# BlackRock Global Funds

# Simplified Prospectus Dated 31 March 2010 Mixed Funds

BlackRock Global Funds ("the Company") is a SICAV incorporated in Luxembourg as an open-ended investment company and is authorised under Part I of the Luxembourg Law of 20 December 2002. It has an "umbrella" structure comprising a number of different Funds, each having a separate portfolio of investments.

Registered Office: Aerogolf Centre, 1A Hoehenhof, L-1736 Senningerberg, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg. Registered Number: B.6317



This Simplified Prospectus contains information about the following sub-funds of the Company which are categorised as Mixed Funds. \*\*Please note that on 16 April 2010 the Strategic Allocation Fund (US Dollar) will merge into the Strategic Allocation Fund (Euro) which will then be renamed as the Flexible Multi-Asset Fund:

Global Allocation Fund
Strategic Allocation Fund (Euro)\*\*
Strategic Allocation Fund (US Dollar)\*\*

Key to table:

\* Funds not available for subscription at the date of this Simplified Prospectus. Such Funds may be launched at the Directors' discretion. Confirmation of the launch date of these Funds will then be made available at the local Investor Servicing team. Any provisions in this Simplified Prospectus relating to any one of these Funds shall only take effect from the launch date of the relevant Fund.

Please refer to the current full Prospectus of the Company for further details. The full Prospectus and the annual and interim report & accounts may be obtained upon request, from the registered office, free of charge. Terms in capitals where not defined in this document are defined in the full Prospectus.

#### Investment Objective & Policy

The investment objective and policy for each Mixed Fund, together with details on Dealing and Base Currency is attached to this Simplified Prospectus as Appendix 1.

# General Risk Factors

The value of investments and the income from them may go down as well as up and is not guaranteed. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. When you cash in all or part of your investment you may get back less than you invested. Exchange rate movements may also affect your investment, as well as prices of securities.

A detailed description of the risk profile and, if applicable, of the use of derivatives, is contained in the full Prospectus and the Risk Factors specific to each Fund are set out in Appendix 2.

# Profile of the Typical Investor

The Funds are available for investment by the general public. Typical investors are expected to be informed investors and willing to adopt capital and income risk.

BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited has allocated the following gradings on a scale of Low, Medium, Medium/High and High on each of the Funds.

► 'Low Risk' grading applies to Funds where there is a low expectation of capital loss but where income levels will vary.

None of the Mixed Funds are graded 'Low Risk'.

► 'Medium Risk' grading applies to Funds with exposure to capital market risk but where any equity exposure is balanced by exposure to high-quality bonds. This grading is relevant for:

Global Allocation Fund Strategic Allocation Fund (Euro) Strategic Allocation Fund (US Dollar) Medium/High Risk' grading applies to Funds which may be expected to have all, or at least a high proportion, of their assets invested in equities, or in bonds rated below investment grade.

None of the Mixed Funds are graded 'Medium/High Risk'.

► 'High Risk' grading applies to Funds with emerging market, small capitalisation and narrowly focused/concentrated equity mandates, which may restrict liquidity and increase the volatility of returns. This grading is relevant for:

None of the Mixed Funds are graded 'High Risk'.

The above gradings are indicative of the level of risk associated with each Fund and are not supposed to be a guarantee of likely returns. They should only be used for comparison with other Funds provided by the Company. If you are in any doubt as to the level of risk that you should take, you should seek independent advice.

#### Launch Date and Fund Performance

The launch date and an overview of fund performance for each Mixed Fund is provided in Appendix 1, attached to this Simplified Prospectus.

# Treatment of Income and Classes of Shares

Shares are available in different Classes, representing nine different charging structures. Shares are further divided into Distributing and Non-Distributing Share Classes.

Non-Distributing Shares of any class are also referred to using the number 2 e.g. Class A2.

Distributing Shares with monthly dividend payments are further divided into Shares as follows:

- ▶ Distributing Shares for which dividends are calculated daily are known as Distributing (D) Shares, which in any class are also referred to using the number 1. e.g. Class A1.
- ► Those Shares for which dividends are calculated monthly are known as Distributing (M) Shares, which in any class are also referred to using the number 3. e.g. Class A3.

Investors may choose to hold either Distributing (M) Shares or Distributing (D) Shares but may not hold both.

Distributing Shares with quarterly dividend payments are known as Distributing (Q) Shares, which in any class are also referred to using the number 5. e.g. Class A5.

Distributing Shares with annual dividend payments are known as Distributing (A) Shares, which in any class are also referred to using the number 4. e.g. Class A4.

Distributing Shares where income is distributed gross of expenses will also be referred to as Distributing (G) Shares e.g. Class A4(G).

The Directors' current policy is to retain and reinvest all net income except for income from the Distributing Share Classes

and income from the UK Distributor Status Share Classes. For the Distributing Share Classes and UK Distributor Status Share Classes, the policy is to distribute substantially all the investment income for the period after deduction of expenses. The Directors may also determine if and to what extent dividends may include distributions from both net realised and net unrealised capital gains and in the case of Funds which distribute income gross of expenses from initially subscribed capital. Shareholders should note that dividends distributed in this manner may be taxable as income, depending on the local tax legislation, and should seek their own professional tax advice in this regard. The following are Distributing Mixed Funds:

#### Global Allocation Fund

Confirmation of all share classes and distribution frequencies can be obtained from the Company's registered office and the local Investor Servicing team. Distributing Shares with alternative payment frequencies may be introduced at the Directors' discretion. Confirmation of additional distribution frequencies and the date of their availability can be obtained from the Company's registered office and the local Investor Servicing team.

The Company may operate income equalisation arrangements with a view to ensuring that the level of net income accrued within a Fund (or gross income in the case of Distributing (G)

Shares) and attributable to each Share is not affected by the issue, conversion, or redemption of Shares during an accounting period.

Where an Investor buys Shares during an accounting period, the price at which those Shares were bought may be deemed to include an amount of net income accrued since the date of the last distribution. The result is that, in relation to Distributing (M) Shares, Distributing (Q) Shares or Distributing (A) Shares, the first distribution which an Investor receives following purchase may include a repayment of capital. Accumulating Shares do not distribute income and so should not be impacted in the same way.

Where an Investor sells Shares during an accounting period the redemption price in relation to Distributing (M) Shares, Distributing (Q) Shares or Distributing (A) Shares, may be deemed to include an amount of net income accrued since the date of the last distribution. In the case Distributing (G) Shares equalisation will be calculated on the gross income of the Fund. Accumulating Shares do not distribute income and so should not be impacted in the same way.

The list of Funds operating income equalisation arrangements and the income element included in the daily price of Distributing (M) Shares, Distributing (Q) Shares and Distributing (A) Shares will be made available upon request from the Company's registered office or online at www.blackrock.com

#### Calculation of Dividends

The calculation method for each type is described below. Where Distributing (G) Shares are issued, the calculation method set out below is amended to reflect that income is distributed gross of expense:

Calculation Method
The dividend is calculated daily based upon daily-accrued income less expenses, for the number of Shares outstanding on that day.
At the discretion of the Directors, the dividend may also include distributions from both net realised and net unrealised capital gains.
A cumulative monthly dividend is then distributed to shareholders based upon the number of Shares held and he number of days for which they were held during the period. Holders of Distributing (D) Shares shall be entitled to dividends from the date of subscription to the date of redemption.
The dividend is calculated monthly based upon income accrued during the dividend period less expenses.
At the discretion of the Directors, the dividend may also include distributions from both net realised and net unrealised capital gains.
The dividend is distributed to shareholders based upon the number of Shares held at the month end.
The dividend is calculated quarterly based upon income accrued during the dividend period less expenses.
At the discretion of the Directors, the dividend may also include distributions from both net realised and net unrealised capital gains.
The dividend is distributed to shareholders based upon the number of Shares held at the end of the quarter.
The dividend is calculated annually based upon income accrued during the dividend period less expenses.
At the discretion of the Directors, the dividend may also include distributions from both net realised and net unrealised capital gains.
The dividend is distributed to shareholders based upon the number of Shares held at the end of the annual period.

#### Declaration, Payment of Reinvestment of Dividend

The chart below describes the declaration and payment of dividends and the reinvestment options available to shareholders.

Dividend Classification*	Declaration	Payment	Automatic Dividend Reinvestment	Payment Method
Distributing Shares (D)	Last Business Day of each calendar month in the Dealing Currency(ies) of the relevant Fund.	Within 1 calendar month of declaration to shareholders holding Shares during the period following the previous declaration.	Dividends will be automatically reinvested in further Shares of the same	Dividends (where a shareholder has notified the local Investor Servicing team or on the application form) are
Distributing Shares (M)		Within 1 calendar month of declaration to shareholders registered in the share register on the Business Day prior to the declaration date.	form of the same class of the same Fund, unless the shareholder requests otherwise either in writing to	paid directly into the shareholder's bank account by telegraphic transfer in the shareholder's chosen dealing currency at the shareholder's cost (except as otherwise agreed with by an underlying investor with his/her distributor)
Distributing Shares (Q)	20 March, 20 June, 20 September and 20 December (provided such day is a Business Day and if not, the following Business Day).	Within 1 calendar month of the date of the declaration to shareholders.	the local Investor Servicing team or on the application form.	
Distributing Shares (A)	Last Business Day of each fiscal year in the Dealing Currencylies) of the relevant Fund.	Within 1 calendar month of declaration to shareholders registered in the share register on the Business Day prior to the declaration date.		

<sup>\*</sup> The options described in this chart will also apply to the respective class(es) of UK Distributor Status Shares.

Declarations and payment of dividends are announced in the d'Wort in Luxembourg.

No initial charge or CDSC is made on Class A, Class B or Class Q Distributing Shares, respectively, issued by way of dividend reinvestment.

It should be borne in mind that re-invested dividends are likely to be treated for tax purposes in most jurisdictions as income received by the shareholder.

#### Distributor Status Funds and UK Distributor Status Shares

None of the Mixed Funds currently offer UK Distributor Status on their Shares as at the date of this Simplified Prospectus. The Company may apply for UK Distributor Status for Share Classes or Dealing Currencies of the Mixed Funds. Confirmation of the Funds, Classes of Shares and Dealing Currencies in respect of which the Company may apply for UK Distributor Status will then be available from the registered office of the Company and from the local Investor Servicing team. An updated list of available UK Distributor Status Funds, Share Classes and Dealing Currencies will be included in the next version of the Simplified Prospectus.

# **UK Reporting Funds**

In November 2009, the UK Government enacted Statutory Instrument 2009 / 3001 (The Offshore Funds (Tax) Regulations 2009) which provides for a new framework for the taxation of investments in offshore funds, to replace the existing UK Distributor Status regime, which would operate by reference to whether a fund opts into a reporting regime ("Reporting Funds") or not ("Non-reporting Funds"). Under the new regime, investors in Reporting Funds will be subject to tax on the share of the Reporting Fund's income attributable to their holding in the fund, whether or not distributed, but any gains on disposal of their holding should be subject to capital gains tax. The new regime has effect for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 December 2009.

The Company is expected to opt into the new Reporting Funds regime with effect from the start of the company's next Financial Year, 1 September 2010. The Directors currently intend to apply for "Reporting Fund" status in relation to funds which currently have UK Distributor Status when the regime comes into force. The Directors may also choose to apply for

"Reporting Fund" status in respect of funds which do not currently have UK Distributor Status.

# **Dealing Currency**

The currency or currencies in which applicants may currently subscribe for the Shares of any Fund. Dealing currencies may be introduced at the Directors' discretion. Confirmation of the Dealing Currencies is available from the registered office of the Company and from the local Investor Servicing team.

# **Hedged Share Classes**

Those Share Classes to which a currency hedging strategy is applied. An update of available Hedged Share Classes will be included in the Simplified Prospectus each time it is updated. Hedged Share Classes may be made available in other Funds and in other currencies at the Directors' discretion. Confirmation of the Funds and currencies in which the Hedged Share Classes are available can be obtained from the registered office of the Company and from the local Investor Servicing team.

#### Fees, Charges & Expenses

Full details of the charges and expenses (for individual Classes of Shares) for each Fund are attached to this Simplified Prospectus as Appendix 3.

Selected distributors may impose a **charge** on each conversion of those Shares acquired through them, which will be deducted at the time of conversion and paid to the relevant distributor. While other conversions between the same class of Shares of two Funds are normally free of charge, the Investment Manager may, at its discretion (and without prior notice), make an additional conversion charge which would increase the amount paid to up to 2% if excessively frequent conversions are made. Any such charges will be deducted at the time of conversion

and paid to the relevant distributor or the Principal Distributor (as applicable).

A **redemption charge** of 2% of the redemption proceeds can be charged to a shareholder at the discretion of the Directors where the Directors, in their reasonable opinion, suspect that shareholder of excessive trading. This charge will be made for the benefit of the Funds, and shareholders will be notified in their contract notes if such a fee has been charged. This charge will be in addition to any applicable conversion charge or deferred sales charge.

The **Custodian** receives annual fees, based on the value of securities, which accrue daily, plus transaction fees. The annual custody safekeeping fees range from 0.005% to 0.441% per annum and the transaction fees range from US\$ 8.8 to US\$ 196 per transaction.

The Company pays administration fees of up to 0.25% per annum. The level of administration fees may vary at the Directors' discretion, as agreed with the Management Company, across Funds and Classes the investor buys. Administration fees accrue daily, are based on the Net Asset Value of the relevant Class and are paid monthly. Administration fees comprise without limitation all operational costs and expenses incurred by the Company, with the exception of the fees of the Custodian and any taxes thereon. In addition taxes payable by the Company such as subscription taxes remain payable by the Company. Administration fees are included in the "TER" column for each fund listed in Appendix 3.

The administration fee shall not exceed 0.25% per annum and any costs and expenses in excess shall be borne by a BlackRock Group Company.

# **Price Publication**

All prices are determined after the deadline for receipt of dealing orders (12 noon Luxembourg time) on the Dealing Day, meaning any business day in Luxembourg for banks and the Luxembourg stock exchange, concerned (except for Christmas Eve). Prices are quoted in the Dealing Currency(ies) of the relevant Fund.

Prices for Shares may be obtained during business hours from the local Investor Servicing team.

# How to Buy/Sell/Convert Shares

Dealing of shares can normally be effected daily on any day that is a Dealing Day for the relevant Fund. Orders for subscription, redemption and conversion of Shares should be received by the Transfer Agent or the local Investor Servicing team before 12 noon Luxembourg time on the relevant Dealing Day and the prices applied will be those calculated in the afternoon of that day. Any dealing orders received by the Transfer Agent or the local Investor Servicing team after 12 noon Luxembourg time on a Dealing Day will be dealt with on the next Dealing Day.

Orders placed through distributors rather than directly with the Transfer Agent or the local Investor Servicing team may be subject to different procedures which may delay receipt by the Transfer Agent or the local Investor Servicing team. Investors should consult their distributor before placing orders in any Fund.

A shareholder who makes a subscription or a redemption of Shares through the Paying Agent or other entities responsible for processing Share transactions in any jurisdiction where the Shares are offered may be charged with the expenses linked to the activity carried out by such entities. In Italy, additional expenses incurred by the Italian Paying Agent(s) or other entities responsible for processing Share transactions for and on behalf of Italian shareholders (for example for the cost of foreign exchange dealing) may be charged to those shareholders directly. Investors in Italy may confer on the Italian Paying Agent a specific mandate empowering the latter to act in its own name and on behalf of the same investors. Under this mandate, the Italian Paying Agent in its own name and on behalf of the investors in Italy shall (i) transmit in aggregated form to the Company subscription /redemption/conversion orders; (ii) hold the Shares in the register of shareholders of the Company and (iii) carry out any other administrative activity under the investment contract. Further details of such mandate will be provided in the subscription form for Italy.

# **Applications**

Initial applications for Shares must be made to the Transfer Agent or the local Investor Servicing team on the application form. Certain distributors may allow underlying investors to submit applications through them for onward transmission to the Transfer Agent or the local Investor Servicing team. For initial applications for Shares by fax or telephone, applicants will be sent an application form that must be completed and returned by mail to the Transfer Agent or the local Investor Servicing team to confirm the application. Failure to provide the original application form will delay the completion of the transaction and consequently the ability to effect subsequent dealings in the Shares concerned. Subsequent applications for Shares may be made in writing or by fax or telephone. Investors who do not specify a Share Class in the application will be deemed to have requested Class A Non-Distributing Shares. In some countries investors may be able to subscribe for Shares through regular savings plans. In particular, in Italy investors may be able to subscribe for Shares through regular savings plans. Under regular savings plans it may be also possible to periodically/regularly redeem and/or convert the Shares. Details of the regular savings plans facilities offered will be provided in the subscription form for Italy.

Applications for Registered Shares should be made for Shares having a specified value and fractions of Shares will be issued where appropriate. Global Certificates will be issued in whole Shares only.

The right is reserved to reject any application for Shares or to accept any application in part only. In addition, issues of Shares of any or all funds may be deferred until the next Dealing Day or suspended, where the aggregate value of orders for all Classes of Shares of that Fund exceeds a particular value (currently fixed by the Directors at 10% by approximate value of the Fund concerned) and the Directors consider that to give effect to such orders on the relevant Dealing Day would adversely affect the interests of existing shareholders. This may result in some shareholders having subscription orders deferred on a particular Dealing Day, whilst others do not. Applications for Shares so deferred will be dealt with in priority to later requests.

The minimum initial subscription in respect of any class of Shares of the Fund is US\$5,000 (except for Class D Shares where the minimum is US\$500,000 and Class I Shares, Class J Shares and Class X Shares where the minimum is US\$10 million) or the approximate equivalent in the relevant Dealing Currency. The minimum for additions to existing holdings of any class of Shares of a Fund is US\$1,000 or the approximate equivalent.

As a result of anti-money laundering regulation, additional documentation may be required for subscriptions for Shares. The circumstances under which it is required and the precise requirements are set out in the notes on the application form. Failure to provide documentation may result in the withholding of redemption proceeds. If you have any questions regarding the identification documentation required, you should contact the local Investor Servicing team or the Transfer Agent.

For all Shares, settlement in cleared funds net of bank charges must be made within three Business Days of the relevant Dealing Day unless otherwise specified in the contract note in cases where the standard settlement date is a public holiday for the currency of settlement.

## Redemptions

Instructions for the redemption of Registered Shares should normally be given by completing the form that accompanies confirmation notes and is available from the Transfer Agent or the local Investor Servicing team. Certain distributors may allow underlying investors to submit instructions for redemptions through them for onward transmission to the Transfer Agent or the local Investor Servicing team. They may also be given to the Transfer Agent or the local Investor Servicing team in writing or by fax or telephone followed in each case by confirmation in writing sent by mail to the Transfer Agent or the local Investor Servicing team unless a coverall renunciation and fax indemnity including instructions to pay the redemption proceeds to a specified bank account has been agreed. Failure to provide written confirmations may delay settlement of the transaction. Written redemption requests (or written confirmations of such requests) must include the full name(s) and address of the holders, the name of the Fund, the Class (including whether it is the Distributing or Non-Distributing Share Class), the value or number of Shares to be redeemed and full settlement instructions and must be signed by all holders. If a redemption order is made for a cash amount or for a number of Shares to a higher value than that of the applicant's account then this order will be automatically treated as an order to redeem all of the Shares on the applicant's

Redemption payments will normally be despatched in the relevant Dealing Currency on the third Business Day after the relevant Dealing Day provided that the relevant documents have been received, details of which are available from the local Investor Servicing team or the Transfer Agent.

# Conversions

Investors may make conversions of their shareholdings between the same Classes of Shares of the various Funds and thereby alter the balance of their portfolios to reflect changing market conditions.

Conversions are also permitted from one Class of Share of a Fund to Shares of another Class of either the same Fund or a different Fund. Such conversions are permitted provided that the shareholder satisfies the conditions applicable to investment in the Share Class being converted into. Conversion and investment into certain Share Classes is at the discretion of the Management Company. The Directors may, at their discretion, refuse conversions in order to ensure that the Shares are not held by or on behalf of any person who does not meet the conditions applicable to investment in that Share Class, or who would hold the Shares in circumstances which could give rise to a breach of law, or requirements of any country, government or regulatory authority on the part of that person or give rise to adverse tax or other pecuniary consequences for the Company, including a requirement to register under any securities or investment or similar laws or requirements of any country or authority. Additional detail on conversions may be found in the full Prospectus of the Company.

Instructions for the conversion of Registered Shares should normally be given by completing the appropriate form that accompanies confirmation notes and is available from the Transfer Agent or the local Investor Servicing team. Certain distributors may allow underlying investors to submit instructions for conversions through them for onward transmission to the Transfer Agent or the local Investor Servicing team. Instructions may also be given by fax or telephone or in writing to the Transfer Agent or the local Investor Servicing team. Conversion instructions must include the full name(s) and address of the holder(s), the name of the Fund, the Class (including whether it is the Distributing or Non-Distributing Share class), the value or number of Shares to be converted and the Fund to be converted into (and the choice of Dealing Currency of the Fund where more than one is available) and whether or not they are UK Distributor Status Shares.

Where the Fund to which a conversion relates has a different Dealing Currency then currency will be converted at the relevant rate of exchange on the Dealing Day on which the conversion is effected.

Redemptions and conversions may be suspended or deferred as further described in the full Prospectus.

# **Taxation**

Under present Luxembourg law and practice, the Company is not liable to any Luxembourg income or capital gains tax, nor are dividends paid by the Company subject to any Luxembourg withholding tax.

The Company is liable to a tax in Luxembourg of 0.05% per annum or, in the case of the Reserve Funds, Class I, Class X Shares and Class J Shares, 0.01% per annum of its Net Asset Value, payable quarterly on the basis of the value of the net assets of the respective Funds at the end of the relevant calendar quarter. No stamp or other tax is payable in Luxembourg on the issue of Shares.

Under current legislation, Shareholders are not subject to any capital gains, income, withholding, estate, inheritance or other taxes in Luxembourg (except for (i) those domiciled, resident or

having a permanent establishment in Luxembourg or (ii) non-residents of Luxembourg who hold 10% or more of the share capital of the Company and who dispose of all or part of their holdings within six months of the date of acquisition or (iii) in some limited cases, certain former residents of Luxembourg who hold 10% or more of the Shares in the Company).

Generally, dividends and interest received by the Company on its investments are generally subject to irrecoverable withholding taxes in the countries of origin.

Investors should inform themselves of, and when appropriate consult their professional advisers on, the possible tax consequences of subscribing for, buying, holding, redeeming, converting or selling Shares, or the effects of any equalisation policy relevant in respect of shares, under the laws of their country of citizenship, residence or domicile. Investors should note that the levels and bases of, and reliefs from, taxation could change.

In accordance with the provisions of the European Union Savings Directive ("EUSD") which came into force on 1 July 2005, EU countries will be required to apply either exchange information or withholding tax on certain interest payments to EU resident individuals and potentially to residents of dependent territories. A further option allowing an EU resident shareholder to submit an exemption certification is also available. Although exchange of information is the ultimate objective of the EUSD, Luxembourg, Belgium and Austria and certain dependent or associated territories of EU Member States (such as Jersey, Guernsey and the Isle of Man) have opted to apply withholding tax during a transitional period. Under these arrangements withholding tax will apply when a Luxembourg paying agent makes distributions from and redemptions of shares in certain funds and where the beneficiary of these proceeds is an individual residing in another Member State. Withholding tax may also apply in relation to some fund mergers. However, an individual may specifically request to be brought within the EUSD exchange of information regime which would result in no withholding tax being applied but instead information regarding the distribution, redemption or merger being provided to the fiscal authority in the country in which he is resident. Broadly, the funds affected will be those which invest in money debts.

# Additional Important Information

# Date of incorporation of the Company

14 June 1962

# Country of incorporation

Grand Duchy of Luxembourg

#### Supervisory Authority

Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier

# **Management Company**

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For further information contact the local Investor Servicing team.

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For your protection, telephone calls may be recorded.

BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited does not provide advice on the suitability and appropriateness of your investment in the Company's Funds. It is important that you read the specific aspects relating to the Fund as set out in the full Prospectus.

# Appendix 1 - Investment Objectives and Performance Details for Mixed Funds

# **GLOBAL ALLOCATION FUND**

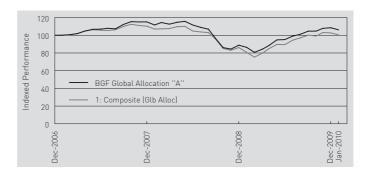
#### Investment Objective & Policy

The *Global Allocation Fund* seeks to maximise total return. The Fund invests globally in equity, debt and short term securities, of both corporate and governmental issuers, with no prescribed limits. In normal market conditions the Fund will invest at least 70% of its total assets in the securities of corporate and governmental issuers. The Fund generally will seek to invest in securities that are, in the opinion of the Investment Adviser, undervalued. The Fund may also invest in the equity securities of small and emerging growth companies. The Fund may also invest a portion of its debt portfolio in high yield fixed income transferable securities. Currency exposure is flexibly managed.

The Base Currency of the Fund is US\$.

#### Launch Date and Performance Details

The Fund was launched on 3 January 1997.



# STRATEGIC ALLOCATION FUND (EURO)

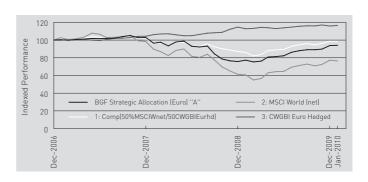
#### Investment Objective & Policy

The *Strategic Allocation Fund (Euro)* follows an asset allocation policy that seeks to maximise total return. The Fund invests globally in equities and fixed income transferable securities (which may include some high yield fixed income transferable securities). The Fund may invest without limitation in securities denominated in currencies other than the reference currency (euro). The currency exposure of the Fund is flexibly managed.

The Base Currency of the Fund is €.

#### Launch Date and Performance Details

The Fund was launched on 4 January 1999.



It is intended that the Fund will be renamed with a restated investment objective and policy on 16 April 2010 as set out below. From this date all references in this Prospectus to Strategic Allocation Fund (Euro) should be read as to Flexible Multi-Asset Fund.

The *Flexible Multi-Asset Fund* follows an asset allocation policy that seeks to maximise total return. The Fund invests globally in the full spectrum of permitted investments including equities, fixed income transferable securities (which may include some high yield fixed income transferable securities), units of undertakings for collective investment, cash, deposits and money market instruments. The Fund has a flexible approach to asset allocation (which includes taking indirect exposure to commodities through permitted investments, principally through derivatives on commodity indices and exchange traded funds). The Fund may invest without limitation in securities denominated in currencies other than the reference currency (euro). The currency exposure of the Fund is flexibly managed.

# STRATEGIC ALLOCATION FUND (US DOLLAR)

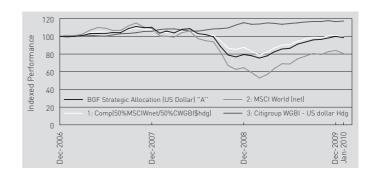
# Investment Objective & Policy

The *Strategic Allocation Fund (US Dollar)* follows an asset allocation policy that seeks to maximise total return. The Fund invests globally in equities and fixed income transferable securities (which may include some high yield fixed income transferable securities). The Fund may invest without limitation in securities denominated in currencies other than the reference currency (US dollars). The currency exposure of the Fund is flexibly managed.

The Base Currency of the Fund is US\$.

# Launch Date and Performance Details

The Fund was launched on 26 February 1993.



It is intended that this Fund will merge into the *Strategic Allocation Fund (Euro)*, as renamed, with effect from 16 April 2010 or such other date as the Directors may decide.

# Appendix 2 – Risk Profile of Mixed Funds

This section contains explanations of some of the risks that apply to the Funds. Investors should be aware that other risks may also be prevalent in our Funds from time to time. In particular, the Company's performance may be affected by changes in market and/or economic and political conditions, and in legal, regulatory and tax requirements.

No guarantee or representation is made that the investment program will be successful and there can be no assurance that the investment objective of the Company or a Fund will be achieved. Also, past performance is no guide to future performance, and the value of investments may go down as well as up. The performance data does not take account of the commissions and costs incurred on the issue and redemption of shares. Changes in rates of exchange between currencies may cause the value of a Fund's investments to diminish or increase.

On establishment, a Fund will normally have no operating history upon which prospective investors may base an evaluation of performance.

#### **Fund Name**

#### Specific Risks

#### All Funds

#### Tax Considerations

Any change in the Company's tax status or in taxation legislation could affect the value of the Investments held by the Company and affect the Company's ability to provide investor returns. Potential investors and Shareholders should note that the statements on taxation which are set out herein are based on advice which has been received by the Directors regarding the law and practice in force in the relevant jurisdiction as at the date of this Prospectus. As is the case with any investment, there can be no guarantee that the tax position or proposed tax position prevailing at the time an investment is made in the Company will endure indefinitely.

Shareholders should note that certain Share Classes may pay dividends gross of expenses. This may result in Shareholders receiving a higher dividend that they would have otherwise received and therefore Shareholders may suffer a higher income tax liability as a result. In addition, in some circumstances, paying dividends gross of expenses may mean that the Fund pays dividends from capital property as opposed to income property. Such dividends may still be considered income distributions in the hands of Shareholders, depending on the local tax legislation in place, and therefore investors may be subject to tax on the dividend at their marginal income tax rate. Shareholders should seek their own professional tax advice in this regard.

#### All Funds

#### Other Risks

The funds may be exposed to risks that are outside of its control – for example legal risks from investments in countries with unclear and changing laws or the lack of established or effective avenues for legal redress; the risk of terrorist actions; the risk that economic and diplomatic sanctions may be in place or imposed on certain states and military action may be commenced. The impact of such events is unclear, but could have a material effect on general economic conditions and market liquidity.

Regulators and self-regulatory organisations and exchanges are authorised to take extraordinary actions in the event of market emergencies. The effect of any future regulatory action on the Company could be substantial and adverse.

#### Global Allocation Fund

# Emerging Markets & Sovereign Debt

Emerging and/or capital markets are typically those of which exhibit lower levels of economic development, and higher levels of share price and currency volatility.

The securities markets of developing countries are not as large as the more established securities markets and have substantially less trading volume, resulting in lower liquidity and higher price volatility. There may be a high concentration of market capitalisation and trading volume in a small number of issuers representing a limited number of industries as well as similarly high concentration amongst investors and financial intermediaries. These factors may adversely affect the timing and pricing of a Fund's acquisition or disposal of securities.

Some governments exercise substantial influence over the private economic sector and the political and social uncertainties that exist for many developing countries maybe particularly significant. Another risk common to most such countries is that the economy is heavily export oriented and, accordingly, is dependent upon international trade. The existence of overburdened infrastructures and less developed financial systems also presents risks in certain countries, as do environmental problems. Certain economies also depend to a significant degree upon exports of primary commodities and, therefore, are vulnerable to changes in commodity prices which, in turn, may be affected by a variety of factors.

Generally accepted accounting, auditing and financial reporting practices in emerging markets may be significantly different from those in developed markets. Compared to mature markets, some emerging markets may have a low level of regulation, enforcement of regulations and

monitoring of investors' activities. Those activities may include practices such as trading on material non-public information by certain categories of investor.

Certain developing countries are especially large debtors to commercial banks and foreign governments. Investment in debt obligations ("Sovereign Debt") issued or guaranteed by developing governments or their agencies and instrumentalities ("governmental entities") involves a high degree of risk.

#### Global Allocation Fund

# Restrictions on Foreign Investment

Some countries prohibit or impose substantial restrictions on investments by foreign entities such as a Fund. As illustrations, certain countries require governmental approval prior to investments by foreign persons, or limit the amount of investment by foreign persons in a particular company, or limit the investment by foreign persons in a company to only a specific class of securities which may have less advantageous terms than securities of the company available for purchase by nationals. Certain countries may restrict investment opportunities in issuers or industries deemed important to national interests. The manner in which foreign investors may invest in companies in certain countries, as well as limitations on such investments, may have an adverse impact on the operations of a Fund.

Global Allocation Fund Strategic Allocation Fund (Euro) Strategic Allocation Fund (US Dollar)

#### Fixed Income Transferable Securities

Debt securities are subject to both actual and perceived measures of creditworthiness. The "downgrading" of a rated debt security or adverse publicity and investor perception, which may not be based on fundamental analysis, could decrease the value and liquidity of the security, particularly in a thinly traded market.

A Fund may be affected by changes in prevailing interest rates and by credit quality considerations. Changes in market rates of interest will generally affect a Fund's asset values as the prices of fixed rate securities generally increase when interest rates decline and decrease when interest rates rise. Prices of shorter-term securities generally fluctuate less in response to interest rate changes than do longer-term securities.

An economic recession may adversely affect an issuer's financial condition and the market value of debt securities issued by such entity. The issuer's ability to services its debt obligations may be adversely affected by specific issuer developments, or the issuer's inability to meet specific projected business forecasts, or the unavailability of additional financing. In the event of bankruptcy of an issuer, the Fund may experience losses and incur costs.

#### Global Allocation Fund

#### Smaller Capitalisation Companies

The securities of smaller companies may be subject to more abrupt or erratic market movements than larger, more established companies or the market average in general. These companies may have limited product lines, markets or financial resources, or they may be dependent on a limited management group. Full development of those companies takes time. In addition, many small company stocks trade less frequently and in smaller volume, and may be subject to more abrupt or erratic price movements than stocks of large companies. The securities of small companies may also be more sensitive to market changes than the securities of large companies. These factors may result in above-average fluctuations in the Net Asset Value of a Fund's Shares.

#### Global Allocation Fund

#### **Distressed Securities**

The Funds may invest in securities issued by companies that are either in default or in high risk of default ("Distressed Securities") which involves significant risk. Such investments will only be made when the Investment Adviser believes it is reasonably likely that the issuer of the securities will make an exchange offer or will be the subject of a plan of reorganisation; however, there can be no assurance that such an exchange offer will be made or that such a plan of reorganisation will be adopted or that any securities or other assets received in connection with such an exchange offer or plan of reorganisation will not have a lower value or income potential than anticipated when the investment was made. In addition, a significant period of time may pass between the time at which the investment in Distressed Securities is made and the time that any such exchange offer or plan of reorganisation is completed.

## Funds investing in specific sectors

Investment is made in a limited number of market sectors and therefore these Funds may be more volatile than other more diversified Funds and may be subject to rapid cyclical changes in investor activity.

Global Allocation Fund Strategic Allocation Fund (Euro) Strategic Allocation Fund (US Dollar)

#### Derivatives - Bond, Mixed Funds and certain Equity Funds

These Funds may use derivatives to facilitate more complex efficient portfolio management techniques. In particular this may involve:

- Using swap contracts to adjust interest rate risk;
- ▶ Using currency derivatives to buy or sell currency risk;
- Writing covered call options to generate additional income;
- ▶ Using credit default swaps to buy or sell credit risk; and
- Using volatility derivatives to adjust volatility risk.

#### Credit Default Swaps

The use of credit default swaps normally carries a higher risk than investing in bonds directly. A credit default swap allows the transfer of default risk. This allows investors to effectively buy insurance on a bond they hold (hedging the investment) or buy protection on a bond they do not physically own in the expectation that the credit will decline in quality. One party, the protection buyer, makes a stream of payments to the seller of protection, and a payment is due to the buyer in the event that there is a "credit event" (a decline in credit quality, which will be pre-defined in the agreement). If the credit event does not occur the buyer pays all the required premiums and the swap terminates on maturity with no further payments. The risk of the buyer is therefore limited to the value of the premiums paid.

The market for credit default swaps may sometimes be more illiquid than bond markets. A Fund entering into credit default swaps must at all times be able to meet the redemption requests. Credit default swaps are valued on a regular basis according to verifiable and transparent valuation methods reviewed by the Company's auditor.

# **Volatility Derivatives**

The volatility of a security (or basket of securities) is a statistical measure of the speed and magnitude of changes in the price of a security (securities) over defined periods of time. Volatility derivatives are based on an underlying basket of shares, and Funds may use volatility derivatives to increase or reduce volatility risk, in order to express an investment view on the change in volatility, based on an assessment of expected developments in underlying securities markets. For example, if a significant change in the market background is expected, it is likely that the volatility of securities prices will increase as prices adapt to the new circumstances.

The Funds may only buy or sell volatility derivatives which are based on an index where:

- ▶ the composition of the index is sufficiently diversified;
- ▶ the index represents an adequate benchmark for the market to which it refers; and
- ▶ it is published in an appropriate manner.

The price of volatility derivatives may be highly volatile, and may move in a different way to the other assets of the Fund, which could have a significant effect on the Net Asset Value of a Fund's Shares.

# Transfer of collateral

In order to use derivatives the Funds will enter into arrangements with counterparties which may require the payment of collateral or margin out of a Fund's assets to act as cover to any exposure by the counterparty to the Fund. If the title of any such collateral or margin transferred is transferred to the counterparty, it becomes an asset of such counterparty and may be used by the counterparty as part of its business. Collateral so transferred will not be held by the Custodian for safekeeping, but collateral positions will be overseen and reconciled by the Custodian. Counterparties appointed by the Fund are not entitled to rehypothecate the assets of the Fund.

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#### **Hedged Share Class**

While the Fund or its authorised agent may attempt to hedge currency risks, there can be no guarantee that it will be successful in doing so and it may result in mismatches between the currency position of the Fund and the Hedged Share Class.

The hedging strategies may be entered into whether the Base Currency is declining or increasing in value relative to the relevant currency of the Hedged Share Class and so, where such hedging is undertaken it may substantially protect investors in the relevant Class against a decrease in the value of the Base Currency relative to the Hedged Share Class currency, but it may also preclude investors from benefiting from an increase in the value of the Base Currency.

All gains/losses or expenses arising from hedging transactions are borne separately by the shareholders of the respective Hedged Share Classes. Given that there is no segregation of liabilities between Share Classes, there is a remote risk that, under certain circumstances, currency hedging transactions in relation to one Share Class could result in liabilities which might affect the Net Asset Value of the other Share Classes of the same Fund.

All Funds

# Financial Markets, Counterparties and Service Providers

Firms may be exposed to finance sector companies which act as a service provider or as a counterparty for financial contracts. In times of extreme market volatility, such companies may be adversely affected, with a consequent adverse affect on the activities of the Funds.

# Appendix 3 – Summary of Charges & Expenses for Mixed Funds

Please note the Total Expense Ratio (TER) figure includes the management fee, administration fee or administration fee subsidy, custody fee (excluding custody transaction costs), Luxembourg tax and distribution fee as at 31 August 2009.

Global Allocation Fund						
	Payable by Fund			Pa	yable by investor	
	Management Distribution TER Fee Fee		Initial charge	CDSC		
	%	%	%	%	%	
Class A	1.50	0.00	1.78	5.00	0.00	
Class B	1.50	1.00	2.78	0.00	4.00 to 0.00	
Class C	1.50	1.25	3.03	0.00	1.00 to 0.00	
Class D	0.75	0.00	1.03	5.00	0.00	
Class E	1.50	0.50	2.32	3.00	0.00	
Class I	0.75	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00	
Class J	0.00	0.00	0.06	0.00	0.00	
Class Q	1.00	1.00	2.24	0.00	4.00 to 0.00	
Class X	0.00	0.00	0.06	0.00	0.00	

Strategic Allocation Fund (Euro)						
	Р	ayable by Fu	Pa	yable by investor		
	Management Distribution TER Fee Fee		Initial charge	CDSC		
	%	%	%	%	%	
Class A	1.50	0.00	1.53	5.00	0.00	
Class C	1.50	1.25	2.78	0.00	1.00 to 0.00	
Class D	0.75	0.00	N/A	5.00	0.00	
Class E	1.50	0.50	2.02	3.00	0.00	
Class I	0.75	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00	
Class J	0.00	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00	
Class Q	1.50	1.25	2.98	0.00	4.00 to 0.00	
Class X	0.00	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00	

Strategic Allocation Fund (US Dollar)						
Payable by Fund				Pa	yable by investor	
	Management Distribution TER Fee Fee		Initial charge	CDSC		
	%	%	%	%	%	
Class A	1.50	0.00	1.61	5.00	0.00	
Class C	1.50	1.25	2.85	0.00	1.00 to 0.00	
Class D	0.75	0.00	N/A	5.00	0.00	
Class E	1.50	0.50	2.12	3.00	0.00	
Class I	0.75	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00	
Class J	0.00	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00	
Class Q	1.50	1.25	3.09	0.00	4.00 to 0.00	
Class X	0.00	0.00	N/A	0.00	0.00	

# Summary of Subscription Procedure and Payment Instructions

#### 1. Application Form

For initial subscriptions for Shares you must complete the application form which may be obtained from the Transfer Agent or the local Investor Servicing team and the form must be signed by all joint applicants. Subsequent subscriptions may be made in writing or by fax or telephone, stating your registration details and the amount to be invested. If your application is being submitted by your professional adviser, section 5 of the application form should be completed. Completed application forms must be sent to the Transfer Agent or the local Investor Servicing team.

# 2. Money Laundering Prevention

Please read the notes on the application form regarding the identification documents required and ensure that you provide these to the Transfer Agent or the local Investor Servicing team together with your application form.

#### Payment

A copy of your telegraphic transfer instructions should be supplied with your application (see sections 4 & 5 below).

#### 4. Payment by Telegraphic Transfer

Payment by SWIFT/bank transfer in the relevant currency should be made to one of the accounts opposite. The SWIFT/bank transfer instruction should contain the following information:

- (i) Bank Name
- (ii) SWIFT Code or Bank Identifier
- (iii) Account
- (iv) Account Number
- (v) Account Reference "BGF Fund name subscribed into"
- (vi) By order of [Shareholder name/agent name & Shareholder number/agent number]

# Foreign Exchange

If you wish to make payment in a currency other than that in the Dealing Currency (or one of the Dealing Currencies) of your chosen Fund, this must be made clear at the time of application.

#### Bank Details

#### US Dollars:

JP Morgan Chase New York SWIFT code CHASUS33 For the account of: BlackRock (Channel Islands) Limited Account Number 001-1-460185, CHIPS UID 359991 ABA Number 021000021 Quoting Reference "Name of Fund – Name of Applicant"

#### Euros:

JP Morgan Frankfurt SWIFT code CHASDEFX, BLZ 501 108 00 For the account of: BlackRock (Channel Islands) Limited Account Number (IBAN) DE40501108006161600066 (formerly 616-16-00066) Quoting Reference "Name of Fund – Name of Applicant" An applicant's obligation to pay for Shares is fulfilled once the

amount due has been paid in cleared funds into this account.

#### Sterling:

JP Morgan London SWIFT code CHASGB2L, Sort Code 60-92-42 For the account of: BlackRock (Channel Islands) Limited Account Number (IBAN) GB07CHAS60924211118940 (formerly 11118940) Quoting Reference "Name of Fund – Name of Applicant"

#### Others

#### Australian Dollars:

Pay ANZ National Bank Limited Sydney SWIFT code ANZBAU3M In favour of JP Morgan Bank London SWIFT CODE CHASGB2L For the account of BlackRock (Channel Islands) Ltd Account Number (IBAN) GB56CHAS60924224466325 Ref: "Name of Fund – Name of Applicant"

#### Hong Kong Dollars:

Pay JP Morgan Hong Kong SWIFT code CHASHKHH In favour of JP Morgan Bank London SWIFT CODE CHASGB2L For the account of BlackRock (Channel Islands) Ltd Account Number (IBAN) GB24CHAS60924224466319 (formerly 24466319) Ref: "Name of Fund – Name of Applicant"

#### Japanese Yen:

Pay JP Morgan Tokyo SWIFT code CHASJPJT In favour of JP Morgan Bank London SWIFT CODE CHASGB2L For the account of BlackRock (Channel Islands) Ltd Account Number (IBAN) GB69CHAS60924222813405 (formerly 22813405) Ref: "Name of Fund – Name of Applicant"

#### New Zealand Dollars:

Pay Westpac Banking Corporation Wellington SWIFT code WPACNZ2W In favour of JP Morgan Bank London SWIFT CODE CHASGB2L For the account of BlackRock (Channel Islands) Ltd Account Number (IBAN) GB83CHAS60924224466324 Ref: "Name of Fund – Name of Applicant"

# Singapore Dollars:

Pay Overseas Chinese Banking Corp Ltd SWIFT code OCBCSGSG In favour of JP Morgan Bank London SWIFT CODE CHASGB2L For the account of BlackRock (Channel Islands) Ltd Account Number (IBAN) GB13CHAS60924224466323 Ref: "Name of Fund – Name of Applicant"

# Swedish Kroner:

Pay Svenska Handelsbanken Stockholm SWIFT code HANDSESS In favour of JP Morgan Bank London SWIFT CODE CHASGB2L For the account of BlackRock (Channel Islands) Ltd Account Number (IBAN) GB80CHAS60924222813401 (formerly 22813401) Ref: "Name of Fund – Name of Applicant"

## Swiss Francs:

Pay UBS Zürich
SWIFT code UBSWCHZH80A
In favour of JP Morgan Bank London
SWIFT CODE CHASGB2L
For the account of BlackRock (Channel Islands) Ltd
Account Number (IBAN) GB56CHAS60924217354770
[formerly 17354770]
Ref: "Name of Fund – Name of Applicant"