

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.

### BlackRock Global Absolute Return Bond Fund

A sub-fund of BlackRock Strategic Funds

Class D4 GBP Hedged

ISIN: LU2331123641

Management Company: BlackRock (Luxembourg) S.A.

## Objectives and Investment Policy

- ▶ The Fund aims to achieve positive absolute returns on your investment through a combination of capital growth and income regardless of market conditions.
- ▶ The Fund seeks to gain at least 70% of any investment exposure to fixed income (FI) securities and FI-related securities issued by, or giving exposure to, governments, government agencies, companies and supranationals (e.g. the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development) worldwide. This is achieved by investing at least 70% of its total assets in FI securities, FI-related securities, and where appropriate, deposits and cash. FI securities include bonds as well as money market instruments (i.e. debt securities with short term maturities). FI-related securities include financial derivative instruments (FDIs) (i.e. investments the prices of which are based on one or more underlying assets). FDIs may be used to help achieve the Fund's investment objective and the Fund may, via FDIs, generate market leverage (i.e. where the Fund gains market exposure in excess of the value of its assets).
- ▶ The Fund may also invest in asset backed and mortgage backed securities (i.e. financial securities backed by cash flows from debt).
- ▶ At any one time, a substantial amount or even all of the Fund's assets may be held as cash to provide cover for the exposure created by the use of FDIs or to assist in achieving its investment objective.
- ▶ The FI securities and MMLs may be issued by governments, government agencies, companies and supranationals (e.g. the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development) and may be investment grade (i.e. meet a specified level of credit worthiness), non-investment grade or unrated at the time of purchase.
- ▶ The Investment Adviser (IA) may take a view as to the direction the market may move when selecting the Fund's assets.
- ▶ The IA will take into account environmental, social and governance ("ESG") characteristics when selecting the Fund's investments. The IA intends to exclude issuers of equity securities which have exposure to, or ties with, sectors which include (but are not limited to): controversial weapons (nuclear, cluster munitions, biological-chemical, landmine, depleted uranium, or incendiary weapons) and thermal coal extraction and generation. The IA will take into account the above ESG criteria only when selecting the securities to be held directly by the Fund. The Fund may obtain indirect exposure to securities considered not to satisfy these ESG criteria.
- ▶ The Fund is actively managed and the IA has discretion to select the Fund's investments and is not constrained by any benchmark in this process. The 3 Month Euribor Index should be used by shareholders to compare the performance of the Fund.
- ▶ Recommendation: This Fund may not be appropriate for short-term investment.
- ▶ Your shares will be distributing (i.e. dividend income will be paid annually on the shares).
- ▶ The Fund's base currency is Euro. Shares for this class are bought and sold in Sterling. The performance of your shares may be affected by this currency difference.
- ▶ Your shares will be "hedged" with the aim of reducing the effect of exchange rate fluctuations between their denominated currency and the base currency of the Fund. FDIs, including FX forward contracts, will be used for currency hedging purposes. The hedging strategy may not completely eliminate currency risk and, therefore, may affect the performance of your shares.
- ▶ You can buy and sell your shares daily. The minimum initial investment for this share class is US\$100,000 or other currency equivalent.

For more information on the Fund, share/unit classes, risks and charges, please see the Fund's prospectus, available on the product pages at [www.blackrock.com](http://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 Fund.
- ▶ The risk category shown is not guaranteed and may change over time.
- ▶ The lowest category does not mean risk free.
- ▶ The Fund is rated four due to the nature of its investments which include the risks listed below. These factors may impact the value of the Fund's investments or expose the Fund 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.
- Asset backed securities and mortgage backed securities are subject to the same risks described for fixed income securities. These instruments may be subject to 'Liquidity Risk', have high levels of borrowing and may not fully reflect the value of underlying assets.
- Due to its investment strategy an 'Absolute Return' fund may not move in line with market trends or fully benefit from a positive market environment.
- Derivatives may be highly sensitive to changes in the value of the asset on which they are based and can increase the size of losses and gains, resulting in greater fluctuations in the value of the Fund. The impact to the Fund can be greater where derivatives are used in an extensive or complex way.
- ▶ 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 Fund 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.

## Charges

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

The entry and exit charges shown are maximum figures. In some cases you might pay less. Please refer to your financial advisor or the distributor for the actual entry and exit charges.

\*Subject to a charge of up to 2% paid into the Fund where the Manager suspects excessive trading by an investor.

The ongoing charges figure is based on expenses for the twelve month period ending 29 December 2023. This figure may vary from year to year. It excludes portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian 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	5.00%
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 Fund over each year	
Ongoing Charges	0.83%**
Charges taken from the Fund under certain conditions	
Performance Fee	None

## Past Performance

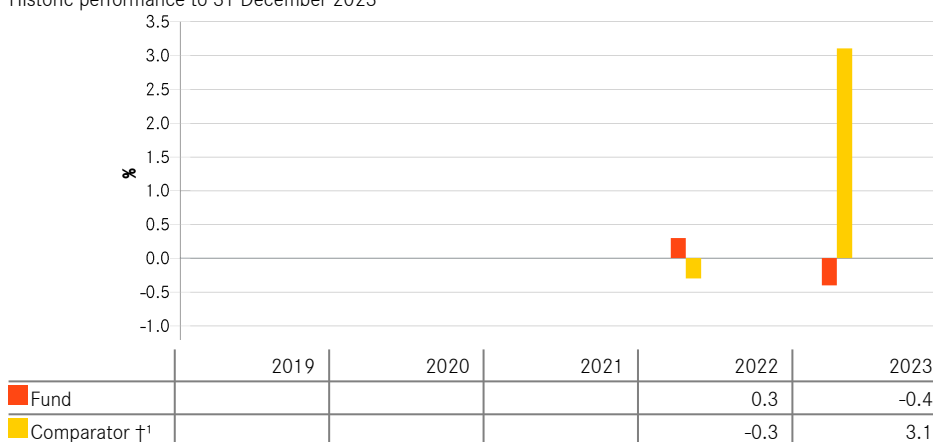
Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

The chart shows the Fund's annual performance in GBP for each full calendar year over the period displayed in the chart. It is expressed as a percentage change of the Fund's net asset value at each year-end. The Fund was launched in 2012. The share class was launched in 2021.

Performance is shown after deduction of ongoing charges. Any entry/exit charges are excluded from the calculation.

†13 Month Euribor Index (EUR)

Historic performance to 31 December 2023



## Practical Information

- ▶ The depositary of the Fund is State Street Bank International GmbH, Luxembourg Branch.
- ▶ Further information about the Fund can be obtained from the latest annual and half-yearly reports of the BlackRock Strategic Funds (BSF). These documents are available free of charge in English and certain other languages. These can be found, along with other information, such as share prices, on the BlackRock website at [www.blackrock.com](http://www.blackrock.com) or by calling the International Investor Servicing team on +44 (0) 20 7743 3300.
- ▶ Investors should note that the tax legislation that applies to the Fund may have an impact on the personal tax position of your investment in the Fund.
- ▶ The Fund is a sub-fund of BSF, an umbrella structure comprising different sub-funds. 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.
- ▶ BSF 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.
- ▶ Under Luxembourg law, BSF 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 BSF). In addition, the Fund's assets are held separately from the assets of other sub-funds.
- ▶ Investors may switch their shares in the Fund for shares in another sub-fund within BSF, subject to meeting certain conditions as set out in the 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](http://www.blackrock.com/Remunerationpolicy) or on request from the registered office of the Management Company.