

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.

# Schroder Strategic Credit Fund

a sub-fund of Schroder Investment Fund Company

**Class L Income GBP (GB00B11DP098)**

This fund is managed by Schroder Unit Trusts Limited, which is a member of the Schroders Group.

## Objectives and investment policy

### Objectives

The fund aims to provide income and capital growth in excess of the ICE BofA Sterling 3 Month Government Bill Index (after fees have been deducted) over a three to five year period by investing in fixed and floating rate securities of companies worldwide but this cannot be guaranteed and your capital is at risk.

### Investment Policy

The fund is actively managed and invests at least 80% of its assets in fixed and floating rate securities denominated in sterling (or in other currencies and hedged back into sterling) issued by companies worldwide. The fund may also invest in fixed and floating rate securities issued by governments, government agencies and supra-nationals worldwide.

The fund may invest more than 50% of its assets in below investment grade securities (as measured by Standard & Poor's or any other equivalent credit rating agencies) or in unrated securities.

The fund may also invest directly or indirectly in other securities (including in

other asset classes), countries, regions, industries or currencies, collective investment schemes (including Schroder funds), warrants and money market instruments, and hold cash.

The fund may use derivatives with the aim of achieving investment gains, reducing risk or managing the fund more efficiently (for more information please refer to Appendix III, Section 10: Derivatives and Forwards of the Prospectus). The fund may use leverage and take short positions.

### Benchmark

The fund's performance should be assessed against its target benchmark the ICE BofA Sterling 3 Month Government Bill Index and compared against the Investment Association Strategic Bond sector average return.

### Dealing Frequency

You may redeem your investment upon demand. This fund deals daily.

### Distribution Policy

This share class pays income received from the fund's investments to you half yearly.

## Risk and reward profile



### The risk and reward indicator

The risk category is based upon the fund's risk target and there is no guarantee that the fund will achieve it.

The fund's risk category is not guaranteed to remain fixed and may change over time.

A fund in the lowest category does not mean a risk-free investment.

The fund is in this category because it can take higher risks in search of higher rewards and its price may rise and fall accordingly.

### Risk factors

**Performance risk:** Investment objectives express an intended result but there is no guarantee that such a result will be achieved. Depending on market conditions and the macro economic environment, investment objectives may become more difficult to achieve.

**Credit risk:** A decline in the financial health of an issuer could cause the value

of its bonds to fall or become worthless.

**Currency risk:** The fund may lose value as a result of movements in foreign exchange rates, otherwise known as currency rates.

**Derivatives risk:** Derivatives, which are financial instruments deriving their value from an underlying asset, may be used to manage the portfolio efficiently. The fund may also materially invest in derivatives including using short selling and leverage techniques with the aim of making a return. A derivative may not perform as expected, may create losses greater than the cost of the derivative and may result in losses to the fund.

**High yield bond risk:** High yield bonds (normally lower rated or unrated) generally carry greater market, credit and liquidity risk meaning greater uncertainty of returns.

**Interest rate risk:** The fund may lose value as a direct result of interest rate changes.

**Liquidity risk:** In difficult market conditions, the fund may not be able to sell a security for full value or at all. This could affect performance and could cause the fund to defer or suspend redemptions of its shares, meaning investors may not be able to have immediate access to their holdings.

**Operational risk:** Operational processes, including those related to the safekeeping of assets, may fail. This may result in losses to the fund.

## 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 the proceeds of your investment are paid out.

### Charges taken from the fund over a year

**Ongoing charges** 0.67%

### Charges taken from the fund under certain specific conditions

#### Performance fee

None

The charges you pay 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 and in some cases you might pay less. You can find out the actual entry and exit charges from your financial advisor.

The ongoing charges figure is based on the last year's expenses for the year ending December 2023 and may vary from year to year. The ongoing charge figure excludes portfolio transaction costs. The charges are mostly, if not exclusively, the Schroders Annual Charge (as may be discounted for retail share classes depending on the size of the fund) but certain additional expenses may be charged as set out in the prospectus. The Schroders Annual Charge (without any discount) for this share class of the fund is 0.67%. The fund's annual report for each financial year will include details on the exact charges made including any discounts.

Please see the prospectus for more details about the charges.

## Past performance



Past performance is not a guide to future performance and may not be repeated. The value of investments may go down as well as up and you may not get back the amount you originally invested.

The chart shows performance in British pound after the ongoing charges and the portfolio transaction costs have been paid.

The fund was launched on 04/04/2006.

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Performance achieved between 2009 and 2014 was achieved under circumstances that no longer apply. The fund name and charges changed on 24 March 2014.

Please note that the fund's objective, policy and benchmarks were changed on 10 May 2021. The past performance in the above table is based on the fund's objective, policy and benchmarks (Target benchmark: 3 month GBP LIBOR. Comparator benchmark: Investment Association Strategic Bond sector average) in place prior to this date. Going forward, this table will show past performance from this date based on the objective, policy and benchmarks (Target benchmark: ICE BofA Sterling 3 Month Government Bill Index. Comparator benchmark: Investment Association Strategic Bond sector average).

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■ ICE BofA Sterling 3 Month Government Bill Index

■ Investment Association Strategic Bond sector average

■ 3 month GBP LIBOR

## Practical information

**Depository:** J. P. Morgan Europe Ltd.

**Further information:** You can get further information about this fund, including the prospectus, latest annual report, any subsequent half-yearly reports and the latest price of units from [www.schroders.com/ukinvestor](http://www.schroders.com/ukinvestor) and from Schroders, PO Box 1402, Sunderland, SR43 4AF, England, telephone 0800 182 2399. They are in English, free of charge.

**Tax legislation:** The fund is subject to UK tax legislation which may have an impact on your personal tax position.

**Liability:** Schroder Unit Trusts Ltd 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.

**Umbrella fund:** This fund is a sub-fund of an umbrella fund, the name of which is at the top of this document. The prospectus and periodic reports are prepared for the entire umbrella fund. To protect investors, the assets and liabilities of each sub-fund are segregated by law from those of other sub-funds.

**Switches:** Subject to conditions, you may apply to switch your investment into another share class within this fund or in another Schroder fund. Please see the prospectus for more details.

**Remuneration policy:** A summary of Schroders' remuneration policy and related disclosures is at [www.schroders.com/remuneration-disclosures](http://www.schroders.com/remuneration-disclosures). A paper copy is available free of charge upon request.

The policy includes a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated & the identities of persons responsible for awarding the remuneration and benefits.

**Benchmark:** The target benchmark has been selected because the target return of the Fund is to deliver or exceed the return of that benchmark as stated in the investment objective. The comparator benchmarks have been selected because the Investment Adviser and the ACD believe that this benchmark is a suitable comparison for performance purposes given the Fund's investment objective and policy.

**Glossary:** You can find an explanation of some of the terms used in this document at [www.schroders.com/ukinvestor/glossary](http://www.schroders.com/ukinvestor/glossary).