# BlackRock

Fund

#### 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 risks of investing in this Fund. You are advised to read it so you can make an informed decision about whether to invest.

## Coutts North America ESG Insights Equity

#### Class C Distributing GBP Hedged ISIN: IE0001NBN3Q5

Manager: BlackRock Asset Management Ireland Limited

#### A sub-fund of BlackRock Solutions Funds ICAV

#### **Objectives and Investment Policy**

- The Fund aims to achieve a total return on your investment, through a combination of capital growth and income on the Fund's assets, while seeking to maximise the opportunities and minimise the potential risks associated with certain environmental, social and governance (ESG) themes and considerations.
- The Fund seeks to achieve this by investing in equity securities (i.e. shares) of companies within the MSCI North America ESG Screened Select Index (Index) and instruments related thereto, including financial derivative instruments (FDIs) (i.e. investments whose prices are based on one or more underlying assets). The Fund may also invest in deposits and cash.
- The MSCI North America Index (Parent Index) measures the performance of large and mid-capitalisation stocks of the North America equity market. The Index aims to reflect a sub-set of equity securities within the Parent Index which remain after the index provider has excluded securities using pre-defined ESG screens, as disclosed in the prospectus. The Investment Manager (IM) uses the BlackRock Sustainable Investing Intelligence framework to evaluate and score companies based on certain ESG considerations determined by the IM to be material. This framework evaluates and scores companies based on 1) certain environmental considerations which are relevant to assess transition risks and opportunities associated with a low carbon economy, 2) social issues (how a company interacts with its internal and external stakeholders), and 3) their governance (how a company's corporate governance structures and behaviours make them better positioned to adapt to technological, social, environmental and regulatory change. The Fund will seek to have an increased exposure (relative to the Index) to companies with higher scores whilst also seeking to maintain a risk and return profile broadly similar to the Index. The IM also seeks to achieve a decarbonisation of the Fund's portfolio that broadly follows the goals of the Paris Climate Agreement through 1) a lower portfolio carbon emission intensity (CEI) for the Fund relative to the Parent Index, and 2) a year on year reduction in the CEI of the Fund's portfolio. However, there is no guarantee that these aims will be met, and the actual CEI of the Fund's portfolio may vary. CEI is a measure of a company's carbon emissions relative to its annual sales.
- The Fund may also have indirect exposure (through, including but not limited to, FDIs) to issuers with exposures that are inconsistent with these ESG related characteristics.
- The Fund is actively managed, meaning the IM has absolute discretion to choose the Fund's investments. In doing so, the IM will refer to the Index when constructing the Fund's portfolio and also for risk management purposes to ensure that the active risk (i.e. degree of deviation from the Index) taken by the Fund remains appropriate.
- ► The IM may use FDIs to reduce risk within the Fund's portfolio, reduce investment costs and generate additional income.
- ▶ The Fund may engage in short term secured lending of its investments to third parties as a means of generating additional income.
- ▶ Recommendation: This Fund may not be appropriate for short-term investment.
- > Your shares will be distributing shares (i.e. dividend income will be paid on the shares quarterly based on the income received on the Fund's assets).
- The Fund's base currency is US Dollar. 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 £200,000,000.
- 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



- The risk indicator was calculated incorporating simulated 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 six 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.
- Investment risk is concentrated in specific sectors, countries, currencies or companies. This means the Fund is more sensitive to any localised economic, market, political, sustainability-related or regulatory events.

- The value of equities and equity-related securities can be affected by daily stock market movements. Other influential factors include political, economic news, company earnings and significant corporate events.
- The benchmark index only excludes companies engaging in certain activities inconsistent with ESG criteria if such activities exceed the thresholds determined by the index provider. Investors should therefore make a personal ethical assessment of the benchmark index's ESG screening along with 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.

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 shown here is an estimate of the annualised charges. An estimate is being used because the Fund (or share class) was newly launched or it has been launched within the reported period. The Fund's annual report for each financial year will include detail on the exact charges made.

#### Past Performance

Past performance is not a guide to future

One-off charges taken before or after you invest	
Entry Charge	None
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	0.07%
Charges taken from the Fund under certain condition	S

None

Performance Fee

#### performance. The Fund was launched in 2024. The share class was launched in 2024.

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

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#### Practical Information

- ▶ The depositary of the Fund is The Bank of New York Mellon SA/NV, Dublin Branch.
- ► Further information about the Fund can be obtained from the latest annual report and half-yearly reports of the BlackRock Solutions Funds ICAV. These documents are available free of charge in English. 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 Fund is subject to the tax legislation of Ireland and this may have an impact on the personal tax position of your investment in the Fund.
- The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Solutions Funds ICAV, 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.
- BlackRock Asset Management 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 Fund's Prospectus.
- Under Irish law, BlackRock Solutions Funds ICAV 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 BlackRock Solutions Funds ICAV). 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 BlackRock Solutions Funds ICAV, 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.

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