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BlackRock Strategic Funds

13 May 2024

Dear Shareholder

We continually review our fund range to ensure that the investment characteristics and positioning of our funds remain both relevant and consistent with the current investment environment and expectations of our clients. After careful consideration, the board of directors (the “**Directors**”) of BlackRock Strategic Funds (the “**Company**”) is writing to notify you of changes that will be made to certain sub-funds of the Company (the “**Funds**”).

The changes set out in this letter will take effect from 13 June 2024 (the “**Effective Date**”) and this letter forms notice to Shareholders of the facts set out below.

Terms not defined herein shall have the same meaning as set out in the Prospectus currently in force (available at www.blackrock.com).

Changes to the prospectus

Changes to the Net Asset Value and Price Determination

The section “Net Asset Value and Price Determination” will be amended:

- (i) to enhance the disclosures applicable to the valuation of assets held in the Funds, in particular regarding the valuation of foreign securities or assets as well as unlisted or over the counter derivatives. In addition, the section will be updated to clarify the role of the BlackRock EMEA Pricing Committee in the context of the performance and oversight of the pricing and valuation functions for the Funds.
- (ii) to amend the disclosure to make it more representative of the model by clarifying that the value of aggregated cash flows would be used as a reference point instead of the value of aggregate transactions in Shares, when assessing if there is any increase or decrease of the net asset value that would trigger the use of swing pricing.

Insertion of a new section “Japanese Tax Rules – Nippon Individual Savings Account (NISA) regulation”

A new section will be included in the Prospectus to clarify the specific requirements on financial derivatives for sub-funds which are or will be invested by Japanese NISA eligible funds (within the meaning of the NISA Regulation). In this context, it will be clarified that the Management Company intends to receive investments from NISA eligible funds which will impact the requirements regarding the use of derivatives as from the Effective Date. In this context, BlackRock Systematic ESG World Equity Fund will be listed under this new section.

Removal of references to contracts for difference (“CFDs”) throughout the Prospectus

References to CFDs will be removed to reflect the fact that CFDs are not used across BlackRock’s EMEA public funds and, where sometimes CFDs have been referred to colloquially, these are technically TRS rather than CFDs. This change will also be reflected in the investment policies of the relevant Funds, to clarify that no Funds make use of CFDs.

Update of some substitute benchmarks

Depending on the currency of the relevant share class, some substitute benchmarks used by the following Funds for the purpose of

calculating the High Watermark in the context of performance fee calculation, will be replaced with new appropriate rates in their relevant currency. Information in relation to the relevant benchmarks will be included under the paragraph "Benchmark currency". This change applies specifically to the BlackRock Global Event Driven Fund, BlackRock Health Sciences Absolute Return Fund and other Type A Funds.

BlackRock Dynamic Diversified Growth Fund

The "ESG Policy" section of the BlackRock Dynamic Diversified Growth Fund will be updated to clarify that the BlackRock EMEA Baseline Screens applied by the Fund apply to securities held directly by the Fund. This amendment is made for clarification only and has no impact on the way the Fund is managed or on the composition of the Fund' portfolio.

Other changes to the Prospectus

Other minor changes having no impact on your investment have been made to the Prospectus.

- ▶ The address of the Investment Adviser BlackRock Financial Management, Inc has been updated;
- ▶ The list of countries that make up the Eurozone has been updated;
- ▶ Other minor enhancements and amendments of disclosures were made to the Prospectus to reflect recent legal and regulatory developments.

Costs

The amendments described in this letter will not result in any change to the fees and expenses borne by the Funds and/or its Shareholders. The associated fees and expenses (e.g., mailing costs) will be paid by the Management Company out of the Annual Service Charge charged to the Funds. The changes will not materially prejudice the rights or interests of the Shareholders of the Funds.

Action to be taken by you

Shareholders are not required to take any action in relation to the changes described in this letter. If, however, you do not agree with them you may redeem your Shares free of any redemption charges for a period of one month following the date of this letter and at any time prior to the Effective Date, in accordance with the provisions of the Prospectus.

If you have any questions regarding the redemption process, please contact your local representative or the Investor Services Team (see details below). Any redemption of your shares may affect your tax position and you should consult your own professional advisers as to the implications of disposing of shares under the laws of the jurisdictions in which you may be subject to tax.

Redemption proceeds will be paid to Shareholders within three Business Days of the relevant Dealing Day, provided that the relevant documents (as described in the Prospectus) have been received.

General Information

Updated versions of the Prospectus will be available to download from our website (<https://www.blackrock.com/>) and in hard copy format free of charge from the Effective Date. Copies of the Company's articles of incorporation, annual and semi-annual reports are also available from our website and free of charge upon request from your local representative or the Investor Services Team at: Investor.services@blackrock.com, telephone: 00 44 (0)207 743 3300.

The Directors accept responsibility for the contents of this letter. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Directors (who have taken all reasonable care to ensure that this is the case) the information contained in this letter is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the impact of such information.

Yours faithfully



Denise Voss
Chairwoman