## **KEY INVESTOR INFORMATION**

# **Manulife Global Fund**

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

#### Sustainable Asia Equity Fund a sub-fund of Manulife Global Fund Class I5 Acc LU2225682421

Management Company: Manulife Investment Management (Ireland) Limited

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

Sustainable Asia Equity Fund aims to achieve capital growth by investing at least 80% of its net assets in equity and equity related securities of companies incorporated , located, listed or with significant business interests in Asia, including Australia, and New Zealand, that have been identified as demonstrating strong or improving sustainability attributes. Such equity and equity related securities include common stocks, preferred stocks, REITs and depositary receipts. The Sub-Fund will invest less than 30% of its net assets in REITs. Sustainability attributes may include, or be defined or characterized by the Investment Manager as, but are not limited to, an issuer's performance on and management of certain environmental factors, such as climate change and natural resource use; social factors, such as labour standards and diversity considerations; and governance factors, such as board composition and business ethics ("ESG"). Issuers with improving sustainability attributes are those that the Investment Manager considers demonstrate awareness and commitment to ESG issues, while issuers with strong sustainability attributes are those that the Investment Manager considers demonstrate on and management of ESG issues compared to their peers. In order to select securities of companies with strong or improving sustainability attributes, the Investment Manager will adhere to a process of ESG integration, an exclusion framework, applying ESG rankings, and active stewardship. The

Sub-Fund shall adhere to an exclusion framework where certain companies are not considered permissible for investment.

This includes screening out companies, where possible, which are considered by the third party data provider(s) used by the Investment Manager to be in violation of the Ten Principles of the United Nations Global Compact. This also includes companies with products or within industries that are considered by the Investment Manager to be unsustainable or associated with significant environmental or social risks. The Investment Manager will assign each potential company with one of seven ESG rankings ranging from "Laggard" to "Leader" based on the Investment Manager's assessment of the company's performance on and management of ESG issues, in consideration of and/or in reference to a number of industry principles and standards including the principles of financial materiality as outlined by the Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB).

Companies with the two lowest rankings (i.e. "Laggard" or "Very Risky") are not eligible for investment in the portfolio, while companies with higher rankings will likely have a larger exposure within the portfolio. This allows the Investment Manager to build on the exclusion framework and ESG integration to provide a positive tilt to the portfolio, thus enabling the Investment Manager to enhance exposure to companies with stronger sustainability

#### **Risk and Reward Profile**

Lower	risk
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Higher risk

Typically lower rewards					Typically	higher re	wards
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

The risk indicator above is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Share Class. The risk category shown is not guaranteed and may change over time. The risk indicator is a measure of the Share Class' price movement (volatility) over time, and shall help investors understand the possibilities for losses or for gains that may affect their investment. A Share Class with the lowest risk rating does not mean a 'risk-free' investment.

This Share Class is in category **6** as it invests in Asian equity securities; these investments have shown high price fluctuations historically. The value of the Share Class may rise and fall accordingly.

In addition to the risk indicator, the Sub-Fund may also be subject to the following risks: Investment Risk: The Sub-Fund's investment portfolio may fall in value due to any of the key risk factors below and therefore your investment in the Sub-Fund may suffer losses. Equity Market Risk: The Sub-Fund's investment in equity securities is subject to general market risks, whose value may fluctuate due to various factors, such as changes in investment sentiment, political and economic conditions and issuer-specific factors.

Geographical Concentration Risk: The concentration of the Sub-Fund's investments in equity securities of companies related to the PRC, South Korea or Taiwan may result in greater volatility than portfolios which comprise broad-based global investments.

**Political and Regulatory Risk:** Changes to government policies or legislation in the markets in which the Sub-Fund invests may adversely affect the stability of such markets, limiting the repatriation of foreign capital or the availability of legal redress through the courts. Investments in certain markets may also require the procurement of a substantial number of licences, regulatory consents or approvals. This could adversely affect the value of investments in the Sub-Fund.

**Risks Relating to Sustainable Investing:** Since the Sub-Fund invests primarily in issuers demonstrating particular sustainability characteristics, this carries the risk that, under certain market conditions, the Sub-Fund may perform differently compared to funds that do not utilize a sustainable investment strategy. Such sustainable investment strategy may affect

attributes in addition to minimizing exposure to those companies with weaker sustainability attributes.

Using the exclusion framework and the ESG rankings, the Investment Manager will (i) screen out companies and remove the issuers in the two lowest ranking categories (which comprise at least 20% of the investment universe); (ii) select issuers which are determined by the Investment Manager to indicate strong or improving sustainability attributes; and (iii) construct a portfolio with ESG rankings that are better than the ESG rankings of the investment universe after applying (i) above. As part of the investment process of the Sub-Fund, the Investment Manager will then apply active stewardship to the selected securities through engagement and proxy voting to encourage improvement of sustainability attributes.

The Sub-Fund may invest directly in certain China A shares listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange or the Shenzhen Stock Exchange via the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect programme or the Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect programme respectively. In any event where the Sub-Fund invests in China A shares, it is expected that the Sub-Fund will not hold 30% or more of its net assets in China A shares.

The Sub-Fund may use financial derivative instruments, which are financial instruments linked to the value of underlying assets. Derivatives may be used for the purposes of managing risk and to manage the Sub-Fund more efficiently. No dividends will be paid in respect of this Share Class.

The Sub-Fund pursues an actively managed investment strategy and uses the MSCI AC Asia Ex Japan NR USD index as a Benchmark for performance comparison purposes only. The Investment Manager will invest in an unconstrained manner, relative to the Benchmark, under normal market conditions and has the discretion to invest in securities not included in the Benchmark. From time to time, depending on market conditions and the Investment Manager's forward-looking expectations, the Sub-Fund's investment strategy may invest in a universe of securities that are similar to that of the constituents of and, as a result, have characteristics similar to the Benchmark.

You can sell the shares you hold in the Sub-Fund on any day on which banks in Luxembourg are open for business other than (i) any day on which any exchange or market on which a substantial portion of the Sub-Fund's investments is traded in accordance with the Sub-Fund's investment objective and policy is closed, or (ii) such other day(s) as the directors of Manulife Global Fund may determine.

the Sub-Fund's exposure to certain sectors or types of investments and the exclusionary criteria related to such strategy may result in investment decisions that may otherwise be advantageous or disadvantageous. An issuer's sustainability characteristics and assessment of such may change over time and the information and data sources used for assessment purposes may be incomplete, inaccurate or unavailable.

Emerging Markets Risk: The investment of the Sub-Fund may be exposed to higher risks than in developed economies or markets. The value of the Sub-Fund's assets may also be affected by differences or changes in government policies, taxation, accounting, legal or currency restrictions. Certain emerging economies are exposed to the risks of higher inflation, interest rates, external debt.

People's Republic of China Investment Risk: Investing in the securities markets in Mainland China is subject to the risks of investing in emerging markets generally as well as to specific risks relating to the Mainland China market. Investing in Mainland China-related companies involves certain risks and special considerations not typically associated with investment in more developed economies or markets, such as greater political, tax, foreign exchange, liquidity and regulatory risk.

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Liquidity Risk: During certain times, the Sub-Fund's investments may become difficult to sell for full value or at all, which could affect performance and could result in delays when you sell your shares.

Currency Risk: The Sub-Fund's assets may be invested primarily in securities denominated in currencies other than U.S. Dollars and the Sub-Fund may receive income or realization proceeds from these investments in those currencies, some of which may fall in value against U.S. Dollars. Use of Financial Derivative Instruments (FDIs): The Sub-Fund may use FDIs to manage risk

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For a more detailed explanation of risks, please refer to the "General Risk Factors" section and "Appendix I" of the Prospectus.

## Charges

These charges are used to pay the costs of running the Share Class. Overall, they reduce the potential growth of your investment.

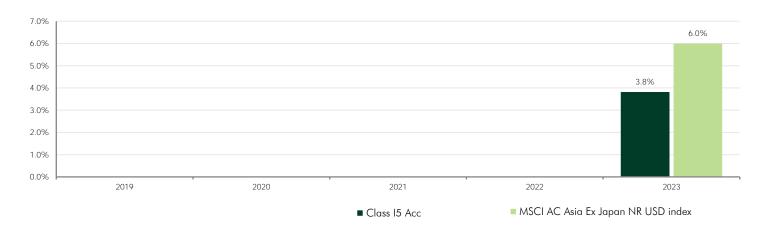
One-off charges taken before or after you invest				
Entry charge	None			
Exit charge	None			
This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it is invested and before the proceeds of your investment are paid out. Charges taken from the fund over a year				
Ongoing charge	1.00 %			
Charges taken from the fund under specific conditions				
Performance fee	None			

The charges shown are the maximum figures. In some cases you might pay less. For more information about charges, please see the Fees and Charges section in the Prospectus or seek independent advice.

The ongoing charge is based on the previous year's expenses for the year ending December 2023. This figure may vary from year to year.

A switching charge of up to 1.00% may be applied if you switch your shares to the shares of another sub-fund.

## Past Performance



Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. The past performance takes account of all charges and costs. The performance of the class is calculated in USD.

The Sub-Fund launched on 19 March 1993. This Share Class started to issue shares on 18 July 2022.

### Practical Information

The Depositary is Citibank Europe plc, Luxembourg Branch.

Sustainable Asia Equity Fund is a sub-fund of Manulife Global Fund. The assets of this Sub-Fund are segregated from other sub-funds of Manulife Global Fund.

Further information about Manulife Global Fund, copies of its Prospectus, annual and half-yearly reports may be obtained free of charge in English from the registered office of Manulife Global Fund, at 31, Z.A. Bourmicht, L - 8070 Bertrange, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, or visit www.manulifeglobalfund.com.

The details of the up-to-date remuneration policy of the Management Company are available at ucits.manulifeim.com. A paper copy of the remuneration policy will be made available free of charge upon request.

The latest share prices are available from the registered office of Manulife Global Fund during normal business hours and/or will be published daily at www.manulifeglobalfund.com. You may switch your shares to the shares of another sub-fund of Manulife Global Fund subject to any applicable conditions stated in the Prospectus. A fee may apply. Details on how to switch are in the "**How to Switch Between Sub-Funds**" section of the Prospectus.

This Sub-Fund is subject to tax laws and regulations of Luxembourg. Depending on your home country of residence, this might have an impact on your personal tax position. For further details, please seek independent advice.

Manulife Global Fund 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 Manulife Global Fund.

This Sub-Fund is authorised in Luxembourg and regulated by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier (CSSF).

This Key Investor Information is accurate as at 16 February 2024.