# BSF European Opportunities Extension Fund Class A4

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### **JUNE 2023 FACTSHEET**

Performance, Portfolio Breakdowns and Net Asset information as at: 30-Jun-2023. All other data as at: 11-Jul-2023.

Investors should read the Key Investor Information Document and Prospectus prior to investing.

#### **FUND OVERVIEW**

The investment strategy of the Fund is deemed by the Directors of the Fund to be capacity constrained. Buying Shares in the Fund (or converting shares from another fund) is capped at a daily limit of EUR 5 million (or the equivalent thereof) per investor until further notice except at the discretion of the Directors of the Fund (you can still sell your Shares daily without limit). The Fund aims to provide long term capital growth (including income) on your investment through the use of an extension strategy, meaning that, in addition to having up to 100% of the Fund's assets exposed to equity securities (e.g. shares) via long positions and/or synthetic long positions, the intention is to enter into synthetic short positions, to achieve additional investment exposure. The investment adviser (IA) will use the proceeds from these to buy additional synthetic long positions (broadly in the same proportion as the short positions it holds). Through a long position the Fund aims to profit by choosing assets that will rise in value. A short position is the sale of an asset which the Fund does not physically own with the aim of buying it later at a lower price to secure a profit. The Fund seeks to gain at least 70% of any investment exposure to equity securities and other equity-related (E-R) securities, of companies domiciled in, or the main business of which is in, Europe (including former Soviet Union countries) and, when determined appropriate, fixed income (FI) securities (such as bonds), money market instruments (MMIs) (i.e. debt securities with short-term maturities), deposits and cash. The E-R securities include financial derivative instruments (FDIs) (i.e. investments the prices of which are based on one or more underlying assets). FDIs may be used to help achieve the Fund's investment objective and the IA intends to generate market leverage via FDIs (i.e. where the Fund gains market exposure in excess of the value of its assets). A significant portion of the Fund's assets may be invested in total return swaps and contracts for difference. The FI securities and MMIs may be issued by governments, government agencies, companies and supranationals (e.g. the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development) and may be investment grade (i.e. meet a specified level of credit worthiness), non-investment grade or unrated at the time of purchase.



Share Class and Benchmark performance displayed in GBP. Source: BlackRock. Performance is shown on a Net Asset Value (NAV) basis, with gross income reinvested. **Past performance is not a guide to future performance.** 



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**CAPITAL AT RISK:** The value of investments and the income from them can fall as well as rise and are not guaranteed. Investors may not get back the amount originally invested.

#### **KEY FACTS**

**Asset Class** Equity **Morningstar Category** Europe Flex-Cap Equity **Fund Launch Date** 31-Aug-2007 **Share Class Launch Date** 31-Aug-2007 **Fund Base Currency** Share Class Currency GBP Fund Size (AUM) 610.82 EUR **Benchmark** S&P Europe BMI in GBP Performance Index Domicile Luxemboura

DomicileLuxembourgFund TypeUCITSISINLU0313923905Bloomberg TickerBKRSADSDistribution TypeAnnualMinimum Initial Investment5,000 USD\*Management CompanyBlackRock<br/>(Luxembourg) S.A.

\* or currency equivalent

#### PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

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TOP HOLDINGS (%)	
NOVO NORDISK A/S	5.23
DSV A/S	3.84
LINDE PLC	3.60
LVMH MOET HENNESSY LOUIS VUITTON SE	3.49
LONZA GROUP AG	3.44
RELX PLC	3.20
SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC SE	2.60
HERMES INTERNATIONAL SCA	2.53
DAVIDE CAMPARI MILANO NV	2.50
IMCD NV	2.49
Total of Portfolio	32.92

Holdings subject to change

#### **RATINGS**



**KEY RISKS:** All financial investments involve an element of risk. Therefore, the value of your investment and the income from it will vary and your initial investment amount cannot be guaranteed. The fund invests a large portion of assets which are denominated in other currencies; hence changes in the relevant exchange rate will affect the value of the investment. The fund may invest in smaller company shares which can be more unpredictable and less liquid than those of larger company shares. Derivatives may be used substantially for complex investment strategies.

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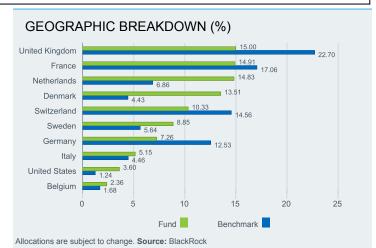
Key Risks Continued: These include the creation of short positions where the Investment Manager artificially sells an investment it does not physically own. Derivatives can also be used to generate exposure to investments greater than the net asset value of the fund / investment trust. Investment Managers refer to this practice as obtaining market leverage or gearing. As a result, a small positive or negative movement in stockmarkets will have a larger impact on the value of these derivatives than owning the physical investments. The use of derivatives in this manner may have the effect of increasing the overall risk profile of the Funds.

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	Fund	Benchmark	+/-
Industrials	31.50	16.31	15.19
Health Care	19.58	15.00	4.58
Consumer Staples	10.94	11.47	-0.53
Information Technology	10.41	7.32	3.09
Financials	9.70	16.86	-7.16
Materials	8.74	6.72	2.03
Consumer Discretionary	5.54	11.75	-6.21
Energy	2.20	5.32	-3.12
Communication	0.94	3.59	-2.65
Real Estate	-0.33	1.57	-1.91
Utilities	-0.60	4.08	-4.68
Allocations are subject to change. Sou	rce: BlackRock		



Max Initial Charge	5.00%
Max Exit Fee	0.00%
Ongoing Charge	1.87%
Performance Fee	20.00%



## **DEALING INFORMATION**

Settlement Dealing Frequency Trade Date + 3 days Daily, forward pricing basis

#### **GLOSSARY**

Ongoing Charge: is a figure representing all annual charges and other payments taken from the fund.

Quartile Rank: categorizes a fund into four equal bands based on their performance over a specified period within the relevant Morningstar's sector. The top or first quartile contains the top 25% of funds, through to the bottom or 4th quartile which contains the bottom 25% of funds.



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