#### **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.



# Global Short-Term Investment Grade Fixed Income Fund Share Class: GBP Distributing Shares (ISIN: IE00BFG1R668)

a sub fund of Dimensional Funds plc. This Fund is managed by Dimensional Ireland Limited.

# **Objectives & Investment Policy**

The aim is to maximise total returns from the universe of debt instruments in which the Fund invests. Total return seeks to generate both income and capital appreciation.

The Fund is actively managed which means that the Investment Manager is actively making investment decisions for the Fund. The Fund is not managed in reference to a benchmark.

The Fund invests in investment grade debt instruments such as, without limitation, bonds, commercial paper, bank and corporate debt.

A security will be considered by the Fund to be "investment grade" if it, or its issuer or guarantor, has a rating of BBB- or higher by Standard & Poor's, Baa3 or higher by Moody's Investors Service, Inc., BBB- or higher by Fitch, Inc., or has the equivalent or higher rating from another recognised credit rating agency.

The Fund will generally maintain an average duration of its investments to three years or less. This debt is issued by governments, other public bodies and companies from developed countries. In addition to investment grade instruments, the Fund may invest in unrated instruments which are deemed to be of similar quality. If the investments are downgraded below this level, they may be sold if in the best interests of the Fund.

The Fund will purchase debt in various currencies. The Fund will use

financial contracts or instruments (derivatives) to manage its exposure to these currencies.

The Fund will use derivatives in an attempt to protect your returns against exchange rate fluctuations between the currency of your share class and the base currency of the Fund (hedging).

The Fund may use financial contracts or instruments (derivatives) to manage risk, reduce costs or improve returns.

Income is normally distributed twice yearly.

You may sell your investment in the Fund on demand on a daily basis.

#### Risk and Reward Profile



The risk and reward category is calculated using historical data which may not be a reliable indicator of the Fund's future risk profile.

The risk and reward category may shift over time and is not a target or a guarantee.

The lowest category (i.e. Category 1) does not mean a risk-free investment. The Fund is in Category 3 because of the low range and frequency of price movements (volatility) of the underlying investments referenced by the Fund.

The following are additional risks not covered by the risk and reward category.

The Fund may invest up to 5% of its assets in other underlying funds. The Fund's performance, costs and risks will be affected by the underlying funds. There can be no assurance that an underlying fund will achieve its investment objective.

The Fund may invest in tradeable debt (bonds), the return on which depends on the issuer's ability or willingness to make its payments. There is a risk that the issuer will fail to do so. Although the Fund generally invests in bonds with high ratings, these ratings are subjective and a high rating does not guarantee an issuer's ability or willingness to pay.

The Fund will use derivatives for various reasons, including to try to reduce the effect of currency fluctuations between the currency of its assets and the base currency of the Fund. The effectiveness of any hedging strategy is not guaranteed to succeed and may prevent the Fund from benefitting from an increase in value of a particular currency. Derivatives can be a risky asset. They can be subject to risks such as counterparty, liquidity, interest rate, market, credit and management risks and improper valuation. The Fund, in turn, may be affected by this and the share price may fluctuate, which may

result in a loss to the Fund.

Fluctuations in interest rates may affect the value of your shares because the prices of bonds tend to move in the opposite direction of interest rates. When interest rates rise, the price of bonds fall. When interest rates fall, the price of bonds rise.

Tradeable debt (bonds) are interest rate sensitive, meaning that the range and frequency of price movements of the bonds may be significant due to various factors, including changes in interest rates, the creditworthiness of the bond issuer and the ease with which similar investments may be bought or sold (liquidity).

Where the Fund uses futures or forward foreign currency contracts (derivatives), it may become exposed to certain investment risks including leverage, market, mismatching of exposure and/or counterparty risk, liquidity, interest rate, credit and management risks and the risk of improper valuation. While the Fund is not expected to have exposure to leverage to a material degree, any movement in the price of these investments can have a significant impact on the value of the Fund and the Fund could lose more than the amount invested.

More information in relation to risks in general may be found in the "Risk Factors" section of the prospectus.



## Charges

The charges you pay 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.

One-off charges taken before or after you invest		The entry and exit charges shown are maximum figures. In some cases you
Entry charge	None	might pay less, you can find this out from your financial adviser or distributor.  The ongoing charges figure is based on expenses for the year ending November 2023. It may vary from year to year. It excludes portfolio
Exit charge	None	
This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it is invested (entry charge) and before the proceeds of your investment are paid out (exit charge).		transaction costs and performance fees, if any.  More detailed charges information may be found in the "Fees and Expenses" section of the prospectus.
Charges taken from the Fund over a year		No conversion fee will be charged by the Fund or the investment manager.
Ongoing charges	0.25%	
Charges taken from the Fund under certain specific conditions		
Performance fee	None	

#### **Past Performance**



Please be aware that past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

The fees for the ongoing Fund charges are included in the calculation of past performance. The entry/exit fees are excluded from the calculation of past performance.

The Fund was launched in 2014 and the share class was launched in 2014.

Past performance has been calculated in GBP.

### **Practical Information**

The depositary is State Street Custodial Services (Ireland) Limited.

Copies of the prospectus (which includes additional information relating to your investment), the latest annual reports and subsequent half-yearly reports (all in English), as well as other information (including the latest share prices) are available free of charge at www.dimensional.com.

Details of the up-to-date remuneration policy, including, but not limited to, a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated, the identity of persons responsible for awarding the remuneration and benefits, are available at www.dimensional.com. A hard copy version will be made available free of charge upon request.

The prospectus and the periodic reports are prepared for Dimensional Funds plc as a whole.

More share classes may be available for this Fund - please refer to the prospectus for further details. Please note that not all share classes may be registered for distribution in your jurisdiction. You may apply for shares in this Fund to be converted into shares of the same class in another fund of Dimensional Funds plc. For more information on how to convert your shares, please refer to the relevant section in the prospectus for further details.

The taxation regime applicable to the Fund in Ireland may affect your personal tax position.

Dimensional Ireland Limited 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 UCITS.

Dimensional Funds plc has a number of different funds. The assets and liabilities of each fund are segregated by law and your investment in the Fund should not be available to pay the liabilities of any other fund.

The Fund and its manager, Dimensional Ireland Limited, are authorised in Ireland and regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland. This key investor information is accurate as at 2-02-2024.