## **KEY INVESTOR INFORMATION**

This document provides you with key investor information about this fund. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature and the risks of investing in this fund. You are advised to read it so you can make an informed decision about whether to invest



# THREADNEEDLE (LUX) - EUROPEAN HIGH YIELD BOND (THE "FUND")

Class 9E (EUR Accumulation Shares) LU1849562415, a sub-fund of Threadneedle (Lux) (the "SICAV"), regulated by the CSSF.

The management company of the SICAV is Threadneedle Management Luxembourg S.A. (the "Management Company") (part of the Columbia and Threadneedle group of companies).

## **Objectives and Investment Policy**

The Fund aims to provide income with the potential to grow the amount you invested over the medium to long term.

The Fund invests at least two-thirds of its assets in below investment grade bonds (which are similar to a loan and pay a fixed or variable interest rate) priced in Euros or British Pounds and issued by companies in Europe, including the UK, or companies that have significant operations there. Bonds rated as below investment grade have received lower ratings from international agencies that provide such ratings and are considered riskier than higher rated bonds but typically pay a higher income.

The Fund may use derivatives (sophisticated investment instruments linked to the rise and fall of the value of other assets) for hedging purposes.

The Fund may also invest in asset classes and instruments different from those stated above.

The Fund is actively managed in reference to the ICE BofA European Currency High Yield Excluding Subordinated Financials Constrained Index. The index is broadly representative of the securities in which the Fund invests, and provides a suitable target benchmark against which Fund performance will be measured and evaluated over time. The Fund promotes environmental and social characteristics by aiming to compare favourably against the index over rolling 12-month periods when assessed according to the Columbia Threadneedle ESG (environmental, social and governance) Materiality Rating. The index is not designed to specifically consider environmental or social characteristics. The fund manager has discretion to select investments with weightings different to the index, and that are not in the index, and the Fund may display significant divergence from the index.

The Fund also aims to exclude companies that breach accepted international standards and principles (e.g. the United Nations Global Compact) unless the fund manager believes that there are tangible mitigating factors for the company to be held.

Further information on the investment guidelines, including the Columbia Threadneedle ESG Materiality Rating methodology and engagement policy is available at columbiathreadneedle.com.

The Fund is categorised as one that promotes environmental or social characteristics under Article 8 of the EU Regulation 2019/2088 on sustainability-related disclosures in the financial services sector (SFDR).

Income from investments in the Fund will be added to the value of your shares.

You can buy or sell shares in the Fund on any day which is a business day in Luxembourg unless the directors have decided that insufficient markets are open. Such days are published on columbiathreadneedle.com. You can find more detail on the investment objective and policy of the Fund in the section of the prospectus with the heading "Investment Objectives and Policies".

For more information on investment terms used in this document, please see the Glossary published in the Document Centre on our website: www.columbiathreadneedle.com.

#### **Risk and Reward Profile**

The Risk and Reward Indicator table demonstrates where the Fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Fund's ranking on the Risk and Reward Indicator.

Lower Risk, Typically lower rewards

Higher Risk, Typically higher rewards



- ■The Fund is rated 4 because historically it has shown a medium level of volatility (how much the value of the Fund goes up and down).
- ■The lowest category does not mean a risk-free investment.
- ■The value of investments can fall as well as rise and investors might not get back the sum originally invested.
- ■Where investments are in assets that are denominated in multiple currencies, or currencies other than your own, changes in exchange rates may affect the value of the investments.
- ■The Fund invests in securities whose value would be significantly affected if the issuer refused, was unable to or was perceived to be unable to pay.
- ■The Fund holds assets which could prove difficult to sell. The Fund may have to lower the selling price, sell other investments or forego more appealing investment opportunities.
- ■Changes in interest rates are likely to affect the Fund's value. In general, as interest rates rise, the price of a fixed rate bond will fall, and vice versa.
- ■The Fund's assets may sometimes be difficult to value objectively and the actual value may not be recognised until assets are sold.
- ■The Fund may invest in derivatives with the aim of reducing risk or minimising the cost of transactions. Such derivative transactions may benefit or negatively affect the performance of the Fund. The Manager does not intend that such use of derivatives will affect the overall risk profile of the Fund.
- ■The risks currently identified as applying to the Fund are set out in the "Risk Factors" section of the prospectus.



## Charges

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

One-off charges taken before or after you invest	
Entry Charge:	0,00%
Exit Charge:	0,00%

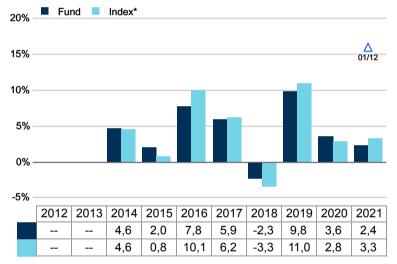
These are the maximum charges that we might take out of your money before it is invested. In some cases, you might pay less and you should speak to your financial adviser about this.

Charges taken from the fund over a year	
Ongoing Charges:	0,70%
Charges taken from the fund under specific conditions	
Performance Fee:	NONE

Switching charge (for switching into the Fund from another fund) 0.75%

The ongoing charges figure shown here is an estimate of the charges because recent changes made to the Fund mean that the historic figures do not accurately reflect its ongoing costs. The UCITS' annual report for each financial year will include detail on the exact charges made.

## **Past Performance**



Source: Morningstar

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

Fund launch date: 29.08.2018

Share/unit class launch date: 29.08.2018

Performance is calculated in EUR.

All charges and fees, except any entry, exit and switching charge, have been included within the performance.

△ Before this date the Fund had different characteristics.

Please refer to www.columbiathreadneedle.com for further details.

\*ICE BofA European Currency High Yield Excluding Subordinated Financials Constrained (Although the Fund makes reference to the index as part of the investment process, it is not intended that the performance of the Fund should track the index.)

The past performance information for the period prior to 29 August 2018 is from the European High Yield Bond (Class Z Accumulation Shares (EUR) GB00B5M7TV77) (a UK authorised UK UCITS fund launched on 10 July 2013), which merged into this Fund on 6 October 2018. The past performance calculated before 29 August 2018 includes UK taxes but does not include Luxembourg taxes.

## **Practical Information**

- ■Depositary: Citibank Europe plc, Luxembourg branch.
- ■In Switzerland, the fund's prospectus, Key Investor Information Document (KIID), the Articles of Incorporation and the annual and semiannual reports may be obtained free of charge from the Swiss Representative and Paying Agent, RBC Investor Services Bank S.A., Eschsur-Alzette, Zurich Branch, Bleicherweg 7, CH-8027 Zurich or at columbiathreadneedle.com. Other practical information, including current share prices, can also be obtained from these sources.
- ■Details of the remuneration policy, including a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated and the persons responsible for awarding them (including the composition of the remuneration committee), are available at columbiathreadneedle.com. A paper copy is available free of charge upon request.
- ■The tax legislation of Luxembourg may have an impact on your personal tax position.
- ■Threadneedle Management Luxembourg S.A. may be held liable solely on the basis of any statement contained in this document that is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent with the relevant parts of the prospectus for the UCITS.
- ■This document describes a single fund of the SICAV. The prospectus and reports are prepared for the entire SICAV.
- ■The assets of the Fund are segregated by law and cannot be used to pay the liabilities of other funds of the SICAV.
- ■You may exchange your shares for shares of other funds of the SICAV, if available. Details can be found in the section of the prospectus with the heading "Exchange Privilege". This share class is representing other classes of the Fund, details of which can be found in the prospectus or at columbiathreadneedle.com.

This Fund is authorised in Luxembourg, and regulated by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier ("CSSF"). Threadneedle Management Luxembourg S.A. is authorised in Luxembourg and regulated by the CSSF.