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**BLACKROCK FIXED INCOME DUBLIN FUNDS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY**

*(An investment company with variable capital having segregated liability between its Funds incorporated with limited liability in Ireland under registration number 401100)  
(the “Company”)*

**NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING  
of the Shareholders of  
iShares ESG Screened Euro Corporate Bond Index Fund (IE)  
(the “Sub-Fund”)**

**ISINs**

IE0004CHBH17
IE000KDUZ506
IE00029JTMU3
IE00BJP13018
IE00BJP12Y80

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**If you have sold or transferred your units in the Sub-Fund please pass this document at once to the purchaser or transferee or to the stockbroker, bank or other agent through whom the sale or transfer was effected, for transmission to the purchaser or transferee as soon as possible.**

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9 November 2023

Dear Shareholder

BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited (the “**Investment Manager**”) regularly reviews the funds on which it advises in order to ensure that each fund is meeting its investment objective and remains relevant in the current market.

As advised by the Investment Manager, we as the Board of Directors of the Company (the “**Directors**”) are writing to notify you of a proposal to change the investment objective and policy of the Sub-Fund as detailed below and notify you of the calling of an Extraordinary General Meeting (“**EGM**”) in relation to this proposal.

### **Recommendation**

The Directors believe that the resolution to be proposed at the EGM (the “**Resolution**”) is in the best interests of Shareholders in the Sub-Fund and, accordingly, the Directors recommend that you vote in favour of the Resolution.

### **Proposal to change the investment objective and policy of the Sub-Fund**

The current investment objective of the Sub-Fund is to provide Shareholders with a total return, taking into account both capital and income returns, which reflects the total return of the Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Corporate Index (the “**Current Index**”).

In order to achieve this objective, the investment policy of the Sub-Fund is to invest in the fixed income securities that predominantly make up the Current Index (which comprises corporate bonds), which are then screened using the BlackRock EMEA baseline screens to exclude certain investments.

It is now proposed, subject to Shareholder consent, that the Sub-Fund will replace the Current Index with a new benchmark index which incorporates ESG screening, namely the iBoxx MSCI ESG EUR Corporates Index (the “**iBoxx Index**”).

Corresponding updates to the investment policy of the Sub-Fund, as disclosed in the Prospectus and set out at Appendix 1, are now proposed.

The Sub-Fund is currently categorised as an Article 8 fund under the EU Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2019/2088) (the “**SFDR**”), i.e. a fund that promotes environmental and/or social characteristics provided that companies in which the investments are made follow good governance practices as further detailed in the investment policy of the Sub-Fund. The Sub-Fund shall continue to be categorised as an Article 8 fund following the implementation of the proposed changes.

Provided the changes set out in this letter are approved by a majority of the votes validly cast by Shareholders in the Sub-Fund who attend (in person or by proxy) and vote at the EGM it will be effected on (or around) 15 March 2024 (the “**Effective Date**”) and will be binding on all Shareholders in the Sub-Fund (whether or not they voted in favour of it, or voted at all). If the requisite majority of the votes validly cast in favour of the proposal is not achieved, the Sub-Fund will continue to operate as it does currently. Please see Appendix 1 for full details of the proposal.

### *Rationale for the proposed change*

The changes proposed in this letter seek to better align the Sub-Fund with the evolving expectations of Shareholders and future clients who have expressed a preference for enhanced ESG screening methodologies.

The replacement of the Current Index with the iBoxx Index, will allow for the implementation of ESG related screening at the index level as the Sub-Fund will invest in the fixed income securities that predominantly make up the iBoxx Index. This method of ESG screening will result in the application of a more comprehensive level of screening. In addition it is expected that the change of benchmark will generate greater efficiencies in the investment process due to a tighter tracking error.

### *Impact of Change*

As a result of this change, the Sub-Fund's anticipated tracking error will change from 0.3% to 0.25%.

### **Extraordinary General Meeting of iShares ESG Screened Euro Corporate Bond Index Fund (IE) (the "Sub-Fund")**

Attached in Appendices 2 and 3 to this circular are the Notice of an EGM of the Shareholders of the Sub-Fund and a form of proxy for use by those Shareholders who are unable to attend the EGM (or any adjournment thereof) and who may wish to vote on the Resolution.

Please note that you are only entitled to vote at the EGM if you are a Shareholder in the Sub-Fund. If you have invested in the Sub-Fund through a broker/dealer/other intermediary, please contact this entity or its relevant proxy voting agent to confirm your right to vote and / or to provide voting instructions.

Terms not defined herein shall have the same meaning as set out in the prospectus dated 1 November 2023 (available at [www.blackrock.com](http://www.blackrock.com)) (the "**Prospectus**").

### **Resolution**

The proposed change to the Sub-Fund's investment objective and policy require the passing of the Resolution at the EGM. The Resolution is an ordinary resolution and therefore require a majority of the votes validly cast in favour of the proposals. It is therefore important that you exercise your right to vote.

The result of the EGM (including confirmation of any adjournment) will be available on the relevant product pages at [www.blackrock.com](http://www.blackrock.com) and will be available from your usual BlackRock representative on the next business day following the EGM (or any adjournment thereof).

### **Costs**

The portfolio realignment costs for implementing the change will be paid by the Sub-Fund. Such costs may vary depending on market conditions, but generally are not expected to exceed 0.10%. The changes described in this notice however, will not result in an increase to the current ongoing costs currently disclosed in the Prospectus for holders of any class of shares of the Sub-Fund.

BlackRock will pay the costs of mailing shareholders, holding the EGM (and any adjournment thereof) and any additional operational costs related to the proposed change.

### **Further information**

This circular includes the following appendices:

- Appendix 1            Proposed changes to the Sub-Fund
- Appendix 2            Notice of EGM
- Appendix 3            Form of Proxy

Should you have any queries about the contents of this circular, please contact your usual BlackRock representative. If you are uncertain how to respond to this document, you should consult a professional adviser.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be a stylized name, possibly 'R. O. O.', written over a horizontal line.

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For and on behalf of  
BlackRock Fixed Income Dublin Funds plc

## APPENDIX 1

### PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE SUB-FUND

	Current position	Proposed position
<b>Change subject to shareholder approval</b>		
Investment objective	The investment objective of the Fund is to provide Shareholders with a total return, taking into account both capital and income returns, which reflects the total return of the Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Corporate Index, the Fund's Benchmark Index.	The investment objective of the Fund is to provide Shareholders with a total return, taking into account both capital and income returns, which reflects the total return of the iBoxx MSCI ESG EUR Corporates Index, the Fund's Benchmark Index.
Benchmark Index	Bloomberg Euro Aggregate Corporate Index	iBoxx MSCI ESG EUR Corporates Index
Investment policy (extract)	In order to achieve this objective, the investment policy of the Fund is to invest in the fixed income securities that predominantly make up the Fund's Benchmark Index (which comprises corporate bonds) whilst employing an ESG policy as described below. The Fund's investments will normally be listed or traded on Regulated Markets in the European Union but may alternatively be listed or traded on other Regulated Markets. The Fund may also invest in other fixed income securities (such as bonds issued by EMU and non-EMU governments and government agencies and supranational bonds domiciled in and outside the European Union) in order to achieve a similar return to the Fund's Benchmark Index in a cost efficient manner.	In order to achieve this objective, the investment policy of the Fund is to invest in fixed income securities that predominantly make up the Fund's Benchmark Index (which comprises corporate bonds) and comply with the Benchmark Index's socially responsible investment ("SRI") requirements and/or ESG ratings and criteria. The Fund's investments will normally be listed or traded on Regulated Markets in the European Union but may alternatively be listed or traded on other Regulated Markets. The Fund may also invest in other fixed income securities (such as bonds issued by EMU and non-EMU governments and government agencies and supranational bonds domiciled in and outside the European Union) in order to achieve a similar return to the Fund's Benchmark Index in a cost efficient manner.
	All fixed income securities in which the Fund invests will be investment grade rated by Moody's, Standard & Poor's Corporation or Fitch Ratings at the time of purchase or are deemed by the Investment Manager to be of an equivalent rating. If the credit ratings of such fixed income securities are downgraded, the Fund may continue to hold the affected fixed income securities for a period of time, at the discretion of the Investment Manager, in order to avoid a distressed sale of the downgraded security. The Fund	All fixed income securities in which the Fund invests will be investment grade rated by Moody's, Standard & Poor's Corporation or Fitch Ratings at the time of purchase or are deemed by the Investment Manager to be of an equivalent rating. If the credit ratings of such fixed income securities are downgraded, the Fund may continue to hold the affected fixed income securities for a period of time, at the discretion of the Investment Manager, in order to avoid a distressed sale of the downgraded security. In addition the

	<p>may also, subject to the conditions set out in Appendix III of the Prospectus and the UCITS Regulations, invest in other collective investment schemes and/or other Funds of the Company to assist in achieving the total return of the Fund's Benchmark Index by giving exposure to the instruments described in this investment policy.</p>	<p>Fund's direct investments will, at the time of purchase, comply with the SRI requirements and/or ESG ratings and criteria of the Benchmark Index. The Fund may hold securities which do not comply with the ESG requirements of the Benchmark Index until such time as the relevant securities cease to form part of the Benchmark Index and it is possible and practicable (in the Investment Manager's view) to liquidate the position. The Fund may also, subject to the conditions set out in Appendix III of the Prospectus and the UCITS Regulations, invest in other collective investment schemes and/or other Funds of the Company to assist in achieving the total return of the Fund's Benchmark Index by giving exposure to the instruments described in this investment policy.</p>
	<p>Governance checks are incorporated into the Fund's strategy by way of excluding issuers based on an ESG controversy score (which measures an issuer's involvement in ESG related controversies) and also the exclusion of companies that are classified as violating United Nations Global Compact principles.</p>	<p>The Benchmark Index incorporates governance checks by way of excluding direct investments in issuers based on an ESG controversy score (which measures an issuer's involvement in ESG related controversies) and also the exclusion of companies that are classified as violating United Nations Global Compact principles.</p>
	<p>The Fund's Benchmark Index is comprised of fixed rate bonds with maturities over one year. Where the time to final maturity of bonds in the Benchmark Index falls below one year, the Fund may continue to hold such bonds, at the discretion of the Investment Manager. The Fund's Benchmark Index measures the performance of investment grade fixed income securities denominated in Euro and which pay income according to a fixed rate of interest. These may be issued or guaranteed by corporate issuers in the industrial, utility and financial sectors and are issued in the Eurobond and Eurozone markets (regardless of the domicile of the issuer). The Benchmark Index rebalances on a monthly basis. Details of the Benchmark Index (including its constituents) are available on the index provider's website at <a href="https://www.bloomberg.com/professional/product/indices/bloomberg-fixed-income-indices/#/ucits">https://www.bloomberg.com/professional/product/indices/bloomberg-fixed-income-indices/#/ucits</a>.</p>	<p>The Fund's Benchmark Index is comprised of fixed rate bonds with maturities over one year. Where the time to final maturity of bonds in the Benchmark Index falls below one year, the Fund may continue to hold such bonds, at the discretion of the Investment Manager. The Fund's Benchmark Index measures the performance of investment grade fixed income securities denominated in Euro and which pay income according to a fixed rate of interest. These may be issued or guaranteed by corporate issuers in the industrial, utility and financial sectors and are denominated in Euro regardless of the domicile of the issuer. The Benchmark Index rebalances on a monthly basis. Details of the Benchmark Index (including its constituents) are available on the index provider's website at <a href="http://www.spglobal.com/www.markit.com/Company/Files/DownloadFiles?CMSID=576337447f814abf849082efeb308c96">http://www.spglobal.com/www.markit.com/Company/Files/DownloadFiles?CMSID=576337447f814abf849082efeb308c96</a>.</p>

	<p><b>Additional Information: ESG Policy</b></p> <p>The Investment Manager will, in addition to the investment criteria set out above, take into account environmental, social and governance (“ESG”) characteristics when selecting the investments to be held directly by the Fund. The Investment Manager applies the BlackRock EMEA Baseline Screens as described in Appendix IX.</p> <p>To undertake this analysis, the Investment Manager may use data provided by one or more external ESG research providers and/or proprietary models. Such proprietary models used by the Investment Manager may be based on data generated by the dedicated internal research process of the Investment Manager.</p> <p>As part of the Fund’s ESG Policy, the Investment Manager excludes issuers which have a ‘red’ MSCI ESG controversy flag (based on an MSCI controversy score). An MSCI controversy score measures an issuer’s involvement (or alleged involvement) in serious controversies based on an assessment of an issuer’s operations and/or products which are deemed to have a negative ESG impact. An MSCI controversy score may consider involvement in adverse impact activities in relation to environmental issues such as biodiversity and land use, energy and climate change, water stress, toxic emissions and waste issues. An MSCI controversy score may also consider involvement in adverse impact activities in relation to social issues such as human rights, labour management relations, discrimination and workforce diversity.</p> <p><b>Additional Information: Use of Benchmark Index</b></p> <p>The tracking by the Fund of the performance of the iShares ESG Screened Euro Corporate Bond Index Fund (IE) is passively managed and is designed to provide investors with a selected exposure to its Benchmark Index as described in its objective and</p>	<p><b>Benchmark Index</b></p> <p>The iBoxx MSCI ESG EUR Corporates Index measures the performance of fixed-rate, investment-grade Euro denominated corporate bonds that are issued by companies that meet the index provider’s ESG ratings, based on a series of exclusionary and ratings based criteria.</p> <p>The Benchmark Index includes investment-grade bonds (based on the index provider’s rating which considers the ratings of the credit rating agencies Fitch, Moody’s and Standard &amp; Poor’s) that have a remaining time to maturity of at least one year at rebalancing and a minimum amount outstanding of €500 million.</p> <p>The Benchmark Index excludes issuers that have an MSCI ESG rating of BB or lower. An MSCI ESG rating is designed to measure an issuer’s resilience to long-term, industry material ESG risks and how well it manages those ESG risks relative to industry peers. The MSCI ESG rating methodology provides greater transparency and understanding of the ESG characteristics of issuers, identifying issuers with a strong MSCI ESG ratings as issuers that may be better positioned for future ESG-related challenges and that may experience fewer ESG-related controversies.</p> <p>The Benchmark Index excludes issuers that are involved in the following business lines/activities: alcohol, tobacco, gambling, adult entertainment, genetically modified organisms, nuclear power, nuclear weapons, conventional weapons, civilian firearms, controversial weapons, thermal coal, unconventional oil and gas extraction (including oil sands and oil shale), fossil fuel reserves ownership. Issuers not in compliance with the United Nations Global Compact principles are excluded from the Benchmark Index. The Benchmark Index excludes issuers based on a definition of what constitutes “involvement” in each restricted activity, which may be based on percentage of revenue, a defined total revenue threshold, or any connection to a restricted activity</p>
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	<p>policy, which may generate a modest positive or negative tracking difference. The Benchmark Index is not used to support the Fund's ESG Policy. The application of the Fund's ESG Policy by the Investment Manager is actively managed.</p>	<p>regardless of the amount of revenue received.</p> <p>The Benchmark Index excludes issuers with a MSCI ESG Controversies score of less than 1 pursuant to ESG principles which measure each issuer's involvement in major ESG controversies. An MSCI controversy score measures an issuer's involvement (or alleged involvement) in serious controversies based on an assessment of an issuer's operations and/or products which are deemed to have a negative ESG impact. An MSCI controversy score may consider involvement in adverse impact activities in relation to environmental issues such as biodiversity and land use, energy and climate change, water stress, toxic emissions and waste issues. An MSCI controversy score may also consider involvement in adverse impact activities in relation to social issues such as human rights, labour management relations, discrimination and workforce diversity.</p> <p>Therefore, issuers must have a minimum MSCI ESG rating of BBB, a minimum ESG Controversies score of 1 and meet the SRI screen requirements to be considered eligible for inclusion as new constituents in the Benchmark Index at each rebalancing. Issuers that no longer maintain a minimum MSCI ESG rating of BBB, a minimum ESG Controversies score of 1 and meet the SRI screen requirements will be excluded from the Benchmark Index at the next rebalance.</p> <p>The Benchmark Index is market-value-weighted and rebalances on a monthly basis to take into account changes to the investable universe of the Benchmark Index in addition to applying the ratings and exclusionary screenings described above.</p>
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## Appendix 2

**BLACKROCK FIXED INCOME DUBLIN FUNDS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY**  
**NOTICE OF THE EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF**  
**iShares ESG Screened Euro Corporate Bond Index Fund (IE)**

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NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the shareholders of iShares ESG Screened Euro Corporate Bond Index Fund (IE) (the “**Sub-Fund**”) will be held at the offices of Apex, Block 5, Irish Life Centre, Abbey Street Lower, Dublin 1, Ireland on 14 February 2024 at 10:15 a.m. (or any adjournment thereof) for the purposes of transacting the following business:

### **Resolution**

**All Shareholders:** To consider, and if thought fit, pass the following ordinary resolution by a simple majority of the votes validly cast by the Shareholders of iShares ESG Screened Euro Corporate Bond Index Fund (IE) present in person or by proxy at the Extraordinary General Meeting:-

- “That the investment objective and policy of the iShares ESG Screened Euro Corporate Bond Index Fund (IE) be changed in the manner set out in Appendix 1 to the notice for the meeting, dated 9 November 2023, to the shareholders of the iShares ESG Screened Euro Corporate Bond Index Fund (IE).”

By order of the Board



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**APEX GROUP CORPORATE ADMINISTRATION SERVICES IRELAND LIMITED**  
**SECRETARY**

## Notes applicable to the EGM

### Quorum

1. The required quorum at the meeting is two shareholders entitled to vote upon the business to be transacted, each being a member or a proxy for a member, or a duly authorised representative of a corporate member. If a quorum is not present within half an hour from the appointed time for the meeting, or if during a meeting a quorum ceases to be present, the meeting shall stand adjourned to 21 February 2024 at the same time and place, or to such other day and at such other time and place as the Directors may determine. At the adjourned meeting, if a quorum is not present within half an hour from the time appointed for holding the meeting, then the meeting, if convened otherwise than by resolution of the Directors, shall be dissolved, but if the meeting shall have been convened by resolution of the Directors, any member or members present at the meeting shall be a quorum.

### Entitlement to attend and vote

2. The Company specifies that only those members registered in the register of members of the Sub-Fund at 10:15 a.m. on 12 February 2024 or, if the EGM is adjourned, at 10:15 a.m. on the day that is two days prior to the adjourned meeting (the "**Record Date**"), shall be entitled to attend, speak, ask questions and vote at the EGM, or if relevant, any adjournment thereof and may only vote in respect of the number of shares registered in their name at that time. Changes to the register of members after the Record Date shall be disregarded in determining the right of any person to attend and/or vote at the EGM or any adjournment thereof.

### Appointment of proxies

3. A member entitled to attend, speak, ask questions and vote at the EGM is entitled to appoint a proxy as an alternate to attend, speak and vote instead of him/her and may appoint more than one proxy to attend on the same occasion in respect of shares held in different securities accounts. A member acting as an intermediary on behalf of one or more clients may grant a proxy to each of its clients or their nominees and such intermediary may cast votes attaching to some of the shares differently from other shares held by it. The appointment of a proxy will not preclude a member from attending, speaking, asking questions and voting at the meeting or at any adjournment thereof should the member subsequently wish to do so. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. If you wish to appoint more than one proxy, please contact the Company Secretary, Apex, Block 5, Irish Life Centre, Abbey Street Lower, Dublin 1, Ireland by telephone on + 353 (01) 411 2949 or by email to [cosecfunds@apexgroup.com](mailto:cosecfunds@apexgroup.com) during normal business hours.
3. A form of proxy is enclosed with this Notice of EGM. To be effective, the form of proxy duly completed and executed, together with a copy of the power of attorney or other authority under which it is executed must be:
  - a. mailed to or deposited at the office of the Company Secretary, Apex, Block 5, Irish Life Centre, Abbey Street Lower, Dublin 1, Ireland; or
  - b. emailed to [cosecfunds@apexgroup.com](mailto:cosecfunds@apexgroup.com) provided the original signed form is sent immediately by post to the above mentioned address

so as to be received no later than 48 hours before the time appointed for the EGM or any adjournment thereof or (in the case of a poll taken otherwise than at or on the same day as the EGM or adjourned EGM) at least 48 hours before the taking of the poll at which it is to be used. Any alteration to the form of proxy must be initialled by the person who signs it. Deposit of the form of proxy shall not preclude a member from attending and voting at the EGM or at any adjournment thereof. The form of proxy shall be valid, unless the contrary is stated therein, as well for any adjournment of the EGM as for the EGM to which it relates.

5. In addition to note 4 above and subject to the Articles of Association of the Company and provided it is received at least 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the EGM or any adjournment thereof or (in the case of a poll taken otherwise than at or on the same day as the EGM or adjourned EGM) at least 48 hours before the taking of the poll at which it is to be used, the appointment of a proxy may also:
  - a. mailed to or deposited at the office of the Company Secretary, Apex, Block 5, Irish Life Centre, Abbey Street Lower, Dublin 1, Ireland; or; or
  - b. emailed to [cosecfunds@apexgroup.com](mailto:cosecfunds@apexgroup.com) entering the company name.
6. In the case of a corporation, the form of proxy must be either executed under its common seal, signed on its behalf by a duly authorised officer or attorney.

### **Voting rights and total number of issued shares in the Company**

7. As a member, you have several ways of exercising your vote; (a) by attending the EGM in person or (b) by appointing a proxy to vote on your behalf. In the case of joint holders the vote of the senior who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint holders and for this purpose seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names stand in the register of members in respect of the joint holding.
8. On a vote on a show of hands, every member present in person and every proxy has one vote (but no individual shall have more than one vote). On a poll every member shall have one vote for every share carrying rights of which he/she is the holder.
9. Where a poll is taken at an EGM any member, present or by proxy, holding more than one share is not obliged to cast all his/her votes in the same way.
10. Ordinary resolutions require to be passed by a simple majority of members voting in person or by proxy. Special resolutions require a majority of not less than 75% of votes cast by those who vote either in person or in proxy to be passed. The Resolution being proposed at the EGM is an Ordinary Resolution.
11. On any other business which may properly come before the EGM, or any adjournment thereof, and whether procedural or substantive in nature (including without limitation any motion to amend a resolution or adjourn the meeting) not specified in this Notice of EGM, the proxy will act at his/her discretion.

**Appendix 3**

**BLACKROCK FIXED INCOME DUBLIN FUNDS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY**

**iShares ESG Screened Euro Corporate Bond Index Fund (IE)  
(the "Sub-Fund")**

**FORM OF PROXY**

\*I/We \_\_\_\_\_

of \_\_\_\_\_

(See Note A) being a shareholder of the Sub-Fund hereby appoint the Chairman of the meeting (or failing him any one Director of BlackRock Asset Management Ireland Limited (the "Manager") or failing one of them any representative of Apex, the Company Secretary of the Company, or failing one of them any representative from BlackRock's Fund Board Governance Group)

or\* \_\_\_\_\_ (see Note B)

as \*my/our proxy to vote for \*me/us and on \*my/our behalf at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the shareholders of the Sub-Fund to be held at the offices of Apex, Block 5, Irish Life Centre, Abbey Street Lower, Dublin 1, Ireland on 14 February 2024 at 10:15 a.m. and at any adjournment thereof.

Please indicate with an "X" in the space below how you wish your votes to be cast in respect of the Resolution. If no specific direction as to voting is given the proxy will vote or abstain from voting at his/her discretion.

<b>RESOLUTION shareholders)</b>	<b>(all</b>	<b>FOR</b>	<b>AGAINST</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
That the investment objective and policy of the iShares ESG Screened Euro Corporate Bond Index Fund (IE) be changed in the manner set out in Appendix 1 to the notice of the meeting, dated 9 November 2023, to the Shareholders of the iShares ESG Screened Euro Corporate Bond Index Fund (IE).				

Date: 2023 / 2024

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**Signed / For and on behalf of**

**PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME OR THE NAME OF THE CORPORATION YOU ARE EXECUTING THIS FORM ON BEHALF OF AND YOUR ADDRESS UNDERNEATH**

\_\_\_\_\_ (Print Name)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Print address)

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\*Delete as appropriate

Notes:

- (a) A shareholder must insert his/her full name and registered address in type or block letters. In the case of joint accounts the names of all holders must be stated.
- (b) If you desire to appoint a proxy other than the Chairman of the meeting, a director of the Company or any representative of Apex as the Company Secretary, or any representative of BlackRock Asset Management Ireland Limited as the Manager then please insert his/her name and address in the space provided.
- (c) The Form of Proxy must:-
  - (i) in the case of an individual shareholder be signed by the shareholder or his/her attorney; and
  - (ii) in the case of a corporate shareholder be given either under its common seal or signed on its behalf by an attorney or by a duly authorised officer of the corporate shareholder.
- (d) In the case of joint holders the vote of the senior who tenders a vote whether in person or by proxy shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint holders and for this purpose seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names stand in the register of members in respect of the joint holding.
- (e) A corporation being a shareholder may authorise such person as it thinks fit to act as representative at any meeting of shareholders and the person so authorised shall be entitled to vote as if it were an individual shareholder.
- (f) To be valid, the Form of Proxy and any powers of attorney under which they are signed must be received by the Company Secretary at Apex, Block 5, Irish Life Centre, Abbey Street Lower, Dublin 1, Ireland not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the meeting. Shareholders may email their signed Form of Proxy to [cosecfunds@apexgroup.com](mailto:cosecfunds@apexgroup.com) provided the original signed form is sent immediately by post to the above mentioned address. Any proxy form deposited less than 48 hours before the time of the meeting may be treated as valid at the discretion of the Directors.
- (g) A proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company but must attend the meeting in person, or any adjourned meeting, to represent you.