# Investment Managers

## **Purpose**

This document provides you with key information about this investment product. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature, risks, costs, potential gains and losses of this product and to help you compare it with other products.

## **Product**

### AXA IM FIIS US Corporate Intermediate Bonds I (H) Distribution EUR (ISIN LU0231443523)

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This Product is authorised in Luxembourg and in accordance with the UCITS Directive.

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# What is this product?

#### Type

The Product is a share of the Sub-fund "AXA IM Fixed Income Investment Strategies - US Corporate Intermediate Bonds" (the Sub-fund) which is part of the Fund "AXA IM Fixed Income Investment Strategies" (the "Fund").

#### Term

This product has no maturity date, although it has been created for 99 years and could be liquidated under the conditions led down in the management regulations of the fund.

#### **Objectives**

#### **Investment Objective**

The Sub-Fund seeks to achieve a mix of income and capital growth by investing mainly in investment grade corporate debt securities denominated in USD, over a medium term period.

#### **Investment Policy**

The Sub-Fund is actively managed in order to capture opportunities in the US investment grade debt market, primarily investing in securities that are part of the Bloomberg Barclays US Corporate Intermediate benchmark index (the "Benchmark") universe. As part of the investment process, the Investment Manager has broad discretion over the composition of the SubFund's portfolio and can take, based on its investment convictions, exposure to companies, countries or sectors not included in the Benchmark or take different positioning in terms of duration, geographical allocation and/or sector or issuer selection compared to the Benchmark, even though the Benchmark constituents are generally representative of the Sub-Fund's portfolio. Thus, the deviation from the Benchmark is likely to be significant.

The following investment decisions are undertaken after comprehensive macroeconomic and microeconomic analysis of the market:

- issuer selection
- sector allocation
- credit curve positioning (the credit curve illustrates the relationship between investment term and credit yield)
- instrument selection

The Sub-Fund invests essentially in USD denominated corporate, government or public institutions bonds rated.

The Sub-Fund may also invest on an ancillary basis in securities which are rated sub-investment grade at the time of purchase.

Investment grade securities will be rated at least BBB- by Standard & Poor's or equivalent rating by Moody's or Fitch or if unrated then deemed to be so by the Investment Manager. Sub-investment grade securities will be rated between BB+ and B- by Standard & Poor's or equivalent rating by Moody's or Fitch or if unrated then deemed to be so by the Investment Manager.

In case of downgrade below B- by Standard & Poor's or equivalent rating by Moody's or Fitch or if unrated then deemed to be so by the Investment Manager, securities will be sold within 6 months. If two different ratings of rating agencies

exist, the lower rating will be considered, if more than two different ratings of rating agencies exist, the second highest rating will be considered.

The Sub-Fund may also hold money market instruments. Within the limit of 200% of the Sub-Fund net assets, the investment strategy may be achieved by direct investments and/or through derivatives, especially by entering into Credit Default Swaps. Derivatives may also be used for hedging purposes.

The Sub-Fund may invest up to 10% of net assets in contingent convertible bonds (CoCos).

). The Sub-Fund may also invest up to one third of its net assets in Money Market Instruments, money market funds and bank deposits.

The Sub-Fund is a financial product that promotes environmental and/or social characteristics within the meaning of article 8 of the Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 of 27 November 2019 on sustainability-related disclosures in the financial sector.

The Unit Class aims at hedging the foreign exchange risk resulting from the divergence between the reference currency of the Sub-Fund and the currency of this Unit Class by using derivatives instruments whilst retaining the exposure to Investment Policy of the Sub-Fund.

#### Income

For Distribution share classes (Dis), the dividend is distributed.

#### **Investment Horizon**

The risk and the reward of the product may vary depending on the expected holding period. We recommend holding this product at least for 3 years.

#### Processing of subscription and redemption orders

The subscription, conversion or redemption orders must be received by the Registrar and Transfer Agent on any Valuation Day no later than 10 a.m. Luxembourg time. Orders will be processed at the Net Asset Value applicable to such Valuation Day. The investor's attention is drawn to the existence of potential additional processing time due to the possible involvement of intermediaries such as Financial Advisers or distributors.

The Net Asset Value of this Sub-Fund is calculated on a daily basis.

Minimum initial investment: 500,000 in the relevant reference currency of the relevant Unit class

Minimum subsequent investment: 10,000 in the relevant reference currency of the relevant Unit class.

#### Intended retail Investor

The sub-fund is designed for retail investors who have neither financial expertise nor any specific knowledge to understand the sub-fund but nevertheless may bear total capital loss. It is suitable for clients who seek growth of and income from capital. Potential investors should have an investment horizon of at least 3 years.

#### Depositary

State Street Bank International GmbH (Luxembourg Branch).

#### **Further Information**

Please refer to the 'Other relevant information' section below.

# What are the risks and what could I get in return?

#### **Risk Indicator**



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The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 3 years.

The actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less.

The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay you.

We have classified this product as 2 out of 7 which is the a low risk class. This rates the potential losses from future performance at a low level, and poor market conditions are very unlikely to impact the return of the product.

**Be aware of currency risk.** If your local currency is different from the Product currency, you will receive payments in a different currency, so the final return you will get depends on the exchange rate between the two currencies. This risk is not considered in the indicator shown above.

Other risks not included in the SRI can be materially relevant, such as counterparty risk, derivatives risk. For further information, please refer to the prospectus

This product does not include any protection from future market performance so you could lose some or all of your investment.



#### **Performance Scenarios**

The figures shown include all the costs of the Product itself, but may not include all the costs that you pay to your advisor or distributor. The figures do not take into account your personal tax situation, which may also affect how much you get back.

What you will get from this product depends on future market performance. Market developments in the future are uncertain and cannot be accurately predicted.

The unfavourable, moderate and favourable scenarios shown are illustrations using the worst, average and best performance of the product and the suitable benchmark over the last 10 years. Markets could develop very differently in the future.

Recommended holding period:		3 years		
Example Investment:		€10000		
		If you exit after 1 year	If you exit after 3 years	
Scenarios				
Minimum	There is no minimum guaranteed return. You could lose some or all of your investment			
Stress	What you might get back after costs	€8200	€8390	
	Average return each year	-18.00%	-5.68%	
Unfavourable	What you might get back after costs	€8730	€8620	
	Average return each year	-12.70%	-4.83%	
Moderate	What you might get back after costs	€10240	€10860	
	Average return each year	2.40%	2.79%	
Favourable	What you might get back after costs	€11040	€11950	
	Average return each year	10.40%	6.12%	

The stress scenario shows what you might get back in extreme market circumstances.

Unfavourable scenario: this type of scenario occurred for an investment between 2021 and 2022.

Moderate scenario: this type of scenario occurred for an investment between  $2014\,\mathrm{and}\,2017.$ 

Favourable scenario: this type of scenario occurred for an investment 2018 and 2021.

An appropriate benchmark of the Product was used to calculate the performance.

# What happens if AXA Funds Management S.A. is unable to pay out?

The product's underlying assets are held separately by the depositary. If we encounter financial difficulties, these assets will not be affected. If the Product suffers a loss due to the depositary default you may lose the whole or part of your investments. There is no compensation or guarantee scheme protecting you from a default of the Product's depositary.

## What are the costs?

The person advising on or selling you this product may charge you other costs. If so, this person will provide you with information about these costs and how they affect your investment.

#### **Costs over Time**

The tables show the amounts that are taken from your investment to cover different types of costs. These amounts depend on how much you invest, how long you hold the product and how well the product does. The amounts shown here are illustrations based on an example investment amount and different possible investment periods.

We have assumed:

- In the first year you would get back the amount that you invested (0 % annual return). For the other holding periods we have assumed the product performs as shown in the moderate scenario.
- EUR 10 000 is invested

	If you exit after 1 year	If you exit after 3 years
Total costs	€76	€249
Annual cost impact (*)	0.8%	0.8% each year

(\*) This illustrates how costs reduce your return each year over the holding period. For example it shows that if you exit at the recommended holding period your average return per year is projected to be 3.6 % before costs and 2.8 % after costs.

We may share part of the costs with the person selling you the Product to cover the services they provide to you. They will inform you of the amount when required by the applicable laws.

**Composition of Costs** 



One-off costs upon entry or exit		If you exit after 1 year		
Entry costs	We do not charge an entry fee.	€0		
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Ongoing costs taken each year				
Management fees and other administrative or operating costs	0.6% of the value of your investment per year. This percentage is based on actual costs over the last year.	€63		
Transaction costs	0.1% of the value of your investment per year. This is an estimate of the costs incurred when we buy and sell the underlying investments for the product. The actual amount will vary depending on how much we buy and sell.	€13		
Incidental costs taken under specific conditions				
Performance fees	There is no performance fee for this Product.	€0		

If this product is used as an investment option as part of an insurance contract, those costs will not include all of the costs that you will bear.

# How long should I hold it and can I take money out early?

#### Recommended holding period: 3 years

This Product has no minimum required holding period, the 3 years has been calculated to be in line with the time frame which the Product may need in order to achieve its investment objectives.

You may sell your investment before the end of the recommended holding period without penalty. The performance or risk of your investment may be negatively impacted. The section "What are the costs?" provides information on the impact of costs over time.

## How can I complain?

Complaints shall be addressed to the Complaint Handling Officer with the complainant' details (name, role, contact details, involved account numbers and any other relevant document) to the following address AXA Funds Management S.A. 49, avenue J.F. Kennedy L-1855 Luxembourg Grand Duchy of Luxembourg.

## Other relevant information

You can get further information about this Product, including the prospectus, latest annual report, any subsequent half-yearly report and the latest Net Asset Value from the Fund Administrator: State Street Bank International GmbH (Luxembourg Branch) and from https://www.axa-im.com/fund-centre. They are available free of charge, You can find an explanation of some of the terms used in this document at https://www.axa-im.lu/fund-centre.

You can find information related to the Product past performance on the last 9 years and to previous performance scenario calculations at https://www.axa-im.lu/fund-centre

The Environmental, Social and Governance criteria, as further detailed in the prospectus, contribute to, but are not a determining factor in, the investment manager's decision making.



#### Information for Investors in Switzerland:

The Swiss representative is First Independent Fund Services Ltd, Klausstrasse 33, CH-8008 Zurich. The Swiss paying agent is NPB New Private Bank Ltd, Limmatquai 1 / am Bellevue, PO Box, CH-8024 Zurich. The current prospectus, the Key Information Documents (the "KID"), the management regulations as well as the annual and semi-annual reports can be obtained free of charge from the Swiss representative.