds as a percentage of sales, as defined in the
  policy on controversial activities mentioned above.
- Companies with material exposure to gambling are excluded from the investment portfolio. Gambling is
  considered a controversial activity, mainly because of the addiction problems and the risk of personal
  bankruptcy associated with it. The Manager systematically excludes from the investment portfolio all
  companies exposed to gambling products and services above the sales exposure threshold as defined in
  the controversial activities policy mentioned above.
- Companies with material exposure to thermal coal are excluded from the investment portfolio. Coal-fired power generation is a major emitter of greenhouse gases, and in the light of climate change and the Paris Agreement, the Manager recognises that the continued use of thermal coal is hardly compatible with a sustainable future. Consequently, the Manager has decided to exclude from the investment portfolio all companies involved in activities related to thermal coal mining, or which have plans to expand assets related to thermal coal mining, or to create new assets related to thermal coal mining, as defined in the controversial activities policy mentioned above.

#### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.

# Company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of sustainability selection criteria. It uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies with international reputations. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global ESG criteria, or whether it does not.

#### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website www.dpamfunds.com.





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# **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

# Reference currency

EUR

Investment horizon

Minimum 5 years

Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

# **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

# Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

# Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
А	EUR	LU2648610983
В	EUR	LU2648611015
E	EUR	LU2648611106
F	EUR	LU2648611288
J	EUR	LU2648611361
L	EUR	LU2648611791
М	EUR	LU2648611874
N	EUR	LU2648611445
Р	EUR	LU2648611957
V	EUR	LU2648612096
W	EUR	LU2648612179

# Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before **3:00 p.m.** on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.







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# Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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# **Objective of the sub-fund**

The sub-fund is a tracker-type fund whose objective is to replicate physically, not synthetically, the cap-weighted index MSCI USA SRI Net Dividends Reinvested in Euros.

# **Investment policy**

The following asset categories are authorised:

- the equities of companies (and other equity equivalent securities);
- warrants;
- convertible bonds;
- subscriptions rights; and
- cash.

Transactions in the following derivative financial instruments are authorised:

- futures contracts on US stock market indices in order to achieve the investment objectives. These contracts are intended to supplement equity positions and enable the sub-fund to be fully invested without disrupting the structure of the portfolio when issuing and redeeming units; and
- equity linked swaps involving a risk on US market equities. This does not lead to significant changes in the risk profile.

The sub-fund will not invest more than 10% of its net assets in shares or units of other UCITS or other UCIs.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

# Benchmark

Benchmark index: MSCI USA SRI Net Return (hereinafter the "index" or "benchmark")

#### Use of the index:

- as an investment universe;
- as a tracker;
- to compare performance

# General description of the index:

This section contains a brief overview of the index. It summarises the index's main characteristics, but is not intended to be a comprehensive description. In the event of any inconsistency between the summary of the index presented in this section and the full description of the index, the full description of the index shall prevail. Information on the index can be obtained on the website mentioned below. This information may vary whenever necessary, but any changes will be indicated on the said website.

Shareholders should be aware that the Promoter of the Index is authorised to change the description of the index in order to make technical adjustments necessary for the efficient management of the index. The index is calculated and managed by MSCI Inc.

The index is based on the flagship MSCI USA Index, its parent index, which includes large- and mid-cap stocks from the US market. The index is a capitalisation-weighted index that provides exposure to companies with exceptional environmental, social and governance (ESG) ratings and excludes companies whose products have negative social or environmental impacts.







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The Index is intended for investors seeking a diversified socially responsible investment (SRI) benchmark composed of companies with a strong sustainability profile while avoiding companies that are incompatible with value screens. Component selection is based on research provided by MSCI ESG Research.

MSCI SRI Indices are constructed by applying a combination of values based exclusions and a Best-in-Class selection process to companies in the regional indices that make up MSCI ACWI, a global equity index consisting of developed and emerging market countries.

The exclusion process covers the following sectors: nuclear power, tobacco, alcohol, gambling, military weapons, civilian firearms, GMOs, thermal coal, ownership of fossil fuel reserves, fossil fuel extraction and adult entertainment. The MSCI Best-in-Class selection process is applied to the remaining eligible securities in the selection universe.

The MSCI SRI Indices target sector and region weights consistent with those of the underlying indices to limit the systematic risk introduced by the ESG selection process. The methodology aims to include the securities of companies with the highest ESG ratings making up 25% of the market capitalisation in each sector and region of the parent indices. Companies that do not constitute the MSCI Global SRI Indices must obtain an MSCI ESG rating of A or higher and an MSCI ESG Controversies score of 4 or higher to be eligible. The current components of the MSCI SRI Indices must have an MSCI ESG rating of BB or higher and an MSCI ESG Controversies score of 1 or higher to be eligible. The MSCI Global Investable Market indices. The index is weighted according to free float-adjusted market capitalisation.

The Index is calculated in EURO on the basis of the daily closing prices. The Index is a total net return index. A total net return index calculates the performance of the components of the Index on the basis that all dividends and distributions are reinvested after deduction of any applicable taxes.

Further information about the Index, its composition, calculation and rules governing its periodic review and rebalancing, as well as the general methodology of MSCI Indices, can be found on the website: <u>www.msci.com</u>.

The Index fact sheet and explanatory note on the methodology are available at the following links:

https://www.msci.com/www/index-factsheets/msci-usa-sri-index/07317607

https://www.msci.com/msci-sri-indexes

https://www.msci.com/eqb/methodology/meth\_docs/MSCI\_SRI\_Methodology\_Nov2022.pdf

# Level of deviation of the portfolio's composition from the index:

The sub-fund is passively managed, which means that the Manager will invest the majority of its assets in common stocks that are included in the Index. Each sector will be represented in proportion to its weight in the Index. It is therefore a physical replication-based sampling method. The objective is to track the benchmark with a tracking error of around 1%. An ex ante and ex post risk control model will be used.

# Additional information on the index

Investors should refer to the chapter "BENCHMARK" in the main part of the Prospectus for further information on the index.

# Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The Sub-fund is a financial product that promotes, among other things, ESG characteristics in accordance with Article 8 of the SFDR. Information on how the index complies with ESG characteristics is described in the section "General description of the Index".







The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

#### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u>.

#### **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

# Reference currency

EUR

Investment horizon

Minimum 6 years

Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

# **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund, and in particular the section on the risk of changes in the benchmark index by the index provider.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

#### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

# Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
А	EUR	LU1494415224
A USD	USD	LU1494415497
В	EUR	LU1494415570
B USD	USD	LU1494415653
E	EUR	LU1494415737
E USD	USD	LU1494415810
F	EUR	LU1494415901
F USD	USD	LU1494416032
J	EUR	LU1531781356
L	EUR	LU2648612922
М	EUR	LU1531781430





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Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
M USD	USD	LU1859533942
N	EUR	LU1531781513
N USD	USD	LU1859534080
Р	EUR	LU1494416115
V	EUR	LU1860555355
W	EUR	LU1860555512

# Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before **1:30 p.m.** on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

# Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.

the Valuation Day is a Business Day which is also a day on which the relevant financial market(s) for this Sub-fund are open.





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# FACT SHEET - DPAM L EQUITIES WORLD SRI MSCI INDEX SUB-FUND

# **Objective of the sub-fund**

The sub-fund is a tracker fund whose objective is to replicate physically and not synthetically the "Net Dividends Reinvested" performance of the cap-weighted index MSCI ACWI SRI in Euros.

# Investment policy

The following asset categories are authorised:

- the equities of companies (and other equity equivalent securities), including China A-Shares;
- warrants;
- convertible bonds;
- subscriptions rights; and
- cash.

Transactions in the following derivative financial instruments are authorised:

- futures contracts on stock market indices of developed and emerging markets in order to achieve the investment objectives. These contracts are intended to supplement equity positions and enable the sub-fund to be fully invested without disrupting the structure of the portfolio when issuing and redeeming units; and
- equity linked swaps involving a risk on developed and emerging market equities. This does not lead to significant changes in the risk profile.

The sub-fund will not invest more than 10% of its net assets in shares or units of other UCITS or other UCIs.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

# Benchmark

Benchmark index: MSCI ACWI SRI Net Return (hereinafter the "index" or "benchmark")

#### Use of the index:

- as an investment universe;
- as a tracker;
- to compare performance

# General description of the index:

This section contains a brief overview of the index. It summarises the index's main characteristics, but is not intended to be a comprehensive description. In the event of any inconsistency between the summary of the index presented in this section and the full description of the index, the full description of the index shall prevail. Information on the index can be obtained on the website mentioned below. This information may vary whenever necessary, but any changes will be indicated on the said website.

Shareholders should be aware that the Promoter of the Index is authorised to change the description of the index in order to make technical adjustments necessary for the efficient management of the index. The index is calculated and managed by MSCI Inc.

The index includes large- and mid-cap stocks from 23 developed market (DM) countries and 24 emerging market







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(EM) countries<sup>10</sup>. The index is a capitalisation-weighted index that provides exposure to companies with excellent environmental, social and governance (ESG) ratings, and excludes companies whose products have a negative social or environmental impact.

The index is intended for investors seeking a diversified socially responsible investment (SRI) benchmark composed of companies with a strong sustainability profile while avoiding companies that are incompatible with value screens. Component selection is based on research provided by MSCI ESG Research.

MSCI SRI Indices are constructed by applying a combination of values based exclusions and a Best-in-Class selection process to companies in the regional indices that make up MSCI ACWI, a global equity index consisting of developed and emerging market countries.

The exclusion process covers the following sectors: nuclear power, tobacco, alcohol, gambling, military weapons, civilian firearms, GMOs, thermal coal, ownership of fossil fuel reserves, fossil fuel extraction and adult entertainment. The MSCI Best-in-Class selection process is applied to the remaining eligible securities in the selection universe.

The MSCI SRI Indices target sector and region weights consistent with those of the underlying indices to limit the systematic risk introduced by the ESG selection process. The methodology aims to include the securities of companies with the highest ESG ratings making up 25% of the market capitalisation in each sector and region of the parent indices. Companies that do not constitute the MSCI Global SRI Indices must obtain an MSCI ESG rating of A or higher and an MSCI ESG Controversies score of 4 or higher to be eligible. The current components of the MSCI SRI Indices must have an MSCI ESG rating of BB or higher and an MSCI ESG Controversies score of 1 or higher to be eligible. The MSCI Global Investable Market indices. The index is weighted according to free float-adjusted market capitalisation.

The Index is calculated in EURO on the basis of the daily closing prices. The Index is a total net return index. A total net return index calculates the performance of the components of the Index on the basis that all dividends and distributions are reinvested after deduction of any applicable taxes.

Finally, the Chinese constituents of the Index are listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange or consist of Chinese A-Shares (shares traded through the Shanghai Hong Kong Stock Connect or Shenzhen Hong Kong Stock Connect exchange platforms and/or through any acceptable connected securities trading and clearing platform to be developed by the Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited and another Chinese exchange).

Further information about the Index, its composition, calculation and rules governing its periodic review and rebalancing, as well as the general methodology of MSCI Indices, can be found on the website: www.msci.com.

The Index fact sheet and explanatory note on the methodology are available at the following links:

https://www.msci.com/www/index-factsheets/msci-acwi-sri-index/010357800

https://www.msci.com/msci-sri-indexes

# https://www.msci.com/eqb/methodology/meth\_docs/MSCI\_SRI\_Methodology\_Nov2022.pdf

# Level of deviation of the portfolio's composition from the index:

The sub-fund is passively managed, which means that the Manager will invest the majority of its assets in common stocks that are included in the Index. Each sector will be represented in proportion to its weight in the Index. It is therefore a physical replication-based sampling method. The objective is to track the benchmark with a tracking





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> According to the list in the Index fact sheet, the DM countries are as follows: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States. Emerging countries include: Brazil, Chile, China, Colombia, Czech Republic, Egypt, Greece, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Korea, Kuwait, Malaysia, Mexico, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey and United Arab Emirates.



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error of around 1%. An ex ante and ex post risk control model will be used.

# Additional information on the index

Investors should refer to the chapter "BENCHMARK" in the main part of the Prospectus for further information on the index.

# Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The Sub-fund is a financial product that promotes, among other things, ESG characteristics in accordance with Article 8 of the SFDR. Information on how the index complies with ESG characteristics is described in the section "General description of the Index".

The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

#### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u>.

# **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

# Reference currency

EUR

# Investment horizon

Minimum 6 years

# Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

# **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund, and in particular the section on the risk of changes in the benchmark index by the index provider.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

# Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.





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# Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Currency	ISIN Code
A	EUR	LU1494414250
В	EUR	LU1494414417
E	EUR	LU1494414680
F	EUR	LU1494414847
J	EUR	LU1531780549
L	EUR	LU2648613060
M	EUR	LU1531780622
N	EUR	LU1531780895
Р	EUR	LU1494415141
V	EUR	LU1859533785
W	EUR	LU1859533868

# Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before **1:30 p.m.** one full Luxembourg business day preceding a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

# Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.

With regard to the Sub-fund, if a market (including Shenzhen or Shanghai Hong Kong Stock Connect) representing 10% or more of the size of the Sub-fund is closed, the Valuation Day will be the following Business Day. The same applies when several markets representing together 10% or more of the size of the Sub-Fund are closed."





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# FACT SHEET - DPAM L GLOBAL TARGET INCOME SUB-FUND

# **Objective of the sub-fund**

The sub-fund's objective is to offer its investors, after active portfolio management focused on high-yield instruments, a quarterly dividend calculated based on a minimum annual rate of 3% of the first NAV of each calendar year. The income due to accumulation units is not distributed and is reinvested.

# Investment policy

The sub-fund may invest, directly or indirectly through UCI, without any geographical and/or sectoral restrictions in (i) shares and/or other securities giving access to capital and in (ii) bonds and/or other debt securities, including but not limited to, perpetual bonds, subordinated bonds, convertible bonds, zero-coupon bonds and structured products such as Asset Backed Securities or Mortgage Backed Securities graded high yield. The sub-fund may also invest in money market instruments such as, for example, cash and/or certificates of deposit.

Investments are made in variable proportions (with no limitation beyond the applicable legal and/or regulatory limitations).

The Sub-fund may, subject to the legal limits, invest in listed derivative products (in particular options and futures) and/or over-the-counter products such as forward transactions (forwards and/or non-deliverable forwards), swaps (such as credit default swaps or interest rate swaps) in order to achieve the investment objectives and for risk hedging purposes.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

# Benchmark

# Benchmark index: n/a

The sub-fund is actively managed and no benchmark is used.

# Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics, as defined by SFDR, through a rigorous methodology (see section "ESG investment selection methodology" below) aimed at defending fundamental rights, not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and to promote best practices and best efforts with respect to ESG characteristics.

The promotion of environmental and social characteristics applies to the entire portfolio with the exception of cash, potential derivatives, undertakings for collective investment and issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

Finally, the sub-fund also has strong ESG integration, consisting of the consideration – flexibly according to the material challenges of the sectors of activity – of several ESG criteria. Please refer to the "Investment Strategy" section below for a description of this "ESG integration" approach and the criteria it covers.

The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

# No sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund does not have a sustainable investment objective within the meaning of the SFDR.

Nevertheless, the sub-fund aims to apply a precautionary principle so as not to "cause significant harm" to the







environment or society. In doing so, the sub-fund applies the Manager's controversial activities policy for "conventional" strategies as detailed in the section "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" below and available at www.dpamfunds.com (Controversial Activities Policy). The sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not meet the Global Standards described below or in companies with controversies that are deemed to be extremely serious.

The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

# **Investment Strategy**

# Methodology for selecting ESG investments:

The sub-fund applies (i) binding investment restrictions in terms of company exposure to certain controversial activities and behaviours and (ii) a non-binding "ESG integration" investment approach:

- i) The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) securities which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) securities involved in controversial activities, and (c) securities involved in extremely serious controversies:
  - a) Portfolio compliance with the **Global Standards** described below: the sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the Guiding Principles, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties, at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being downgraded to non-compliant status, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy, which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision;
  - b) Exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: the sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal. These exclusions apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

These exclusions are detailed in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

c) Portfolio exposure to **extremely serious ESG controversies**: companies facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being exposed to an extremely serious controversy, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell





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the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

- ii) The ESG integration approach consists of a flexible consideration of the following criteria:
  - a. the portfolio's exposure to ESG controversies, other than extremely serious controversies (which are formally excluded as in (i) above), i.e. controversies relating to a company's environmental or social impact or governance practices. The Managers is informed of the sub-fund's potential exposure to companies involved in ESG controversies, and is encouraged (but not formally constrained) to limit the sub-fund's investments in these companies as much as possible;
  - b. the ESG rating of the portfolio based on the ESG ratings of the companies held, provided by nonfinancial rating agencies;
  - c. the carbon intensity of the portfolio;
  - d. generally speaking, sector analysts take into account the most material and relevant ESG elements and information in their research and investment recommendations and the Manager integrates (without formal exclusions) these material elements and issues in their investment decisions.

The Manager intends to maintain flexibility in the consideration of the four criteria outlined in section (ii) ESG integration above. These criteria therefore do not lead to any formal or systematic exclusion (without prejudice to the exclusions arising from the controversial activities policy listed in point (i) above).

#### Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria, which are an integral part of active shareholding, engagement and responsible and sustainable investment policies, are included in the investment decision process through the various steps described in the "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" section above:

- i) Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- ii) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- iii) Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.
- iv) The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

#### Examples of exclusion criteria

- Example of exclusion based on the Global Standards: serious violation of labour rights in the supply chain.
- Example of exclusion based on companies involved in controversial activities: material exposure to tobacco i.e. tobacco producers and tobacco suppliers, distributors and retailers from the exposure thresholds as a percentage of sales, as defined in the policy on controversial activities which is available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy").









• Example of exclusion on the basis of extremely serious ESG controversies: repeated anti-competitive practices with no sign of corrective and/or preventive measures.

#### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.

#### Company in charge of the evaluation of ESG criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of ESG selection criteria. The Manager uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global ESG criteria, or whether it does not.

#### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u>.

#### **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.

#### Reference currency

EUR

Investment horizon

Minimum 5 years

#### Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

#### **Risk factors**

Investors should refer to chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of the Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund.

Investors are advised that the payment of a regular dividend may exceed the result and lead to capital erosion.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

#### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.





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#### Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Curren cy	ISIN Code
А	EUR	LU1091780046
В	EUR	LU1091780129
B LC	EUR	LU2648612252
E	EUR	LU1091780392
F	EUR	LU1091780475
F LC	EUR	LU2648612336
Μ	EUR	LU1518617763
N	EUR	LU1518617847
L	EUR	LU2409165847
Р	EUR	LU1091780715
V	EUR	LU1091780806
W	EUR	LU1091780988

#### Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before **12:00 noon** on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **three Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.

#### Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the **second full business day** following that Valuation Day.





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#### FACT SHEET - DPAM L PATRIMONIAL FUND SUB-FUND

#### **Objective of the sub-fund**

The objective of the sub-fund is to offer investors, by means of an actively managed portfolio, a long-term capital gain on their investment by investing in equity securities, debt securities and/or money market instruments of issuers from all parts of the world as well as certain investment funds.

#### Investment policy

The sub-fund invests mainly in equity securities, debt securities, money market instruments and/or UCIs (which may include UCITS, ETFs and/or other UCIs provided, in the case of the ETFs and other UCIs, the conditions of article 41 (1) e) of the Law of 2010 are met.

Subject to investments being made in shares and other equity securities (in which the sub-fund may invest a maximum of 45% of its net assets), investments are made in variable proportions (without any limitations other than the applicable legal and/or regulatory limitations).

The Sub-fund may invest up to 30% of its net assets in securities traded on the Chinese interbank bond market through the Bond Connect programme.

The Sub-fund may, subject to a limit of 10% of its net assets, invest in UCIs (UCITS and/or other UCIs, including exchange-traded funds (ETFs)) either for the purpose of pursuing its principal investment policy, or to place its liquid assets (in which case the Sub-fund then invests (i) in monetary UCIs and/or (ii) in UCIs which invest in debt securities with a residual term, at the time of acquisition, not exceeding 12 months and/or the interest rate of which is adjusted at least once per year).

The Sub-fund may, subject to the legal limits, invest in listed derivative products (in particular options and futures) and/or over-the-counter products such as forward transactions (forwards and/or non-deliverable forwards), swaps (such as credit default swaps or interest rate swaps) in order to achieve the investment objectives and for risk hedging purposes.

The Sub-fund may hold liquid assets on an ancillary basis subject to the conditions and limits set out in the main part of the Prospectus.

#### Benchmark

Benchmark index: Euribor 3 Months (hereinafter the "index" or "benchmark")

#### Use of the index:

- to compare performance
- to calculate the performance fee

The index is not aligned with the promotion of the environmental and social aspects of the sub-fund. Please refer to the section "Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency", "Investment Strategy" below for an explanation of how the sub-fund promotes environmental and social features.

#### Level of deviation of the portfolio's composition from the index:

The sub-fund is actively managed, which means that the Manager does not aim to replicate the performance of the benchmark. The selection and weighting of the assets in the sub-fund's portfolio may differ significantly from the composition of the benchmark.







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#### Additional information on the index:

Investors should refer to the chapter "BENCHMARK" in the main part of the Prospectus for further information on the index.

#### Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – Sustainability transparency

The sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics, as defined by SFDR, through a rigorous methodology (see section "ESG investment selection methodology" below) aimed at defending fundamental rights, not to finance controversial activities that could affect the long-term reputation of investments and to promote best practices and best efforts with respect to ESG characteristics.

The promotion of environmental and social characteristics applies to the entire portfolio with the exception of cash, potential derivatives, undertakings for collective investment and issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

Finally, the sub-fund also has strong ESG integration, consisting of the consideration – flexibly according to the material challenges of the sectors of activity – of several ESG criteria. Please refer to the "Investment Strategy" section below for a description of this "ESG integration" approach and the criteria it covers.

The Manager's due diligence policies in relation to the main negative impacts of investment decisions are set out in the policy on sustainable and responsible investment which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

#### No sustainable investment objective

The sub-fund does not have a sustainable investment objective within the meaning of the SFDR.

Nevertheless, the sub-fund aims to apply a precautionary principle so as not to "cause significant harm" to the environment or society. In doing so, the sub-fund applies the Manager's controversial activities policy for "conventional" strategies as detailed in the section "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" below and available at www.dpamfunds.com (Controversial Activities Policy). The sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not meet the Global Standards described below or in companies with controversies that are deemed to be extremely serious.

The principle of "not causing significant harm" referred to in SFDR applies only to the investments underlying the sub-funds, which take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

The investments underlying the remaining portion do not take into account the European Union's criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

#### **Investment Strategy**

#### Methodology for selecting ESG investments:

The sub-fund applies (i) binding investment restrictions in terms of company exposure to certain controversial activities and behaviours and (ii) a non-binding "ESG integration" investment approach:

- i) The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) securities which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) securities involved in controversial activities, and (c) securities involved in extremely serious controversies:
  - a) Portfolio compliance with the **Global Standards** described below: the sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the Guiding Principles, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties, at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer





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being downgraded to non-compliant status, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy, which is available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision;

b) Exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: the sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal. These exclusions apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

These exclusions are detailed in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

c) Portfolio exposure to **extremely serious ESG controversies**: companies facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment at the time the position is purchased. In the event of an issuer being exposed to an extremely serious controversy, engagement is undertaken with the company according to a timetable that is consistent with the Manager's engagement policy available at www.dpamfunds.com (Engagement policy) and an in-depth analysis is carried out to identify the issuer's responsibilities for the downgrade and in light of the company's ESG profile. If, following this engagement and analysis, the downgrade is finally confirmed by the Manager, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the shareholders of the sub-fund within three months from the date of the final downgrading decision.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

- ii) The ESG integration approach consists of a flexible consideration of the following criteria:
  - a. the portfolio's exposure to ESG controversies, other than extremely serious controversies (which are formally excluded as in (i) above), i.e. controversies relating to a company's environmental or social impact or governance practices. The Managers is informed of the sub-fund's potential exposure to companies involved in ESG controversies, and is encouraged (but not formally constrained) to limit the sub-fund's investments in these companies as much as possible;
  - b. the ESG rating of the portfolio based on the ESG ratings of the companies held, provided by nonfinancial rating agencies;
  - c. the carbon intensity of the portfolio;
  - d. generally speaking, sector analysts take into account the most material and relevant ESG elements and information in their research and investment recommendations and the Manager integrates (without formal exclusions) these material elements and issues in their investment decisions.

The Manager intends to maintain flexibility in the consideration of the four criteria outlined in section (ii) ESG integration above. These criteria therefore do not lead to any formal or systematic exclusion (without prejudice to the exclusions arising from the controversial activities policy listed in point (i) above).







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#### Good governance criteria

Good governance criteria, which are an integral part of active shareholding, engagement and responsible and sustainable investment policies, are included in the investment decision process through the various steps described in the "Methodology for selecting ESG investments" section above:

- i) Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- ii) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- iii) Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.
- iv) The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

#### Examples of exclusion criteria:

- Example of exclusion based on the Global Standards: serious violation of labour rights in the supply chain.
- Example of exclusion based on companies involved in controversial activities: material exposure to tobacco i.e. tobacco producers and tobacco suppliers, distributors and retailers from the exposure thresholds as a percentage of sales, as defined in the policy on controversial activities which is available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Controversial Activities Policy").
- Example of exclusion on the basis of extremely serious ESG controversies: repeated anti-competitive practices with no sign of corrective and/or preventive measures.

#### **Financial derivative instruments**

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the sub-fund, as described above.

#### Company in charge of the evaluation of ESG criteria

The Manager is the company in charge of the evaluation of ESG selection criteria. The Manager uses ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies. The Manager has its own internal ESG research capabilities, and ESG research provided by non-financial rating agencies is used as one source of information, among others. The Manager therefore also reserves the right to determine, on the basis of the information received, whether a company complies with the global ESG criteria, or whether it does not.

#### **Further information**

More specific information on the sub-fund can be found on the website <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u>.

#### **Pre-contractual information**

At the date of this prospectus, the pre-contractual information for the Sub-fund is available in Appendix 1.







#### Reference currency

EUR

#### Investment horizon

Minimum 3 years

#### Risk management method

Commitment-based approach

#### **Risk factors**

Investors are invited to refer to the chapter "RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTING IN THE SICAV" in the main part of this Prospectus to find out about the potential risks of investing in this sub-fund, and in particular the section relating to the specific risks associated with Bond Connect.

Investors should also consult the chapter "GENERAL INFORMATION ON SFDR, THE TAXONOMY REGULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY RISK INTEGRATION" in the main part of the Prospectus for information on ESG risk.

#### Fees and charges

Fees and charges chargeable to the shareholder and to the sub-fund are listed in the section "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

#### Share classes offered for subscription

Share class	Curren cy	ISIN Code
А	EUR	LU0574765755
В	EUR	LU0574765839
B CHF	CHF	LU0966595398
E	EUR	LU0574766134
F	EUR	LU0574766217
F CHF	CHF	LU0966595471
Μ	EUR	LU1518616443
N	EUR	LU1518616526
L	EUR	LU2409165508
Р	EUR	LU0574766308
V	EUR	LU0966595554
W	EUR	LU0966595638

#### Subscriptions, redemptions and conversions

Subscription, redemption and conversion orders received before **3:00 p.m.** on a Valuation Day are accepted on the basis of the NAV of that Valuation Day, subject to the fees set out in the chapter "COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the main part of the Prospectus.

Subscriptions and redemptions must be paid no later than **two Luxembourg business days** from the applicable Valuation Day.





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#### Valuation Day

Each full business day in Luxembourg ("Valuation Day") and that corresponds to a net asset value which will be dated that Valuation Day but calculated on the business day following that Valuation Day.





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#### **APPENDIX 1 - PRE-CONTRACTUAL INFORMATION**

The pre-contractual information for the sub-funds referred to in Article 8 of the SFDR and Article 6 of the Taxonomy Regulation and for the sub-funds referred to in Article 9 of the SFDR and Article 5 of the Taxonomy Regulation is:

Sub-fund	SFDR Classification	Minimum proportion of sustainable investments within the meaning of the	How well are sustainable i environmental objective Taxonomy Reg	Does this financial product take into account the main negative impacts on sustainability factors?	
		SFDR	Minimum percentage of investments aligned with the Taxonomy Regulation <sup>1</sup>	Minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities	
DPAM L BALANCED CONSERVATIVE SUSTAINABLE	Article 8	30%	0.1%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L BONDS CLIMATE TRENDS SUSTAINABLE	Article 9	80%	4%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L BONDS CORPORATE EUR	Article 8	0%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L BONDS EMERGING MARKETS CORPORATE SUSTAINABLE	Article 8	50%	0.1%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L BONDS EMERGING MARKETS HARD CURRENCY SUSTAINABLE	Article 9	80%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L BONDS EMERGING MARKETS SUSTAINABLE	Article 9	80%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L BONDS EUR CORPORATE 2026	Article 8	0%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L BONDS EUR CORPORATE HIGH YIELD	Article 8	0%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L BONDS EUR HIGH YIELD SHORT TERM	Article 8	0%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Manager uses third-party data providers to supply this information.



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Sub-fund	SFDR Classification	Minimum proportion of sustainable investments within the meaning of the	How well are sustainable i environmental objective Taxonomy Reg	Does this financial product take into account the main negative impacts on sustainability factors?	
		SFDR	Minimum percentage of investments aligned with the Taxonomy Regulation <sup>1</sup>	Minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities	
DPAM L BONDS EUR INFLATION-LINKED	Article 8	0%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L BONDS EUR QUALITY SUSTAINABLE	Article 9	80%	4%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L BONDS EUR SHORT TERM	Article 8	0%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L BONDS GOVERNMENT GLOBAL	Article 8	0%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L BONDS GOVERNMENT SUSTAINABLE	Article 9	80%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L BONDS GOVERNMENT SUSTAINABLE HEDGED	Article 9	80%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L BONDS HIGHER YIELD	Article 8	0%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L BONDS UNIVERSALIS UNCONSTRAINED	Article 8	0%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L EQUITIES CONVICTION RESEARCH	Article 8	0%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L EQUITIES EMERGING MARKETS ESG LEADERS INDEX	Article 8	0%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Manager uses third-party data providers to supply this information.



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Sub-fund	SFDR Classification	Minimum proportion of sustainable investments within	How well are sustainable an environmental objecti Taxonomy Reg	ive aligned with the	Does this financial product take into account the main negative impacts on sustainability factors?
		the meaning of the SFDR	Minimum percentage of investments aligned with the Taxonomy Regulation <sup>1</sup>	Minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities	
DPAM L EQUITIES EMU SRI MSCI INDEX	Article 8	50%	0.1%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L EQUITIES EUROPE BEHAVIORAL VALUE	Article 8	0%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L EQUITIES EUROPE VALUE TRANSITION	Article 8	50%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L EQUITIES US SRI MSCI INDEX	Article 8	50%	0.1%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L EQUITIES WORLD SRI MSCI INDEX	Article 8	50%	0.1%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L GLOBAL TARGET INCOME	Article 8	0%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts
DPAM L PATRIMONIAL FUND	Article 8	0%	0%	0%	Yes, based on the general approach to major negative impacts

You will find below, for each sub-fund listed above, the pre-contractual information in accordance with the models set out in Annexes II and III of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 of 6 April 2022 supplementing the SFDR.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Manager uses third-party data providers to supply this information.

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 8(1), (2) and (2a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

#### Product name:

DPAM L BALANCED CONSERVATIVE SUSTAINABLE

#### Legal entity identifier: 549300IW5Z0SDSHBCL04

### **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

Sustainable investment means an investment in an	Does t	Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?							
economic activity that contributes to an	••		Yes	• 0	$\checkmark$	No			
environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the			II make a minimum of sustainable inves an environmental objective :%	tments 🗹	<b>chara</b> objec minir	<b>comotes Environmental/Social (E/S)</b> <b>acteristics</b> and while it does not have as its ctive a sustainable investment, it will have a num proportion of <b>30.00%</b> of sustainable tments			
investee companies follow good governance practices.			in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the	EU	$\checkmark$	with an environmental objective in economic activities that qualify as			
The <b>EU Taxonomy</b> is a classification system laid			Taxonomy			environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy			
down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852 establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation			in economic activities that do not qua environmentally sustainable under the Taxonomy	•	$\checkmark$	with an environmental objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environ mentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy			
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socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned			II make a minimum of sustainable inves a social objective :%	tments 🗌	•	omotes E/S characteristics, but <b>will not make</b> sustainable investments			



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#### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics through a rigorous methodology aimed at :

- defending fundamental rights (human rights, labour rights, anti-corruption and environmental protection);
- not funding controversial activities and behaviours that could affect the long-term reputation of the investments;
- promoting environmental, social and governance (ESG) best practices and best efforts.

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve the environmental and social characteristics promoted under Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved.

What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions :

For investments in equities or corporate bonds:

a) zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;

b) zero exposure to issuers involved in excluded controversial activities as defined by the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (available at http://www.dpamfunds.com/ (Controversial Activities Policy));

c) zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental or social issues;

d) an average weighted GHG intensity of the corporate component of the portfolio below the average weighted GHG intensity of the corporate component of the benchmark index, over a rolling 3-year period;

e) a better weighted average ESG profile of companies than the benchmark universe, calculated over a rolling 3-year period for the corporate portion of the portfolio.

- For investments in sovereign bonds :

a) zero exposure to issuers that do not respect a minimum of democratic requirements;

b) analysis and rating of the country's sustainability profile using the proprietary model defined by the Manager through its country sustainability advisory board.

for more details, see the section below "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?"

What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The sustainable investment objectives of the Sub-fund are to invest in :

- 1) the most advanced issuers in terms of sustainability and commitment to environmental, social and governance risks, as measured by :
- a better ESG profile than that of its investment universe, prior to the application of the ESG and sustainable investment selection methodology, over a rolling three-year period, distinguishing between companies and governments.
- a greenhouse gas emissions intensity of the portfolio below the average greenhouse gas emissions intensity of the investment universe prior to the application of the ESG and sustainable investment selection methodology, over a rolling three-year period;
- a better weighted average ESG profile than its reference universe (composite index) prior to the application of the sustainable investment selection methodology, over a rolling three-year period;
- 2) issuers whose main activity is the development of products and services that contribute to the achievement of the 17 environmental or social Sustainable Development Goals ("SDGs"), as defined by the United Nations (UN) (e.g. health products and services, education-related services, water saving and access solutions, energy efficiency solutions, digitalisation-enabling services, sustainable mobility services, etc.) via a minimum 20% of assets aligned with the EU Taxonomy or making a net positive contribution on all SDGs.

It also aims to help companies make progress in their contribution to sustainable development and ESG issues, by engaging in regular dialogue and sharing with them specific areas for improvement that are monitored over time.

The net positive contribution is the difference between the positive and negative impact contributions and is calculated at the level of the invested company and the overall portfolio. Based on the UN SDGs framework, the net positive contribution takes into account on the one hand (1) the extent to which the invested company's products and services contribute to the achievement of the SDGs and on the other hand (2) the negative impacts of their activities along the value chain.

Among these SDGs, the Sub-fund pursues objectives that contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, as set out in Article 9 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852 of 18 June 2020 on the establishment of a framework to promote sustainable investment ("the EU Taxonomy").

• How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective ?

The Manager ensures that the Sub-fund's sustainable investments do not materially undermine an environmentally or socially sustainable investment objective by :

Corporate issuer level:

- Consideration of the principal adverse impacts on the mandatory sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") listed in Table 1 of Annex 1 of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 which allows for the reduction of the negative impacts of the investment, including :

a) by incorporating several elements to avoid and/or reduce its exposure to activities or behaviours that could affect another environmental or social objective (such as the Global Standards compliance filter and the exclusion of ESG controversies of maximum severity or activities most harmful to other environmental and/or social objectives)

b) via an engagement process with investee companies, in accordance with its Engagement Policy, which is available at : <u>https://www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Engagement Policy)

- An impact calculation methodology which takes into account the positive and negative contribution of the company's products and services to the SDGs in order to optimise the net positive (resulting) contribution.

Government issuer level :

 via a sustainability model based on environmental, social and governance factors such as carbon intensity or human rights that impact the score and quintile of an OECD member country in the sustainability ranking.

Overall portfolio level:

A rule of minimum 20% of assets invested in equities of bonds of companies aligned with the EU Taxonomy or in net positive contribution on all 17 SDGs.

#### How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Sub-fund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

In concrete terms, PAIs are incorporated into the various stages of upstream Sub-fund construction via exclusions and the resulting eligible universe, and through the investment process via fundamental analysis, controversy monitoring and ongoing dialogue with investees:

- 1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAI:
- they are analysed and monitored at the level of the investee issuers, particularly with regard to PAIs related to greenhouse gas emissions and energy performance, including through the Manager's research in the context of the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD);
- after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection;
- in addition, the filtering and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues such as the environmental impact of the company's operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity, and water consumption), the environmental impact of the supply chain, and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact);
- similarly, environmental indicators are included in the analysis of the ESG profile of companies and impact their best-in-class ranking.
- 2) Secondly, social PAIs are systematically analysed throughout the research and investment process :
- the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption;
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (in accordance with the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery;
- similarly, social indicators are included in the analysis of the ESG profile of companies and impact their best-in-class ranking.
- For investments in sovereign bonds :

The first PAI relates to environmental issues and focuses on the greenhouse gas emission intensity of the investee countries. The indicator is an integral component of the country sustainability model that the Manager developed for its sovereign bond strategies. Consequently, it is included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it positively or negatively depending on its level and development compared to other issuer countries.

The second PAI relates to social issues and focuses on issues of social breaches. Our country sustainability model monitors a number of indicators on this issue, such as respect for civil liberties and political rights, respect for human rights and the level of violence within the country, commitment to key labour law conventions, the issue of equal opportunities and distribution of

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters. wealth, etc. These different indicators are included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it positively or negatively depending on its level and evolution compared to other emitting countries.

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u>.

• How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details :

For investments in equities or corporate bonds:

The Manager's sustainable and responsible investment policies are based on global standards, including the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (Guiding Principles). These standards are also an integral part of the benchmarks used by the various rating agencies that the Manager uses.

The first step in the Sub-fund's investment process is a normative screening against these Global Standards: companies that are not in compliance are excluded from the eligible investment universe.

For investments in sovereign bonds:

The principles defended by the above references are mainly related to the respect of human and labour rights. Our country sustainability model monitors a number of indicators on these issues, such as respect for civil liberties and political rights, respect for human rights and the level of violence within the country, commitment to key labour law conventions, the issue of equal opportunities, etc. These different indicators are included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it positively or negatively depending on its level and evolution compared to other emitting countries.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.

#### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

✓ Yes.

- For investments in equities or corporate bonds :

The Sub-fund takes into account all the PAIs on sustainability factors listed in Table 1 of Annex I of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Subfund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

In concrete terms, PAIs are incorporated into the various stages of upstream Sub-fund construction via exclusions and the resulting eligible universe (i), and through the investment process via fundamental analysis, controversy monitoring and ongoing dialogue with investees (ii).

Firstly, with regard to environmental PAIs :

a)they are analysed and monitored at the level of the investee issuers, particularly with regard to PAIs related to greenhouse gas emissions and energy performance, including through the Manager's research in the context of the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD);

b) after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection;

c) In addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues, such as the environmental impact of company operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity and water consumption), the environmental impact on the supply chain and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact);

d) Similarly, environmental indicators are included in the analysis of the ESG profile of companies and impact their best-in-class ranking;

Secondly, social PAIs are systematically analysed throughout the research and investment process :

a) the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption;

b) the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (in accordance with the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));

c) in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, client and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery;

d) Similarly, social indicators are included in the analysis of the ESG profile of companies and impact their best-in-class ranking.

- For investments in sovereign bonds :

The Sub-fund takes into account the environmental and social PAIs listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288.

The first PAI relates to environmental issues and focuses on the greenhouse gas emission intensity of the investee countries. The indicator is an integral component of the country sustainability model that the Manager developed for its sovereign bond strategies. Consequently, it is included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it positively or negatively depending on its level and development compared to other issuer countries. This has an impact on its best-in-class ranking.

The second PAI relates to social issues and focuses on issues of social breaches. Our country sustainability model monitors a number of indicators on this issue, such as respect for civil liberties and political rights, respect for human rights and the level of violence within the country, commitment to key labour law conventions, the issue of equal opportunities and distribution of wealth, etc. These different indicators are included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it positively or negatively depending on its level and evolution compared to other emitting countries. This has an impact on its best-in-class ranking.

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u>.

Information on the PAIs taken into consideration by the Sub-fund will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

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#### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance The Sub-fund mainly invests in bonds and shares of issuers that meet the sustainability criteria as defined by the Global Compact (a United Nations initiative aimed at encouraging the adoption of this type of criteria). The Sub-fund may invest worldwide in securities denominated in any currency. In the active management of the Sub-fund, the Manager allocates investments between different investment classes and countries on the basis of macro- and micro-economic criteria. The Manager then selects investments with the potential for an advantageous return in relation to the risk incurred. The Sub-fund is actively managed. The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

#### What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

For investments in equities or corporate bonds:

The criteria which the companies must meet in order to be included in the investment universe are determined through independent external research and/or internal research at the Manager. These selection criteria are as follows :

- Global Standards compliance filter: Companies must comply with the founding principles of the Global Compact (human rights, labour law, protection of the environment, fight against corruption and environmental protection) and the UN Guiding Principles, ILO instruments, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the underlying conventions and treaties. The Manager uses specific ESG research from non-financial rating agencies to determine whether or not a company is in compliance with these standards.
- Exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities: The policy of excluding controversial activities defined by the Manager (available at <a href="http://www.dpamfunds.com/">http://www.dpamfunds.com/</a> (Controversial Activities Policy)) covers several sectors and economic activities that are subject to debate as to whether or not they are ethical and sustainable. For each of these sectors and economic activities, the exclusion policy for controversial activities defines the exclusion criteria and thresholds. Companies involved in these controversial sectors and activities and meeting the exclusion criteria set out in the policy are excluded from the investment portfolio.
- Exclusion filter for companies involved in extremely serious ESG controversies: Companies should not be involved in extremely serious ESG controversies, such as incidents or allegations related to environmental, social or governance issues.

In order to achieve the partial sustainability objective of the Sub-fund, additional criteria are applied which companies must meet:

- Quantitative ESG approach ("best-in-class"): The Manager filters the universe prior to the application of the ESG and sustainable investment selection methodology according to a screening based on the quality of the ESG profile of companies, assessed by non-financial rating agencies. The bottom decile (25%) of the economic sector ranking is not eligible for investment.
- Qualitative ESG approach: The quantitative screening is complemented by qualitative analyses based on the Manager's fundamental research and dialogues with companies on financial issues relating to the companies' strategy and the most relevant and material ESG risks and issues to which they are exposed.
- Impact research and sustainability issues: The Manager ensures that the products and/or services
  of the company contribute as a proportion of its revenue to the achievement of the 17
  environmental or social SDGs defined by the United Nations (UN) such as health products and
  services, education services, water saving and access solutions, energy efficiency solutions,
  digitalisation services, sustainable mobility services, etc.

For investments in sovereign bonds:

The criteria which States must meet in order to be included in the investment universe are determined through internal research at the Manager. These selection criteria are as follows :

- exclusion filter for countries that do not meet minimum democratic requirements;

Analysis and rating of the country's sustainability profile using the proprietary model defined by the Manager through its country sustainability advisory board :

The sustainability review is characterised by the use of objective, measurable and comparable criteria that governments can use to influence policy.

The model is based on several indicators such as indicators on transparency and democratic values, environment, education and innovation and population, health care and wealth distribution, etc.

Based on the country sustainability model, countries are assessed against each other, resulting in a ranking for the universe of OECD member countries. The bottom quintile (20%) of the country ranking is not eligible for investment.

Compliance and exclusion filters for securities based on the binding criteria of the investment strategy apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

Each time a data series is collected, the Manager draws up exclusion lists which are updated at least quarterly and on an ad hoc basis in the event of a deterioration in the position. There is an exclusion list for each binding element and strategy group, and the Manager applies a similar exclusion/limit

threshold for investment. The Manager's risk management department is responsible for applying the necessary prevention (ex-ante risk) and control (ex-post risk) mechanisms to effectively enforce the exclusion lists in the investment portfolios of the Manager's strategies.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes companies involved in the most severe ESG controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

The best-in-class screening is carried out every six months. The calculation of the net positive contribution to the sustainable investment objectives is done on a regular basis.

In the event that a company's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Standards non-Compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the company emerges, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

The quantitative screening based on the proprietary country sustainability model is updated every 6 months with the assistance of the advisory board. A new classification is then approved.

## What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy?

minimum of 20%.

#### Good governance

practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.

## What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies?

For investments in equities or corporate bonds:

Good governance criteria are an integral part of the Manager's active ownership, engagement and sustainable and responsible investment policies and are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described above in the section "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select investments to achieve each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?" as well as below :

a) exclusion filter based on compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact;

b) exclusion filter for companies involved in ESG controversies of maximum severity: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures;

c) quantitative ESG ("best-in-class") approach: governance criteria in the broad sense and corporate governance criteria in particular are an integral part of the "best-in-class" exercise, which uses external ESG ratings to define the eligible universe;

d) qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.

- For investments in sovereign bonds :

Good governance criteria are included in the investment decision making process through the criteria used in the country sustainability model.

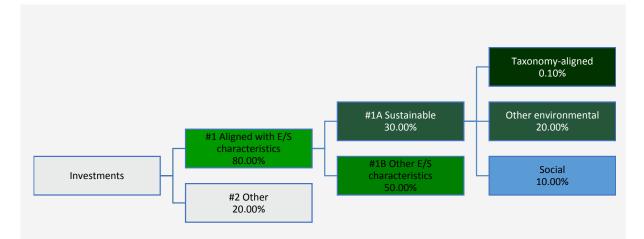
Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").



#### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics").

The Sub-fund aims to invest at least 30% of its assets in sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives (in the table referred to as "#1A Sustainable").



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

#### The category #1 Aligned with E/S characteristics covers:

- The sub-category **#1A Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives;

- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

#### How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives of the Sub-fund will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects of the Sub-fund.



## To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Minimum of 0.1%. Sustainable investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy (referred to in the table as "EU Taxonomy aligned") consist of investments in companies whose economic activities substantially contribute to the environmental objectives of climate change mitigation and/or adaptation as defined by the EU Taxonomy in accordance with the eligibility and technical selection criteria ("EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria").

The Manager's methodology for assessing the EU Taxonomy alignment of investee companies is based on data provided either by the investee companies or by third party providers. The latter use a mixed approach :

- Firstly, a direct mapping between the business activities in their own sectoral classification system and the economic activities covered by the Technical Selection Criteria of the EU Taxonomy.
- Secondly, any business activity that could not be directly mapped is examined through a bottom-up assessment of its alignment with the EU Taxonomy's Technical Selection Criteria.
- Any economic activity remaining after the first and second steps is considered not to be aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

In principle, the extent to which investments are investments in environmentally sustainable economic activities within the meaning of the EU Taxonomy is assessed by means of turnover (based on performance data provided by third-party suppliers).

Where information on the extent to which investments are investments in environmentally sustainable economic activities within the meaning of the EU Taxonomy cannot be readily obtained from information published by the invested issuers, the Manager shall rely on equivalent information obtained by third-party providers from the invested issuers.

The compliance of these investments with the requirements set out in Article 3 of the EU Taxonomy will not be subject to a guarantee provided by one or more auditors or a review by one or more auditors or a review by one or more third parties.

In accordance with the investment policy of the Sub-fund, the proportion of the assets invested by the Sub-fund in bonds (sovereign or corporate) may vary from 50% to 80%.

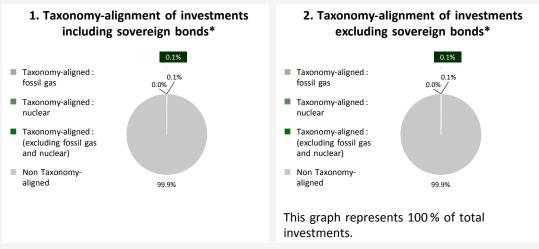
To date, the EU Taxonomy does not provide a methodology for determining the alignment of sovereign bonds with the EU Taxonomy. These bonds are therefore not covered by the EU Taxonomy or its eligibility and technical selection criteria.

Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

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    ☐ Yes:
    ☐ In fossil gas ☐ In nuclear energy
    ☑ No
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The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds<sup>\*</sup>, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

The Sub-fund undertakes to make at least :

- 0% of all its investments in enabling activities
- 0% of all its investments in transitional activities.

Enabling activities directly enable other

activities to make a substantial contribution

to an environmental

objective.

To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to **fossil gas** include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For **nuclear energy**, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of: - of turnover reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies : of capital expenditure (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy: of operational expenditure (OpEx)

reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear activities will only be compliant with the EU Taxonomy if they contribute to mitigating climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any objective of the EU Taxonomy - see explanatory note in the left margin. The set of criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that are in line with the EU Taxonomy are defined in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.



This symbol designates sustainable investments with an environmental objective that **do not take into account the criteria** for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.

## What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Based on the approach described above, the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy is : 20%

Only two of the six environmental objectives defined by the EU Taxonomy are currently covered by the regulatory framework of the EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria that determine alignment with the EU Taxonomy (adaptation and climate change mitigation). Similar criteria for the other four environmental objectives have yet to be developed. In the meantime, the Manager wishes to continue to make sustainable investments that contribute to environmental objectives not covered by the current EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria, including key environmental objectives such as the sustainable use and protection of water and marine resources, the prevention and control of pollution and the protection and restoration of biodiversity and ecosystems.

To this end, the Manager has adopted and defined a specific framework for identifying the environmental objectives of these sustainable investments and assessing their contribution to these objectives.

This framework uses data from investee companies and third-party suppliers and assesses the negative and positive contribution of (potential) investee companies, as a percentage of their turnover, to the UN SDGs that can be attributed to environmental objectives.

The Manager will review and reassess this framework when the EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria have been implemented for the other four environmental objectives defined by the EU Taxonomy.

To date, moreover, the EU Taxonomy does not provide a methodology for determining the alignment of sovereign bonds with the EU Taxonomy. These bonds are therefore not covered by the EU Taxonomy or its eligibility and technical selection criteria.

Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").



#### What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

Based on the below approach, the minimum share of socially sustainable investments is : 10%.

A European Taxonomy for social sustainability goals has yet to be developed. In the meantime, the Manager wishes to continue to make sustainable investments that contribute to the achievement of key social goals such as zero hunger, quality education and peace, justice and strong institutions.

To this end, the Manager has adopted and defined a specific framework for identifying the social objectives of these sustainable investments and assessing their contribution to these objectives. This framework uses data from investee companies and third-party suppliers and assesses the negative and positive contribution of (potential) investee companies, as a percentage of their turnover, to the UN SDGs that can be attributed to social objectives.

The Manager will review and reassess this framework when the EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria have been implemented for the social objectives under the EU Taxonomy.

Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").



## What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole Sub-fund, excluding :

- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes;
- issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will never exceed 20% of the Sub-fund.

There are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

Not applicable

- Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product meets the environmental or social characteristics it promotes.
- How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?
  Not applicable
- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found? Not applicable



#### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 9(1 to 4a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/ 2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 5 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

#### Product name:

DPAM L BONDS CLIMATE TRENDS SUSTAINABLE

#### Legal entity identifier: 549300VQ9Q8F1NPR1D70

### Sustainable investment objective

Sustainable investment means an investment in an	Does t	Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective ?								
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#### What is the sustainable investment objective of this financial product?

#### The Sub-fund has a sustainable investment objective.

The aim of the Sub-fund is to achieve environmental objectives in order to generate a positive impact on the climate and to contribute to the transition to a low carbon economy. Through the majority of its investments, the Sub-Fund aims to have a positive impact in environmental terms, particularly in the areas of energy efficiency, mobility and electrification, eco-society, regenerative economy, alternative and renewable energy, land use, agriculture and water and the decarbonisation of manufacturing processes. The objectives are in line with the objectives of the Taxonomy.

The positive impact on the climate and the contribution to the transition to a low-carbon economy are assessed in two ways: first, by the impact projects financed by the impact bonds in which the Sub-fund invests and, in addition, by the contribution of the turnover of the invested companies to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and to the environmental impact themes mentioned above.

This narrows the investment universe: the portfolio concentrates on green and equivalent bonds and net positive contribution companies (as defined below), i.e. (1) whose core business is the development of products and services that contribute to the achievement of the SDGs and (2) the most advanced in terms of sustainability and ESG risk engagement.

Some of the environmental objectives pursued by the Sub-fund contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation as defined by Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve its sustainable investment objective within the meaning of Article 9 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Sustainability indicators measure how the sustainable objectives of this financial product are attained.

## What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of the sustainable investment objective of this financial product?

In order to attain its investment objective, the Sub-fund aims to achieve :

- a minimum of 80% of recognised impact issues (green bonds or equivalents) or issuers meeting SDGs, i.e.:
- companies aligned with one of the first two objectives of the EU taxonomy (climate change mitigation and adaptation);
- companies aiming to make a net positive contribution to the environmental SDGs;
- companies aiming to make a net positive contribution to the social SDGs.

In addition, in order to enhance the contribution to the financing of the 17 sustainable objectives defined by the United Nations (UN) as a whole and the principle of not causing significant harm to an environmental (under the EU Taxonomy or not) and/or social investment objective, the Sub-fund also targets :

- a minimum of 50% of issuers making a net positive contribution\* to all the SDGs (min. 50% of the Sub-fund's AUM is invested in recognised sustainable bonds (green bonds or equivalent) or issuers that individually make a positive contribution to all 17 SDGs on a net contribution basis), and
- a positive net contribution at the level of the overall portfolio to the SDGs, i.e. the impact result based on a weighted average over all invested issuers at the level of the overall portfolio and in terms of net contribution to all 17 SDGs is positive.

\*The net positive contribution is the difference between the positive and negative impact contributions and is calculated at the level of the invested company and the overall portfolio. Based on the UN SDG framework, the impact contribution takes into account both (1) the extent to which the products and services of the invested company contribute to the achievement of the SDGs and (2) the negative impacts associated with their activities along the value chain.

The other sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of the Sub-fund's sustainability investment objective correspond to the binding investment restrictions in terms of exposure of the investee companies to certain controversial activities and behaviours :

- zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;
- zero exposure to issuers involved in excluded controversial activities as defined by the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental and social issues;
- the corporate part of the portfolio is more exposed to issuers with a scientific or similar objective than the corporate part of the benchmark index;
- a stronger weighted average ESG profile for the corporate part of the portfolio than its benchmark, calculated over a rolling three-year period;

for more details, see the section below "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain the sustainable investment objective ?"

It should be noted that the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy is intended to describe and explain the Manager's choices in terms of exclusions and restrictions on investments in corporate or state activities or behaviour deemed unethical and/or irresponsible and/or unsustainable.

It is available at <u>https://res.cloudinary.com/degroof-petercam-asset-</u> management/image/upload/ v1614006839/DPAM\_policy\_Controversial\_activities.pdf

The initiative (1) identifies and promotes best practice emissions reduction and net zero targets in alignment with climate science, (2) provides technical assistance and expert resources to companies that set science-based targets in alignment with the latest climate science, (3) assembles a team of experts to provide companies with independent assessment and validation of targets.

Issuers/companies are called on to join the initiative and define a clear programme on their emission reduction strategy and net zero targets aligned with the Paris Agreement.

How do sustainable investments not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective ?

The Manager ensures that the Sub-fund's sustainable investments do not materially undermine an environmentally or socially sustainable investment objective by :

Issuer level:

- Consideration of the principal adverse impacts on the mandatory sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") listed in Table 1 of Annex 1 of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 which allows for the reduction of the negative impacts of the investment, including :
- by incorporating several elements to avoid and/or reduce its exposure to activities or behaviours that could affect another environmental or social objective (such as the Global Standards compliance filter and the exclusion of ESG controversies of maximum severity or activities most harmful to other environmental and/or social objectives);
- via an engagement process with investee companies, in accordance with its Engagement Policy, which is available at : <u>https://www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Engagement Policy);
- An impact calculation methodology which takes into account the positive and negative contribution of the company's products and services to the SDGs in order to optimise the net positive (resulting) contribution.

Overall portfolio level:

- A rule of minimum 50% of assets aligned with the EU Taxonomy or making a net positive contribution on all 17 SDGs.

#### • How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Sub-fund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

In concrete terms, PAIs are incorporated into the various stages of upstream Sub-fund construction via exclusions and the resulting eligible universe (i), and through the investment process via fundamental analysis, controversy monitoring and ongoing dialogue with investees (ii):

- 1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAIs :
- they are analysed and monitored at the level of the investee issuers, particularly with regard to PAIs related to greenhouse gas emissions and energy performance, including through the Manager's research in the context of the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD);
- after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection;
- in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues, such as the environmental impact of company operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity and water consumption), the environmental impact on the supply chain and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact);
- similarly, environmental indicators are included in the analysis of the ESG profile of companies and impact their best-in-class ranking;
- 2) Secondly, social PAIs are systematically analysed throughout the research and investment process :
- the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption;
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (in accordance with the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery;
- similarly, social indicators are included in the analysis of the ESG profile of companies and impact their best-in-class ranking.

#### Principal adverse

impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters. The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>www.dpamfunds.com.</u>

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ?

The Manager's sustainable and responsible investment policies are based on global standards, including the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (Guiding Principles). These standards are also an integral part of the benchmarks used by the various rating agencies that the Manager uses.

The first step in the Sub-fund's investment process is a normative screening against these Global Standards: companies that are not in compliance are excluded from the eligible investment universe.

#### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the PAIs on sustainability factors listed in Table 1 of Annex I of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288.

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- after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection.
- in addition, the filtering and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues such as the environmental impact of the company's operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity, and water consumption), the environmental impact of the supply chain, and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).
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- the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (in accordance with the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery;
- similarly, social indicators are included in the analysis of the ESG profile of companies and impact their best-in-class ranking. The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at www.dpamfunds.com.

Information on the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

🗌 No

#### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. The Sub-fund mainly invests in convertible bonds of all types, including bonds with low ratings. The Subfund may invest worldwide in securities denominated in any currency. The Sub-fund also invests in bonds used to finance projects linked to the environmental transition ("green bonds"). In the active management of the Sub-fund, the Manager selects securities with the potential for an advantageous return in relation to the risk incurred on the basis of criteria that are both financial and related to sustainable development (such as, for example, respect for the environment or socially equitable governance). The Sub-fund is actively managed. The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

• What are the restrictions defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain the sustainable investment objective ?

The criteria which the issuers must meet in order to be included in the investment universe are determined through independent external research and/or internal research at the Manager. These selection criteria are as follows :

- Global Standards compliance filter: Companies must comply with the founding principles of the Global Compact (human rights, labour law, protection of the environment, fight against corruption and environmental protection) and the UN Guiding Principles, ILO instruments, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the underlying conventions and treaties. The Manager uses specific ESG research from non-financial rating agencies to determine whether or not a company is in compliance with these standards.
- Exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities: The policy of excluding controversial activities defined by the Manager (available at <a href="http://www.dpamfunds.com/">http://www.dpamfunds.com/</a> (Controversial Activities Policy)) covers several sectors and economic activities that are subject to debate as to whether or not they are ethical and sustainable. For each of these sectors and economic activities, the exclusion policy for controversial activities defines the exclusion criteria and thresholds. Companies involved in these controversial sectors and activities and meeting the exclusion criteria set out in the policy are excluded from the investment portfolio.
- Exclusion filter for companies involved in extremely serious ESG controversies: Companies should not be involved in extremely serious ESG controversies, such as incidents or allegations related to environmental, social or governance issues.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes the most severe controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

- Quantitative ESG approach ("best-in-class"): The Manager filters the universe prior to the application of the ESG and sustainable investment selection methodology according to a screening based on the quality of the ESG profile of companies, assessed by non-financial rating agencies. The bottom decile (10%) of the economic sector ranking is not eligible for investment.
- Qualitative ESG approach: The quantitative screening is complemented by qualitative analyses based on the Manager's fundamental research and dialogues with companies on financial issues relating to the companies' strategy and the most relevant and material ESG risks and issues to which they are exposed.
- Impact research and sustainability issues: The Manager ensures that the products and/or services of the company contribute as a proportion of its revenue to the achievement of the 17 environmental or social SDGs defined by the United Nations (UN) such as health products and services, education services, water saving and access solutions, energy efficiency solutions, digitalisation services, sustainable mobility services, etc.

Compliance and exclusion filters for securities based on the binding criteria of the investment strategy apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

In addition, in order to integrate the proprietary investment universe that unifies issuers committed to addressing climate change, the three investment categories (impact bonds, climate challengers and climate enablers) are subject to a specific qualitative climate assessment :

- To assess the effectiveness of "Environmentally sustainable financing instruments", the Manager has created a proprietary qualitative scorecard that is applied before an investment is made. This scoreboard is based on best practices and market standards, and specifically analyses UoP obligations. In addition, a qualitative assessment ensures that the issuance of environmentally sustainable financing instruments is an integral part of the issuer's business strategy.
- Climate challengers: An assessment model was developed to evaluate the company's efforts based on the four pillars of the Taskforce on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD): governance, strategy, risk management, measures and targets. Only companies that can demonstrate that they have a state-of-the-art integrated strategy in place to address the transition risks of their sector will be eligible for investment in their ordinary bonds.
- Climate enablers: For climate enablers, issuers' business activities must be clearly documented and show a clear strategic focus on climate-friendly products or services that are in line with one of the sustainable environmental themes/objectives pursued by the portfolio and that account for a significant share of the issuers' revenues.

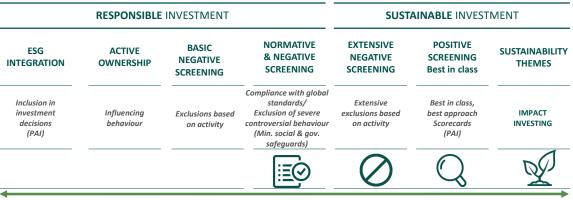
Each time a data series is collected, the Manager draws up exclusion lists which are updated at least quarterly and on an ad hoc basis in the event of a deterioration in the position. There is an exclusion list for each binding element and strategy group, and the Manager applies a similar exclusion/limit threshold for investment. The Manager's risk management department is responsible for applying the necessary prevention (ex-ante risk) and control (ex-post risk) mechanisms to effectively enforce the exclusion lists in the investment portfolios of the Manager's strategies.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes companies involved in the most severe ESG controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

The best-in-class screening is carried out every six months. The calculation of the net positive contribution to the sustainable investment objectives is done on a regular basis.

In the event that a company's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Standards non-Compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the company emerges, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

The sustainable investment objective pursued by this Sub-fund is the result of the consecutive steps of the investment process as outlined below :



ARTICLE 9

Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.

#### What policy is used to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of the Manager's active shareholding, engagement and sustainable and responsible investment policies, and are included in the investment decision process through the different steps of the sustainable investment selection methodology described above. The Manager takes these criteria into account in the following way:

- Exclusion filter based on compliance with Global Standards : Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- Exclusion filter for companies involved in ESG controversies of maximum severity: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- Quantitative ESG ("best-in-class") approach : governance criteria in the broad sense and corporate governance criteria in particular are an integral part of the "best-in-class" exercise, which uses external ESG ratings to define the eligible universe.
- Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.

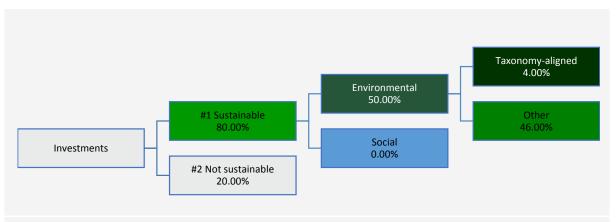
Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at www.dpamfunds.com ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

#### What is the asset allocation and the minimum share of sustainable investments?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets.

By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets to achieve its sustainable investment objective. These sustainable investments (in the table below referred to as "#1 Sustainable") have :

- an environmental objective in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy, or
- an environmental objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy, or



a social objective.

#1 Sustainable covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives.

**#2** Not sustainable includes investments which do not qualify as sustainable investments.

#### How does the use of derivatives help to attain the sustainable investment objective?

The derivative products that may be employed will not be used for the purpose of achieving the sustainable investment objective.



## To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Minimum of 4%. Sustainable investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy (referred to in the table as "EU Taxonomy aligned") consist of investments in companies whose economic activities substantially contribute to the environmental objectives of climate change mitigation and/or adaptation as defined by the EU Taxonomy in accordance with the eligibility and technical selection criteria ("EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria").

The Manager's methodology for assessing the EU Taxonomy alignment of investee companies is based on data provided either by the investee companies or by third party providers. The latter use a mixed approach :

- firstly, a direct mapping between the business activities in their own sectoral classification system and the economic activities covered by the Technical Selection Criteria of the EU Taxonomy;
- Secondly, any business activity that could not be directly mapped is examined through a bottom-up assessment of its alignment with the EU Taxonomy's Technical Selection Criteria;
- any economic activity remaining after the first and second steps is considered not to be aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

In principle, the extent to which investments are investments in environmentally sustainable economic activities within the meaning of the EU Taxonomy is assessed by means of turnover (based on performance data provided by third-party suppliers).

Where information on the extent to which investments are investments in environmentally sustainable economic activities within the meaning of the EU Taxonomy cannot be readily obtained from information published by the invested issuers, the Manager shall rely on equivalent information obtained by third-party providers from the invested issuers.

The compliance of these investments with the requirements set out in Article 3 of the EU Taxonomy will not be subject to a guarantee provided by one or more auditors or a review by one or more auditors or a review by one or more third parties.

Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").

#### Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy ? 1

🗌 Yes :

☐ In fossil gas ☐ In nuclear energy

🗹 No

To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to **fossil gas** include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For **nuclear energy**, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear activities will only be compliant with the EU Taxonomy if they contribute to mitigating climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any objective of the EU Taxonomy - see explanatory note in the left margin. The set of criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that are in line with the EU Taxonomy are defined in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of: - of **turnover** reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies;

 of capital expenditure (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy;
 of operational expenditure (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

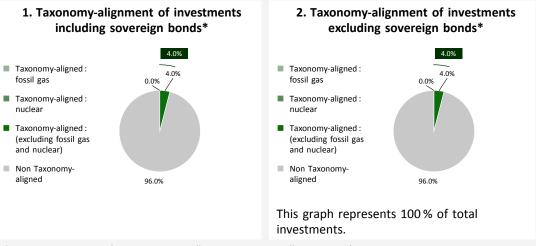
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activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.



This symbol designates environmentally sustainable investments with an environmental objective that **do not take into account the criteria** for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy. The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities? The Sub-fund does not seek to invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

## What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Based on the approach described above, the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy is 46 %. Only two of the six environmental objectives defined by the EU Taxonomy are currently covered by the regulatory framework of the EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria that determine alignment with the EU Taxonomy (adaptation and climate change mitigation). Similar criteria for the other four environmental objectives have yet to be developed. In the meantime, the Manager wishes to continue to make sustainable investments that contribute to environmental objectives not covered by the current EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria, including key environmental objectives such as the sustainable use and protection of water and marine resources, the prevention and control of pollution and the

protection and restoration of biodiversity and ecosystems. To this end, the Manager has adopted and defined a specific framework for identifying the environmental objectives of these sustainable investments and assessing their contribution to these objectives. This framework uses data from investee companies and third-party suppliers and assesses the negative and positive contribution of (potential) investee companies, as a percentage of their turnover, to the UN SDGs that can be attributed to environmental objectives. The Manager will review and reassess this framework when the EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria have been implemented for the other four environmental objectives defined by the EU Taxonomy. Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").



#### What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with a social objective?

Based on the below approach, the minimum share of socially sustainable investments is 0%. A European Taxonomy for social sustainability goals has yet to be developed. In the meantime, the Manager wishes to continue to make sustainable investments that contribute to the achievement of key social goals such as zero hunger, quality education and peace, justice and strong institutions. To this end, the Manager has adopted and defined a specific framework for identifying the social objectives of these sustainable investments and assessing their contribution to these objectives. This framework uses data from investee companies and third-party suppliers and assesses the negative and positive contribution of (potential) investee companies, as a percentage of their turnover, to the UN SDGs that can be attributed to social objectives. The Manager will review and reassess this framework when the EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria have been implemented for the social objectives under the EU Taxonomy. Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").



## What investments are included under "#2 Not sustainable", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole portfolio, excluding the:

- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will never exceed 20% of the portfolio.

Given the nature of these instruments, there are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



## Is a specific index designated as the benchmark for determining whether the sustainable investment objective has been achieved?

#### Not applicable

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the sustainable objective.

- How does the reference benchmark take into account sustainability factors in a way that is continuously aligned with the sustainable investment objective? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis ?

Not applicable

- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found? Not applicable

#### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 8(1), (2) and (2a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

#### Product name :

DPAM L BONDS CORPORATE EUR

Legal entity identifier: 391200XI1RVDDS6W3F18

### **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

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#### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics through a rigorous methodology aimed at :

- defending fundamental rights (human rights, labour rights, anti-corruption and environmental protection); and
- not funding controversial activities and behaviours that could affect the long-term reputation of the investments.
- promoting environmental, social and governance (ESG) best practices.

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve the environmental and social characteristics promoted under Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved. What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions in terms of exposure of the investee companies to certain controversial activities and behaviours:

- zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;
- zero exposure to issuers involved in excluded controversial activities as defined by the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental or social issues;

for more details, see the section below "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?"

- What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives? Not applicable. This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
- How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective ? Not applicable. This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
  - How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account ? Not applicable

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details : Not applicable

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.

#### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

#### ☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Subfund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

In concrete terms, PAIs are incorporated into the various stages of upstream Sub-fund construction via exclusions and the resulting eligible universe (i), and through the investment process via fundamental analysis, controversy monitoring and ongoing dialogue with investees (ii):

Firstly, with regard to environmental PAIs :

- they are analysed and monitored at the level of the investee issuers, particularly with regard to PAIs related to greenhouse gas emissions and energy performance, including through the Manager's research in the context of the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD).
- after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection.

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.  in addition, the filtering and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues such as the environmental impact of the company's operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity, and water consumption), the environmental impact of the supply chain, and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).

Secondly, social PAIs are systematically analysed throughout the research and investment process :

- the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption;
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (in accordance with the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy available at <a href="http://www.dpamfunds.com/">http://www.dpamfunds.com/</a> (Controversial Activities Policy);

in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery.

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/.</u>

Information on the PAIs taken into consideration by the Sub-fund will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

🗌 No



#### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. The Sub-fund invests primarily in a diversified portfolio of "investment grade" or similar bonds (i.e. securities with a high repayment capacity regardless of the economic environment). The Sub-fund favours corporate bonds denominated in euros. Investments in other currencies are fully or partly hedged against currency fluctuations against the euro. The Manager defines the investment policy, in particular as regards the duration of investments, on the basis of an analysis of the political, financial and economic situations. The Sub-fund is actively managed. The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

# • What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) companies which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) companies involved in controversial activities, and (c) companies involved in extremely serious ESG controversies :

a) Portfolio compliance with the Global Standards described below: the Sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the Guiding Principles, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties.

b) exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: the Sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The Sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal.

These exclusions are detailed in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

c) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: Issuers facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

Security exclusions based on the binding criteria of the investment strategy apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

Each time a data series is collected, the Manager draws up exclusion lists which are updated at least quarterly and on an ad hoc basis in the event of a deterioration in the position. There is an exclusion list for each binding element and strategy group, and the Manager applies a similar exclusion/

restriction threshold for investment. The Manager's risk management department is responsible for applying the necessary prevention (ex-ante risk) and control (ex-post risk) mechanisms to effectively enforce the exclusion lists in the investment portfolios of the Manager's strategies.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes the most severe controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

In the event that a company's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Standards non-Compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the company emerges, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy?

Not applicable

Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff

and tax compliance.

# What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies ?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of the Manager's active ownership, engagement and sustainable and responsible investment policies and are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described above in the section "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select investments to achieve each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?" The Manager takes these criteria into account in the following way:

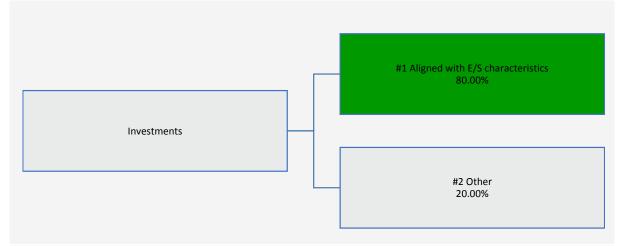
- Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.
- The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").



### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics").



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2** Other includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects.



# To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments and makes no commitment to align its investments with the European Taxonomy.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

□ Yes:

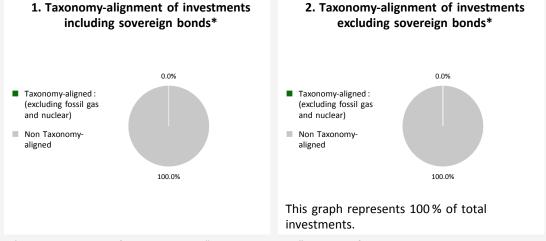
□ In fossil gas □ In nuclear energy ☑ No

To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to fossil gas include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear activities will only be compliant with the EU Taxonomy if they contribute to mitigating climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any objective of the EU Taxonomy - see explanatory note in the left margin. The set of criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that are in line with the EU Taxonomy are defined in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of : - of **turnover** reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies ; - of **capital expenditure** 

(CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy; - of **operational expenditure** (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies. The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

#### What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental



What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

This Sub-fund does not seek to make socially sustainable investments.

Enabling activities directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.



This symbol designates sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria for environmentally

sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.

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# What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole Sub-fund, excluding :

- liquid assets;
- Derivative instruments;
- Collective investment schemes;
- issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will not exceed 20% of the Sub-fund.

There are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

Not applicable

- Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product meets the environmental or social characteristics it promotes.
- How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?
  Not applicable
- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found? Not applicable



### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 8(1), (2) and (2a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

#### Product name:

DPAM L BONDS EMERGING MARKETS CORPORATE SUSTAINABLE

Legal entity identifier: 391200COF3CF04HUJL98

## **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

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### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics through a rigorous methodology aimed at:

- defending fundamental rights (human rights, labour rights, anti-corruption and environmental protection);
- not funding controversial activities and behaviours that could affect the long-term reputation of the investments;
- promoting environmental, social and governance (ESG) best practices and best efforts.

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve the environmental and social characteristics promoted under Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved.

What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions :

- zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;
- zero exposure to issuers involved in excluded controversial activities as defined by the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (available at http://www.dpamfunds.com/ (Controversial Activities Policy));
- zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental or social issues;
- alignment with the Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi) or equivalent to achieve a minimum of 25% exposure by 2026;
- a better weighted average ESG profile than the universe, before applying the sustainable investment selection methodology, calculated over a rolling three-year period;(1)

for more details, see the section below "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?"

It should be noted that the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy is intended to describe and explain the Manager's choices in terms of exclusions and restrictions on investments in corporate or state activities or behaviour deemed unethical and/or irresponsible and/or unsustainable (available at: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Controversial Activities Policy)).

The Science-Based Targets (SBT) initiative is a partnership between CDP, the UN Global Compact, the World Resources Institute (WRI) and the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF).

The initiative:

- identifies and promotes best practice emissions reduction and net zero targets in alignment with climate science,
- provides technical assistance and expert resources to companies that set science-based targets in alignment with the latest climate science,
- assembles a team of experts to provide companies with independent assessment and validation of targets.

Issuers/companies are called on to join the initiative and define a clear programme on their emission reduction strategy and net zero targets aligned with the Paris Agreement.

(1) The Manager filters the universe prior to the application of the ESG and sustainable investment selection methodology according to a screening based on the quality of the ESG profile of companies, assessed by non-financial rating agencies. The bottom decile (25%) of the economic sector ranking is not eligible for investment. The weighted average of the portfolio's non-financial ratings must be higher than the weighted average of the non-financial ratings of the reference universe over a rolling three-year period.

## • What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The sustainable investment objectives that the Sub-fund intends to partially achieve are to invest in companies that contribute through their products and services to the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) defined by the United Nations, and to advance companies on their contribution to sustainable development and environmental, social and governance (ESG) issues.

To achieve its partial sustainable investment objective, the Sub-fund targets a minimum of 50% of issuers meeting the environmental or social SDGs, i.e.:

- companies aligned with one of the first two objectives of the EU taxonomy (climate change mitigation and adaptation);
- companies aiming to make a net positive contribution to environmental sustainability objectives;
- companies aiming to make a net positive contribution to social sustainability objectives.

In addition, in order to enhance the contribution to the financing of the 17 sustainable goals defined by the United Nations (UN) as a whole and the principle of not causing significant detriment to an environmental and/or social investment objective, the Sub-fund aims to invest a minimum of 20% in recognised sustainable bonds (green bonds or equivalent) or issuers that make a net positive contribution(1) to all the SDGs (min. 20% of the Sub-fund's AUM is invested in recognised green bonds or issuers that, individually, make a positive contribution to all 17 SDGs on a net contribution basis).

Among these environmental sustainability objectives, the Sub-fund pursues objectives that contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, as set out in Article 9 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852 of 18 June 2020 on the establishment of a framework to promote sustainable investment ("the EU Taxonomy").

(1) The net positive contribution is the difference between the positive and negative impact contributions and is calculated at the level of the invested company and the overall portfolio. Based on the UN SDG framework, the impact contribution takes into account both (1) the extent to which the products and services of the invested company contribute to the achievement of the SDGs and (2) the negative impacts associated with their activities along the value chain.

How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

The Manager ensures that the Sub-fund's sustainable investments do not materially undermine an environmentally or socially sustainable investment objective by :

Issuer level:

- Consideration of the principal adverse impacts on the mandatory sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") listed in Table 1 of Annex 1 of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 which allows for the reduction of the negative impacts of the investment, including :

a) by incorporating several elements to avoid and/or reduce its exposure to activities or behaviours that could affect another environmental or social objective (such as the Global Standards compliance filter and the exclusion of ESG controversies of maximum severity or activities most harmful to other environmental and/or social objectives)

(b) via an engagement process with investee companies, in accordance with its Engagement Policy, which is available at : <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Engagement Policy)

An impact calculation methodology which takes into account the positive and negative contribution of the company's products and services to the SDGs in order to optimise the net positive (resulting) contribution.

Overall portfolio level:

- A rule of minimum 20% of assets invested in equities of bonds of companies aligned with the EU Taxonomy or in net positive contribution on all 17 SDGs.

• How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Sub-fund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

In concrete terms, PAIs are incorporated into the various stages of upstream Sub-fund construction via exclusions and the resulting eligible universe (i), and through the investment process via fundamental analysis, controversy monitoring and ongoing dialogue with investees (ii):

- 1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAI:
- they are analysed and monitored at the level of the investee issuers, particularly with regard to PAIs related to greenhouse gas emissions and energy performance, including through the Manager's research in the context of the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD).
- after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection.
- in addition, the filtering and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues such as the environmental impact of the company's operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity, and water consumption), the environmental impact of the supply chain, and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).
- similarly, environmental indicators are included in the analysis of the ESG profile of companies and impact their best-in-class ranking.
- 2) Secondly, social PAIs are systematically analysed throughout the research and investment process:
- the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption;
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (in accordance with the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

- 3) In addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery.
- 4) Similarly, social indicators are included in the analysis of the ESG profile of companies and impact their best-in-class ranking.

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/.</u>

• How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details :

The Manager's sustainable and responsible investment policies are based on global standards, including the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (Guiding Principles). These standards are also an integral part of the benchmarks used by the various rating agencies that the Manager uses.

The first step in the Sub-fund's investment process is a normative screening against these Global Standards: companies that are not in compliance are excluded from the eligible investment universe.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.



### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the PAIs on sustainability factors listed in Table 1 of Annex I of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Subfund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

In concrete terms, PAIs are incorporated into the various stages of upstream Sub-fund construction via exclusions and the resulting eligible universe (i), and through the investment process via fundamental analysis, controversy monitoring and ongoing dialogue with investees (ii):

Firstly, with regard to environmental PAIs :

- they are analysed and monitored at the level of the investee issuers, particularly with regard to PAIs related to greenhouse gas emissions and energy performance, including through the Manager's research in the context of the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD).
- after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection.
- in addition, the filtering and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues such as the environmental impact of the company's operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity, and water consumption), the environmental impact of the supply chain, and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).
- similarly, environmental indicators are included in the analysis of the ESG profile of companies and impact their best-in-class ranking.

Secondly, social PAIs are systematically analysed throughout the research and investment process :

- the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption;
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (in accordance with the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery;
- similarly, social indicators are included in the analysis of the ESG profile of companies and impact their best-in-class ranking.

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/.</u>

Information on the PAIs taken into consideration by the Sub-fund will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

🗆 No



#### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. The Sub-fund invests mainly in bonds of companies domiciled in emerging countries or which conduct the majority of their business there. Some of these investments may include low-rated bonds. In the active management of the Sub-fund, the Manager combines macroeconomic and financial analysis with an analysis of the risks and opportunities linked to ESG criteria in order to select securities with a potential return that is advantageous in relation to the estimated risk. The Sub-fund is actively managed. The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

### What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The criteria which the companies must meet in order to be included in the investment universe are determined through independent external research and/or internal research at the Manager. These selection criteria are as follows :

- Global Standards compliance filter: Companies must comply with the founding principles of the Global Compact (human rights, labour law, protection of the environment, fight against corruption and environmental protection) and the UN Guiding Principles, ILO instruments, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the underlying conventions and treaties. The Manager uses specific ESG research from non-financial rating agencies to determine whether or not a company is in compliance with these standards.
- Exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities: The policy of excluding controversial activities defined by the Manager (available at <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Controversial Activities Policy)) covers several sectors and economic activities that are subject to debate as to whether or not they are ethical and sustainable. For each of these sectors and economic activities, the exclusion policy for controversial activities defines the exclusion criteria and thresholds. Companies involved in these controversial sectors and activities and meeting the exclusion criteria set out in the policy are excluded from the investment portfolio.
- Exclusion filter for companies involved in extremely serious ESG controversies: Companies should not be involved in extremely serious ESG controversies, such as incidents or allegations related to environmental, social or governance issues.
- Quantitative ESG approach (best-in-class): The Manager filters the universe prior to the application of the ESG and sustainable investment selection methodology according to a screening based on the quality of the ESG profile of companies, assessed by non-financial rating agencies. The bottom decile (25%) of the economic sector ranking is not eligible for investment.
- Qualitative ESG approach: The quantitative screening is complemented by qualitative analyses based on the Manager's fundamental research and dialogues with companies on financial issues relating to the companies' strategy and the most relevant and material ESG risks and issues to which they are exposed.

The criteria that companies must meet in order to achieve the partial sustainability objective of the Sub-fund are :

- Impact research and sustainability issues: The Manager ensures that the products and/or services of the company contribute – as a proportion of its revenue – to the achievement of the 17 environmental or social SDGs defined by the United Nations (UN) such as health products and services, education services, water saving and access solutions, energy efficiency solutions, digitalisation services, sustainable mobility services, etc.
- Compliance and exclusion filters for securities based on the binding criteria of the investment strategy apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

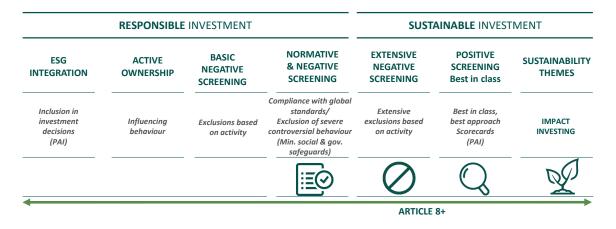
Each time a data series is collected, the Manager draws up exclusion lists which are updated at least quarterly and on an ad hoc basis in the event of a deterioration in the position. There is an exclusion list for each binding element and strategy group, and the Manager applies a similar exclusion/limit threshold for investment. The Manager's risk management department is responsible for applying the necessary prevention (ex-ante risk) and control (ex-post risk) mechanisms to effectively enforce the exclusion lists in the investment portfolios of the Manager's strategies.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes companies involved in the most severe ESG controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

The best-in-class screening is carried out every six months. The calculation of the net positive contribution to the sustainable investment objectives is done on a regular basis.

In the event that a company's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Standards non-Compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the company emerges, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

The promotion of environmental and social characteristics and the minimum proportion of sustainable investments in the Sub-fund are the result of consecutive steps in the investment process as outlined below :



What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy? minimum of 25 % Good governance

practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.

# What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of the Manager's active ownership, engagement and sustainable and responsible investment policies and are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described above in the section "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select investments to achieve each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?" as well as below :

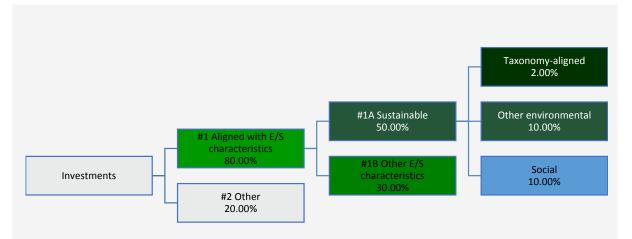
- Exclusion filter based on compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- Exclusion filter for companies involved in ESG controversies of maximum severity: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- Quantitative ESG ("best-in-class") approach: governance criteria in the broad sense and corporate governance criteria in particular are an integral part of the "best-in-class" exercise, which uses external ESG ratings to define the eligible universe.
- Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics").

The Sub-fund aims to invest at least 50% of its assets in sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives (in the table referred to as "#1A Sustainable").



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

#### The category #1 Aligned with E/S characteristics covers:

- The sub-category **#1A Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives;

- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

# How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives of the Sub-fund will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects of the Sub-fund.



# To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Minimum of 2 %. Sustainable investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy (referred to in the table as "EU Taxonomy aligned") consist of investments in companies whose economic activities substantially contribute to the environmental objectives of climate change mitigation and/or adaptation as defined by the EU Taxonomy in accordance with the eligibility and technical selection criteria ("EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria").

The Manager's methodology for assessing the EU Taxonomy alignment of investee companies is based on data provided either by the investee companies or by third party providers. The latter use a mixed approach :

- Firstly, a direct mapping between the business activities in their own sectoral classification system and the economic activities covered by the Technical Selection Criteria of the EU Taxonomy.
- Secondly, any business activity that could not be directly mapped is examined through a bottom-up assessment of its alignment with the EU Taxonomy's Technical Selection Criteria.
- Any economic activity remaining after the first and second steps is considered not to be aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

In principle, the extent to which investments are investments in environmentally sustainable economic activities within the meaning of the EU Taxonomy is assessed by means of turnover (based on performance data provided by third-party suppliers).

Where information on the extent to which investments are investments in environmentally sustainable economic activities within the meaning of the EU Taxonomy cannot be readily obtained from information published by the invested issuers, the Manager shall rely on equivalent information obtained by third-party providers from the invested issuers.

The compliance of these investments with the requirements set out in Article 3 of the EU Taxonomy will not be subject to a guarantee provided by one or more auditors or a review by one or more auditors or a review by one or more third parties.

Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").

# Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy ?<sup>1</sup>

□ Yes:

🗌 In fossil gas 🗌 In nuclear energy

🗹 No

To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to **fossil gas** include emission limits and a shift to 100 % renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For **nuclear energy**, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear activities will only be compliant with the EU Taxonomy if they contribute to mitigating climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any objective of the EU Taxonomy - see explanatory note in the left margin. The set of criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that are in line with the EU Taxonomy are defined in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of : - of **turnover** reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies;

 of capital expenditure (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy;
 of operational expenditure (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

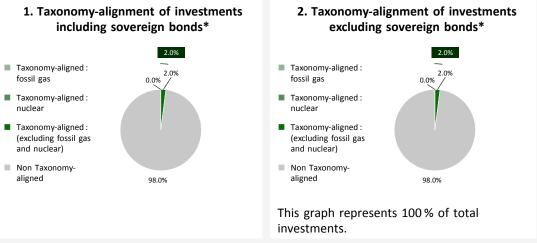
Enabling activities directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution

to an environmental

objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.

This symbol designates sustainable investments with an environmental objective that **do not take into account the criteria** for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy. The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

- What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities? The Sub-fund undertakes to make at least :
  - 0% of all its investments in enabling activities
  - 0% of all its investments in transitional activities.

What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Based on the approach described above, the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy is : 10%

Only two of the six environmental objectives defined by the EU Taxonomy are currently covered by the regulatory framework of the EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria that determine alignment with the EU Taxonomy (adaptation and climate change mitigation). Similar criteria for the other four environmental objectives have yet to be developed. In the meantime, the Manager wishes to continue to make sustainable investments that contribute to environmental objectives not covered by the current EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria, including key environmental objectives such as the sustainable use and protection of water and marine resources, the prevention and control of pollution and the protection and restoration of biodiversity and ecosystems.

To this end, the Manager has adopted and defined a specific framework for identifying the environmental objectives of these sustainable investments and assessing their contribution to these objectives.

This framework uses data from investee companies and third-party suppliers and assesses the negative and positive contribution of (potential) investee companies, as a percentage of their turnover, to the UN SDGs that can be attributed to environmental objectives.

The Manager will review and reassess this framework when the EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria have been implemented for the other four environmental objectives defined by the EU Taxonomy.

To date, moreover, the EU Taxonomy does not provide a methodology for determining the alignment of sovereign bonds with the EU Taxonomy. These bonds are therefore not covered by the EU Taxonomy or its eligibility and technical selection criteria.

Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").



### What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

Based on the below approach, the minimum share of socially sustainable investments is : 10%.

A European Taxonomy for social sustainability goals has yet to be developed. In the meantime, the Manager wishes to continue to make sustainable investments that contribute to the achievement of key social goals such as zero hunger, quality education and peace, justice and strong institutions.

To this end, the Manager has adopted and defined a specific framework for identifying the social objectives of these sustainable investments and assessing their contribution to these objectives. This framework uses data from investee companies and third-party suppliers and assesses the negative and positive contribution of (potential) investee companies, as a percentage of their turnover, to the UN SDGs that can be attributed to social objectives.

The Manager will review and reassess this framework when the EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria have been implemented for the social objectives under the EU Taxonomy.

Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").



# What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole Sub-fund, excluding:

- liquid assets;
- Derivative instruments;
- Collective investment schemes;
- issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will not exceed 20% of the Sub-fund.

There are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

Not applicable

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product meets the environmental or social characteristics it promotes. How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product? Not applicable How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis ?

Not applicable

- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found? Not applicable



### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 9(1 to 4a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/ 2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 5 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

#### Product name :

DPAM L BONDS EMERGING MARKETS HARD CURRENCY SUSTAINABLE Legal entity identifier: 391200QCKTOT9W5IH114

### Sustainable investment objective

Sustainable investment means an investment in an	Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?								
economic activity that	••	$\checkmark$	Yes		•0		No		
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nvestee companies follow good governance practices.			in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy			with an environmental objective in economic activities that qualify as			
The <b>EU Taxonomy</b> is a classification system laid							environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy		
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does not include a list of socially sustainable							with a social objective		
economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.			ll make a minimum of <b>sust</b> a social objective : 10.00%			•	omotes E/S characteristics, but <b>will not make</b> sustainable investments		



### What is the sustainable investment objective of this financial product?

The objective of the Sub-fund is to offer investors exposure, through an actively managed portfolio, to debt securities issued (or guaranteed) by emerging countries (including their local public authorities) or certain international public bodies denominated in a hard currency (USD, EUR, JPY, GBP, CHF) and selected on the basis of sustainable development criteria.

The Sub-fund aims to invest in countries that are committed to respecting fundamental rights (human rights, labour rights, democratic rights, etc.), protecting their environmental capital and promoting the wellbeing of their present and future generations. Based on a rigorous selection of countries combined with a formal and systematic engagement policy and with a focus on recognised impact bonds (green bonds and equivalents), the Sub-fund aims to invest in the most committed or best performing countries in terms of sustainable development.

The objective of sustainable development is pursued via

- rigorous ESG screening, based on a proprietary sustainability model of states aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDD);
- promoting best practices and best efforts by defining eligibility rules based on ESG ratings;
- formal and systematic engagement with issuers; and
- investment in impact securities (green bonds and similar).

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve its sustainable investment objective within the meaning of Article 9 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Sustainability indicators measure how the sustainable objectives of this financial product are attained.

# What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of the sustainable investment objective of this financial product?

The Sub-fund pursues a sustainable objective :

- by excluding countries that do not respect a minimum of democracy in line with the Manager's controversial activities policy. The Sub-fund does not invest in countries that do not respect a minimum of democratic requirements. To determine whether a country does not meet this minimum, the Manager applies a methodology that is mainly based on the classifications of the International NGO Freedom House ("not free") and The Economist Intelligence Unit ("authoritarian regime");
- by investing a minimum of 40% of its assets in countries ranked in the top quartile and a maximum of 10% in countries ranked in the bottom quartile according to the proprietary country sustainability model, the Sub-fund invests in countries that demonstrate the greatest commitment to sustainable development on governance, environmental and social issues, as well as in those that show a willingness to make progress on these issues. In taking this approach, the Sub-fund promotes the best practices and efforts in sustainable development of countries;
- by engaging in a systematic dialogue with the issuers in which the portfolio is invested, i.e. a dialogue based primarily on the importance of sustainability at the heart of our proprietary country sustainability model, the strengths and areas of focus highlighted by the model, and the awareness of impact bonds (green bonds and equivalents); and
- by focusing on impact instruments such as green and sustainable emissions as described in the sustainable and responsible investment policy. The sustainable and responsible investment policy describes the sustainable approaches adopted (ESG integration, best-in-class, sustainability themes, selection of standards, etc.) that the Manager may apply to all asset classes. It aims to describe and explain the Manager's choices regarding investments with environmental and/or social characteristics and investments with sustainable objectives, in alignment with Regulation (EU) 2019/2088. It lists the Manager's commitments as a sustainable actor. Finally, it describes the Manager's philosophy and approach to sustainable and responsible investment including how the Manager identifies sustainability risks and ESG factors which are incorporated into its investment decision making process.

It therefore aims to:

- achieve a weighted average democratic score above the weighted average democratic score of the reference universe (consisting of emerging and developing countries as defined by the International Monetary Fund) and
- achieve a greenhouse gas emission intensity of the investee countries that is lower than the greenhouse gas emission intensity of its reference universe as defined by regulatory technical standards.

It should be noted that the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy is intended to describe and explain the Manager's choices in terms of exclusions and restrictions on investments in corporate or state activities or behaviour deemed unethical and/or irresponsible and/or unsustainable.

It is available at <u>https://res.cloudinary.com/degroof-petercam-asset-management/image/</u> upload/ v1614006839/DPAM\_policy\_Controversial\_activities.pdf).

# • How do sustainable investments not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

The Manager ensures that the Sub-fund's sustainable investments do not materially undermine an environmentally or socially sustainable investment objective by :

- Exclusion of issuers that do not meet minimum democratic requirements: countries considered "unfree" according to the NGO Freedom House and "authoritarian regimes" according to the Democracy Index published by the Economist Intelligence Unit are excluded from the universe eligible for investment.
- by investing a minimum of 40% of its assets in top quartile countries and a maximum of 10% in bottom quartile countries, according to the proprietary country sustainability model. The top 25% (calculated in number of countries) of countries form the first quartile. The bottom 25% of countries form the last quartile. When the model is updated, the Manager will comply with the investment rules (minimum 40% in the top quartile and maximum 10% in the bottom quartile) as soon as possible and never more than two months after the new classification takes effect;
- maintaining a systematic dialogue with all the countries involved.

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

#### How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

The Sub-fund takes into account the principal adverse (hereinafter "PAIs") environmental and social impacts listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 which are applicable to investments in sovereign or supranational issuers.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Sub-fund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

The first PAI relates to environmental issues and focuses on the greenhouse gas emission intensity of the investee countries. The indicator is an integral component of the country sustainability model that the Manager developed for its sovereign bond strategies. Consequently, it is included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it positively or negatively depending on its level and development compared to other issuer countries.

The second PAI relates to social issues and focuses on issues of social breaches. Our country sustainability model monitors a number of indicators on this issue, such as respect for civil liberties and political rights, respect for human rights and the level of violence within the country, commitment to key labour law conventions, the issue of equal opportunities and distribution of wealth, etc. These different indicators are included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it

positively or negatively depending on its level and evolution compared to other emitting countries.

Further information on the integration of principal adverse impacts can be found in the Manager's Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy available at <u>www.dpamfunds.com.</u>

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ?

The principles defended by the above references are mainly related to the respect of human and labour rights. Our country sustainability model monitors a number of indicators on these issues, such as respect for civil liberties and political rights, respect for human rights and the level of violence within the country, commitment to key labour law conventions, the issue of equal opportunities, etc. These different indicators are included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it positively or negatively depending on its level and evolution compared to other emitting countries.

#### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

#### ☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account the principal adverse (hereinafter "PAIs") environmental and social impacts listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 which are applicable to investments in sovereign or supranational issuers.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Subfund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

The first PAI relates to environmental issues and focuses on the greenhouse gas emission intensity of the investee countries. The indicator is an integral component of the country sustainability model that the Manager developed for its sovereign bond strategies. Consequently, it is included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it positively or negatively depending on its level and development compared to other issuer countries.

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The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy, which is available at <u>www.dpamfunds.com.</u>

Information on the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

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The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance.

### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The Sub-fund invests mainly in government bonds issued in emerging countries and denominated in hard currencies such as the US dollar, euro, yen, sterling and Swiss franc. Some of these investments may include low-rated bonds. In the active management of the Sub-fund, the Manager combines macroeconomic and financial analysis with an analysis of the risks and opportunities linked to ESG factors in order to select securities with a potential return that is advantageous in relation to the risk incurred. The Sub-fund is actively managed. The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

# • What are the restrictions defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain the sustainable investment objective ?

The criteria which the issuers must meet in order to be included in the investment universe are determined through independent external research and/or internal research at the Manager. These selection criteria are as follows :

- Exclusion filter based on respect for democratic minimums: Exclusion of countries that do not meet a minimum standard of democracy according to publicly available rankings by specialised institutions (such as Freedom House, i.e. countries classified as "not free", and that do not meet a minimum standard of democracy according to the Democracy Index published by the Economist Intelligence Unit, i.e. countries classified as "authoritarian").
- Analysis and rating of the country's sustainability profile using the proprietary model defined by the Manager through its country sustainability advisory board :

The sustainability review is characterised by the use of objective, measurable and comparable criteria that governments can use to influence policy.

The model is based on several indicators such as indicators on transparency and democratic values, environment, education and innovation and population, health care and wealth distribution, etc.

Based on the country sustainability model, countries are assessed against each other, resulting in a ranking.

More information about the country sustainability model (methodology, specific indicators, etc.) can be found at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> and in particular in the Manager's Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy.

The quantitative screening based on the proprietary sustainability model is updated every 6 months with the assistance of the advisory board.

A new classification is then approved.

In accordance with the transition framework described in the Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy, for countries moving from one quartile to another, a transition period of two months is allowed for management to comply with the rule of a minimum of 40% of its assets in countries classified in the first quartile and a maximum of 10% in countries classified in the last quartile.

Good governance

#### What policy is used to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies?

Good governance criteria are included in the investment decision making process through the criteria used in the country sustainability model. The model includes criteria on governance bodies, prevention of corruption, respect for political rights and civil liberties, etc.

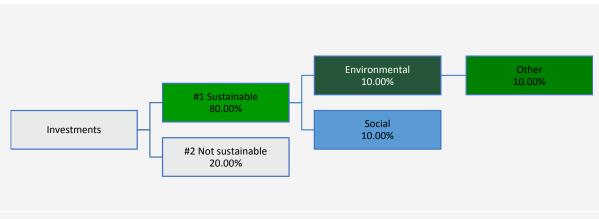
practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.



### What is the asset allocation and the minimum share of sustainable investments?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets to achieve its sustainable investment objective. These sustainable investments (in the table below referred to as "#1 Sustainable") have :

- Either an environmental objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environ mentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy;
- Or a social objective.



**#1 Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives.

#2 Not sustainable includes investments which do not qualify as sustainable investments.

#### How does the use of derivatives help to attain the sustainable investment objective ?

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the Sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the Sub-fund.



# To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

To date, the EU Taxonomy does not provide a methodology for determining the alignment of sovereign bonds with the EU Taxonomy. These bonds are therefore not covered by the EU Taxonomy or its eligibility and technical selection criteria. In accordance with the Sub-fund's investment policy, the Sub-fund invests primarily in bonds and/or other debt securities issued (or guaranteed) by emerging countries (including their local governments and public (or similar) bodies) or by international public bodies and selected on the basis of sustainable development criteria. Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").

#### Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

☐ Yes:

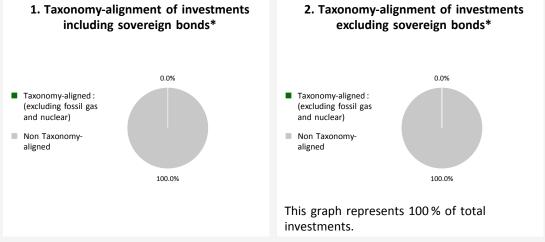
□ In fossil gas □ In nuclear energy ☑ No

To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to **fossil gas** include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For **nuclear energy**, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear activities will only be compliant with the EU Taxonomy if they contribute to mitigating climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any objective of the EU Taxonomy - see explanatory note in the left margin. The set of criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that are in line with the EU Taxonomy are defined in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of: - of **turnover** reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies;

- of **capital expenditure** (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy; - of **operational expenditure** (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies. The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds<sup>\*</sup>, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

#### What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities ?

To date, the EU Taxonomy does not provide a methodology for determining the alignment of sovereign bonds with the EU Taxonomy. These bonds are therefore not covered by the EU Taxonomy or its eligibility and technical selection criteria.

This symbol designates environmentally sustainable investments with an environmental objective that **do not take into account the criteria** for environmentally sustainable economic

activities under the EU

Taxonomy.

# What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Based on the approach described above, the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy is 10%. The proprietary sustainability model is based on environmental, social and governmental aspects. In the environmental aspect, the proprietary model takes into account energy efficiency, climate change, biodiversity and country emissions. Investing in the highest ranked countries in this aspect therefore means that the Sub-fund has an environmental objective. The scores of the Environment component of the Manager's country model make it possible to rank the member states in descending order. Countries in the bottom quartile of the ranking (rounding up the number of eligible countries) do not have an environmental target. Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via

<u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").

#### Enabling activities directly enable other

activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.



### What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with a social objective?

Based on the below approach, the minimum share of socially sustainable investments is 10%. A European Taxonomy for social sustainability goals has yet to be developed. In the meantime, the Manager wishes to continue to make sustainable investments that contribute to the achievement of key social goals such as zero hunger, quality education and peace, justice and strong institutions. To this end, the Manager has adopted and defined a specific framework for identifying the social objectives of these sustainable investments and assessing their contribution to these objectives. The proprietary sustainability model is based on environmental, social and governmental aspects. In the social aspect, the proprietary model of sustainability of countries takes into account both current generations (wealth distribution, population, health care) and future generations (education and innovation). Investing in the highest ranked countries in this aspect therefore means that the Sub-fund has a social objective. Similarly, the scores for the Social component (i.e. present and future generations of the proprietary model) allow the member states to be ranked in descending order. Countries in the bottom quartile of the ranking do not have a social target. Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via www.dpamfunds.com (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").



# What investments are included under "#2 Not sustainable", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole portfolio, excluding the :

- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will never exceed 20% of the portfolio.

Given the nature of these instruments, there are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.

# Is a specific index designated as the benchmark for determining whether the sustainable investment objective has been achieved?

Not applicable

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the sustainable objective.

- How does the reference benchmark take into account sustainability factors in a way that is continuously aligned with the sustainable investment objective? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?

Not applicable

- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found ? Not applicable

### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 9(1 to 4a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/ 2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 5 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

#### Product name :

DPAM L BONDS EMERGING MARKETS SUSTAINABLE **Legal entity identifier :** 549300SSFJ1T430O4I73

## Sustainable investment objective

Sustainable investment means an investment in an	Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?							
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### What is the sustainable investment objective of this financial product?

The objective of the Sub-fund is to offer investors exposure, through an actively managed portfolio, to debt securities issued or guaranteed by emerging market countries, including their public regional authorities, or certain international public bodies selected on the basis of sustainable development criteria.

The Sub-fund aims to invest in countries that are committed to respecting fundamental rights (human rights, labour rights, democratic rights, etc.), protecting their environmental capital and promoting the wellbeing of their present and future generations. Based on a rigorous selection of countries combined with a formal and systematic engagement policy and with a focus on recognised impact bonds (green bonds and equivalents), the Sub-fund aims to invest in the most committed or best performing countries in terms of sustainable development.

The objective of sustainable development is pursued via:

- rigorous ESG screening, based on a proprietary sustainability model of states aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDD);
- promoting best practices and best efforts by defining eligibility rules based on ESG ratings;
- formal and systematic engagement with issuers; and
- investment in impact securities (green bonds and similar).

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve its sustainable investment objective within the meaning of Article 9 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Sustainability indicators measure how the sustainable objectives of this financial product are attained.

# What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of the sustainable investment objective of this financial product?

The Sub-fund pursues a sustainable objective :

- by excluding countries that do not respect a minimum of democracy in line with the Manager's controversial activities policy. The Sub-fund does not invest in countries that do not respect a minimum of democratic requirements. To determine whether a country does not meet this minimum, the Manager applies a methodology that is mainly based on the classifications of the International NGO Freedom House ("not free") and The Economist Intelligence Unit ("authoritarian regime");
- by investing a minimum of 40% of its assets in countries ranked in the top quartile and a maximum of 10% in countries ranked in the bottom quartile according to the proprietary country sustainability model, the Sub-fund invests in countries that demonstrate the greatest commitment to sustainable development on governance, environmental and social issues, as well as in those that show a willingness to make progress on these issues. In taking this approach, the Sub-fund promotes the best practices and efforts in sustainable development of countries;
- by engaging in a systematic dialogue with the issuers in which the portfolio is invested, i.e. a dialogue based primarily on the importance of sustainability at the heart of our proprietary country sustainability model, the strengths and areas of focus highlighted by the model, and the awareness of impact bonds (green bonds and equivalents); and
- by focusing on impact instruments such as green and sustainable emissions as described in the sustainable and responsible investment policy. The sustainable and responsible investment policy describes the sustainable approaches adopted (ESG integration, best-in-class, sustainability themes, selection of standards, etc.) that the Manager may apply to all asset classes. It aims to describe and explain the Manager's choices regarding investments with environmental and/or social characteristics and investments with sustainable objectives, in alignment with Regulation (EU) 2019/2088. It lists the Manager's commitments as a sustainable actor. Finally, it describes the Manager's philosophy and approach to sustainable and responsible investment including how the Manager identifies sustainability risks and ESG factors which are incorporated into its investment decision making process.

It therefore aims to:

- achieve a weighted average democratic score above the weighted average democratic score of the reference universe (consisting of emerging and developing countries as defined by the International Monetary Fund); and
- a greenhouse gas emission intensity of the investee countries that is lower than the greenhouse gas emission intensity of its reference universe (consisting of emerging and developing countries as defined by the International Monetary Fund) as defined by regulatory technical standards.

It should be noted that the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy is intended to describe and explain the Manager's choices in terms of exclusions and restrictions on investments in corporate or state activities or behaviour deemed unethical and/or irresponsible and/or unsustainable.

It is available at <u>https://res.cloudinary.com/degroof-petercam-asset-management/image/</u> upload/ v1614006839/DPAM\_policy\_Controversial\_activities.pdf).

# • How do sustainable investments not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective ?

The Manager ensures that the Sub-fund's sustainable investments do not materially undermine an environmentally or socially sustainable investment objective by :

- exclusion of issuers that do not meet minimum democratic requirements: countries considered "unfree" according to the NGO Freedom House and "authoritarian regimes" according to the Democracy Index published by the Economist Intelligence Unit are excluded from the universe eligible for investment.
- by investing a minimum of 40% of its assets in top quartile countries and a maximum of 10% in bottom quartile countries, according to the proprietary country sustainability model. The top 25% (calculated in number of countries) of countries form the first quartile. The bottom 25% of countries form the last quartile. When the model is updated, the Manager will comply with the investment rules (minimum 40% in the top quartile and maximum 10% in the bottom quartile) as soon as possible and never more than two months after the new classification takes effect;
- maintaining a systematic dialogue with all the countries involved.

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

#### How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

The Sub-fund takes into account the principal adverse (hereinafter "PAIs") environmental and social impacts listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 which are applicable to investments in sovereign or supranational issuers.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Sub-fund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

The first PAI relates to environmental issues and focuses on the greenhouse gas emission intensity of the investee countries. The indicator is an integral component of the country sustainability model that the Manager developed for its sovereign bond strategies. Consequently, it is included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it positively or negatively depending on its level and development compared to other issuer countries.

The second PAI relates to social issues and focuses on issues of social breaches. Our country sustainability model monitors a number of indicators on this issue, such as respect for civil liberties and political rights, respect for human rights and the level of violence within the country, commitment to key labour law conventions, the issue of equal opportunities and distribution of wealth, etc. These different indicators are included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it positively or negatively depending on its level and evolution compared to other emitting countries.

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#### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

☑ Yes.

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Information on the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

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The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance.

### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The Sub-fund mainly invests in bonds, including bonds with low ratings, issued by governments (or related bodies) in the emerging markets and denominated in any currency. In the active management of the Sub-fund, the Manager selects securities with the potential for an advantageous return in relation to the risk incurred on the basis of criteria that are both financial and related to sustainable development (such as, for example, respect for the environment or socially equitable governance). The Sub-fund is actively managed. The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

# What are the restrictions defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain the sustainable investment objective ?

The criteria which the issuers must meet in order to be included in the investment universe are determined through independent external research and/or internal research at the Manager. These selection criteria are as follows :

- Exclusion filter based on respect for democratic minimums: Exclusion of countries that do not meet a minimum standard of democracy according to publicly available rankings by specialised institutions (such as Freedom House, i.e. countries classified as "not free", and that do not meet a minimum standard of democracy according to the Democracy Index published by the Economist Intelligence Unit, i.e. countries classified as "authoritarian").
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Good governance

#### What policy is used to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies?

Good governance criteria are included in the investment decision making process through the criteria used in the country sustainability model. The model includes criteria on governance bodies, prevention of corruption, respect for political rights and civil liberties, etc.

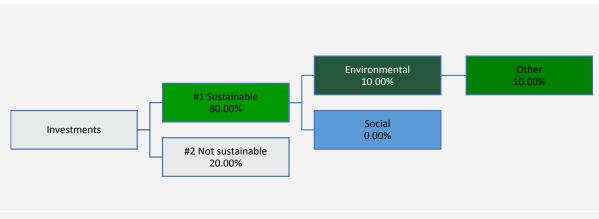
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### What is the asset allocation and the minimum share of sustainable investments?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets to achieve its sustainable investment objective. These sustainable investments (in the table below referred to as "#1 Sustainable") have :

- Either an environmental objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environ mentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy;
- Or a social objective.



**#1 Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives.

#2 Not sustainable includes investments which do not qualify as sustainable investments.

#### How does the use of derivatives help to attain the sustainable investment objective ?

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the Sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the Sub-fund.



# To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

To date, the EU Taxonomy does not provide a methodology for determining the alignment of sovereign bonds with the EU Taxonomy. These bonds are therefore not covered by the EU Taxonomy or its eligibility and technical selection criteria. In accordance with the Sub-fund's investment policy, the Sub-fund invests primarily in bonds and/or other debt securities issued (or guaranteed) by emerging countries (including their local governments and public (or similar) bodies) or by international public bodies and selected on the basis of sustainable development criteria. Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").

### Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

☐ Yes : ☐ In fossil gas ☐ In nuclear energy

🗹 No

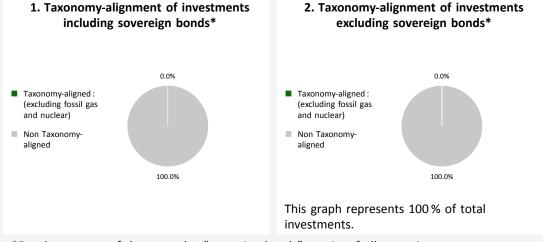
To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to **fossil gas** include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For **nuclear energy**, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

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Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of: - of turnover reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies;

- of capital expenditure (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy; of operational expenditure (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities? The Sub-fund does not seek to invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

This symbol designates environmentally sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria

for environmentally

Taxonomy.

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activities under the EU

Based on the approach described above, the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy is 10%. The proprietary sustainability model is based on environmental, social and governmental aspects. In the environmental aspect, the proprietary model takes into account energy efficiency, climate change, biodiversity and country emissions. Investing in the highest ranked countries in this aspect therefore means that the Sub-fund has an environmental objective. The scores of the

What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental

objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Environment component of the EM Manager country model make it possible to rank the member states in descending order. Countries in the bottom quartile of the ranking (rounding up the number of eligible countries) do not have an environmental target. Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via

http://www.dpamfunds.com/ (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").

#### Enabling activities directly enable other activities to make a

substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.



### What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with a social objective?

Based on the below approach, the minimum share of socially sustainable investments is 10%. A European Taxonomy for social sustainability goals has yet to be developed. In the meantime, the Manager wishes to continue to make sustainable investments that contribute to the achievement of key social goals such as zero hunger, quality education and peace, justice and strong institutions. To this end, the Manager has adopted and defined a specific framework for identifying the social objectives of these sustainable investments and assessing their contribution to these objectives. The proprietary sustainability model is based on environmental, social and governmental aspects. In the social aspect, the proprietary model of sustainability of countries takes into account both current generations (wealth distribution, population, health care) and future generations (education and innovation). Investing in the highest ranked countries in this aspect therefore means that the Sub-fund has a social objective. Similarly, the scores for the Social component (i.e. present and future generations of the proprietary model) allow the member states to be ranked in descending order. Countries in the bottom quartile of the ranking do not have a social target. Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via www.dpamfunds.com (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").



# What investments are included under "#2 Not sustainable", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole portfolio, excluding the :

- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will never exceed 20% of the portfolio.

Given the nature of these instruments, there are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.

# Is a specific index designated as the benchmark for determining whether the sustainable investment objective has been achieved?

Not applicable

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the sustainable objective.

- How does the reference benchmark take into account sustainability factors in a way that is continuously aligned with the sustainable investment objective? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?

Not applicable

- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found ? Not applicable

### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 8(1), (2) and (2a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

#### Product name :

DPAM L BONDS EUR CORPORATE 2026

Legal entity identifier: 3912008VMXPFSV2ZZU26

## **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

Sustainable investment means an investment in an	Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?							
economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the investe companies follow	••	Yes	•0	✓ No				
		It will make a minimum of sustainable investments with an environmental objective :%		It promotes Environmental/Social (E/S) characteristics and while it does not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it will have a minimum proportion of% of sustainable investments				
good governance practices.		in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU		with an environmental objective in economic activities that qualify as				
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does not include a list of socially sustainable				with a social objective				
economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.		It will make a minimum of sustainable investments with a social objective :%		It promotes E/S characteristics, but will not make any sustainable investments				



#### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics through a rigorous methodology aimed at :

- defending fundamental rights (human rights, labour rights, anti-corruption and environmental protection); and
- not funding controversial activities and behaviours that could affect the long-term reputation of the investments.
- promoting environmental, social and governance (ESG) best practices.

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve the environmental and social characteristics promoted under Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved. What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions in terms of exposure of the investee companies to certain controversial activities and behaviours:

- zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;
- zero exposure to issuers involved in excluded controversial activities as defined by the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental or social issues;

for more details, see the section below "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?"

- What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives? Not applicable. The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
- How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective ? Not applicable. The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
  - How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account? Not applicable

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details : Not applicable

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.

### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

#### ☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Subfund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

In concrete terms, PAIs are incorporated into the various stages of upstream Sub-fund construction via exclusions and the resulting eligible universe (i), and through the investment process via fundamental analysis, controversy monitoring and ongoing dialogue with investees (ii):

- 1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAI:
- they are analysed and monitored at the level of the investee issuers, particularly with regard to PAIs related to greenhouse gas emissions and energy performance, including through the Manager's research in the context of the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD).
- after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection.

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

- in addition, the filtering and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues such as the environmental impact of the company's operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity, and water consumption), the environmental impact of the supply chain, and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).
- 2) Secondly, social and governance PAIs are systematically analysed throughout the research and investment process :
- the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption;
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (in accordance with the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));

in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery.

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/.</u>

Information on the PAIs taken into consideration by the Sub-fund will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

🗌 No



#### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. The Sub-fund invests mainly in a diversified portfolio of investment grade corporate bonds denominated in euro. In order to achieve investment objectives or hedge against market fluctuations, or for the purposes of efficient portfolio management, the Sub-fund may make use of derivatives.

What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) companies which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) companies involved in controversial activities, and (c) companies involved in extremely serious ESG controversies:

a) Compliance of the portfolio with the Global Standards described below: The Sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the Global Compact and the Guiding Principles of the United Nations, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties.

b) Exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: The Sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The Sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal.

These exclusions are detailed in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

c) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: Issuers facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

Security exclusions based on the binding criteria of the investment strategy apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

Each time a data series is collected, the Manager draws up exclusion lists which are updated at least quarterly and on an ad hoc basis in the event of a deterioration in the position. There is an exclusion list for each binding element and strategy group, and the Manager applies a similar exclusion/

restriction threshold for investment. The Manager's risk management department is responsible for applying the necessary prevention (ex-ante risk) and control (ex-post risk) mechanisms to effectively enforce the exclusion lists in the investment portfolios of the Manager's strategies.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes the most severe controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

In the event that a company's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Standards non-Compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the company emerges, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy?

Not applicable.

Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.

# What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies ?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of the Manager's active ownership, engagement and sustainable and responsible investment policies and are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described above in the section "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select investments to achieve each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?" The Manager takes these criteria into account in the following way:

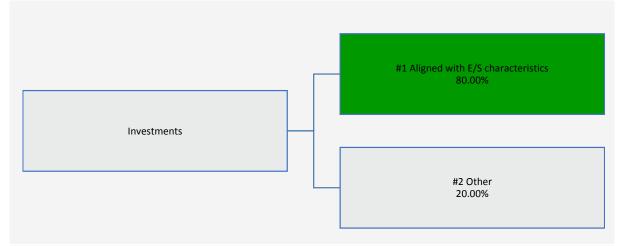
- Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.
- The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Voting policy/Engagement policy).



### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics").



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2** Other includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects.



# To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments and makes no commitment to align its investments with the European Taxonomy.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

□ Yes:

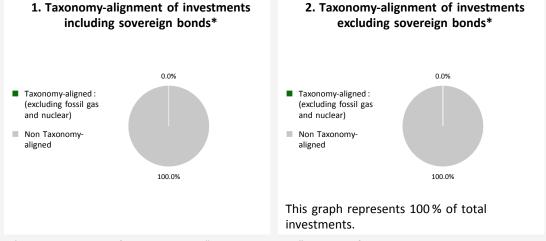
□ In fossil gas □ In nuclear energy ☑ No

To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to **fossil gas** include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For **nuclear energy**, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear activities will only be compliant with the EU Taxonomy if they contribute to mitigating climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any objective of the EU Taxonomy - see explanatory note in the left margin. The set of criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that are in line with the EU Taxonomy are defined in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of : - of **turnover** reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies ; - of **capital expenditure** 

(CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy; - of **operational expenditure** (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies. The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

### What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities ?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments and makes no commitment to align its investments with the European Taxonomy.

What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental



This symbol designates sustainable investments with an environmental objective that **do not take into account the criteria** for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.

### What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make socially sustainable investments.

objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.

Enabling activities directly enable other

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# What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole Sub-fund, excluding :

- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes;
- issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will not exceed 20% of the Sub-fund.

There are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

Not applicable

- Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product meets the environmental or social characteristics it promotes.
- How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?
  Not applicable
- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found? Not applicable



### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 8(1), (2) and (2a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

### Product name :

DPAM L BONDS EUR CORPORATE HIGH YIELD

# Legal entity identifier: 549300RHXDNMS7JGH745

# **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

Sustainable investment means an investment in an	Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?								
economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the	••		Yes		•0	$\checkmark$	Νο		
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with the Taxonomy or not.

### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics through a rigorous methodology aimed at :

- defending fundamental rights (human rights, labour rights, anti-corruption and environmental protection); and
- not funding controversial activities and behaviours that could affect the long-term reputation of the investments.
- promoting environmental, social and governance (ESG) best practices.

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve the environmental and social characteristics promoted under Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved. What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions in terms of exposure of the investee companies to certain controversial activities and behaviours:

- zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;
- zero exposure to issuers involved in excluded controversial activities as defined by the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental or social issues;

for more details, see the section below "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?"

- What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives? Not applicable. The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
- How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective ? Not applicable. The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
  - How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account? Not applicable

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details : Not applicable

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The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.

### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

### ☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Subfund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

In concrete terms, PAIs are incorporated into the various stages of upstream Sub-fund construction via exclusions and the resulting eligible universe (i), and through the investment process via fundamental analysis, controversy monitoring and ongoing dialogue with investees (ii):

- 1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAI:
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- after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection.

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- in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery.

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/.</u>

Information on the PAIs taken into consideration by the Sub-fund will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

🗆 No



### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The Sub-fund primarily invests in corporate bonds from any part of the world which have a rating falling within the "high yield" category as defined by Moody's or S&P or Fitch. In the active management of the Sub-fund, the Manager selects securities with the potential for an advantageous return in relation to the risk incurred on the basis of a macroeconomic and financial analysis.

The Sub-fund is actively managed. The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

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a) Compliance of the portfolio with the Global Standards described below: The Sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the Global Compact and the Guiding Principles of the United Nations, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties.

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In the event that a company's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Standards non-Compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the company emerges, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy?

Not applicable

Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff

and tax compliance.

# What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies ?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of the Manager's active ownership, engagement and sustainable and responsible investment policies and are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described above in the section "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select investments to achieve each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?" The Manager takes these criteria into account in the following way:

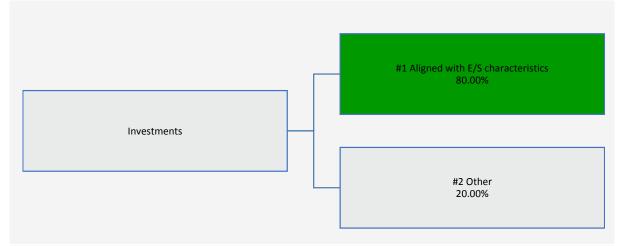
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Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").



### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics").



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2** Other includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects.



# To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments and makes no commitment to align its investments with the European Taxonomy.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

□ Yes:

□ In fossil gas □ In nuclear energy ☑ No

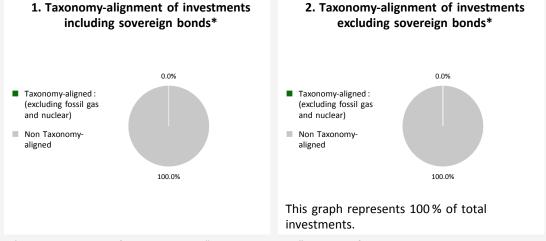
To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to **fossil gas** include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For **nuclear energy**, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

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Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of: - of turnover reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies; - of capital expenditure

(CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy; - of operational expenditure (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



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### What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental



What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make socially sustainable investments.

**Enabling activities** directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.

This symbol designates sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria



for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.



# What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole Sub-fund, excluding :

- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes;
- issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will not exceed 20% of the Sub-fund.

There are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

Not applicable

- Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product meets the environmental or social characteristics it promotes.
- How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?
  Not applicable
- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found? Not applicable



### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 8(1), (2) and (2a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

### Product name :

DPAM L BONDS EUR HIGH YIELD SHORT TERM

### Legal entity identifier: 549300U2IHEFSZPGWH97

## **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

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with the Taxonomy or not.

### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics through a rigorous methodology aimed at :

- defending fundamental rights (human rights, labour rights, anti-corruption and environmental protection); and
- not funding controversial activities and behaviours that could affect the long-term reputation of the investments.
- promoting environmental, social and governance (ESG) best practices.

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve the environmental and social characteristics promoted under Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved. What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions in terms of exposure of the investee companies to certain controversial activities and behaviours:

- zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;
- zero exposure to issuers involved in excluded controversial activities as defined by the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental or social issues;

for more details, see the section below "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?"

- What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives? Not applicable. This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
- How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective ? Not applicable. The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
  - How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account? Not applicable

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details : Not applicable

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.

### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

### ☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Subfund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

In concrete terms, PAIs are incorporated into the various stages of upstream Sub-fund construction via exclusions and the resulting eligible universe (i), and through the investment process via fundamental analysis, controversy monitoring and ongoing dialogue with investees (ii):

- 1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAI:
- they are analysed and monitored at the level of the investee issuers, particularly with regard to PAIs related to greenhouse gas emissions and energy performance, including through the Manager's research in the context of the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD).
- after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection.

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

- in addition, the filtering and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues such as the environmental impact of the company's operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity, and water consumption), the environmental impact of the supply chain, and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).
- 2) Secondly, social and governance PAIs are systematically analysed throughout the research and investment process :
- the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption;
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (in accordance with the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));

in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery.

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/.</u>

Information on the PAIs taken into consideration by the Sub-fund will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

🗌 No



### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. The Sub-fund mainly invests in euro-denominated corporate bonds with a low rating. These bonds have a residual term or maturity of less than 4 years. In the active management of the Sub-fund, the Manager selects securities with the potential for an advantageous return in relation to the risk incurred on the basis of a macroeconomic and financial analysis. The Sub-fund is actively managed. The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) companies which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) companies involved in controversial activities, and (c) companies involved in extremely serious ESG controversies :

a) Compliance of the portfolio with the Global Standards described below: The Sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the Global Compact and the Guiding Principles of the United Nations, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties.

b) Exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: The Sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The Sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal.

These exclusions are detailed in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

c) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: Issuers facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

Security exclusions based on the binding criteria of the investment strategy apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

Each time a data series is collected, the Manager draws up exclusion lists which are updated at least quarterly and on an ad hoc basis in the event of a deterioration in the position. There is an exclusion list for each binding element and strategy group, and the Manager applies a similar exclusion/

restriction threshold for investment. The Manager's risk management department is responsible for applying the necessary prevention (ex-ante risk) and control (ex-post risk) mechanisms to effectively enforce the exclusion lists in the investment portfolios of the Manager's strategies.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes the most severe controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

In the event that a company's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Standards non-Compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the company emerges, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy?

Not applicable

Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff

and tax compliance.

# What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies ?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of the Manager's active ownership, engagement and sustainable and responsible investment policies and are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described above in the section "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select investments to achieve each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?" The Manager takes these criteria into account in the following way:

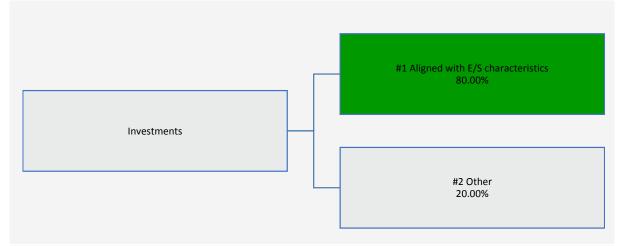
- Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.
- The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").



### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics").



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2** Other includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects.



# To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments and makes no commitment to align its investments with the European Taxonomy.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

□ Yes:

□ In fossil gas □ In nuclear energy ☑ No

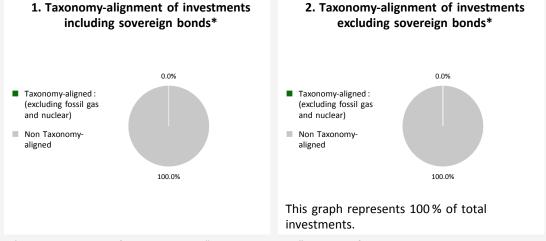
To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to **fossil gas** include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For **nuclear energy**, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear activities will only be compliant with the EU Taxonomy if they contribute to mitigating climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any objective of the EU Taxonomy - see explanatory note in the left margin. The set of criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that are in line with the EU Taxonomy are defined in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of: - of turnover reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies; - of capital expenditure

(CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy; - of operational expenditure (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

### What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental



What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make socially sustainable investments.

**Enabling activities** directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.

This symbol designates sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria



for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.



# What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole Sub-fund, excluding :

- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes;
- issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will not exceed 20% of the Sub-fund.

There are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

Not applicable

- Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product meets the environmental or social characteristics it promotes.
- How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?
  Not applicable
- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found? Not applicable



### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 8(1), (2) and (2a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

### Product name :

DPAM L BONDS EUR INFLATION-LINKED

Legal entity identifier: 391200BNS4QDFDHVPP76

# **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

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with the Taxonomy or not.

### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics :

- by excluding countries that do not respect a minimum of democratic requirements;
- by systematically applying a policy for impact bonds (such as green and social bonds).

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve the environmental and social characteristics promoted under Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved. What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions :

- zero exposure to issuers that do not respect a minimum of democratic requirements.
- a percentage of impact bonds ("Green, Social & Sustainability bonds") in the portfolio is higher than the benchmark.

for more details, see the section below "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?"

What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

Not applicable. The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.

How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?
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Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters. How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account? Not applicable

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details : Not applicable

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.



### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

### ☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account the principal adverse (hereinafter "PAIs") environmental and social impacts listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 which are applicable to investments in sovereign or supranational issuers.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Subfund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

The first PAI relates to environmental issues and focuses on the greenhouse gas emission intensity of the investee countries. The indicator is an integral component of the country sustainability model that the Manager developed for its sovereign bond strategies. Consequently, it is included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it positively or negatively depending on its level and development compared to other issuer countries. The results of the country sustainability scores are optionally discussed with the countries concerned according to the Manager's engagement policy, which is available at *http://www.dpamfunds.com/*.

The second PAI relates to social issues and focuses on issues of social breaches. Our country sustainability model monitors a number of indicators on this issue, such as respect for civil liberties and political rights, respect for human rights and the level of violence within the country, commitment to key labour law conventions, the issue of equal opportunities and distribution of wealth, etc. These different indicators are included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it positively or negatively depending on its level and evolution compared to other emitting countries. The results of the country sustainability scores are optionally discussed with the countries concerned according to the Manager's engagement policy, which is available at www.dpamfunds.com.

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/.</u>

Information on the PAIs taken into consideration by the Sub-fund will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

🗌 No



### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. The Sub-fund invests primarily in a diversified portfolio of international bonds. The Sub-fund favours quality bonds issued by reputable issuers. The Manager defines the investment policy, in particular as regards the duration of investments, on the basis of an analysis of the political, financial and economic situations. The Sub-fund is actively managed. The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

• What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund applies binding investment restrictions: (a) exclusion of countries that do not meet minimum democratic requirements and (b) an impact bond policy:

a) the exclusion of countries that do not respect a minimum of democratic requirements: To determine whether a country does not meet this minimum requirement the Manager applies a methodology that is mainly based on the classifications of the International NGO Freedom House ("not free") and The Economist Intelligence Unit ("authoritarian regime").

This exclusion and the underlying methodology are detailed in the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (section on "Sovereign Bonds") which is available at <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Controversial Activities Policy).

b) Impact bond policy: the percentage of impact bonds ("Green, Social & Sustainability bonds") in the portfolio is higher than the benchmark investment universe.

More information can be found in the "Green, Social Sustainability Government Bonds Policy" section of the Manager's Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy available at <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u>.

Security exclusions based on the binding criteria of the investment strategy apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

In the event that a country is downgraded, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

# What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy?

Not applicable

What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies ?

Good governance criteria such as the electoral process, civil liberties, national and local democratic governance are included in the models used by the International NGO Freedom House and the Economist Intelligence Unit.



### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets.

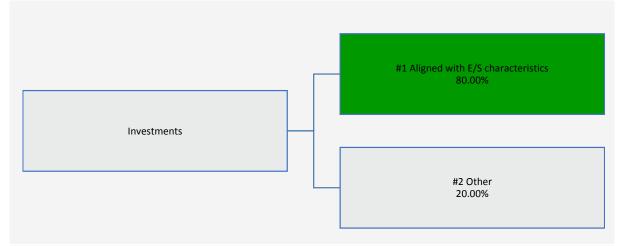
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and tax compliance.

management structures,

By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics").



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**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects.



# To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments and makes no commitment to align its investments with the European Taxonomy.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

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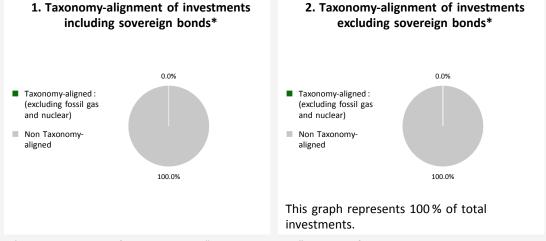
To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to **fossil gas** include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For **nuclear energy**, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

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### What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

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# What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole Sub-fund, excluding:

- liquid assets (excluding treasury bills);
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes;
- issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

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Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 9(1 to 4a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/ 2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 5 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

### Product name:

DPAM L BONDS EUR QUALITY SUSTAINABLE

### Legal entity identifier : 5493000Q6B37KU22O573

### Sustainable investment objective

Sustainable investment means an investment in an	Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?								
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### What is the sustainable investment objective of this financial product?

The Sub-fund has a sustainable investment objective.

The Sub-fund aims to invest in companies that contribute through their products and services to the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) defined by the United Nations, and to advance companies on their contribution to sustainable development and environmental, social and governance (ESG) issues.

The investment universe is narrowed: the portfolio focuses on companies with a net positive contribution (as defined below), i.e. (1) whose core business is the development of products and services that contribute to the achievement of the SDGs and (2) the most advanced in terms of sustainability and ESG risk engagement.

Some of the environmental objectives pursued by the Sub-fund contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation as defined by Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve its sustainable investment objective within the meaning of Article 9 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

### What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of the sustainable investment objective of this financial product?

In order to attain its investment objective, the Sub-fund aims to achieve :

- a minimum of 80% of recognised impact issues (green bonds or equivalents) or issuers meeting SDGs, i.e.:
- companies aligned with one of the first two objectives of the EU taxonomy (climate change mitigation and adaptation);
- companies aiming to make a net positive contribution to the environmental SDGs;
- companies aiming to make a net positive contribution to the social SDGs.

Sustainability indicators measure how the sustainable objectives of this financial product are attained.

- In addition, in order to enhance the contribution to the financing of the 17 sustainable objectives defined by the United Nations (UN) as a whole and the principle of not causing significant harm to an environmental (under the EU Taxonomy or not) and/or social investment objective, the Sub-fund also targets :
- a minimum of 50% of issuers making a net positive contribution\* to all the SDGs (min. 50% of the Sub-fund's AUM is invested in recognised sustainable bonds (green bonds or equivalent) or issuers that individually make a positive contribution to all 17 SDGs on a net contribution basis), and
- a positive net contribution at the level of the overall portfolio to the SDGs, i.e. the impact result based on a weighted average over all invested issuers at the level of the overall portfolio and in terms of net contribution to all 17 SDGs is positive.

\*The net positive contribution is the difference between the positive and negative impact contributions and is calculated at the level of the invested company and the overall portfolio. Based on the UN SDG framework, the impact contribution takes into account both (1) the extent to which the products and services of the invested company contribute to the achievement of the SDGs and (2) the negative impacts associated with their activities along the value chain.

The other sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of the Sub-fund's sustainability investment objective correspond to the binding investment restrictions in terms of exposure of the investee companies to certain controversial activities and behaviours:

- zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;
- zero exposure to issuers involved in excluded controversial activities as defined by the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental or social issues;
- the corporate part of the portfolio is more exposed to issuers with a scientific or similar objective than the corporate part of the benchmark index;
- a better weighted average ESG profile than its benchmark, calculated over a rolling three-year period;

for more details, see the section below "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain the sustainable investment objective ?"

# How do sustainable investments not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective ?

The Manager ensures that the Sub-fund's sustainable investments do not materially undermine an environmentally or socially sustainable investment objective by:

Issuer level:

- Consideration of the principal adverse impacts on the mandatory sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") listed in Table 1 of Annex 1 of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 which allows for the reduction of the negative impacts of the investment, including :

a) by incorporating several elements to avoid and/or reduce its exposure to activities or behaviours that could affect another environmental or social objective (such as the Global Standards compliance filter and the exclusion of ESG controversies of maximum severity or activities most harmful to other environmental and/or social objectives);

b) via an engagement process with investee companies, in accordance with its Engagement Policy, which is available at : <u>https://www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Engagement Policy);

- An impact calculation methodology which takes into account the positive and negative contribution of the company's products and services to the SDGs in order to optimise the net positive (resulting) contribution.

Overall portfolio level:

- A rule of minimum 50% of assets aligned with the EU Taxonomy or making a net positive contribution on all 17 SDGs.

The initiative (1) identifies and promotes best practice emissions reduction and net zero targets in alignment with climate science, (2) provides technical assistance and expert resources to companies that set science-based targets in alignment with the latest climate science, (3) assembles a team of experts to provide companies with independent assessment and validation of targets.

Issuers/companies are called on to join the initiative and define a clear programme on their emission reduction strategy and net zero targets aligned with the Paris Agreement.

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

### How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Sub-fund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

In concrete terms, PAIs are incorporated into the various stages of upstream Sub-fund construction via exclusions and the resulting eligible universe (i), and through the investment process via fundamental analysis, controversy monitoring and ongoing dialogue with investees (ii):

- 1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAIs :
- they are analysed and monitored at the level of the investee issuers, particularly with regard to PAIs related to greenhouse gas emissions and energy performance, including through the Manager's research in the context of the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD);
- after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection;
- in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues, such as the environmental impact of company operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity and water consumption), the environmental impact on the supply chain and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact);
- similarly, environmental indicators are included in the analysis of the ESG profile of companies and impact their best-in-class ranking;
- 2) Secondly, social PAIs are systematically analysed throughout the research and investment process:
- the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption;
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (in accordance with the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery;
- similarly, social indicators are included in the analysis of the ESG profile of companies and impact their best-in-class ranking.

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/.</u>

• How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ?

The Manager's sustainable and responsible investment policies are based on global standards, including the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (Guiding Principles). These standards are also an integral part of the benchmarks used by the various rating agencies that the Manager uses.

The first step in the Sub-fund's investment process is a normative screening against these Global Standards: companies that are not in compliance are excluded from the eligible investment universe.



### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

🗹 Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the PAIs on sustainability factors listed in Table 1 of Annex I of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Subfund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

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- after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection.
- in addition, the filtering and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues such as the environmental impact of the company's operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity, and water consumption), the environmental impact of the supply chain, and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).
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Information on the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

🗌 No



### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance The Sub-fund mainly invests in euro-denominated corporate bonds with a high rating (investment grade). In the active management of the Sub-fund, the Manager selects securities with the potential for an advantageous return in relation to the risk incurred on the basis of criteria that are both financial and related to sustainable development (such as, for example, respect for the environment or socially equitable governance). The Sub-fund is actively managed. The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

# What are the restrictions defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain the sustainable investment objective ?

The criteria which the issuers must meet in order to be included in the investment universe are determined through independent external research and/or internal research at the Manager. These selection criteria are as follows :

- Global Standards compliance filter: Companies must comply with the founding principles of the Global Compact (human rights, labour law, protection of the environment, fight against corruption and environmental protection) and the UN Guiding Principles, ILO instruments, the

OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the underlying conventions and treaties. The Manager uses specific ESG research from non-financial rating agencies to determine whether or not a company is in compliance with these standards.

- Exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities: The policy of excluding controversial activities defined by the Manager (available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy)) covers several sectors and economic activities that are subject to debate as to whether or not they are ethical and sustainable. For each of these sectors and economic activities, the exclusion policy for controversial activities defines the exclusion criteria and thresholds. Companies involved in these controversial sectors and activities and meeting the exclusion criteria set out in the policy are excluded from the investment portfolio.
- Exclusion filter for companies involved in extremely serious ESG controversies: Companies should not be involved in extremely serious ESG controversies, such as incidents or allegations related to environmental, social or governance issues.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes the most severe controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

- Quantitative ESG approach ("best-in-class"): The Manager filters the universe prior to the application of the ESG and sustainable investment selection methodology according to a screening based on the quality of the ESG profile of companies, assessed by non-financial rating agencies. The bottom decile (10%) of the economic sector ranking is not eligible for investment.
- Qualitative ESG approach: The quantitative screening is complemented by qualitative analyses based on the Manager's fundamental research and dialogues with companies on financial issues relating to the companies' strategy and the most relevant and material ESG risks and issues to which they are exposed.
- Impact research and sustainability issues: The Manager ensures that the products and/or services of the company contribute – as a proportion of its revenue – to the achievement of the 17 environmental or social SDGs defined by the United Nations (UN) such as health products and services, education services, water saving and access solutions, energy efficiency solutions, digitalisation services, sustainable mobility services, etc.

Compliance and exclusion filters for securities based on the binding criteria of the investment strategy apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

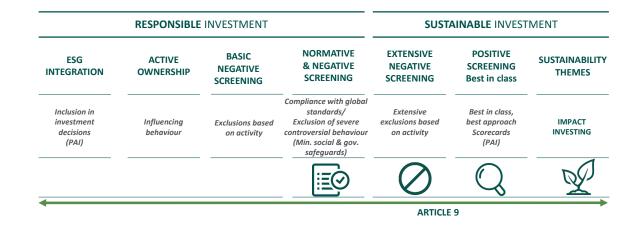
Each time a data series is collected, the Manager draws up exclusion lists which are updated at least quarterly and on an ad hoc basis in the event of a deterioration in the position. There is an exclusion list for each binding element and strategy group, and the Manager applies a similar exclusion/limit threshold for investment. The Manager's risk management department is responsible for applying the necessary prevention (ex-ante risk) and control (ex-post risk) mechanisms to effectively enforce the exclusion lists in the investment portfolios of the Manager's strategies.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes companies involved in the most severe ESG controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

The best-in-class screening is carried out every six months. The calculation of the net positive contribution to the sustainable investment objectives is done on a regular basis.

In the event that a company's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Standards non-Compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the company emerges, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

The sustainable investment objective pursued by this Sub-fund is the result of the consecutive steps of the investment process as outlined below :



### Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff

and tax compliance.

### What policy is used to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of the Manager's active shareholding, engagement and sustainable and responsible investment policies, and are included in the investment decision process through the different steps of the sustainable investment selection methodology described above. DPAM takes these criteria into account in the following way:

- Exclusion filter based on compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- Exclusion filter for companies involved in ESG controversies of maximum severity: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- Quantitative ESG ("best-in-class") approach: governance criteria in the broad sense and corporate governance criteria in particular are an integral part of the "best-in-class" exercise, which uses external ESG ratings to define the eligible universe.
- Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

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### What is the asset allocation and the minimum share of sustainable investments?

### Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets.

By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets to achieve its sustainable investment objective. These sustainable investments (in the table below referred to as "#1 Sustainable") have :

- an environmental objective in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy, or
- an environmental objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy, or
- a social objective.



**#1 Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives.

#2 Not sustainable includes investments which do not qualify as sustainable investments.

### How does the use of derivatives help to attain the sustainable investment objective ?

The derivative products that may be employed will not be used for the purpose of achieving the sustainable investment objective.



# To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Minimum of 4%. Sustainable investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy (referred to in the table as "EU Taxonomy aligned") consist of investments in companies whose economic activities substantially contribute to the environmental objectives of climate change mitigation and/or adaptation as defined by the EU Taxonomy in accordance with the eligibility and technical selection criteria ("EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria").

The Manager's methodology for assessing the EU Taxonomy alignment of investee companies is based on data provided either by the investee companies or by third party providers. The latter use a mixed approach :

- firstly, a direct mapping between the business activities in their own sectoral classification system and the economic activities covered by the Technical Selection Criteria of the EU Taxonomy;
- Secondly, any business activity that could not be directly mapped is examined through a bottom-up assessment of its alignment with the EU Taxonomy's Technical Selection Criteria;
- any economic activity remaining after the first and second steps is considered not to be aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

In principle, the extent to which investments are investments in environmentally sustainable economic activities within the meaning of the EU Taxonomy is assessed by means of turnover (based on performance data provided by third-party suppliers).

Where information on the extent to which investments are investments in environmentally sustainable economic activities within the meaning of the EU Taxonomy cannot be readily obtained from information published by the invested issuers, the Manager shall rely on equivalent information obtained by third-party providers from the invested issuers.

The compliance of these investments with the requirements set out in Article 3 of the EU Taxonomy will not be subject to a guarantee provided by one or more auditors or a review by one or more auditors or a review by one or more third parties.

Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").

To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to fossil gas include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of: - of **turnover** reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies; - of **capital expenditure** (CapEx) showing the green investments made

by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy; - of operational

**expenditure** (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

Enabling activities

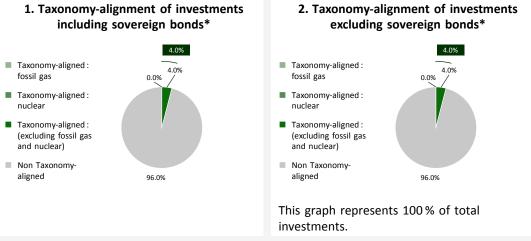
directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance. Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy ?<sup>1</sup>

☐ Yes:
 ☐ In fossil gas ☐ In nuclear energy
 ☑ No

🗹 No

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities? The Sub-fund does not seek to invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear activities will only be compliant with the EU Taxonomy if they contribute to mitigating climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any objective of the EU Taxonomy - see explanatory note in the left margin. The set of criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that are in line with the EU Taxonomy are defined in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.



This symbol designates environmentally sustainable investments with an environmental objective that **do not take into account the criteria** for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.

# What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Based on the approach described above, the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy is 25 %. Only two of the six environmental objectives defined by the EU Taxonomy are currently covered by the regulatory framework of the EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria that determine alignment with the EU Taxonomy (adaptation and climate change mitigation). Similar criteria for the other four environmental objectives have yet to be developed. In the meantime, the Manager wishes to continue to make sustainable investments that contribute to environmental objectives not covered by the current EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria, including key environmental objectives such as the sustainable use and protection of water and marine resources, the prevention and control of pollution and the protection and restoration of biodiversity and ecosystems. To this end, the Manager has adopted and defined a specific framework for identifying the environmental objectives of these sustainable investments and assessing their contribution to these objectives. This framework uses data from investee companies and thirdparty suppliers and assesses the negative and positive contribution of (potential) investee companies, as a percentage of their turnover, to the UN SDGs that can be attributed to environmental objectives.

The Manager will review and reassess this framework when the EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria have been implemented for the other four environmental objectives defined by the EU Taxonomy. Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").



### What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with a social objective?

Based on the below approach, the minimum share of socially sustainable investments is 10%. A European Taxonomy for social sustainability goals has yet to be developed. In the meantime, the Manager wishes to continue to make sustainable investments that contribute to the achievement of key social goals such as zero hunger, quality education and peace, justice and strong institutions. To this end, the Manager has adopted and defined a specific framework for identifying the social objectives of these sustainable investments and assessing their contribution to these objectives. This framework uses data from investee companies and third-party suppliers and assesses the negative and positive contribution of (potential) investee companies, as a percentage of their turnover, to the UN SDGs that can be attributed to social objectives. The Manager will review and reassess this framework when the EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria have been implemented for the social objectives under the EU Taxonomy. Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").



# What investments are included under "#2 Not sustainable", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole portfolio, excluding the :

- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will never exceed 20% of the portfolio.

Given the nature of these instruments, there are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



Is a specific index designated as the benchmark for determining whether the sustainable investment objective has been achieved?

Not applicable

**Reference benchmarks** are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the sustainable objective.

- How does the reference benchmark take into account sustainability factors in a way that is continuously aligned with the sustainable investment objective? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?

Not applicable

How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable

Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found ? Not applicable



### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 8(1), (2) and (2a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

### Product name :

DPAM L BONDS EUR SHORT TERM

Legal entity identifier: 222100JJ1687Q7ON5459

# **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

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with the Taxonomy or not.

### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics through a rigorous methodology aimed at :

- defending fundamental rights (human rights, labour rights, anti-corruption and environmental protection); and
- not funding controversial activities and behaviours that could affect the long-term reputation of the investments.
- promoting environmental, social and governance (ESG) best practices.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved. What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions in terms of exposure of the investee companies to certain controversial activities and behaviours:

- zero exposure to companies deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;
- zero exposure to issuers involved in excluded controversial activities as defined by the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental or social issues;

for more details, see the section below "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?"

What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

Not applicable. This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.

How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective ? Not applicable. The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.

How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account? Not applicable

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details : Not applicable

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.



### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288.

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- after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection.
- in addition, the filtering and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues such as the environmental impact of the company's operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity, and water consumption), the environmental impact of the supply chain, and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

- Secondly, social and governance PAIs are systematically analysed throughout the research and investment process:
- the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption;
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (in accordance with the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery;

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u>

Information on the PAIs taken into consideration by the Sub-fund will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

🗌 No



### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. The Sub-fund invests mainly in investment grade corporate or government bonds denominated in euros or in the currency of an OECD country. The Sub-fund has a relatively low sensitivity to changes in interest rates. In the active management of the Sub-fund, the Manager selects securities with the potential for an advantageous return in relation to the risk incurred on the basis of a macroeconomic and financial analysis. The Sub-fund is actively managed. The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

### What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) companies which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) companies involved in controversial activities, and (c) companies involved in extremely serious ESG controversies :

a) Compliance of the portfolio with the Global Standards described below: The Sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the Global Compact and the Guiding Principles of the United Nations, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties.

b) Exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: The Sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The Sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal.

These exclusions are detailed in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

c) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: Issuers facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

Security exclusions based on the binding criteria of the investment strategy apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

Each time a data series is collected, the Manager draws up exclusion lists which are updated at least quarterly and on an ad hoc basis in the event of a deterioration in the position. There is an exclusion list for each binding element and strategy group, and the Manager applies a similar exclusion/ restriction threshold for investment. The Manager's risk management department is responsible for applying the necessary prevention (ex-ante risk) and control (ex-post risk) mechanisms to effectively enforce the exclusion lists in the investment portfolios of the Manager's strategies.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes the most severe controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

In the event that a company's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Standards non-Compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the company emerges, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

### What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy?

Not applicable

### What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies ?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of the Manager's active ownership, engagement and sustainable and responsible investment policies and are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described above in the section "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select investments to achieve each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?" The Manager takes these criteria into account in the following way:

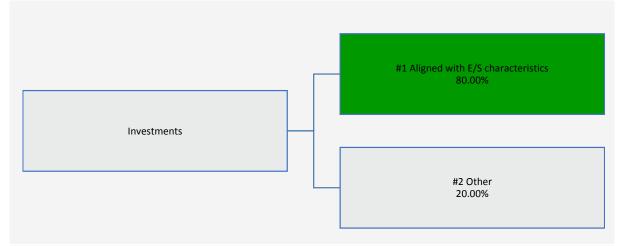
- Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.
- The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation
  of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of
  minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement
  policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Voting policy/Engagement policy).

### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics").

Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2** Other includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects.



## To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments and makes no commitment to align its investments with the European Taxonomy.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

□ Yes:

□ In fossil gas □ In nuclear energy ☑ No

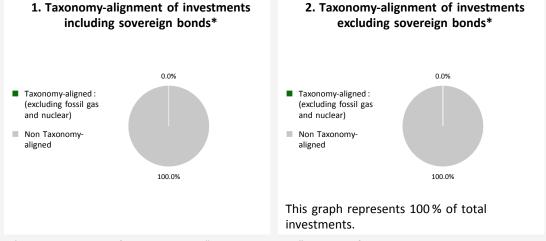
To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to **fossil gas** include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For **nuclear energy**, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear activities will only be compliant with the EU Taxonomy if they contribute to mitigating climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any objective of the EU Taxonomy - see explanatory note in the left margin. The set of criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that are in line with the EU Taxonomy are defined in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of: - of turnover reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies; - of capital expenditure

(CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy; - of operational expenditure (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

#### What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental



What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make socially sustainable investments.

**Enabling activities** directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.

This symbol designates sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria



for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.



# What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole Sub-fund, excluding :

- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes;
- issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will not exceed 20% of the Sub-fund.

There are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

Not applicable

- Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product meets the environmental or social characteristics it promotes.
- How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?
  Not applicable
- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found? Not applicable



#### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 8(1), (2) and (2a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

#### Product name :

DPAM L BONDS GOVERNMENT GLOBAL

### Legal entity identifier: 391200NTFVF0HX852F74

### **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

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with the Taxonomy or not.

#### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics :

- by excluding countries that do not respect a minimum of democratic requirements;
- by systematically applying a policy for impact bonds (such as green and social bonds).

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve the environmental and social characteristics promoted under Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved. What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions :

- zero exposure to issuers that do not respect a minimum of democratic requirements.
- a percentage of impact bonds ("Green, Social & Sustainability bonds") in the portfolio is higher than the benchmark.

for more details, see the section below "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?"

What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

Not applicable. The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.

How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?
Not applicable. The Sub-fund does not cause to make sustainable investments.

Not applicable. The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters. How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account? Not applicable

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details : Not applicable

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.



#### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

#### ☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account the principal adverse (hereinafter "PAIs") environmental and social impacts listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 which are applicable to investments in sovereign or supranational issuers.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Subfund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

The first PAI relates to environmental issues and focuses on the greenhouse gas emission intensity of the investee countries. The indicator is an integral component of the country sustainability model that the Manager developed for its sovereign bond strategies. Consequently, it is included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it positively or negatively depending on its level and development compared to other issuer countries. The results of the country sustainability scores are optionally discussed with the countries concerned according to the Manager's engagement policy, which is available at *http://www.dpamfunds.com.* 

The second PAI relates to social issues and focuses on issues of social breaches. Our country sustainability model monitors a number of indicators on this issue, such as respect for civil liberties and political rights, respect for human rights and the level of violence within the country, commitment to key labour law conventions, the issue of equal opportunities and distribution of wealth, etc. These different indicators are included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it positively or negatively depending on its level and evolution compared to other emitting countries. The results of the country sustainability scores are optionally discussed with the countries concerned according to the Manager's engagement policy, which is available at <a href="http://www.dpamfunds.com">http://www.dpamfunds.com</a>.

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/.</u>

Information on the PAIs taken into consideration by the Sub-fund will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

🗌 No



#### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. The Sub-fund invests primarily in a diversified portfolio of investment grade bonds issued or guaranteed by one of the member states of the OECD. The Sub-fund may invest up to 30% of its net assets in securities traded in the Chinese interbank bond market through the Bond Connect program. The Manager defines the investment policy, in particular as regards the duration of investments, on the basis of an analysis of the political, financial and economic situations. The Sub-fund is actively managed. The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

• What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund applies binding investment restrictions: (a) exclusion of countries that do not meet minimum democratic requirements and (b) an impact bond policy:

a) the exclusion of countries that do not respect a minimum of democratic requirements: To determine whether a country does not meet this minimum requirement the Manager applies a methodology that is mainly based on the classifications of the International NGO Freedom House ("not free") and The Economist Intelligence Unit ("authoritarian regime").

This exclusion and the underlying methodology are detailed in the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (section on "Sovereign Bonds") which is available at <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Controversial Activities Policy).

b) Impact bond policy: the percentage of impact bonds ("Green, Social & Sustainability bonds") in the portfolio is higher than the benchmark investment universe.

More information can be found in the "Green, Social Sustainability Government Bonds Policy" section of the Manager's Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy available at <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u>.

Security exclusions based on the binding criteria of the investment strategy apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

In the event that a country is downgraded, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

# What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy? Not applicable

Not applicable

### What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies?

Good governance criteria such as the electoral process, civil liberties, national and local democratic governance are included in the models used by the International NGO Freedom House and the Economist Intelligence Unit.



#### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets.

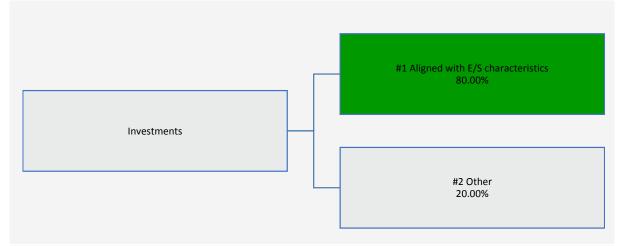
Good governance

employee relations, remuneration of staff

and tax compliance.

management structures,

By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics").



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects.



## To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments and makes no commitment to align its investments with the European Taxonomy.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

□ Yes:

□ In fossil gas □ In nuclear energy ☑ No

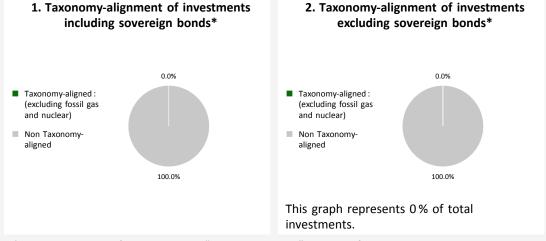
To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to **fossil gas** include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For **nuclear energy**, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear activities will only be compliant with the EU Taxonomy if they contribute to mitigating climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any objective of the EU Taxonomy - see explanatory note in the left margin. The set of criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that are in line with the EU Taxonomy are defined in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of: - of turnover reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies; - of capital expenditure

(CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy; - of operational expenditure (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

#### What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental



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objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make socially sustainable investments.

**Enabling activities** directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.



sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.

This symbol designates



# What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole Sub-fund, excluding:

- liquid assets (excluding treasury bills);
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes;
- issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics;

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will not exceed 20% of the Sub-fund.

There are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

Not applicable

- Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product meets the environmental or social characteristics it promotes.
- How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?
  Not applicable
- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found? Not applicable



#### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 9(1 to 4a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/ 2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 5 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

#### Product name:

DPAM L BONDS GOVERNMENT SUSTAINABLE

#### Legal entity identifier : 2221003I19PQOZ1LDV58

### Sustainable investment objective

Sustainable investment means an investment in an	Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective ?							
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with the Taxonomy or not.								



#### What is the sustainable investment objective of this financial product?

The objective of the Sub-fund is to offer investors exposure, through an actively managed portfolio, to debt securities issued or guaranteed by OECD Member States, including their public regional authorities, or certain international public bodies selected on the basis of sustainable development criteria.

The Sub-fund aims to invest in countries that are committed to respecting fundamental rights (human rights, labour rights, democratic rights, etc.), protecting their environmental capital and promoting the wellbeing of their present and future generations. Based on a rigorous selection of countries combined with a formal and systematic engagement policy and with a focus on recognised impact bonds (green bonds and equivalents), the Sub-fund aims to invest in the most committed or best performing countries in terms of sustainable development.

The objective of sustainable development is pursued via:

- rigorous ESG screening, based on a proprietary sustainability model of states aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDD);
- promoting best practices and best efforts by defining eligibility rules based on ESG ratings;
- formal and systematic engagement with issuers; and
- investment in impact securities (green bonds and similar).

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve its sustainable investment objective within the meaning of Article 9 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Sustainability indicators measure how the sustainable objectives of this financial product are attained.

#### What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of the sustainable investment objective of this financial product?

The Sub-fund pursues a sustainable objective :

by excluding countries that do not respect a minimum of democracy in line with the Manager's controversial activities policy;

- by excluding countries that do not comply with international treaties and are recognised as such by major international organisations as per the Manager's controversial activities policy;
- by investing only in the top 50% of OECD countries ranked according to the proprietary country sustainability model, the Sub-fund invests in countries that demonstrate the greatest commitment to sustainable development on governance, environmental and social issues;
- by engaging in a systematic dialogue with the issuers in which the portfolio is invested, i.e. a dialogue based primarily on the importance of sustainability at the heart of our proprietary country sustainability model, the strengths and areas of focus highlighted by the model, and the awareness of impact bonds (green bonds and equivalents); and
- by focusing on impact instruments such as green and sustainable emissions as described in the sustainable and responsible investment policy. The sustainable and responsible investment policy describes the sustainable approaches adopted (ESG integration, best-in-class, sustainability themes, selection of standards, etc.) that the Manager may apply to all asset classes. It aims to describe and explain the Manager's choices regarding investments with environmental and/or social characteristics and investments with sustainable objectives, in alignment with Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 November 2019 on sustainability-related disclosures in the financial services sector (hereinafter referred to as the "SFDR Regulation"). It lists the Manager's commitments as a sustainable actor. Finally, it describes the Manager's philosophy and approach to sustainable and responsible investment including how the Manager identifies sustainability risks and ESG factors which are incorporated into its investment decision making process.

It therefore aims to:

- achieve a weighted average democratic score above the weighted average democratic score of the reference universe and
- a greenhouse gas emission intensity of the investee countries that is lower than the greenhouse gas emission intensity of its reference universe (member states of the OECD) as defined by regulatory technical standards.

It should be noted that the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy is intended to describe and explain the Manager's choices in terms of exclusions and restrictions on investments in corporate or state activities or behaviour deemed unethical and/or irresponsible and/or unsustainable.

It is available at <u>https://res.cloudinary.com/degroof-petercam-asset-management/image/</u> upload/ v1614006839/DPAM\_policy\_Controversial\_activities.pdf).

### How do sustainable investments not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

The Manager ensures that the Sub-fund's sustainable investments do not materially undermine an environmentally or socially sustainable investment objective by :

- excluding issuers that do not meet a democratic minimum;
- a systematic screening of all issuers integrating the main environmental, social and governance challenges and linked to the SDGs as defined by the United Nations resulting in a country ranking according to the proprietary model. Investment is concentrated only in the top 50% of OECD countries according to the proprietary country sustainability model, subject to the application of the transition framework described in the Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy; and
- maintaining a systematic dialogue with all the countries involved.

#### How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

The Sub-fund takes into account the principal adverse (hereinafter "PAIs") environmental and social impacts listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 which are applicable to investments in sovereign or supranational issuers.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Sub-fund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

The first PAI relates to environmental issues and focuses on the greenhouse gas emission intensity of the investee countries. The indicator is an integral component of the country sustainability model that the Manager developed for its sovereign bond strategies. Consequently, it is included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it positively or negatively depending on its level and development compared to other issuer countries.

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Further information on the integration of principal adverse impacts can be found in the Manager's Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy available at <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u>.

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ?

The principles defended by the above references are mainly related to the respect of human and labour rights. Our country sustainability model monitors a number of indicators on these issues, such as respect for civil liberties and political rights, respect for human rights and the level of violence within the country, commitment to key labour law conventions, the issue of equal opportunities, etc. These different indicators are included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it positively or negatively depending on its level and evolution compared to other emitting countries.

#### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

☑ Yes.

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Information on the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

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#### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

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### What are the restrictions defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain the sustainable investment objective ?

The criteria which the issuers must meet in order to be included in the investment universe are determined through independent external research and/or internal research at the Manager. These selection criteria are as follows :

- Exclusion filter based on violation of international treaties: countries whose violation of international treaties is formally recognised by several major international bodies are excluded from the eligible investment universe in accordance with the Manager's controversial activities policy (available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy);
- Exclusion filter based on respect for democratic minimums: Exclusion of countries that do not meet a minimum standard of democracy according to publicly available rankings by specialised institutions (such as Freedom House, i.e. countries classified as "not free", and that do not meet a minimum standard of democracy according to the Democracy Index published by the Economist Intelligence Unit, i.e. countries classified as "authoritarian");
- Analysis and rating of the country's sustainability profile using a proprietary sustainability model defined the Manager, via its Country Sustainability Advisory Board, which focuses on environmental, social and governance challenges through sustainability dimensions such as transparency, environment, education, etc. and the related sustainability criteria: The sustainability review is characterised by the use of objective, measurable and comparable criteria that governments can use to influence policy (government, authorities, law), avoiding criteria related to the geography or population density of the country. The model is quantitative, tracking a country's current performance, which provides comparable data and does not rely solely on treaties, as these do not guarantee real commitment. Similarly, no data are used on the basis of future promises (political, etc.).

The model is based on several indicators such as indicators on transparency and democratic values, environment, education and innovation and population, health care and wealth distribution, etc.

Based on the country sustainability model, countries are assessed against each other, resulting in a ranking.

More information about the country sustainability model (methodology, specific indicators, etc.) can be found at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> and in particular in the Manager's Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy.

The quantitative screening based on the proprietary sustainability model is updated every 6 months with the assistance of the advisory board.

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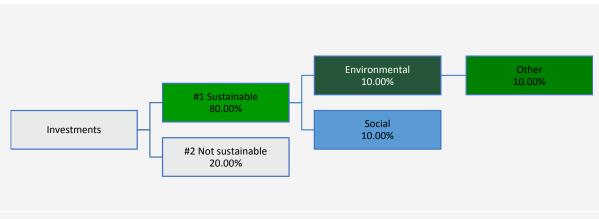
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Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance. 

#### What is the asset allocation and the minimum share of sustainable investments?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets to achieve its sustainable investment objective. These sustainable investments (in the table below referred to as "#1 Sustainable") have:

- Either an environmental objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environ mentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy;
- Or a social objective.



**#1 Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives.

#2 Not sustainable includes investments which do not qualify as sustainable investments.

#### How does the use of derivatives help to attain the sustainable investment objective ?

Derivative financial instruments used, where applicable, for the purpose of achieving the Sub-fund's investment objectives will not be used for the purpose of promoting the environmental and/or social aspects of the Sub-fund.



### To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

To date, the EU Taxonomy does not provide a methodology for determining the alignment of sovereign bonds with the EU Taxonomy. These bonds are therefore not covered by the EU Taxonomy or its eligibility and technical selection criteria. In accordance with the Sub-fund's investment policy, the Sub-fund invests primarily in bonds and/or other debt securities issued (or guaranteed) by a Member State of the OECD (including their local governments) or by international public bodies. Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").

#### Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

🗌 Yes :

□ In fossil gas □ In nuclear energy √ No

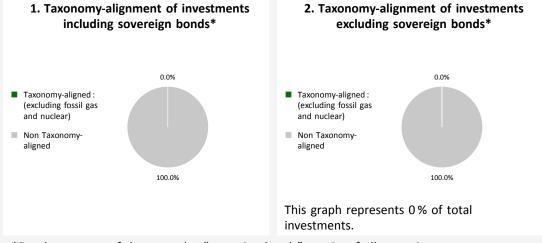
To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to fossil gas include emission limits and a shift to 100 % renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear activities will only be compliant with the EU Taxonomy if they contribute to mitigating climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any objective of the EU Taxonomy - see explanatory note in the left margin. The set of criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that are in line with the EU Taxonomy are defined in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of: - of turnover reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies;

- of capital expenditure (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy; of operational expenditure (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities? The Sub-fund does not seek to invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

performance.

This symbol designates environmentally sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.

### What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Based on the approach described above, the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy is 10%. The proprietary sustainability model is based on environmental, social and governmental aspects. By pursuing an objective of investing only in best-ranked countries (top 50% with scores rounded up), the Subfund has an environmental objective that takes into account energy efficiency, climate change, biodiversity and country emissions. The scores of the Environment component of the OECD Manager country model make it possible to rank the member states in descending order. Countries in the bottom quartile of the ranking (rounding up the number of eligible countries) do not have an environmental target. Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via www.dpamfunds.com (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").

to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable



#### What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with a social objective?

Based on the below approach, the minimum share of socially sustainable investments is 10%. A European Taxonomy for social sustainability goals has yet to be developed. In the meantime, the Manager wishes to continue to make sustainable investments that contribute to the achievement of key social goals such as zero hunger, quality education and peace, justice and strong institutions. To this end, the Manager has adopted and defined a specific framework for identifying the social objectives of these sustainable investments and assessing their contribution to these objectives. The proprietary sustainability model is based on environmental, social and governmental aspects. By pursuing an objective of investing only in best-ranked countries (top 50% with scores rounded up), the Sub-fund has a social objective that takes into account both current generations (wealth distribution, population, healthcare) and future generations (education and innovation). Similarly, the scores for the Social component (i.e. present and future generations of the proprietary model) allow the member states to be ranked in descending order. Countries in the bottom quartile of the ranking do not have a social target. Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via http://www.dpamfunds.com/ (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").



## What investments are included under "#2 Not sustainable", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole portfolio, excluding the :

- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will never exceed 20% of the portfolio.

Given the nature of these instruments, there are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.

## Is a specific index designated as the benchmark for determining whether the sustainable investment objective has been achieved?

Not applicable

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the sustainable objective.

- How does the reference benchmark take into account sustainability factors in a way that is continuously aligned with the sustainable investment objective? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?

Not applicable

- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found? Not applicable

### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 9(1 to 4a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/ 2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 5 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

#### Product name:

DPAM L BONDS GOVERNMENT SUSTAINABLE HFDGFD

Legal entity identifier: 549300C4MM2N96C6QG79

### Sustainable investment objective

Sustainable investment means an investment in an	Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?							
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#### What is the sustainable investment objective of this financial product?

The objective of the Sub-fund is to offer investors exposure, through an actively managed portfolio, to debt securities issued or guaranteed by OECD Member States, including their public regional authorities, or certain international public bodies selected on the basis of sustainable development criteria.

The Sub-fund aims to invest in countries that are committed to respecting fundamental rights (human rights, labour rights, democratic rights, etc.), protecting their environmental capital and promoting the wellbeing of their present and future generations. Based on a rigorous selection of countries combined with a formal and systematic engagement policy and with a focus on recognised impact bonds (green bonds and equivalents), the Sub-fund aims to invest in the most committed or best performing countries in terms of sustainable development.

The objective of sustainable development is pursued via :

- rigorous ESG screening, based on a proprietary sustainability model of states aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDD);
- promoting best practices and best efforts by defining eligibility rules based on ESG ratings;
- formal and systematic engagement with issuers; and
- investment in impact securities (green bonds and similar).

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve its sustainable investment objective within the meaning of Article 9 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Sustainability indicators measure how the sustainable objectives of this financial product are attained.

#### What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of the sustainable investment objective of this financial product?

The Sub-fund pursues a sustainable objective :

by excluding countries that do not respect a minimum of democracy in line with the Manager's controversial activities policy;

- by excluding countries that do not comply with international treaties and are recognised as such by major international organisations as per the Manager's controversial activities policy;
- by investing only in the top 50% of OECD countries ranked according to the proprietary country sustainability model, the Sub-fund invests in countries that demonstrate the greatest commitment to sustainable development on governance, environmental and social issues;
- by engaging in a systematic dialogue with the issuers in which the portfolio is invested, i.e. a dialogue based primarily on the importance of sustainability at the heart of our proprietary country sustainability model, the strengths and areas of focus highlighted by the model, and the awareness of impact bonds (green bonds and equivalents); and
- by focusing on impact instruments such as green and sustainable emissions as described in the sustainable and responsible investment policy. The sustainable and responsible investment policy describes the sustainable approaches adopted (ESG integration, best-in-class, sustainability themes, selection of standards, etc.) that the Manager may apply to all asset classes. It aims to describe and explain the Manager's choices regarding investments with environmental and/or social characteristics and investments with sustainable objectives, in alignment with Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 November 2019 on sustainability-related disclosures in the financial services sector (hereinafter referred to as the "SFDR Regulation"). It lists the Manager's commitments as a sustainable actor. Finally, it describes the Manager's philosophy and approach to sustainable and responsible investment including how the Manager identifies sustainability risks and ESG factors which are incorporated into its investment decision making process.

It therefore aims to:

- achieve a weighted average democratic score above the weighted average democratic score of the reference universe and
- a greenhouse gas emission intensity of the investee countries that is lower than the greenhouse gas emission intensity of its reference universe (member states of the OECD) as defined by regulatory technical standards.

It should be noted that the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy is intended to describe and explain the Manager's choices in terms of exclusions and restrictions on investments in corporate or state activities or behaviour deemed unethical and/or irresponsible and/or unsustainable.

It is available at <u>https://res.cloudinary.com/degroof-petercam-asset-management/image/</u> upload/ v1614006839/DPAM\_policy\_Controversial\_activities.pdf).

### How do sustainable investments not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

The Manager ensures that the Sub-fund's sustainable investments do not materially undermine an environmentally or socially sustainable investment objective by :

- excluding issuers that do not meet a democratic minimum;
- a systematic screening of all issuers integrating the main environmental, social and governance challenges and linked to the SDGs as defined by the United Nations resulting in a country ranking according to the proprietary model. Investment is concentrated only in the top 50% of OECD countries according to the proprietary country sustainability model, subject to the application of the transition framework described in the Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy; and
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#### How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

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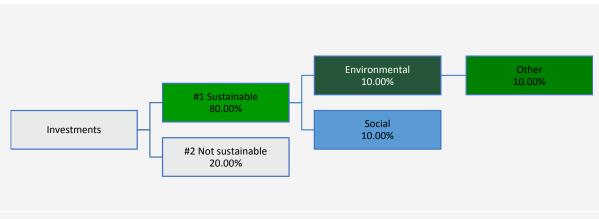
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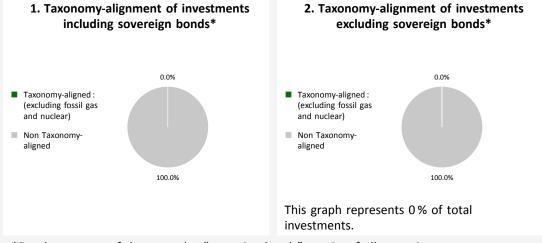
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Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable



#### What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with a social objective?

Based on the below approach, the minimum share of socially sustainable investments is 10%. A European Taxonomy for social sustainability goals has yet to be developed. In the meantime, the Manager wishes to continue to make sustainable investments that contribute to the achievement of key social goals such as zero hunger, quality education and peace, justice and strong institutions. To this end, the Manager has adopted and defined a specific framework for identifying the social objectives of these sustainable investments and assessing their contribution to these objectives. The proprietary sustainability model is based on environmental, social and governmental aspects. By pursuing an objective of investing only in best-ranked countries (top 50% with scores rounded up), the Sub-fund has a social objective that takes into account both current generations (wealth distribution, population, healthcare) and future generations (education and innovation). Similarly, the scores for the Social component (i.e. present and future generations of the proprietary model) allow the member states to be ranked in descending order. Countries in the bottom quartile of the ranking do not have a social target. Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via http://www.dpamfunds.com/ (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").



## What investments are included under "#2 Not sustainable", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole portfolio, excluding the :

- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will never exceed 20% of the portfolio.

Given the nature of these instruments, there are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.

## Is a specific index designated as the benchmark for determining whether the sustainable investment objective has been achieved?

Not applicable

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the sustainable objective.

- How does the reference benchmark take into account sustainability factors in a way that is continuously aligned with the sustainable investment objective? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?

Not applicable

- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found? Not applicable

### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 8(1), (2) and (2a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

#### Product name :

DPAM L BONDS HIGHER YIELD

### Legal entity identifier: 549300D2LI8BDUNRVU85

### **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

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with the Taxonomy or not.

#### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics through a rigorous methodology aimed at :

- defending fundamental rights (human rights, labour rights, anti-corruption and environmental protection); and
- not funding controversial activities and behaviours that could affect the long-term reputation of the investments.
- promoting environmental, social and governance (ESG) best practices.

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve the environmental and social characteristics promoted under Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved. What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions in terms of exposure of the investee companies to certain controversial activities and behaviours:

- zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;
- zero exposure to issuers involved in excluded controversial activities as defined by the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental and social issues;

for more details, see the section below "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?"

- What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives? Not applicable. This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
- How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective ? Not applicable. This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
  - How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account ? Not applicable

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details : Not applicable

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.

#### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

#### ☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Subfund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

In concrete terms, PAIs are incorporated into the various stages of upstream Sub-fund construction via exclusions and the resulting eligible universe (i), and through the investment process via fundamental analysis, controversy monitoring and ongoing dialogue with investees (ii):

- 1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAI:
- they are analysed and monitored at the level of the investee issuers, particularly with regard to PAIs related to greenhouse gas emissions and energy performance, including through the Manager's research in the context of the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD).
- after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection.

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

- in addition, the filtering and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues such as the environmental impact of the company's operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity, and water consumption), the environmental impact of the supply chain, and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).
- 2) Secondly, social PAIs are systematically analysed throughout the research and investment process :
- the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption;
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (in accordance with the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy available at <a href="http://www.dpamfunds.com/">http://www.dpamfunds.com/</a> (Controversial Activities Policy);

in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery.

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/.</u>

Information on the PAIs taken into consideration by the Sub-fund will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

🗌 No



#### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. The Sub-fund mainly invests in convertible bonds of all types, including bonds with low ratings and convertible bonds, which offer a higher yield than bonds issued by the German government. The Sub-fund may invest worldwide in securities denominated in any currency. In the active management of the Sub-fund, the Manager selects securities with the potential for an advantageous return in relation to the risk incurred on the basis of a macroeconomic and financial analysis. The Sub-fund is actively managed. The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

## • What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) companies which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) companies involved in controversial activities, and (c) companies involved in extremely serious ESG controversies :

a) Compliance of the portfolio with the Global Standards described below: The Sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the Global Compact and the Guiding Principles of the United Nations, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties.

b) Exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: The Sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The Sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal.

These exclusions are detailed in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

c) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: Issuers facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

Security exclusions based on the binding criteria of the investment strategy apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

Each time a data series is collected, the Manager draws up exclusion lists which are updated at least quarterly and on an ad hoc basis in the event of a deterioration in the position. There is an exclusion list for each binding element and strategy group, and the Manager applies a similar exclusion/

restriction threshold for investment. The Manager's risk management department is responsible for applying the necessary prevention (ex-ante risk) and control (ex-post risk) mechanisms to effectively enforce the exclusion lists in the investment portfolios of the Manager's strategies.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes the most severe controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

In the event that a company's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Standards non-Compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the company emerges, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy?

Not applicable

Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.

### What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies ?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of the Manager's active ownership, engagement and sustainable and responsible investment policies and are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described above in the section "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select investments to achieve each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?" The Manager takes these criteria into account in the following way:

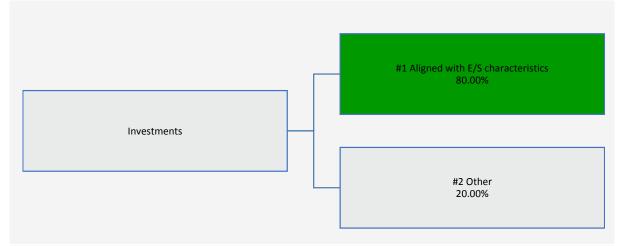
- Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.
- The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Voting policy/Engagement policy).



### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics").



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2** Other includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects.



## To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments and makes no commitment to align its investments with the European Taxonomy.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

□ Yes:

□ In fossil gas □ In nuclear energy ☑ No

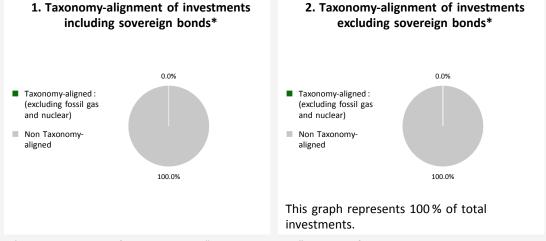
To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to **fossil gas** include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For **nuclear energy**, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear activities will only be compliant with the EU Taxonomy if they contribute to mitigating climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any objective of the EU Taxonomy - see explanatory note in the left margin. The set of criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that are in line with the EU Taxonomy are defined in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of: - of turnover reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies; - of capital expenditure

(CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy; - of operational expenditure (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

#### What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental



What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make socially sustainable investments.

**Enabling activities** directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.

This symbol designates sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria



for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.



# What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole Sub-fund, excluding:

- liquid assets (excluding treasury bills);
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes;
- issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics;

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will not exceed 20% of the Sub-fund.

There are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

Not applicable

- Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product meets the environmental or social characteristics it promotes.
- How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?
  Not applicable
- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found? Not applicable



#### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 8(1), (2) and (2a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

#### Product name :

DPAM L BONDS UNIVERSALIS UNCONSTRAINED

### Legal entity identifier: 5493006302LKO5WVEH19

### **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

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with the Taxonomy or not.

#### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics through a rigorous methodology aimed at :

- defending fundamental rights (human rights, labour rights, anti-corruption and environmental protection); and
- not funding controversial activities and behaviours that could affect the long-term reputation of the investments.
- promoting environmental, social and governance (ESG) best practices.

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve the environmental and social characteristics promoted under Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved. What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions in terms of exposure of the investee companies to certain controversial activities and behaviours:

- zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;
- zero exposure to issuers involved in excluded controversial activities as defined by the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental and social issues;

for more details, see the section below "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?"

- What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives? Not applicable. This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
- How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective ? Not applicable. This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
  - How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account ? Not applicable

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details : Not applicable

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.

#### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

#### ☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Subfund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

In concrete terms, PAIs are incorporated into the various stages of upstream Sub-fund construction via exclusions and the resulting eligible universe (i), and through the investment process via fundamental analysis, controversy monitoring and ongoing dialogue with investees (ii):

- 1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAI:
- they are analysed and monitored at the level of the investee issuers, particularly with regard to PAIs related to greenhouse gas emissions and energy performance, including through the Manager's research in the context of the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD).
- after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection.

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

- in addition, the filtering and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues such as the environmental impact of the company's operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity, and water consumption), the environmental impact of the supply chain, and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).
- 2) Secondly, social PAIs are systematically analysed throughout the research and investment process :
- the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption;
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in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery.

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/.</u>

Information on the PAIs taken into consideration by the Sub-fund will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

🗌 No



#### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The Sub-fund mainly invests in convertible bonds of all types, including bonds with low ratings and convertible bonds. The Sub-fund may invest worldwide in securities denominated in any currency. In the active management of the Sub-fund, the Manager selects securities with the potential for an advantageous return in relation to the risk incurred on the basis of a macroeconomic and financial analysis. The Sub-fund is actively managed. The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

• What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) companies which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) companies involved in controversial activities, and (c) companies involved in extremely serious ESG controversies :

a) Compliance of the portfolio with the Global Standards described below: The Sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the Global Compact and the Guiding Principles of the United Nations, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties.

b) Exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: The Sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The Sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal.

These exclusions are detailed in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

c) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: Issuers facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

Security exclusions based on the binding criteria of the investment strategy apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

Each time a data series is collected, the Manager draws up exclusion lists which are updated at least quarterly and on an ad hoc basis in the event of a deterioration in the position. There is an exclusion list for each binding element and strategy group, and the Manager applies a similar exclusion/

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. restriction threshold for investment. The Manager's risk management department is responsible for applying the necessary prevention (ex-ante risk) and control (ex-post risk) mechanisms to effectively enforce the exclusion lists in the investment portfolios of the Manager's strategies.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes the most severe controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

In the event that a company's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Standards non-Compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the company emerges, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy?

Not applicable

Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff

and tax compliance.

### What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies ?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of the Manager's active ownership, engagement and sustainable and responsible investment policies and are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described above in the section "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select investments to achieve each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?" The Manager takes these criteria into account in the following way:

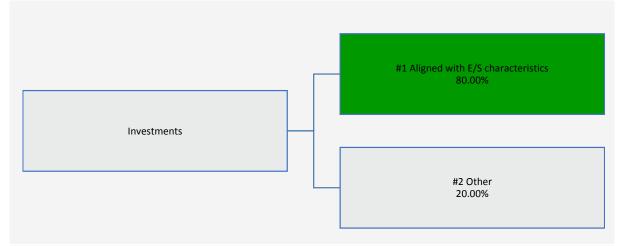
- Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.
- The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").



### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics").



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2** Other includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects.



## To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments and makes no commitment to align its investments with the European Taxonomy.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

□ Yes:

☐ In fossil gas ☐ In nuclear energy ☑ No

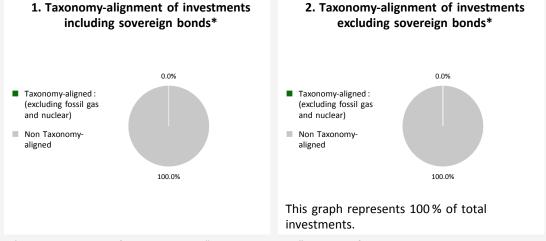
To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to fossil gas include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear activities will only be compliant with the EU Taxonomy if they contribute to mitigating climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any objective of the EU Taxonomy - see explanatory note in the left margin. The set of criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that are in line with the EU Taxonomy are defined in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of: - of turnover reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies; - of capital expenditure

(CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy; - of operational expenditure (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

#### What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental



What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make socially sustainable investments.

**Enabling activities** directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.

This symbol designates sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria



for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.



# What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole Sub-fund, excluding :

- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes;
- issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will not exceed 20% of the Sub-fund.

There are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

Not applicable

- Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product meets the environmental or social characteristics it promotes.
- How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?
  Not applicable
- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found? Not applicable



#### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 8(1), (2) and (2a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

#### Product name :

DPAM L EQUITIES CONVICTION RESEARCH

Legal entity identifier: 549300K2SC8V3VLQR059

### **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

Sustainable investment means an investment in an	Does t	Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?								
economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the	••	Yes	•0	✓ No						
		It will make a minimum of sustainable investments with an environmental objective :%		It promotes Environmental/Social (E/S) characteristics and while it does not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it will have a minimum proportion of% of sustainable investments						
investee companies follow good governance practices.		in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU		with an environmental objective in economic activities that qualify as						
The <b>EU Taxonomy</b> is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852 establishing a list of <b>environmentally</b> <b>sustainable economic</b> <b>activities.</b> That Regulation		Taxonomy		environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy						
		in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy		with an environmental objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environ mentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy						
does not include a list of socially sustainable				with a social objective						
economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned		It will make a minimum of sustainable investments with a social objective :%		It promotes E/S characteristics, but <b>will not make</b> any sustainable investments						



with the Taxonomy or not.

#### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics through a rigorous methodology aimed at :

- defending fundamental rights (human rights, labour rights, anti-corruption and environmental protection); and
- not funding controversial activities and behaviours that could affect the long-term reputation of the investments.
- promoting environmental, social and governance (ESG) best practices.

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve the environmental and social characteristics promoted under Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved. What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions in terms of exposure of the investee companies to certain controversial activities and behaviours:

a) zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;

b) zero exposure to issuers involved in excluded controversial activities as defined by the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (available at <a href="http://www.dpamfunds.com/">http://www.dpamfunds.com/</a> (Controversial Activities Policy));

c) zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental and social issues;

for more details, see the section below "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?"

- What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives? Not applicable. This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
- How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective ? Not applicable. This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
  - How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account ? Not applicable

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details : Not applicable

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.

#### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

#### ☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Subfund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

In concrete terms, PAIs are incorporated into the various stages of upstream Sub-fund construction via exclusions and the resulting eligible universe (i), and through the investment process via fundamental analysis, controversy monitoring and ongoing dialogue with investees (ii):

1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAI:

a) they are analysed and monitored at the level of the investee issuers, particularly with regard to PAIs related to greenhouse gas emissions and energy performance, including through the Manager's research in the context of the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD).

b) after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection.

c) in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues, such as the environmental impact of company operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity and water consumption), the environmental impact on the supply chain and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters. 2) Secondly, social PAIs are systematically analysed throughout the research and investment process :

a) the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labor rights and the prevention of corruption.

b) the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities in accordance with the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy).

c) In addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery.

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/.</u>

Information on the PAIs taken into consideration by the Sub-fund will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

🗌 No



#### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. The Sub-fund mainly invests worldwide, directly or through other funds, in equities denominated in any currency. The Sub-fund may invest in bonds on an ancillary basis. Investing in other funds may result in the duplication of certain fees. In the active management of the Sub-fund, the Manager selects a relatively small number of companies that he believes have above-average return potential in relation to the risk incurred, using a collective process based on the best investment ideas ("best ideas generation"). The Sub-fund is actively managed. The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

### • What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) companies which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) companies involved in controversial activities, and (c) companies involved in extremely serious ESG controversies :

a) Compliance of the portfolio with the Global Standards described below: The Sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the Global Compact and the Guiding Principles of the United Nations, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties.

b) Exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: The Sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The Sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal.

These exclusions are detailed in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

c) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: Issuers facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

Security exclusions based on the binding criteria of the investment strategy apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

Each time a data series is collected, the Manager draws up exclusion lists which are updated at least quarterly and on an ad hoc basis in the event of a deterioration in the position. There is an exclusion list for each binding element and strategy group, and the Manager applies a similar exclusion/ restriction threshold for investment. The Manager's risk management department is responsible for applying the necessary prevention (ex-ante risk) and control (ex-post risk) mechanisms to effectively enforce the exclusion lists in the investment portfolios of the Manager's strategies.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes the most severe controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

In the event that a company's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Standards non-Compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the company emerges, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

### What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy?

Not applicable

### What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies ?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of the Manager's active ownership, engagement and sustainable and responsible investment policies and are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described above in the section "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select investments to achieve each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?" The Manager takes these criteria into account in the following way:

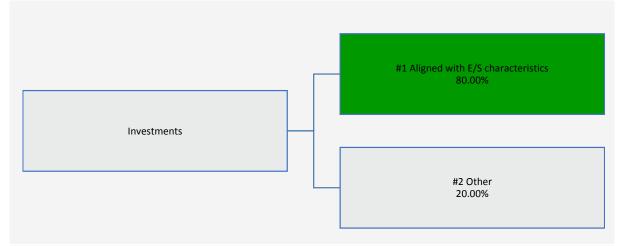
- Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.
- The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation
  of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of
  minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement
  policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics").

Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2** Other includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects.



## To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments and makes no commitment to align its investments with the European Taxonomy.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

□ Yes:

☐ In fossil gas ☐ In nuclear energy ☑ No

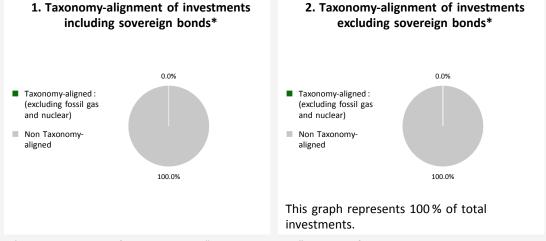
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The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

#### What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental



What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make socially sustainable investments.

**Enabling activities** directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.

This symbol designates sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria



for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.



# What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole Sub-fund, excluding:

- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
- UCIs that do not promote environmental or social characteristics and/or do not have a sustainable investment objective under Regulation 2019/2088
- UCIs that are not subject to Regulation 2019/2088
- issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will not exceed 20% of the Sub-fund.

There are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

Not applicable

- Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product meets the environmental or social characteristics it promotes.
- How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis? Not applicable
- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found? Not applicable



#### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 8(1), (2) and (2a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

#### Product name :

DPAM L EQUITIES EMERGING MARKETS ESG LEADERS INDEX

Legal entity identifier: 2221009ZOF97R2VUXR95

### **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective ?								
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#### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics through a rigorous methodology aimed at :

- defending fundamental rights (human rights, labor rights, anti-corruption and environmental protection);
- not funding controversial activities and behaviours that could affect the long-term reputation of the investments;
- promoting environmental, social and governance (ESG) best practices.

The Sub-fund is passively managed and aims to physically replicate the MSCI EMERGING MARKETS ESG LEADERS Index in euro (the "Index").\* The Index provides exposure to large and mid-cap companies in the emerging markets with high ESG performance relative to their peers in the same sector ("Best-in-Class" 50%).

By construction of the Replicated Index, the Sub-fund aims to improve the environmental and social characteristics compared to the starting universe, the parent MSCI EMERGING Index ("Parent Index").

\*This Appendix provides a brief overview of the Index as at the date of issue of this Prospectus. It summarises the main environmental and social characteristics of the Index and is not an exhaustive description. In the event of any inconsistency between the summary of the Index presented in this section and the full description of the Index, the full description of the Index shall prevail. Information on the Index is available on the website <u>http://www.msci.com/.</u> This information may change, and such changes will be indicated on the website.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved.

### What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions of the Index it aims to replicate (some of the indicators are compared to the Parent Index):

- zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;
- zero exposure to companies involved in excluded controversial economic activities, based on the exposure limits imposed by the index construction methodology;
- zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental or social issues.

The methodologies used to construct the indices are available on the MSCI.com website : https://www.msci.com/index-methodology ("MSCI ESG Indexes Methodology").

Further information, including methodologies for calculating ESG scores and controversy levels, can be found on the MSCI website : <u>http://www.msci.com/.</u>

What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

Not applicable. This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.

- How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective? Not applicable. This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
  - How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account? Not applicable

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details : Not applicable

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.



#### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

#### ☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the PAIs on sustainability factors listed in table 1 of the Delegated Regulation 2022/1288.

#### Principal adverse impacts are the most

impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters. In concrete terms, the PAIs are integrated into the different stages of the construction of the Index which the Sub-fund replicates passively:

- 1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAI :
- the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection;
- the filtering of companies involved in economic sectors and activities that are subject to debate as to their ethical and sustainable character (e.g.: nuclear energy production, tobacco, thermal coal, non-conventional oil and gas);
- the filter on ESG score and level of controversy as defined by MSCI also includes controversies related to environmental issues, such as the environmental impact of company operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity and water consumption), the environmental impact on the supply chain and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).
- 2) Secondly, with regard to social PAIs:
- the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption. In addition, the filter for companies involved in the selection of key ESG controversies includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery.
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (inter alia: exclusion of companies involved in non-conventional armaments).
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in major ESG controversies on social issues.
- the best-in-class classification, which is based on an analysis of the ESG profile based in particular on the social PAIs.

The approach and processes are described in more detail in the documents available at <u>www.MSCI.com.</u>

The methodologies for constructing the indices can be found at <u>http://www.msci.com/index-methodology</u> ("MSCI ESG Leaders Indexes Methodology").

Information on the PAIs will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

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The investment strategy guides investment decisions based on

factors such as

investment objectives and risk tolerance.

What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The Sub-fund invests primarily in equities of emerging market companies. The Sub-fund is a tracker fund which uses a passive management strategy the objective of which is to replicate physically and not synthetically the performance of the benchmark (MSCI EMERGING ESG LEADERS). The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

• What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The replicated Index is constructed in particular by applying a combination of securities-based exclusions and a Best-in-Class selection process to companies in the Parent Index :

a) the exclusion process focuses on :

- companies that do not have an MSCI ESG rating of 'BB' or above. Companies must maintain an MSCI ESG rating of 'BB' or above to remain in the index;
- companies that are not in compliance with Global Standards and prevention of corruption
- companies involved in economic sectors and activities that are subject to debate as to whether or not they are ethical and sustainable (e.g. arms, alcohol, gambling, nuclear energy production, tobacco etc.);
- companies involved in severe ESG controversies: companies must have a score (according to the MSCI ESG Research methodology) of at least 3 to be eligible for inclusion.

b) An MSCI Best-in-Class selection process is then applied to the remaining eligible securities in the selection universe:

The Index targets sector weights consistent with those of the Parent Index to limit the systematic risk introduced by the ESG selection process. The methodology aims to include the securities of companies with the highest ESG ratings making up 50% of the market capitalisation of the Parent Index.

Companies in the MSCI ESG Global Indices must maintain an MSCI ESG rating of 'BB' or above and a Controversy Score of '1' or above to remain in the index.

Additional information on this Index and its composition can be found at <u>www.msci.com</u>. The weight of stocks included in the Index will depend on their market capitalisation adjusted for free float.

In addition to the investment restrictions related to Index replication, the Sub-fund adopts the following constraints :

a) compliance of the portfolio with the principles of the United Nations Global Compact: The Subfund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact and for which the ESG controversies outlook is neutral or negative.

b) Exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: The Sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The Sub-fund also applies binding investment restrictions to the securities of companies whose business is the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal. These exclusions apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

These exclusions are detailed in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: The Sub-fund does not invest in companies facing extremely serious controversies and for which the ESG controversies outlook is neutral or negative.

The Sub-fund follows a passive management strategy which will invest physically and nonsynthetically in all stocks in the Index or a representative sample of these stocks, holding each stock in a proportion approximately identical to its weight in the Index.

The tracking error relative to the benchmark is around 1.5%.

MSCI is in charge of the ESG selection on the basis of ESG analysis, ratings, scores and exposure as provided by MSCI ESG Research.

## What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy?

The methodology aims to include the securities of companies with the highest ESG ratings making up 50% of the market capitalisation of the Parent Index. The securities excluded from the Parent Index therefore represent on average around 50% of the market capitalisation of each sector.

Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations,

remuneration of staff

and tax compliance.

### What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies ?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of MSCI's approach :

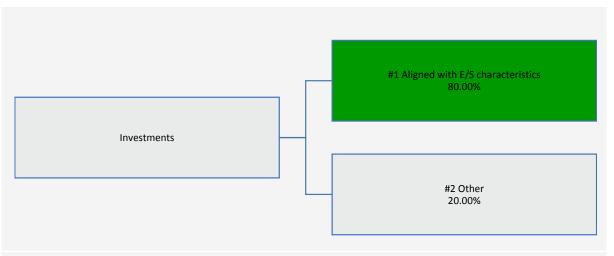
- by excluding companies on the basis of compliance with global standards and prevention of corruption;
- by excluding companies involved in controversial activities;
- by determining and integrating governance aspects into the ESG score / rating via the choice and hierarchy of themes and key issues identified for each industry and company.

In addition, governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <a href="http://www.dpamfunds.com/">http://www.dpamfunds.com/</a> ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").



#### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics").



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2** Other includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

#### How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects.



## To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments and makes no commitment to align its investments with the European Taxonomy.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

☐ Yes : ☐ In fossil gas ☐ In nuclear energy

🗹 No

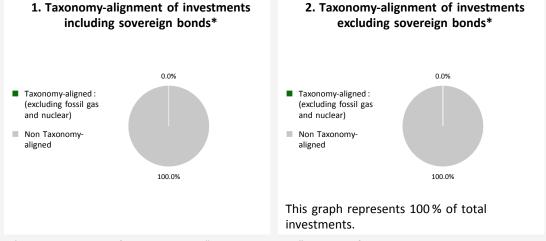
To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to **fossil gas** include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For **nuclear energy**, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear activities will only be compliant with the EU Taxonomy if they contribute to mitigating climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any objective of the EU Taxonomy - see explanatory note in the left margin. The set of criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that are in line with the EU Taxonomy are defined in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of: - of turnover reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies; - of capital expenditure

(CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy; - of operational expenditure (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

#### What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental



What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make socially sustainable investments.

**Enabling activities** directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.

This symbol designates sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria



for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.



# What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole Sub-fund, excluding :

- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
- issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will not exceed 20% of the Sub-fund.

There are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.

# Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

Yes

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product meets the environmental or social characteristics it promotes.

### How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?

The Sub-fund replicates the performance of the Index. The tracking error is of the order of 1.5%. Index tracking may be influenced by trading costs, reinvestment of dividends and general costs incurred by the Sub-fund.

The Sub-fund follows a passive management strategy which will invest physically and nonsynthetically in all stocks in the Index or a representative sample of these stocks, holding each stock in a proportion approximately identical to its weight in the Index.

### How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?

The Sub-fund follows a passive management strategy which will invest physically and nonsynthetically in all stocks in the Index or a representative sample of these stocks, holding each stock in a proportion approximately identical to its weight in the Index.

In addition, the Manager uses an ex ante and ex post optimisation and risk control model. The aim of optimisation is to contract a portfolio that best tracks the Index while minimising the ex-ante tracking error (following subscriptions/redemptions or various corporate actions).

#### How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ?

The Index is constructed using a process that combines securities exclusion and a

best-in-class selection of companies from the Parent Index.

The Index targets sector weights consistent with those of the Parent Index to limit the systematic risk introduced by the ESG selection process.

The methodology aims to include securities of companies with the highest ESG rating up to 50% of the market capitalisation of each sector of the Parent Index (after excluding companies involved in very severe ESG controversies or controversial activities).

Additional information on this Index and its composition can be found at <u>www.msci.com</u>.

#### Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found?

The methodologies for constructing the indices can be found at <u>www.MSCI.com</u>: <u>http://www.msci.com/index-methodology</u> ("MSCI ESG Leaders Indexes Methodology").



#### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 8(1), (2) and (2a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

#### Product name:

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#### Legal entity identifier : 391200SGB2MDX2L3YO19

### **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

Sustainable investment means an investment in an	Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?								
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with the Taxonomy or not.

#### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics through a rigorous methodology aimed at:

- defending fundamental rights (human rights, labor rights, anti-corruption and environmental protection);
- not funding controversial activities and behaviours that could affect the long-term reputation of the investments;
- promoting environmental, social and governance (ESG) best practices.

The Sub-fund is passively managed and aims to physically replicate the MSCI EMU SRI Index in euro (the "Index").\* The Index provides exposure to European large and mid-cap companies with high ESG performance relative to their peers in the same sector ("Best-in-Class" 25%).

By construction of the Replicated Index, the Sub-fund aims to improve the environmental and social characteristics compared to the starting universe, the parent MSCI EMU Index ("Parent Index").

\*This Appendix provides a brief overview of the Index as at the date of issue of this Prospectus. It summarises the main environmental and social characteristics of the Index and is not an exhaustive description. In the event of any inconsistency between the summary of the Index presented in this section and the full description of the Index, the full description of the Index shall prevail. Information on the Index is available on the website http://www.msci.com/. This information may change, and such changes will be indicated on the website.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved.

#### What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions of the Index it aims to replicate (some of the indicators are compared to the Parent Index):

zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;

- zero exposure to companies involved in excluded controversial economic activities, based on the exposure limits imposed by the index construction methodology;
- zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental or social issues (MSCI red flag controversies or score of 0);
- a portfolio average greenhouse gas emissions intensity below the average greenhouse gas emissions intensity of the Parent Index universe :
- an average ESG Score (MSCI rating) above the average ESG score of the Parent Index universe.

The methodologies used to construct the indices are available on the MSCI.com website :

https://www.msci.com/index-methodology ("MSCI SRI Indexes Methodology").

Further information, including methodologies for calculating ESG scores and controversy levels, can be found on the MSCI website: <u>http://www.msci.com/.</u>

## • What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The objective of the sustainable investments that the Sub-fund intends to partially achieve is to invest in companies that contribute through their products and services to the 17 Sustainable Development Goals ("SDGs") defined by the United Nations (UN): the contribution to the SDGs is implicitly taken into account in the determination of the ESG scores. As a result, the Sub-fund seeks to achieve an average ESG score/rating for the portfolio that is superior to that of the Parent Index.

How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective ?

By construction of the Replicated Index, the Sub-fund's strategy incorporates several elements to avoid and/or reduce its exposure to activities or behaviours that could affect another environmental or social objective (such as the exclusion of ESG controversies of maximum severity or activities most detrimental to other environmental and/or social objectives (e.g. thermal coal, ownership of fossil fuel reserves, tobacco, arms, etc.).

In particular, the Sub-fund does not invest in companies involved in the most severe controversies and which may indicate a violation of the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and/or the principles of the United Nations Global Compact or involvement in the most serious negative impacts.

#### How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

The principal adverse impacts on the mandatory sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") as listed in Table 1 of Annex 1 of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 are integrated in the different steps of the Index construction:

- 1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAI:
- the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection;
- the filtering of companies involved in economic sectors and activities that are subject to debate as to their ethical and sustainable character (e.g.: nuclear energy production, tobacco, thermal coal, non-conventional oil and gas).
- the filter on ESG score and level of controversy as defined by MSCI also includes controversies related to environmental issues, such as the environmental impact of company operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity and water consumption), the environmental impact on the supply chain and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).
- 2) Secondly, with regard to social PAIs :
- the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption. In addition, the filter for companies involved in the selection of key ESG controversies includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery.
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (inter alia: exclusion of companies involved in non-conventional armaments).
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in major ESG controversies on social issues.
- the best-in-class classification, which is based on an analysis of the ESG profile based in particular on the social PAIs.

impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

Principal adverse

The approach and processes are described in more detail in the documents available at <u>https://www.msci.com/index-methodology</u> ("MSCI SRI Indexes Methodology").

The methodologies used to construct the indices are available at :

http://www.msci.com/index-methodology ("MSCI SRI Indexes Methodology").

Information on the PAIs will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details :

The evaluation framework used to rate and exclude issuers from the Index is designed to be consistent with international standards represented by the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights, the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and the UN Global Compact.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.

### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the PAIs on sustainability factors listed in table 1 of the Delegated Regulation 2022/1288.

In concrete terms, the PAIs are integrated into the different stages of the construction of the Index which the Sub-fund replicates passively:

- 1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAI:
- the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection;
- the filtering of companies involved in economic sectors and activities that are subject to debate as to their ethical and sustainable character (e.g.: nuclear energy production, tobacco, thermal coal, non-conventional oil and gas).
- the filter on ESG score and level of controversy as defined by MSCI also includes controversies related to environmental issues, such as the environmental impact of company operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity and water consumption), the environmental impact on the supply chain and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).
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Information on the PAIs will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

🗆 No



#### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. This Sub-fund invests mainly in shares of European companies. The Sub-fund is a tracker fund which uses a passive management strategy the objective of which is to replicate physically and not synthetically the performance of the benchmark (MSCI EMU SRI Net Return). The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

## • What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The replicated Index is constructed in particular by applying a combination of securities-based exclusions and a Best-in-Class selection process to companies in the Parent Index :

a) the exclusion process focuses on :

- companies that do not have an MSCI ESG rating of 'A' or above. Companies must maintain an MSCI ESG rating of 'BB' or above to remain in the index;
- companies that are not in compliance with Global Standards and prevention of corruption
- companies involved in economic sectors and activities that are subject to debate as to whether or not they are ethical and sustainable (e.g. arms, alcohol, gambling, nuclear energy production, tobacco, thermal coal, unconventional oil and gas);
- companies involved in severe ESG controversies: companies must have a score (according to the MSCI ESG Research methodology) of at least 4 to be eligible for inclusion.

b) An MSCI Best-in-Class selection process is then applied to the remaining eligible securities in the selection universe :

The Index targets sector weights consistent with those of the Parent Index to limit the systematic risk introduced by the ESG selection process. The methodology aims to include the securities of companies with the highest ESG ratings making up 25% of the market capitalisation of the Parent Index.

Companies in the MSCI SRI Global Indices must maintain an MSCI ESG rating of 'BB' or above and a Controversy Score of '1' or above to remain in the index.

Additional information on this Index and its composition can be found at <u>www.msci.com</u>. The weight of stocks included in the Index will depend on their market capitalisation adjusted for free float.

The Sub-fund follows a passive management strategy which will invest physically and nonsynthetically in all stocks in the Index or a representative sample of these stocks, holding each stock in a proportion approximately identical to its weight in the Index.

The tracking error relative to the benchmark is around 1%. MSCI is in charge of the ESG selection on the basis of ESG analysis, ratings, scores and exposure as provided by MSCI ESG Research.

What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy?

The methodology aims to include the securities of companies with the highest ESG ratings making up 25% of the market capitalisation of the Parent Index. The securities excluded from the Parent Index therefore represent on average around 75% of the market capitalisation of each sector.

Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.

### What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies ?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of MSCI's approach :

- by excluding companies on the basis of compliance with global standards and prevention of corruption;
- by excluding companies involved in controversial activities;

- by determining and integrating governance aspects into the ESG score / rating via the choice and hierarchy of themes and key issues identified for each industry and company.

In addition, governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <a href="http://www.dpamfunds.com/">http://www.dpamfunds.com/</a> ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

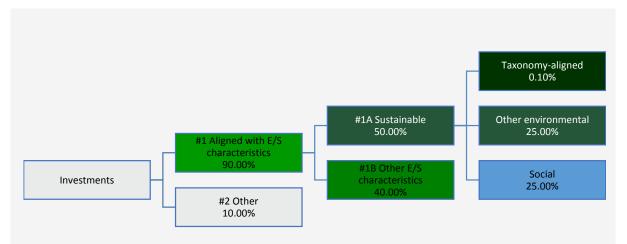


### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation

describes the proportion of investments in specific assets.

By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 90% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics"). The Sub-fund aims to invest at least 50% of its assets in sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives (in the table referred to as "#1A Sustainable").



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

The category **#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** covers :

- The sub-category **#1A Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives;

- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

#### How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives of the Sub-fund will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects of the Sub-fund.



## To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Replicated Index by the Sub-fund does not seek to align its investments with the EU Taxonomy.

With regard to the Sub-fund's investments potentially aligned with the EU Taxonomy (minimum 0.10%):

- in principle, the extent to which investments are investments in environmentally sustainable economic activities within the meaning of the EU Taxonomy is assessed by means of turnover (based on performance data provided by third-party suppliers);

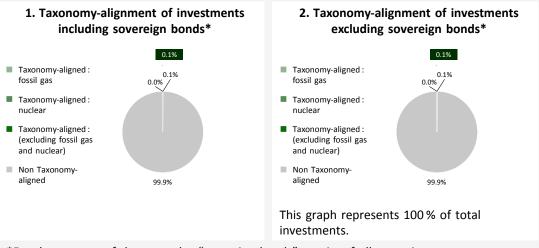
- where information on the extent to which investments are investments in environmentally sustainable economic activities within the meaning of the EU Taxonomy cannot be readily obtained from information published by the investee companies, the Manager relies on equivalent information obtained by third party providers from the investee companies.
- the compliance of these investments with the requirements set out in Article 3 of the EU Taxonomy will not be subject to a guarantee provided by one or more auditors or a review by one or more auditors or a review by one or more third parties.

Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

☐ Yes:
 ☐ In fossil gas ☐ In nuclear energy
 ☑ No

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

The Replicated Index does not seek to invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to **fossil gas** include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For **nuclear energy**, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of: - of **turnover** reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies; - of **capital expenditure** (CapEx) showing the green investments made

green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy; - of operational expenditure (OpEx)

operational activities of investee companies.

**Enabling activities** 

directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose

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greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.



This symbol designates sustainable investments with an environmental objective that **do not take into account the criteria** for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.

### What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Based on the approach described below, the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy is 25%

The Replicated Index by the Sub-fund does not seek to align its investments with the EU Taxonomy. However, the Index's process of combining stock exclusion and best-in-class selection allows the Sub-fund to commit a minimum of its assets to investments that contribute to environmental objectives but are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

The Manager has adopted and defined a specific framework for identifying the environmental objectives of these sustainable investments and assessing their contribution to these objectives. This framework uses data from investee companies and third-party suppliers and assesses the negative and positive contribution of (potential) investee companies, as a percentage of their turnover, to the United Nations SDGs that can be attributed to environmental objectives.

Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").



#### What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

Based on the approach described below, the minimum share of socially sustainable investments is 25 %.

The Replicated Index's process of combining stock exclusion and best-in-class selection allows the Sub-fund to commit a minimum of its assets to investments that contribute to social objectives but are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

The Manager has adopted and defined a specific framework for identifying the social objectives of these sustainable investments and assessing their contribution to these objectives. This framework uses data from investee companies and third-party suppliers and assesses the negative and positive contribution of (potential) investee companies, as a percentage of their turnover, to the United Nations SDGs that can be attributed to social objectives.

Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").



### What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole portfolio, excluding the :

- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes;
- issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will never exceed 10% of the portfolio.

There are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

Yes

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product meets the environmental or social characteristics it promotes.

## How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?

The Sub-fund replicates the performance of the Index. The tracking error is around 1%. Index tracking may be influenced by trading costs, reinvestment of dividends and general costs incurred by the Sub-fund.

The Sub-fund follows a passive management strategy which will invest physically and nonsynthetically in all stocks in the Index or a representative sample of these stocks, holding each stock in a proportion approximately identical to its weight in the Index.

## How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?

The Sub-fund follows a passive management strategy which will invest physically and nonsynthetically in all stocks in the Index or a representative sample of these stocks, holding each stock in a proportion approximately identical to its weight in the Index.

In addition, the Manager uses an ex ante and ex post optimisation and risk control model. The aim of optimisation is to contract a portfolio that best tracks the Index while minimising the ex-ante tracking error (following subscriptions/redemptions or various corporate actions).

#### How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ?

The Index is constructed using a process that combines securities exclusion and a best-in-class selection of companies from the Parent Index.

The Index targets sector weights consistent with those of the Parent Index to limit the systematic risk introduced by the ESG selection process.

The methodology aims to include securities of companies with the highest ESG rating up to 25% of the market capitalisation of each sector of the Parent Index (after excluding companies involved in very severe ESG controversies or controversial activities).

Additional information on this Index and its composition can be found at <u>www.msci.com</u>.

Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found ?

The methodologies used to construct the indices are available at : <u>http://www.msci.com/index-methodology</u> ("MSCI SRI Indexes Methodology").



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### **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

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with the Taxonomy or not.

#### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics through a rigorous methodology aimed at :

- defending fundamental rights (human rights, labour rights, anti-corruption and environmental protection); and
- not funding controversial activities and behaviours that could affect the long-term reputation of the investments.
- promoting environmental, social and governance (ESG) best practices.

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve the environmental and social characteristics promoted under Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved. What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions in terms of exposure of the investee companies to certain controversial activities and behaviours:

- zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;
- zero exposure to issuers involved in excluded controversial activities as defined by the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental or social issues;

for more details, see the section below "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?"

- What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives? Not applicable. This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
- How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective ? Not applicable. This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
  - How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account ? Not applicable

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details : Not applicable

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.

#### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

#### ☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Subfund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

In concrete terms, PAIs are incorporated into the various stages of upstream Sub-fund construction via exclusions and the resulting eligible universe (i), and through the investment process via fundamental analysis, controversy monitoring and ongoing dialogue with investees (ii):

- 1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAI:
- they are analysed and monitored at the level of the investee issuers, particularly with regard to PAIs related to greenhouse gas emissions and energy performance, including through the Manager's research in the context of the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD).
- after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection.

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

- in addition, the filtering and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues such as the environmental impact of the company's operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity, and water consumption), the environmental impact of the supply chain, and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).
- 2) Secondly, social and governance PAIs are systematically analysed throughout the research and investment process :
- the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption;
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (in accordance with the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery.

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/.</u>

Information on the PAIs taken into consideration by the Sub-fund will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

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#### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. The Sub-fund invests in the equities of companies that have their registered office or a significant part of their activities, assets, profit centres or decision-making centres in a European country (including the UK and Switzerland). The Manager manages its portfolio dynamically. Its choices of asset allocation and investment duration are based on political, economic, monetary and financial analyses. The Sub-fund is actively managed. The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

### • What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) companies which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) companies involved in controversial activities, and (c) companies involved in extremely serious ESG controversies :

a) Compliance of the portfolio with the Global Standards described below: The Sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the Global Compact and the Guiding Principles of the United Nations, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties.

b) Exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: The Sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The Sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal.

These exclusions are detailed in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

c) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: Issuers facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

Security exclusions based on the binding criteria of the investment strategy apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

Each time a data series is collected, the Manager draws up exclusion lists which are updated at least quarterly and on an ad hoc basis in the event of a deterioration in the position. There is an exclusion list for each binding element and strategy group, and the Manager applies a similar exclusion/

restriction threshold for investment. The Manager's risk management department is responsible for applying the necessary prevention (ex-ante risk) and control (ex-post risk) mechanisms to effectively enforce the exclusion lists in the investment portfolios of the Manager's strategies.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes the most severe controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

In the event that a company's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Standards non-Compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the company emerges, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy?

Not applicable

Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.

### What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies ?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of the Manager's active ownership, engagement and sustainable and responsible investment policies and are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described above in the section "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select investments to achieve each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?" The Manager takes these criteria into account in the following way:

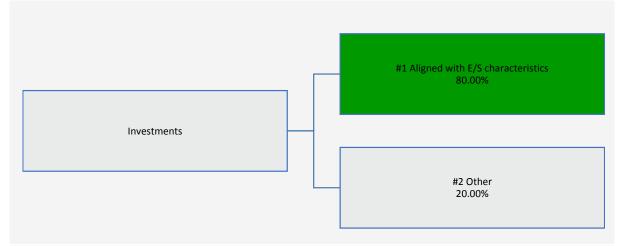
- Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.
- The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com</u> ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").



### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics").



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2** Other includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects.



## To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments and makes no commitment to align its investments with the European Taxonomy.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

□ Yes:

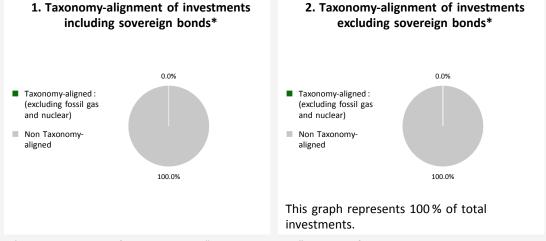
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To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to fossil gas include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear activities will only be compliant with the EU Taxonomy if they contribute to mitigating climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any objective of the EU Taxonomy - see explanatory note in the left margin. The set of criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that are in line with the EU Taxonomy are defined in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of : - of **turnover** reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies ; - of **capital expenditure** 

(CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy; - of **operational expenditure** (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies. The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

#### What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental



What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make socially sustainable investments.

objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Enabling activities directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.



This symbol designates sustainable investments with an environmental objective that **do not take into account the criteria** for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.



# What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole portfolio, excluding the :

- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes;
- issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will never exceed 20% of the portfolio.

There are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

Not applicable

- Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product meets the environmental or social characteristics it promotes.
- How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?
  Not applicable
- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found? Not applicable



#### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 8(1), (2) and (2a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

#### Product name:

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Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved.

#### What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions and in terms of the progress made by companies in terms of sustainability and commitment to environmental, social and governance risks, as measured by:

a) Zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;

b) Zero exposure to issuers involved in controversial activities according to the definitions and thresholds stipulated by the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy available at

www.dpamfunds.com, with the exception of the energy sector (see DPAM Controversial Activities Policy for more information);

c) Zero exposure to issuers facing ESG controversies of maximum severity;

as detailed in the section below entitled "What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?"

What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The sustainable investment objectives of the Sub-fund are to invest in :

- 1) the most advanced issuers in terms of sustainability and commitment to environmental, social and governance risks, as measured by :
- a better weighted average ESG profile than its benchmark, over a rolling three-year period;
- a greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions intensity of the portfolio below the average greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions intensity of the benchmark index, over a rolling three-year period;
- engaged dialogues on the energy transition roadmap with all companies in carbon-intensive sectors.
- 2) Issuers whose main activity is the development of products and services that contribute to the achievement of the 17 environmental or social Sustainable Development Goals ("SDGs"), as defined by the United Nations (UN) (e.g. health products and services, education-related services, water saving and access solutions, energy efficiency solutions, digitalisation-enabling services, sustainable mobility services, etc.) via:
- a minimum of 20% of companies aligned with the EU Taxonomy or making a net positive contribution\* to all sustainable development goals (SDGs).

\*The net positive contribution is the difference between the positive and negative impact contributions and is calculated at the level of the invested company and the overall portfolio. Based on the UN SDGs framework, the net positive contribution takes into account on the one hand (1) the extent to which the invested company's products and services contribute to the achievement of the SDGs and on the other hand (2) the negative impacts of their activities along the value chain.

Among these environmental sustainability objectives, the Sub-fund pursues objectives that contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, as set out in Article 9 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852 of 18 June 2020 on the establishment of a framework to promote sustainable investment ("the EU Taxonomy").

How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective ?

The Manager ensures that the Sub-fund's sustainable investments do not materially undermine an environmentally or socially sustainable investment objective by :

Issuer level :

- Consideration of the principal adverse impacts on the mandatory sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") listed in Table 1 of Annex 1 of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 which allows for the reduction of the negative impacts of the investment, including :

a. by incorporating several elements to avoid and/or reduce its exposure to activities or behaviours that could affect another environmental or social objective (such as the Global Standards compliance filter and the exclusion of ESG controversies of maximum severity or activities most harmful to other environmental and/or social objectives)

b. via an engaged dialogue process with investee companies, in accordance with its Engagement Policy, which is available at : <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Engagement Policy)

- An impact calculation methodology which takes into account the positive and negative contribution of the company's products and services to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in order to optimise the net positive (resulting) contribution.

Overall portfolio level:

- A rule of minimum 20% of assets aligned with the EU Taxonomy or in net positive contribution on all 17 SDGs.

Energy sector:

The energy sector (and the commodities sector in general) represents a significant part of the value universe and cannot reasonably be excluded from the universe of value funds. These are generally carbon-intensive segments, which paradoxically are the ones that can make the most significant contribution to the energy transition and help us advance towards a zero-carbon world at global level. Instead of excluding all investment in these segments, the Sub-fund will focus on energy companies with the most credible sustainability and energy transition strategies, and will seek to enter into an engaged dialogue with them to ensure that their strategies and capital allocation are

aligned with net-zero engagement and offer a credible route to achieving that goal. Our framework for dialogue with energy companies and for monitoring progress will be closely aligned with the ten principles of the CA 100+ Net Zero Benchmark.

The binding criteria for the eligibility of O&G companies in the Sub-fund :

- 1) Governance criteria: The companies concerned will be expected to adopt a strategy aimed at reducing the negative impact of their activities and increasing their contributing activities, where appropriate.
- 2) A commitment to the energy transition (any of the following):
- Have an SBTi target set well below 2°C or 1.5°C, or have a an SBTi "Business Ambition for 1.5°C"; or
- Allocate more than 10% of their CapEx to contributing activities on a consolidated basis while engaging with companies to disclose CapEx on an economic basis (the underlying logic being to focus on integrated energy companies that are best-in-class on this economic measure and a benchmark of 15% on an economic basis being a relevant ambition (based on the limited information currently available)); or
- Less than 15% of CapEx is spent on activities related to oil and gas and is not aimed at increasing revenues.
- 3) Limiting non-conventional hydrocarbons :
- A maximum of 10% of "dirty" oil and gas production (i.e. fracking, oil sand, coalbed methane, extra-heavy oil); and
- A maximum of 10% of oil and gas production from Arctic drilling.

The main reasons for including the energy sector in a Value Transition Sub-fund are as follows :

- The Manager is committed to an engaged dialogue with these companies to bring about and monitor a significant change in their behaviour. Consequently, the Manager will conduct an engagement with each company in the energy sector.
- Excluding the entire energy sector from the outset means that not only is a large part of the value universe out of reach (a performance/tracking error problem), but also that the holistic ESG approach is not adopted. This is particularly true of the "S" variable, which would be jeopardised by a framework focusing exclusively on carbon emissions or "E" factors (consider the short- and medium-term social repercussions of surging energy prices, such as the cost-of-living crisis, political instability, etc.).
- Finally, with respect to the recognition of global warming as a global issue: as a transitional energy source, gas, and specifically low-carbon gas (aided by technologies such as CCS), is increasingly viewed as a key instrument for promoting decarbonisation, particularly in emerging countries that are still heavily reliant on coal. For example, a swift transition to low-carbon gas in emerging markets would have a far more significant (beneficial) impact on global emissions than an EU emissions framework that introduces progressively stricter requirements. In the medium term, it is vital that cheap gas supplies are ensured to avoid scenarios like the one in Pakistan, where the government recently announced a plan to quadruple coal-based power generation capacity, without adding any gas-powered generation. This is due to the global shortage of LNG, which makes this fuel prohibitively expensive for the country.

#### How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Sub-fund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

In concrete terms, PAIs are incorporated into the various stages of upstream Sub-fund construction via exclusions and the resulting eligible universe (i), and through the investment process via fundamental analysis, controversy monitoring and ongoing dialogue with investees (ii):

1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAI:

a) they are analysed and monitored at the level of the investee issuers, particularly with regard to PAIs related to greenhouse gas emissions and energy performance, including through the Manager's research in the context of the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD).

b) after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection.

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters. c) in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues, such as the environmental impact of company operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity and water consumption), the environmental impact on the supply chain and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).

d) Similarly, environmental indicators are included in the analysis of the ESG profile of companies and impact their best-in-class ranking.

2) Secondly, social PAIs are systematically analysed throughout the research and investment process :

a) the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labor rights and the prevention of corruption.

b) the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (in accordance with the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy available at <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Controversial Activities Policy)), with the exception of the energy sector (see DPAM Controversial Activities Policy for more information)

c) in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, client and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery.

d) Similarly, social indicators are included in the analysis of the ESG profile of companies and impact their best-in-class ranking.

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>www.dpamfunds.com.</u>

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details :

The Manager's sustainable and responsible investment policies are based on global standards, including the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (Guiding Principles). These standards are also an integral part of the benchmarks used by the various rating agencies that the Manager uses.

The first step in the Sub-fund's investment process is a normative screening against these Global Standards: companies that are not in compliance are excluded from the eligible investment universe.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.

#### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

#### ☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the PAIs on sustainability factors listed in Table 1 of Annex I of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Subfund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception. In concrete terms, PAIs are incorporated into the various stages of upstream Sub-fund construction via exclusions and the resulting eligible universe (i), and through the investment process via fundamental analysis, controversy monitoring and ongoing dialogue with investees (ii):

Firstly, with regard to environmental PAIs :

a) they are analysed and monitored at the level of the investee issuers, particularly with regard to PAIs related to greenhouse gas emissions and energy performance, including through the Manager's research in the context of the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD).

b) after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection.

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d) Similarly, environmental indicators are included in the analysis of the ESG profile of companies and impact their best-in-class ranking.

Secondly, social PAIs are systematically analysed throughout the research and investment process :

a) the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labor rights and the prevention of corruption.

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Information on the PAIs taken into consideration by the Sub-fund will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

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What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. The promotion of environmental and social characteristics and the minimum proportion of sustainable investments in the Sub-fund are the result of consecutive steps in the investment process as outlined below :

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics through exclusions, fundamental research, voting and engaged dialogue. It also commits to a minimum proportion of sustainable investments by investing in companies whose core business is the development of products and services that contribute to the achievement of the 17 environmental or social Sustainable Development Goals ("SDGs"), as defined by the United Nations (UN) (e.g. health products and services, education-related services, water saving and access solutions, energy efficiency solutions, digitalisation-enabling services, sustainable mobility services, etc.).

A more general description of the Sub-fund's investment strategy can be found in the individual Sub-fund factsheet in the SICAV's prospectus.

### What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The criteria which the companies must meet in order to be included in the investment universe are determined through independent external research and/or internal research at the Manager. These selection criteria are as follows :

- Global Standards compliance filter: Companies must comply with the founding principles of the United Nations Global Compact (human rights, labour law, protection of the environment, fight against corruption) and the United Nations Guiding Principles, ILO instruments, the OECD

Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and underlying conventions and treaties. The Manager uses specific ESG research from non-financial rating agencies to determine whether or not a company is in compliance with these standards.

- Exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities: The policy of excluding controversial activities defined by the Manager covers several sectors and economic activities that are subject to debate as to whether or not they are ethical and sustainable. For each of these sectors and economic activities, the exclusion policy for controversial activities defines the exclusion criteria and thresholds. Only the energy sector is subject to a significant deviation from the Manager's policy. Companies involved in these controversial sectors and activities and meeting the exclusion criteria set out in the policy are excluded from the investment portfolio. The full policy is available at <u>https://www.dpamfunds.com</u> ("Controversial Activities Policy").
- Exclusion filter for companies involved in major ESG controversies: Companies should not be involved in major ESG controversies, such as incidents or allegations related to environmental, social or governance issues.

In order to achieve the partial sustainability objective of the Sub-fund, additional criteria are applied which companies must meet:

- Quantitative ESG approach (best-in-class): The Manager filters the universe by screening based on the quality of the ESG profile of the companies, as assessed by non-financial rating agencies. The bottom 15 percentiles of the economic sector ranking are not eligible for investment.
- Qualitative ESG approach: The quantitative screening is complemented by qualitative analyses based on the Manager's fundamental research and dialogues with companies on financial issues relating to the companies' strategy and the most relevant and material ESG risks and issues to which they are exposed.
- Impact research and sustainability issues: The Manager ensures that the products and/or services of the company contribute as a proportion of its revenue to the achievement of the 17 environmental or social Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) defined by the United Nations (UN) such as health products and services, education services, water saving and access solutions, energy efficiency solutions, digitalisation services, sustainable mobility services, etc.

Compliance and exclusion filters for securities based on the binding criteria of the investment strategy apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

Each time a data series is collected, the Manager draws up exclusion lists which are updated at least quarterly and on an ad hoc basis in the event of a deterioration in the position. There is an exclusion list for each binding element and strategy group, and the Manager applies a similar exclusion/limit threshold for investment. The Manager's risk management department is responsible for applying the necessary prevention (ex-ante risk) and control (ex-post risk) mechanisms to effectively enforce the exclusion lists in the investment portfolios of the Manager's strategies.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes companies involved in the most severe ESG controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

The best-in-class screening is carried out every six months. The calculation of the net positive contribution to the sustainable investment objectives is done on a regular basis.

In the event that a company's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Standards non-Compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the company emerges, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

## What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy?

minimum of 20%

Good governance

practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.

## What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of the Manager's active ownership, engagement and sustainable and responsible investment policies and are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described above in the section "What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to achieve each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?" as well as below :

i) exclusion filter based on compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.

ii) exclusion filter for companies involved in ESG controversies of maximum severity: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.

iii)quantitative ESG ("best-in-class") approach: governance criteria in the broad sense and corporate governance criteria in particular are an integral part of the "best-in-class" exercise, which uses external ESG ratings to define the eligible universe.

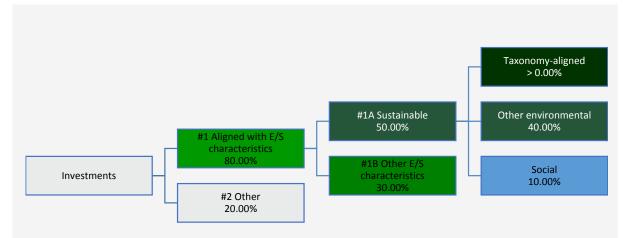
iv) Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 80% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics").

The Sub-fund aims to invest at least 50% of its assets in sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives (in the table referred to as "#1A Sustainable").



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

#### The category #1 Aligned with E/S characteristics covers:

- The sub-category **#1A Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives;

- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

### How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives of the Sub-fund will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects.



## To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Based on the approach described above, the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy: >0%.

Sustainable investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy (referred to in the table as "EU Taxonomy aligned") consist of investments in companies whose economic activities substantially contribute to the environmental objectives of climate change mitigation and/or adaptation as defined by the EU Taxonomy in accordance with the eligibility and technical selection criteria ("EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria").

The Manager's methodology for assessing the EU Taxonomy alignment of investee companies is based on data provided either by the investee companies or by third party providers. The latter use a mixed approach :

- Firstly, a direct mapping between the business activities in their own sectoral classification system and the economic activities covered by the Technical Selection Criteria of the EU Taxonomy.
- Secondly, any business activity that could not be directly mapped is examined through a bottom-up assessment of its alignment with the EU Taxonomy's Technical Selection Criteria.
- Any economic activity remaining after the first and second steps is considered not to be aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

In principle, the extent to which investments are investments in environmentally sustainable economic activities within the meaning of the EU Taxonomy is assessed by means of turnover (based on performance data provided by third-party suppliers).

Where information on the extent to which investments are investments in environmentally sustainable economic activities within the meaning of the EU Taxonomy cannot be readily obtained from information published by the invested issuers, the Manager shall rely on equivalent information obtained by third-party providers from the invested issuers.

The compliance of these investments with the requirements set out in Article 3 of the EU Taxonomy will not be subject to a guarantee provided by one or more auditors or a review by one or more auditors or a review by one or more third parties.

Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy ? 1

□ Yes:

 $\Box$  In fossil gas  $\Box$  In nuclear energy  $\blacksquare$  No

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds<sup>\*</sup>, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all

<sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear activities will only be compliant with the EU Taxonomy if they contribute to mitigating climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any objective of the EU Taxonomy - see explanatory note in the left margin. The set of criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that are in line with the EU Taxonomy are defined in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to fossil gas include emission limits and a shift to 100 % renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of : - of **turnover** reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies; - of **capital expenditure** (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy; - of **operational expenditure** (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

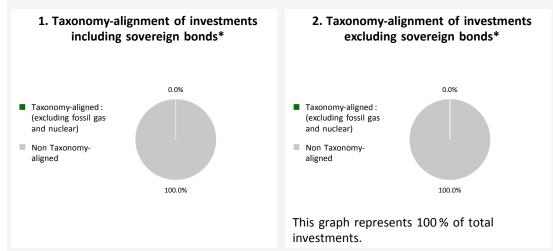
Enabling activities

directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.



This symbol designates sustainable investments with an environmental objective that **do not take into account the criteria** for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy. the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

#### What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

The Sub-fund undertakes to make at least :

- 0% of all its investments in enabling activities
- 0% of all its investments in transitional activities.

objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental

Based on the approach described above, the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy is : 40 %

Only two of the six environmental objectives defined by the EU Taxonomy are currently covered by the regulatory framework of the EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria that determine alignment with the EU Taxonomy (adaptation and climate change mitigation). Similar criteria for the other four environmental objectives have yet to be developed. In the meantime, the Manager wishes to continue to make sustainable investments that contribute to environmental objectives not covered by the current EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria, including key environmental objectives such as the sustainable use and protection of water and marine resources, the prevention and control of pollution and the protection and restoration of biodiversity and ecosystems.

To this end, the Manager has adopted and defined a specific framework for identifying the environmental objectives of these sustainable investments and assessing their contribution to these objectives.

This framework uses data from investee companies and third-party suppliers and assesses the negative and positive contribution of (potential) investee companies, as a percentage of their turnover, to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) that can be attributed to environmental objectives.

The Manager will review and reassess this framework when the EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria have been implemented for the other four environmental objectives defined by the EU Taxonomy.

Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").



#### What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

Based on the below approach, the minimum share of socially sustainable investments is : 10%.

A European Taxonomy for social sustainability goals has yet to be developed. In the meantime, the Manager wishes to continue to make sustainable investments that contribute to the achievement of key social goals such as zero hunger, quality education and peace, justice and strong institutions.

To this end, the Manager has adopted and defined a specific framework for identifying the social objectives of these sustainable investments and assessing their contribution to these objectives. This framework uses data from investee companies and third-party suppliers and assesses the negative and positive contribution of (potential) investee companies, as a percentage of their turnover, to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) that can be attributed to social objectives.

The Manager will review and reassess this framework when the EU Taxonomy Technical Selection Criteria have been implemented for the social objectives under the EU Taxonomy.

Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").



## What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole Sub-fund, excluding :

- Liquid assets
- Derivative instruments
- Collective investment schemes
- issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will not exceed 20% of the Sub-fund.

There are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



## Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

#### Not applicable

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product meets the environmental or social characteristics it promotes.

- How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?

Not applicable

- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found ? Not applicable



#### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 8(1), (2) and (2a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

#### Product name:

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#### Legal entity identifier : 391200057ZJ9CUYKNG59

### **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

Sustainable investment means an investment in an	Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?						
economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the	••	Yes		•0	$\checkmark$	No	
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economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned		It will make a minin with a social objec	mum of sustainable investments tive :%			omotes E/S characteristics, but <b>will not make</b> sustainable investments	



with the Taxonomy or not.

#### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics through a rigorous methodology aimed at :

- defending fundamental rights (human rights, labor rights, anti-corruption and environmental protection),
- not funding controversial activities and behaviours that could affect the long-term reputation of the investments,
- promoting environmental, social and governance (ESG) best practices and best efforts.

The Sub-fund is passively managed and aimed to physically replicate the MSCI USA SRI Index

(the "Index"). The Index provides exposure to US large and mid-cap companies with high ESG performance relative to their peers in the same sector ("Best-in-Class" 25%).

By construction of the Replicated Index, the Sub-fund aims to improve the environmental and social characteristics compared to the starting universe, the parent MSCI USA Index ("Parent Index").

\*This section contains a brief overview of the Index. It summarises the main environmental and social characteristics of the Index and is not an exhaustive description. In the event of any inconsistency between the summary of the Index presented in this section and the full description of the Index, the full description of the Index shall prevail. Information on the Index is available on the website

http://www.msci.com/. This information may change, and such changes will be indicated on the website.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved.

#### What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions of the Index it aims to replicate (some of the indicators are compared to the Parent Index):

zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;

- zero exposure to companies involved in excluded controversial economic activities, based on the exposure limits imposed by the index construction methodology;
- zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental or social issues (MSCI red flag controversies or score of 0);
- a portfolio average greenhouse gas emissions intensity below the average greenhouse gas emissions intensity of the Parent Index universe :
- an average ESG Score (MSCI rating) for the portfolio above the average ESG score of the Parent Index universe.

The methodologies used to construct the indices are available on the MSCI.com website :

https://www.msci.com/index-methodology ("MSCI SRI Indexes Methodology").

Further information, including methodologies for calculating ESG scores and controversy levels, can be found on the MSCI website: <u>http://www.msci.com/.</u>

• What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The objective of the sustainable investments that the Sub-fund intends to partially achieve is to invest in companies that contribute through their products and services to the 17 Sustainable Development Goals ("SDGs") defined by the United Nations (UN): the contribution to the SDGs is implicitly taken into account in the determination of the ESG scores. As a result, the Sub-fund seeks to achieve an average ESG score/rating for the portfolio that is superior to that of the Parent Index.

• How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective ?

By construction of the Replicated Index, the Sub-fund's strategy incorporates several elements to avoid and/or reduce its exposure to activities or behaviours that could affect another environmental or social objective (such as the exclusion of ESG controversies of maximum severity or activities most detrimental to other environmental and/or social objectives (e.g. thermal coal, ownership of fossil fuel reserves, tobacco, arms, etc.)

In particular, the Sub-fund does not invest in companies involved in the most severe controversies and which may indicate a violation of the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and/or the principles of the United Nations Global Compact or involvement in the most serious negative impacts.

#### How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

The principal adverse impacts on the mandatory sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") as listed in Table 1 of Annex 1 of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 are integrated in the different steps of the Index construction:

- 1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAI:
- the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection;
- the filtering of companies involved in economic sectors and activities that are subject to debate as to their ethical and sustainable character (e.g.: nuclear energy production, tobacco, thermal coal, non-conventional oil and gas).
- the filter on ESG score and level of controversy as defined by MSCI also includes controversies related to environmental issues, such as the environmental impact of company operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity and water consumption), the environmental impact on the supply chain and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).
- 2) Secondly, with regard to social PAIs:
- the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption. In addition, the filter for companies involved in the selection of key ESG controversies includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery.
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (inter alia: exclusion of companies involved in non-conventional armaments).
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in major ESG controversies on social issues.
- the best-in-class classification, which is based on an analysis of the ESG profile based in particular on the social PAIs.

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters. The approach and processes are described in more detail in the documents available at <u>https://www.msci.com/index-methodology</u> ("MSCI SRI Indexes Methodology").

The methodologies used to construct the indices are available at :

http://www.msci.com/index-methodology ("MSCI SRI Indexes Methodology").

Information on the PAIs will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details :

The evaluation framework used to rate and exclude issuers from the Index is designed to be consistent with international standards represented by the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights, the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and the UN Global Compact.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.

#### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the PAIs on sustainability factors listed in table 1 of the Delegated Regulation 2022/1288.

In concrete terms, the PAIs are integrated into the different stages of the construction of the Index which the Sub-fund replicates passively:

- 1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAI:
- the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection;
- the filtering of companies involved in economic sectors and activities that are subject to debate as to their ethical and sustainable character (e.g.: nuclear energy production, tobacco, thermal coal, non-conventional oil and gas).
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- the best-in-class classification, which is based on an analysis of the ESG profile based in particular on the social PAIs.

The approach and processes are described in more detail in the documents available at www.MSCI.com.

The methodologies used to construct the indices are available at : <u>http://www.msci.com/index-methodology</u> ("MSCI SRI Indexes Methodology").

Information on the PAIs will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

🗆 No



#### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. The Sub-fund invests mainly in shares of American companies. The Sub-fund is a tracker fund which uses a passive management strategy the objective of which is to replicate physically and not synthetically the performance of the benchmark (MSCI USA SRI Net Return). The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

### • What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The replicated Index is constructed in particular by applying a combination of securities-based exclusions and a Best-in-Class selection process to companies in the Parent Index :

a) the exclusion process focuses on :

- companies that do not have an MSCI ESG rating of 'A' or above. Companies must maintain an MSCI ESG rating of 'BB' or above to remain in the index;
- companies that are not in compliance with Global Standards and prevention of corruption
- companies involved in economic sectors and activities that are subject to debate as to whether or not they are ethical and sustainable (e.g. arms, alcohol, gambling, nuclear energy production, tobacco, thermal coal, unconventional oil and gas);
- companies involved in severe ESG controversies: companies must have a score (according to the MSCI ESG Research methodology) of at least 4 to be eligible for inclusion.

b) An MSCI Best-in-Class selection process is then applied to the remaining eligible securities in the selection universe :

The Index targets sector weights consistent with those of the Parent Index (MSCI USA) to limit the systematic risk introduced by the ESG selection process. The methodology aims to include the securities of companies with the highest ESG ratings making up 25% of the market capitalisation of the Parent Index.

Companies in the MSCI SRI Global Indices must maintain an MSCI ESG rating of 'BB' or above and a Controversy Score of '1' or above to remain in the index.

Additional information on this Index and its composition can be found at <u>www.msci.com</u>. The weight of stocks included in the Index will depend on their market capitalisation adjusted for free float.

The Sub-fund follows a passive management strategy which will invest physically and nonsynthetically in all stocks in the Index or a representative sample of these stocks, holding each stock in a proportion approximately identical to its weight in the Index.

The tracking error relative to the benchmark is around 1%. MSCI is in charge of the ESG selection on the basis of ESG analysis, ratings, scores and exposure as provided by MSCI ESG Research.

What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy?

The methodology aims to include the securities of companies with the highest ESG ratings making up 25% of the market capitalisation of the Parent Index. The securities excluded from the Parent Index therefore represent on average around 75% of the market capitalisation of each sector.

Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.

### What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies ?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of MSCI's approach :

- by excluding companies on the basis of compliance with global standards and prevention of corruption;
- by excluding companies involved in controversial activities;

- by determining and integrating governance aspects into the ESG score / rating via the choice and hierarchy of themes and key issues identified for each industry and company.

In addition, governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <a href="http://www.dpamfunds.com/">http://www.dpamfunds.com/</a> ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

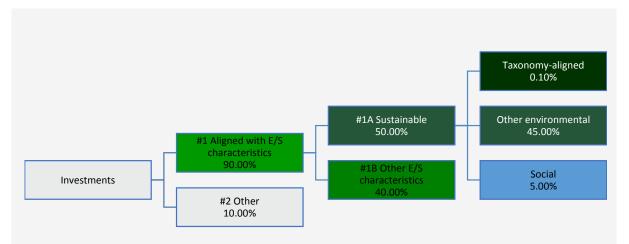


#### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation

describes the proportion of investments in specific assets.

By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 90% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics"). The Sub-fund aims to invest at least 50% of its assets in sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives (in the table referred to as "#1A Sustainable").



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

The category **#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** covers :

- The sub-category **#1A Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives;

- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

#### How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives of the Sub-fund will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects of the Sub-fund.



## To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Replicated Index by the Sub-fund does not seek to align its investments with the EU Taxonomy.

With regard to the Sub-fund's investments potentially aligned with the EU Taxonomy (minimum 0.10%):

- in principle, the extent to which investments are investments in environmentally sustainable economic activities within the meaning of the EU Taxonomy is assessed by means of turnover (based on performance data provided by third-party suppliers);

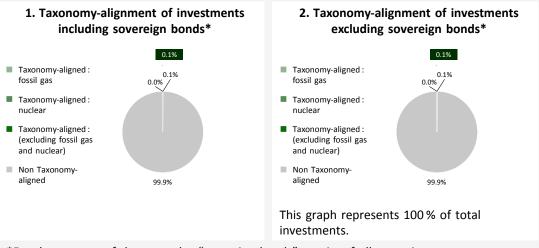
- where information on the extent to which investments are investments in environmentally sustainable economic activities within the meaning of the EU Taxonomy cannot be readily obtained from information published by the investee companies, the Manager relies on equivalent information obtained by third party providers from the investee companies.
- the compliance of these investments with the requirements set out in Article 3 of the EU Taxonomy will not be subject to a guarantee provided by one or more auditors or a review by one or more auditors or a review by one or more third parties.

Further information on methodology and data resources is available in the information on this Sub-fund via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (in particular in the sections "Methodologies" and "Data Sources and Data Processing").

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

☐ Yes:
 ☐ In fossil gas ☐ In nuclear energy
 ☑ No

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



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What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

The Replicated Index does not seek to invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to **fossil gas** include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For **nuclear energy**, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of: - of **turnover** reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies; - of **capital expenditure** (CapEx) showing the green investments made

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**Enabling activities** 

directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

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greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.



This symbol designates sustainable investments with an environmental objective that **do not take into account the criteria** for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.

### What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Based on the approach described above, the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy is 45 %.

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#### What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

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- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
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This remaining proportion will never exceed 10% of the portfolio.

There are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

Yes

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product meets the environmental or social characteristics it promotes.

### How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?

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#### Product name:

DPAM L EQUITIES WORLD SRI MSCI INDEX

#### Legal entity identifier : 391200EXH21C0Y8WU366

### **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

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with the Taxonomy or not.

#### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics through a rigorous methodology aimed at :

- defending fundamental rights (human rights, labor rights, anti-corruption and environmental protection);
- not funding controversial activities and behaviours that could affect the long-term reputation of the investments;
- promoting environmental, social and governance (ESG) best practices and best efforts.

The Sub-fund is passively managed and aims to physically replicate the MSCI ACWI SRI Index in euro ("the Index").\* The Index provides exposure to global large and mid-cap companies with high ESG performance relative to their peers in the same sector ("Best-in-Class" 25%).

By construction of the Replicated Index, the Sub-fund aims to improve the environmental and social characteristics compared to the starting universe, the parent MSCI ACWI Index ("Parent Index").

\*This section contains a brief overview of the Index. It summarises the main environmental and social characteristics of the Index and is not an exhaustive description. In the event of any inconsistency between the summary of the Index presented in this section and the full description of the Index, the full description of the Index shall prevail. Information on the Index is available on the website

http://www.msci.com/. This information may change, and such changes will be indicated on the website.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved.

#### What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions of the Index it aims to replicate (some of the indicators are compared to the Parent Index):

- zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;
- zero exposure to companies involved in excluded controversial activities, based on the exposure limits imposed by the index construction methodology;

- zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental or social issues (MSCI red flag controversies or score of 0);
- a portfolio average greenhouse gas emissions intensity below the average greenhouse gas emissions intensity of the Parent Index universe :
- an average ESG Score (MSCI rating) for the portfolio above the average ESG score of the Parent Index universe.

The methodologies used to construct the indices are available on the MSCI.com website : https://www.msci.com/index-methodology ("MSCI SRI Indexes Methodology").

Further information, including methodologies for calculating ESG scores and controversy levels, can be found on the MSCI website: <u>http://www.msci.com/</u>.

• What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The objective of the sustainable investments that the Sub-fund intends to partially achieve is to invest in companies that contribute through their products and services to the 17 Sustainable Development Goals ("SDGs") defined by the United Nations (UN): the contribution to the SDGs is implicitly taken into account in the determination of the ESG scores. As a result, the Sub-fund seeks to achieve an average ESG score/rating for the portfolio that is superior to that of the Parent Index.

How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

By construction of the Replicated Index, the Sub-fund's strategy incorporates several elements to avoid and/or reduce its exposure to activities or behaviours that could affect another environmental or social objective (such as the exclusion of ESG controversies of maximum severity or activities most detrimental to other environmental and/or social objectives (e.g. thermal coal, ownership of fossil fuel reserves, tobacco, arms, etc.).

In particular, the Sub-fund does not invest in companies involved in the most severe controversies and which may indicate a violation of the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and/or the principles of the United Nations Global Compact or involvement in the most serious negative impacts.

How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account ?

The principal adverse impacts on the mandatory sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") as listed in Table 1 of Annex 1 of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 are integrated in the different steps of the Index construction:

- 1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAI:
- the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection;
- the filtering of companies involved in economic sectors and activities that are subject to debate as to their ethical and sustainable character (e.g.: nuclear energy production, tobacco, thermal coal, non-conventional oil and gas).
- the filter on ESG score and level of controversy as defined by MSCI also includes controversies related to environmental issues, such as the environmental impact of company operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity and water consumption), the environmental impact on the supply chain and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).
- 2) Secondly, with regard to social PAIs:
- the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption. In addition, the filter for companies involved in the selection of key ESG controversies includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery.
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (inter alia: exclusion of companies involved in non-conventional armaments).
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in major ESG controversies on social issues.
- the best-in-class classification, which is based on an analysis of the ESG profile based in particular on the social PAIs.

The approach and processes are described in more detail in the documents available at <u>https://www.msci.com/index-methodology</u> ("MSCI SRI Indexes Methodology").

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters. The methodologies used to construct the indices are available at :

http://www.msci.com/index-methodology ("MSCI SRI Indexes Methodology").

Information on the PAIs will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details :

The evaluation framework used to rate and exclude issuers from the Index is designed to be consistent with international standards represented by the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights, the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and the UN Global Compact.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.

#### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the PAIs on sustainability factors listed in table 1 of the Delegated Regulation 2022/1288.

In concrete terms, the PAIs are integrated into the different stages of the construction of the Index which the Sub-fund replicates passively:

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🗌 No



### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. The Sub-fund invests mainly in shares of global companies. The Sub-fund is a tracker fund which uses a passive management strategy the objective of which is to replicate physically and not synthetically the performance of the benchmark (MSCI World SRI Net Return). The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The replicated Index is constructed in particular by applying a combination of securities-based exclusions and a Best-in-Class selection process to companies in the Parent Index :

a) the exclusion process focuses on :

- companies that do not have an MSCI ESG rating of 'A' or above. Companies must maintain an MSCI ESG rating of 'BB' or above to remain in the index;
- companies that are not in compliance with Global Standards and prevention of corruption
- companies involved in economic sectors and activities that are subject to debate as to whether or not they are ethical and sustainable (e.g. arms, alcohol, gambling, nuclear energy production, tobacco, thermal coal, unconventional oil and gas);
- companies involved in severe ESG controversies: companies must have a score (according to the MSCI ESG Research methodology) of at least 4 to be eligible for inclusion.

b) An MSCI Best-in-Class selection process is then applied to the remaining eligible securities in the selection universe :

The Index targets sector weights consistent with those of the Parent Index to limit the systematic risk introduced by the ESG selection process. The methodology aims to include the securities of companies with the highest ESG ratings making up 25% of the market capitalisation of the Parent Index.

Companies in the MSCI SRI Global Indices must maintain an MSCI ESG rating of 'BB' or above and a Controversy Score of '1' or above to remain in the index.

Additional information on this Index and its composition can be found at <u>www.msci.com</u>. The weight of stocks included in the Index will depend on their market capitalisation adjusted for free float.

The Sub-fund follows a passive management strategy which will invest physically and nonsynthetically in all stocks in the Index or a representative sample of these stocks, holding each stock in a proportion approximately identical to its weight in the Index.

The tracking error relative to the benchmark is around 1%. MSCI is in charge of the ESG selection on the basis of ESG analysis, ratings, scores and exposure as provided by MSCI ESG Research.

What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy?

The methodology aims to include the securities of companies with the highest ESG ratings making up 25% of the market capitalisation of the Parent Index. The securities excluded from the Parent Index therefore represent on average around 75% of the market capitalisation of each sector.

### What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies ?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of MSCI's approach :

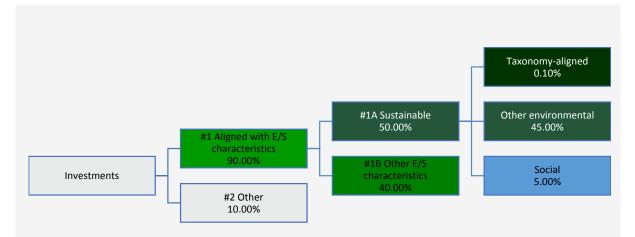
- by excluding companies on the basis of compliance with global standards and prevention of corruption;
- by excluding companies involved in controversial activities;
- by determining and integrating governance aspects into the ESG score / rating via the choice and hierarchy of themes and key issues identified for each industry and company.

Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations. In addition, governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <a href="http://www.dpamfunds.com/">http://www.dpamfunds.com/</a> ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").



#### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 90% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics"). The Sub-fund aims to invest at least 50% of its assets in sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives (in the table referred to as "#1A Sustainable").



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

#### The category #1 Aligned with E/S characteristics covers:

- The sub-category **#1A Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives;

- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

#### How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives of the Sub-fund will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects of the Sub-fund.



### To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Replicated Index by the Sub-fund does not seek to align its investments with the EU Taxonomy.

With regard to the Sub-fund's investments potentially aligned with the EU Taxonomy (minimum 0.10%):

- in principle, the extent to which investments are investments in environmentally sustainable economic activities within the meaning of the EU Taxonomy is assessed by means of turnover (based on performance data provided by third-party suppliers);
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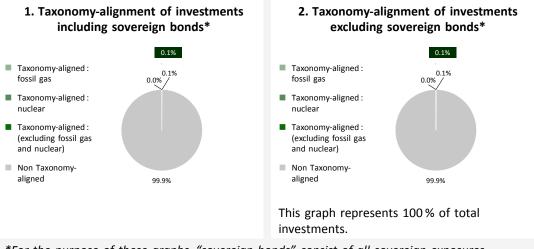
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#### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics through a rigorous methodology aimed at :

- defending fundamental rights (human rights, labor rights, anti-corruption and environmental protection),
- not funding controversial activities and behaviours that could affect the long-term reputation of the investments.
- promoting environmental, social and governance (ESG) best practices.

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve the environmental and social characteristics promoted under Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved. What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions in terms of exposure of the investee companies to certain controversial activities and behaviours:

- zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;
- zero exposure to issuers involved in excluded controversial activities as defined by the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental or social issues;

for more details, see the section below "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?"

- What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives? Not applicable. This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
- How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective ? Not applicable. This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
  - How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account ? Not applicable

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights ? Details : Not applicable

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.

#### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

#### ☑ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Subfund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

In concrete terms, PAIs are incorporated into the various stages of upstream Sub-fund construction via exclusions and the resulting eligible universe (i), and through the investment process via fundamental analysis, controversy monitoring and ongoing dialogue with investees (ii):

- 1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAI:
- they are analysed and monitored at the level of the investee issuers, particularly with regard to PAIs related to greenhouse gas emissions and energy performance, including through the Manager's research in the context of the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD).
- after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection.

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

- in addition, the filtering and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues such as the environmental impact of the company's operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity, and water consumption), the environmental impact of the supply chain, and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).
- 2) Secondly, social and governance PAIs are systematically analysed throughout the research and investment process:
- the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption;
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (in accordance with the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy available at <a href="http://www.dpamfunds.com/">http://www.dpamfunds.com/</a> (Controversial Activities Policy);
- in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery.

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u>.

Information on the PAIs taken into consideration by the Sub-fund will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

🗌 No



#### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. The Sub-fund invests, directly or indirectly through undertakings for collective investment (UCIs), without any geographical and/or sectoral restrictions whatsoever, in (i) equities and/or other securities giving access to the capital and (ii) bonds and/or other debt securities (such as, but not limited to, perpetual bonds, subordinated bonds, convertible bonds, zero-coupon bonds and structured products such as asset-backed securities or mortgage backed securities) with high yields. The Sub-fund may also invest in money market instruments such as, for example, cash and/or certificates of deposit. In the active management of the Subfund, the Manager allocates investments between different investment classes and countries on the basis of macro- and micro-economic criteria. The Manager then selects investments with the potential for an advantageous return in relation to the risk incurred. The Sub-fund is actively managed. The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management. The Sub-fund mainly invests worldwide, directly or through other funds, in equities denominated in any currency. The Sub-fund may invest in bonds on an ancillary basis. In the active management of the Subfund, the Manager selects a relatively small number of companies that he believes have above-average return potential in relation to the risk incurred, using a collective process based on the best investment ideas ("best ideas generation"). The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) companies which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) companies involved in controversial activities, and (c) companies involved in extremely serious ESG controversies :

a) Compliance of the portfolio with the Global Standards described below: The Sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the Global Compact and the Guiding Principles of the United Nations, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties.

b) Exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: The Sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The Sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal.

These exclusions are detailed in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

c) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: Issuers facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

Security exclusions based on the binding criteria of the investment strategy apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

Each time a data series is collected, the Manager draws up exclusion lists which are updated at least quarterly and on an ad hoc basis in the event of a deterioration in the position. There is an exclusion list for each binding element and strategy group, and the Manager applies a similar exclusion/ restriction threshold for investment. The Manager's risk management department is responsible for applying the necessary prevention (ex-ante risk) and control (ex-post risk) mechanisms to effectively enforce the exclusion lists in the investment portfolios of the Manager's strategies.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes the most severe controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

In the event that a company's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Standards non-Compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the company emerges, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

### What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy?

Not applicable

### What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies ?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of the Manager's active ownership, engagement and sustainable and responsible investment policies and are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described above in the section "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select investments to achieve each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?" The Manager takes these criteria into account in the following way:

- Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
- Qualitative ESG approach: Much of the fundamental research of the Manager is devoted to governance and corporate governance issues.
- The Manager's voting policy helps to promote good corporate governance practices (separation
  of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of
  minority shareholders, quality of internal and external audit, etc.). The Manager's engagement
  policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

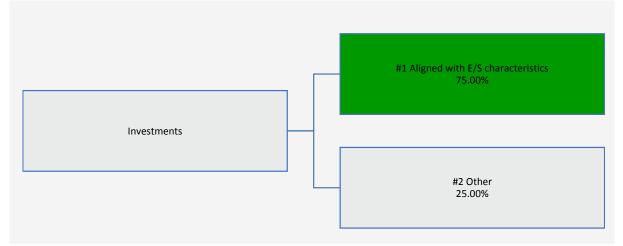
Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").



#### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 75% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics").

Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2** Other includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects.



### To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments and makes no commitment to align its investments with the European Taxonomy.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

□ Yes:

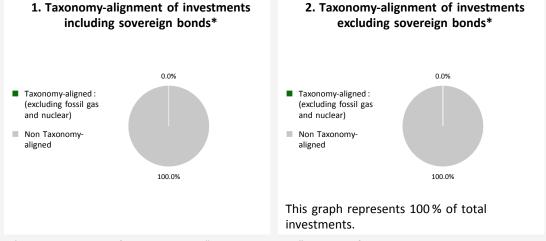
□ In fossil gas □ In nuclear energy ☑ No

To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to **fossil gas** include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For **nuclear energy**, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear activities will only be compliant with the EU Taxonomy if they contribute to mitigating climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any objective of the EU Taxonomy - see explanatory note in the left margin. The set of criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that are in line with the EU Taxonomy are defined in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of : - of **turnover** reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies ; - of **capital expenditure** 

(CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy; - of **operational expenditure** (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies. The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

#### What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental



What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

This Sub-fund does not seek to make socially sustainable investments.

Enabling activities directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance.



This symbol designates sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria for environmentally

sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.

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# What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole Sub-fund, excluding:

- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes;
- issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will not exceed 25 % of the Sub-fund.

There are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

Not applicable

- Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product meets the environmental or social characteristics it promotes.
- How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?
  Not applicable
- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found? Not applicable



#### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).

Pre-contractual information for financial products referred to in Article 8(1), (2) and (2a) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and in the first paragraph of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

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### **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

Sustainable investment means an investment in an	Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?							
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#### What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Sub-fund promotes environmental and social characteristics through a rigorous methodology aimed at :

- defending fundamental rights (human rights, labour rights, anti-corruption and environmental protection); and
- not funding controversial activities and behaviours that could affect the long-term reputation of the investments.
- promoting environmental, social and governance (ESG) best practices.

The Sub-fund has not designated a benchmark to achieve the environmental and social characteristics promoted under Article 8 of the Regulation.

Sustainability indicators assess whether the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are achieved. What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of all of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-fund correspond to the binding investment restrictions :

- For investments in equities or corporate bonds :
- zero exposure to issuers deemed to be non-compliant with Global Standards;
- zero exposure to issuers involved in excluded controversial activities as defined by the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy (available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- zero exposure to companies facing ESG controversies of maximum severity on environmental or social issues;
- For investments in sovereign bonds :
- zero exposure to issuers that do not respect a minimum of democratic requirements.

for more details, see the section below "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?"

- What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives? Not applicable. This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
- How do the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to pursue not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective? Not applicable. This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments.
  - How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account? Not applicable

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights? Details: Not applicable

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investment must also not cause significant harm to environmental or social objectives.



#### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

#### ✓ Yes.

The Sub-fund takes into account all the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors (hereinafter "PAIs") listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288.

For direct investments in equities and corporate bonds:

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Subfund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

In concrete terms, PAIs are incorporated into the various stages of upstream Sub-fund construction via exclusions and the resulting eligible universe (i), and through the investment process via fundamental analysis, controversy monitoring and ongoing dialogue with investees (ii):

- 1) Firstly, with regard to environmental PAI:
- they are analysed and monitored at the level of the investee issuers, particularly with regard to PAIs related to greenhouse gas emissions and energy performance, including through the Manager's research in the context of the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD).

#### Principal adverse impacts are the most

significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

- after that, the Global Standards compliance filter includes a filter on environmental protection.
- in addition, the filtering and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to environmental issues such as the environmental impact of the company's operations (emissions, waste, energy use, biodiversity, and water consumption), the environmental impact of the supply chain, and the impact of products and services (carbon and environmental impact).
- 2) Secondly, social PAIs are systematically analysed throughout the research and investment process :
- the Global Standards compliance filter is structured around human rights, labour rights and the prevention of corruption;
- the exclusion filter for companies involved in controversial activities (in accordance with the Manager's Controversial Activities Policy available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> (Controversial Activities Policy));
- in addition, the screening and analysis based on the main ESG controversies in which companies may be involved also includes controversies related to social issues, i.e. society and community, customer and employee, and controversies related to governance issues such as business ethics, including corruption and bribery.

For direct investments in sovereign bonds:

The Sub-fund takes into account the principal adverse (hereinafter "PAIs") environmental and social impacts listed in Table 1 of Annex I of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 which are applicable to investments in sovereign or supranational issuers.

The PAIs are intrinsically linked to the Manager's commitment to reduce the negative impact of the Subfund's investments by avoiding activities or behaviours that may significantly hinder sustainable and inclusive growth. This commitment is incorporated throughout the research and investment process from its inception.

The first PAI relates to environmental issues and focuses on the greenhouse gas emission intensity of the investee countries. The indicator is an integral component of the country sustainability model that the Manager developed for its sovereign bond strategies. Consequently, it is included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it positively or negatively depending on its level and development compared to other issuer countries.

The second PAI relates to social issues and focuses on issues of social breaches. Our country sustainability model monitors a number of indicators on this issue, such as respect for civil liberties and political rights, respect for human rights and the level of violence within the country, commitment to key labour law conventions, the issue of equal opportunities and distribution of wealth, etc. These different indicators are included in the country's sustainability score and can influence it positively or negatively depending on its level and evolution compared to other emitting countries.

The Manager's approach and processes are further described in its Sustainable and Responsible Investments Policy and in the TCFD report, which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/.</u>

Information on the PAIs taken into consideration by the Sub-fund will be available in the annual report of DPAM L, the SICAV to which the Sub-fund belongs.

🗌 No



#### What investment strategy does this financial product pursue?

The **investment strategy** guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. The Sub-fund mainly invests, directly or through other funds, in equities, bonds, including bonds with a low rating, and money market instruments. The Sub-fund may invest worldwide in securities denominated in any currency. The Sub-fund is actively managed. The Manager allocates investments between different investment classes and countries on the basis of macro- and micro-economic criteria. The Manager then selects investments with the potential for an advantageous return in relation to the risk incurred. The Sub-fund may use derivatives to exploit or hedge against market fluctuations, or for efficient portfolio management.

### What are the constraints defined in the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The binding investment restrictions apply to (a) companies which do not comply with the principles of the Global Standards described below, (b) companies involved in controversial activities, and (c) companies involved in extremely serious ESG controversies :

a) Portfolio compliance with the Global Standards described below: the Sub-fund does not invest in companies that do not comply with the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the Guiding Principles, the ILO instruments, the OECD Multinational Enterprises (MNE) Guidelines and the underlying conventions and treaties.

b) exclusion of companies involved in controversial activities: the Sub-fund excludes companies whose activity consists of the manufacture, use or possession of anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium munitions and armour, chemical or biological weapons. The Sub-fund also excludes securities of companies that have material exposure to the production or distribution of tobacco or raw materials and equipment necessary for the production of tobacco, the extraction of thermal coal, or the generation of electricity from coal.

These exclusions are detailed in the Manager's controversial activities policy (section on "conventional" strategies accessible via <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> ("Controversial Activities Policy")).

c) The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: Issuers facing extremely serious controversies are not eligible for investment.

Exclusion lists of individual companies excluded under criteria (a), (b) and (c) above are regularly updated and are fed into the portfolio investment monitoring systems.

Security exclusions based on the binding criteria of the investment strategy apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

Each time a data series is collected, the Manager draws up exclusion lists which are updated at least quarterly and on an ad hoc basis in the event of a deterioration in the position. There is an exclusion list for each binding element and strategy group, and the Manager applies a similar exclusion/ restriction threshold for investment. The Manager's risk management department is responsible for applying the necessary prevention (ex-ante risk) and control (ex-post risk) mechanisms to effectively enforce the exclusion lists in the investment portfolios of the Manager's strategies.

The Manager uses ESG research of non-financial rating agencies to assess the seriousness of the controversies to which companies are exposed and excludes the most severe controversies. The Manager also produces internal analyses of the ESG controversies to which companies are exposed. The Manager reserves the right to also exclude companies that it considers to be involved in sufficiently serious controversies.

In the event that a company's ESG profile deteriorates and it is downgraded to Global Standards non-Compliant status or an extremely serious controversy regarding the company emerges, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

For direct investments in sovereign bonds, the Sub-fund applies a binding investment restriction: the exclusion of countries that do not respect a minimum of democratic requirements.

The Sub-fund does not invest in countries that do not respect a minimum of democratic requirements. To determine whether a country does not meet this minimum requirement the Manager applies a methodology that is mainly based on the classifications of the International NGO Freedom House ("not free") and The Economist Intelligence Unit ("authoritarian regime"). This

exclusion and the underlying methodology are detailed in the Manager's Sustainable and Responsible Investment Policy (section on "Sovereign Bonds"), which is available at <u>http://www/</u> dpamfunds.com (Sustainable & Responsible Investment policy).

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Security exclusions based on the binding criteria of the investment strategy apply both at the time of purchase of a position and during the holding of the position in the portfolio.

In the event that a country is downgraded, the Manager will sell the relevant investment in the interest of the Sub-fund's shareholders within three months.

### What is the minimum extent to which the financial product undertakes to reduce its scope of investment before applying this investment strategy?

Not applicable

### What policy has been implemented to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies?

Good governance criteria are an integral part of the Manager's active ownership, engagement and sustainable and responsible investment policies and are included in the investment decision process through the different steps described above in the section "What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select investments to achieve each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?" The Manager takes these criteria into account in the following way:

- Portfolio compliance with Global Standards: Prevention of corruption is one of the four main themes of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact.
- The portfolio's exposure to extremely serious ESG controversies: good governance criteria (business ethics, political lobbying, corporate governance, corruption and accountability of governance bodies with regard to ESG aspects) are analysed for controversies, their severity and corrective measures.
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  of powers, independence and adequacy of the board of directors, respect for the rights of
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  policy is linked to this voting policy and applies its principles.

Governance issues are also an integral part of the monitoring of investments, notably through the Manager's voting policy and engagement policy which are available at <u>http://www.dpamfunds.com/</u> ("Voting policy/Engagement policy").

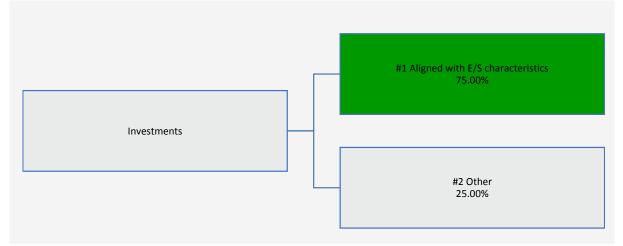


#### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

Asset allocation describes the proportion of investments in specific assets. By applying the investment strategy described above, the Sub-fund invests a minimum of 75% of its assets in securities that meet the environmental and social characteristics it promotes (in the table referred to as "#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics").

Good governance

practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2** Other includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

How does the use of derivatives help to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ?

Derivative products, if any, used to achieve the investment objectives will not be used to promote the environmental and/or social aspects.



### To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments and makes no commitment to align its investments with the European Taxonomy.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities in line with the EU Taxonomy?<sup>1</sup>

□ Yes:

□ In fossil gas □ In nuclear energy ☑ No

To be aligned with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to fossil gas include emission limits and a shift to 100% renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear activities will only be compliant with the EU Taxonomy if they contribute to mitigating climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any objective of the EU Taxonomy - see explanatory note in the left margin. The set of criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that are in line with the EU Taxonomy are defined in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a percentage of : - of **turnover** reflecting the proportion of revenue from green activities of investee companies ; - of **capital expenditure** 

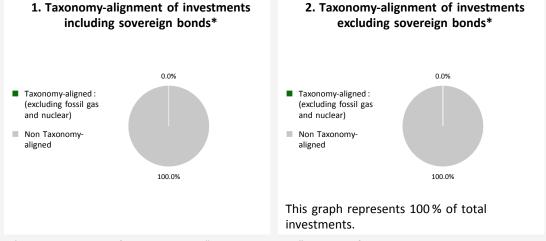
(CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy; - of **operational expenditure** (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

Enabling activities directly enable other

activities to make a

substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and, inter alia, whose greenhouse gas emission levels correspond to the best achievable performance. The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomyalignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, "sovereign bonds" consist of all sovereign exposures.

#### What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or invest in enabling and/or transitional activities.

This Sub-fund does not seek to make sustainable investments or sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy.



This symbol designates sustainable investments with an environmental objective that **do not take into account the criteria** for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.



What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

This Sub-fund does not seek to make socially sustainable investments.



# What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and do any minimum environmental or social safeguards apply to them?

Binding ESG screenings carried out in accordance with the investment strategy described above are applied to the whole Sub-fund, excluding :

- liquid assets;
- derivative instruments;
- collective investment schemes;
- issuers that do not report sufficient information or are insufficiently covered by ESG research to judge their environmental and/or social characteristics.

The Sub-fund may invest or hold these types of assets for the purpose of achieving investment objectives, portfolio diversification, liquidity management and risk hedging.

This remaining proportion will not exceed 25% of the Sub-fund.

There are no minimum environmental or social guarantees.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

Not applicable

- Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product meets the environmental or social characteristics it promotes.
- How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product ? Not applicable
- How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?
  Not applicable
- How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ? Not applicable
- Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found? Not applicable



#### Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <u>www.dpamfunds.com</u> (Fund/Sub-fund/ Share class/"Sustainability transparency" tab).