## **UBS (Irl) ETF plc – MSCI Japan Climate Paris Aligned UCITS ETF**

(A sub-fund of UBS (IrI) ETF plc, an open-ended investment company constituted as an umbrella fund with segregated liability between sub-funds authorised by the Central Bank of Ireland pursuant to the UCITS Regulations).

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This Supplement (the "Supplement") forms part of the Prospectus dated 1 December 2022 (the "Prospectus") in relation to UBS (IrI) ETF plc (the "Company") and should be read in the context of, and together with, the Prospectus and contains information relating to the UBS (IrI) ETF plc – MSCI Japan Climate Paris Aligned UCITS ETF (the "Fund"), which is a separate sub-fund of the Company, represented by a separate series of shares in the Company (the "Shares").

Prospective investors should review this Supplement and the Prospectus carefully and in their entirety. If you are in any doubt about the contents of this Supplement, you should consult your stockbroker, bank manager, solicitor, accountant and/or financial adviser.

Potential investors should consider the risk factors set out in the Prospectus and in this Supplement before investing in this Fund.

The Company and the Directors of UBS (Irl) ETF plc (the "**Directors**") listed in the "*Management*" section of the Prospectus, accept responsibility for the information contained in this Supplement. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Company and the Directors (who have taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this Supplement is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information. The Company and the Directors accept responsibility accordingly.

## **DEFINITIONS**

Unless otherwise defined herein or unless the context otherwise requires, all defined terms used in this Supplement shall bear the same meaning as in the Prospectus.

Base Currency	JPY.
Business Day	Each normal bank business day in Ireland, inclusive of all public and/or bank holidays other than the following – New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Christmas Day and St. Stephen's Day – and days on which the Primary Stock Exchange, on which the constituents of the Index are traded, is open for trading, except individual, non-statutory rest days and days on which the Primary Stock Exchange in the main countries in which the Fund invests are closed, or on which 50% or more of the investments of the Fund cannot be adequately valued and/or such other day or days as the Directors and/or the Manager may determine and notify in advance to Shareholders.
Closing Date	Save for (JPY) A-acc and (ir-hedged to EUR) A-acc shares 14 July 2023 or such earlier or later date as the Directors and/or the Manager may determine and notify to the Central Bank.
Dealing Day	Every Business Day (excluding (i) any day on which a market on which securities included in the Index are listed or traded is closed and (ii) any day where the Index is not calculated) and/or such other day or days as the Directors and/or the Manager may determine and notify to the Administrator and to Shareholders in advance, provided there shall be at least two Dealing Days at regular intervals in each month. A list of such closed market days will be published for the Fund in advance on the Website.
Dealing Deadline	For subscriptions: 4.30 pm (Dublin time) on the Business Day prior to the relevant Dealing Day.
	For redemptions: 4.30 pm (Dublin time) on the Business Day prior to the relevant Dealing Day.
Dealing NAV	The Net Asset Value per Share calculated as at the Valuation Point on the relevant Dealing Day.
EU Climate Regulations	Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2016 on indices used as benchmarks in financial instruments and financial 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 as amended by Regulation (EU) 2019/2089 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 November 2019 amending Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 as regards EU Climate Transition Benchmarks, EU Paris-aligned Benchmarks and sustainability-related disclosures for benchmarks and as supplemented by Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/1818 of 17 July 2020 as regards minimum standards for EU Climate Transition Benchmarks and EU Paris-aligned Benchmarks as may be amended, supplemented, consolidated, substituted in any form or otherwise modified from time to time;
Index	MSCI Japan Climate Paris Aligned Index (Net Return).
Index Provider	MSCI.

Initial Offer Period	Save for (JPY) A-acc and (ir-hedged to EUR) A-acc shares 9:00	
miliar Grief i Gried	am (Irish time) on 17 January 2023 to 4:30pm (Irish time) on the Closing Date.	
Investment Manager	UBS Asset Management (UK) Ltd.	
IOP	Initial Offer Period.	
IOP Settlement Date	The third Business Day after the Closing Date.	
ISIN	(JPY) A-dis (JPY) A-acc (JPY) A-acc (JPY) A-UKdis (ir-hedged to USD) A-acc (ir-hedged to CHF) A-acc (ir-hedged to EUR) A-acc (ir-hedged to GBP) A-acc (ir-hedged to GBP) A-acc	
Minimum Holding	There is no minimum holding requirement for the Fund as at the date of this Supplement.	
Minimum Subscription Amount	There is no minimum subscription amount in respect of the Fund as at the date of this Supplement.	
Minimum Redemption Amount	There is currently no minimum redemption amount in respect of the Fund as at the date of this Supplement.	
Paris Agreement	a legally binding international treaty on climate change, adopted in Paris on 12 December 2015 and entered into force on 4 November 2016. Its goal is to limit global warming to below 2 degrees Celsius, preferably to 1.5 degrees Celsius, compared to pre-industrial levels. To achieve this long-term temperature goal, countries aim to reach global peaking of greenhouse gas emissions as soon as possible to achieve a climate neutral world by mid-century.	
Settlement Date	At the latest, on the third Business Day after the relevant Dealing Day.	
Share	Any share of any Class of the Fund.	
TCFD	Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures, an organisation formed by the Financial Stability Board for the purposes of developing voluntary, consistent disclosure recommendations for the provision of information to investors, about climate-related financial risks.	
Valuation	The Net Asset Value per Share is calculated in accordance with the "Determination of Net Asset Value" section of the Prospectus, using last traded prices for securities. Details of the Index can be found on www.msci.com.	
Valuation Point	10.30 pm (Dublin time) on each Business Day.	
Website	www.ubs.com/etf.	

#### THE FUND AND SHARE CLASSES

#### The Fund

UBS (Irl) ETF plc - MSCI Japan Climate Paris Aligned UCITS ETF is a sub-fund of the Company.

The Fund may be suitable for investors seeking to reduce their exposure to transition and physical climate risks and to invest into opportunities arising from the transition to a lower-carbon economy in alignment with the Paris Agreement requirements via a diversified portfolio of Japanese securities as described below in the "Investment Objective and Strategy" section. After incorporating the recommendations of the TCFD, the Fund's investment universe will exclude at least 20% of the least well-rated securities as against the standard index universe, being the Parent Index. The Fund does not benefit from an SRI label.

#### **Share Classes**

To date, the following Classes of Shares are available:

- (JPY) A-dis;
- (JPY) A-acc;
- (JPY) A-UKdis;
- (ir-hedged to USD) A-acc;
- (ir-hedged to CHF) A-acc;
- (ir-hedged to EUR) A-acc; and
- (ir-hedged to GBP) A-acc.

#### Description of Share Classes:

 Shares in Classes with an "A" in their name may be acquired and sold on the secondary market by all investors.

The Company will generally only accept subscriptions from Authorised Participants. An investor who is not an Authorised Participant may purchase Shares on the secondary market. Shares may be issued and redeemed in exchange for cash, securities or a combination of cash and securities. To the extent required by applicable law of a country where the Shares are registered for public sale, cash redemptions may be accepted from Shareholders not qualifying as Authorised Participants, subject to the procedures and charges described below and in the Prospectus. Please see the sections entitled "Primary Market" and "Secondary Market" under the "Purchase and Sale Information" section of the Prospectus for further information.

The Company and/or the Manager may also, in accordance with the requirements of the Central Bank, without notice to Shareholders, create additional Share Classes, including Share Classes that are subject to fee arrangements and/or other terms that are different from those of any Share Class being offered hereby or then outstanding, including, without limitation offering Share Classes to certain entities affiliated with the Investment Manager. Such other Share Classes may be subject to higher, lower or no investment management or performance fees.

A separate pool of assets will not be maintained for each of the Share Classes.

## **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICY**

#### **Investment Objective**

The objective of the Fund is to seek to track the equity market performance of Japanese companies which form part of the Index with a focus on sustainable investment considerations defined by the Paris Agreement and specific exclusions of companies involved in controversial weapons, environmental, social and governance ("ESG") controversies, tobacco, environmental harm, thermal coal mining, oil & gas related activities and power generation.

#### **Investment Policy**

In order to achieve the objective, the investment policy of the Fund is to seek to track the performance of the MSCI Japan Climate Paris Aligned Index (Net Return), (or any other index determined by the Directors from time to time to track substantially the same market as the MSCI Japan Climate Paris Aligned Index (Net Return) and which is considered by the Directors to be an appropriate index for the Fund to track, in accordance with the Prospectus (the "Index")), as closely as possible, while seeking to minimise as far as possible the difference in performance between the Fund and the Index.

The Fund seeks to achieve the objective by tracking the Index and, with regard to the climate criteria, giving exposure to Japanese companies which are meeting or working towards the climate goals recommended by the TCFD on carbon reduction and transition objectives towards a more sustainable and lower carbon economy while aligning with the Paris Agreement requirements.

The Fund seeks to invest all of its total net assets in securities that are constituents of the Index and the Index Provider constructs the Index on the basis of the Climate Criteria as defined in the section entitled "Description of the Index" below. The Index will eliminate securities as against the standard (parent) index universe based on their exposure to controversial weapons, ESG controversies, tobacco, environmental harm, thermal coal mining, oil & gas related activities and power generation. It is, therefore, expected that the Fund's exposure to the Climate Criteria will be higher than that of a Fund tracking a standard index.

The Fund is passively managed.

By pursuing the investment objective and seeking exposure to the Climate Criteria, the Fund promotes environmental and/or social characteristics and complies with Article 8 of SFDR. Information related to environmental and/or social characteristics is available in an annex to this document (SFDR RTS Art. 14(2)).

Any determination by the Directors that the Fund should track another index at any time shall be subject to Shareholder approval or the provision of reasonable notice to Shareholders (as applicable) and implemented in accordance with the requirements of the Central Bank and this Supplement shall be updated accordingly.

The Fund will use replication techniques as described below in order to minimise as far as possible the difference in performance between the returns of the Index and the return of the Fund, after Fees and Expenses. For information in relation to the difficulties associated with tracking indices, please refer to "Index Tracking Risk" in the "Risk Information" section of the Prospectus.

In order to seek to achieve this investment objective, the Investment Manager, on behalf of the Fund, will invest, using the Replication Strategy, primarily in the securities of the Index in the approximate weightings of the Index subject to the Investment Restrictions set forth in the Prospectus. This strategy seeks to hold all of the securities of the Index, with the approximate weightings as in that Index, so that essentially, the portfolio of the Fund will be a near mirror-image of the components of the Index. Further details regarding the Replication Strategy are disclosed in the "Investment Objectives, Policy and Strategy" section of the Prospectus.

There are also currency versions of the Index which are denominated in a currency other than JPY and hedged, including currency versions denominated in EUR, GBP, USD, CHF, SGD, CAD and SEK (each a "Hedged Currency Version"), as detailed in the table below. The purpose of the Hedged Currency Versions is to limit the profit or loss generated from foreign exchange exposure when holding a JPY denominated asset in a currency other than JPY. For those Share Classes with "hedged" in their name, this is achieved by the Hedged Currency Versions employing one month rolling forward FX contracts. In accordance with the Hedged Currency Versions methodologies the Fund may also employ rolling forward FX contracts to limit the profit or loss generated from foreign exchange exposure when holding a JPY denominated asset in a currency other than JPY. Shareholders should note that the disclosure in respect of the Hedged Currency Versions is for information purposes only and is to explain the manner in which the Fund will engage in currency hedging.

Share Class	Index Currency Version
(ir-hedged to USD) A-acc	MSCI Japan Climate Paris Aligned Select
	Corridor Hedged to USD Index (Net Return)
(ir-hedged to CHF) A-acc	MSCI Japan Climate Paris Aligned Select
	Corridor Hedged to CHF Index (Net Return)
(ir-hedged to EUR) A-acc	MSCI Japan Climate Paris Aligned Select
	Corridor Hedged to EUR Index (Net Return)
(ir-hedged to GBP) A-acc	MSCI Japan Climate Paris Aligned Select
	Corridor Hedged to GBP Index (Net Return)

In seeking to implement its investment objective of tracking the performance of the Index, the Fund may also in exceptional circumstances hold securities which are not comprised in its Index, including, for example, securities in respect of which there has been an announcement or it is expected that they will shortly be included in the Index. In such case, the exposure to the Climate Criteria generated by these selected securities cannot be guaranteed. The Fund, for the purposes of assisting in tracking the Index, may also invest in securities which are not constituents of the Index where the Investment Manager considers that such securities satisfy the Climate Criteria and may provide a similar return to certain securities that make up the Index. The Fund may avail of the higher investment limits allowed to certain index tracking funds, as described at paragraph 4.2 of the section of the Prospectus headed "Investment Restrictions". These limits may be availed of where exceptional market conditions apply for example if there is an increased allocation of an issuer within the Index. These exceptional market conditions include where a single constituent may, for various reasons, including as a result of a merger, have a very dominant position. If the investment limits of the Fund are exceeded for reasons beyond the control of the Directors, or as a result of the exercise of subscription rights, the Fund must adopt as a priority objective for its sales transactions the remedying of that situation, taking due account of the interests of the Shareholders. The Fund as set out above utilises the Replication Strategy in order to track the Index, accordingly investment in the Fund should be considered to provide a direct exposure to the Index. Details of the Fund's tracking error and trading difference is set out in the section of the Prospectus entitled "Tracking Accuracy".

As the Fund does not pursue a synthetic index replication strategy in order to track the Index, there is no corresponding counterparty risk applicable. As a result of currency hedging, hedged Share Classes may be exposed to counterparty risk as further detailed in the section of the Prospectus entitled "Counterparty Risk".

The Fund (as well as the Index) will take long positions only and the Fund will invest 100% of its net assets in long positions.

The Fund may, for the purpose of efficient portfolio management, where disclosed in the Manager's RMP Statement (if applicable) and in accordance with the conditions and limits imposed by the Central Bank, use financial derivative instruments ("FDI") including currency forwards, currency swaps, warrants, index futures and futures on stocks. Efficient portfolio management means investment decisions involving transactions that are entered into for one or more of the following specific aims: the reduction of risk; the reduction of cost; or the generation of additional capital or income for the Fund with an appropriate level of risk, taking into account the risk profile of the Fund and the risk diversification rules set out in the Central Bank Rules. In particular, FDI may be used for the purpose of minimising differences in performance between the Fund and the relevant Index, ie, the risk that the Fund return varies from the Index's return.

To the extent that the Investment Manager, on behalf of the Fund, uses FDI, there may be a risk that the volatility of the Fund may increase. It is anticipated that the volatility level of the Fund will be closely correlated with the volatility of the Index. Investors should note that there can be no assurance that the historical volatility levels of the Index will continue to be observed in the future or that the Fund will have a similar volatility level and that, therefore, there is a risk that the Fund's volatility may be relatively high when compared to other investments and may change significantly over time and, as a result, an investment in the Fund may not be appropriate for all investors. That notwithstanding, the Fund is not expected to have an above average risk profile as a result of its use of or investment in FDI. FDI will be used within the limits stipulated by the Central Bank and as described in the "Use of Financial Derivative Instruments" section of the Prospectus. Accordingly, although FDI will be inherently leveraged, the primary purpose of the use of FDI is to minimise as far as possible the difference in performance

between the Fund and the Index and, while the Fund will be leveraged as a result of its investments in FDI, such leverage (calculated under the commitment approach as set out in the "Risk Management" section below) will not exceed 100% of the Fund's total Net Asset Value at any time.

The Fund, subject to the restrictions imposed on the use of FDI described in the Prospectus and by the UCITS Regulations, may buy and sell futures contracts to either create exposure or reduce exposure to various securities included in the Index or to reduce certain aspects of risk inherent in specific trades. Futures contracts are agreements to buy or sell a fixed amount of an equity, bond or currency at a fixed date in the future. Futures contracts are exchange-traded instruments and their dealing is subject to the rules of the exchanges on which they are dealt.

Instruments shall be listed and/or traded on the exchanges and markets set out in Appendix II of the Prospectus.

The Manager has adopted a statement of its risk management processes ("RMP") in respect of the use of FDI which enables it to accurately measure, monitor and manage the various risks associated with FDI and the Fund will employ only FDIs which are described in the RMP. The RMP was prepared and submitted to the Central Bank in accordance with the Central Bank requirements.

#### **INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS**

It is the intention of the Company to seek German fund status as an equity fund for all Classes of the Fund. On this basis, in addition to the investment restrictions set out in the Prospectus, the Fund will target that a minimum 80% of its total asset value shall be invested in equity participations (the "**Equity Participation Ratio**") as defined by Sec. 2, para. 8 of the German Investment Tax Act. For the purpose of this investment restriction, reference to "equity participations" includes:

- (1) shares in a company (which may not include depositary receipts) that are admitted to official trading on a stock exchange or admitted to, or included in another organised market which fulfils the criteria of a "regulated market" as defined in Directive 2004/39/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 April 2004 on markets in financial instruments; and/or
- (2) shares in a company other than a real estate company which is (i) resident in a Member State or in a member state of the European Economic Area, and where it is subject to, and not exempt from corporate income tax; or (ii) is a resident in any other state and subject to corporate income tax of at least 15%; and/or
- (3) units of a UCITS and/or of an AIF that is not a partnership, which as disclosed in their respective investment terms are permanently invested with a minimum of at least 51% of their values in equity participations (an "**Equity Fund**") with 51% of the units of Equity Funds held by the Fund being taken into account as equity participations; and/or
- (4) units of a UCITS and/or of an AIF that is not a partnership, which as disclosed in their respective investment terms are permanently invested with a minimum of at least 25% of their values in equity participations (a "Mixed Fund") with 25% of the units of Mixed Funds held by the Fund being taken into account as equity participations; and/or
- (5) units of Equity Funds or Mixed Funds that disclose their equity participation ratio in their respective investment terms; and/or
- (6) units of Equity Funds or Mixed Funds that report their equity participation ratio on a daily basis.

With the exception of the cases described above in paragraphs (3), (4), (5) and (6), units of a UCITS and/or of an AIF which is not a partnership are not considered equity participations.

For purposes of this section, the Equity Participation Ratio does not include equity participations, which are lent out via securities lending program as set out in the Prospectus.

Investors should refer to their tax advisors in relation to the implications of German tax reporting status being obtained.

#### **USE OF FDI**

As detailed in the investment policy above the Fund may use the following FDI:

Futures, Index Futures & Futures on Stocks

A futures contract is a standardised contract to exchange a specified asset of standardised quantity and quality for a price agreed today (the futures price or the strike price) with delivery occurring at a specified future date, the delivery date.

Index futures may be used to manage a Fund's market exposure in a cost effective and efficient manner as futures are often more liquid and cost effective to trade for example, entering into an index future contract in place of immediate purchase of underlying securities, in certain circumstances may be deemed more cost effective and expedient.

A single stock future may be used to provide the Fund with exposure to a single security.

#### Currency swaps

Swap contracts are two-party contracts entered into for periods ranging from a few weeks to more than one year. In a standard swap transaction, two parties agree to exchange returns (or differentials in rates of return) calculated with respect to a "notional amount," e.g., the return on or increase in value of a particular amount invested at a particular interest rate, in a particular foreign currency, or in a "basket" of securities representing a particular index. Swaps offer independent profit opportunities as well as the possibility to hedge existing long positions.

Currency swaps are agreements between two parties to exchange future payments in one currency for payments in another currency.

#### Currency forwards

A currency forward is a non-standardised contract between two parties to exchange two currencies at an agreed exchange rate at a specified future date and time. They are negotiated as Over the Counter transactions with approved counterparties; there is a potentially unlimited loss if the currency for which a short position has been taken rises in value versus the long currency so that the long currency becomes worthless.

#### Warrants

Warrants are certificates entitling the holder to buy a specific amount of security at a specified price. In the case that the price of the security rises to above that of the warrant's exercise price, then the security can be bought at the warrant's exercise price and resell it for a profit. Otherwise, the warrant will simply expire or remain unused. Warrants are listed on options exchanges and trade independently of the security with which it was issued.

#### **HEDGING**

In accordance with the terms of the Prospectus, the Fund may (but shall not be obliged to) engage in currency hedging transactions in respect of Classes not denominated in the Base Currency to seek to hedge against declines in the values of one or more Classes of the Fund as a result of changes in currency exchange rates. All hedging transactions will be clearly attributable to a specific Class and therefore currency exposures of different Classes shall not be combined or offset and currency exposures of assets of the Fund shall not be allocated to separate Classes. Therefore the costs, gains/losses of such hedging transactions will accrue solely to the relevant Class.

To the extent that hedging is successful, the performance of the Class is likely to move in line with the performance of the underlying assets and Shareholders in the Class will not benefit if the currency of the Class falls against the Base Currency.

#### **SECURITIES LENDING**

The Company will not enter into any securities lending agreements in respect of the Fund.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF THE INDEX**

This section is a summary of the principal features of the MSCI Japan Climate Paris Aligned Index (Net Return) and is not a complete description of the Index.

#### General

The Index is a sub-set of the MSCI Japan Index (the "Parent Index"), being an equity index calculated, maintained and published by international index supplier MSCI® and denominated in JPY. The Index is designed to support investors seeking to reduce their exposure to transition and physical climate risks and who wish to pursue opportunities arising from the transition to a lower-carbon economy while aligning with the Paris Agreement requirements. The Index includes large and mid-cap securities of the Japanese equity markets.

The Index is constructed from the Parent Index following an optimisation process and is designed to align itself with the de-carbonisation pathways required to deliver the global 1.5 degrees Celsius increase targeted by the Paris Agreement. The Index Provider seeks to achieve this alignment by overweighting companies on a credible path to de-carbonisation or offering green solutions, while in contrast underweighting those poorly positioned for the transition to a lower-carbon economy and by limiting exposure to the growing physical risks. The Index is a benchmark for investors seeking exposure to global securities of issuers incorporated in or whose principal operations are in developed markets which contribute towards the climate related goals as described in the EU Climate Regulations and further below.

The Index is constructed from the Parent Index and is part of the MSCI Climate Paris Aligned Index series. The Index incorporates the recommendations of the TCFD and follows an optimisation-based approach that aims to exceed the minimum standards of the EU Climate Regulations. The Index Provider generates the eligible universe by firstly excluding constituents of the Parent Index based on the following controversies or controversial business activities:

- 1. Securities of companies involved in controversial weapons business as defined by the methodology of the MSCI Ex-Controversial Weapons Indexes;
- 2. Securities of companies that have, in the Index Provider's view, faced very severe controversies pertaining to ESG issues;
- 3. Securities of companies involved in a) Tobacco (as defined by the methodology of the MSCI Global ex Tobacco Involvement Indexes), b) generating >1% revenue from mining of thermal coal, c) generating >50% revenue from thermal coal, liquid fuel and natural gas power generation and d) generating >10% revenue from oil and gas related activities; and
- 4. Securities of companies that have, in the Index Provider's view, faced very severe controversies pertaining from Environmental issues.

The Index Provider then uses it's internal ESG research, ratings and analysis of the environmental, social and governance-related business practices ("MSCI ESG Research") to construct the Index with constituents to achieve certain climate objectives, including (i) alignment with the requirements of the Paris Agreement by achieving a maximum global temperature increase of 1.5 degrees Celsius through the use of the MSCI ESG Research Value-at-Risk tool which is designed to provide forward-looking and return-based valuation assessment to measure climate-related risks and opportunities in an investment portfolio; (ii) enforcing a 10% year-on-year de-carbonisation; (iii) reducing exposure to physical risk arising from extreme weather events by at least 50% shifting the Index weight from "brown" to "green" based on the MSCI Low Carbon Transition Score which rates companies from 0 (worst) to 10 (best) based on a multi-dimensional risk and opportunity assessment that is industry agnostic and considers both the predominant and secondary risks that each company faces; (iv) overweighting

companies that are exposed to climate transition opportunities (v) underweighting companies which are exposed to climate transition risks and high-carbon emitters assessed using scope 1, 2 and 3 emissions as described in the EU Climate Regulations; and (vi) supporting companies with credible carbon-reduction targets and track records (the "Climate Criteria").

The final universe is constructed from the eligible universe by weighting the remaining constituents in accordance with their alignment with the Climate Criteria based on transition risks (e.g. policy constrains on emissions, imposition of carbon tax or land use restrictions), physical risks (e.g. disruption of operations or destruction of property) and transition opportunities provided by the MSCI ESG Research while applying the optimisation constraints to control turnover and deviation from the Parent Index.

At least 90% of the securities achieve the Climate Criteria as per MSCI ESG Research.

As the investment policy of the Fund is to track the Index, the portfolio management of the fund is passive. As a result, the approach taken in relation to the consideration of ESG criteria is the one taken by MSCI and therefore dependent on the approach and methodology defined by a third party.

The consideration of ESG criteria varies from one asset to the other because material key issues are industry-specific and do not affect all the assets equally. Consequently, MSCI sets the weights that determine each key issue's contribution to the overall Climate Criteria, based on the level of contribution of the industry to environmental or social impact and the expected time frame for risk/opportunity to materialise.

The Index rebalances on a semi-annual basis. The rebalancing frequency will have minimal impact on the transaction costs associated with the Fund as any rebalancing is not anticipated to require any higher frequency of position turnover in the Fund than would otherwise be the case were the Index to be static.

It is not anticipated that the composition of the Index will be adjusted to the extent that tracking is not possible within the scope of standard UCITS investment restrictions.

Further details of the Index composition and its calculation methodology (including information on the procedure to be adopted by the index sponsor should the weighting of any particular stock exceed the permitted investment restrictions) can be found at the website set out below. The Investment Manager monitors the investment restrictions applicable to the Fund. As soon as the Investment Manager becomes aware that the weighting of any particular stock in the Index exceeds the permitted investment restrictions, the Investment Manager will seek to either unwind that particular position or reduce the Fund's exposure to that stock to ensure that the Fund at all times operates within the permitted investment restrictions and complies with the requirements of the UCITS Regulations.

#### **Index Methodology**

The methodology of the construction of the Index (ticker no. 735593) is available on the MSCI internet website:

https://www.msci.com/index-methodology

Additional information about the Index can be found under: https://www.msci.com/esg/climate-paris-aligned-indexes

#### **Index Factsheet**

The Index Factsheet is available on the MSCI internet website: https://www.msci.com/equity-fact-sheet-search

#### **Publication of the Index Value**

The closing price of the Index is available on the MSCI internet website: https://app2.msci.com/eqb/custom\_indexes/custom\_performance.html

#### **Publication of the Index Composition**

The composition of the Index is available on the MSCI internet website by selecting "Japan Climate Paris Aligned Index" in the tab:

https://www.msci.com/constituents

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT / LEVERAGE**

Although FDI will be inherently leveraged, the primary purpose of the use of FDI is to minimise as far as possible the difference in performance between the Fund and the Index. While the Fund will be leveraged as a result of its investments in FDI, such leverage will not exceed 100% of the Fund's total Net Asset Value at any time.

As disclosed above, the Fund may use FDI for the purposes of efficient portfolio management. The Investment Manager has adopted a commitment approach in the calculation of global exposure arising from the use of FDI. The Fund's global exposure relating to the use of FDI may not exceed its total net assets.

The commitment approach is calculated by converting the FDI position into an equivalent position based on the market value of the underlying asset. Where FDI are used for hedging purposes the exposure of the FDI is calculated and then netted against the instrument being hedged.

#### **INVESTMENT RISKS**

Investment in the Fund carries with it a degree of risk including the risks described in the "Risk Information" section of the Prospectus and in this Supplement. These risks are not intended to be exhaustive and potential investors should review the Prospectus and this Supplement carefully and consult with their professional advisers before purchasing Shares.

In the event that the Fund uses FDI, the risk profile of the Fund may increase. For information in relation to the risks associated with the use of FDI, please note the following specific risks listed below. Please also refer to "Derivatives Risk" in the "Risk Information" section of the Prospectus.

#### **Concentration Risk**

The Fund may invest a relatively large percentage of its assets in issuers located in a single country, a small number of countries, or a particular geographic region. In these cases, the Fund's performance will be closely tied to the market, currency, economic, political, or regulatory conditions and developments in that country or region or those countries, and could be more volatile than the performance of more geographically-diversified funds.

In addition, the Fund may concentrate its investments in companies in a particular industry, market or economic sector. When the Fund concentrates its investments in a particular industry, market or economic sector, financial, economic, business, and other developments affecting issuers in that industry, market or sector will have a greater effect on the Fund than if it had not concentrated its assets in that industry, market or sector.

Further, investors may buy or sell substantial amounts of the Shares in response to factors affecting or expected to affect a particular country, industry, market or sector in which the Fund concentrates its investments, resulting in abnormal inflows or outflows of cash into or out of the Fund. These abnormal inflows or outflows may cause the Fund's cash position or cash requirements to exceed normal levels, and consequently, adversely affect the management of the Fund and the Fund's performance.

#### **Currency Risk**

The Fund may invest in securities that are denominated in currencies that differ from the Base Currency. Changes in the values of those currencies relative to the Base Currency may have a positive or negative

effect on the values of the Fund's investments denominated in those currencies. The Fund may, but will not necessarily, invest in currency exchange contracts to help reduce exposure to different currencies, however there is no guarantee that these contracts will successfully do so. Also, these contracts may reduce or eliminate some or all of the benefit that a Fund may experience from favourable currency fluctuations.

#### **Currency Hedged Classes**

Fluctuations between the currency of a currency-hedged Class and the currency of an underlying Index constituents may be reduced by the use of one-month foreign exchange forwards. The use of one-month foreign exchange forwards may not take into account the underlying Index constituents' intra-month price movements. As a result a risk of an intra-month under- or over-hedging may arise. Consequently the performance of an Index measured in its base currency may not exactly be achieved by the hedged Index measured in the hedged currency.

#### **Index Risk**

The ability of the Fund to achieve significant correlation between the performance of the Fund and the Index may be affected by changes in securities markets, changes in the composition of the Index, cash flows into and out of the Fund and the fees and expenses of the Fund. The Fund will seek to track Index returns regardless of the current or projected performance of the Index or of securities comprising the Index. As a result, the Fund's performance may be less favourable than that of a portfolio managed using an active investment strategy. The structure and composition of the Index will affect the performance, volatility and risk of the Index (in absolute terms and by comparison with other indices), and consequently, the performance, volatility and risk of the Fund.

#### **Index Tracking Risk**

There is no guarantee that the investment objective of the Fund will be achieved. In particular, no financial instrument enables the returns of the Index to be reproduced or tracked exactly. Changes in the investments of the Fund and re-weightings of the relevant Index may give rise to various transaction costs (including in relation to the settlement of foreign currency transactions), operating expenses or inefficiencies which may adversely impact the Fund's tracking of the performance of an Index. Furthermore, the total return on investment in the Shares will be reduced by certain costs and expenses which are not taken into account in the calculation of the applicable Index. Moreover, in the event of the temporary suspension or interruption of trading in the investments comprising the Index, or of market disruptions, rebalancing the Fund's investment portfolio may not be possible and may result in deviations from the return of the Index.

#### **Investment Risk**

A Shareholder may lose the entire principal amount invested in the Fund. The value of the securities held in the Fund may increase or decrease, at times rapidly and unexpectedly. An investment in the Fund may at any point in the future be worth less than the original amount invested.

The total return on investment in the Shares may be reduced by taxes arising in the Fund including taxes in the jurisdictions in which the Fund invests. The Fund may benefit from reduced dividend withholding taxes under the terms of relevant double taxation treaties or conventions although there is no guarantee that it will do so. Please refer to the "Tax Information" section of the Prospectus for further information on the applicable tax treatment for the Company and the Fund.

### **Climate-Focused Investing Risk**

The Fund is subject to the risk that its climate-focused investment strategy may select or exclude securities of certain issuers for reasons other than investment performance considerations. As a result, the Fund may underperform funds that do not utilise a climate focused investment strategy. Certain climate-focused investments may be dependent on government policies and subsidies, which are subject to change or elimination. Successful application of the Fund's climate-focused investment strategy will depend on the success of the Index Provider's "Climate Criteria" in its construction of the

Index properly identifying and analysing material climate-related issues and related business practices, and there can be no assurance that the strategy or techniques employed will be successful.

#### **INVESTOR PROFILE**

Investors in the Fund are expected to be retail and professional investors or eligible counterparties (as described under MiFID II) seeking a return on their investment over a medium term time horizon who want to take an exposure to the equity market performance of companies of the Japanese equity market under the climate criteria outlined in this Supplement and are prepared to accept the risks associated with an investment of this type. Based on the structure and composition of the Index, the volatility of the Fund, which may vary from time to time, is generally expected to be medium to high.

#### **DIVIDEND POLICY**

#### Accumulating Share Classes:

It is not the current intention of the Directors to declare a dividend in relation to the following Share Classes:

- (JPY) A-acc;
- (ir-hedged to USD) A-acc;
- (ir-hedged to CHF) A-acc;
- (ir-hedged to EUR) A-acc;
- (ir-hedged to GBP) A-acc;

The net income attributable to the above Share Classes shall be retained within the Fund and the value of these Shares shall rise accordingly.

#### **Distributing Share Classes:**

The Directors intend to declare dividends out of:

- (i) net income; and/or
- (ii) realised and unrealised gains net of realised and unrealised losses

attributable to the following Share Classes:

- (JPY) A-dis;
- (JPY) A-Ukdis;

in respect of each six month period ending on 31 December and 30 June within 30 calendar days of the end of the relevant period end. Any such dividends will be paid within two calendar months after declaration.

The Directors and/or the Manager reserve the right to increase or decrease the frequency of dividend payments, if any, at their discretion for income distribution Shares. In the event of a change of policy full details will be disclosed in an updated Supplement and Shareholders will be notified in advance.

Dividends will be paid to Shareholders through the settlement systems through which the Shares are held. The net income and/or realised and unrealised gains net of realised and unrealised losses available for distribution in respect of the relevant Class will be determined in accordance with the relevant law and generally accepted accounting principles consistently applied.

Any dividend unclaimed after six years from the date when it first became payable shall be forfeited automatically, without the necessity for any declaration or other action by the Company.

Further information is set out in the "Distributions" section of the Prospectus.

#### **FEES AND EXPENSES**

This section should be read in conjunction with the section entitled "Fees and Expenses" in the Prospectus.

The following fees and expenses apply in respect of the Share Classes of the Fund:

Share Class	Flat Fee
(JPY) A-acc	up to 0.16% per annum of the Net Asset Value of the Class
(JPY) A-dis	up to 0.16% per annum of the Net Asset Value of the Class
(JPY) A-UKdis	up to 0.16% per annum of the Net Asset Value of the Class
(ir-hedged to USD) A-acc	up to 0.21% per annum of the Net Asset Value of the Class
(ir-hedged to CHF) A-acc	up to 0.21% per annum of the Net Asset Value of the Class
(ir-hedged to EUR) A-acc	up to 0.21% per annum of the Net Asset Value of the Class
(ir-hedged to GBP) A-acc	up to 0.21% per annum of the Net Asset Value of the Class

The establishment costs of the Fund shall be borne by the Distributor and shall not be taken from the assets of the Fund.

#### **DETERMINATION OF THE NET ASSET VALUE**

The Net Asset Value of the Fund and Net Asset Value per Share is calculated by the Administrator as at the Valuation Point on each Business Day and will be published on the Website.

#### **SUBSCRIPTIONS - PRIMARY MARKET**

The Fund is offering the following Classes:

- (JPY) A-dis
- (JPY) A-acc
- (JPY) A-UKdis
- (ir-hedged to USD) A-acc
- (ir-hedged to CHF) A-acc
- (ir-hedged to EUR) A-acc
- (ir-hedged to GBP) A-acc

Applications have been made for all Classes to be listed on Listing Stock Exchanges.

The Classes listed below will be initially available from the Initial Offer Period at an Initial Offer Price with an appropriate provision for Duties and Charges. The Initial Offer Price may be calculated based on the related Index variant as follows:

Class	Initial Offer Price
(JPY) A-dis	Index value / 1
(JPY) A-acc	N/A
(JPY) A-UKdis	Index value / 1

(ir-hedged to USD) A-acc	Index value / 100
(ir-hedged to CHF) A-acc	Index value / 100
(ir-hedged to EUR) A-acc	N/A
(ir-hedged to GBP) A-acc	Index value / 100

The closing Index value which will be published on the MSCI website at the web address set out in section entitled "Publication of the Index" will be used to calculate the Initial Offer Price. For example, where the Index Value was 1,984.16 at 31 January 2020, Shares in (JPY) A-dis would be issued at an Initial Offer Price per Share of JPY 1,984.16. The Initial Offer Price will be calculated using the closing Index value taken at 10.30 pm CET on the Closing Date.

In order to receive Shares at the close of the Initial Offer Period:

- (a) a properly completed share application form which satisfies the application requirements, including, but not limited to, full anti-money laundering documentation, must be received prior to the Dealing Deadline (Irish time) on the Closing Date (with the original to follow in the case of an initial subscription); and
- (b) appropriate, cleared subscription monies must, in the case of cash subscriptions, be received by and delivery of the securities must, in the case of in-kind subscriptions, be effected by no later than the IOP Settlement Date.

Settlement of Shares subscribed for during the Initial Offer Period will take place on the IOP Settlement Date, provided always that settlement may take place earlier if consideration for the relevant Shares is received prior to the IOP Settlement Date.

Settlement of Shares subscribed for after the Initial Offer Period will take place on the Settlement Date, provided always that settlement may take place earlier if consideration for the relevant Shares is received prior to the Settlement Date.

Following the Initial Offer Period, Shares in each Class will be issued on each Dealing Day at the Dealing NAV with an appropriate provision for Duties and Charges in accordance with the provisions set out in the Prospectus. In order to receive Shares on a Dealing Day:

- (a) a properly completed share application form which satisfies the application requirements, including, but not limited to, full anti-money laundering documentation, must be received prior to the Dealing Deadline (Irish time) on the relevant Dealing Day (with the original to follow in the case of an initial subscription): and
- (b) appropriate, cleared subscription monies must, in the case of cash subscriptions, be received by and delivery of the securities must, in the case of in-kind subscriptions, be effected by no later than the Settlement Date.

Applications for Shares may be submitted to the Administrator either by fax or electronically in accordance with the requirements of the Central Bank, provided that the original application form and the supporting documentation required for anti-money laundering purposes is received by post promptly thereafter.

Subsequent applications for Shares may be submitted to the Administrator either by fax or electronically in accordance with the requirements of the Central Bank and provided that all on-going anti-money laundering checks are complete.

#### **REDEMPTIONS**

Shareholders in the Fund may request the redemption of Shares on any Dealing Day at the appropriate Dealing NAV, subject to an appropriate provision for Duties and Charges (subject to any applicable regulations), provided that a written redemption request is signed by the Shareholder and received by

the Administrator by the Dealing Deadline on the relevant Dealing Day in accordance with the provisions of the Prospectus. Redemption requests will be processed on receipt of faxed or electronic instruction only where payment is made to the account of record of the Shareholder. Settlement will normally take place within three Business Days of the Dealing Day.

#### **CONVERSIONS**

Shareholders should refer to the "Conversions" in the "Purchase and Sale" section of the Prospectus for information on Share conversions.

#### **VALUATION OF ASSETS**

The method of valuation of the Net Asset Value is set out in detail in the "Determination of Net Asset Value" section of the Prospectus. Further to such provisions, each asset of the Fund will be valued at the last traded price on the relevant Recognised Market at the close of business on such Recognised Market on each Dealing Day.

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#### ANNEX II

Template pre-contractual disclosure for the financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraphs 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

Sustainable investment means an investment in an 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 investee companies follow

good governance practices.

Product name: Legal entity identifier:

UBS (Irl) ETF plc - MSCI Japan Climate Paris Aligned UCITS ETF 549300KQSLW5EXIH2V11

# **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective? [tick and till in as relevant, the percentage figure represents the minimum commitment to sustainable investments].			
•• 🗆 Yes		Yes	● ○ ⊠ No
It will make a minimum of sustainable investments with an environmental objective: %		investments with an environmental	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 20% of sustainable investments
		in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy	with an environmental objective in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable unde 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 environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy
			☐ with a social objective
		It will make a minimum of sustainable investments with a social objective: %	It promotes E/S characteristics, but will not make any sustainable investments
		as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy  in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy  It will make a minimum of sustainable investments with a social objective:	economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy  with an environmental objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy  with a social objective  It promotes E/S characteristics, but will

The **EU Taxonomy** is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation does not include a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.

# Sustainability indicators measure how the sustainable objectives of this financial product are attained.



What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product? [indicate the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by the financial product and whether a reference benchmark has been designated for the purpose of attaining the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product].

This financial product is passively managed and tracks an index ("Index/Reference Benchmark"). The following characteristics are promoted by the financial product:

• a Carbon Intensity (1, 2) emissions indicator lower than parent benchmark (MSCI)

The Reference Benchmark designated for the purpose of attaining the characteristic promoted by the financial product is the MSCI Japan Climate Paris Aligned Index (Net Return).

What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The above ESG characteristics are measured using the following indicators respectively:

- Weighted average carbon intensity (Scope 1+2) MSCI
  - What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives? [include, for financial products that make sustainable investments, a description of the objectives and how the sustainable investments contribute to the sustainable investment objective. For the financial products referred to in Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852, list the environmental objectives set out in Article 9 of that Regulation to which the sustainable investment underlying the financial product contributes].

The financial product intends to make sustainable investment by investing at least 90% of its total net assets in securities that are constituents of the Index. MSCI Japan Climate Paris Aligned Index is designed to represent the performance of companies that have lower carbon exposure than that of the underlying Global Investable Market Index and exclude companies that are inconsistent with specific values-based criteria focused on products with high negative social or environmental impact.

The index excludes companies with involvements into the following business activities: controversial weapons, tobacco, thermal coal mining and oil & gas. Furthermore, companies which are facing sever controversies are also excluded.

MSCI Climate Change Metrics provides climate data & tools to support investors integrating climate risk & opportunities into their investment strategy and processes. It supports investors seeking to achieve a range of objectives, including measuring and reporting on climate risk exposure, implementing low carbon and fossil fuel-free strategies, align with temperature pathways and factoring climate change research into their risk management processes, in particular through climate scenario analysis for both transition and physical risks

 How do the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make, not cause significant harm to any environmental or social

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, anti corruption and anti - bribery matters.

sustainable investment objective? [include a description for the financial product that partially intends to make sustainable investments

This financial product is passively managed and tracks an Index, indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors are taken into account by the Index provider as appropriate to the Index family.

How have the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors been taken into account? [explain how the indicators for adverse impacts in Table 1 of Annex I and any relevant indicators in Tables 2 and 3 of Annex I are taken into account].

Indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors are taken into account by the Index provider as appropriate to the Index family

The indices incorporate the MSCI ESG Controversies score, screening out on a timely basis any issuers in significant breach of ESG norms.

MSCI ESG Controversies are designed to provide timely and consistent assessments of ESG controversies involving issuers. Any issuer with a "Red" MSCI ESG Controversies Score (score less than 1) is excluded from Sustainability indices. The Controversy Score measures an issuer's in-volvement in major ESG controversies and how well the issuer adheres to international norms and principles.

The financial product excludes investments in companies involved directly in the use, development, manufacturing, stockpiling, transfer or trade of cluster munitions and/or anti-personnel landmines, nuclear weapons, biological weapons or chemical weapons.

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights? [include an explanation on the alignment with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, including the principles and rights set out in the eight fundamental conventions identified in the Declaration of the International Labour Organisation on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and the International Bill of Human Rights.]

The MSCI ESG Controversies tool monitors company involvement in notable ESG controversies related to the company's operations and/or products, possible breaches of international norms and principles such as the UN Global Compact, and performance with respect to these norms and principles.

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[Include statement for financial products referred to in Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852]

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not significant harm" principle by which Taxonomyaligned 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 EU 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 investments must also not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives.



# Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

Yes [if the financial product considers principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors, include a clear and reasoned explanation of how it considers principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors. Indicate where, in the information to be disclosed pursuant to Article 11(2) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088, the information on principal adverse impacts on

sustainability factors is available]

Yes, this financial product is passively managed and tracks an Index, indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors are taken into account by the Index provider as appropriate to the Index family.

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The financial product also exclude investments in companies involved directly in controversial weapons (the use, development, manufacturing, stockpiling, transfer or trade of cluster bombs, landmines, depleted uranium weapons, chemical and bi-ological weapons, blinding laser weapons, non-detectable fragments and incen-diary weapons (white phosphorus)), tobacco, thermal coal mining and oil & gas.

☐ No



What investment strategy does this financial product follow? [provide a description of the investment strategy and indicate how the strategy is implemented in the investment process on a continuous basis.]

This financial product seeks to promote the characteristic(s) described in this annex through Index selection and passive asset management

This financial product is passively managed and seeks to track the performance and the ESG profile of the Index. Sustainability characteristics and risks are considered as part

The investment strategy guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. of the Index selection process. The Index which is stated by the index provider to be screened against environmental, social or governance criteria and any methodology used by the index provider to assess sustainability characteristics and risks of the constituents of the index can be found on the website of the index provider. 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? The following binding element(s) of the investment strategy are used to select the investments to attain the characteristic(s) promoted by this financial product: Characteristic: A Carbon Intensity (1 and 2) emissions indicator that is lower than parent benchmark (MSCI) The calculations do not take account of cash, derivatives and unrated investment instruments. The binding element(s) are calculated at quarter end using the average of all of business days' values in the quarter. What is the committed minimum rate to reduce the scope of the investments considered prior to the application of that investment strategy? [include an indication of the rate, where there is a commitment to reduce the scope of investments by a minimum rate]. This financial product invests at least 90% of its total net assets in securities that are constituents of the Index and the Index provider applies ESG Ratings on all of the Index constituents. The Index is eliminating at least 20% of the least wellrated securities as against the standard index universe. It is, therefore, expected that this financial product's resulting ESG rating will be higher than the ESG rating of a financial product tracking a standard index. What is the policy to assess good governance practices of the investee companies? Assessment of good governance practices of the investee companies is performed by the index provider. MSCI analysis begins with an evaluation of each company's Corporate Governance, taking into consideration the company's ownership and control structures, the composition and effectiveness of its board, the effectiveness of its incentive practices and the integrity of its accounting. Corporate Behavior is also monitored, including any controversies that might have a significant negative impact on the company's value. What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product? [include a narrative explanation of the investments of the financial product, including the minimum proportion of the investments of the financial product used to meet the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product in accordance with the binding elements of the investment

strategy, including the minimum proportion of sustainable investments of the financial product where that financial products commits to making sustainable investments, and the purpose of the

Good governance practices include

employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax

sound management

structures,

compliance.

remaining proportion of the investments, including a description of any minimum environmental or social safeguards].

The minimum proportion of the investments used to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by the financial product is 90%. The minimum proportion of sustainable investments of the financial product is 20%.

Asset allocation describes the share of investments in specific assets.

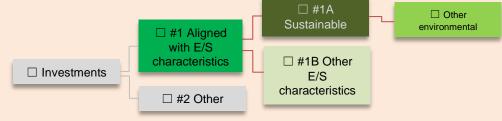
[include note only for financial products referred to in Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852]

**Taxonomy**-aligned activities are expressed as a share of:

- turnover reflecting the share of revenue from green activities of investee companies
- capital expenditure (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy.
- operational expenditure (OpEx) reflecting green operational activities of investee companies.

☐ #1A ☐ Other
Sustainable environmental

[Include only relevant boxes, remove irrelevant ones for the financial product]



**#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.

[include the note below where the financial product commits to making 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 attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product? [for financial products that use derivatives as defined in Article 2(1), point (29), of Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 to attain the environmental or social characteristics they promote, describe how the use of those derivatives meets those characteristics].

The financial product tracks an ESG index and may replicate the performance of the index by the use of derivatives. Derivatives will only be used in case that a) the investment objective cannot be achieved by investments index components, in particular in order to reflect the performance of a currency hedge where a subfund replicates a currency-hedged index, or b) to generate efficiencies in gaining exposure to the constituents of the index, in particular where there are legal or practical obstacles to gaining direct access to a market to which the index refers.

The financial product may namely enter into a range of index related swaps (excluding funded swaps) and derivative instruments (futures, forwards, currency swaps, p-notes, options, warrants and foreign exchange contracts) in order to replicate the index.



To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy? [include a section for the financial products referred to in Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852 and include the graphical representation referred to in Article 15(1), point (a), of this Regulation, the description referred to in Article 15(1), point (b), of this Regulation, a clear explanation as referred to in Article 15(1), point (c), of this Regulation, a narrative explanation as referred to in Article 15(1), point (d), of this Regulation and the information referred to in Article 15(3) of this Regulation].

The minimum extent that investments underlying this financial product are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy is 0%.

[include note only for financial products referred to in Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/8521

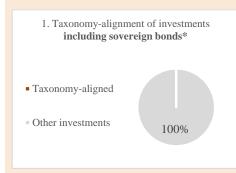
Enabling
activities directly
enable other
activities to make a
substantial
contribution to an
environmental
objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which low-carbon alternatives are not yet available and among others have greenhouse gas emission levels corresponding to the best performance.

[include note for financial products referred to in Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852 that invest in environmental economic activities that are not environmentally sustainable economic activities].

are
environmentally
sustainable
investments 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 Taxonomy-alignment 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? [include section for the financial products referred to in Article65, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852].

Not applicable



What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy? [include section only for the financial products referred to in Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852 where the financial product invests in economic activities that are not environmentally sustainable economic activities and explain why the financial product invests in sustainable investments with an environmental objective in economic activities that are not Taxonomy-aligned].

The financial product targets a minimum proportion of sustainable investment as stated in the asset allocation of this annex.



What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments? [include section only where the financial product includes sustainable investments with a social objective].

The financial product targets a minimum proportion of sustainable investment, these investments have both environmental and social objectives however there are no specific minimum proportions for each of these categories.



What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and are there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

Included in "#2 Other" are cash and unrated instruments for the purpose of liquidity and portfolio risk management relative to the benchmark weighting. This category may also include securities for which relevant data is not available.



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? [include section where an index has been designated as a reference benchmark for the purpose of attaining the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product and indicate where the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index can be found].

The Reference Benchmark designated for the purpose of attaining the sustainable objective of the financial product is the MSCI Japan Climate Paris Aligned Index (Net Return).

How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?

The financial product has initially selected the reference benchmark for its relevance to its investment strategy and the attainment of the characteristics it seeks to promote. The Index rebalances on a semi-annual basis. More details on the index methodology applied by the index provider can be found below.

How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis ?

The alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index is ensured on a continuous basis as the index provider rebalances the index on a regular basis and the Investment Manager will tracks the Index in line with the limits set out in the investment policy of Fund.

The financial product has initially selected the reference benchmark for its relevance to its investment strategy and the attainment of the characteristics it seeks to promote.

The investment strategy of the fund is to track the benchmark's return and its characteristics, including ESG characteristics, as closely as reasonably possible.

The investment strategy is to fully replicate the index and to minimize the tracking error. The investment manager reviews the index methodology when the product is set up and the Index provider may be contacted if the Index methodology is no long-er in line with the investment strategy of the financial product.

[include note for financial products where an index has been designated as a reference benchmark for the purpose of attaining the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product].

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the sustainable investment objective.

# How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index ?

The Index (MSCI Japan Climate Paris Aligned Index (Net Return)) is part of the MSCI Climate Paris Aligned Index series. The Index draws its constituents from the MSCI Japan Index (the "Parent Index"), being an equity index calculated, maintained and published by international index supplier MSCI® and denominated in USD. The Index tracks the total return net dividend performance of large and mid-capitalisation Japanese companies.

# Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found?

The methodology of the construction of the Index can be found in the fund supplement.

 $https://www.msci.com/eqb/methodology/meth\_docs/MSCI\_GIMIMethodology\_N ov 2022.pdf$ 

https://www.msci.com/eqb/methodology/meth\_docs/MSCI\_IndexCalcMethodology\_July2022.pdf



Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: [include a hyperlink to the website referred to in Article 23 of this Regulation].

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