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This Product Highlights Sheet is an important document.

- It highlights the key terms and risks of this investment product and complements the Singapore Prospectus<sup>1</sup>.
- It is important to read the Singapore Prospectus before deciding whether to purchase shares in the product. If you do not have a copy, please contact us to ask for one.
- You should not invest in the product if you do not understand it or are not comfortable with the accompanying risks.
- If you wish to purchase the product, you will need to make an application in the manner set out in the Singapore Prospectus.

#### NEUBERGER BERMAN SHORT DURATION EMERGING MARKET DEBT FUND

Product Type	Collective Investment Scheme	Launch Date	31 October 2013
Manager	Manager: Neuberger Berman Asset Management Ireland Limited  Sub-Investment Managers: Neuberger Berman Investment Advisers LLC, Neuberger Berman Singapore Pte. Limited, Neuberger Berman Europe Limited	Custodian	Brown Brothers Harriman Trustee Services (Ireland) Limited (which is also the Depositary)
Trustee	Not Applicable	Dealing Frequency	Every Dealing Day
Capital Guaranteed	No	Expense Ratio for FY ended 31 December 2022	1.07%

#### **PRODUCT SUITABILITY**

#### WHO IS THE PRODUCT SUITABLE FOR?

- The Portfolio is only suitable for investors who:
  - are prepared to accept the general risks associated with investing in Emerging Market Countries and the risks of bond markets over the medium to long term; and
  - o are prepared to accept medium to high levels of volatility due to the Portfolio's investment policies or portfolio management techniques.

You should consult your financial adviser if in doubt whether this product is suitable for you.

# Further Information Refer to "INVESTOR PROFILE" of the Singapore Prospectus for further information on product suitability.

#### **KEY PRODUCT FEATURES**

# WHAT ARE YOU INVESTING IN?

- You are investing in a sub-fund of Neuberger Berman Investment Funds plc, which is an investment company incorporated under the laws of Ireland and authorised as a UCITS umbrella fund by the Central Bank of Ireland. The Portfolio aims to achieve a target average return of 3% over cash before fees over a market cycle (typically 3 years) by investing in a diversified selection of Hard Currency-denominated short duration sovereign and corporate debt issued in Emerging Market Countries.
- Dividend policy:
  - o Accumulating shares: No dividends will be paid.
  - Distributing shares: Dividends will be declared on a quarterly basis (and paid within 30 Business Days thereafter) or, in respect of (Monthly) Distributing Classes, shall be declared on or prior to the last Business Day of each month (and paid within three Business Days thereafter) at the discretion of the Directors.

Refer to "THE COMPANY", "THE PORTFOLIOS" and "INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE, FOCUS AND APPROACH" of the Singapore Prospectus for further information on features of the product.

#### **Investment Strategy**

 The Portfolio will invest primarily in short duration debt securities and money market instruments issued by public or corporate issuers which have their head office, or exercise an overriding part of their economic activity, in Emerging Market Countries

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Singapore Prospectus is available at the offices of the Singapore representative during normal Singapore business hours or at <a href="https://www.nb.com">www.nb.com</a>.

- and which are denominated in Hard Currency. Corporate issuers that are, either directly or indirectly, 100% government-owned are considered to be public issuers.
- With the exception of permitted investments in transferable securities and money market instruments which are unlisted, all securities invested in by the Portfolio will be listed, dealt or traded on Recognised Markets globally, without any particular focus on any one industrial sector or region.
- Under normal market conditions, the Manager and the Sub-Investment Manager will seek to invest at least 80% of the Portfolio's NAV in Hard Currency debt securities and money market instruments issued by public or corporate issuers in Emerging Market Countries and/or countries which are included in the J.P. Morgan CEMBI Diversified Index and/or the J.P. Morgan EMBI Global Diversified Index.
- The Manager and Sub-Investment Manager will construct and manage the Portfolio with the goal of combining a search for yield with limited volatility, while aiming to reduce downside risk and the risk of default by the issuers of the securities invested in through the use of fundamental analysis. The Manager and Sub-Investment Manager implement a systematic and disciplined framework for analysing sovereign and corporate Hard Currency debt securities.
- At the discretion of the Manager or the Sub-Investment Manager and subject to the conditions and limits set out in the Central Bank UCITS Regulations and the Irish Prospectus, Repo Contracts may be used for efficient portfolio management purposes and may also be used for liquidity management purposes, subject to the limit of 10% of its NAV. The expected proportion of the Portfolio's NAV that will be subject to Repo Contracts for liquidity management purposes is 5%.
- The Portfolio will not utilise total return swaps, securities lending or margin lending.
- The Portfolio may use FDIs for investment purposes, efficient portfolio management purposes and hedging purposes, but not extensively or primarily for investment purposes.
- The Portfolio may or may be expected to have medium to high levels of volatility due to its investment policies or portfolio management techniques. However, under normal market conditions, the Manager and the Sub-Investment Manager expect the Portfolio's focus on short duration and highly rated debt securities to mitigate volatility levels.

# WHO ARE YOU INVESTING WITH?

- You are investing in Neuberger Berman Investment Funds plc, an umbrella fund of which the Portfolio is a sub-fund.
- The manager is Neuberger Berman Asset Management Ireland Limited and the subinvestment managers are Neuberger Berman Investment Advisers LLC, Neuberger Berman Singapore Pte. Limited, and Neuberger Berman Europe Limited.
- The depositary is Brown Brothers Harriman Trustee Services (Ireland) Limited.

Refer to "THE COMPANY", "MANAGEMENT". "OTHER PARTIES" and "INSOLVENCY OF THE PARTIES" of the Singapore Prospectus for further information on the role and responsibilities of these entities and what happens when they become insolvent.

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#### **KEY RISKS**

#### WHAT ARE THE KEY RISKS OF THIS INVESTMENT?

The value of the product and its dividends or coupons (if any) may rise or fall. These risk factors may cause you to lose some or all of your investment:

Refer to "RISK FACTORS" of the Singapore Prospectus for further information on the risk of the product.

**Market and Credit Risks** 

- Fixed Income Securities and Downgrade Risk Fixed income securities are subject to credit risk and price volatility. Fixed income securities are also exposed to the risk of being downgraded, which can cause a significant drop in the value of the Portfolio. The Manager or Sub-Investment Manager may or may not be able to dispose of the debt instruments that are being downgraded.
- Lower Rated Securities Risk The Portfolio may invest in lower rated or unrated (i.e. non-investment grade or high yield) securities, which are more likely to react to developments affecting market and credit risk than are more highly rated securities. The Portfolio may therefore find it more difficult to sell such high yield securities or may be able to sell these securities only at prices lower than if such securities were widely traded. The Portfolio may experience difficulty in valuing certain securities at certain times.
- Credit and Sovereign Debt Risk The Portfolio may invest in corporate and government/sovereign fixed income securities. Corporate issuers of fixed income securities may fail to meet their interest repayments, or repay debt. Investment in sovereign debts issued or guaranteed by governments may involve a high degree of risk, as default can occur if the government or sovereign entity is not able or willing to repay the principal and/or interest when due.
- Emerging Market Economies Risk and Emerging Market Debt Securities Risk –
  Investing in emerging markets may involve heightened risks (some of which could be
  significant) such as greater social, economic and political uncertainty, and periods of
  extreme volatility. Debt securities of Emerging Market Countries may be subject to
  greater risk of loss of principal and interest and liquidity risk, and be exposed to
  fluctuations in yields or prices, than debt securities issued by obligors in developed
  countries.
- Risks Associated with Investment in the China Interbank Bond Market through Bond Connect - investing through Bond Connect in eligible bonds traded on the China Interbank Bond Market may expose to other risks including but not limited to suspension risk, operational risk, differences in trading day, regulatory risk and taxation risk, which may adversely affect the portfolio's ability to access PRC bond market to achieve his investment objectives.
- Currency Risk The base currency value of the investment of the Portfolio
  designated in another currency may rise and fall due to exchange rate fluctuations in
  respect of the relevant currencies. The currency exchange rates of Emerging Market
  Countries tend to be more volatile than those of more developed countries. As the
  base currency of the Portfolio is not in Singapore dollars, Singapore investors may be
  exposed to an additional currency risk
- Currency Hedging Risk Currency hedging instruments may involve the risk of a default by a counterparty.

#### **Liquidity Risks**

• The Portfolio is not listed in Singapore and you can redeem only on Dealing Days – There is no secondary market for the Portfolio. Your right to redeem may be suspended or deferred under certain circumstances.

## **Product-Specific Risks**

- Risks relating to the use of FDI FDIs may be subject to various types of risks, including market risk, liquidity risk, counterparty credit risk, legal risk and operations risk. In addition, FDIs can involve significant economic leverage and may, in some cases, involve high risk of significant loss. The use of FDIs may lead to risk of loss of capital or increase the volatility of the Portfolio's NAV.
- Risks relating to dividend payment Dividends paid out of capital amount to a
  return or withdrawal of part of an investor's original investment or from any capital gains
  attributable to that original investment which may result in an immediate decrease in
  the NAV of the relevant shares. An investment in high yield securities does not
  necessarily imply high dividend distribution for all share classes.

## **FEES AND CHARGES**

#### WHAT ARE THE FEES AND CHARGES OF THIS INVESTMENT?

<u>Payable directly by you</u> – You will need to pay the following fees and charges:

Initial sales charge Up to 5% of the purchase price

Refer to "FEES AND CHARGES" of the Singapore

Realisation fee	Currently nil (Maximum 3%)
Exchange charge	Up to 1% of the subscription price*
Any other fee or charge	Duties and charges to cover dealing costs and to act as an anti-dilution levy may be imposed
	on a subscription or redemption

\*The exchange charge may be charged by distributors.

Additional fees may be payable by you to a Singapore distributor. Please contact the relevant Singapore distributor for details.

Payable by the Portfolio from invested proceeds

The Portfolio will pay the following fees (as a % of the Portfolio's NAV) in respect of the "A" Class Shares to the manager, depositary and other parties:

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Management Fee	1.00% per annum	
(a) Retained by Manager	(a) 40% to 100% of Management Fee	
(b) Paid by Manager to financial	(b) 0% to 60% <sup>2</sup> of Management Fee	
adviser (trailer fee)		
Custody Fee	Up to 0.02% per annum	
Administration Fee	Up to 0.20% per annum	

Prospectus for further information on fees and charges.

# **VALUATIONS AND EXITING FROM THIS INVESTMENT**

#### **HOW OFTEN ARE VALUATIONS AVAILABLE?**

The NAV per share in respect of each Dealing Day is normally available on <a href="www.nb.com">www.nb.com</a> on the following Business Day.

# HOW CAN YOU EXIT FROM THIS INVESTMENT AND WHAT ARE THE RISKS AND COST IN DOING SO?

- The Company does not offer a right to cancel subscriptions into the Portfolio, but you should check if your Singapore distributor will allow you to do so. You can exit the Portfolio by submitting your redemption form to the Singapore distributor from whom you had originally purchased your shares. Shares may be redeemed on any Dealing Day.
- Redemption proceeds will normally be made to Singapore distributors within 10 Business Days and you should check with your Singapore distributor when you can expect to receive your redemption proceeds.
- The redemption price of your shares is determined as follows:
  - If your redemption form is received by the Administrator before 3 p.m. (Irish time) on a Dealing Day, your Shares will normally be redeemed at their NAV as of that Dealing Day.
  - If your redemption form is received by the Administrator after 3 p.m. (Irish time) on a Dealing Day, your Shares will normally be redeemed at their NAV as of the next Dealing Day.

(Please confirm with your Singapore distributor the applicable Singapore cutoff time for receiving your redemption form in order for your Shares to be redeemed at their NAV as of a particular Dealing Day)

 The redemption proceeds that you will receive will be the redemption price per share multiplied by the number of shares redeemed, less any charges. An example is as follows:

1,000 shares x \$1.10 \$1,100 \$0 \$1,100 Redemption Redemption Gross Redemption Net Price Redemption Charge\* Redemption request **Proceeds** Proceeds

\*There is currently no redemption charge payable however, you may be subject to duties and charges on your redemption.

Refer to "SUBSCRIPTION FOR SHARES -Cancellation of Subscription", "REDEMPTION OF SHARES" and "OBTAINING **PRICE** INFORMATION IN SINGAPORE" of the Singapore Prospectus for further information on valuation and exiting from the product.

# **CONTACT INFORMATION**

# **HOW DO YOU CONTACT US?**

You may visit <a href="www.nb.com">www.nb.com</a> or contact our Singapore representative, Neuberger Berman Singapore Pte. Limited, at +65 6645 3786 or at its address (Level 15, Ocean Financial Centre, 10 Collyer Quay, Singapore 049315).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The range may change from time to time without prior notice. Your financial adviser is required to disclose to you the amount of trailer fee it receives from the Manager.

#### **APPENDIX: GLOSSARY OF TERMS**

"Administrator" means Brown Brothers Harriman Fund Administration Services (Ireland) Limited, or such other company in Ireland as may from time to time be appointed to provide administration, accounting, registration and transfer agency and related support services to the Company;

"Business Day" means a day (except Saturday or Sunday) on which the relevant financial markets in London and New York are open for business;

"Company" means Neuberger Berman Investment Funds plc;

"Dealing Day" means each Business Day or such other day or days as the Directors may determine and notify to the Administrator and to shareholders of the Company in advance, provided there shall be at least two (2) Dealing Days per month in the Portfolio;

"Directors" means the directors of the Company for the time being and any duly constituted committee thereof;

"Emerging Market Countries" means any country other than one which the World Bank defines as a High Income OECD member country;

"FDIs" means financial derivative instruments, as such term is used in the European Communities (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) Regulations 2011 (S.I. 352 of 2011) (as amended);

"Hard Currency" means the US Dollar, Euro, Sterling, Japanese Yen and Swiss Franc;

"NAV" means net asset value;

"OECD" means the Organisation for Economic Co-Operation and Development;

"Portfolio" means Neuberger Berman Short Duration Emerging Market Debt Fund; and

"Recognised Markets" means any recognised exchange or market listed or referred to in Annex I to the Irish Prospectus and in such other markets as the Directors may from time to time determine in accordance with the European Communities (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) Regulations 2011 (S.I. 352 of 2011) (as amended) and specify in Annex I to the Irish Prospectus.