

# **BLENDED RESEARCH® EUROPEAN EQUITY FUND** (Class A1USD)

a sub-fund of MFS Meridian Funds

This fund is managed by MFS Investment Management Company (Lux) S.à r.l.

ISIN: LU0648597572



## **KEY INVESTOR INFORMATION**

This document provides you with key investor information about this fund. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature and the risks of investing in this fund. You are advised to read it so you can make an informed decision about whether to invest.

## **OBJECTIVE AND INVESTMENT POLICY**

### **Objective**

The fund's objective is capital appreciation, measured in euros.

### **Investment Policy**

The fund invests primarily (at least 70%) in European equity securities. Some of the countries in Europe, primarily those in Eastern Europe, are currently considered emerging market economies. The fund generally focuses its investments in larger companies. The fund may use derivatives for hedging and/or investment purposes but will not primarily use derivatives to achieve the fund's investment objective.

The Investment Manager uses a bottom-up approach to buying and selling individual investments for the fund. Investments are selected primarily based on blending fundamental and quantitative research to create a blended rating for an issuer. The fund will promote an environmental characteristic within the meaning of Article 8 of the Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 of 27 November 2019 on sustainability-related disclosures in the financial sector ("SFDR"). Please refer to the fund's Prospectus and website for additional information. The Investment Manager may also consider environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors in its fundamental investment analysis alongside other factors. The Investment Manager then constructs the portfolio using a portfolio optimization process that considers the blended rating, as well as issuer, industry, and sector weightings, market capitalization, measures of expected volatility of the fund's returns and other factors, with a goal of constructing a portfolio with a target predicted tracking error of approximately 2% compared to the MSCI Europe Index (net div). Tracking error measures how the differences between fund and benchmark

returns vary over time. The Investment Manager has the discretion to adjust the inputs and parameters for the optimization process and the fund's portfolio holdings.

Although the fund's investments will generally be represented in the benchmark, components are likely to be weighted differently from the benchmark and the fund is likely to invest outside of the benchmark to take advantage of attractive investment opportunities.

### **Distributions**

Income will not be distributed to shareholders but reflected in the assets of the fund.

### **Redeeming Shares**

You may sell your shares on each business day when banks in Luxembourg are open for normal business and the New York Stock Exchange is open for trading.

### **Terms to Understand**

**Equity securities** represent an ownership interest, or the right to acquire an ownership interest, in a company or other issuer.

**Tracking error** generally measures how the differences between the fund's monthly returns and the Index's monthly returns have varied over a specified time period. A higher tracking error means fund and index returns are less correlated, while a lower tracking error means the returns are more correlated. Actual tracking error realised will depend partly on market conditions and therefore may deviate from predicted tracking error.

## **RISK AND REWARD PROFILE**

This rating system is based on how much the returns of the class have varied over the past 5 years. Where 5 years' performance history is not available the data consists of historical returns representative of the fund, benchmark returns or returns for another class with the same currency as appropriate. Past returns may not be a reliable indicator of the future risk and reward profile of the class, and the rating may change over time based on the more recent returns. A fund in the lowest category does not mean a risk-free investment.



### **Lower risk**

Typically lower rewards

### **Higher risk**

Typically higher rewards

The fund is in category 6 because there has been high fluctuations in the fund's return historically.

**Equity Risk:** Prices of equity securities can vary significantly in response to issuer, market, economic, industry, political, geopolitical, public health, and regulatory conditions. This risk may be higher where the fund invests in a specific country or region. The fund invests in larger companies, which may underperform the broader market over time.

**Emerging Markets Risk:** Emerging markets can be more volatile and less liquid than more developed markets.

**Currency Risk:** Changes in currency rates can significantly affect the value of your investment, and may also affect the financial condition of the issuers in which the fund invests.

**Derivatives Risk:** Derivatives can be highly volatile and can involve leverage. Gains or losses from derivatives can be substantially greater than the derivatives' original cost.

**Strategy Risk:** The fund's strategy to blend fundamental and quantitative research and to maintain a target predicted tracking error over time may not produce the intended results. Quantitative models (both proprietary and third-party) may not produce the intended results due to various factors used in the models and technical issues in the use of the models. In addition, the Investment Manager's fundamental research is not available for all issuers. There also is no assurance that the fund will meet its target predicted tracking error, or that the fund's predicted tracking error and actual tracking error will be similar. In addition, the Investment Manager's fundamental research is not available for all issuers.

### **Other Risks**

The rating does not reflect the risk that these factors, as well as other factors such as liquidity, counterparty, and operational risks change over time and can affect the fund's returns differently in the future.

The fund may not achieve its objective and/or you could lose money on your investment in the fund. For more information about the fund's risks, please

see "Fund Profiles" and "Risk Factors" in the prospectus.

## CHARGES

You pay the following costs for the marketing, distribution, and operation of the fund. These charges reduce the value of your investment.

### One-off charges taken before or after you invest

Entry charge.....Up to 6.00%  
Exit charge.....0.00%

This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it is invested and before the proceeds of your investments are paid out.

### Charges taken from the fund over a year

Ongoing Charges.....1.60%

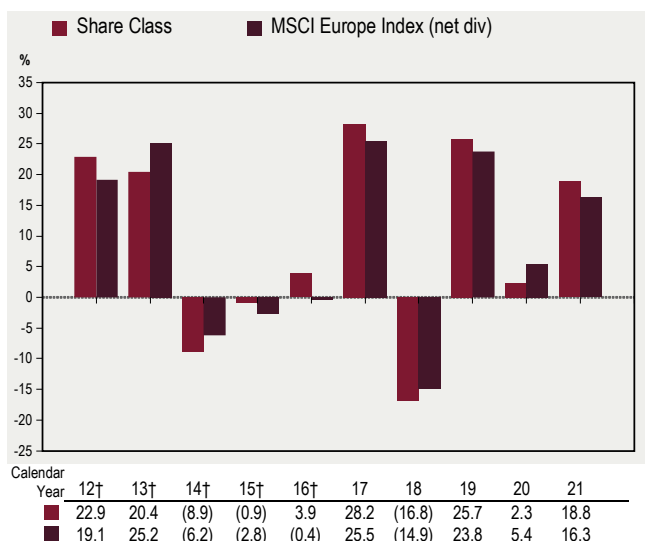
### Charges taken from the fund under certain specific conditions

Performance fee.....0.00%

The entry and exit charges shown are the highest possible charges you would pay. Please consult your financial intermediary to find out your actual charges which might be less.

The ongoing charges figure shown here is based on annualised expenses for the six month period ended 31 July 2021. Ongoing charges may vary from year to year. For more information about the fund's expenses, please see "Fund Profiles" section in the prospectus, which is available at [meridian.mfs.com](http://meridian.mfs.com).

## PAST PERFORMANCE



Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Performance shown takes into account ongoing charges but not entry and exit fees, if any, and is calculated in U.S. Dollars. Performance for the fund's benchmark is also shown.

The fund was launched in 2011.

† Performance for periods prior to 29 June 2016 reflects different investment policies.

## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

### Depository

State Street Bank International GmbH, Luxembourg Branch, is the depository.

### Exchanging Between Funds

You may exchange your shares into shares of another class of the same or another fund of MFS Meridian Funds having the same fee structure (and in certain cases, into classes with a different fee structure). An exchange within the same fund must be into a class with the same currency denomination.

### Further Information

You may obtain copies of the prospectus and the annual and half-yearly reports of the fund in English free of charge from the MFS Meridian Funds, c/o State Street Bank International GmbH, Luxembourg Branch, 49, Avenue J.F. Kennedy, L-1855 Luxembourg, Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg. Other information about the fund, including share prices is available at [meridian.mfs.com](http://meridian.mfs.com) or in local media and/or with the fund's local agent in certain countries. Information about other classes of the fund available in your country is available at [meridian.mfs.com](http://meridian.mfs.com) or from your financial intermediary. Information on the remuneration policy, including a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated and the composition of the remuneration committee, is available at [meridian.mfs.com](http://meridian.mfs.com). A paper copy can be obtained free of charge in English from MFS Investment Management Company (Lux) S.à r.l.

### Notices

The fund is a sub-fund of MFS Meridian Funds. The assets and liabilities of this fund are segregated from other funds in the MFS Meridian Funds. The prospectus and periodic reports are in the name of the MFS Meridian Funds. MFS Meridian Funds and MFS Investment Management Company (Lux) S.à r.l. may be held liable solely on the basis of any statement contained in this document that is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent with the relevant parts of the prospectus for the fund.

### Tax

The tax laws of Luxembourg, in addition to the tax laws of your country of residence, may impact how your investment in the fund is taxed.

This fund is authorised in Luxembourg and supervised by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier.

This key investor information is accurate as at 21 November 2022.