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What changes will impact me as an investor?

Your investment will now be transferred to a Luxembourg-based fund. The Existing Funds and the Lux Funds are very similar and will be managed in the same way. There are, however, some changes resulting from the transfers. Full details of the differences can be found in Section 2 and Appendix 1 of the Shareholder Circular. You will also see that some documents and correspondence may be in a slightly different format (e.g. tax vouchers, contract notes, statements).

Where can I find out more about the Lux Funds?

The new Prospectus, general terms and conditions and relevant Key Investor Information Documents (KIIDs) are available on our website columbiathreadneedle.com.

If I want to remain in the UK fund, can I switch my investment into another share class not impacted by the transfers?

Yes. You can switch your investment free of charge into another share class that will remain in the UK fund. This can be done by calling +352 46 40 10 7020* or writing to Columbia Threadneedle Investments, PO Box 10033, Chelmsford, Essex CM99 2AL, United Kingdom.

If I want to switch my holding to another Threadneedle fund, where can I find more information?

If you want to find out about our other funds, please visit columbiathreadneedle.com or speak to your Financial Adviser. Alternatively, you can contact us directly via phone or post.

What happens on the transfer date?

On the day of the transfer, your shares in the Existing Fund(s) will be exchanged, free of charge, for shares in the equivalent share class of the Lux Fund(s). The value of your investments will remain the same although the number of shares you hold and the value of each share may be different.

What are the tax implications of moving from a UK-based fund to a Luxembourg-based fund?

There may be tax implications depending on your individual circumstances. We are unable to provide tax advice and we therefore suggest that you seek professional advice about any potential tax implications.

How will I know the transfers have taken place?

Once the transfers are complete, you will be sent a contract note confirming the value, share price and number of shares you held in the Existing Fund(s). The key dates are set out in the table overleaf. Shortly after, you will receive another contract note with details of the value, share price and number of shares you hold in the Lux Fund(s). Both notes will contain a reference to the transfer of customer assets.

What will happen to the income accrued on the Existing Fund(s) prior to the transfers?

Any income available for allocation to income shares from the end of the previous accounting period to the Effective Date will be transferred to the distribution account of the Existing Fund and will be distributed to holders of income shares within three months. In the case of accumulation shares, income allocated will be accumulated and reflected in the value of those shares before the transfer is implemented.

Where can I find my Client Reference Number for the Lux Fund(s)?

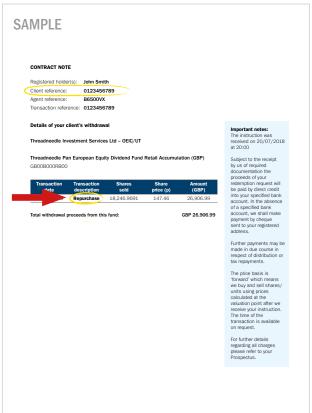
Your new Client Reference Number can be found on the contract note that you receive following the transfers.

^{*}Calls may be recorded.

How will the transactions appear on my statement?

Following the transfers, you will see a transaction on your Existing Fund statement called a 'Repurchase'. This relates to your holdings coming out of the Existing Fund. You will then see a transaction called 'Purchase' on your Lux Fund statement. This relates to the assets coming into your Lux Fund holding. A sample contract note is included below.







Will I be able to deal as usual?

Dealing will be suspended on the following dates in order to enable the transfer of services. Normal dealing will resume on the Monday following each transfer.

Fund	Suspend dealing in Existing Shares	First day of dealing in New Shares	Dispatch confirmation of number of New Shares
American Smaller Companies Fund (US)	1:00pm Luxembourg time (12 noon UK time) on 22 November 2018	26 November 2018	By 27 November 2018
European Smaller Companies Fund	1:00pm Luxembourg time (12 noon UK time) on 22 November 2018	26 November 2018	By 27 November 2018
Global Emerging Markets Equity Fund	1:00pm Luxembourg time (12 noon UK time) on 22 November 2018	26 November 2018	By 27 November 2018
Global Equity Income Fund	1:00pm Luxembourg time (12 noon UK time) on 22 November 2018	26 November 2018	By 27 November 2018

The dates are subject to change at the discretion of the ACD, with the agreement of Citibank UK. See Appendices 2 and 4 of the Shareholder Circular for further details.

How will I be able to contact Columbia Threadneedle Investments following the mergers?

Once the mergers have taken place, your new contact point for the Lux Funds will be International Financial Data Services (Luxembourg) S.A. ("IFDS") rather than DST Financial Services Europe Limited ("DST")¹. This means that, following the transfer, you will need to use a different correspondence address to buy or sell shares in the Lux Funds or to obtain information about your investments. The new contact details are:

Columbia Threadneedle Investments

International Financial Data Services 47, Avenue J. F. Kennedy L-1855 Luxembourg Luxembourg

Tel: +352 464 010 7190 (calls may be recorded)
Email: columbiathreadneedleenquiries@statestreet.com

Please note we aim to respond to all emails within five days.

There are no changes to the contact details for our UK fund range. Please contact your Financial Adviser with any queries.

¹DST and IFDS are in the same group of companies and act as our third-party administrators.

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