

BlackRock Sustainable Fixed Income Strategies Fund

A sub-fund of BlackRock Strategic Funds

Class D2 GBP Hedged

ISIN: LU1117534401

Management Company: BlackRock (Luxembourg) S.A.

Objectives and Investment Policy

- ▶ The Fund aims to achieve positive returns on your investment through a combination of capital growth and income on the Fund's assets over a rolling three year period in a manner consistent with the principles of environmental, social and governance "ESG" focused investing.
- ▶ The Fund seeks to gain at least 70% investment exposure to fixed income (FI) securities and FI-related securities issued by, or giving exposure to, governments, government agencies, companies and supranationals (e.g. the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development) worldwide. The Fund may invest in FI securities including bonds as well as money market instruments (i.e. debt securities with short term maturities), FI-related securities including financial derivative instruments (FDIs) (i.e. investments the prices of which are based on one or more underlying assets), currency forwards (i.e. a type of FDI which locks in the price at which an entity can buy or sell a currency at a future date and where appropriate, deposits and cash).
- ▶ The Fund's total assets will be invested in accordance with its ESG Policy as disclosed in the Fund's ESG Policy in the Prospectus. For further details regarding the ESG characteristics (and the applicable levels) please refer to the prospectus, and for the EMEA Baseline Screens on the BlackRock website at <https://www.blackrock.com/corporate/literature/publication/blackrock-baseline-screens-in-europe-middleeast-and-africa.pdf>. In addition to such screens, the IA will seek to invest in "Sustainable Investments" as disclosed in the Prospectus. The Fund may also have indirect exposure (through, including but not limited to, FDIs and other funds) to issuers with exposures that are inconsistent with the IA's ESG analysis.
- ▶ The Fund may invest no more than 40% of the Fund's assets in FI securities which have a relatively low credit rating or which are unrated. The remainder will include investments which are investment grade (i.e. meet a specified level of credit worthiness) at the time of purchase.
- ▶ FDIs may be used to help achieve the Fund's investment objective. The Fund is actively managed and the IA has discretion to select the Fund's investments and is not constrained by any benchmark in this process. The ESTR Overnight should be used by shareholders to compare the performance of the Fund.
- ▶ Recommendation: This Fund may not be appropriate for short-term investment.
- ▶ Your shares will be non-distributing (i.e. dividend income will be included in their value).
- ▶ The Fund's base currency is Euro. Shares for this class are bought and sold in Sterling. The performance of your shares may be affected by this currency difference.
- ▶ Your shares will be "hedged" with the aim of reducing the effect of exchange rate fluctuations between their denominated currency and the base currency of the Fund. FDIs, including FX forward contracts, will be used for currency hedging purposes. The hedging strategy may not completely eliminate currency risk and, therefore, may affect the performance of your shares.
- ▶ You can buy and sell your shares daily. The minimum initial investment for this share class is US\$100,000 or other currency equivalent.

For more information on the Fund, share/unit classes, risks and charges, please see the Fund's prospectus, available on the product pages at www.blackrock.com

Risk and Reward Profile



- ▶ This indicator is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund.
- ▶ The risk category shown is not guaranteed and may change over time.
- ▶ The lowest category does not mean risk free.
- ▶ The Fund is rated three due to the nature of its investments which include the risks listed below. These factors may impact the value of the Fund's investments or expose the Fund to losses.
 - Changes to interest rates, credit risk and/or issuer defaults will have a significant impact on the performance of fixed income securities. Non-investment grade fixed income securities can be more sensitive to changes in these risks than higher rated fixed income securities. Potential or actual credit rating downgrades may increase the level of risk.

- Asset backed securities and mortgage backed securities are subject to the same risks described for fixed income securities. These instruments may be subject to 'Liquidity Risk', have high levels of borrowing and may not fully reflect the value of underlying assets.
- Derivatives may be highly sensitive to changes in the value of the asset on which they are based and can increase the size of losses and gains, resulting in greater fluctuations in the value of the Fund. The impact to the Fund can be greater where derivatives are used in an extensive or complex way.
- The Fund seeks to exclude companies engaging in certain activities inconsistent with ESG criteria. Investors should therefore make a personal ethical assessment of the Fund's ESG screening prior to investing in the Fund. Such ESG screening may adversely affect the value of the Fund's investments compared to a fund without such screening.
- ▶ Particular risks not adequately captured by the risk indicator include:
 - Counterparty Risk: The insolvency of any institutions providing services such as safekeeping of assets or acting as counterparty to derivatives or other instruments, may expose the Fund to financial loss.
 - Credit Risk: The issuer of a financial asset held within the Fund may not pay income or repay capital to the Fund when due.
 - Liquidity Risk: Lower liquidity means there are insufficient buyers or sellers to allow the Fund to sell or buy investments readily.

Charges

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

The entry and exit charges shown are maximum figures. In some cases you might pay less. Please refer to your financial advisor or the distributor for the actual entry and exit charges.

*Subject to a charge of up to 2% paid into the Fund where the Manager suspects excessive trading by an investor.

The ongoing charges figure is based on expenses for the twelve month period ending 29 December 2023. This figure may vary from year to year. It excludes portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian and any entry/exit charge paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

** To the extent the Fund undertakes securities lending to reduce costs, the Fund will receive 62.5% of the associated revenue generated and the remaining 37.5% will be received by BlackRock as the securities lending agent. As securities lending revenue sharing does not increase the costs of running the Fund, this has been excluded from the ongoing charges.

One-off charges taken before or after you invest	
Entry Charge	5.00%
Exit Charge	None*

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

Charges taken from the Fund over each year	
Ongoing Charges	0.87%**
Charges taken from the Fund under certain conditions	
Performance Fee	None

Past Performance

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

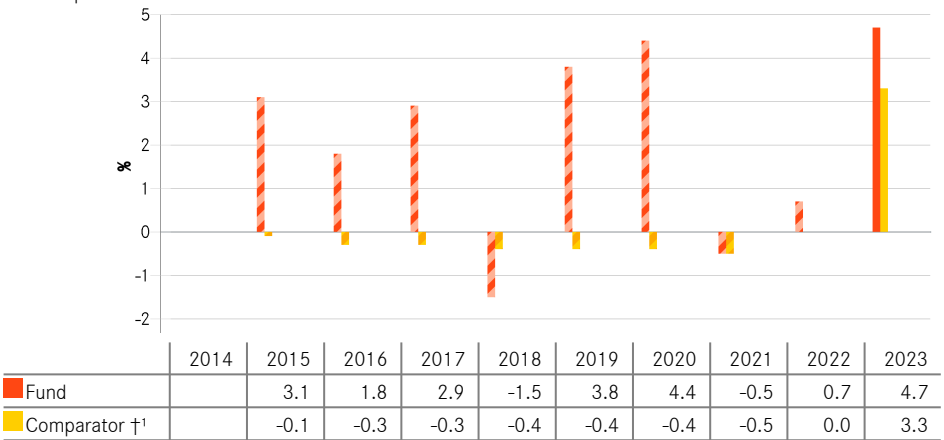
The chart shows the Fund's annual performance in GBP for each full calendar year over the period displayed in the chart. It is expressed as a percentage change of the Fund's net asset value at each year-end. The Fund was launched in 2009. The share class was launched in 2014.

Performance is shown after deduction of ongoing charges. Any entry/exit charges are excluded from the calculation.

†¹ Overnight ESTR (EUR)

Prior to 15.12.2021, the Fund used a different benchmark which is reflected in the benchmark data.

Historic performance to 31 December 2023



During this period performance was achieved under circumstances that no longer apply.

Practical Information

- The depositary of the Fund is State Street Bank International GmbH, Luxembourg Branch.
- Further information about the Fund can be obtained from the latest annual and half-yearly reports of the BlackRock Strategic Funds (BSF). These documents are available free of charge in English and certain other languages. These can be found, along with other information, such as share prices, on the BlackRock website at www.blackrock.com or by calling the International Investor Servicing team on +44 (0) 20 7743 3300.
- Investors should note that the tax legislation that applies to the Fund may have an impact on the personal tax position of your investment in the Fund.
- The Fund is a sub-fund of BSF, an umbrella structure comprising different sub-funds. This document is specific to the Fund and share class stated at the beginning of this document. However, the prospectus, annual and half-yearly reports are prepared for the umbrella.
- BSF 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 Fund's prospectus.
- Under Luxembourg law, BSF has segregated liability between its sub-funds (i.e. the Fund's assets will not be used to discharge the liabilities of other sub-funds within BSF). In addition, the Fund's assets are held separately from the assets of other sub-funds.
- Investors may switch their shares in the Fund for shares in another sub-fund within BSF, subject to meeting certain conditions as set out in the prospectus.
- The Remuneration Policy of the Management Company, which describes how remuneration and benefits are determined and awarded, and the associated governance arrangements, is available at www.blackrock.com/Remunerationpolicy or on request from the registered office of the Management Company.