iShares by BlackRock

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.

iShares € Corp Bond ESG UCITS ETF

A sub-fund of iShares II plc

EUR (Dist) Share Class

ISIN: IE00BYZTVT56 Exchange Traded Fund (ETF)

Manager: BlackRock Asset Management Ireland Limited

Objectives and Investment Policy

- The Share Class is a share class of a Fund, which aims to achieve a return on your investment, through a combination of capital growth and income on the Fund' assets, which reflects the return of the Bloomberg Barclays MSCI Euro Corporate Sustainable SRI Index, the Fund's benchmark index (Index).
- The Share Class, via the Fund, is passively managed and aims to invest so far as possible and practicable in the fixed income (FI) securities (such as bonds) that make up the Index and comply with its credit rating requirements.
- The Index measures the performance of fixed-rate, investment-grade Euro denominated corporate bonds that form part of the Bloomberg Barclays Euro Aggregate Corporate Index (the "Parent Index"), but includes only bonds issued by companies that meet the index provider's environmental, social and governance ("ESG"), socially responsible investment (SRI), and other criteria. The Parent Index includes bonds that: (i) are rated investment grade; (ii) have at least one year until maturity; and; (iii) have a minimum amount outstanding of €300 million.
- Companies may be excluded from the Index if they are involved in alcohol, tobacco, gambling, adult entertainment, genetically modified organisms, nuclear power, civilian firearms and military weapons, thermal coal and oil sands. Companies that have a 'Red' MSCI ESG Controversies score or have an MSCI ESG rating below BBB are also excluded from the Index.
- The Fund may obtain limited exposure to securities considered not to satisfy the ESG/SRI criteria.
- The Fund will adopt a best-in-class approach to sustainable investing, this means that it is expected that the Fund will invest in the best issuers from an ESG / SRI perspective (based on the ESG or SRI criteria of the Index) within each relevant sector of activities covered by the Index. The portfolio of the Fund is reduced by at least 20% compared to the Parent Index. More than 90% of the issuers of securities the Fund invests in, excluding cash and money market funds, are ESG rated or have been analysed for ESG purposes.
- The Index is market capitalisation weighted. Market capitalisation is the market value of the outstanding bond issuance. If the credit, or ESG ratings of the FI securities are downgraded, the Fund may continue to hold them until they cease to form part of the Index and it is practicable to sell them.
- The Fund uses optimising techniques to achieve a similar return to the Index. These may include the strategic selection of certain securities that make up the Index and also the use of FDIs which may be used for direct investment purposes. The use of FDIs is expected to be limited for this Share Class.
- The Fund may also engage in short-term secured lending of its investments to certain eligible third parties to generate additional income to off-set the costs of the Fund.
- Recommendation: This Fund is suitable for medium to long term investment, though the Fund may also be suitable for shorter term exposure to the Index.
- Your shares will be distributing shares (i.e. income will be paid on the shares semi-annually).
- Your shares will be denominated in Euro, the Fund's base currency.
- The shares are listed on one or more stock exchanges and may be traded in currencies other than their base currency. The performance of your shares may be affected by this currency difference. In normal circumstances, only authorised participants (e.g. select financial institutions) may deal in shares (or interests in shares) directly with the Fund. Other investors can deal in shares (or interests in shares) daily through an intermediary on stock exchange (s) on which the shares are traded.

For more information on the Fund, Share Class, 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 Share Class.
- The risk category shown is not guaranteed and may change over time.
- The lowest category does not mean risk free.
- The Share Class is rated three due to the nature of its investments which include the risks listed below. These factors may impact the value of the Share Class or expose the Share Class to losses.
  - Credit risk, changes to interest rates and/or issuer defaults will have a significant impact on the performance of fixed income securities. Potential or actual credit rating downgrades may increase the level of risk.
  - The benchmark index's ESG rating assessment of an issuer's performance is intended to be relative to the standards of the issuer's industry peers. Investors should therefore make a personal ethical assessment of the benchmark index'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 Share Class to financial loss.
  - Credit Risk: The issuer of a financial asset held within the Fund may not pay income or repay capital to the Fund when due.
  - Liquidity Risk: Lower liquidity means there are insufficient buyers or sellers to allow the Fund to sell or buy investments readily.

The benchmark is the intellectual property of the index provider. The Share Class is not sponsored or endorsed by the index provider. Please refer to the Fund's prospectus for full disclaimer.

Charges

The charges are used to pay the costs of running the Share Class, including the costs of marketing and distributing it. These charges reduce the potential growth of your investment.

*Not applicable to secondary market investors. Investors dealing on a stock exchange will pay fees charged by their stock brokers. Such charges are publicly available on exchanges on which the shares are listed and traded, or can be obtained from stock brokers.

*Authorised participants dealing directly with the Fund will pay related transaction costs including, on redemptions, any applicable capital gains tax (CGT) and other taxes on underlying securities.

The ongoing charges figure is based on the fixed annualised fee charged to the Share Class in accordance with the Fund's prospectus. This figure excludes portfolio trade related costs, except costs paid to the depositary and any entry/exit charge paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

** To the extent the Fund undertakes securities lending to reduce costs, the Fund will receive 62.5% of the associated revenue generated and the remaining 37.5% will be received by BlackRock as the securities lending agent. As securities lending revenue sharing does not increase the costs of running the Fund, this has been excluded from the ongoing charges.

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 Share Class over each year	
Ongoing Charges	0.15%**
Charges taken from the Share Class under certain conditions	
Performance Fee	None

Past Performance

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

The chart shows the Share Class's annual performance in EUR for each full calendar year over the period displayed in the chart. It is expressed as a percentage change of the Share Class's net asset value at each year-end. The Fund was launched in 2018. The Share Class was launched in 2018. Performance is shown after deduction of ongoing charges. Any entry/exit charges are excluded from the calculation.

† Benchmark:Bloomberg Barclays MSCI Euro Corporate Sustainable SRI Index (EUR)

Historic performance to 31 December 2020



	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Fund				5.8	2.4
Benchmark †				5.9	2.7

Practical Information

- The depositary of the Fund is State Street Custodial Services (Ireland) Limited.
- Further information about the Fund and the Share Class can be obtained from the latest annual report and half-yearly reports of iShares II plc. These documents are available free of charge in English and certain other languages. These can be found, along with other information, such as details of the key underlying investments of the Share Class and share prices, on the iShares website at www.ishares.com or by calling +44 (0)845 357 7000 or from your broker or financial adviser.
- Investors should note that the tax legislation that applies to the Fund and Share Class may have an impact on the personal tax position of your investment.
- The Fund is a sub-fund of iShares II plc, an umbrella structure comprising different sub-funds. The Fund has one or more share classes. 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.
- iShares II plc 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.
- The indicative intra-day net asset value of the Share Class is available at http://deutsche-boerse.com and/or http://www.reuters.com.
- Under Irish law, iShares II plc 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 iShares II plc). In addition, the Fund's assets are held separately from the assets of other sub-funds. Assets and liabilities specific to a share class would be attributable to only that share class, however there is no segregation of liabilities between share classes under Irish law.
- Switching of shares between the Fund and other sub-funds within iShares II plc is not available to investors. Only Authorised Participants dealing directly with the Fund may switch shares between share classes of the Fund subject to meeting certain conditions in the Fund's 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.