# PROSPECTUS

# **PARETO SICAV**

PARETO SICAV (the "Fund") is an investment company which may offer investors a choice between several classes of shares (each a "Class") in a number of sub-funds with segregated liability (each a "Sub-Fund"). The Fund is organised as an investment company registered under Part I of the Luxembourg Law of 17 December 2010, as amended, relating to undertakings for collective investment (the "2010 Law").

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### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

The Directors of the Fund, whose names appear hereafter, accept responsibility for the information contained in this document. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Directors (who have taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information. The Directors accept responsibility accordingly.

The Shares are offered solely on the basis of the information and representations contained in this Prospectus and any further information given or representations made by any person may not be relied upon as having been authorised by the Fund or the Directors. Neither the delivery of this Prospectus nor the issue of Shares shall under any circumstances create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Fund since the date hereof.

The information contained in this Prospectus will be supplemented by the financial statements and further information contained in the latest annual and semi-annual reports of the Fund, copies of which may be obtained free of charge at the registered office of the Fund.

The Fund is an open-ended investment company organised as a *Société d'Investissement à Capital Variable* (SICAV). The Fund is registered under Part I of the 2010 Law. The above registrations do not require any Luxembourg authority to approve or disapprove either the adequacy or accuracy of this Prospectus or the investments held by the Fund. Any representation to the contrary is unauthorised and unlawful.

The distribution of this Prospectus and the offering of Shares in certain jurisdictions may be restricted and accordingly persons into whose possession this Prospectus may come are required by the Fund to inform themselves of and to observe any such restrictions.

This Prospectus does not constitute an offer or solicitation to any person in any jurisdiction in which such offer or solicitation is not authorised or to any person to whom it would be unlawful to make such offer or solicitation.

The Management Company draws the investors' attention to the fact that any investor will only be able to fully exercise his investor rights directly against the Fund, notably the right to participate in general Shareholders' meetings, if the investor is registered himself and in his own name in the Shareholders' register of the Fund. In cases where an investor invests in the Fund through an intermediary investing into the Fund in his own name but on behalf of the investor, it may not always be possible for the investor to exercise certain Shareholders' rights directly against the Fund. Investors are advised to take advice on their rights.

**United States:** The Shares have not been registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act"), and the Fund has not been registered under the United States Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Investment Company Act"). The Shares may not be offered, sold, transferred or delivered, directly or indirectly, in the United States, its territories or possessions or to U.S. Persons (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) except to certain qualified U.S. institutions in reliance on certain exemptions from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and the Investment Company Act and with the consent of the Fund. Neither the Shares nor any interest therein may be beneficially owned by any other U.S. Persons and the Fund may repurchase Shares held by a U.S. Person or refuse to register any transfer to a U.S. Person as it deems appropriate to assure compliance with the Securities Act and the Investment Company Act (see under "ISSUE OF SHARES" below).

### **Data Protection**

Personal data related to identified or identifiable natural persons provided to, collected or otherwise obtained by or on behalf of, the Fund and the Management Company (the "Controllers") will be processed by the Controllers in accordance with the "Joint Data Controller Clause" which is available and can be accessed or obtained online (https://www.fundrock.com/joint-data-controller-clause/). All persons contacting, or otherwise dealing directly or indirectly with any of the Controllers are invited to read and carefully consider the Joint Data Controller Clause, prior to contacting or otherwise so dealing, and in any event prior to providing or causing the provision of any personal data directly or indirectly to the Controllers.

**Generally:** the above information is for general guidance only, and it is the responsibility of any person or persons in possession of this Prospectus and wishing to make application for Shares to inform themselves of, and to observe, all applicable laws and regulations of any relevant jurisdiction. Prospective applicants for Shares should inform themselves as to legal requirements also applying and any applicable exchange control regulations and applicable taxes in the countries of their respective citizenship, residence or domicile.

If you are in any doubt about the contents of this document you should consult your stockbroker, bank manager, accountant or other professional adviser.

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# DEFINITIONS

"Administrator"	FundRock Management Company S.A, acting as Central Administration and Domiciliary Agent of the Fund
"Annex"	An annex to this Prospectus containing information with respect to a particular Sub-Fund
"Articles"	The Articles of Incorporation of the Fund
"Business Day"	Any day as defined per Sub-Fund in the relevant Annex
"Classes"	Pursuant to the Articles, the Directors may decide to issue, within each Sub-Fund, separate classes of Shares (hereinafter referred to as a "Class" or "Classes", as appropriate) whose assets will be commonly invested but where different currency hedging techniques and/or subscription, conversion or redemption fees and management charges and/or distribution policies, minimum subscription or holding amount or any other specific feature may be applied. If different Classes are issued within a Sub-Fund, the details of each Class are described in the relevant Sub-Fund's Annex
CoCos	Contingent convertible bonds are hybrid debt securities designed to absorb their issuers' capital losses. Under normal circumstances, these instruments exhibit characteristics similar to fixed income or floating rate debt securities. However, upon the occurrence of a trigger event, these instruments may either be converted into equity or written down. The relevant trigger events are described in the contractual terms or by regulatory directives, but typically entail cases where the capital of the issuer falls below a certain level or where the issuer passes a "point of non-viability". Through their conversion into equity or write-down, contingent capital instruments thus allow the recapitalisation of the issuer and/or a reduction of its leverage ratios under critical circumstances at the expense of their holders. Contingent convertible bonds are hybrid securities.
"CSSF"	Luxembourg supervisory authority - <i>Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier</i>
"Depositary Fee"	The fee to be paid from time to time to the Depositary, as further detailed in the relevant Annexes.
"Directors"	The members of the board of directors of the Fund for the time being and any successors to such members as they may be appointed from time to time
"EU"	European Union

"Eligible Market" A Regulated Market in an Eligible State "Eligible State" Any Member State of the EU or any other state in Eastern and Western Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia, North and South America and Oceania "FATCA" The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act, which came into force on 18 March 2010 and which strengthens the reporting obligations of financial institutions, or any implementing law or regulation "FATF State" Any state having joined the Financial Action Task Force "Fund" PARETO SICAV "Global Distributor" Pareto Asset Management AS "Ineligible Applicant" An ineligible applicant as described herein under the section "Subscriptions" "Initial Offering Period" The period determined by the Directors during which Shares are offered for subscription at a fixed price as specified in the relevant Annex "Investment Manager" Pareto Asset Management AS "Management Company" FundRock Management Company S.A. "Member State" As defined in the 2010 Law "Minimum Holding The minimum value of a holding of a Shareholder in a Sub-Fund is Amount" defined per Sub-Fund in the relevant Annex "Minimum First The minimum value of the first subscription of a Shareholder in a Sub-Subscription Amount" Fund is defined per Sub-Fund in the relevant Annex "money market Instruments normally dealt in on the money market which are liquid, instruments" and have a value which can be accurately determined at any time "Net Asset Value" The net asset value of the Fund, a Sub-Fund or a Class, as the case may be, determined in accordance with the Articles "Net Asset Value per The Net Asset Value divided by the number of Shares in issue or Share" deemed to be in issue in a Sub-Fund or Class

"Statens Pensjonsfond Norwegian Government Pension Fund Global Utland" "OECD" Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development "Redemption Charge" A charge not exceeding the percentage of the Net Asset Value disclosed in the relevant Annex that may be applied to redemptions of Shares. This Redemption Charge is to be considered as a maximum rate and, as the case may be, shall be allocated at the Directors' discretion between the relevant Sub-Fund or financial intermediaries including the Global Distributor "Redemption Price" The Net Asset Value per Share, as calculated as of the relevant Valuation Day, decreased by a Redemption Charge as specified for each Class and Sub-Fund in the relevant Annex. European Fund Administration S.A. acting as registrar and transfer "Registrar and Transfer Agent" agent "Regulated Market" The market defined in article 4 paragraph 1 item 21 of Directive 2014/65/EU of 15th May 2014 on markets in financial instruments as well as any other market which is regulated, operates regularly and is recognised and open to the public "RESA" The Recueil Electronique des Sociétés et Associations, the electronic central platform of publications "Share" A share of no par value of any Class in the Fund "Shareholder" A person recorded as a holder of Shares in the Fund's register of shareholders "Sub-Fund" A separate portfolio of assets for which a specific investment policy applies and to which specific liabilities, income and expenditure will be applied. The assets of a Sub-Fund are exclusively available to satisfy the rights of Shareholders in relation to that Sub-Fund and the rights of creditors whose claims have arisen in connection with the creation, operation or liquidation of that Sub-Fund. "Subscription Charge" A sales commission not exceeding the percentage of the Net Asset Value disclosed in the relevant Annex may be levied. The Subscription Charge is to be considered as a maximum rate and, as the case may be, shall be allocated at the Directors' discretion between the relevant Sub-Fund and the financial intermediaries including the Global Distributor. The Net Asset Value per Share, as calculated as of the relevant "Subscription Price"

	Valuation Day, increased by a Subscription Charge as specified for each Class and Sub-Fund in the relevant Annex.
"transferable securities"	<ul> <li>Shall mean:</li> <li>shares and other securities equivalent to shares,</li> <li>bonds and other debt instruments,</li> <li>any other negotiable securities which carry the right to acquire any such transferable securities by subscription or exchange,</li> <li>excluding techniques and instruments relating to transferable securities and money market instruments</li> </ul>
"UCITS"	An Undertaking for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities authorised pursuant to European Parliament and Council Directive 2009/65/EC, as amended
UCITS Directive	The Directive 2009/65/EC of 13 July 2009 on the coordination of laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to undertakings for collective investment in transferable securities, as amended
"other UCI"	An Undertaking for Collective Investment within the meaning of the first and second indents of Article 1 2. (a) and (b) of European Parliament and Council Directive 2009/65/EC, as amended
"United States"	The United States of America (including the States and the District of Columbia) and any of its territories, possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction
"US Person"	A citizen or resident of the United States, a corporation, partnership or other entity created in or under the laws of the United States or any person falling within the definition of the term "United States Person" under Regulation S promulgated under the 1933 Act
"Valuation Day"	Any day as defined per Sub-Fund in the relevant Annex

All references to a Class shall, where no Classes have been created within a Sub-Fund, be deemed to be references to the Sub-Fund.

In this Prospectus all references to "Euro" and " ${\ensuremath{\mathbb C}}$  " are to the Single European Currency.

All references to "Norwegian Crown" and "NOK" are to the currency of Norway.

All references to "Swedish Krona" and "SEK" are to the currency of Sweden.

# INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES, POLICIES AND RESTRICTIONS

### **Investment Objectives and Policies**

The investment objective of each Sub-Fund is to achieve long term capital growth through investment in actively managed portfolios of assets set out in the relevant Annex.

Under normal circumstances, the Sub-Funds will be fully invested in accordance with the investment policy set out in the relevant Annex. Part of a Sub-Fund's net assets can be held temporarily in liquidities, including typical money-market instruments having a residual maturity not exceeding twelve months and demand or time deposits. However, a Sub-Fund can temporarily take a defensive position by investing extensively in cash when it believes that the markets or the relevant economy are experiencing excessive volatility, a prolonged general decline or when other adverse conditions may exist. Under these circumstances, a Sub-Fund may be unable to pursue its investment objective.

While using its best endeavours to attain its investment objectives, the Fund cannot guarantee whether and to what extent the investment objective will be achieved.

Pursuit of the investment policy and objective of any Sub-Fund must be in compliance with the limits and restrictions set forth hereafter.

## **Investment Restrictions**

The Directors shall, based upon the principle of spreading of risks, have power to determine the investment policy for the investments of the Fund in respect of each Sub-Fund subject to the following restrictions, unless more stringent rules be specified for a Sub-Fund in the Annex to this Prospectus:

- I. (1) The Fund, for each Sub-Fund, may invest in:
  - a) transferable securities and money market instruments admitted to or dealt in on an Eligible Market;
  - b) recently issued transferable securities and money market instruments, provided that the terms of issue include an undertaking that application will be made for admission to official listing on an Eligible Market and such admission is secured within one year of the issue;
  - c) units of UCITS and/or other UCI, whether situated in a Member State or not, provided that:
    - such other UCIs have been authorised under the laws of any EU Member State or under the laws of those countries provided that they are subject to supervision considered by the CSSF to be equivalent to that laid down in European Community law and that cooperation between authorities is sufficiently ensured, or,
    - the level of protection for unitholders in such other UCIs is equivalent to that provided for unitholders in a UCITS, and in particular that the rules on assets segregation, borrowing, lending, and uncovered sales of transferable

securities and money market instruments are equivalent to the requirements of Directive 2009/65/EC, as amended,

- the business of such other UCIs is reported in half-yearly and annual reports to enable an assessment of the assets and liabilities, income and operations over the reporting period,
- no more than 10% of the assets of the UCITS or of the other UCIs, whose acquisition is contemplated, can, according to their constitutional documents, in aggregate be invested in units of other UCITS or other UCIs;
- d) Shares of other Sub-Funds of the Fund provided that:
  - the target Sub-Fund does not, in turn, invest in the Sub-Fund; and
  - no more than 10% of the assets of the target Sub-Funds whose acquisition is contemplated, according to its investment policy may be invested in units of other target sub-funds of the same UCIs; and
  - voting rights, if any, attaching to the relevant Shares are suspended for as long as they are held by the Sub-Fund concerned; and
  - in any event, for as long as these securities are held by the UCI, their value will not be taken into consideration for the calculation of the net assets of the UCI for the purposes of verifying the minimum threshold of the net assets imposed by the 2010 Law.
- e) deposits with credit institutions which are repayable on demand or have the right to be withdrawn, and maturing in no more than 12 months, provided that the credit institution has its registered office in a country which is an EU Member State or if the registered office of the credit institution is situated in a non-EU Member State provided that it is subject to prudential rules considered by the CSSF as equivalent to those laid down in European Community law;
- financial derivative instruments, including equivalent cash-settled instruments, dealt in on an Eligible Market and/or financial derivative instruments dealt in over-the-counter ("OTC derivatives"), provided that:
  - the underlying consists of instruments covered by this section (I) (1), financial indices, interest rates, foreign exchange rates or currencies, in which the Sub-Funds may invest according to their investment objective;
  - the counterparties to OTC derivative transactions are institutions subject to prudential supervision, and belonging to the categories approved by the Luxembourg supervisory authority;
  - the OTC derivatives are subject to reliable and verifiable valuation on a daily basis and can be sold, liquidated or closed by an offsetting transaction at any time at their fair value at the Fund's initiative; and/or
- g) money market instruments other than those dealt in on an Eligible Market and referred to under "Definitions", if the issue or the issuer of such instruments are themselves regulated for the purpose of protecting investors and savings, and provided that such instruments are:
  - issued or guaranteed by a central, regional or local authority or by a central bank of a Member State, the European Central Bank, the EU or the European Investment Bank, by a third country or, in case of a Federal State, by one of the members making up the federation, or by a public international body to which one or more Member States belong, or

- issued by an undertaking any securities of which are dealt in on Eligible Markets, or
- issued or guaranteed by an establishment subject to prudential supervision, in accordance with criteria defined by EU law, or by an establishment which is subject to and complies with prudential rules considered by the CSSF to be at least as stringent as those laid down by Community law, or
- issued by other bodies belonging to the categories approved by the Luxembourg supervisory authority provided that investments in such instruments are subject to investor protection equivalent to that laid down in the first, the second or the third indent and provided that the issuer is a company whose capital and reserves amount to at least EUR 10 million and which presents and publishes its annual accounts in accordance with Directive 78/660/EEC, is an entity which, within a group of companies which includes one or several listed companies, is dedicated to the financing of the group or is an entity which is dedicated to the financing of securitisation vehicles which benefit from a banking liquidity line.
- (2) In addition, the Fund may invest a maximum of 10% of the net assets of any Sub-Fund in transferable securities and money market instruments other than those referred to under (1) a), b), e) and g) above.
- II. The Fund may hold ancillary liquid assets.
- III. a) (i) The Fund will invest no more than 10% of the net assets of any Sub-Fund in transferable securities or money market instruments issued by the same issuing body.
  - (ii) The Fund may not invest more than 20% of the net assets of any Sub-Fund in deposits made with the same body. The risk exposure of a Sub-Fund to a counterparty in an OTC derivative transaction may not exceed 10% of its net assets when the counterparty is a credit institution referred to in I. e) above or 5% of its net assets in other cases.
  - b) Moreover, where the Fund holds on behalf of a Sub-Fund investments in transferable securities and money market instruments of issuing bodies which individually exceed 5% of the net assets of such Sub-Fund, the total of all such investments must not account for more than 40% of the total net assets of such Sub-Fund.

This limitation does not apply to deposits and OTC derivative transactions made with financial institutions subject to prudential supervision.

Notwithstanding the individual limits laid down in paragraph III. a), the Fund may not combine for each Sub-Fund:

- Investments in transferable securities or money market instruments issued by a single body,
- deposits made with that single body, and/or
- exposures arising from OTC derivative transactions undertaken with that body in excess of 20% of its net assets.
- c) The limit of 10% laid down in sub-paragraph a) (i) above is increased to a maximum of 35% in respect of transferable securities or money market instruments which are issued

or guaranteed by a Member State, its local authorities, or by another Eligible State or by public international bodies of which one or more Member States are members.

- d) The limit of 10% laid down in sub-paragraph a) (i) is increased to 25% for certain bonds when they are issued by a credit institution which has its registered office in a Member State and is subject by law, to special public supervision designed to protect bondholders. In particular, sums deriving from the issue of these bonds must be invested in conformity with the law in assets which, during the whole period of validity of the bonds, are capable of covering claims attaching to the bonds and which, in case of bankruptcy of the issuer, would be used on a priority basis for the repayment of principal and payment of the accrued interest.
- e) If a Sub-Fund invests more than 5% of its net assets in the bonds referred to in this subparagraph and issued by one issuer, the total value of such investments may not exceed 80% of the net assets of the Sub-Fund.
- f) The transferable securities and money market instruments referred to in paragraphs c) and d) shall not be included in the calculation of the limit of 40% in paragraph b).

The limits set out in sub-paragraphs a), b), c) and d) may not be aggregated and, accordingly, investments in transferable securities or money market instruments issued by the same issuing body, in deposits or in derivative instruments effected with the same issuing body may not, in any event, exceed a total of 35% of any Sub-Fund's net assets.

Companies which are part of the same group for the purposes of the establishment of consolidated accounts, as defined in accordance with Directive 83/349/EEC or in accordance with recognised international accounting rules, are regarded as a single body for the purpose of calculating the limits contained in this paragraph III).

The Fund may cumulatively invest up to 20% of the net assets of a Sub-Fund in transferable securities and money market instruments within the same group.

- g) Notwithstanding the above provisions, the Fund is authorised to invest up to 100% of the net assets of any Sub-Fund, in accordance with the principle of risk spreading, in transferable securities and money market instruments issued or guaranteed by a Member State, by one or more of its local authorities, or by a non-Member State of the EU (such as but not limited to a member State of the OECD, G20 countries, Singapore or Hong Kong) or by public international bodies of which one or more Member States belongs, provided that such Sub-Fund must hold securities from at least six different issues and securities from one issue do not account for more than 30% of the net assets of such Sub-Fund.
- IV. a) Without prejudice to the limits laid down in paragraph V., the limits provided in paragraph III. are raised to a maximum of 20% for investments in shares and/or bonds issued by the same issuing body if the aim of the investment policy of a Sub-Fund is to replicate the composition of a certain stock or bond index which is sufficiently diversified, represents an adequate benchmark for the market to which it refers, is published in an appropriate manner and disclosed in the relevant Sub-Fund's investment policy.

- b) The limit laid down in paragraph a) is raised to 35% where this proves to be justified by exceptional market conditions, in particular on Regulated Markets where certain transferable securities or money market instruments are highly dominant. The investment up to this limit is only permitted for a single issuer.
- V. a) The Fund may not acquire shares carrying voting rights which should enable it to exercise significant influence over the management of an issuing body.
  - b) The Fund may acquire no more than:
    - 10% of the non-voting shares of the same issuer;
    - 10% of the debt securities of the same issuer;
    - 10% of the money market instruments any single issuer; and/or
    - 25% of the units of the same UCITS or other UCI

These limits under second, third and fourth indents may be disregarded at the time of acquisition, if at that time the gross amount of debt securities or of the money market instruments or the net amount of the instruments in issue cannot be calculated.

c) The provisions of paragraph V. shall not be applicable to transferable securities and money market instruments issued or guaranteed by a Member State or its local authorities or by a non-Member State of the European Union, or issued by public international bodies of which one or more Member States are members.

The provisions of this paragraph V. are also waived as regards shares held by the Fund in the capital of a company incorporated in a non-Member State of the EU which invests its assets mainly in the securities of issuing bodies having their registered office in that State, where under the legislation of that State, such a holding represents the only way in which the Fund can invest in the securities of issuing bodies of that State provided that the investment policy of the company from the non-Member State of the EU complies with the limits laid down in paragraph III., V. and VI. a), b), c) and d).

- VI. a) Unless otherwise stated in the relevant Annex, a Sub-Fund may not invest more than 10% of its net assets in units of UCITS or other UCIs.
  - b) When a Sub-Fund is entitled to invest more than 10% of its net assets in units of UCITS and/or other UCIs referred to in paragraph I. (1) c), the following limits apply:

(i) no more than 20% of its net assets may be invested in units of the same UCITS or other UCI;

(ii) investments made in units of other UCI may not exceed, in aggregate, 30% of the net assets of the Sub-Fund.

- c) The underlying investments held by the UCITS or other UCIs in which the Fund invests do not have to be considered for the purpose of the investment restrictions set forth under III. above.
- d) When the Fund invests in the units of UCITS and/or other UCIs linked to the Fund by common management or direct or indirect control of more than 10% of the votes or capital, no subscription or redemption fees may be charged to the Fund on account of its investment in the units of such other UCITS and/or UCIs.

No investment management fee shall be charged on the investments in such other UCITS and UCIs.

If any Sub-Fund's investments in UCITS and other UCIs constitute a substantial proportion of the Sub-Fund's assets, the total management fee (excluding any performance fee, if any) charged to such Sub-Fund and each of the UCITS or other UCIs concerned shall not exceed 2% (excluding performance fees, if any) of the relevant net assets under management. The Fund will indicate in its annual report the total management fees charged both to the relevant Sub-Fund and to the UCITS and other UCIs in which such Sub-Fund has invested during the relevant period.

- VII. Notwithstanding paragraphs VI) (a) and (b) above and under the conditions laid down by the Law, the Fund may (i) create a Sub-Fund qualifying either as a feeder UCITS (a "Feeder Sub-Fund") or as a master UCITS (a "Master Sub-Fund"), (ii) convert an existing Sub-Fund into a Feeder Sub-Fund, or (iii) change the master UCITS of any of its Feeder Sub-Fund.
  - a) A Feeder Sub-Fund shall invest at least 85% of its assets in the units of another master UCITS or sub-fund thereof.
  - b) A Feeder Sub-Fund may hold up to 15% of its assets in one or more of the following:
    - ancillary liquid assets in accordance with paragraph II above;
    - financial derivative instruments, which may be used only for hedging purposes.
- VIII. The Fund shall ensure for each Sub-Fund that the global exposure relating to derivative instruments does not exceed the net assets of the relevant Sub-Fund.

The exposure is calculated taking into account the current value of the underlying assets, the counterparty risk, foreseeable market movements and the time available to liquidate the positions. This shall also apply to the following subparagraphs.

If the Fund invests in financial derivative instruments, the exposure to the underlying assets may not exceed in aggregate the investment limits laid down in paragraph III above. When the Fund invests in index-based financial derivative instruments, these investments do not have to be combined to the limits laid down in paragraph III.

When a transferable security or money market instrument embeds a derivative, the latter must be taken into account when complying with the requirements of this paragraph VIII.

- IX. a) The Fund may not borrow for the account of any Sub-Fund amounts in excess of 10% of the net assets of that Sub-Fund, any such borrowings to be from banks and to be effected only on a temporary basis, provided that the Fund may acquire foreign currencies by means of back to back loans;
  - b) The Fund may not grant loans to or act as guarantor on behalf of third parties. This restriction shall not prevent the Fund from acquiring transferable securities, money market instruments or other financial instruments referred to in I. (1) c), f) and g) which are not fully paid.
  - c) The Fund may not carry out uncovered sales of transferable securities, money market instruments or other financial instruments.

- d) The Fund may only acquire movable or immovable property which is essential for the direct pursuit of its business.
- e) The Fund may not acquire either precious metals or certificates representing them.
- X. a) The Fund needs not comply with the limits laid down in this chapter when exercising subscription rights attaching to transferable securities or money market instruments which form part of its assets. While ensuring observance of the principle of risk spreading, recently created Sub-Funds may derogate from paragraphs III., IV. and VI. a), b) and c) for a period of six months following the date of their creation.
  - b) If the limits referred to in paragraph a) are exceeded for reasons beyond the control of the Fund or as a result of the exercise of subscription rights, it must adopt as a priority objective for its sales transactions the remedying of that situation, taking due account of the interest of its shareholders.
  - c) To the extent that an issuer is a legal entity with multiple compartments where the assets of the compartment are exclusively reserved to the investors in such compartment and to those creditors whose claim has arisen in connection with the creation, operation or liquidation of that compartment, each compartment is to be considered as a separate issuer for the purpose of the application of the risk spreading rules set out in paragraphs III., IV. and VI.

## **RISK MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES**

In accordance with the 2010 Law and other applicable regulations, in particular CSSF Circular 11/512 regarding (i) the presentation of the main regulatory changes in risk management following the publication of CSSF Regulation 10-4 and ESMA clarifications, (ii) further clarifications from the CSSF on risk management rules and (iii) definition of the content and format of the risk management process to be communicated to the CSSF, the Management Company on behalf of the Fund uses a risk management process which enables it to assess the exposure of each Sub-Fund to market, liquidity and counterparty risks, and to all other risks, including operational risks, which are material for the Fund.

In relation to financial derivative instruments the Management Company employs a process for accurate and independent assessment of the value of OTC Derivatives and the Management Company ensures for each of the Sub-Funds that its global exposure relating to financial derivative instruments does not exceed the limits as set out in the section "Investment Restrictions".

The global exposure is calculated taking into account the current value of the underlying assets, the counterparty risk, future market movements and the time available to liquidate the positions.

Each Sub-Fund may invest, according to its investment policy and within the limits laid down in the section "Investment Restrictions", in financial derivative instruments, provided that the global exposure to the underlying assets does not exceed in aggregate the investment limits laid down in the section "Investment Restrictions".

When a Sub-Fund invests in index-based financial derivative instruments, these investments do not have to be combined to any such limits set out in the section "Investment Restrictions".

When a transferable security or money market instrument embeds a financial derivative instrument, the latter must be taken into account when complying with these requirements set out in the section "Investment Restrictions".

## Global Exposure

In accordance with the ESMA Guidelines on risk measurement and the calculation of global exposure and counterparty risk for UCITS (ref.: ESMA/10-788), global exposure should be either measured using the Value-at-Risk ("VaR") or the commitment approach.

A Sub-Fund shall use the Value-at-Risk Method if:

- (i) It engages in complex investment strategies which represent more than a negligible part of the Sub-Fund's investment policy;
- (ii) it has more than a negligible exposure to exotic derivatives;
- (iii) The commitment approach does not capture adequately the market risk of the portfolio.

The ESMA Guidelines on risk measurement and the calculation of global exposure and counterparty risk for UCITS (ref.: ESMA/10-788) allows a fund to use either one of the two types of Value-at-Risk approaches: the absolute or the relative Value-at-Risk. The absolute Value-at-Risk limit of a Sub-Fund calculated over a 20 days holding period at 99% confidence level shall not exceed 20% of its total net asset value under normal market conditions. The relative VaR approach is used for Sub-Funds where a benchmark reference portfolio is defined reflecting the investment strategy which the Sub-Fund is pursuing. The relative VaR of a Sub-Fund is expressed as a multiple of the VaR of a benchmark or reference portfolio, which should be unleveraged and comprise no financial derivative instruments.

The commitment method calculates all derivatives exposure as if they were direct investments in the underlying positions. The commitment allows for hedging and netting. A Sub-Fund using this approach must ensure that its overall market exposure does not exceed 100% of its total net asset value.

The choice of the global exposure methodology is based on the assessment of the risk profile resulting from the investment policy, including the use of financial derivative instruments.

The Sub-Fund's annexes disclose:

- The global exposure determination methodology ("Absolute or Relative Value-at-Risk" or "Commitment Approach");
- The expected level of leverage, if applicable;
- The reference portfolio, when applicable.

# **TECHNIQUES AND INSTRUMENTS**

Subject to the following conditions, the Fund is authorised for each Sub-Fund to resort to techniques and instruments bearing on Transferable Securities, Money Market Instruments, currencies and other eligible assets, on the condition that any recourse to such techniques and instruments be carried out for the purpose of hedging and/or efficient management of the portfolio, altogether within the meaning of the Grand-ducal regulation of 8 February 2008.

# A. Techniques and Instruments relating to Transferable Securities, Money Market Instruments and other eligible assets

## (1) General

To optimise portfolio management and/or to protect its assets and liabilities, the Fund may use techniques and instruments involving Transferable Securities, Money Market Instruments, currencies and other eligible assets within the meaning of the Grand-ducal regulation of 8 February 2008 for each Sub-Fund provided that such techniques and instruments are used for the purposes of efficient portfolio management within the meaning of, and under the conditions set out in, applicable laws, regulations and CSSF-Circulars issued from time to time, in particular, but not limited to CSSF-Circulars 08/356, 13/559 and 14/592 and ESMA-Guidelines 2014/937. In particular, those techniques and instruments should not result in a change of the investment objective of the relevant Sub-Fund or add substantial supplementary risks in comparison to the stated risk profile of such Sub-Fund. The risk exposure to a counterparty generated through efficient portfolio management techniques and OTC financial derivatives must be combined when calculating counterparty risk limits referred to in this Prospectus. All revenues arising from efficient portfolio management techniques, net of direct and indirect operational costs and fees, will be returned to the respective Sub-Fund. In particular, fees and costs may be paid to agents of the Fund and other intermediaries providing services in connection with efficient portfolio management techniques as normal compensation for their services. Such fees may be calculated as a percentage of gross revenues earned by the Fund through the use of such techniques. Information on direct and indirect operational costs and fees that may be

incurred in this respect as well as the identity of the entities to which such costs and fees are paid – as well as any relationship they may have with the Depositary or the Management Company – will be available in the annual report of the Fund. Furthermore, each Sub-Fund is notably authorised to carry out transactions intended to sell or buy foreign exchange rate futures, to sell or buy currency futures and to sell call options or to buy put options on currencies, in order to protect its assets against currency fluctuations or to optimise yield, i.e., for the purpose of sound portfolio management.

## (2) Limitation

When transactions involve the use of derivatives, the Fund must comply with the terms and limits stipulated above in the chapter "Investment Restrictions", sections I. (1) f), III. a) (ii) and b) and VIII. of this Prospectus. The use of transactions involving derivatives or other financial techniques and instruments may not cause the Fund to stray from the investment objectives set out in the Prospectus.

### (3) Risks - Notice

In order to optimise their portfolio yield, all Sub-Funds are authorised to use the derivatives techniques and instruments described in this chapter and the chapter "Investment Restrictions" (particularly swaps of rates, currencies and other financial instruments, futures, and securities, rate or futures options), on the terms and conditions set out in said chapters. The investor's attention is drawn to the fact that market conditions and applicable regulations may restrict the use of these instruments. The success of these strategies cannot be guaranteed. Sub-funds using these techniques and instruments assume risks and incur costs they would not have assumed or incurred if they had not used such techniques. The investor's attention is further drawn to the increased risk of volatility generated by Sub-Funds using these techniques for other purposes than hedging. If the managers and sub-managers forecast incorrect trends for securities, currency and interest rate markets, the affected Sub-Fund may be worse off than if no such strategy had been used. In using derivatives, each Sub-Fund may carry out over-the-counter futures or spot transactions on indices or other financial instruments and swaps on indices or other financial instruments with highly-rated banks or brokers specialised in this area, acting as counterparties. Although the corresponding markets are not necessarily considered more volatile than other futures markets, operators have less protection

against defaults on these markets since the contracts traded on them are not guaranteed by a clearing house.

## **B. Securities Lending**

The Fund may enter into securities lending transactions in accordance with the provisions of CSSF Circular 08/356 on the rules applicable to undertakings for collective investment when they employ certain techniques and instruments relating to transferable securities and money market instruments ("Circular 08/356"). The Company may enter into securities lending transactions provided that the following rules are complied with in addition to the abovementioned conditions:

- (a) the Fund may lend securities to a borrower either directly or through a standardised system organised by a recognised clearing institution or through a lending system organised by a financial institution subject to prudential supervision rules which are recognised by the CSSF as equivalent to those laid down in EU law and specialised in these types of transactions;
- (b) the borrower must be subject to prudential supervision rules considered by the CSSF as equivalent to those prescribed by EU law;
- (c) the risk exposure of the Fund vis-à-vis a single counterparty arising from one or more securities lending transaction(s) may not exceed 10% of the assets of the relevant Sub-Fund when the counterparty is a financial institution falling within section I. (1)
   (e) above, or 5% of its assets in all other cases.
- (d) as part of its lending transactions, the Fund must receive collateral, the value of which, during the duration of the lending agreement, must be equal to at least 90% of the global valuation of the securities lent (interests, dividends and other eventual rights included);
- (e) such collateral must be received prior to or simultaneously with the transfer of the securities lent. When the securities are lent through any of the intermediaries referred to under section "Techniques and Instruments" A. (1) above, the transfer of the securities lent may be effected prior to receipt of the collateral, if the relevant intermediary ensures proper completion of the transaction. Said intermediary may provide collateral in lieu of the borrower;
- (f) when the collateral given in the form of cash exposes the Fund to a credit risk vis-àvis the trustee of this collateral, such exposure must be subject to the 20% limitation as laid down in Section III. a) (ii) above;
- (g) the Fund shall disclose the global valuation of the securities lent in the annual and semi-annual reports;
- (h) the Fund may only enter into securities lending transactions provided that it is entitled at any time under the terms of the agreement to request the return of the

### securities lent or to terminate the agreement.

## C. Repurchase Agreement Transactions

The Fund does not intend to enter into (i) repurchase transactions which consist in the purchase or sale of securities with a clause reserving for the seller the right or the obligation to repurchase from the acquirer the securities sold at a price and time agreed by the two parties in their contractual arrangement, (ii) repurchase agreement transactions, which consist of a forward transaction at the maturity of which the Fund has the obligation to repurchase the securities sold and the buyer (counterparty) the obligation to return the securities received under the transaction and (iii) reverse repurchase agreement transactions, which consist of a forward transaction and (iii) reverse repurchase agreement transactions, which consist of a forward transaction and (iii) reverse repurchase agreement transactions, which consist of a forward transaction at the maturity of which the seller (counterparty) has the obligation to repurchase the securities sold and the Fund the obligation to return the securities received under the transaction at the maturity of which the seller (counterparty) has the obligation to repurchase the securities sold and the Fund the obligation to return the securities received under the transaction.

## **D. Financial Derivative Instruments**

## (1) General

Over-the-counter (OTC) financial derivative instruments (except total return swaps and other derivatives with similar characteristics) used by the Sub-Funds to gain exposure to underlying assets will be entered into with counterparties selected among first class financial institutions specialised in the relevant type of transaction, subject to prudential supervision and belonging to the categories of counterparties approved by the CSSF.

## (2) Counterparty Risk

In accordance with its investment objective and policy, a Sub-Fund may trade 'over-the-counter' (OTC) financial derivative instruments such as non-exchange traded futures and options, forwards, swaps or contracts for difference. OTC derivatives are instruments specifically tailored to the needs of an individual investor that enable the user to structure precisely its exposure to a given position. Such instruments are not afforded the same protections as may be available to investors trading futures or options on organised exchanges, such as the performance guarantee of an exchange clearing house. The counterparty to a particular OTC derivative transaction will generally be the specific entity involved in the transaction rather than a recognised exchange clearing house. In these circumstances the Sub-Fund will be exposed to the risk that the counterparty will not settle the transaction in accordance with its terms and conditions because of a dispute over the terms of the contract (whether or not bona fide) or because of the insolvency, bankruptcy or other credit or liquidity problems of the counterparty. This could result in substantial losses to the Sub-Fund.

Participants in OTC markets are typically not subject to the credit evaluation and regulatory oversight to which members of 'exchange-based' markets are subject. Unless otherwise indicated in the Prospectus for a specific Sub-Fund, the Fund will not be restricted from dealing with any particular counterparties.

The Fund's evaluation of the creditworthiness of its counterparties may not prove sufficient. The lack of a complete and fool proof evaluation of the financial capabilities of the counterparties and the absence of a regulated market to facilitate settlement may increase the potential for losses. The Fund may select counterparties located in various jurisdictions. Such local counterparties are subject to various laws and regulations in various jurisdictions that are designed to protect their customers in the event of their insolvency. However, the practical effect of these laws and their application to the Sub-Fund and its assets are subject to substantial limitations and uncertainties. Because of the large number of entities and jurisdictions involved and the range of possible factual scenarios involving the

insolvency of a counterparty, it is impossible to generalize the effect of their insolvency on the Sub-Fund and its assets.

Investors should assume that the insolvency of any counterparty would generally result in a loss to the Sub-Fund, which could be material.

If there is a default by the counterparty to a transaction, the Fund will under most normal circumstances have contractual remedies and in some cases collateral pursuant to the agreements related to the transaction. However, exercising such contractual rights may involve delays and costs. If one or more OTC counterparties were to become insolvent or the subject of liquidation proceedings, the recovery of securities and other assets under OTC derivatives may be delayed and the securities and other assets recovered by the Fund may have declined in value.

Regardless of the measures that the Fund may implement to reduce counterparty credit risk there can be no assurance that a counterparty will not default or that the Sub-Fund will not sustain losses on the transactions as a result. Such counterparty risk is accentuated for contracts with longer maturities or where the Sub-Fund has concentrated its transactions with a single or small group of counterparties.

## E. Management of Collateral and Collateral Policy

### <u>General</u>

In the context of OTC financial derivative transactions and efficient portfolio management techniques, the Fund may receive collateral with a view to reduce its counterparty risk. This section sets out the collateral policy applied by the Fund in such case. All assets received by the Fund in the context of efficient portfolio management techniques shall be considered as collateral for the purpose of this section.

## Eligible Collateral

Collateral received by the Fund may be used to reduce its counterparty risk exposure if it complies with the criteria set out in applicable laws, regulations and CSSF-Circulars issued from time to time notably in terms of liquidity and issuer credit quality, valuation, correlation, collateral diversification, risks linked to the management of collateral and enforceability. In particular, collateral should comply with the following conditions:

(i) liquidity and issuer credit quality – any collateral received other than cash shall be of high quality, highly liquid and traded on a regulated market or multilateral trading facility with transparent pricing in order that it can be sold quickly at a price that is close to pre-sale valuation.

(ii) valuation – collateral received shall be valued on at least a daily basis and assets that exhibit high price volatility shall not be accepted as collateral unless suitably conservative haircuts are in place;

(iii) correlation – the collateral received by the Fund shall be issued by an entity that is independent from the counterpart and is expected not to display a high correlation with the performance of the counterpart;

(iv) collateral diversification (asset concentration) – collateral shall be sufficiently diversified in terms of country, markets and issuers. The criterion of sufficient diversification with respect to issuer concentration is considered to be respected if the Fund receives from a counterpart of efficient portfolio management and OTC financial derivative transactions a basket of collateral with a maximum exposure to a given issuer of 20% of the respective Sub-Fund's net asset value. When the Fund is exposed to different counterparts, the different baskets of collateral shall be aggregated to calculate the 20% limit of exposure to a single issuer. By way of derogation from this sub-paragraph, the Fund may be fully collateralised in different transferable securities and money market

instruments issued or guaranteed by a Member State, one or more of its local authorities, a third country, or a public international body to which one or more Member States belong. In such a case, the Fund should receive securities from at least six different issues, but securities from any single issue should not account for more than 30% of the respective Sub-Fund's net asset value. The list of eligible jurisdictions includes, but is not limited to, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, the Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States of America; Besides, collateral received shall also comply with the provisions of Article 48 of the 2010 Law;

(v) it should be capable of being fully enforced by the Fund at any time without reference to or approval from the counterparty;

(vi) risks linked to the management of collateral, such as operational and legal risks, shall be identified, managed and mitigated by the risk management process;

(vii) where there is a title transfer, the collateral received shall be held by the Depositary of the Fund. For other types of collateral arrangement, the collateral can be held by a third party custodian which is subject to prudential supervision, and which is unrelated to the provider of the collateral.

Subject to the abovementioned conditions, collateral received by the Fund may consist of the following instruments as accepted by the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2016/2251 of the 4 October 2016 supplementing the Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2012 (hereafter referred to as "CDR 2016/2251"):

(i) Cash in an OECD country currency in accordance with Article 4(1) (a) of CDR 2016/2251,

(ii) Debt securities issued or guaranteed by Member States' central governments or central banks in accordance with Article 4(1) (c) of CDR 2016/2251,

(iii) Debt securities issued by Member States' regional governments or local exposures whose exposures are treated as exposures to the central government of that Member State listed in Article 115(2) of Regulation (EU) 575/2013,

(iv) Debt securities issued by multilateral banks listed in Article 117(2) of Regulation (EU) of 575/2013,

(v) Debt securities issued by international organisations listed in Article 118 of the Regulation (EU) No 575/2013,

(vi) Corporate bonds,

(vii) Convertible bonds provided they can only be converted into equities which are included in an index specified pursuant to point (a) of Article 197(8) of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013,

(viii) Equities included in an index specified pursuant to point (a) of Article 197(8) of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013.

## Level of Collateral

The Fund will determine the required level of collateral for OTC financial derivatives transactions and efficient portfolio management techniques by reference to the applicable counterparty risk limits set out in this Prospectus and taking into account the nature and characteristics of transactions, the creditworthiness and identity of counterparties and prevailing market conditions.

## Rules for application of Haircuts

Collateral will be valued on a daily basis using available market prices and the value of collateral will be adjusted by applying relevant haircuts. For this purpose, in accordance with Article 6 of CDR 2016/2251, the Fund will rely on the credit quality assessments issued by a recognised External Credit Assessment Institution or the credit quality of (ECAI) of an export credit agency and thus will use standard haircuts to be applied by asset type, maturity and credit quality of the issuer.

The following haircuts will be applied:

## 1.1 Cash Collateral

## (i) Cash variation margin shall be subject to a haircut of 0%

(ii) Cash initial margin shall be subject to a haircut of 8% when the cash initial margin has been posted in a currency other than the currency in which the payments in case of early termination or default have to be made in accordance with the single derivative contract, the relevant exchange of collateral agreement or the relevant credit support annex ('termination currency').

In case no termination currency has been set out, the above haircut of 8% shall apply to the market value of all the assets posted as collateral.

## 1.2 Non- cash collateral

## (i) Haircuts applicable to debt securities

## Table 1 Debt securities

	Collateral	Credit Quality	Maturity			
		Step	≤ 1 yr	>1 ≤ 5 year(s)	> 5 years	
(i) Deb	ot securities issued or guaranteed by Member States' central governments or central banks in accordance with Article 4(1) (c) of CDR 2016/2251	1	0.5%	29/	40/	
(ii) Det	ot securities issued by Member States' regional governments or local exposures whose exposures are treated as exposures to the central government of that Member State listed in Article 115(2) of Regulation (EU) 575/2013 and	1	0.5%	2%	4%	
(iii)	in accordance with CDR 2016/2251. Debt securities issued by multilateral banks listed in Article 117(2) of Regulation (EU) of 575/2013 and in accordance with CDR 2016/2251	2-3	1%	3%	6%	
(iv)	Debt securities issued by international organisations listed in Article 118 of the					

Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 and in accordance with CDR 2016/2251				
(v) Corporate bonds in accordance with CDR 2016/2251	1	1%	4%	8%
	2-3	2%	6%	12%

To determine the credit quality step, Standard & Poor's ratings shall be primarily used and mapped according to table 2 below. Should Standard & Poor's ratings not be available, Moody's ratings will be used according to table 2 below. Fitch ratings will only be used in case no rating from Standard & Poor's or Moody's is available.

## Table 2 Credit Quality step mapping table

Credit Rating Agency	Rating type	Credit Quality Step			
		1	2	3	
Fitch Ratings	Long-term Issuer Credit ratings scale	ΑΑΑ, ΑΑ	A	BBB	
Moody's Investors Service	Global long-term rating scale	Aaa, Aa	A	Ваа	
Standard & Poor's ratings Services	Long-term issuer credit ratings scale	AAA,A A	A	BBB	

- (ii) Equities in main indices and bonds convertible to equities in main indices shall have a haircut of 15 %.
- (iii) Non- cash initial margin posted in a currency other than the currency in which the payments in case of early termination or default have to be made in accordance with the single derivative contract, the relevant exchange of collateral agreement or the relevant credit support annex ('termination currency') shall be subject to an additional haircut of 8%.

In case no termination currency has been set out, the above haircut of 8% shall apply to shall apply to the market value of all the assets posted as collateral.

(iv) Non cash variation margin posted in a currency other than those agreed in an individual derivative contract, the relevant governing master netting agreement or the relevant credit support annex shall be subject to an additional haircut of 8%.

The Fund reserves the right to review and amend the above haircuts at any time when the market conditions have changed and when and if this is deemed in the best interest of the Fund.

### **Reinvestment of Collateral**

Non-cash collateral received by the Fund may not be sold, re-invested or pledged.

# Restrictions on the re-use of Cash Collateral

Cash Collateral received by the Fund shall neither be re-invested nor pledged.

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND MANAGEMENT**

## Directors

- Thorleif Wegner Simonsen, Partner, Infiba Vermögensverwaltungs AG, Paulusgasse 12, CH-4002 Basel, Switzerland
- Véronique Gillet, Independent Director, 7, avenue de la Gare, L-4734 Pétange, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg
- Anna Måbäck, Independent Director, Frognerseterveien 52 b, 0776 Oslo, Norway
- Espen Ottersen, Chief Compliance Officer, Pareto Asset Management AS, Dronning Mauds gate 3, P.O. Box 1810 Vika, 0123 Oslo, Norway

The Directors are responsible for the overall management and control of the Fund. They will review the operations of the Fund and the Management Company.

# MANAGEMENT COMPANY

Pursuant to a management company agreement dated 23 March 2015, the Directors have appointed FundRock Management Company S.A. as the management company of the Fund to be responsible on a day-to-day basis, under supervision of the Directors, for providing investment management, administration and marketing services in respect of all the Sub-Funds.

The Management Company was incorporated for an unlimited period on 10 November 2004 in the form of a "société anonyme" in Luxembourg under the name of "RBS (Luxembourg) S.A.". With effect from 31 December 2015, it changed its name to FundRock Management Company S.A. It is authorised and regulated by the CSSF as (i) a management company subject to Chapter 15 of the 2010 Law, and (ii) as alternative investment fund manager regulated under Chapter 2 of the law of 12 July 2013 on alternative investment funds managers, as amended from time to time. It has a subscribed and paid-up capital of EUR 10,000,000.

It has its registered office in Luxembourg at 33, rue de Gasperich, L-5826 Hesperange, Luxembourg. The articles of incorporation of the Management Company were published in the Mémorial C, official gazette of the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg, as of 6 December 2004. The last amendment of the articles of incorporation of the Management Company was published on 31 March 2016.

The Management Company shall also send reports to the Directors on a periodic basis and inform each Director without delay of any non-compliance of the Fund with the investment restrictions.

The Management Company will receive periodic reports from the Investment Manager detailing each Sub-Funds' performance and analyzing its investment portfolio. The Management Company will receive similar reports from the Fund's other service providers in relation to the services which they provide.

The Management Company will monitor on a continuing basis the activities of the third parties to which it has delegated functions. The agreements entered into between the Management Company and the relevant third parties provide that the Management Company can give at any time further instruction to such third parties and that it can withdraw their mandate with immediate effect if this

is in the interest of the Shareholders. The Management Company's liability towards the Fund is not affected by the fact that it has delegated certain functions to third parties.

The board of directors of the Management Company is composed as follows:

#### Chairman

#### Mr Michel Marcel Vareika

Independent Non-Executive Director Luxembourg, Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg

#### Directors

Mr Romain Denis

Executive Director – Information System FundRock Management Company S.A. Hesperange, Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg

#### **Mr Eric May**

Non-Executive Director Founding Partner BlackFin Capital Partners Paris, France

#### **Mrs Tracey McDermott**

Independent Non-Executive Director Luxembourg, Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg

#### **Mr Gregory Nicolas**

Executive Director – Legal, Compliance & Corporate FundRock Management Company S.A. Hesperange, Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg

#### **Mr Xavier Parain**

Executive Director – Chief Executive Officer FundRock Management Company S.A. Hesperange, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg

#### Mr Serge Ragozin

Executive Director – Deputy Chief Executive Officer FundRock Management Company S.A. Hesperange, Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg

The Conducting Officers of the Management Company are: **Mr Romain Denis** Executive Director – Co-Managing Director **Mr Gregory Nicolas** Executive Director – Co-Managing Director

The accounts of the Management Company are audited by an independent authorised auditor. This task has been entrusted to Deloitte Audit Sàrl.

# **INVESTMENT MANAGER**

The Management Company has appointed Pareto Asset Management AS as Investment Manager of the Fund. Pareto Asset Management AS is authorised and regulated by the Financial Supervisory Authority of Norway.

Pareto Asset Management AS was established in 1995 and serves as the asset management arm of the Pareto group. Pareto Asset Management AS is an independent company offering discretionary mandates, equity funds and fixed income funds. The total AUM pr. December 2014 was NOK 44,8 billion. The services of Pareto Asset Management AS are directed at large and medium-sized entities in the private and public sectors, pension funds, foundations and high net worth individuals.

Pareto Asset Management AS has managed the Pareto group's own assets since inception in 1995, and the Pareto group continues to be heavily co-invested with its clients.

Pareto Asset Management offers a conservative investment approach. The management philosophy is characterised by a long-term approach, fundamental analysis and consistency.

Pareto Asset Management AS, works systematically with ethical considerations in the management of its funds. It shall not make investments which constitute an unacceptable risk of investments contributing to unethical acts or omissions. Such contributions could reduce the sustainability and long-term value creation of the Fund. Pareto Asset Management AS's ethical guidelines are based on the guidelines of Statens Pensjonsfond Utland (the "Norwegian Government Pension Fund Global").

The auditor of Pareto Asset Management AS is Deloitte AS, P.O. Box 221 Sentrum, 0103 Oslo, Norway.

The Investment Manager was appointed pursuant to an Investment Management Agreement with the Management Company and the Fund dated 23 March 2015 (the "Investment Management Agreement") to provide day-to-day management of the Fund's investments, subject to the overall supervision and responsibility of the Management Company. The Investment Manager is required to adhere strictly to the guidelines laid down by the Management Company. In particular, the Investment Manager is required to ensure that the assets of the Fund and each Sub-Fund are invested in a manner consistent with the Fund's and the Sub-Funds' investment restrictions and that cash belonging to the Fund and each Sub-Fund is invested in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the Directors and the Management Company.

According to the Investment Management Agreement, the Investment Manager may, only with the prior approval of the Management Company and the Fund, and the CSSF's authorisation, delegate to a third party all or a part of its management duties. Any such delegation shall be reflected in an updated Prospectus.

The Investment Manager will be entitled to such fees as mentioned in the relevant Annex for each Sub-Fund.

# **DEPOSITARY AND PAYING AGENT**

Pursuant to a depositary and paying agent services agreement dated 13 October 2016 (the "**Depositary Agreement**"), Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken S.A. has been appointed as depositary of the Fund (the "**Depositary**"). The Depositary will also provide paying agent services to the Fund.

Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken S.A. is a public limited company (société anonyme) under the laws of Luxembourg incorporated for an unlimited duration. Its registered and administrative offices are at 4, rue Peternelchen, L-2370 Howald, Luxembourg. It is licensed to engage in all banking operations under Luxembourg law.

The Depositary has been appointed for the safe-keeping of the assets of the Fund which comprises the custody of financial instruments, the record keeping and verification of ownership of other assets of the Fund as well as the effective and proper monitoring of the Fund's cash flows in accordance with the provisions of the 2010 Law, as amended from time to time, and the Depositary Agreement.

In addition, the Depositary shall also ensure that (i) the sale, issue, repurchase, redemption and cancellation of Shares are carried out in accordance with Luxembourg law and the Articles; (ii) the value of the Shares is calculated in accordance with Luxembourg law and the Articles; (iii) the instructions of the Management Company or the Company are carried out, unless they conflict with applicable Luxembourg law and/or the Articles; (iv) in transactions involving the Fund's assets any consideration is remitted to the Fund within the usual time limits; and (v) the Fund's incomes are applied in accordance with Luxembourg law and the Articles.

In carrying out its functions the Depositary acts honestly, fairly, professionaly and independently and solely in the interest of the investors. The Depositary is on an ongoing basis analyzing, based on applicable laws and regulations as well as its conflict of interest policy potential conflicts of interests that may arise while carrying out its functions.

When performing its activities, the Depositary obtains information relating to funds which could theoretically be misused (and thus raise potential conflict of interests issues) in relation to e.g. the interests of other clients of the SEB Group, whether engaging in trading in the same securities or seeking other services, particulary in the area of offering services competing with the interests of other counterparties used by the funds/fund managers, and the interests of the Depositary's employees in personal account dealings.

Consequently, to mitigate the potential conflicts of interest, it has been ensured that the activities of a depositary function are physically, hierarchically and systematically separated from other functions of the Depositary in order to establish information firewalls. Moreover, the depositary function has a mandate and a veto to approve or decline fund clients independent of other functions and has its own committees for escalation of matters connected to its role as a Depositary, where other functions with potentially conflicting interests are not represented.

In compliance with the provisions of the Depositary Agreement and the 2010 Law, as amended from time to time, the Depositary may, subject to certain conditions and in order to effectively conduct its duties, delegate part or all of its safe-keeping duties in relation to financial instruments that can be held in custody, duly entrusted to the Depositary for custody purposes, and/or all or part of its duties

regarding the record keeping and verification of ownership of other assets of the Fund to one or more delegate(s), as they are appointed by the Depositary from time to time.

In order to avoid any potential conflicts of interest, irrespective of whether a given delegate is part of the SEB Group or not, the Depositary exercise the same level of due skill, care and diligence both in relation to the selection and appointment as well as in the on-going monitoring of the relevant delegate. Furthermore, the conditions of any appointment of a delegate that is member of the SEB Group will be negotiated at arm's length in order to ensure the interests of the investors. Should a conflict of interest occur and in case such conflict of interest cannot be neutralized, such conflict of interest as well as the decisions taken will be disclosed to the investors and the Prospectus revised accordingly.

An up-to-date list of these delegates can be found on the following webpage: <a href="http://sebgroup.lu/siteassets/corporations-and-institutions/global-custody-network.pdf">http://sebgroup.lu/siteassets/corporations-and-institutions/global-custody-network.pdf</a>

Where the law of a third country requires that financial instruments are held in custody by a local entity and no local entity satisfies the delegation requirements of article 34bis, paragraph 3, lit. b) i) of the 2010 Law, the Depositary may delegate its functions to such local entity to the extent required by the law of that third country for as long as there are no local entities satisfying the aforementioned requirements.

In order to ensure that its tasks are only delegated to delegates providing an adequate standard of protection, the Depositary has to exercise all due skill, care and diligence as required by the 2010 Law in the selection and the appointment of any delegate to whom it intends to delegate parts of its tasks and has to continue to exercise all due skill, care and diligence in the periodic review and ongoing monitoring of any delegate to which it has delegated parts of its tasks as well as of any arrangements of the delegate in respect of the matters delegated to it. In particular, any delegated to it segregates the assets of the Fund from the Depositary's own assets and from assets belonging to the delegate in accordance with the 2010 Law. The Depositary's liability shall not be affected by any such delegation unless otherwise stipulated in the 2010 Law and/or the Depositary Agreement.

An up-to-date information regarding the Depositary, its duties and the conflicts of interest that may arise, any safekeeping functions delegated by the Depositary, the list of delegates and any conflicts of interests that may arise from such delegation, is available to the investors upon request at the registered office of the Depositary.

The Depositary is liable to the Fund or its investors for the loss of a financial instrument held in custody by the Depositary and/or a delegate. In case of loss of such financial instrument, the Depositary has to return a financial instrument of an identical type or the corresponding amount to the Fund without undue delay. In accordance with the provisions of the 2010 Law, the Depositary will not be liable for the loss of a financial instrument, if such loss has arisen as a result of an external event beyond its reasonable control, the consequences of which would have been unavoidable despite all reasonable efforts to the contrary.

The Depositary shall be liable to the Fund and to the investors for all other losses suffered by them as a result of the Depositary's negligent or intentional failure to properly fulfil its duties in accordance with applicable law, in particular the 2010 Law and/or the Depositary Agreement.

The Fund and the Depositary may terminate the Depositary Agreement at any time by giving ninety (90) days' notice in writing. In case of a voluntary withdrawal of the Depositary or of its removal by the Fund, the Depositary must be replaced at the latest within two (2) months after the expiry of the aforementioned termination notice by a successor depositary to whom the Fund's assets are to be delivered and who will take over the functions and responsibilities of the Depositary. If the Management Company/Fund does not name such successor depositary in time the Depositary may notify the CSSF of the situation. The Management Company/Fund will take the necessary steps, if any, to initiate the liquidation of the Fund, if no successor depositary bank has been appointed within two (2) months after the expiry of the aforementioned termination notice of ninety (90) days.

# SUB-ADMINISTRATOR AND REGISTRAR AND TRANSFER AGENT

With the prior consent of the Directors, the Management Company has delegated its central administration duties in relation to the administration, registrar and transfer agency of the Fund to European Fund Administration S.A.

As such, European Fund Administration S.A is responsible for the general administrative functions required by Luxembourg law, calculating the Net Asset Values of the Fund and its relevant Sub-Funds or Classes and maintaining the accounting records of the Fund, and is also responsible for the procedure of registration, conversion, issue, transfer, cancellation and redemption of the Shares as well as for the keeping of the Shareholders' register.

# AUDITOR

Deloitte Audit S.à r.l. has been appointed as Auditor of the Fund.

# POOLING

The Investment Manager may invest and manage all or any part of the portfolios of assets established for two or more Sub-Funds (hereafter the "Participating Sub-Funds") on a pooled basis. Any such asset pool (an "Asset Pool") will be formed by transferring to it cash or other assets (subject that such other assets being appropriate with respect to the investment policy of the Asset Pool concerned) from each Participating Sub-Fund. The Investment Manager may, from time to time, make further transfers to the Asset Pool. Assets may also be transferred back to a Participating Sub-Fund up to the amount of the participation of the relevant Participating Sub-Fund.

The share of a Participating Sub-Fund in an Asset Pool is measured by reference to units of equal value in the Asset Pool. At the time of the formation of an Asset Pool, the Investment Manager shall determine the initial value of a unit (expressed in the currency considered to be appropriate by the Investment Manager), and will allocate to each Participating Sub-Fund units having an aggregate value equal to the amount of cash (or the value of the other assets) contributed. Thereafter, the value of a unit will be determined by dividing the net asset value of the Asset Pool by the number of existing units.

The entitlements of each Participating Sub-Funds to the Asset Pool apply to each and every line of investments of such Asset Pool.

When cash or supplemental assets are contributed to or withdrawn from an Asset Pool, the number of units of the relevant Participating Sub-Fund will be increased or reduced, as the case may be, by

the number of units determined by dividing the amount of cash or the value of assets contributed or withdrawn by the current value of a unit. Where a cash contribution is made, this contribution will, for the purpose of calculation, be reduced by an amount which the Directors consider appropriate to reflect fiscal charges, dealing and purchase costs which may be incurred by investing the cash concerned; in case of cash withdrawal, a corresponding addition will be made to reflect costs which may be incurred in realising securities or other assets of the Asset Pool.

Dividends, interests and other income received and having their origin in securities or other assets belonging to an Asset Pool will be immediately allocated to the Participating Sub-Fund in proportion to their respective participation in the Asset Pool at the time of receipt. Upon dissolution of the Fund, the assets in an Asset Pool will (subject to the creditors' rights) be allocated to the Participating Sub-Funds in proportion to their respective participation in the Asset Pool.

# **SUBSCRIPTIONS**

Investors may subscribe for Shares in each Sub-Fund during an Initial Offering Period at the fixed price specified in the relevant Annex which may be increased by a Subscription Charge and thereafter as of each Valuation Day at the relevant Net Asset Value which may be increased by a Subscription Charge as specified in the relevant Annex.

Under certain circumstances and unless otherwise provided in the relevant Sub-Fund annex, the Directors of the Fund may resolve to adjust the Net Asset Value per Share applicable to the subscription price as described under chapter "Swing Pricing" of the Prospectus. In any case, the adjustments to the Net Asset Value per Share applicable on any Valuation Day shall be identical for all subscriptions dealt with as of such day.

Applicants for Shares should complete an Application Form (an "Application Form") and send it to the Registrar and Transfer Agent by facsimile, with the original following by post. The Application Form should be received for 1<sup>st</sup> subscription only.

Applications for subscription may be for amounts to be invested in Shares or for numbers of Shares.

All Shares will be allotted immediately upon subscription and payment therefore must be received by the Fund, in the reference currency of the relevant Class no later than the period of time specified in the relevant Annex. Otherwise subscriptions may be cancelled without prejudice to the Funds right to recover any charges due to losses incurred.

Thereafter, completed Application Forms must be received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent by no later than the period of time specified in the relevant Annex. Cleared funds must be received on an account of the Fund in the reference currency of the relevant Class no later than the period of time specified in the relevant Annex.

Fractions of Shares may be issued up to four (4) decimal places. Rights attached to fractions of Shares are exercised in proportion to the fraction of a Share held except that fractions of Shares do not confer any voting rights.

The Directors reserve the right to reject any subscription in whole or part at its absolute discretion, in which event the amount paid on the subscription or the balance thereof (as the case may be) will be returned (without interest) as soon as practicable in the currency of subscription or at the discretion of the applicant, at the risk and cost of the applicant.

Once completed subscriptions have been received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent they are irrevocable.

The Directors reserve the right from time to time, without notice, to resolve to close the Fund or a particular Sub-Fund to new subscriptions, either for a specified period or until they otherwise determine.

Shares may be subscribed against contributions in kind considered acceptable by the Directors on the basis of the investment policy of the relevant Sub-Fund. Such contributions in kind will be valued in an auditor's report as required by Luxembourg law. The subscribing Shareholder shall normally bear the costs resulting from the subscription in kind (mainly costs relating to the drawing up of the auditor's report).

## Institutional Investors

As detailed in the relevant Annexes, the sale of Shares of certain Classes may be restricted to institutional investors, within the meaning of article 174 of the 2010 Law, as interpreted by guidelines or recommendations issued by Luxembourg supervisory authorities ("Institutional Investors") and the Fund will not issue or give effect to any transfer of Shares of such Classes to any investor who may not be considered an Institutional Investor.

The Directors may, at its discretion, delay the acceptance of any subscription for Shares of a Class restricted to Institutional Investors until such date as it has received sufficient evidence on the qualification of the investor as an Institutional Investor.

## Ineligible Applicants

The Application Form requires each prospective applicant for Shares to represent and warrant to the Fund that, among other things, he is able to acquire and hold Shares without violating applicable laws.

The Shares may not be offered, issued or transferred to any person in circumstances which, in the opinion of the Directors, might result in the Fund incurring any liability to taxation or suffering any other disadvantage which the Fund might not otherwise incur or suffer, or would result in the Fund being required to register under any applicable US securities laws.

Shares may generally not be issued or transferred to any US Person, except that the Directors may authorise the issue or transfer of Shares to or for the account of a US Person provided that:

- such issue or transfer does not result in a violation of the 1933 Act or the securities laws of any of the States of the United States;
- such issue or transfer will not require the Fund to register under the 1940 Act;
- such issue or transfer will not cause any assets of the Fund to be "plan assets" for the purposes of ERISA (US Employee Retirement Income Securities Act of 1974 (as amended)); and
- such issue or transfer will not result in any adverse regulatory or tax consequences to the Fund or its Shareholders.

Each applicant for and transferee of Shares who is a US Person will be required to provide such representations, warranties or documentation as may be required to ensure that these requirements are met prior to the issue, or the registration of any transfer, of Shares.

Subject as mentioned above, Shares are freely transferable. The Directors may, however, refuse to register a transfer which would result in either the transferor or the transferee remaining or being

registered (as the case may be) as the holder of Shares in a Sub-Fund valued at less than the minimum holding requirement.

The Fund will require from each registered Shareholder acting on behalf of other investors that any assignment of rights to Shares be made in compliance with applicable securities laws in the jurisdictions where such assignment is made and that in unregulated jurisdictions such assignment be made in compliance with the minimum holding requirement.

## Form of Shares

Shares will either be issued as registered Shares which will be recorded in a nominal account or may be made available through securities settlement systems.

## Minimum initial and subsequent subscription, and holding amounts

The Directors may set and waive at their sole discretion any minimum initial and subsequent subscription amount and minimum holding amount specified for each Class of Shares in each Sub-Fund in the relevant Annex, as the case may be.

### Suspension

The Directors may declare a suspension of the calculation of the Net Asset Value of Shares in certain circumstances as described under "General and Statutory Information". No Shares will be issued in the relevant Sub-Fund during any such period of suspension.

## Share-Classes Hedging

The Directors may issue Classes which are denominated in currencies other than the Reference Currency of the relevant Sub-Fund and which share a common investment objective. The Management Company will comply with the provisions set forth in the current and forthcoming regulations on UCITS share classes.

### Prevention of Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing

The Management Company or its delegates will monitor the prevention of money laundering/terrorism financing throughout specific measures.

As a result of such measures, the Management Company or its delegates (including Distributor, Registrar and Transfer Agent and/or their delegate(s)) must ascertain the identity of each applicant for shares. In accordance with international rules and Luxembourg laws and regulations (including but not limited to the law of 12 November 2004 on the fight against money laundering and terrorist financing (as amended) (the "Law of 2004")) and associated circulars of the CSSF, the Registrar and Transfer Agent or its delegate(s) may request to be provided with documents, as determined from time to time, for the identification of an applicant for Shares, and then updated documents pursuant to ongoing client due diligence requirements under relevant laws and regulations.

Documentation requirements must thus be fully satisfied before any subscription is effected.

The true identity of an applicant for shares must be adequately documented in the form and contents required by law and regulation and satisfactory to the Management Company or its delegates. The documentation requirements will be adapted to the legal nature of the applicant.

This means that for natural persons, identity verification will be performed on the basis of a duly certified copy of an official legitimising identification document, which includes the name and surname, the address, the date and place of birth, an ID number, the occupation (please note that certain positions or activities may trigger enhanced due diligence requirements). For legal entities, identification typically requires certified true copies of the articles of incorporation or equivalent

document, certificate of incorporation or equivalent document, authorised signatories list, identification of the representatives/proxies of the entity (according to the procedure applied for natural persons), most recent financial statements, and any other document which could be retained as relevant in order to fulfil with all the obligations related to the prevention of money-laundering and terrorism financing. The list of documents required and the relevance of certain evidence may vary depending on the participation of specific intermediaries and/or the legal nature of the applicant, his activity or business, and, in certain instances, his country of origin or his country of residence, which may trigger enhanced due diligence from the entity receiving the application request.

Identification shall be performed on the basis of current documents, i.e. either within stated validity date, or reasonably recent where documents bear no validity date, and provide information prevailing at the time of completion of the customer due diligence procedure ('CDD'). When documents presented for CDD purposes cannot be obtained and/or recorded in original, copies duly certified by a competent authority (notary, police officer, embassy, consulate) will be required. Such information shall be collected for compliance reasons only and shall not be disclosed to unauthorised persons.

In the event of delay or failure by the applicant to supply any information required for due diligence purposes, the Registrar and Transfer Agent or its delegate(s) may refuse to accept the application and subscription monies or return subscriptions monies (less expenses) if information required is not supplied prior to the subscription cut-off time as defined in the present document. This may result also in Shares being issued on a Valuation Day subsequent to the Valuation Day on which an applicant initially wished to have Shares issued to him. It is further acknowledged that the applicant shall hold the Management Company or its delegates harmless against any loss of interest or investment opportunity arising as a result of a failure to process the subscription if such due diligence documentation has not been supplied on time by the applicant.

The Fund, or any delegate thereof, will further provide the Luxembourg beneficial owner register (the "RBO") created pursuant to the Law of 13 January 2019 establishing a register of beneficial owners with relevant information about any shareholder (the "RBO Law") or, as applicable, beneficial owner(s) thereof, qualifying as beneficial owner of the Fund within the meaning of the Law of 2004. Such information will be made available to the general public through the RBO, as required by, and under the conditions set forth in the RBO Law.

## REDEMPTIONS

Shares are redeemable at the option of the Shareholders. Shareholders should send a completed redemption request to the Registrar and Transfer Agent by mail, facsimile, or other electronic medium approved by the Funds Register and Transfer Agent. All redemption requests are to be received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent no later than the time specified in the relevant Annex. Shares will be redeemed based on the Redemption Price as at the applicable Valuation Day decreased by a Redemption Charge as specified for each Class and Sub-Fund in the relevant Annex.

Under certain circumstances and unless otherwise provided in the relevant Sub-Fund annex, the Directors of the Fund may resolve to adjust the Net Asset Value per Share applicable to the redemption price as described under chapter "Swing Pricing" of the Prospectus. In any case, the adjustments to the Net Asset Value per Share applicable on any Valuation Day shall be identical for all redemptions dealt with as of such day.

If redemption requests for more than 10% of the Net Asset Value of a Sub-Fund are received, then the Fund shall have the right to limit redemptions so they do not exceed this threshold amount of 10% calculated at the level of each Sub-Fund. Redemptions shall be limited with respect to all Shareholders seeking to redeem Shares as of a same Valuation Day so that each such Shareholder shall have the same percentage of its redemption request honoured; the balance of such redemption requests shall be processed by the Fund on the next day on which redemption requests are accepted, subject to the same limitation. On such day, such requests for redemption will be complied with in priority to subsequent requests. At the moment of submitting their redemption requests, Shareholders may elect to have their redemption request cancelled automatically if the above provisions should have as a result that the entirety of the redemption request cannot be honoured. In such case, the Shareholder will present a new redemption request on any following Valuation Day.

In exceptional circumstances the Directors may request that a Shareholder accepts 'redemption in kind' i.e. receives a portfolio of stock of equivalent value to the appropriate cash redemption payment. In such circumstances the investor must specifically accept the redemption in kind. He may always request a cash redemption payment in the reference currency of the Class. Where the investor agrees to accept redemption in kind he will, as far as possible, receive a representative selection of the Class' holdings pro rata to the number of Shares redeemed and the Directors will make sure that the remaining Shareholders do not suffer any loss therefrom. To the extent required by law, the value of the redemption in kind will be certified by a report drawn up by the auditors of the Fund in accordance with the requirements of Luxembourg law. However, where the redemption in kind (mainly costs relating to the drawing up of an auditor's report, if any) unless the Directors consider that the redemption in kind is in the interest of the Fund or made to protect the interest of the Fund.

A redemption request, once given, is irrevocable. Shares redeemed by the Fund are cancelled.

Payment of redemption proceeds will have to be made no later than the period of time provided in the relevant Annex for a Sub-Fund. Payment will be made in the reference currency of the relevant Class by transfer to the bank account specified by the redeeming Shareholder to the Registrar and Transfer Agent.

# Suspension

The Directors may declare a suspension of the calculation of the Net Asset Value of Shares in certain circumstances as described under "General and Statutory Information". No Shares will be redeemed in the relevant Sub-Fund during any such period of suspension.

# **Compulsory Redemptions**

The Directors have the right to require the compulsory redemption of all Shares held by or for the benefit of a Shareholder if the Directors determine that the Shares are held by or for the benefit of any Shareholder who is or becomes an Ineligible Applicant as described under "Subscriptions". The Fund also reserves the right to require compulsory redemption of all Shares held by a Shareholder in a Sub-Fund if the Net Asset Value of the Shares held in such Sub-Fund by the Shareholder is less than the applicable minimum holding requirement.

Shareholders are required to notify the Registrar and Transfer Agent immediately if at any time they become US Persons or hold Shares for the account or benefit of US Persons.

When the Directors become aware that a Shareholder (A) is a US Person or is holding Shares for the account or benefit of a US Person, so that the number of US Persons known to the Directors to be

beneficial owners of Shares for the purposes of the 1940 Act exceeds 99 or such other number as the Directors may determine from time to time; (B) is holding Shares in breach of any law or regulation or otherwise in circumstances having or which may have adverse regulatory, tax, pecuniary or material administrative disadvantages for the Fund or its Shareholders including, but not limited to, a situation in which more than 25 % of the Shares are owned by benefit plan investors; or (C) has failed to provide any information or declaration required by the Directors within ten days of being requested to do so, the Directors will either (i) direct such Shareholders to redeem or to transfer the relevant Shares to a person who is qualified or entitled to own or hold such Shares or (ii) redeem the relevant Shares.

If it appears at any time that a holder of Shares of a Class restricted to Institutional Investors is not an Institutional Investor, the Fund will either redeem the relevant Shares in accordance with the above provisions or convert such Shares into Shares of a Class which is not restricted to Institutional Investors (provided there exists such a Class with similar characteristics) and notify the relevant shareholder of such conversion.

Any person who becomes aware that he is holding Shares in contravention of any of the above provisions and who fails to transfer or redeem his Shares pursuant to the above provisions shall indemnify and hold harmless the Management Company, each of the Directors, the Fund, the Depositary, the Administrator, Registrar and Transfer Agent, the Investment Manager and the Shareholders of the Fund (each an "Indemnified Party") from any claims, demands, proceedings, liabilities, damages, losses, costs and expenses directly or indirectly suffered or incurred by such Indemnified Party arising out of or in connection with the failure of such person to comply with his obligations pursuant to any of the above provisions.

# CONVERSIONS

Subject to any prohibition of conversions contained in an Annex and to any suspension of the determination of any one of the Net Asset Values concerned, Shareholders have the right to convert all or part of their Shares of any Class of a Sub-Fund into Shares of another existing Class of that or another Sub-Fund by applying for conversion in the same manner as for the redemption of Shares. However, the right to convert Shares is subject to compliance with any conditions (including any minimum subscription or holding amounts) applicable to the Class into which conversion is to be effected. Therefore, if, as a result of a conversion, the value of a Shareholder's holding in the new Class would be less than the minimum holding amount, the Directors may decide not to accept the request for conversion of the Shares and the Shareholder would be informed of such decision. In addition, if, as a result of a conversion, the value of a Shareholder's holding in the original Class would become less than the relevant minimum holding amount, the Shareholder may be deemed (if the Directors so decide) to have requested the conversion of all of his Shares.

The number of Shares issued upon conversion will be based upon the respective Net Asset Values of the two Classes concerned on the common Valuation Day for which the conversion request is accepted.

If there is no common Valuation Day for any two Classes, the conversion will be made on the basis of the Net Asset Value calculated on the next following Valuation Day of each of the two Classes concerned.

Under certain circumstances and unless otherwise provided in the relevant Sub-Fund annex, the Directors of the Fund may resolve to adjust the Net Asset Value per Share applicable to the

conversion amount as described under chapter "Swing Pricing" of the Prospectus. In any case, the adjustments to the Net Asset Value per Share applicable on any Valuation Day shall be identical for all conversions dealt with as of such day.

No conversion charge will be levied on conversions.

### Suspension

The Directors may declare a suspension of the calculation of the Net Asset Value of Shares in certain circumstances as described under "General and Statutory Information". No Shares will be converted in the relevant Sub-Funds during any such period of suspension.

# **SWING PRICING**

A Sub-Fund may suffer a reduction in value as a result of the transaction costs incurred in the purchase and sale of its underlying investments and of the spread between the buying and selling prices of such investments caused by subscriptions, redemptions and/or switches in and out of the Sub-Funds. In order to counter this and to protect Shareholders' interests, the Directors may apply "swing pricing" as part of its daily valuation policy. This will mean that in certain circumstances the Directors may make adjustments in the calculations of the Net Asset Values per Share, to counter the impact of dealing and other costs on occasions when these are deemed to be significant in case net subscriptions or redemptions exceed a certain threshold as determined by the Directors. The Directors have delegated some of these powers to the Management Company. The adjustment of the Net Asset Value per Share shall not exceed 1% of the unadjusted Net Asset Value as of the relevant Valuation Day. The adjustments to the Net Asset Value per Share applicable on any Valuation Day shall be identical for all subscriptions dealt with as of such day in the relevant Sub-Fund.

For the avoidance of doubt, performance fees, if any, will be calculated on the basis of the unadjusted Net Asset Value.

# **NET ASSET VALUE**

The Net Asset Value per Share of each Class will be determined and made available in its reference currency by the Administrator as at such time as the Directors shall determine as of each Valuation Day.

The Net Asset Value per Share as of any Valuation Day will be calculated in the reference currency of the relevant Class by dividing the Net Asset Value of the Class by the number of Shares in issue in such Class as of that Valuation Day.

The Net Asset Value of each Class will be determined by deducting from the total value of the assets attributable to the relevant Class, all accrued debts and liabilities attributable to that Class.

To the extent feasible, expenses, fees and income will be accrued on a daily basis.

Assets and liabilities of the Fund will be valued in accordance with the following principles:

a) Securities, money market instruments or financial derivative instruments listed on Regulated Markets, which operate regularly and are recognised and open to the public, will be valued at the last available closing price; in the event that there should be several such markets, on the basis of the last available closing price of the main market for the relevant security or money market instrument. Should the last available closing price for a given security or money market instrument not truly reflect its fair market value, then that security or money market instrument shall be valued on the basis of the probable sales prices which the Directors deems is prudent to assume;

- b) Securities, money market instruments or financial derivative instruments not listed on Regulated Markets, which operate regularly and are recognised and open to the public, will be valued on the basis of their last available closing price. Should the last available closing price for a given security or money market instrument not truly reflect its fair market value, then that security or money market instrument will be valued by the Directors on the basis of the probable sales price which the Directors deems is prudent to assume;
- c) Shares or units in underlying open-ended investment funds shall be valued at their last available net asset value;
- d) Liquid assets and money market instruments may be valued at nominal value plus any accrued interest or on an amortised cost basis. All other assets, where practice allows, may be valued in the same manner. Short-term investments that have a remaining maturity of one year or less may be valued (i) at market value, or (ii) where market value is not available or not representative, at amortised cost;
- e) The value of any cash on hand or on deposit, bills and demand notes and accounts receivable, prepaid expenses, cash dividends and interest declared or accrued as aforesaid, and not yet received shall be deemed to be the full amount thereof, unless, however, the same is unlikely to be paid or received in full, in which case the value thereof shall be determined after making such discount as the Directors may consider appropriate in such case to reflect the true value thereof.

In the event that extraordinary circumstances render such a valuation impracticable or inadequate, the Directors may, at their discretion, prudently and in good faith follow other methods of valuation to be used if they consider that such method of valuation better reflects value and is in accordance with good accounting practice in order to achieve a fair valuation of the assets of the Fund.

The value of assets denominated in a currency other than the reference currency of a Sub-Fund shall be determined by taking into account the rate of exchange prevailing at the time of determination of the Net Asset Value.

The Management Company has delegated to the Administrator the determination of the Net Asset Value and the Net Asset Value per Share.

The assets and liabilities of the Fund shall be allocated in such manner as to ensure that the proceeds received upon the issue of Shares of a specific Sub-Fund shall be attributed to that Sub-Fund. All of the assets and liabilities of a specific Sub-Fund as well as the income and expenses which are related thereto shall be attributed to that Sub-Fund. Assets or liabilities which cannot be attributed to any particular Sub-Fund shall be allocated to all the Sub-Funds pro rata to the respective Net Asset Value of the Sub-Funds. The proportion of the total net assets attributable to each Sub-Fund shall be reduced as applicable by the amount of any distribution to Shareholders and by any expenses paid.

# LATE TRADING AND MARKET TIMING

Late Trading is to be understood as the acceptance of a subscription (or conversion or redemption) order after the relevant cut-off times (as specified below) on the relevant Valuation Day and the execution of such order at the price based on the Net Asset Value applicable to such same day. Late Trading is strictly forbidden.

Market Timing is to be understood as an arbitrage method through which an investor systematically subscribes and redeems or converts Shares of the Fund within a short time period, by taking advantage of time differences and/or imperfections or deficiencies in the method of determination of the Net Asset Value of the relevant Sub-Fund. Market Timing practices may disrupt the investment management of the portfolios and harm the performance of the relevant Sub-Fund.

In order to avoid such practices, Shares are issued at an unknown price and neither the Fund, nor the Distributor will accept orders received after the relevant cut-off times.

The Fund reserves the right to refuse purchase (and conversion) orders into a Sub-Fund by any person who is suspected of market timing activities.

# **FEES AND EXPENSES**

The Management Company will receive a maximum fee of 0.08% per annum calculated on the Net Asset Value of the Sub-Fund(s) on each Valuation Day for the provision of its services. This fee is payable monthly in arrears. The Management Company shall further receive a fee in line with market practice in Luxembourg, out of the net assets of the Fund, for the services of Domiciliary Agent.

The different Sub-Funds and Classes will incur an annual investment management fee payable to the Investment Manager, which reflects all expenses related to the investment management of the Sub-Funds and Classes. The investment management fee which is expressed as a percentage of the Net Asset Value is specified in the relevant Annex. The Investment Manager may from time to time, at its sole discretion, and out of its own resources, rebate part or all of the Investment Management Fee to entities or intermediaries such as, but not limited to:

- life insurance companies;
- pension funds and other retirement provision institutions;
- investment foundations;
- foreign fund management companies and providers;
- investment companies.

The Investment Manager may also pay trailer fees to certain intermediaries such as private banks and funds of funds.

The Investment Manager is also entitled to receive a performance fee for certain Classes of Shares as described in each Annex to this Prospectus.

The Administrator, Registrar and Transfer and Domiciliary Agent shall be entitled to receive an administration fee from the Fund in accordance with market practice in Luxembourg. Details regarding the calculation method and the applicable amount are set out for each Sub-Fund in the relevant Annex.

Similarly, the Depositary shall be entitled to receive a Depositary Fee from the Fund in accordance with market practice in Luxembourg. Details regarding the calculation method and the applicable amount are set out for each Sub-Fund in the relevant Annex.

The other costs charged to the Fund or to the different Sub-Funds or Classes include:

- the costs of establishing the Fund and the Sub-Funds. In case where further Sub-Funds are created in the future, these Sub-Funds will bear, in principle, their own formation expenses. The establishment costs may, at the discretion of the Directors, be amortised on a straight line basis over 5 years from the date on which the Fund/Sub-Funds commenced business. The Directors may, in their absolute discretion, shorten the period over which such costs are amortised;
- the taxe d'abonnement as described in chapter "Taxation" hereafter;
- the fees of directors, auditors and legal advisors, the costs of preparing, printing and distributing all prospectuses, memoranda, reports and other necessary documents concerning the Fund, including the KIID, PRIIPs KID (as and when required), any fees and expenses involved in registering and maintaining the registration of the Fund with any governmental agency and stock exchange, the costs of publishing prices and the operational expenses, the costs and expenses of preparing, printing and distributing materials used by the Global Distributor in connection with its marketing, promotion and offering for sale of the Shares to the public or through private placements (including any documentation in relation to PRIIPs and/or required for the promotion and offering of Shares), any expenses of advertising incurred by the Global Distributor in connection with such marketing, promotion and offering provided that they were prior approved by the Management Company or the Fund, and the cost of holding shareholders meetings;
- standard brokerage and bank charges incurred by the Fund's business transactions; and
- any additional administrative expenses incurred by the Fund, its agents or the Depositary when acting in the interest of the Shareholders.

# **REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The financial year of the Fund ends on 31 December in each year.

The audited annual reports and the unaudited semi-annual reports will comprise consolidated financial statements of the Fund expressed in Euro, being the reference currency of the Fund, and financial information on each Sub-Fund expressed in the reference currency of each Sub-Fund. Copies of the annual and semi-annual reports and financial statements may be obtained free of charge at the registered office of the Fund.

# **DIVIDEND POLICY**

The dividend policy applicable for each Sub-Fund or Class is specified in the relevant Annex.

If a dividend is declared by the Fund, it will be paid to each Shareholder concerned in the currency of the relevant Sub-Fund or Class, normally by bank transfer.

Dividend payments are restricted by law in that they may not reduce the net assets of the Fund below the required minimum determined by Luxembourg law.

In the event that a dividend is declared and remains unclaimed after a period of five years from the date of declaration, such dividend will be forfeited and will revert to the Sub-Fund or Class in relation to which it was declared.

# HISTORICAL PERFORMANCE

If available, past performance information will be included in the KIID, which is available free of charge from the registered office of the Fund and the Management Company.

# TAXATION

The following is based on the Fund's understanding of, and advice received on, certain aspects of the law and practice currently in force in Luxembourg. There can be no guarantee that the tax position at the date of this Prospectus or at the time of an investment will endure indefinitely.

Investors should consult their professional advisers on the possible tax and other consequences of their subscribing for, purchasing, holding, selling or redeeming Shares under the laws of their country of incorporation, establishment, citizenship, residence or domicile.

#### The Fund

Under current law and practice the Fund is not liable to any Luxembourg income tax, nor are dividends (if any) paid by the Fund liable to any Luxembourg withholding tax. However, the Fund is liable in Luxembourg to a taxe d'abonnement of 0.05% per annum of its net assets, such tax being payable quarterly and calculated on the Net Asset Value of the Fund at the end of the relevant quarter. The reduced taxe d'abonnement rate of 0.01% per annum will be applicable to Classes the Shares of which are exclusively held by Institutional Investors. To the extent that the assets of the Fund are invested in investment funds which are established in Luxembourg, no such tax is payable.

No stamp duty or other tax is payable in Luxembourg on the issue of Shares in the Fund except an initial fixed capital duty of Euro 1,250 which was paid upon incorporation.

Under current law and practice, it is anticipated that no Luxembourg capital gains tax will be payable on the realised or unrealised capital appreciation of the assets of the Fund.

#### Shareholders

Subject to the provisions of the Law as defined under "European Union Tax Considerations" below, under current legislation Shareholders are not subject to any capital gains, income, withholding, estate, inheritance or other taxes in Luxembourg (except for those domiciled, resident or having a permanent establishment in Luxembourg).

#### Common Reporting Standard

The Fund is subject to the Standard for Automatic Exchange of Financial Account Information in Tax matters (the "Standard") and its Common Reporting Standard (the "CRS") as set out in the Luxembourg law dated 18 December 2015 on the Common Reporting Standard (*loi relative à l'échange automatique de renseignements relatifs aux comptes financiers en matière fiscale*) (the "CRS Law").

The CRS Law is based on the European Directive 2014/107/EU of 9 December 2014 amending provisions of Directive 2011/16/EU on administrative cooperation in the field of taxation and the OECD's multilateral agreements. Consequently, to eliminate the overlap of reporting obligations created between the EU Savings Directive (the "EUSD") and the Directive 2014/107/EU, the EUSD directive has been repealed with effect from 31 December 2015 and the last reporting in accordance with the EUSD directive, was effected in 2016 for the calendar year 2015. Further, the first reporting to the Luxembourg tax authority (the "LTA") under the CRS Law, was applied in 2017 for the calendar year 2016.

The intention of CRS is to safeguard against tax evasion. Accordingly, under the terms of the CRS Law, the Fund is likely to be treated as a Luxembourg Reporting Financial Institution. Consequently, the Fund is required to collect personal and financial information as described in Annex I of the CRS Law with effect from 1 January 2016 and without prejudice to other applicable data protection provisions as set out in the Fund documentation, the Fund is required to annually report this information to the LTA.

The Fund's ability to satisfy its reporting obligations under the CRS Law will depend on each investor providing the Fund with the Information, along with the required supporting documentary evidence. In this context, the investors are hereby informed that, the Fund will process the Information for the purposes as set out in the CRS Law. The investors undertake to inform the fund or the fund management company, if applicable, of the processing of their Information by the Fund.

The investors are further informed that the Information related to Reportable Persons within the meaning of the CRS Law will be disclosed to the LTA annually for the purposes set out in the CRS Law.

The investors undertake to immediately inform the Fund of, and provide the Fund with all supporting documentary evidence of any changes related to the Information after occurrence of such changes.

Any investor that fails to comply with the Fund's Information or documentation requests may be held liable for penalties imposed on the Fund and attributable to such investor's failure to provide the Information or subject to disclosure of the Information by the Fund to the LTA.

If investors are in doubt, they should consult their tax advisor, stockbroker, bank manager, solicitor, account or other financial advisor regarding the possible implications of CRS on an investment in the Fund.

# FATCA

Under an intergovernmental agreement concluded between Luxembourg and the United States of America, the Fund will be classified as a 'Reporting Financial Institution' for the purposes of FATCA. The main purpose of the legislation is to require financial institutions to identify and report the financial accounts of "Specified U.S. Persons". In order to do so, shareholders may be required to provide further information regarding themselves on request.

As part of the subscription process the Shareholders will be asked to complete a self-certification form that requires them to provide the Fund with the necessary information. The Shareholders are

required to complete all sections in the relevant form as directed. If any Shareholders have any questions about their organization's classification, for this purpose they should contact their tax adviser. Should any information provided change in the future, Shareholders are required to advise the Fund of the changes within 30 days.

The Fund will report the financial accounts held by Specified U.S. Persons to the Luxembourg tax authorities, who will then provide such information to the U.S. Internal Revenue Services. Any shareholder refusing to provide the requisite information will also be reported.

Prospective investors should consult their own tax advisor with regard to the U.S. federal, state, local and non-U.S. tax reporting and certification requirements associated with an investment in the Fund.

Further, prospective investors should be aware that further automatic exchange of information regimes are due to be introduced and that these may apply to holdings in the Fund.

# General

The receipt of dividends (if any) by Shareholders, the redemption or transfer of Shares and any distribution on a winding-up of the Fund may result in a tax liability for the Shareholders according to the tax regime applicable in their various countries of residence, citizenship or domicile. Shareholders resident in or citizens of certain countries which have anti-offshore fund legislation may have a current liability to tax on the undistributed income and gains of the Fund.

Investors should be aware that according to international tax practice the place of effective management is normally the place where the key management and commercial decisions that are necessary for the conduct of the Fund's business are made in substance. If the Fund is considered effectively managed in another country than Luxembourg, like in Norway for instance, there is a risk that the Fund be subject to taxation as similar entities are in such jurisdiction as if the Fund was established there.

Also, even though the Fund is considered effectively managed from Luxembourg, a tax liability in another jurisdiction can arise if the Fund has a permanent establishment in such jurisdiction. A permanent establishment is normally considered to exist if there is a fixed place of business in another jurisdiction through which the business is wholly or partly carried on. A permanent establishment will normally be subject to taxation in this jurisdiction based on the profits attributable to the activities there.

The Directors, the Fund and each of the Fund's agents shall have no liability in respect of the individual tax affairs of Shareholders.

# **GENERAL AND STATUTORY INFORMATION**

The information in this section includes a summary of some of the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation and Material Contracts described below and is provided subject to the general provisions of each of such documents.

# 1. <u>The Fund</u>

The Fund was incorporated as an open-ended investment company (*société d'investissement à capital variable* – SICAV) with multiple compartments on 5 May 2010. The duration of the Fund is

indefinite. The duration of the Sub-Funds may be limited. The initial capital on incorporation was EUR 31,000. On incorporation all the Shares representing the initial capital were subscribed for and were fully paid. The Fund has designated a management company that is subject to chapter 15 of the 2010 Law. The Articles of Incorporation were published in the Mémorial C, Recueil des Sociétés et Associations on 21 May 2010. The Articles have been last amended on 6 February 2019 and will be published in the *RESA* on 19 February 2019. The Articles of Incorporation have been filed with the *Registre de Commerce et des Sociétés of Luxembourg* where they may be inspected and where copies thereof can be obtained.

The Fund is designed to offer investors, within the same investment vehicle, a choice between several Sub-Funds, which are managed separately and are distinguished principally by their specific investment policy and/or by the currency in which they are denominated.

# 2. Share Capital

The capital of the Fund will always be equal to the value of its net assets. The Shares are of no par value and must be issued fully paid. The Shares carry no preferential or pre-emption rights and each share is entitled to one vote at all meetings of Shareholders.

# 3. <u>Temporary suspension of Net Asset Value calculations and of issues, redemption and conversion of Shares</u>

The Directors may suspend the determination of the Net Asset Value and hence the issue, redemption and conversion of Shares if at any time, the Directors believe that exceptional circumstances constitute forcible reasons for doing so. Such circumstances can arise in the following cases:

- a) any period when any of the principal markets or exchanges on which a substantial portion of the investments of the relevant Sub-Fund from time to time are quoted or dealt in is closed otherwise than for ordinary holidays, or during which dealings therein are restricted or suspended;
- b) the existence of any state of affairs which constitutes an emergency as a result of which the disposal or valuation of assets owned by the relevant Sub-Fund would be impracticable, not accurately or not without seriously prejudicing the interests of the shareholders of the Fund;
- c) any breakdown in the means of communication normally employed in determining the price of any of the investments of the relevant Sub-Fund or the current prices on any market or stock exchange;
- d) any period when the Fund is unable to repatriate funds for the purpose of making payments on the redemption of Shares or during which any transfer of funds involved in the realisation or acquisition of investments or payments due on the redemption of Shares cannot in the opinion of the Directors be effected at normal rates of exchange; or
- e) a situation if, as a result of exchange restrictions or other restrictions affecting the transfer of funds, transactions on behalf of the Fund are rendered impracticable or if purchases and sales of the Fund's assets cannot be effected at normal rates of exchange any period when the Net Asset Value of one or more investment funds in which any class has invested and when the assets of the investment fund(s) represent a significant part of the proportion of assets of any Sub-Fund cannot be calculated with accuracy and cannot reflect the true market value of the net asset value of the investment fund(s) during a Valuation Day; or

- f) as soon as the Directors have convened a general meeting of Shareholders to resolve on the liquidation of the Fund or a Sub-Fund; or
- g) a situation where the Directors have determined that there has been a material change in the valuations of a substantial proportion of the investments of the Fund attributable to a particular Sub-Fund or Class in the preparation or use of a valuation or the carrying out of a later or subsequent valuation; or
- h) any other circumstance or circumstances where a failure to do so might result in the Fund or its Shareholders incurring any liability to taxation or suffering other pecuniary disadvantages or any other detriment which the Fund or its Shareholders might so otherwise have suffered.

No Shares will be issued, redeemed or converted when the determination of the Net Asset Value is suspended. In such a case, a subscription for Shares, a redemption or a conversion request may be withdrawn, provided that a withdrawal notice is received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent before the suspension is terminated. Unless withdrawn, subscriptions for Shares, redemptions and conversion requests will be acted upon on the first Valuation Day after the suspension is lifted on the basis of the Subscription Price, Redemption Price or Conversion Price (as the case may be) then prevailing. Notice of any such suspension will be published, if, in the opinion of the Directors, it is likely to exceed five Business Days and will be notified to all persons who have applied for, or requested the redemption or conversion of, Shares. The Directors will, at their discretion, decide in which newspapers such notices shall be published, taking into account in particular the countries in which the Shares are offered for sale to the public.

# 4. <u>Publication of Prices</u>

The Net Asset Value per Share may be obtained at the registered office of the Fund.

# 5. <u>Meetings</u>

The annual general meeting of Shareholders will be held at the registered office of the Fund in Luxembourg at a date and time decided by the Directors being no later than six months after the end of the Fund's previous financial year.

Notices of general meetings are given in accordance with Luxembourg law, including by post or any other means of communication having been individually accepted by a Shareholder allowing the information of the Shareholder at least eight (8) days prior to the general meeting and, to the extent legally necessary, by publication in the RESA in Luxembourg, in a Luxembourg newspaper and in such other newspapers as the Directors may determine. Notices will specify the place and time of the meeting, the conditions of admission, the agenda, the quorum and voting requirements. The requirements as to attendance, quorum and majorities at all general meetings will be those laid down in Articles 450-1, 450-3 and 450-4 of the law of 10 August 1915 of the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg and in the Articles.

Matters relating to a particular Sub-Fund may be decided by a vote at a meeting of the Shareholders of that Sub-Fund. Any change in the Articles of Incorporation affecting the rights of Shareholders of a particular Sub-Fund must be approved by a resolution both of all the Shareholders of the Fund and of the Shareholders of the Sub-Fund in question.

# 6. <u>Winding-Up</u>

The Fund may be wound up by decision of an extraordinary general meeting of the Shareholders. Such a meeting must be convened if the value of the net assets of the Fund falls below the respective levels of two-thirds or one quarter of the minimum capital prescribed by Luxembourg law. At any such meeting convened in such circumstances decisions to wind up the Fund will be taken in accordance with the requirements of Article 30 of the 2010 Law.

If the Fund is to be wound up, the winding-up will be carried out in accordance with the provisions of Luxembourg law which specify the steps to be taken to enable Shareholders to participate in distribution(s) on the winding-up and in this connection provides for the deposit in escrow at the *Caisse de Consignation* of any amounts which have not been claimed by Shareholders at the close of the winding-up. Amounts not claimed from escrow within the prescription period are liable to be forfeited in accordance with the provisions of Luxembourg law.

# 7. Dissolution and Reorganisation of Sub-Funds

With respect to Sub-Funds set up for a fixed term, Sub-Funds will be automatically dissolved at the end of their fixed term, as disclosed in the relevant Annex.

A Sub-Fund may also be dissolved by compulsory redemption of Shares of the Sub-Fund concerned, upon a decision of the Directors:

- a) if the Net Asset Value of the Sub-Fund concerned has decreased below Euro 15 million or the equivalent in another currency, or
- b) if a change in the economic or political situation relating to the Sub-Fund concerned would have material adverse consequences on investments of the Sub-Fund, or
- c) in order to proceed to an economic rationalisation, or
- d) if required in the interest of the Shareholders.

The Redemption Price will be the Net Asset Value per Share (taking into account actual realisation prices of investments and realisation expenses), calculated as of the Valuation Day at which such decision shall take effect.

The Fund shall serve a written notice to the holders of the relevant Shares prior to the effective date of the compulsory redemption, which will indicate the reasons for, and the procedure of the redemption operations. Unless it is otherwise decided in the interests of, or to keep equal treatment between, the Shareholders, the Shareholders of the Sub-Fund concerned may continue to request redemption or conversion of their Shares free of charge prior to the effective date of the compulsory redemption, at a Redemption Price taking into account actual realisation prices of investments and realisation expenses.

The Directors may decide to reorganise a Sub-Fund or Class by means of a division into two or more Sub-Funds or Classes.

The Directors may also decide to consolidate Classes of any Sub-Fund. The Directors may also submit the question of the consolidation of a Class to a meeting of holders of such Class. Such meeting will resolve on the consolidation with a simple majority of the votes cast.

Notwithstanding the powers conferred to the Directors by the preceding paragraphs, a general meeting of Shareholders of any Sub-Fund may, upon proposal from the Directors, redeem all the

Shares of such Sub-Fund and refund to the Shareholders the Net Asset Value of their Shares (taking into account actual realisation prices of investments and realisation expenses) calculated as of the Valuation Day at which such decision shall take effect. There shall be no quorum requirements for such general meeting of Shareholders at which resolutions shall be adopted by simple majority of the votes cast if such decision does not result in the liquidation of the Fund.

Assets which may not be distributed to their beneficiaries upon the implementation of the redemption will be deposited in escrow with the Luxembourg *Caisse de Consignation* on behalf of the persons entitled thereto.

All redeemed Shares shall be cancelled.

Any merger of a Sub-Fund shall be decided by the Directors unless the Directors decide to submit the decision for a merger to a meeting of Shareholders of the Sub-Fund concerned. No quorum is required for this meeting and decisions are taken by the simple majority of the votes cast. In case of a merger of one or more class(es) where, as a result, the Fund ceases to exist, the merger shall be decided by a meeting of Shareholders for which no quorum is required and that may decide with a simple majority of votes cast. In addition, the provisions on mergers of UCITS set forth in the 2010 Law and any implementing regulation (relating in particular to the notification to the Shareholders concerned) shall apply.

# 8. <u>Material Contracts</u>

The following contracts, not being contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business, have been entered into by the Fund and are, or may be, material:

- a) An agreement between the Fund and the Management Company, pursuant to which the latter was appointed, subject to the overall control of the Directors, the responsibility on a day-today basis, for providing administration, marketing, investment management and advisory services in respect of all the sub-funds of the Fund.
- b) An agreement between the Management Company and the Investment Manager pursuant to which the latter was appointed, subject to the overall control of the directors of the Management Company, to manage the Fund's investments.
- c) An agreement between the Fund and Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken S.A. pursuant to which the latter was appointed Depositary of the assets of the Fund.
- d) An agreement between the Management Company and European Fund Administration S.A. pursuant to which the latter was appointed as Administrator and Registrar and Transfer Agent of the Fund.
- e) An agreement between the Management Company and Pareto Asset Management AS pursuant to which the latter was appointed as Global Distributor of the Fund.

Any of the above Agreements may be amended by mutual consent of the parties, consent on behalf of the Fund being given by the Directors.

# 9. Documents available for inspection

Copies of the following documents are available for inspection by Shareholders during business hours on each bank business day at the registered office of the Fund:

- (1) the Articles of Incorporation of the Fund;
- (2) the Material Contracts referred to above;
- (3) the key investor information document of the Sub-Funds (the "KIID"); and
- (4) the latest available annual/semi-annual report.

#### 10. <u>Policies</u>

#### **Conflicts of interest**

The Management Company and the other service providers of the Fund, and/or their respective affiliates, members, employees or any person connected with them may be subject to various conflicts of interest in their relationships with the Fund.

The Board of Directors has adopted and implemented a conflicts of interest policy in accordance with its Code of Conduct.

The Management Company, the Fund and the Investment Manager have adopted and implemented a conflicts of interest policy and have made appropriate organisational and administrative arrangements to identify and manage conflicts of interests so as to minimise the risk of the Fund's interests being prejudiced, and if they cannot be avoided, ensure that the Fund's investors are treated fairly.

In the conduct of its business the Management Company adopted a conflicts of interest policy (the "Conflicts of Interest Policy") to identify, manage and where necessary prohibit any action or transaction that may give rise to conflicts entailing a material risk of damage to the interest of the Fund or its Shareholders. The Management Company strives to manage any conflicts in a manner consistent with the highest standards of integrity and fair dealing. For this purpose, it has implemented procedures that shall ensure that any business activities involving a conflict, which may harm the interests of the Fund or its Shareholders, are carried out with an appropriate level of independence and that any conflicts are resolved fairly.

Notwithstanding its due care and best effort, there is a risk that the organizational or administrative arrangements made by the Management Company for the management of conflicts of interest are not sufficient to ensure with reasonable confidence, that risks of damage to the interests of the Fund or its Shareholders will be prevented. In such case where a conflict of interest cannot be avoided and/or requires particular actions, the Management Company or the Board of Directors will report to Shareholders by an appropriate durable medium and give reasons for the decision.

A paper version of the Conflicts of Interest Policy is available free of charge at the registered office of the Management Company.

Detailed information regarding the Conflict of Interest Policy can also be found on the following webpage of the Management Company: https://www.fundrock.com/conflict-of-interest/

#### **Preferential treatment of investors**

Shareholders are being given a fair treatment by ensuring that they are subject to the same rights and, as the case may be, the same obligations vis-à-vis the Fund (as such rights are obligations

notably result from the Articles and this Prospectus) as those to which other Shareholders, having invested in, and equally or similarly contributed to, the same class of Shares, are subject to.

Notwithstanding the foregoing paragraph, it cannot be excluded that a Shareholder be given a preferential treatment in the meaning of, and to the widest extent, allowed by, the Management Regulations. Whenever a Shareholder obtains preferential treatment or the right to obtain a preferential treatment, a description of that preferential treatment, the type of Shareholders who obtained such preferential treatment and, where relevant, their legal or economic links with the Fund or the Management Company will be made available at the registered office of the Management Company subject the same limits required by the Law.

# **Remuneration Policy**

The Management Company has established and applies a remuneration policy in accordance with principles laid out under the UCITS Directive and any related legal and regulatory provisions applicable in Luxembourg.

The remuneration policy is aligned with the business strategy, objectives, values and interests of the Management Company, the Fund and of the Shareholders, and which includes, inter alia, measures to avoid conflicts of interest. The remuneration policy is consistent with and promotes sound and effective risk management and does not encourage risk taking which is inconsistent with the risk profiles, rules or instruments of incorporation of the Fund.

As an independent management company relying on a full-delegation model (i.e. delegation of the collective portfolio management function), the Management Company ensures that its remuneration policy adequately reflects the predominance of its oversight activity within its core activities. As such, it should be noted that the Management Company's employees who are identified as risk-takers under UCITS Directive are not remunerated based on the performance of the UCITS under management.

An up-to-date version of the remuneration policy (including, but not limited to, the description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated, as well as the identity of the persons responsible for awarding the remuneration and benefits and the composition of the remuneration committee) is available at: http://www.fundrock.com/pdf/Fundrock\_Remuneration\_policy.pdf. A paper version of this remuneration policy is made available free of charge at the Management Company's registered office.

The Management Company's remuneration policy, in a multi-year framework, ensures a balanced regime where remuneration both drives and rewards the performance of its employees in a measured, fair and well-thought-out fashion which relies on the following principles\*:

• identification of the persons responsible for awarding remuneration and benefits (under the supervision of the remuneration committee and subject to the control of an independent internal audit committee);

• identification of the functions performed within the Management Company which may impact the performance of the entities under management;

• calculation of remuneration and benefits based on the combination of individual and company's performance assessment;

- determination of a balanced remuneration (fixed and variable);
- implementation of an appropriate retention policy with regards to financial instruments used as variable remuneration;
- deferral of variable remuneration over 3-year periods;

• implementation of control procedures/adequate contractual arrangements on the remuneration guidelines set up by the Management Company's respective portfolio management delegates.

\*It should be noted that, upon issuance of final guidelines, this remuneration policy may be subject to certain amendments and/or adjustments.

# **Other Policies**

The Management Company will make the following additional information available at its registered office upon request in accordance with Luxembourg laws and regulations: the procedures relating to complaints handling, the strategy followed for the exercise of voting rights of the Fund, the best execution policy and the procedure for the giving and receiving of inducements.

# **ANNEX 1: PARETO SICAV – PARETO NORDIC CORPORATE BOND**

#### **Investment Objective and Policy**

The Sub-Fund's objective is to achieve the best possible return, relative to its risk profile.

The Sub-Fund will invest in fixed income and fixed income related securities ("debt securities") issued by corporations, agencies, governments and municipalities. The debt securities may include subordinated, hybrids and convertible bonds.

The Sub-Fund will predominantly invest in securities issued by companies domiciled or with a presence in the Nordic region.

The Sub-Fund shall invest in debt securities with a higher expected return than traditional debt securities due to a higher credit risk.

The Sub-Fund may also invest in shares and similar instruments (e.g. following a process of restructuring or similar process) and/or hold company shares as a result of transactions involving securities or the conversion of convertible bonds.

The average interest rate duration of the Sub-Fund's portfolio shall be between 0 and 4 years. An individual bond in the Sub-Fund's portfolio may however have a higher duration.

The Sub-Fund may use financial derivative instruments (FDI's), such as forward rate agreements, futures, options, swaps, CDS (Credit Default Swaps) and other derivatives for both hedging and investment purposes.

FDIs may also be used for investment purposes when the targeted exposure of the Sub-Fund is difficult to achieve through the use of debt securities or if FDIs is considered a better investment due other factors, such as, but not limited to liquidity and price.

The purpose of investing in derivatives will not be to achieve leverage, however transactions in FDIs may leverage the Sub-Fund due to the leverage inherent in such instruments. This may result in a higher level of volatility than would be the case if the Sub-Fund did not invest in FDIs. In some circumstances, transactions in FDIs may result in a lower level of volatility than would be the case if the Sub-Fund did not invest in FDIs.

The Sub-Fund's total exposure from investments in FDIs shall not exceed the Sub-Fund's Net Asset Value.

The Sub-Fund does currently neither make use of securities financing transactions nor enter into total return swaps or instruments with similar characteristics and as such the Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 is not applicable. The Prospectus will be updated accordingly prior to the use of any such techniques or instruments.

The Sub-Fund may also invest up to 10% of its assets in other Sub-Funds of the Fund as well as other UCITS or UCIs with a similar investment policy as the Sub-Fund.

#### Global Exposure under the Commitment Approach

The global exposure of the Sub-Fund will be measured and monitored according to the commitment approach methodology.

All of the above investments will be made in accordance with the investment restrictions contained in the main part of this Prospectus.

Pareto Asset Management works systematically on ethical considerations in the management of the Sub-Fund. Pareto Asset Management shall not invest in companies which constitute an unacceptable risk of the Sub-Fund contributing to unethical acts or omissions. Such contributions could reduce sustainability and long-term value creation.

# **Currency hedging**

The Sub-Fund will use derivatives to hedge currency exposure to financial instruments denominated in currencies other than the Reference Currency of the Sub-Fund.

For Classes of Shares denominated in other currencies than the Reference Currency of the Sub-Fund, the individual Class of Shares will be hedged towards exposure to the Reference Currency of the Sub-Fund.

# **Benchmark**

The Sub-Fund is actively managed and does not aim to track the composition of any benchmark index.

# **Risk Factors**

All investment in the Sub-Fund carries risk, and should be regarded as long term in nature and is only suitable for investors who understand the risks involved and who are able to withstand the loss of their invested capital.

Investing in the Sub-Fund involves certain considerations in addition to the risks normally associated with making investments in securities. There can be no assurance that the Sub-Fund will achieve its investment objective. The value of Shares in the Sub-Fund may go down as well as up and there can be no assurance that on a redemption, or otherwise, investors will receive the amount originally invested.

Typical risks associated with investment in a portfolio of high yield bonds are as follows:

- Default risk (or credit risk) of a bond refers to the risk that a bond issuer will default on any type of debt by failing to make payments which it is obligated to do. The risk is primarily that of the bondholder and includes lost principal and interest, disruption to cash flows, and increased collection costs. The loss may be complete or partial and can arise in a number of circumstances.
- Changes in interest rates and/or credit spreads may affect bond prices. These risks do not affect all bonds equally. Longer maturity bonds will experience a greater change in price than shorter maturity bonds for a given change in rate and/or credit spreads.
- Liquidity risk may arise when one or more securities are difficult to dispose of, either during certain market conditions or company specific circumstances.
- The net asset value of the Sub-Fund will be computed in NOK whereas the Sub-Fund's investments may be acquired in other currencies. Currency fluctuations may impact the value of the Sub-Fund's investments. The portfolio manager will seek to minimize currency risk by using derivatives.

## **Risk Management Process**

In compliance with the CSSF Regulation 10-4, the ESMA Guidelines on risk measurement and the calculation of global exposure and counterparty risk for UCITS (ref.: ESMA/10-788) and the ESMA Guidelines on risk management principles for UCITS (ref.: ESMA/09-178), the Management Company employs a risk management process, which enables it to monitor and measure at any time the risk of the positions and their contribution to the overall risk profile of the portfolio, the Management Company will use the commitment approach to measure, at least once a day, the global exposure of the Sub-Fund.

# Profile of the typical investor

The Sub-Fund may be appropriate for investors who:

- want and are able to assume credit and interest rate risks,
- have an investment horizon of 2 to 3 years,
- seek capital appreciation over the long term,
- are willing to take on the increased risk associated with the investment.

### **Reference Currency**

The reference currency of the Sub-Fund is the NOK.

### **Classes of Shares and Investment Management Fees**

The existing A and B Classes of Shares will continue as A and C Classes of Shares.

The other Classes of Shares will be launched upon decision of the board of directors of the Fund. An up to date list of all Classes of Shares on offer will be available at the registered office of the Fund.

Share Class	ISIN codes	Referen ce Currenc Y	Currency Hedging ("H")	Minimum initial investment and holding	Investment Management fee	Subscription Charge	Redemption Charge	Conversion Charge
A Shares	LU092213 0215	NOK	N/A	N/A	1.0 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
A Shares	LU160810 1579	EUR	Н	N/A	1.0 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
A Shares	LU160810 2114	USD	Н	N/A	1.0 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
A Shares	LU170041 4029	ISK	Н	N/A	1.0 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
B Shares	LU131157 4799	NOK	N/A	NOK 50 million	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
C Shares	LU092213 0561	SEK	Н	N/A	1.0 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
D Shares	LU131157 4955	SEK	Н	SEK 50 million	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %

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H EUR Shares	LU131157 5093	EUR	Н	EUR 5 million	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H DIS EUR Shares	LU202451 4031	EUR	Н	EUR 5 million	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H DIS USD Shares	LU206702 9665	USD	Н	USD 5 million	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H DKK Shares	LU173222 1491	DKK	Н	DKK 50 million	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H USD Shares	LU154138 9604	USD	Н	USD 5 million	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H GBP Shares	LU173222 1657	GBP	Н	GBP 5 million	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H CHF Shares	LU173222 4321	CHF	Н	CHF 5 million	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H ISK	LU170041 4292	ISK	Н	ISK 600 million	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I NOK Shares	LU161562 0413	NOK	N/A	NOK 400 mill	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I SEK Shares	LU173222 4750	SEK	Н	SEK 400 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I EUR Shares	LU173222 4917	EUR	Н	EUR 50 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I DIS EUR Shares	LU186127 6845	EUR	Н	EUR 50 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I DKK Shares	LU173222 5054	DKK	Н	DKK 400 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I USD Shares	LU173222 5484	USD	Н	USD 50 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I GBP Shares	LU128688 9198	GBP	н	GBP 40 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I CHF Shares	LU173222 5641	CHF	Н	CHF 50 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %

The above investment management fees will be accrued daily and are payable monthly.

- The A and C Classes of Shares are available to all investors which are qualified to invest in the Fund in accordance with the Prospectus.
- The B, D and H Classes of Shares are available to individual clients investing the minimum subscription amount. The B, D and H Classes of Shares are also available to Investors subscribing for shares through a distributor or pension scheme, who under their agreements

with the Global Distributor, do not receive any payment from the Global Distributor. For the latter the minimum investment does not apply.

The B, D and H Classes of Shares are also available to Pareto entities and to Pareto Asset Management AS employees, shareholders and board members, without limitation to minimum investment and holding.

• The I Classes of Shares are available to Institutional Investors as defined under article 174 of the 2010 Law and which are qualified to invest in the Fund in accordance with the Prospectus.

### Valuation Day

The Net Asset Value of each Class of Shares shall normally be calculated on each Business Day which then also qualifies as a "Valuation Day".

The Net Asset Value of each Class of Shares will be made available on each Valuation Day in the reference currency of each Class of Shares by the Administrator at the registered office of the Fund.

The Net Asset Value of each Class of Shares may be reported in such other currencies as decided by the Directors.

#### **Business Day**

Business Day is a day on which banks are normally open for business in Luxembourg, Norway and Sweden, except for 24 December in each year.

In addition, days when local markets on which the Sub-Fund holds a significant portion of its investment are closed, are not Business Days.

#### **Subscriptions**

Shares are available for subscription on each Valuation Day. Applications for Shares must be received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent by no later than 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time). Applications so received will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of that Valuation Day calculated on the next following Business Day with the last available closing prices of such Valuation Day.

Subscription proceeds must be received by the Custodian on an account of the Fund within two (2) Business Days after the relevant Valuation Day.

Applications for Shares received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent after 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time) will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of the next Valuation Day.

#### **Redemptions**

Shares are redeemable at the option of the Shareholders.

Completed redemption requests should be sent to the Registrar and Transfer Agent to be received no later than 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time). Requests so received will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of that Valuation Day calculated on the next following Business Day with the last available closing prices of such Valuation Day.

Redemption requests received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent after 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time) will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of the next Valuation Day.

Payment of redemption proceeds will normally be made within two (2) Business Days after the relevant Valuation Day.

A request for a partial redemption of Shares may be treated as a request for the redemption of the entire holding if, as a result of such partial redemption, the total Net Asset Value of the Shares retained by the Shareholder in the Sub-Fund would be less than the minimum holding.

### **Dividend Policy**

Except for the DIS Classes of Shares, the Sub-Fund shall not distribute any dividend and all net investment income and all net realised and unrealised capital gains will be accumulated and will increase the Net Asset Value of the Shares of the Sub-Fund.

The DIS Classes of Shares will distribute dividends to its Shareholders upon decision of the Company. Such dividends are paid on a quarterly basis or such other frequency as resolved by the Company.

### **Depositary and Administration Fees**

#### Depositary Fee

The Depositary will receive a depositary fee determined as an annual percentage calculated per market on a monthly basis based on the Sub-Fund's assets and paid monthly in arrears. The Depositary will further receive a supervisory fee of 0.006% p.a. based on the Sub-Fund's assets, with a minimum of EUR 6,000.- per annum,. The Depositary shall also be entitled to reimbursement of all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses relating to the custody services rendered.

The Depositary Fee does not cover operational costs such as costs of buying and selling securities, transaction fees and correspondent bank charges.

#### Administrator, Registrar and Transfer and Domiciliary Agent Fee

In addition to the fees payable to the Management Company as mentioned in section "Fees and Expenses" in the main part of this Prospectus, the Management Company will receive a fee with a maximum of EUR 3.700.- per Share-Class, out of the net assets of the Sub-Fund.

The Administrator, Registrar and Transfer and Domiciliary Agent shall also be entitled to reimbursement of all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses relating to the services thereto.

#### Other Charges and Expenses

The other charges and expenses borne by the Sub-Fund are mentioned in section "Fees and Expenses" in the main part of this Prospectus.

#### Term of the Sub-Fund

The Sub-Fund has been established for an indefinite period of time.

# ANNEX 2: PARETO SICAV – PARETO GLOBAL CORPORATE BOND

#### **Investment Objective and Policy**

The Sub-Fund's objective is to achieve the best possible return, relative to its risk profile.

The Sub-Fund will invest in fixed income and fixed income related securities ("debt securities") issued by corporations, agencies, governments and municipalities. The debt securities may include subordinated and convertible bonds.

The Sub-Fund shall take into account environmental, social and corporate governance factors by excluding any company included in the Norwegian Government Pension Fund Global exclusion list, from its investment universe. In addition, the Sub-Fund may exclude further companies based on its own assessment of environmental, social and corporate governance performance."

The Sub-Fund shall not invest in companies which constitute an unacceptable risk of the Sub-Fund contributing to unethical acts or omissions. Such contributions could reduce sustainability and long term value creation.

The Sub-Fund has a global investment universe, but will invest predominantly in developed markets.

The Sub-Fund shall invest at least two thirds (2/3) of its total net assets (after deduction of cash) in debt securities with a higher expected return than traditional debt securities due to a higher credit risk.

The Sub-Fund may also invest in shares and similar instruments (e.g. following a process of restructuring or similar process) and/or hold company shares as a result of transactions involving securities or the conversion of convertible bonds.

The average interest rate duration of the Sub-Fund's portfolio shall be between 0 and 7 years. An individual bond in the Sub-Fund's portfolio may however have a higher duration.

The Sub-Fund may use financial derivative instruments (FDI's), such as forward rate agreements, futures, options, swaps, CDS (Credit Default Swaps) and other derivatives for both hedging and investment purposes.

FDIs may also be used for investment purposes when the targeted exposure of the Sub-Fund is difficult to achieve through the use of debt securities or if FDIs is considered a better investment due other factors, such as, but not limited to liquidity and price.

The purpose of investing in derivatives will not be to achieve leverage, however transactions in FDIs may leverage the Sub-Fund due to the leverage inherent in such instruments. This may result in a higher level of volatility than would be the case if the Sub-Fund did not invest in FDIs. In some circumstances, transactions in FDIs may result in a lower level of volatility than would be the case if the Sub-Fund did not invest in FDIs. The sub-Fund did not invest in FDIs.

The Sub-Fund's total exposure from investments in FDIs shall not exceed the Sub-Fund's Net Asset Value.

The Sub-Fund does currently neither make use of securities financing transactions nor enter into total return swaps or instruments with similar characteristics and as such the Regulation (EU)

2015/2365 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 is not applicable. The Prospectus will be updated accordingly prior to the use of any such techniques or instruments.

The Sub-Fund may also invest up to 5 % of its assets in other Sub-Funds of the Fund as well as other UCITS or UCIs with a similar investment policy as the Sub-Fund.

# Global Exposure under the Commitment Approach

The global exposure of the Sub-Fund will be measured and monitored according to the commitment approach methodology.

All of the above investments will be made in accordance with the investment restrictions contained in the main part of this Prospectus.

### **Currency hedging**

The Sub-Fund will use derivatives to hedge currency exposure to financial instruments denominated in currencies other than the Reference Currency of the Sub-Fund.

For Classes of Shares denominated in other currencies than the Reference Currency of the Sub-Fund, the individual Class of Shares will be hedged towards exposure to the Reference Currency of the Sub-Fund.

### **Benchmark**

The Sub-Fund is actively managed and does not aim to track the composition of any benchmark index.

#### **Risk Factors**

All investment in the Sub-Fund carries risk, and should be regarded as long term in nature and is only suitable for investors who understand the risks involved and who are able to withstand the loss of their invested capital.

Investing in the Sub-Fund involves certain considerations in addition to the risks normally associated with making investments in securities. There can be no assurance that the Sub-Fund will achieve its investment objective. The value of Shares in the Sub-Fund may go down as well as up and there can be no assurance that on a redemption, or otherwise, investors will receive the amount originally invested.

Typical risks associated with investment in a portfolio of high yield bonds are as follows:

- Default risk (or credit risk) of a bond refers to the risk that a bond issuer will default on any type of debt by failing to make payments which it is obligated to do. The risk is primarily that of the bondholder and includes lost principal and interest, disruption to cash flows, and increased collection costs. The loss may be complete or partial and can arise in a number of circumstances.
- Changes in interest rates and/or credit spreads may affect bond prices. These risks do not affect all bonds equally. Longer maturity bonds will experience a greater change in price than shorter maturity bonds for a given change in rate and/or credit spreads.
- Liquidity risk may arise when one or more securities are difficult to dispose of, either during certain market conditions or company specific circumstances.

• The net asset value of the Sub-Fund will be computed in SEK whereas the Sub-Fund's investments may be acquired in other currencies. Currency fluctuations may impact the value of the Sub-Fund's investments. The portfolio manager will seek to minimize currency risk by using derivatives.

## **Risk Management Process**

In compliance with the CSSF Regulation 10-4, the ESMA Guidelines on risk measurement and the calculation of global exposure and counterparty risk for UCITS (ref.: ESMA/10-788) and the ESMA Guidelines on risk management principles for UCITS (ref.: ESMA/09-178), the Management Company employs a risk management process, which enables it to monitor and measure at any time the risk of the positions and their contribution to the overall risk profile of the portfolio, the Management Company will use the commitment approach to measure, at least once a day, the global exposure of the Sub-Fund.

# Profile of the typical investor

The Sub-Fund may be appropriate for investors who:

- want and are able to assume credit and interest rate risks,
- have an investment horizon of 2 to 3 years,
- seek capital appreciation over the long term,
- are willing to take on the increased risk associated with the investment.

# **Reference Currency**

The reference currency of the Sub-Fund is the SEK.

# **Classes of Shares and Investment Management Fees**

The A and B Shares have been launched in March 2015 with a price of SEK 100 per Share.

The other Classes of Shares will be launched upon decision of the board of directors of the Fund. An up to date list of all Classes of Shares on offer will be available at the registered office of the Fund.

Share Class	ISIN codes	Reference Currency	Currency Hedging ("H")	Minimum initial investment and	Investment Management fee Subscription Charge		Redemption Charge	Conversion Charge
				holding				
A Shares	LU11999 45780	SEK	N/A	N/A	1.0 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
A DIS SEK Shares	LU17004 14375	SEK	N/A	N/A	1.0 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
A EUR Shares	LU13275 37681	EUR	Н	N/A	1.0 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
A USD Shares	LU13275 37848	USD	Н	N/A	1.0 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
A DIS USD	LU19686 04873	USD	Н	N/A	1.0 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %

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A ISK Shares	LU17004 14458	ISK	Н	N/A	1.0 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
B Shares	LU11999 45947	SEK	N/A	SEK 50 million	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
B DIS SEK Shares	LU17004 14532	SEK	N/A	SEK 50 million	0.55% per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
C Shares	LU11999 46085	NOK	Н	N/A	1.0 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
D Shares	LU11999 46168	NOK	Н	NOK 50 mill	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H EUR Shares	LU11999 46242	EUR	Н	EUR 5 million	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H DKK Shares	LU11999 46325	DKK	Н	DKK 50 million	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H USD Shares	LU11999 46598	USD	Н	USD 5 million	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H GBP Shares	LU11999 46671	GBP	Н	GBP 5 million	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H CHF Shares	LU17322 29049	CHF	Н	CHF 5 million	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H ISK	LU17004 14706	ISK	Н	ISK 600 million	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I NOK Shares	LU14767 48568	NOK	Н	NOK 400 mill	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
l SEK Shares	LU14767 48642	SEK	N/A	SEK 400 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I EUR Shares	LU17322 29718	EUR	Н	EUR 50 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I DKK Shares	LU17322 30302	DKK	Н	DKK 400 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I USD Shares	LU17322 30484	USD	Н	USD 50 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
l GBP Shares	LU17322 30641	GBP	Н	GBP 40 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I CHF Shares	LU17322 31375	CHF	Н	CHF 50 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %

The above investment management fees will be accrued daily and are payable monthly.

• The A and C Classes of Shares are available to all investors which are qualified to invest in the Fund in accordance with the Prospectus.

• The B, D and H Classes of Shares are available to individual clients investing the minimum subscription amount. The B, D and H Classes of Shares are also available to Investors subscribing for shares through a distributor or pension scheme, who under their agreements with the Global Distributor, do not receive any payment from the Global Distributor. For the latter the minimum investment does not apply.

The B, D and H Classes of Shares are also available to Pareto entities and to Pareto Asset Management AS employees, shareholders and board members, without limitation to minimum investment and holding.

• The I Classes of Shares are available to Institutional Investors as defined under article 174 of the 2010 Law and which are qualified to invest in the Fund in accordance with the Prospectus.

### Valuation Day

The Net Asset Value of each Class of Shares shall normally be calculated on each Business Day which then also qualifies as a "Valuation Day".

The Net Asset Value of each Class of Shares will be made available on each Valuation Day in the reference currency of each Class of Shares by the Administrator at the registered office of the Fund.

The Net Asset Value of each Class of Shares may be reported in such other currencies as decided by the Directors.

#### **Business Day**

A Business Day is a day on which banks are normally open for business in Luxembourg, Norway and Sweden except for 24 December in each year. In addition, days when local markets on which the Sub-Fund holds a significant portion of its investment are closed, are not Business Days.

#### **Subscriptions**

Shares are available for subscription on each Valuation Day. Applications for Shares must be received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent by no later than 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time). Applications so received will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of that Valuation Day calculated on the next following Business Day with the last available closing prices of such Valuation Day.

Subscription proceeds must be received by the Depositary on an account of the Fund within two (2) Business Days after the relevant Valuation Day.

Applications for Shares received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent after 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time) will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of the next Valuation Day.

#### **Redemptions**

Shares are redeemable at the option of the Shareholders.

Completed redemption requests should be sent to the Registrar and Transfer Agent to be received no later than 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time). Requests so received will be dealt with on the basis of

the Net Asset Value per Share of that Valuation Day calculated on the next following Business Day with the last available closing prices of such Valuation Day.

Redemption requests received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent after 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time) will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of the next Valuation Day.

Payment of redemption proceeds will normally be made within two (2) Business Days after the relevant Valuation Day.

A request for a partial redemption of Shares may be treated as a request for the redemption of the entire holding if, as a result of such partial redemption, the total Net Asset Value of the Shares retained by the Shareholder in the Sub-Fund would be less than the minimum holding.

#### **Dividend Policy**

Except for the DIS Classes of Shares, the Sub-Fund shall not distribute any dividend and all net investment income and all net realised and unrealised capital gains will be accumulated and will increase the Net Asset Value of the Shares of the Sub-Fund.

The DIS Classes of Shares will distribute dividends to its Shareholders upon decision of the Company. Such dividends are paid on a quarterly basis or such other frequency as resolved by the Company.

#### **Depositary and Administration Fees**

#### Depositary Fee

The Depositary will receive a depositary fee determined as an annual percentage calculated per market on a monthly basis based on the Sub-Fund's assets and paid monthly in arrears. The Depositary will further receive a supervisory fee of 0.006% p.a. based on the Sub-Fund's assets, with a minimum of EUR 6,000.- per annum,. The Depositary shall also be entitled to reimbursement of all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses relating to the custody services rendered.

The Depositary Fee does not cover operational costs such as costs of buying and selling securities, transaction fees and correspondent bank charges.

#### Administrator, Registrar and Transfer and Domiciliary Agent Fee

In addition to the fees payable to the Management Company as mentioned in section "Fees and Expenses" in the main part of this Prospectus, the Management Company will receive a fee with a maximum of EUR 3.700.- per Share-Class, out of the net assets of the Sub-Fund.

The Administrator, Registrar and Transfer and Domiciliary Agent shall also be entitled to reimbursement of all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses relating to the services thereto.

#### Other Charges and Expenses

The other charges and expenses borne by the Sub-Fund are mentioned in section "Fees and Expenses" in the main part of this Prospectus.

#### Term of the Sub-Fund

The Sub-Fund has been established for an indefinite period of time.

#### **Other information**

The Sub-Fund will be managed by Pareto Asset Management AS, Sweden Branch.

# **ANNEX 3: PARETO SICAV – PARETO NORDIC ALPHA**

#### **Investment Objective and Policy**

The objective of the Sub-Fund is to achieve capital appreciation over the medium term.

The Sub-Fund offers investors the opportunity to participate in an investment product focusing on deriving its return primarily from listed equity securities and equity related securities in the Nordic region (Sweden, Finland, Denmark and Norway). The Sub-Fund may also invest in fixed income instruments which have an investment grade rating and derivatives both for hedging and investment purposes. Although the primary geographic focus will be the Nordic region, the Sub-Fund may also invest in Western Europe and the US. Any such direct investments listed outside of the Nordic region would be expected to range between 5% to 15% of the NAV of the Sub-Fund. The assets will be predominantly (but not exclusively) invested in the following industrial sectors: Oil and Marine (Oil, Oil Services, Shipping), Pulp & Paper, Telecom (Equipment and Operators) and Information Technology., Banking, Insurance and other Financial Services and Consumer Products (Leisure, Media, Retail, Food & Beverage, Consumer Goods)

Depending on the market conditions and in accordance with the investment objective and policy set in the prospectus, the Investment Manager might amend the industrial sector allocation when deemed appropriate.

The Sub-Fund will use an investment strategy relying on short and/or long positions and/or a combination of equity and fixed income markets. The strategy for allocating the Sub-Fund's investments will be based on the Investment Manager's assessment of the markets for asset classes in respect of which the Sub-Fund seeks to obtain exposure. The Sub-Fund will seek to achieve its objective regardless the market conditions.

The global exposure of the Sub Fund will be monitored by using the absolute Value at Risk methodology. The monthly VaR will not exceed 20% of the NAV.

The Sub-Fund's expected level of leverage will be determined using the sum of notionals approach which relies on the Financial Derivative Instruments held by the Sub-Fund. In respect of financial derivative instruments which do not have a notional value, the calculation will be based on the market value of the equivalent position in the underlying assets. Based on this methodology, leverage shall not exceed 200 % of the NAV of the Sub Fund.

#### Investment strategy

The Sub-Fund will utilise a Long/Short investment strategy involving long or short positions or a combination of both. The Investment Manager will seek to obtain exposure which it believes will appreciate (long) and sell exposure it believes will depreciate (short). Short exposure will only be achieved synthetically through the use of Financial Derivative Instruments. In this way the Investment Manager believes that it should be able to generate a positive return for the Shareholders regardless of which direction the general equity market is going.

In assessing the optimal way to seek to obtain the investment objective, the Investment Manager will rely on the following elements: degree of inefficient pricing, partly a result of liquidity and research intensity, degree of the Investment Manager's knowledge of industry sectors as well as geographical and cultural aspects, in particular the Investment Manager's expertise in the Nordic region.

### Use of equities, equity -related and fixed income instruments

In endeavouring to achieve its investment objective, the Sub-Fund will seek to obtain direct and indirect exposure to equity and equity related securities such as preferred stocks, warrants and convertible bonds, which may have equity linked notes, of large and medium capitalised issuers.

The Sub-Fund may seek direct and indirect exposure to fixed income, debt and debt related securities, in particular when the Investment Manager considers that the markets for these securities look favourable compared to equity securities. The Sub-Fund may, directly or indirectly, invest in fixed income and debt and debt related securities which may be issued by corporate and/or sovereign issuers (such as government securities, bonds, municipal, state, local authority and supranational issues, commercial paper, debentures and certificates of deposit) which may offer fixed or floating interest rates, and which will be rated investment grade by a rating agency (or which if not rated are considered to be equivalent in the opinion of the Investment Manager).

# Use of Financial Derivative Instruments (FDIs)

Exchange traded and Over the Counter Financial Derivative instruments may be used both for investment and hedging purposes. FDIs may include futures, forwards, options, swaps, contracts for difference (CFDs), Credit Default Swaps (CDS), convertible bonds, warrants as well as other FDIs the Investment Manager considers appropriate for the Sub-Fund.

The Sub-Fund does currently neither make use of securities financing transactions nor enter into total return swaps or instruments with similar characteristics and as such the Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 is not applicable. The Prospectus will be updated accordingly prior to the use of any such techniques or instruments.

The Sub-Fund may also invest up to 10% in other Sub-Funds of the Fund as well as other UCITS or UCIs.

The Sub-Fund may also hold and invest in ancillary liquid assets, such as bank deposits and money market instruments and securities, including but not limited to short-term fixed income instruments, certificates of deposit, promissory notes, commercial paper, floating rate notes, medium term notes, bankers acceptances and any other short term instrument which the Investment Manager believes to be of appropriate credit quality as further outlined below. The Investment Manager may, depending on its tactical viewpoint and perception of investment opportunities for the Sub-Fund, increase or decrease the level of investment by the Sub-Fund in ancillary liquid assets. There is no maximum or minimum amount of liquidity that the Sub-Fund may hold at any one time but it is expected that such investments may generally comprise 10% to 30% of the NAV of the Sub-Fund.

All of the above investments will be made in accordance with the investment restrictions contained in the main part of this Prospectus.

Pareto Asset Management works systematically on ethical considerations in the management of the Sub-Fund. Pareto Asset Management shall not invest in companies which constitute an unacceptable risk of the Sub-Fund contributing to unethical acts or omissions. Such contributions could reduce sustainability and long-term value creation.

# **Risk Factors**

All investment in the Sub-Fund carries risk, and should be regarded as long term in nature and is only suitable for investors who understand the risks involved and who are able to withstand the loss of their invested capital.

Investing in the Sub-Fund involves certain considerations in addition to the risks normally associated with making investments in securities. There can be no assurance that the Sub-Fund will achieve its investment objective. The value of Shares in the Sub-Fund may go down as well as up and there can be no assurance that on a redemption, or otherwise, investors will receive the amount originally invested.

# Profile of the typical investor

The Sub-Fund may be appropriate for investors who:

- have an investment horizon of at least 5 years,
- seek capital appreciation over the long term,
- do not seek current income from their investment,
- are willing to take on the increased risk associated with the investment.

#### **Reference Currency**

The reference currency of the Sub-Fund is the NOK.

#### **Classes of Shares and Investment Management Fees**

The Classes of Shares will be launched upon decision of the board of directors of the Fund. An up to date list of all Classes of Shares on offer will be available at the registered office of the Fund.

Share Class	ISIN codes	Reference Currency	Currency Hedging ("H")	Minimum initial investment and holding	Investment Management fee	Perfor- mance fee	Subscrip- tion Charge	Redemp- tion Charge	Conversion Charge
A NOK Shares	LU1471 696044	NOK	N/A	N/A	1.5 % per annum	20% above 2% cumulative hurdle with high watermark	up to 3.0 %	up to 0.2%	0 %
A SEK Shares	LU1471 696473	SEK	N/A	N/A	1.5 % per annum	20% above 2% cumulative hurdle with high watermark	up to 3.0 %	up to 0.2%	0 %
M NOK Shares	LU1471 700176	NOK	N/A	N/A	0 %	0 %	up to 0.2 %	up to 0.2%	0 %

B NOK Shares	LU1471 697281	NOK	N/A	10 million NOK	0.95 % per annum	20% above 2% cumulative hurdle with high watermark	up to 3.0 %	up to 0.2%	0 %
B SEK Shares	LU1471 697521	SEK	N/A	10 million SEK	0.95 % per annum	20% above 2% cumulative hurdle with high watermark	%	up to 0.2%	0 %

The above investment management fees will be accrued daily and are payable monthly.

• The A and B Classes of Shares are available to all investors which are qualified to invest in the Sub-Fund in accordance with the Prospectus.

The B Class of Shares is also available to Investors subscribing for shares through a distributor or pension scheme, who under their agreements with the Global Distributor, do not receive any payment from the Global Distributor. For the latter the minimum investment does not apply.

• The M Class of shares may only be issued at the discretion of the Directors, and is only available to employees of the Investment Manager.

#### Performance fee

#### Amount

With the exception of the Class M Share Class, the Investment Manager will be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Sub-Fund a performance fee in respect of each Share Class (the **Performance Fee**), as outlined below.

The Performance Fee will be calculated and accrued at each Valuation Point in respect of each Valuation Day (each Valuation Day being a **Calculation Period**) and shall be payable monthly in arrears.

For each Calculation Period, the Performance Fee for the A and B classes of shares will be equal to 20% of the amount by which the NAV per Share on each Valuation Day exceeds the High Water Mark after the application of the Hurdle Rate.

**High Water Mark** means the greater of the original issue price of Shares in the relevant Share Class and the highest NAV per Share achieved as at the end of any previous Calculation Period (if any).

**Hurdle Rate** means an annual rate of 2% of the year end High Water Mark of the relevant Share Class for the year immediately preceding the Calculation Period pro-rated for each Valuation Day in the applicable Calculation Period.

The previous year end High Water Mark of the relevant Share Class must increase by 2% on a prorated daily basis before the Performance Fee may become payable and accordingly, the Performance Fee is only calculated when the High Water Mark after application of the Hurdle Rate has been reached. The Hurdle Rate is separately determined for each year and pro-rated daily until the end of the current calendar year. The Hurdle Rate is cumulative from year to year. As at each Valuation Point, the Performance Fee will be calculated by reference to the NAV per Share attributable to the Share Class before making any deduction for Performance Fees.

## Valuation Day

The Net Asset Value of each Class of Shares shall normally be calculated on each Business Day which then also qualifies as a "Valuation Day".

The Net Asset Value of each Class of Shares will be made available on each Valuation Day in the reference currency of each Class of Shares by the Administrator at the registered office of the Fund.

The Net Asset Value of each Class of Shares may be reported in such other currencies as decided by the Directors.

### **Business Day**

A Business Day is a day on which banks are normally open for business in Luxembourg, Norway and Sweden except for 24 December each year. In addition, days when local markets on which the Sub-Fund holds a significant portion of its investments are closed, are not Business Days.

### **Subscriptions**

Shares are available for subscription on each Valuation Day. Applications for Shares must be received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent by no later than 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time). Applications so received will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of that Valuation Day calculated on the next following Business Day with the last available closing prices of such Valuation Day.

Subscription proceeds must be received by the Depositary on an account of the Sub-Fund within two (2) Business Days after the relevant Valuation Day.

Applications for Shares received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent after 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time) will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of the next Valuation Day.

#### **Redemptions**

Shares are redeemable at the option of the Shareholders.

Completed redemption requests should be sent to the Registrar and Transfer Agent to be received no later than 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time). Requests so received will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of that Valuation Day calculated on the next following Business Day with the last available closing prices of such Valuation Day.

Redemption requests received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent after 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time) will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of the next Valuation Day.

Payment of redemption proceeds will normally be made within two (2) Business Days after the relevant Valuation Day.

A request for a partial redemption of Shares may be treated as a request for the redemption of the entire holding if, as a result of such partial redemption, the total Net Asset Value of the Shares retained by the Shareholder in the Sub-Fund would be less than the minimum holding.

# **Dividend Policy**

The Sub-Fund shall not distribute any dividend and all net investment income and all net realised and unrealised capital gains will be accumulated and will increase the Net Asset Value of the Shares of the Sub-Fund.

# **Depositary and Administration Fees**

# Depositary Fee

The Depositary will receive a depositary fee determined as an annual percentage calculated per market on a monthly basis based on the Sub-Fund's assets and paid monthly in arrears. The Depositary will further receive a supervisory fee of 0.006% p.a. based on the Sub-Fund's assets, with a minimum of EUR 6,000.- per annum,. The Depositary shall also be entitled to reimbursement of all reasonable out-of- pocket expenses relating to the custody services rendered.

The Depositary Fee does not cover operational costs such as costs of buying and selling securities, transaction fees and correspondent bank charges.

# Administrator, Registrar and Transfer and Domiciliary Agent Fee

In addition to the fees payable to the Management Company as mentioned in section "Fees and Expenses" in the main part of this Prospectus, the Management Company will receive a fee with a maximum of EUR 3.700.- per Share-Class, out of the net assets of the Sub-Fund.

The Administrator, Registrar and Transfer and Domiciliary Agent shall also be entitled to reimbursement of all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses relating to the services thereto.

# Other Charges and Expenses

The other charges and expenses borne by the Sub-Fund are mentioned in section "Fees and Expenses" in the main part of this Prospectus.

# Term of the Sub-Fund

The Sub-Fund has been established for an indefinite period of time.

# ANNEX 4: PARETO SICAV – PARETO GLOBAL EQUITY

#### **Investment Objective and Policy**

The investment objective of the Sub-Fund is to achieve the highest possible return over a long-term, relative to the risk taken by the Sub-Fund.

The Sub-Fund offers investors the opportunity to participate in an investment product focusing on deriving its returns primarily from global equity securities. Important selection criteria for the Sub-Fund's investments are a strong balance sheet, good historical returns on equity and reasonable pricing. The Sub-Fund holds a global investment universe. The Sub-Fund's selective management style however limits the number of investments.

### Investment strategy

The Sub-Fund seeks to achieve capital appreciation over the long-term by investing in equity securities (i.e. common and preferred equities) that are listed on regulated markets, while ensuring a constant direct investment into equity participations of at least 51% of the Sub-Fund's net assets. The Sub-Fund acquires stocks of companies that are operating in a wide range of economic sectors and are located in several geographical zones.

### Use of Financial Derivative Instruments (FDIs)

The Sub-Fund does not hold financial derivatives instruments other than forward rate agreements that are used for the sole purpose of hedging the foreign exchange risk at share class level.

The Sub-Fund does currently neither make use of securities financing transactions nor enter into total return swaps or instruments with similar characteristics and as such the Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 is not applicable. The Prospectus will be updated accordingly prior to the use of any such techniques or instruments.

The Sub-Fund may not invest more than 10 % of its asset in UCITS or other UCIs.

The Sub-Fund is also allowed to invest in liquid assets on an ancillary basis. From time to time, a maximum 20% of the Sub-Fund's net assets might be invested in liquid assets. Those assets might either be cash deposits or money market instruments.

#### Global Exposure under the Commitment Approach

The global exposure of the Sub-Fund will be measured and monitored according to the commitment approach methodology.

All of the above investments will be made in accordance with the investment restrictions contained in the main part of this Prospectus.

Pareto Asset Management works systematically on ethical considerations in the management of the Sub-Fund. Pareto Asset Management shall not invest in companies which constitute an unacceptable risk of the Sub-Fund contributing to unethical acts or omissions. Such contributions could reduce sustainability and long-term value creation.

## **Risk Factors**

All investment in the Sub-Fund carries risk, and should be regarded as long term in nature and is only suitable for investors who understand the risks involved and who are able to withstand the loss of their invested capital.

Investing in the Sub-Fund involves certain considerations in addition to the risks normally associated with making investments in equities. There can be no assurance that the Sub-Fund will achieve its investment objective. The value of Shares in the Sub-Fund may go down as well as up and there can be no assurance that on a redemption, or otherwise, investors will receive the amount originally invested.

# Profile of the typical investor

The Sub-Fund may be appropriate for investors who:

- have an investment horizon of at least 5 years,
- seek capital appreciation over the long term,
- do not seek current income from their investment,
- are willing to take on the increased risk associated with the investment.

#### **Reference Currency**

The reference currency of the Sub-Fund is the USD.

#### **Classes of Shares and Investment Management Fees**

The initial offering period of this Sub-Fund will be determined by the board of directors of the Fund and the NOK Classes of Shares will be offered at the initial subscription price per Share of NOK 1,000 respectively. Classes of Shares in other currencies than NOK will be opened at a later stage upon the decision of the board of directors of the Fund.

The Classes of Shares will be launched upon decision of the board of directors of the Fund. An up to date list of all Classes of Shares on offer will be available at the registered office of the Fund.

Share Class	ISIN codes	Reference Currency	Currency Hedging ("H")/ Partial Hedging ("PH") <sup>1</sup>	Minimum initial investment and holding	Investment Management fee	Subscription Charge	Redemption Charge	Conversion Charge
B NOK Shares	LU16530 70463	NOK	N/A	N/A	1,60% per annum	up to 1%	up to 0.5 %	0 %
B-PH NOK Shares	LU16530 70547	NOK	РН	N/A	1,60% per annum	up to 1%	up to 0.5%	0 %
B USD Shares	LU16530 70620	USD	N/A	N/A	1,60% per annum	up to 1%	up to 0.5 %	0 %

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B EUR Shares	LU16530 70893	EUR	N/A	N/A	1,60% per annum	up to 1%	up to 0.5 %	0 %
C NOK Shares	LU16530 70976	NOK	N/A	20.000.000 NOK	1,25% per annum	up to 1%	up to 0.5 %	0 %
C-PH NOK Shares	LU16530 71271	NOK	РН	20.000.000 NOK	1,25% per annum	up to 1%	up to 0.5%	0 %
D NOK Shares	LU16530 71354	NOK	N/A	50.000.000 NOK	0,75% per annum	up to 1%	up to 0.5 %	0 %
D-PH NOK Shares	LU16530 71438	NOK	РН	50.000.000 NOK	0,75% per annum	up to 1%	up to 0.5%	0 %
D USD Shares	LU16530 71511	USD	N/A	5.000.000 USD	0,75% per annum	up to 1%	up to 0.5 %	0 %
D EUR Shares	LU16530 71602	EUR	N/A	5.000.000 EUR	0,75% per annum	up to 1%	up to 0.5 %	0 %
D GBP Shares	LU16530 71784	GBP	N/A	5.000.000 GBP	0,75% per annum	up to 1%	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I NOK Shares	LU16530 71941	NOK	N/A	100.000.00 0 NOK	0,50% per annum	up to 1%	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I-PH NOK Shares	LU16530 72089	NOK	РН	100.000.00 0 NOK	0,50% per annum	up to 1%	up to 0.5%	0 %
l USD Shares	LU16530 72162	USD	N/A	10.000.000 USD	0,50% per annum	up to 1%	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I EUR Shares	LU16530 72246	EUR	N/A	10.000.000 EUR	0,50% per annum	up to 1%	up to 0.5 %	0 %
l GBP Shares	LU16530 72329	GBP	N/A	10.000.000 GBP	0,50% per annum	up to 1%	up to 0.5 %	0 %

<sup>1</sup> The Classes of Shares listed in the table above and labelled as "PH" (i.e. "Partial Hedging") are using FX forward transactions for partially hedging the foreign exchange risk resulting from unfavourable market movements against the reference currency of the Sub-Fund (i.e. NOK). The notional amount of FX forward transactions used at Class of Shares level (labelled as "PH") for a given currency pair (e.g. USD/NOK) is commensurate to the proportion of assets denominated in that currency (e.g. USD) and held at Sub-Fund level.

The above investment management fees will be accrued daily and are payable monthly.

- The B Classes of Shares are available to all Investors which are qualified to invest in the Sub-Fund in accordance with the Prospectus.
- The C Classes of Shares are available to individual clients investing the minimum subscription amount.

The C Classes of Shares are also available to Investors subscribing for Shares through a distributor or pension scheme, who under their agreements with the Global Distributor, do not receive any payment from the Global Distributor. For the latter the minimum investment does not apply. This does not limit the Global Distributor of paying trailer fees to distributors for investments above the minimum investments or fees to platform service providers. The C Classes of Shares are also available to Pareto entities and to Pareto Asset Management AS employees, shareholders and board members, without limitation to minimum investment and holding.

- The D Classes of Shares are available to individual clients investing the minimum subscription amount. The D Classes of Shares is also available to Investors subscribing for Shares through a distributor or pension scheme, who under their agreements with the Global Distributor, do not receive any payment from the Global Distributor. For the latter the minimum investment does not apply. This does not limit the Global Distributor of paying fees to platform service providers.
- The I Classes of Shares are available to Institutional Investors as defined under article 174 of the 2010 Law and which are qualified to invest in the Sub-Fund in accordance with the Prospectus.

## Valuation Day

The Net Asset Value of each Class of Shares shall normally be calculated on each Business Day which then also qualifies as a "Valuation Day".

The Net Asset Value of each Class of Shares will be made available on each Valuation Day in the reference currency of each Class of Shares by the Administrator at the registered office of the Fund.

The Net Asset Value of each Class of Shares may be reported in such other currencies as decided by the Directors.

#### **Business Day**

A Business Day is a day on which banks are normally open for business in Luxembourg Norway and Sweden, except for 24 December each year. In addition, days when local markets on which the Sub-Fund holds a significant portion of its investments are closed, are not Business Days.

#### **Subscriptions**

Shares are available for subscription on each Valuation Day. Applications for Shares must be received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent by no later than 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time). Applications so received will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of that Valuation Day calculated on the next following Business Day with the last available closing prices of such Valuation Day.

Subscription proceeds must be received by the Depositary on an account of the Sub-Fund within two (2) Business Days after the relevant Valuation Day.

Applications for Shares received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent after 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time) will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of the next Valuation Day.

### **Redemptions**

Shares are redeemable at the option of the Shareholders.

Completed redemption requests should be sent to the Registrar and Transfer Agent to be received no later than 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time). Requests so received will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of that Valuation Day calculated on the next following Business Day with the last available closing prices of such Valuation Day.

Redemption requests received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent after 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time) will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of the next Valuation Day.

Payment of redemption proceeds will normally be made within two (2) Business Days after the relevant Valuation Day.

A request for a partial redemption of Shares may be treated as a request for the redemption of the entire holding if, as a result of such partial redemption, the total Net Asset Value of the Shares retained by the Shareholder in the Sub-Fund would be less than the minimum holding.

#### **Dividend Policy**

The Sub-Fund shall not distribute any dividend and all net investment income and all net realised and unrealised capital gains will be accumulated and will increase the Net Asset Value of the Shares of the Sub-Fund.

#### **Depositary and Administration Fees**

#### Depositary Fee

The Depositary will receive a depositary fee determined as an annual percentage calculated per market on a monthly basis based on the Sub-Fund's assets and paid monthly in arrears. The Depositary will further receive a supervisory fee of 0.006% p.a. based on the Sub-Fund's assets, with a minimum of EUR 6,000.- per annum, which will be due by the Sub-Fund as from the end of the first year following the end of the initial offering period of the Sub-Fund.

The Depositary shall also be entitled to reimbursement of all reasonable out-of- pocket expenses relating to the custody services rendered.

The Depositary Fee does not cover operational costs such as costs of buying and selling securities, transaction fees and correspondent bank charges.

#### Administrator, Registrar and Transfer and Domiciliary Agent Fee

In addition to the fees payable to the Management Company as mentioned in section "Fees and Expenses" in the main part of this Prospectus, the Management Company will receive a fee with a maximum of EUR 3.700.- per Share-Class, out of the net assets of the Sub-Fund.

The Administrator, Registrar and Transfer and Domiciliary Agent shall also be entitled to reimbursement of all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses relating to the services thereto.

## Other Charges and Expenses

The other charges and expenses borne by the Sub-Fund are mentioned in section "Fees and Expenses" in the main part of this Prospectus.

# Term of the Sub-Fund

The Sub-Fund has been established for an indefinite period of time.

# ANNEX 5: PARETO SICAV – PARETO NORDIC EQUITY

#### **Investment Objective and Policy**

The investment objective of the Sub-Fund is to achieve the highest possible long-term return, relative to the risk taken by the Sub-Fund.

The Sub-Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing primarily in equities listed on a stock exchange or other regulated market in the Nordic region (Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland and Iceland), while ensuring a constant direct investment into equity participations of at least 51% of the Sub-Fund's net assets. The Sub-Fund aims to hold a diversified portfolio with no particular focus on an industrial sector or the market capitalisation of companies.

The Sub-Fund is actively managed. This means that investment decisions are taken on the basis of fundamental analysis. Important selection criteria for the Sub-Fund's investments are: a sound business model, a dividend policy in accordance with its balance sheet, earnings power and prospects of profitable growth, and skilful management.

The Sub-Fund does not invest its assets in asset-backed securities (ABS'), mortgage-backed securities (MBS'), contingent convertible bonds (Coco's) or structured fixed-income products. The Sub-Fund may invest up to 20% of its assets in fixed income instruments which consists primarily in sovereign bonds and to a lesser extent in convertible bonds.

#### Use of Financial Derivative Instruments (FDIs)

The Sub-Fund may use financial derivative instruments (FDI's) such as FX swaps for hedging against unfavourable foreign exchange market movements. Equity index futures and/or equity options might also be used for hedging against unfavourable equity risk movements.

The purpose of investing in derivatives will not be to achieve leverage; however, transactions in FDIs may leverage the Sub-Fund due to the leverage inherent in such instruments. This may result in a higher level of volatility than would be the case if the Sub-Fund did not invest in FDIs. In some circumstances, transactions in FDIs may result in a lower level of volatility than would be the case if the Sub-Fund did not invest in FDIs.

The Sub-Fund does currently neither make use of securities financing transactions nor enter into total return swaps or instruments with similar characteristics and as such the Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 is not applicable. The Prospectus will be updated accordingly prior to the use of any such techniques or instruments.

The Sub-Fund's total exposure from investments in FDIs shall not exceed the Sub-Fund's Net Asset Value.

The Sub-Fund may also invest up to 10% of its assets in other Sub-Funds of the Fund as well as other UCITS or UCIs with a similar investment policy as the Sub-Fund.

The Sub-Fund may also invest in liquid assets on an ancillary basis. From time to time, a maximum of 20% of the Sub-Fund's net assets might be invested in liquid assets. Those assets might either be cash deposits or money market instruments.

All of the above investments will be made in accordance with the investment restrictions contained in the main part of this Prospectus.

Pareto Asset Management works systematically on ethical considerations in the management of the Sub-Fund. Pareto Asset Management shall not invest in companies which constitute an unacceptable risk of the Sub-Fund contributing to unethical acts or omissions. Such contributions could reduce sustainability and long-term value creation.

## Global Exposure under the Commitment Approach

The global exposure of the Sub-Fund will be measured and monitored according to the commitment approach methodology.

# **Benchmark**

The Sub-Fund's benchmark for performance measurement purposes is the VINX Nordic Equity Index (VINX Benchmark Cap Net Index), measured in the currency of the relevant share class. The benchmark is a dividend adjusted Nordic equity index. The Sub-Fund will not try to replicate this index and will freely select the securities that it will invest in.

## **Risk Factors**

All investment in the Sub-Fund carries risk, and should be regarded as long term in nature and is only suitable for investors who understand the risks involved and who are able to withstand the loss of their invested capital.

Investing in the Sub-Fund involves certain considerations in addition to the risks normally associated with making investments in equities. There can be no assurance that the Sub-Fund will achieve its investment objective. The value of Shares in the Sub-Fund may go down as well as up and there can be no assurance that on a redemption, or otherwise, investors will receive the amount originally invested.

# Profile of the typical investor

The Sub-Fund may be appropriate for investors who:

- have an investment horizon of at least 5 years,
- seek capital appreciation over the long term,
- do not seek current income from their investment,
- are willing to take on the increased risk associated with the investment.

## **Reference Currency**

The reference currency of the Sub-Fund is the NOK.

## **Classes of Shares and Investment Management Fees**

The B EUR and D EUR Shares have been launched on 20 November 2018 with a price of EUR 100 per Share.

The other Classes of Shares will be launched upon decision of the board of directors of the Fund. An up to date list of all Classes of Shares on offer will be available at the registered office of the Fund.

Share Class	ISIN codes	Reference Currency	Currency Hedging ("H")	Minimum initial investment and holding	Investment Management fee	Subscription Charge	Redemption Charge	Conversion Charge
B EUR Shares	LU190479 7575	EUR	N/A	N/A	1,60% per annum	up to 1 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
B NOK Shares	LU165307 2675	NOK	N/A	N/A	1,60% per annum	up to 1 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
B SEK Shares	LU165307 2758	SEK	N/A	N/A	1,60% per annum	up to 1 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
C NOK Shares	LU165307 2832	NOK	N/A	20.000.000 NOK	1,25% per annum	up to 1 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
C SEK Shares	LU202320 2521	SEK	N/A	20.000.000 SEK	1,25% per annum	up to 1 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
D EUR Shares	LU190479 7732	EUR	N/A	5.000.000 EUR	0,75% per annum	up to 1 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
D NOK Shares	LU165307 2915	NOK	N/A	50.000.000 NOK	0,75% per annum	up to 1 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
D SEK Shares	LU202320 2794	SEK	N/A	50.000.000 SEK	0,75% per annum	up to 1 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I NOK Shares	LU165307 3053	NOK	N/A	100.000.00 0 NOK	0,50% per annum	up to 1 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I SEK Shares	LU202320 2877	SEK	N/A	100.000.00 0 SEK	0,50% per annum	up to 1 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %

• The B Class of Shares is available to all Investors which are qualified to invest in the Sub-Fund in accordance with the Prospectus.

• The C Classes of Shares are available to individual clients investing the minimum subscription amount.

The C Classes of Shares are also available to Investors subscribing for Shares through a distributor or pension scheme who, under their agreements with the Global Distributor, do not receive any payment from the Global Distributor. For the latter the minimum investment does not apply. This does not limit the Global Distributor of paying trailer fees to distributors for investments above the minimum investments or fees to platform service providers.

The C Classes of Shares are also available to Pareto entities and to Pareto Asset Management AS employees, shareholders and board members, without limitation to minimum investment and holding.

• The D Classes of Shares are available to individual clients investing the minimum subscription amount. The D Classes of Shares is also available to Investors subscribing for Shares through a distributor or pension scheme who, under their agreements with the Global Distributor, do not receive any payment from the Global Distributor. For the latter the minimum investment

does not apply. This does not limit the Global Distributor of paying fees to platform service providers.

• The I Classes of Shares are available to Institutional Investors as defined under article 174 of the 2010 Law and which are qualified to invest in the Sub-Fund in accordance with the Prospectus.

## Valuation Day

The Net Asset Value of each Class of Shares shall normally be calculated on each Business Day which then also qualifies as a "Valuation Day".

The Net Asset Value of each Class of Shares will be made available on each Valuation Day in the reference currency of each Class of Shares by the Administrator at the registered office of the Fund.

The Net Asset Value of each Class of Shares may be reported in such other currencies as decided by the Directors.

#### **Business Day**

A Business Day is a day on which banks are normally open for business in Luxembourg Norway and Sweden, except for 24 December each year. In addition, days when local markets on which the Sub-Fund holds a significant portion of its investments are closed, are not Business Days.

#### **Subscriptions**

Shares are available for subscription on each Valuation Day. Applications for Shares must be received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent by no later than 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time). Applications so received will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of that Valuation Day calculated on the next following Business Day with the last available closing prices of such Valuation Day.

Subscription proceeds must be received by the Depositary on an account of the Sub-Fund within two (2) Business Days after the relevant Valuation Day.

Applications for Shares received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent after 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time) will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of the next Valuation Day.

#### **Redemptions**

Shares are redeemable at the option of the Shareholders.

Completed redemption requests should be sent to the Registrar and Transfer Agent to be received no later than 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time). Requests so received will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of that Valuation Day calculated on the next following Business Day with the last available closing prices of such Valuation Day.

Redemption requests received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent after 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time) will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of the next Valuation Day.

Payment of redemption proceeds will normally be made within two (2) Business Days after the relevant Valuation Day.

A request for a partial redemption of Shares may be treated as a request for the redemption of the entire holding if, as a result of such partial redemption, the total Net Asset Value of the Shares retained by the Shareholder in the Sub-Fund would be less than the minimum holding.

### **Dividend Policy**

The Sub-Fund shall not distribute any dividend and all net investment income and all net realised and unrealised capital gains will be accumulated and will increase the Net Asset Value of the Shares of the Sub-Fund.

#### **Depositary and Administration Fees**

#### Depositary Fee

The Depositary will receive a depositary fee determined as an annual percentage calculated per market on a monthly basis based on the Sub-Fund's assets and paid monthly in arrears. The Depositary will further receive a supervisory fee of 0.006% p.a. based on the Sub-Fund's assets, with a minimum of EUR 6,000.- per annum, which will be due by the Sub-Fund as from the end of the first year following the end of the initial offering period of the Sub-Fund,. The Depositary shall also be entitled to reimbursement of all reasonable out-of- pocket expenses relating to the custody services rendered.

The Depositary Fee does not cover operational costs such as costs of buying and selling securities, transaction fees and correspondent bank charges.

#### Administrator, Registrar and Transfer and Domiciliary Agent Fee

In addition to the fees payable to the Management Company as mentioned in section "Fees and Expenses" in the main part of this Prospectus, the Management Company will receive a fee with a maximum of EUR 3.700.- per Share-Class, out of the net assets of the Sub-Fund.

The Administrator, Registrar and Transfer and Domiciliary Agent shall also be entitled to reimbursement of all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses relating to the services thereto.

#### Other Charges and Expenses

The other charges and expenses borne by the Sub-Fund are mentioned in section "Fees and Expenses" in the main part of this Prospectus.

#### Term of the Sub-Fund

The Sub-Fund has been established for an indefinite period of time.

# **ANNEX 6: PARETO SICAV – PARETO NORDIC CROSS CREDIT**

#### **Investment Objective and Policy**

The Sub-Fund's objective is to achieve the best possible return, relative to its risk profile.

The Sub-Fund will invest in fixed income and fixed income related securities ("debt securities") issued by financial institutions, corporations, agencies, governments and municipalities. The debt securities may include subordinated, hybrids, perpetual and convertible bonds.

The Sub-Fund may invest up to 20% of its Net Asset Value in CoCos.

The Investment Manager works systematically on ethical considerations in the management of the Sub-Fund. The Sub-Fund shall not invest in companies which constitute an unacceptable risk of the Sub-Fund contributing to unethical acts or omissions. Sustainability analysis is part of the investment process and the Sub-Fund will select investments based on the Investment Manager's own assessment of environmental, social and corporate governance ("ESG") performances. ESG reflects the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment. It also excludes investments in entities which generate more than five (5) per cent of their total revenue from the production of carbon products and follows the Norwegian Government Pension Fund Global investment exclusion list.

The Sub-Fund will predominantly invest in securities issued by entities domiciled or with a presence in the Nordic region.

The Sub-Fund shall invest in debt securities. The debt securities may be rated or unrated, and have credit risk corresponding to investment grade or high yield. The Sub-Fund may invest a significant part of its Net Asset Value in high yield securities.

Debt securities may become distressed while being held by the Fund and as such the Fund may continue to hold such distressed debt securities. The Sub-Fund may also invest in shares and similar instruments (e.g. following a process of restructuring or similar process) and/or hold company shares as a result of transactions involving securities or the conversion of convertible bonds.

The average interest rate duration of the Sub-Fund's portfolio shall be between 0 and 4 years. An individual bond in the Sub-Fund's portfolio may however have a higher duration.

The Sub-Fund may use financial derivative instruments (FDI's), such as forward rate agreements, futures, options, swaps, CDS (Credit Default Swaps) and other derivatives for both hedging and investment purposes.

FDIs may also be used for investment purposes when the targeted exposure of the Sub-Fund is difficult to achieve through the use of debt securities or if FDIs is considered a better investment due other factors, such as, but not limited to liquidity and price.

The purpose of investing in derivatives will not be to achieve leverage, however transactions in FDIs may leverage the Sub-Fund due to the leverage inherent in such instruments. This may result in a higher level of volatility than would be the case if the Sub-Fund did not invest in FDIs. In some circumstances, transactions in FDIs may result in a lower level of volatility than would be the case if the Sub-Fund did not invest in FDIs.

The Sub-Fund's total exposure from investments in FDIs shall not exceed the Sub-Fund's Net Asset Value.

The Sub-Fund does currently neither make use of securities financing transactions nor enter into total return swaps or instruments with similar characteristics and as such the Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 is not applicable. The Prospectus will be updated accordingly prior to the use of any such techniques or instruments.

The Sub-Fund may also invest up to 10% of its assets in other Sub-Funds of the Fund as well as other UCITS or UCIs with a similar investment policy as the Sub-Fund.

#### Global Exposure under the Commitment Approach

The global exposure of the Sub-Fund will be measured and monitored according to the commitment approach methodology.

All of the above investments will be made in accordance with the investment restrictions contained in the main part of this Prospectus.

#### **Currency hedging**

The Sub-Fund will use derivatives to hedge currency exposure to financial instruments denominated in currencies other than the Reference Currency of the Sub-Fund.

For Classes of Shares denominated in other currencies than the Reference Currency of the Sub-Fund, the individual Class of Shares will be hedged towards exposure to the Reference Currency of the Sub-Fund.

#### **Benchmark**

The Sub-Fund is actively managed and does not aim to track the composition of any benchmark index.]

#### **Risk Factors**

All investment in the Sub-Fund carries risk, and should be regarded as long term in nature and is only suitable for investors who understand the risks involved and who are able to withstand the loss of their invested capital.

Investing in the Sub-Fund involves certain considerations in addition to the risks normally associated with making investments in securities. There can be no assurance that the Sub-Fund will achieve its investment objective. The value of Shares in the Sub-Fund may go down as well as up and there can be no assurance that on a redemption, or otherwise, investors will receive the amount originally invested.

Typical risks associated with investment in a portfolio of high yield bonds are as follows:

- Default risk (or credit risk) of a bond refers to the risk that a bond issuer will default on any type of debt by failing to make payments which it is obligated to do. The risk is primarily that of the bondholder and includes lost principal and interest, disruption to cash flows, and increased collection costs. The loss may be complete or partial and can arise in a number of circumstances.
- Changes in interest rates and/or credit spreads may affect bond prices. These risks do not affect all bonds equally. Longer maturity bonds will experience a greater change in price than shorter maturity bonds for a given change in rate and/or credit spreads.
- Liquidity risk may arise when one or more securities are difficult to dispose of, either during certain market conditions or company specific circumstances.

The Net Asset Value of the Sub-Fund will be computed in NOK whereas the Sub-Fund's investments may be acquired in other currencies. Currency fluctuations may impact the value of the Sub-Fund's investments. The portfolio manager will seek to minimize currency risk by using derivatives.

CoCos are likely to be adversely impacted should specific trigger events occur (as specified in the contract terms of the issuer). This may result in the bond converting to equity at a discounted share price, the value of the bond being written down, temporarily or permanently, and/or coupon payments ceasing or being deferred. CoCos can perform poorly even when the issuer and/or its equities are performing well. CoCos are structured such that the occurrence of a trigger event (such as the issuer's capital ratio or share price falling to a particular level for a certain period of time) may render the bond worthless or may trigger a conversion to equity that is likely to be disadvantageous to the bondholder. With CoCos, the date and amount of any repayment of principal is uncertain as their termination and redemption require regulatory approval, which may not be granted in certain circumstances.

The Sub-Fund may hold distressed securities. These securities may have become the subject of bankruptcy proceedings or in repayment default or have low credit ratings assessed by a credit rating agency. Distressed securities are speculative and involve significant risk. They may frequently not produce income while they are outstanding and may require the Sub-Fund to bear certain extraordinary expenses in order to protect and recover its holding. This may diminish the Sub-Fund's ability to achieve income. The Sub-Fund may be subject to significant uncertainty as to the outcome of any plan in respect of the distressed securities (liquidation, re-organisation, exchange offer etc.) and ultimately the value derived from the distressed securities or form other assets or securities resulting from an exchange offer or reorganisation.

## **Risk Management Process**

In compliance with the CSSF Regulation 10-4, the ESMA Guidelines on risk measurement and the calculation of global exposure and counterparty risk for UCITS (ref.: ESMA/10-788) and the ESMA Guidelines on risk management principles for UCITS (ref.: ESMA/09-178), the Management Company employs a risk management process, which enables it to monitor and measure at any time the risk of the positions and their contribution to the overall risk profile of the portfolio, the Management Company will use the commitment approach to measure, at least once a day, the global exposure of the Sub-Fund.

# Profile of the typical investor

The Sub-Fund may be appropriate for investors who:

- want and are able to assume credit and interest rate risks,
- have an investment horizon of 1 to 3 years,
- seek capital appreciation over the long term,
- are willing to take on the increased risk associated with the investment.

## **Reference Currency**

The reference currency of the Sub-Fund is the NOK.

# **Classes of Shares and Investment Management Fees**

The initial offering period of this Sub-Fund will be determined by the board of directors of the Fund and the NOK Classes of Shares will be offered at the initial subscription price per Share of NOK 1,000 respectively. Classes of Shares in other currencies than NOK will be opened at a later stage upon the decision of the board of directors of the Fund.

The Classes of Shares will be launched upon decision of the board of directors of the Fund. An up to date list of all Classes of Shares on offer will be available at the registered office of the Fund.

Share Class	ISIN codes	Referenc e Currency	Currency Hedging ("H")	Minimu m initial investme nt and	Investme nt Manage ment fee	Subscript ion Charge	Redempt ion Charge	Conversi on Charge
				holding	mentiee			
A NOK Shares	LU20231 99396	NOK	N/A	N/A	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
A SEK Shares	LU20231 99479	SEK	Н	N/A	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
A EUR Shares	LU20231 99552	EUR	Н	N/A	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
A USD Shares	LU20231 99636	USD	Н	N/A	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
A CHF Shares	LU20231 99719	CHF	Н	N/A	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
A DIS SEK Shares	LU20231 99800	SEK	Н	N/A	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
A DIS EUR Shares	LU20231 99982	EUR	Н	N/A	0.55 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H NOK Shares	LU20232 00079	NOK	N/A	NOK 50 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H SEK Shares	LU20232 00152	SEK	Н	SEK 50 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H EUR Shares	LU20232 00236	EUR	Н	EUR 5 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H USD Shares	LU20232 00319	USD	Н	USD 5 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H CHF Shares	LU20232 00400	CHF	Н	CHF 5 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H DIS SEK Shares	LU20232 00582	SEK	Н	SEK 50 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H DIS EUR Shares	LU20232 00665	EUR	Н	EUR 5 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H-I NOK Shares	LU20232 00749	NOK	N/A	NOK 50 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H-I SEK Shares	LU20232 00822	SEK	Н	SEK 50 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %

H-I EUR Shares	LU20232 01044	EUR	Н	EUR 5 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H-I USD Shares	LU20232 01127	USD	Н	USD 5 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H-I CHF Shares	LU20232 01390	CHF	Н	CHF 5 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H-I DIS SEK Shares	LU20232 01556	SEK	Н	SEK 50 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
H-I DIS EUR Shares	01630	EUR	Н	EUR 5 million	0.40 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I NOK Shares	LU20232 01713	NOK	N/A	NOK 400 mill	0.30 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I SEK Shares	LU20232 01804	SEK	Н	SEK 400 million	0.30 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I EUR Shares	LU20232 01986	EUR	Н	EUR 50 million	0.30 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I USD Shares	LU20232 02018	USD	Н	USD 50 million	0.30 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I CHF Shares	LU20232 02281	CHF	Н	CHF 50 million	0.30 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I DIS SEK Shares	02364	SEK	Н	SEK 400 million	0.30 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %
I DIS EUR Shares	LU20232 02448	EUR	Н	EUR 50 million	0.30 % per annum	up to 0.5 %	up to 0.5 %	0 %

The above investment management fees will be accrued daily and are payable monthly.

- The A Classes of Shares are available to all investors which are qualified to invest in the Fund in accordance with the Prospectus.
- The H Classes of Shares are available to individual clients investing the minimum subscription amount. The H Classes of Shares are also available to Investors subscribing for shares through a distributor or pension scheme, who under their agreements with the Global Distributor, do not receive any payment from the Global Distributor. For the latter the minimum investment does not apply. The H Classes of Shares are also available to Pareto entities and to Pareto Asset Management AS employees, shareholders and board members, without limitation to minimum investment and holding.
- The I Classes of Shares are available to Institutional Investors as defined under article 174 of the 2010 Law and which are qualified to invest in the Fund in accordance with the Prospectus.

• The H-I Classes of Shares are available to Institutional Investors investing the minimum subscription amount.

#### Valuation Day

The Net Asset Value of each Class of Shares shall normally be calculated on each Business Day which then also qualifies as a "Valuation Day".

The Net Asset Value of each Class of Shares will be made available on each Valuation Day in the reference currency of each Class of Shares by the Administrator at the registered office of the Fund.

The Net Asset Value of each Class of Shares may be reported in such other currencies as decided by the Directors.

#### **Business Day**

Business Day is a day on which banks are normally open for business in Luxembourg, Norway and Sweden, except for 24 December in each year.

In addition, days when local markets on which the Sub-Fund holds a significant portion of its investment are closed, are not Business Days.

#### **Subscriptions**

Shares are available for subscription on each Valuation Day. Applications for Shares must be received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent by no later than 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time). Applications so received will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of that Valuation Day calculated on the same Business Day with the last available closing prices of such Valuation Day.

Subscription proceeds must be received by the Custodian on an account of the Fund within two (2) Business Days after the relevant Valuation Day.

Applications for Shares received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent after 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time) will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of the next Valuation Day.

#### **Redemptions**

Shares are redeemable at the option of the Shareholders.

Completed redemption requests should be sent to the Registrar and Transfer Agent to be received no later than 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time). Requests so received will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of that Valuation Day calculated on the same Business Day with the last available closing prices of such Valuation Day.

Redemption requests received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent after 12.00 noon (Luxembourg time) will be dealt with on the basis of the Net Asset Value per Share of the next Valuation Day.

Payment of redemption proceeds will normally be made within two (2) Business Days after the relevant Valuation Day.

A request for a partial redemption of Shares may be treated as a request for the redemption of the entire holding if, as a result of such partial redemption, the total Net Asset Value of the Shares retained by the Shareholder in the Sub-Fund would be less than the minimum holding.

### **Dividend Policy**

Except for the DIS Classes of Shares, the Sub-Fund shall not distribute any dividend and all net investment income and all net realised and unrealised capital gains will be accumulated and will increase the Net Asset Value of the Shares of the Sub-Fund.

The DIS Classes of Shares will distribute dividends to its Shareholders upon decision of the Company. Such dividends are paid on a quarterly basis or such other frequency as resolved by the Company.

#### **Depositary and Administration Fees**

#### Depositary Fee

The Depositary will receive a depositary fee determined as an annual percentage calculated per market on a monthly basis based on the Sub-Fund's assets and paid monthly in arrears. The Depositary will further receive a supervisory fee of 0.006% p.a. based on the Sub-Fund's assets, with a minimum of EUR 6,000.- per annum, which will be due by the Sub-Fund as from the end of the first year following the end of the initial offering period of the Sub-Fund,. The Depositary shall also be entitled to reimbursement of all reasonable out-of- pocket expenses relating to the custody services rendered.

The Depositary Fee does not cover operational costs such as costs of buying and selling securities, transaction fees and correspondent bank charges.

#### Administrator, Registrar and Transfer and Domiciliary Agent Fee

In addition to the fees payable to the Management Company as mentioned in section "Fees and Expenses" in the main part of this Prospectus, the Management Company will receive a fee with a maximum of EUR 3,700.- per Share-Class, out of the net assets of the Sub-Fund.

The Administrator, Registrar and Transfer and Domiciliary Agent shall also be entitled to reimbursement of all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses relating to the services thereto.

#### Other Charges and Expenses

The other charges and expenses borne by the Sub-Fund are mentioned in section "Fees and Expenses" in the main part of this Prospectus.

#### Term of the Sub-Fund

The Sub-Fund has been established for an indefinite period of time.

## SPECIFIC INFORMATION FOR INVESTORS IN GERMANY

Notice for investors in the Federal Republic of Germany pursuant to Sec. 293 para. 1 No. 3 German Investment Code (Kapitalanlagegesetzbuch; "KAGB")

For the following sub-funds of Pareto SICAV, a notification pursuant to Sec. 310 German Investment Code has not been conducted:

- PARETO SICAV PARETO NORDIC ALPHA
- PARETO GLOBAL EQUITY

Shares of this sub-fund may therefore not be distributed to investors in the Federal Republic of Germany.

## Information Agent in Germany

Pursuant to an Information Agency Agreement between PARETO SICAV and Zeidler Legal Services,

# Zeidler Legal Services Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft mbH

Bettinastrasse 48

60325 Frankfurt am Main

Germany

has been appointed to act as information agent for the Fund in the Federal Republic of Germany (the "German Information Agent").

The Prospectus, the Key Investor Information Documents (KIIDs), the Articles of Incorporation, and the semi-annual and annual accounts of the Fund can be obtained free of charge in hardcopy at the aforementioned address.

Furthermore, the following documents and material agreements can be inspected free of charge at the offices of the German Information Agent on every banking business day in Frankfurt am Main:

- Agreement between the Fund and the Management Company, pursuant to which the latter was appointed, subject to the overall control of the Directors, the responsibility on a dayto-day basis, for providing administration, marketing, investment management and advisory services in respect of all the sub-funds of the Fund.
- Agreement between the Management Company and the Investment Manager pursuant to which the latter was appointed, subject to the overall control of the directors of the Management Company, to manage the Fund's investments.
- Agreement between the Fund and Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken S.A. pursuant to which the latter was appointed Depositary of the assets of the Fund.

- Agreement between the Management Company and European Fund Administration S.A. pursuant to which the latter was appointed as Administrator and Registrar and Transfer Agent of the Fund.
- Agreement between the Management Company and Pareto Asset Management AS pursuant to which the latter was appointed as Global Distributor of the Fund.
- Agreement between the Fund and Zeidler Legal Services pursuant to which the latter was appointed as German Information Agent of the Fund.

No paying agent has been appointed in Germany because no Shares will be issued as printed individual certificates.

Subscription, redemption and conversion requests shall be made to the Administrator directly or may be submitted at the above-mentioned address of the German Information Agent. In the latter case the German Information Agent will forward the requests to the Administrator. Payments will be made in the currency of denomination of the Shares being redeemed by direct transfer to the bank account nominated by the Shareholder to either the Administrator or the German Information Agent and at the Shareholder's risk and expense. No payments will be made until the original redemption request has been received by the Administrator.

# Publication of prices and notices to Shareholders

The most recent issue and redemption prices for the Shares will be published daily on <u>www.fundinfo.com</u> and are available free of charge at the offices of the German Information Agent on every banking business day in Frankfurt am Main.

Furthermore, notices to the Shareholders, if any, will be published via a durable medium.

In the following cases notifications to the Shareholders in Germany will additionally be published in the Handelsblatt:

- Suspension of redemption of the shares in the Fund;
- Termination of the management of or dissolution of the Fund;

• Changes to the terms and conditions which are not consistent with the existing investment policy, which affect essential Shareholder rights or which affect the reimbursement of expenses that may be taken from the Fund, including the reasons for the changes and Shareholder rights in an understandable manner and their means of obtaining information thereon;

• In the event of a merger of the Fund, in the form of merger information to be prepared in accordance with Article 43 of Directive 2009/65/EC;

• In the event of conversion of the Fund into a feeder fund or in the event of a change to a master fund, in the form of information to be prepared in accordance with Article 64 of Directive 2009/65/ EC.

Further information relating to fees and expenses payable by Shareholders is set out in the section of the Prospectus entitled "Fees and Expenses" and in the sections regarding each sub-fund.

## Information regarding taxation in Germany

It is the intention of the Fund to comply with the information obligations set out in section 5 subsection 1 No 1 and No 2 of the German Investment Tax Act (Investmentsteuergesetz) with regard to each share class of the sub-funds. Compliance with these obligations is a condition for socalled tax transparency pursuant to Sections 2 to 4 of the German Investment Tax Act. Notwithstanding this, the Fund does not guarantee compliance with these requirements. Any nonpublication or non - compliance with the publication requirements established by the German Investment Act can lead to negative tax consequences for investors in a sub-fund who are taxable in Germany.