# Goldman Sachs Emerging Markets Corporate Bond Portfolio (the "Portfolio")

**Base Shares (Stable M-Dist)** 

(ISIN: LU1574459522)

a sub-fund of Goldman Sachs Funds (the "Fund")

The Portfolio is managed by Goldman Sachs Asset Management B. V.(the "Manager"), part of Goldman Sachs group of companies.

# **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.

## **Objectives and Investment Policy**

- The Portfolio seeks to provide income and capital growth over the longer term.
  - As part of its investment process, the Investment Adviser will implement a multi-strategy approach to ESG which may consist of the application of exclusionary screens and the integration of ESG factors alongside traditional factors.
- The Portfolio will mostly invest in fixed income securities of emerging market companies. Such companies are either based in or earn most of their profits or revenues from emerging markets. The Portfolio may also invest in fixed income securities of companies which are based anywhere in the world
- The Portfolio will not invest more than one-third of its assets in other securities and instruments. Additionally, it will not invest more than 10% in convertibles (securities that can be converted into other types of securities). These convertibles may include contingent convertible bonds ("CoCos") of banks, finance and insurance companies which have a particular risk profile as set out below. The Portfolio may, under certain circumstances, have limited holdings in shares and similar instruments.
- The Portfolio may invest, up to 30%, in mainland China debt securities.
- The Portfolio may invest up to one-tenth of its assets in equity or equity related securities.
- The Portfolio promotes environmental and/or social characteristics, however, does not commit to making any sustainable investments. The Portfolio uses derivatives as part of its investment policy to gain exposure to, interest rates, credit and/or currencies in order to seek to increase return, to leverage the Portfolio and to hedge against certain risks. A significant proportion of the Portfolio's exposure may be generated through the use of derivatives. A derivative instrument is a contract between two or more parties whose value depends on the rise and fall of the underlying asset.
- Shares in the Portfolio may be redeemed daily (on each business day) on demand
- The Portfolio is actively managed and references the JPM CEMBI Broad

- Diversified Index (Total Return Gross) (USD) (the "Benchmark") for the purposes of setting discretionary internal risk thresholds and/or external risk thresholds which may reference deviations from the Benchmark.
- The Investment Adviser has full discretion over the composition of the assets in the Portfolio. While the Portfolio will generally hold assets that are components of the Benchmark, it can invest in such components in different proportions, and it can hold assets which are not components of the Benchmark. Therefore returns may deviate materially from the performance of the specified reference Benchmark.
- Income is distributed on a monthly basis. The Share Class seeks to distribute a stable level of income gross of management fees and operating expenses and therefore ongoing charges are effectively deducted from capital. You should be aware that this may result in an erosion of capital and may reduce future capital growth. Investors should be aware that, where ongoing charges are deducted from capital, this may have tax implications for an investor where income and capital gains are subject to different treatment and personal tax rates. Therefore, investors should seek their own tax advice before investing in such classes. In addition, as the stable distribution level is based on the projected gross income there is a risk that this may be greater than the actual gross income for the period and therefore this may result in a further distribution from capital and reduction in future capital growth.
- The Portfolio currency is USD. The share class currency is USD.
- For full investment objective and policy details see the Prospectus.

#### **Risk and Reward Profile**

 Lower risk
 Higher risk

 Potentially lower reward
 Potentially higher reward

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This risk profile is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Portfolio. The risk category shown is not guaranteed and may change over time. The lowest category does not mean risk free. It is possible that a portfolio stated to have a lower risk profile may in fact fall in value more than a portfolio with a higher risk profile.

The Portfolio is in category 4 as it mostly invests in emerging market fixed income securities which will typically experience higher levels of price fluctuations than such securities in developed markets.

The capital is not guaranteed.

#### **Other Material Risks:**

- Market risk the value of assets in the Portfolio is typically dictated by a number of factors, including the confidence levels of the market in which they are traded.
- Contingent Convertible ("Coco") Bond Risk investment in this particular type of bond may result in material losses to the Portfolio based on certain trigger events. The existence of these trigger events creates a different type of risk from traditional bonds and may more likely result in a partial or total loss of value or alternatively they may be converted into shares of the issuing company which may also have suffered a loss in value.
- Operational risk material losses to the Portfolio may arise as a result of human error, system and/or process failures, inadequate procedures or controls.
- Liquidity risk the Portfolio may not always find another party willing to purchase an asset that the Portfolio wants to sell which could impact the

Portfolio's ability to meet redemption requests on demand.

- Exchange rate risk changes in exchange rates may reduce or increase
  the returns an investor might expect to receive independent of the
  performance of such assets. Hedging of this risk may not be fully effective
  and may increase other risks (e.g. derivative risk).
- Custodian risk insolvency, breaches of duty of care or misconduct of a custodian or sub-custodian responsible for the safekeeping of the Portfolio's assets can result in loss to the Portfolio.
- Interest rate risk when interest rates rise, bond prices fall, reflecting the
  ability of investors to obtain a more attractive rate of interest on their money
  elsewhere. Bond prices are therefore subject to movements in interest
  rates which may move for a number of reasons, political as well as
  economic.
- Credit risk the failure of a counterparty or an issuer of a financial asset held within the Portfolio to meet its payment obligations will have a negative impact on the Portfolio.
- Derivatives risk derivative instruments are highly sensitive to changes in the value of the underlying asset that they are based on. Certain derivatives may result in losses greater than the amount originally invested.
- Counterparty risk a party that the Portfolio transacts with may fail to meet its obligations which could cause losses.
- Emerging markets risk emerging markets are likely to bear higher risk due to lower liquidity and possible lack of adequate financial, legal, social, political and economic structures, protection and stability as well as uncertain tax positions.
- Sustainability risk an environmental, social or governance event or condition that could cause the value of the portfolio to go down. Examples of sustainability risks include physical environmental risks, climate change transition risks, supply chain disruptions, improper labour practices, lack of board diversity and corruption.
- Mortgage-backed securities ("MBS") and asset-backed securities



("ABS") risk - the mortgages backing MBS and assets backing ABS may be repaid earlier than required, resulting in a lower return.

• For more detailed information on the risks associated with an

investment in the Portfolio, please refer to the section in the Prospectus entitled "Risk Considerations" and discuss with your professional advisers.

### **Charges**

The charges you pay are used to pay the cost of running the Portfolio, including the costs of marketing and distributing it. These charges reduce the potential growth of your investment.

One-off charges taken before or after you invest	
Entry charge	5.50%
Exit charge	none

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

Charges taken over a year	
Ongoing charges	1.39%
Charges taken under certain specific conditions	
Performance fee	none

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Where applicable, the entry and exit charges shown are maximum figures and in some cases you might pay less - please contact your professional advisers for more information.

The ongoing charges figure is based on expenses for the year ending November 2023. This figure may vary from year to year. It excludes transaction costs (including taxes and brokerage commissions) and any borrowing costs, which are payable from the assets of the Portfolio and may impact returns on your investment, and performance fees (where applicable).

For more information about charges, please refer to the Fund's Prospectus, section entitled "Fees and Expenses" and the relevant supplement for the Portfolio.

#### **Past Performance**



2018

-3.0

2019

13.0

13.1

2020

7.3

2021

-0.7

2022

-13.2

2023

8.4

9.1

The Portfolio was launched in May 2011. The share class was launched in April 2017.

Where applicable, past performance has been calculated in USD and is expressed as a percentage change of the Portfolio's Net Asset Value at each year end (net of all fees). Where past performance is not shown there is insufficient data to provide a useful indication of past performance.

Please be aware that past performance is not indicative of future performance which may vary.

#### **Practical Information**

2015

2016

-20

2014

Depositary: State Street Bank International GmbH Luxembourg Branch

Further Information: The Prospectus, applied and semi-applied reports of

2017

**Further Information:** The Prospectus, annual and semi-annual reports and latest share price are available free of charge from the Fund's registered office, the Manager, administrator or the Portfolio's distributors. The Prospectus is available in English, French, German, Italian and Spanish.

This document is for a single Portfolio of the Fund and the Prospectus, annual and semi-annual reports is for the entire Fund.

The Fund is an investment company with segregated liability between portfolios under Luxembourg law. Therefore, the assets of the Portfolio you have invested in should not be used to pay the liabilities of other portfolios. However, this has not been tested in other jurisdictions.

**Switching between Portfolios:** Shares are available in other share classes and in other currencies as may be specified in the Prospectus. Shareholders may apply for their shares in any share class of any portfolio to be converted into any share class of another portfolio, subject to the conditions set out in the Prospectus (charges may apply).

**Liability Statement:** The Fund 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 Legislation:** This Portfolio's investments may be subject to tax in the countries in which it invests. In addition, this Portfolio is subject to the tax law and regulation of Luxembourg which may have an impact on your personal tax position and impact your investment. For further details, please speak to your professional advisers.

Remuneration Policy: Details of the up-to-date remuneration policy of the Manager, including, but not limited to, a description of how the remuneration and benefits are determined and governed by the Manager, are available at https://www.gsam.com/sm/remunerationpolicy and a paper copy is made available free of charge upon request.