The directors of the Company (the "Directors") whose names appear on page 8 of this Offering Memorandum 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 true and accurate in all material respects and there are no other material facts, the omission of which would make misleading any statement contained in this document whether of fact or opinion. This Offering Memorandum includes particulars given in compliance with the Listing Rules of TISE for the purpose of giving information with regards to the Company.



#### OFFERING MEMORANDUM

# WORLD SHARIAH FUNDS PCC LIMITED

(an open-ended protected cell company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of Guernsey with registered number 51802)

Date: 23 February 2022

This Offering Memorandum together with any supplement issued in respect of a particular Cell represent the scheme particulars as required by, and prepared in accordance with The Authorised Collective Investment Schemes (Class B) Rules and Guidance, 2021 as issued by the Guernsey Financial Services Commission pursuant to the Protection of Investors (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 2020 (as amended). This Offering Memorandum will be revised at least once in every twelve month period and prospective investors should enquire of the Administrator as to whether this document has been revised or superseded.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS SHOULD NOT TREAT THE CONTENTS OF THIS OFFERING MEMORANDUM AS ADVICE RELATING TO LEGAL, TAXATION, INVESTMENT OR ANY OTHER MATTERS. PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS SHOULD INFORM THEMSELVES AS TO (A) THE LEGAL REQUIREMENTS WITHIN THEIR OWN COUNTRIES FOR THE PURCHASE, HOLDING, TRANSFER, REDEMPTION OR OTHER DISPOSAL OF SHARES; (B) ANY FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE TO THE PURCHASE, HOLDING, TRANSFER, REDEMPTION OR OTHER DISPOSAL OF SHARES WHICH THEY MIGHT ENCOUNTER; AND (C) THE INCOME AND OTHER TAX CONSEQUENCES WHICH MAY APPLY IN THEIR OWN COUNTRIES AS A RESULT OF THE PURCHASE, HOLDING, TRANSFER, REDEMPTION OR OTHER DISPOSAL OF SHARES. PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS MUST RELY UPON THEIR OWN REPRESENTATIVES, INCLUDING THEIR OWN LEGAL ADVISERS AND ACCOUNTANTS AS TO LEGAL, TAX, INVESTMENT OR OTHER RELATED MATTERS CONCERNING THE COMPANY AND AN INVESTMENT IN ANY CELL THEREIN.

This offering memorandum ("Offering Memorandum") of World Shariah Funds PCC Limited (the "Company") has been prepared in accordance with The Authorised Collective Investment Schemes (Class B) Rules and Guidance, 2021 issued by the Guernsey Financial Services Commission (the "Commission") pursuant to the Protection of Investors (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 2020(as amended) (the "Law").

Application was made to the Channel Island Stock Exchange, LBG (the "CISX") in relation to an unlimited number of Shares in the Company, available for issue, to be admitted to the Official List of the CISX, by way of offer for subscription. GBP A Class and USD A Class Shares of WSF Global Equity Fund (formerly Reliance Global Shariah Growth Fund) issued and available for issue were admitted to the CISX and dealings in those Shares commenced on or about 16 August 2010.

With effect from 20 December 2013, all securities that were listed on the official list of CISX were transferred and are now on the official list of The International Stock Exchange ("TISE"). The listing of the Shares on TISE is the primary listing and no application has been, or is currently intended to be, made for the Shares to be admitted to listing or to be dealt with on any other stock exchange or investment exchange save for TISE.

Neither the admission of the Shares to the Official List of TISE nor the approval of this Offering Memorandum pursuant to the listing requirements of TISE shall constitute a warranty or representation by TISE as to the competence of the service providers to or any other party connected with the Company, the adequacy and accuracy of the information

contained in this Offering Memorandum or the suitability of the Company for investment or for any other purpose.

The Company is an open-ended investment protected cell company established in Guernsey and governed by the provisions of the Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008, as amended (the "Companies Law"). Persons investing in and dealing with a cell of the Company (a "Cell") shall only have recourse to that Cell and their interest shall be limited to the assets from time to time attributable to that Cell and they shall have no recourse to the assets of any other Cell or against any non-cellular assets of the Company except as provided under the Companies Law. Under the Companies Law, creditors of a particular Cell may have recourse to the cellular assets of another Cell or the non-cellular assets of the Company only to the extent that such recourse is provided for by a recourse agreement which complies with the provisions of the Companies Law. There is no such recourse agreement in place in connection with the assets of any Cell or the non-cellular assets of the Company.

The Company was authorised by the Commission and declared to be a Class B open-ended collective investment scheme under the Law on 15 June 2010. In giving this authorisation the Commission does not vouch for the financial soundness of the scheme or for the correctness of any statements made or opinions expressed with regard to it.

The Company has been registered with the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") under the National Private Placement Rules in the UK. The Company is a non-EU self-managed AIF for the purposes of the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive.

The distribution of this Offering Memorandum and the offering of Shares in certain jurisdictions may be restricted. Persons into whose possession this Offering Memorandum comes are required to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions. This Offering Memorandum does not constitute an offer or solicitation by anyone in any jurisdiction in which such offer is not authorised or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation. No person may treat this Offering Memorandum as constituting an invitation to them unless in the relevant territory, such an invitation could lawfully be made to them without compliance with any registration or other legal requirements.

The Company is an unregulated collective investment scheme for the purposes of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 of the United Kingdom and is not recognised or regulated in the United Kingdom by the FCA. Accordingly, the Shares may not be marketed in the United Kingdom to the general public. In the United Kingdom, the Offering

#VPC:TGR.247174# 1063944/0003/L909548v2 Memorandum is being distributed only to and is directed only at: (i) persons having professional experience in matters relating to investments who fall within the definition of "investment professionals" in Article 19(5) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005 (as amended) (the "Financial Promotion Order"); (ii) high net worth companies, unincorporated associations and trustees of high value trusts as described in Article 49(2) of the Financial Promotion Order; or (iii) any other person in the United Kingdom to whom it is lawful to market, or communicate an offer to acquire, the Shares (each a "Relevant Person"). The Offering Memorandum may not be acted on or relied upon by any person that is not a Relevant Person. Any investment or investment activity to which the Offering Memorandum relates is available only in the United Kingdom to Relevant Persons and will be engaged in only with Relevant Persons. By receiving the Offering Memorandum and not returning it, you are deemed to warrant to the Company that you are a Relevant Person.

The Shares have not been, and will not be, registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act"), or qualified under any applicable state statutes and may not be offered, sold or transferred in the United States (including its territories and possessions) or to or for the benefit of, directly or indirectly, any U.S. Person, except pursuant to registration or an exemption. The Company has not been and will not be, registered under the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), and investors will not be entitled to the benefits of such registration. Pursuant to an exemption from registration under Section 3(c)(7) of the 1940 Act, the Company may make a private placement of the Shares to a limited category of U.S. Persons. The Shares have not been approved or disapproved by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, any state securities commission or other regulatory authority, nor have any of the foregoing authorities passed upon or endorsed the merits of this offering or the accuracy or adequacy of these offering materials. Any representation to the contrary is unlawful.

The Shares are subject to restrictions on transferability and resale and may not be transferred or resold in the United States except as permitted under the 1933 Act and applicable state securities laws, pursuant to registration or exemption therefrom. Shareholders should be aware that they will be required to bear the financial risks of this investment for an indefinite period of time. Each U.S. Person subscribing for Shares must agree that the Directors may reject, accept or condition any proposed transfer, assignment or exchange of those Shares. All investors in the Company have limited redemption rights and such rights may be suspended under the circumstances described in this Offering Memorandum.

The following statements are required to be made under applicable regulations of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC"). As the Company is a collective investment vehicle that may invest in futures and options, the Company is considered to be a "commodity pool".

Pursuant to CFTC Rule 4.13(a)(4), the Company is exempt from registration with the CFTC as a commodity pool operator ("CPO"). Therefore, unlike a registered CPO, the Company is not required to deliver a disclosure document and a certified annual report to investors in the Company pursuant to the CFTC rules. The Company qualifies for such exemption based on the following criteria: (i) the interests in the Company are exempt from registration under the 1933 Act, (ii) the interests in the Company are offered and sold without marketing to the public in the United States, and (iii) the Directors reasonably believes that (1) each natural person investor in the Company is a "qualified eligible person" ("QEP") as defined pursuant to CFTC Rule 4.7(a)(2), and (2) each non-natural person investor is a QEP under any section of CFTC Rule 4.7 or an "accredited investor" as defined in Rule 501(a)(1)-(3), (a)(7) and (a)(8) of Regulation D under the 1933 Act.

Shareholders in the Company are not eligible for any compensation under the Collective Investment Schemes (Compensation of Investors) Rules, 1988 made pursuant to the Law.

The Directors may at their discretion decline any application for Shares and are not obliged to give reasons for so doing.

An investment in any Cell of the Company should be regarded as a long-term investment. It should be remembered that the price of the Shares and the income from them (if any) can go down as well as up and that, on the redemption of their Shares, investors may not receive the amount that they originally invested. The attention of prospective investors is drawn to the section entitled Risk Warnings on pages 18 to 25 and the section entitled Redemptions on page 37.

In the case of conflict or inconsistency between the statement in this Offering Memorandum and a Supplement, the relevant Supplement will, as to the Cells and the Shares, supersede this Offering Memorandum in respect of that conflict.

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"2002 Law" means the Luxembourg law of 20 December 2002 relating to undertakings for

collective investment and amending the law of 12 February 1979 concerning value added tax;

"A Class Shares" means the Shares designated as such in any one or more Cells and having

the respective rights and being subject to the restrictions set out in this Offering

Memorandum;

"Administrator" or "Secretary" means, Vistra Fund Services (Guernsey) Limited or such

other entity appointed as administrator and secretary to the Company from time to time;

"Application Form" means the application form for subscription of Shares adopted by the

Directors from time to time;

"Articles" means the articles of incorporation of the Company as amended, modified or

replaced from time to time;

"Auditor" means Grant Thornton or such other entity appointed as auditor to the Company

from time to time;

"B Class Shares" means the Shares designated as such in any one or more Cells and having

the respective rights and being subject to the restrictions set out in this Offering

Memorandum;

"Business Day" means a day (other than Saturday and Sunday) on which banks in Guernsey,

Luxembourg and Slovakia are open for normal banking business;

"Cash Instruments" includes cash in any current account or on deposit with or certificates of

deposit issued by any bank or building society, short to medium term bonds or notes issued

by any bank, building society or national government, units or other interests in collective

investment schemes which are Shariah-compliant investing at least 90 per cent of their assets

in any of the foregoing and all other assets which the Directors in their discretion consider to

be of a similar nature;

"Cell" means a cell created by the Company for the purpose of segregating and protecting

cellular assets in the manner provided by the Companies Law. A list of the Cells is set out in

Schedule 1;

"Class" means a class of Shares in a Cell:

"Commission" means the Guernsey Financial Services Commission;

"Companies Law" means The Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008, as amended, extended or

replaced from time to time;

"Company" means World Shariah Funds PCC Limited;

"Company's Website" means https://www.1cornhill.com/funds?FundFamily=wsf

"CSSF" means the Commission for the Supervision of the Financial Sector in Luxembourg;

"Custodian" means Butterfield Bank (Guernsey) Limited or such other entity appointed as

custodian to the Company from time to time;

"Custodian Agreement" has the meaning ascribed to that term in the section entitled

"Material Agreements";

"Dealing Day" in relation to a Cell, means the Business Day or Business Days specified in

the relevant Supplement on which the Directors (or their duly authorised agents) issues and

redeems Shares of that Cell;

"Directors" means the directors of the Company from time to time or, as the case may be, the

Directors assembled as a board of or as a committee of the board of the Company;

"Directive 78/660/EEC" has the meaning ascribed to such term in the 2002 Law;

"Directive 83/349/EEC" has the meaning ascribed to such term in the 2002 Law;

"Directive 85/611/EEC" has the meaning ascribed to such term in the 2002 Law;

"EU" means European Union;

"EUR" or "€" means the lawful currency of the EU;

"GBP" or "£" means the lawful currency of the United Kingdom;

"I Class Shares" means the Shares designated as such in any one or more Cells and having

the respective rights and being subject to the restrictions set out in this Offering

Memorandum;

"IFRS" mean International Financial Reporting Standards;

"Illiquid Investment(s)" means an Investment Asset which is deemed by the Directors, after consulting with the investment manager (if any) and the Custodian: (a) to be illiquid, on the basis that the manager of the Investment Assets has suspended redemptions on the Investment Asset or the Investment Asset is represented by shares which are not redeemable at the option of the holder; or (b) the value of which is both (i) not readily or reliably ascertainable and (ii) not readily or reliably realisable. Once an Investment Asset has been deemed to be an Illiquid Investment under one of the above tests, it will remain an Illiquid Investment until the Directors, after consulting with the investment manager (if any) and the Custodian, determine that it ceases to fulfil both of the above tests. For the purpose of this definition, any determination to be made by any relevant party shall be made in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner;

"Initial Offer Period" means the initial offering period during which the Shares will be offered to potential investors at such initial price as the Directors may determine (which period may for the avoidance of doubt be shortened or extended at the discretion of the Directors);

"Initial Offer Price" means USD10 per Share in relation to Classes with USD designation and GBP10 per Share in relation to Classes with GBP designation;

"Investment Adviser(s)" means any one or more investment advisers in respect of the Cells as more particularly detailed in the relevant Supplement;

"Investment Advisory Agreement(s)" means any one or more of the investment advisory agreements referred to in the Supplements;

"Investment Assets" means the assets owned by a Cell for investment purposes;

"Investment Manager(s)" means any one or more investment managers in respect of the Cells as more particularly detailed in the relevant Supplement;

"Investment Management Agreement(s)" means any one or more of the investment management agreements referred to in the Supplements;

"Investment Value" value of the Investment Assets determined by the Administrator (in consultation with the Directors) at the Valuation Point;

"Law" means The Protection of Investors (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law 2020, as amended, extended or replaced;

"Management Agreement" has the meaning ascribed to that term in the section entitled "Material Agreements";

"Management Share" means a management share of no par value in the capital of the Company and designated as such;

"Marketing Co-ordination Agreement" has the meaning ascribed to that term in the section entitled "Material Agreements";

"Marketing Co-ordinator" means Cornhill Management S.A., or such other entity appointed as distribution and marketing co-ordinator to the Company from time to time;

"Member State" means any one of the countries that forms a part of the European Union;

"money market instruments" has the meaning ascribed to such term in the 2002 Law;

"Net Asset Value" means the net asset value of the Company, a Cell, a Class or a Share (as the context may require), determined in accordance with the section entitled "Valuation" herein;

"Non-Qualified Person" has the meaning ascribed to it in the section entitled "General Information: Articles of Incorporation, Section (c)";

"OECD" means the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development;

"Offering Memorandum" means this offering memorandum of the Company together with any supplement relating thereto as the same may be amended or replaced from time to time;

"Recognised Investment Exchange" means any stock or investment exchange, institution or screen based or other electronic quotation or trading system providing dealing facilities or quotations for investments approved from time to time by the Directors;

"Redemption Charges" means charges levied upon redemption of Shares in any of the Cells as specified in the Supplements;

"Redemption Value" means the amount receivable per Share on the redemption of any such Share determined in accordance with the section entitled "Valuation" and the relevant Supplement herein before deduction of any Redemption Charges;

"Registrar" means Vistra Fund Services (Guernsey) Limited or such other entity appointed as registrar to the Company from time to time;

"regulated market" has the meaning ascribed to such term in the 2002 Law;

"Rules" means The Authorised Collective Investment Schemes (Class B) Rules and

Guidance 2021 as amended, extended or replaced;

"S Share" means a share of no par value in the capital of the Company designated as such

and representing an entitlement to Illiquid Investment(s) in a Cell;

"Schedule" means a schedule to this Offering Memorandum;

"Share" means a participating redeemable share of no par value in the capital of the

Company, which for the avoidance of doubt excludes the Management Shares and S Shares;

"Sharia Adviser" means Ihsan Islamic Finance Solutions LTD or such other entity appointed

as advisor of matters of Sharia law in connection with the Cells from time to time;

"Sharia Consultancy Agreement" has the meaning ascribed to that term in the section

entitled "Material Agreements";

"Sponsor" means Vistra Fund Services (Guernsey) Limited or such other entity appointed as

listing sponsor to the Company from time to time;

"Sponsor Agreement" has the meaning ascribed to that term in the section entitled "Material

Agreements";

"Subscription Charge" means charges levied upon subscription of Shares in any of the

Cells as specified in the respective Supplement;

"Subscription Price" means the amount payable per Share on the issue of any such Share

determined in accordance with the section entitled "Valuation" herein and the relevant

Supplement before deduction of any Subscription Charge;

"Supplement" or "Supplements" means a supplement or the supplements to this Offering

Memorandum relating to each of the Cells;

"TISE" means The International Stock Exchange (formerly known as the Channel Islands

Securities Exchange);

transferable securities" has the meaning ascribed to such term in the 2002 Law;

"UCI" has the meaning ascribed to such term in the 2002 Law;

"UCITS" has the meaning ascribed to such term in the 2002 Law;

"UK" means the United Kingdom;

"U.S. Person" is as defined in Regulation S under the 1933 Act;

"USD" or "US\$" means the lawful currency of the United States of America; and

"Valuation Point" means midnight (Guernsey time) on a Business Day immediately preceding each Dealing Day. However, the Directors may select other and/or additional time or times either generally or in relation to one or more Cells, Classes or Shares, and may also select different times for different purposes at their discretion.

INTRODUCTION

World Shariah Funds PCC Limited is a Guernsey incorporated open-ended company

established as a protected cell company. The Company may create one or more Cells for the

purpose of segregating and protecting cellular assets and may issue one or more Classes of

Shares in respect of each Cell.

A list of the Cells created by the Company is set out in Schedule 1 hereto. Further Cells may

be created in the future.

The assets, liabilities, income and expenses attributed to each Cell are applied to that Cell and

kept separate and segregated from those attributable to other Cells. Any such assets,

liabilities, income and expenses not attributable to a particular Cell are allocated between all

Cells at the discretion of the Directors on such basis as they consider fair (after consultation

with the Custodian).

Assets belonging or pertaining to a Cell may only be used to meet the liabilities to creditors in

respect of that Cell and are not available to meet liabilities to creditors in respect of other

Cells. Under the Companies Law, creditors of a particular Cell may have recourse to the

cellular assets of another Cell or the non-cellular assets of the Company only to the extent

that such recourse is provided for by a recourse agreement which complies with the

provisions of the Companies Law. There is no such recourse agreement in place in

connection with the assets of any Cell or the non-cellular assets of the Company.

Prospective investors will subscribe for and redeem Shares in a Class of a Cell by following

the procedures in the sections entitled "Investment Process-Applications" and "Investment

Process-Redemptions" and the applicable Supplement. The terms and conditions specific to

each Cell are set out in the relevant Supplements to this Offering Memorandum.

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICY, DISTRIBUTION POLICY AND

HEDGING POLICY

Each Cell has specified investment objectives and policy, distribution and hedging policies as

set out in the Supplements.

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INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS AND BORROWING POLICY

In addition to the specific Shariah Investment Guidelines set out in the relevant Supplement

for each Cell, the investment restrictions set out in Schedule 2 to this Offering Memorandum

will apply to investments made by each of the Cells. Further, the borrowing policy set out in

Schedule 2 to this Offering Memorandum will apply to each of the Cells.

RISK WARNINGS

IMPORTANT NOTE: Investment in a Cell should be considered as long-term investment.

Each of the following risks should be read in conjunction with the specific risks highlighted

in the relevant Supplement (if any).

General risk of investing in the Company

Any investment carries with it an element of risk. Therefore, prior to making an investment,

prospective investors should consider the following risk factors in addition to the other

information set out in this Offering Memorandum.

Operating history

The Company has a ten year operating history upon which an evaluation of its likely future

performance may be based. However the performance history of this fund and other

investments managed or advised by the Investment Managers or Investment Advisers (as the

case may be) is not necessarily indicative of the Company's or of a Cell's future

performance.

The performance of a Cell's investments will be dependent on the skills and judgment of the

Directors and the Investment Manager and the success of the Investment Manager's

investment process.

Investment risk

It should be remembered that the price of the Shares and the income (if any) from them can

go down as well as up and that, on the redemption of their Shares, investors may not receive

the amount that they originally invested. The volatility in the value of investments may be

reduced with a diversified portfolio.

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The return on the investments will be dependent in large part upon the ability and expertise of the respective Investment Managers to source and price investments.

Changes in taxation

Any change in the Company's tax status, or in taxation legislation or practice in either Guernsey or any jurisdiction in which the Company invests, could affect the value of the investments held by the Company or the Company's ability to achieve its investment objectives or alter the after-tax returns to Shareholders. Statements in this Offering Memorandum concerning the taxation of Shareholders are based upon current Guernsey and United Kingdom tax law and published practice, which law and practice is, in principle, subject to change (potentially with retrospective effect) that could adversely affect the ability of each Cell to meet its investment objectives and which could adversely affect the taxation of Shareholders.

Redemption Charges risk

Shares may be subject to Redemption Charges. Such charges will decrease the Redemption Value of Shares.

Brexit Risk Factor

On 23 June 2016, the UK voted to leave the European Union ("EU") and formally left the EU on 31 January 2020. The terms of the UK's future relationship with the EU are unknown at this time and may be unknown for some time. As such, it is difficult to predict the precise impact of Brexit on the Company. This uncertainty is likely to continue to adversely impact the global economic climate and may impact companies or assets, including with respect to opportunity, pricing, regulation, value or exit, including in particular companies based in, doing business in, or having service or other significant relationships in or with, the UK or the EU.

The future application of EU-based legislation to the UK will depend on how the UK renegotiates its relationship with the EU. There can be no assurance that any renegotiated terms or regulations will not have an adverse impact on the Company or its investments, including the ability of the Cells to achieve their investment objectives.

Foreign Account Tax Compliance

Under FATCA, the Company could become subject to a 30 per cent. withholding tax on certain payments of US source income (including dividends and interest), and (from 1

January 2019) gross proceeds from the sale or other disposal of property that can produce US source income, and (from the later of 1 January 2019 or the date of publication of certain final regulations) a portion of non-US source payments from certain non-US financial institutions to the extent attributable to US source payments, if it does not comply with certain registration, due diligence and reporting obligations under FATCA. Pursuant to the US-Guernsey IGA and Guernsey legislation implementing the US-Guernsey IGA, the Company is required to report information on its financial accounts to the Guernsey tax authorities for onward reporting to the IRS.

Guernsey, along with approximately 100 jurisdictions, has implemented the CRS. Certain disclosure requirements will be imposed in respect of certain Shareholders in the Company falling within the scope of the CRS. As a result, Shareholders may be required to provide any information that the Company determines is necessary to allow the Company to satisfy its obligations under such measures. Shareholders that own the Shares through financial intermediaries may instead be required to provide information to such financial intermediaries in order to allow the financial intermediaries to satisfy their obligations under the CRS.

All prospective investors should consult with their respective tax advisers regarding the possible implications of FATCA, the CRS and any other similar legislation and/or regulations on their investments in the Company. If a Shareholder fails to provide the Company or the Administrator with information that is required by any of them to allow them to comply with any of the above reporting requirements, or any similar reporting requirements, adverse consequences may apply.

Cell Risks

The Company is registered as a protected cell company. Under Part XXVII of the Companies Law, the assets of a Cell will not be available to meet the liabilities of another Cell. Although subject to limited judicial scrutiny, the principal advantage of a protected cell company is that, although it is still a single legal entity, it protects the assets of one Cell in the Company from the liabilities of other Cells in the Company. However, the concept of a protected cell company is relatively new and has been subject to limited judicial scrutiny. Accordingly, where the assets of the Company are outside Guernsey and the action is brought against the Company or the assets in that jurisdiction it is not known how the foreign courts will treat Part XXVII of the Companies Law. Furthermore, if a liability is imposed on the Company, it is not known how the courts will deal with allocating that liability to one or more of the various Cells.

#VPC:TGR.247174# 1063944/0003/L909548v2 Returns not guaranteed

Investors should be aware that by investing in one or more Cells, there is no guarantee of any

income distribution or returns. However, the Directors and/or the Investment Managers

endeavour to minimise this risk by ensuring diligent management of the Investment Assets of

the Cells based on their structured investment process.

General market risk

Any purchase of securities will involve some element of risk. Hence each of the Cells may

be prone to changing market conditions as a result of:

(a) global, regional or national economic conditions;

(b) governmental policies or political progression;

(c) development in regulatory framework, law and legal issues;

(d) general movements in interest rate;

(e) broad investor sentiment; and

(f) external shocks (e.g. natural disasters, war etc).

All these may result in uncertainties and fluctuations in the price of the underlying securities

of each of the Cell's Investment Assets. Such movements in the underlying values of the

securities may cause the Net Asset Value or proceeds of Shares to fall as well as rise, and

income produced by a Cell may also fluctuate. The market risk can be managed by ensuring

a rigorous review of macroeconomic trends by the Directors and/or Investment Managers to

determine investments in markets that are not highly correlated.

Although movement in interest rate may affect the value of investment, it does not suggest

that the Cells invest in interest bearing instruments. The interest rate referred herein is to the

general interest rate of the country, which may affect the value of a Cell's Investment Assets.

Risk of non-compliance

This refers to the current and prospective risk to the Company and the Shareholders' interest

arising from non-conformance with laws, rules, regulations, prescribed practices and internal

policies and procedures by the Directors and/or Investment Managers. Non-compliance may

result in a fall in the value of the relevant Cell. In order to mitigate this risk, the Directors

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and/or Investment Managers have in place stringent internal controls and compliance

monitoring processes.

Inflation risk

Inflation rate risk is the risk of potential loss in the purchasing power of an investment due to

a general increase of consumer prices. The inflation rate is commonly reported using the

Consumer Price Index. Inflation erodes the real rate of return on an investment, that is, the

return minus the inflation rate. This risk can be mitigated by investing in securities that can

provide a positive real rate of return.

Specific Risks associated with the investment portfolio of the Company

Stock specific risk

Any irregular fluctuation of the value of a particular stock may affect the Share price. The

impact is however minimised as each Cell invests in a wide portfolio of investments, thus

spreading the element of risk.

Sector risk

Stock prices of companies within a sector or industry move together due to sector-specific

causal factors, examples of which include business cycle dynamics, key sector or industry

earnings' driver trend, demographic or consumer demand changes, new technology or

product introduction, government policies or regulatory changes and international events. A

Cell's returns are strongly dependent on the impact of such sector-specific causal factors.

These causal factors that derive sector-specific returns lead to sector-specific risks, the

Directors and/or the Investment Managers will however, endeavour to minimise such risks by

investing in a portfolio that diversifies the Cell's Investment Assets. This is expected to

reduce the volatility as well as the risk for the Cell's portfolio.

Country risk

As the Cells invest in foreign markets, the foreign investments portion of each Cells may be

affected by risks specific to the country that it invests in. Such risks include change in the

country's economic fundamentals, social and political stability, laws and regulations,

currency movements and foreign investment policies. These factors may have impact on the

prices of the securities that the relevant Cell invests in and depress the Net Asset Value

growth. To mitigate these risks, securities that spread across countries will be selected in an

attempt to avoid such events.

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## Currency risk

This risk is associated with investments that are quoted and/or priced in foreign currency denomination. There is also a risk for investors in GBP designated Classes as the base currency of each Cell of which those Classes form a part is USD. Investors should note that any gains or losses arising from the movement of the foreign currencies against its home currency may therefore increase/decrease the capital gains of the investment. Nevertheless, investors should realise that currency risk is considered as one of the major risks to investments in foreign assets due to the volatile nature of the foreign exchange market. The Directors and/or Investment Managers may utilise a two pronged approach in order to mitigate the currency risk. First, by spreading the investments across differing currencies (i.e. diversification) and secondly, by hedging the currencies when it is deemed necessary and is in accordance with Shariah requirements.

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is defined as the ease with which a security can be sold at or near its fair value depending on the volume traded on the market. This is applicable to both listed and unquoted securities. Generally if the security encounters a liquidity crunch, the security may need to be sold at a discount to the fair value of the security. This in turn would depress the Net Asset Value growth of the relevant Cell. For the purpose of each Cell, the Directors and/or Investment Managers will attempt to balance the entire portfolio by investing in a mix of assets with satisfactory trading volumes and those that occasionally could encounter poor liquidity. This is expected to reduce the risks for the entire portfolio without limiting the relevant Cell's growth potential.

# Risk associated with investment in the commodity industry

The value of each Cell is vulnerable to factors affecting the commodity industry (including but not limited to sectors of the basic materials, energy, renewable energy and agriculture) such as industry wide supply and demand factors, change of regulations pertaining to the increased regulation of the environment by governments, changes in laws relating to mining or production or sales as well as increased labour cost or other costs in mining costs. Nevertheless, investors should note that each Cell's highly disciplined portfolio construction methodology used aims to always maintain appropriate level of investment risk including this risk.

Risk associated with investment in derivatives

As each of the Cells may invest in Shariah-compliant derivatives, it may be subject to risks associated with such investments. Investments in derivatives may require the deposit of an initial margin and additional deposit of margin on short notice if the market moves against the investment positions. If no provision is made for the required margin within the prescribed time, the relevant Cell's investments may be liquidated at a loss. Therefore, it is essential that such investments in derivatives be monitored closely. The Directors have, and any appointed Investment Manager will have, the necessary controls for investment in derivatives and has in place systems to monitor any derivatives positions for each of the Cells.

Risk of Shariah non-compliance

As each of the Cells invest only in securities of companies whose principal activities comply with Shariah requirements, it may be subject to a higher level of risk than a portfolio which is not subject to any specific requirements. Furthermore, there is an inherent risk of the reclassification of Shariah status risk, where the currently held Shariah-compliant securities in the relevant Cell's portfolio may be re-designated as non Shariah-compliant securities. If this occurs, the value of the relevant Cell may be adversely affected where the Directors and/or Investment Managers will take the necessary steps to dispose of such securities in accordance with the rules of divestment of non Shariah-compliant securities as detailed in the Shariah Investment Guidelines section of each Supplement.

## **Potential Conflicts of Interest**

The Company is subject to a number of actual and potential conflicts of interest.

### (a) Management

Certain inherent conflicts of interest may arise from the fact that the Investment Managers currently provide management services to other clients and may, in the future, carry on investment activities for clients, including without limitation, other investment funds in which the Company will have no interest and whose respective investment policies may or may not be substantially similar. The investment strategies employed for such other investment funds could conflict with the strategies employed in managing the Company's investments and affect the prices and availability of the investments in which the Company invests. Conversely, participation in specific investment opportunities may be appropriate at times for both the Company and such other investment funds. In such case, participation in

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### (b) Time and Commitment

The Investment Managers and their respective associates, officers and employees devote as much of their time to the activities of the Company as they deem necessary and appropriate. The Investment Managers and their respective associates are not restricted from forming additional investment funds, entering into other management relationships or engaging in other business activities, even though such activities may be in competition with the Company and/or the Investment Managers and/or may involve substantial time and resources of the Investment Managers and its associates, officers and employees.

### (c) Transaction with Affiliates

Subject to the Rules, the Company may transact with or participate in transactions in which the Investment Managers or their officers, employees, principals or associates are directly or indirectly interested. In connection with such transactions, the Company on the one hand, the Investment Managers or members of the Investment Manager's group and their respective officers, employees, principals or associates, on the other hand, may have conflicting interests.

# (d) Directors, the Administrator, the Custodian, the Registrar the Marketing Co-Ordinator and the Sharia Adviser

The Directors, the Administrator, the Custodian, the Registrar, the Marketing Co-ordinator and the Sharia Adviser may also, from time to time, provide services to, or be otherwise involved with, other investment funds established by parties other than the Company which may have similar objectives to those of the Company. It is therefore possible that any of them may, in the course of business, have potential conflicts of interest with the Company. However, the Administrator, the Custodian, the Registrar, the Marketing Co-ordinator and the Sharia Adviser will, at all times, pay regard to its obligation to act in the best interests of the Company, and the Directors will ensure that all such potential conflicts of interest are resolved fairly and in the interests of shareholders. In addition, subject to applicable law,

any of the service providers (including the Directors) may deal, as principal or agent, with the Company, provided that such dealings are on normal commercial terms negotiated on an arm's length basis.

The above is not necessarily a comprehensive list of all potential conflicts of interest.

The Directors are required under the Rules to take reasonable care to ensure that the relevant requirements are met relating to conflicts of interest. These apply to transactions in or involving scheme property and impose arms length or best execution requirements, as applicable. The Rules also prohibit double charging of investment management and investment advisory fees where units are acquired in other collective investment schemes managed or operated by the Investment Manager / Adviser or a person in the same group.

MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

The Directors

The directors of the Company are as follows:

Simon Smith

Simon Smith is the Sales Director of International Investment Platform ocp as, a MIFID II compliant investment provider. He is responsible for the sales and marketing of company's products to retail and institutional clients.

Prior to joining Cornhill, Simon worked for Alquity, a London-based emerging markets asset manager, and for VAM Funds, a Luxembourg headquartered fund group.

Previously Simon spent 23 years with Barclays PLC, working in UK, Italy, Kenya, Dubai and most recently as Regional Head of Multinationals and NGOs in South Africa. He was also Country Head of SME Banking for National Commercial Bank in Saudi Arabia.

Richard Phibbs

Richard is Senior Manager & MLRO/MLCO of the Administrator having joined the Administrator in July 2016. His role includes managing the compliance department and project managing operational processes within the organisation.

Having over 15 years' experience in the Guernsey finance sector, his career began with an independent fund administration business focusing on client relationships, undertaking the roles of company secretary, share registration and valuations. Prior to joining the Administrator, Richard was Fund Operations Manager at a Guernsey-based Investment

#VPC:TGR.247174# 1063944/0003/L909548v2 Management firm overseeing the administration of Irish, Luxembourg and Guernsey listed funds.

Richard holds an MBA from the University of Southampton, is a Member of the Chartered Management Institute, a Prince2 Practitioner, Associate of the Institute of Directors and holds a BA (Hons) from the University of Winchester.

No Director has any material interest in any contract or arrangement subsisting at the date of this Offering Memorandum and which is significant in relation to the business of the Company other than by virtue of his or her interest in the Administrator which is a party to the Administration Agreement and Sponsor Agreement, or the Marketing Coordinator which is a party to the Marketing Co-ordination Agreement.

Details of other directorships held or held in the past five years by each of the Directors are available upon request to prospective investors at the registered office of the Company.

The Directors have the primary responsibility for management and administration of the Company and the making of investments on its behalf. The Directors' responsibility includes selecting and monitoring the investment strategy on behalf of each of the Cells. Where the Directors have appointed Investment Manager(s), the Directors have delegated the day-to-day decision making and the execution of the investment strategy in respect of the relevant Cell (via the discretionary Investment Management Agreements governed by specific investment parameters) to the Investment Manager set out in the relevant Supplement for that Cell. Notwithstanding the discretionary nature of any Investment Manager's authority, the Directors will maintain an active role in the management of the strategy. Where the Directors have appointed Investment Adviser(s), the Directors have delegated the execution of the investment strategy but not the day to day decision making. The Investment Adviser will provide the Directors with investment advice in respect of the relevant Cell. Assuming that the Directors decide to accept that investment advice, the Investment Adviser will be instructed to proceed and execute the chosen investment strategy.

#### The Custodian

The Custodian is Butterfield Bank (Guernsey) Limited.

The Custodian was incorporated as a company with limited liability in Guernsey on 26 July 1989 and its principal activities are providing banking, trustee and custodial services.

The Custodian may appoint sub-custodians, agents or delegates ("Sub-Custodians") to hold the

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assets of the Fund. The Custodian will use reasonable skill, care and diligence in the selection of a suitable Sub-Custodian. The Custodian will be responsible to the Fund for the duration of any sub-custody agreement and for satisfying itself as to the ongoing suitability of the Sub-Custodian to provide custodial services to each Cell. The Custodian will also maintain an appropriate level of supervision over the Sub-Custodians and will make appropriate enquiries periodically to confirm that the obligations of Sub-Custodians continue to be competently discharged. Any Sub-Custodian appointed will be paid normal commercial rates.

The Custodian will be responsible for all assets of the Fund other than assets deposited as margin with Prime Brokers. Such assets will be held by the Custodian in a separate client account and will be separately designated in the books of the Custodian as belonging to the Fund. Assets other than cash, which are so segregated, will be unavailable to the creditors of the Custodian in the event of its bankruptcy or insolvency. The Custodian is only responsible for assets held by it. Pursuant to the Prime Broker Agreements, the safekeeping of the assets of the Fund held by the Prime Broker will be the responsibility of the Prime Broker and not the Custodian, subject to any requirements of the Class B Rules. Assets deposited as margin need not be segregated and may become available to the creditors of brokers.

The Custodian shall not, in the absence of some act of negligence, fraud or wilful default on the part of the Custodian, be liable for any loss or damage suffered by the relevant Cell or any member arising directly or indirectly as a result of or in the course of the discharge by the Custodian of its duties under the Custodian Agreement in good faith and the Fund shall indemnify and keep the Custodian indemnified against all actions, proceedings, claims and demands (including costs and expenses arising directly therefrom or directly incidental thereto) which may be made against the Custodian or its nominees in respect of any loss or damage sustained or suffered or alleged to have been sustained or suffered in connection with the performance of its duties as custodian otherwise than as a result of some act of negligence, fraud or wilful default on the part of the Custodian or its nominees.

# The Administrator and Secretary

The Administrator is responsible for all administrative and secretarial duties in connection with the Company, including determination of Net Asset Value of each Class and Cell and dealing with issues and redemptions of Shares.

For the purposes of the Law, the Administrator is the Designated Administrator.

The Administrator's responsible to carry out the duties of the registrar and transfer agent of the Company pursuant to the Rules.

The Administrator maintains the register of members and carries out all other duties incidental thereto. The register of shareholders of the Company available for inspection at the registered office of the Company.

The Administrator is also TISE Listing Sponsor for the Company.

# **Marketing Co-ordinator**

The Company has appointed Cornhill Management S.A. as the Marketing Co-ordinator of the Company. The Marketing Co-ordinator is a company incorporated under the laws of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg. The Marketing Co-ordinator will carry out certain distribution services in connection with the Company and will engage with third parties as authorised distributors to promote and market the Shares. The Marketing Co-ordinator has primary responsibility for the co-ordination of the marketing support functions for the Company and acts as liaison for the dissemination between the Company and the distribution network.

#### Sharia Adviser

With effect from 29 November 2017 the Company has appointed Ihsan Islamic Finance Solutions Ltd. ("IIFS") as the Sharia adviser to provide advice to the Company to ensure that the Cells are Sharia-compliant. IIFS was founded with the aim to serve the Islamic finance industry by offering a wide range of specialised Sharia Advisory and Audit services. IIFS clients include financial institutions including financial regulators, government departments, banks, asset managers, micro-finance institutions, corporate and law firms. IIFS Islamic finance and Sharia experts have been active on all levels in the Islamic finance industry in UK and Europe for decades, with an in-depth unrivalled practical knowledge and experience in the field.

IIFS was incorporated in the UK with the vision of supporting the development and growth of the Islamic finance industry primarily in Europe and across the rest of the world. This vision is an extension of IIFS name 'Ihsan', which is an Arabic phrase that means the 'pursuit of excellence', an inspiration IIFS endeavour to archive and deliver in everything they do and the services they offer to their clients.

The Sharia Adviser provides services on various Islamic banking and finance products to ensure compliance with applicable Sharia principles. Among other roles, the Sharia Adviser advises on all aspects of fund management business in accordance with Sharia principles.

**TAXATION** 

Prospective investors should ascertain from their professional advisers the consequences to

them of acquiring, holding, redeeming, transferring, converting or selling Shares under the

relevant laws of the jurisdiction to which they are subject, including the tax consequences and

any exchange control requirements. These consequences will vary with the law and practice

of an investor's country of citizenship, residence, domicile or incorporation and with his

personal circumstances. The information set out below should not be regarded as legal or tax

advice.

Guernsey

The summary below is based on law and published practice in Guernsey at the date of this

Offering Memorandum, and is subject to change, potentially with retroactive effect.

The Company

The Company has applied for and has been granted an exemption from liability to income tax

in Guernsey under the Income Tax (Exempt Bodies) (Guernsey) Ordinance, 1989, as

amended. Exemption must be applied for annually and will be granted, subject to the

payment of an annual fee, which is currently fixed at £1,200, provided that the Company

qualifies under the applicable legislation for exemption. It is the intention of the Directors to

conduct the affairs of the Company so as to ensure that it will continue to qualify for exempt

company status for the purposes of Guernsey taxation.

As an exempt company, the Company will be treated as if it were not resident in Guernsey

for the purposes of liability to Guernsey income tax. The exemption from income tax and the

treatment of the Company as if it were not resident in Guernsey for the purposes of Guernsey

income tax would be effective from the date the exemption is granted and will apply for the

year of charge in which the exemption is granted.

Under current law and practice in Guernsey, the Company will only be liable to tax in

Guernsey in respect of income arising or accruing from a Guernsey source, other than from a

relevant bank deposit. It is not anticipated that such Guernsey source taxable income will

arise in this case.

Distributions made by exempt companies to non-Guernsey residents will be free of Guernsey

withholding tax and reporting requirements. Where a tax exempt company makes a

distribution to shareholders that are Guernsey tax resident individuals the company will only

need to report the relevant details of those distributions.

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In the absence of tax exempt status, the Company would be Guernsey tax resident and taxable

at the Guernsey standard rate of company income tax, which is currently zero per cent.

Guernsey currently does not levy taxes upon capital, inheritances, capital gains, gifts, sales or

turnover. No stamp duty is chargeable in Guernsey on the issue, transfer or redemption of

shares in the Company.

Shareholders

Distributions by the Company to Shareholders who are not resident in Guernsey for tax

purposes can be paid to such Shareholders, either directly or indirectly, without the

withholding of Guernsey tax and without giving rise to any other liability to Guernsey

income tax.

Shareholders who are individuals resident for tax purposes in Guernsey (which includes

Alderney and Herm) will incur Guernsey income tax at the applicable rate on a distribution

paid to them by the Company. So long as the Company has been granted tax exemption the

Company will only be required to provide the Director of Income Tax such particulars

relating to any distribution paid to Guernsey resident Shareholders as the Director of Income

Tax may require, including the names and addresses of the Guernsey resident Shareholders,

the gross amount of any distribution paid and the date of the payment.

As already referred to above, Guernsey currently does not levy taxes upon capital

inheritances, capital gains, gifts, sales or turnover, nor are there any estate duties (save for

registration fees and ad valorem duty for a Guernsey Grant of Representation where the

deceased dies leaving assets in Guernsey which require presentation of such a Grant).

No stamp duty is chargeable in Guernsey on the issue, transfer or redemption of shares in the

Company.

FATCA - the US-Guernsey IGA

On 13 December 2013 the Chief Minister of Guernsey signed the US-Guernsey IGA. Under

FATCA and legislation enacted in Guernsey to implement the US-Guernsey IGA, certain

disclosure requirements will be imposed in respect of certain Shareholders who are, or are

entities that are controlled by one or more natural persons who are, residents or citizens of the

United States, unless a relevant exemption applies. Certain due diligence obligations will

also be imposed. Where applicable, information that will need to be disclosed will include

certain information about Shareholders, their ultimate beneficial owners and/or controllers,

and their investment in and returns from the Company. The Company will be required to report this information each year in the prescribed format and manner as per local guidance.

Under the terms of the US-Guernsey IGA, Guernsey resident financial institutions that comply with the due diligence and reporting requirements of Guernsey's domestic legislation will be treated as compliant with FATCA and, as a result, should not be subject to FATCA withholding on payments they receive and should not be required to withhold under FATCA on payments they make. If the Company does not comply with these obligations, it may be subject to a FATCA deduction on certain payments to it of US source income (including interest and dividends) and (from 1 January 2019) proceeds from the sale of property that could give rise to US source income and (from the later of 1 January 2019 or the date of publication of certain final regulations) a portion of non-US source payments from certain non-US financial institutions to the extent attributable to US source payments. The US-Guernsey IGA is implemented through Guernsey's domestic legislation in accordance with guidance that is published in draft form.

### Common Reporting Standard

On 13 February 2014, the OECD released the CRS designed to create a global standard for the automatic exchange of financial account information, similar to the information to be reported under FATCA. On 29 October 2014, fifty-one jurisdictions signed the Multilateral Agreement that activated this automatic exchange of FATCA-like information in line with the CRS. Since then further jurisdictions have signed the Multilateral Agreement and in total over 100 jurisdictions have committed to adopting the CRS. Many of these jurisdictions have now adopted the CRS. Guernsey adopted the CRS with effect from 1 January 2016.

Under the CRS and legislation enacted in Guernsey to implement the CRS, certain disclosure requirements will be imposed in respect of certain Shareholders who are, or are entities that are controlled by one or more natural persons who are, residents of any of the jurisdictions that have also adopted the CRS, unless a relevant exemption applies. Certain due diligence obligations will also be imposed. Where applicable, information that would need to be disclosed will include certain information about Shareholders, their ultimate beneficial owners and/or controllers, and their investment in and returns from the Company. The Company will be required to report this information each year in the prescribed format and manner as per local guidance. The CRS is implemented through Guernsey's domestic legislation in accordance with guidance that is supplemented by guidance issued by the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development.

All prospective investors should consult with their own tax advisers regarding the possible implications of FATCA, the CRS and any other similar legislation and/or regulations on their investment in the Company.

If the Company fails to comply with any due diligence and/or reporting requirements under Guernsey legislation implementing the US-Guernsey IGA and/or the CRS then the Company could be subject to (in the case of the US-Guernsey IGA) US withholding tax on certain US source payments, and (in all cases) the imposition of financial penalties introduced pursuant to the relevant implementing regulations in Guernsey. Whilst the Company will seek to satisfy its obligations under the US-Guernsey IGA and the CRS and associated implementing legislation in Guernsey to avoid the imposition of any financial penalties under Guernsey law, the ability of the Company to satisfy such obligations will depend on receiving relevant information and/or documentation about each Shareholder and the direct and indirect beneficial owners of the Shareholders (if any). There can be no assurance that the Company will be able to satisfy such obligations.

Request for Information

The Company reserves the right to request from any Shareholder or potential investor such information as the Company deems necessary to comply with FATCA and the CRS, or any obligation arising under the implementation of any applicable intergovernmental agreement, including the US-Guernsey IGA and the Multilateral Agreement, relating to FATCA, the CRS or the automatic exchange of information with any relevant competent authority.

**United Kingdom** 

Taxation of the Company

The Directors intend to conduct the affairs of the Company so that it does not become resident in the United Kingdom for United Kingdom taxation purposes. Accordingly, and provided that the Company does not carry on a trade in the United Kingdom (whether or not through a branch, agency or permanent establishment situated there), the Company will not be subject to United Kingdom income tax or corporation tax other than on certain types of United Kingdom source income.

Taxation of shareholders in the United Kingdom

Each Class of a Cell should, under current law, fall within the definition of an "offshore fund" for the purposes of the United Kingdom legislation contained in Part 8 of the Taxation (International and other Provisions) Act 2010 ("TIOPA 2010"). Therefore, unless a Class of

a Cell applies for and is granted approval as a "reporting fund" pursuant to regulations made under section 354 of the TIOPA 2010, any profit on disposal (including a redemption) of Shares referable to such Class by a United Kingdom resident or ordinarily resident shareholder or a shareholder who carries on a trade in the United Kingdom through a branch, agency or permanent establishment with which their investment in the Company is connected should be taxed as an "offshore income gain" for UK tax purposes, and should be subject to current UK income tax or corporation tax rates, as appropriate.

Each Class of a Cell may choose to seek approval as a "reporting fund" for UK tax purposes. If such approval were to be granted by HM Revenue & Customs, a disposal (including a redemption) of Shares referable to such a "reporting fund" by a United Kingdom resident or ordinarily resident shareholder or a shareholder who carries on a trade in the United Kingdom through a branch, agency or permanent establishment with which their investment in the Company is connected may give rise to a chargeable gain or an allowable loss for the purposes of UK taxation on chargeable gains, depending on the shareholder's circumstances and subject to any available exemption or relief.

It is expected that each Class of a Cell will apply for reporting fund status for UK tax purposes.

Capital gains tax at the rate of 18 per cent. (for basic taxpayers) and 28 per cent. (for higher and additional rate taxpayers) would apply to any gain realised on a disposal (including a redemption) of Shares referable to a "reporting fund" by an individual shareholder who is resident or ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom for taxation purposes. Shareholders who are bodies corporate resident in the United Kingdom for taxation purposes will, upon disposal of Shares referable to a "reporting fund", benefit from indexation allowance which, in general terms, increases the chargeable gains tax base cost of an asset in accordance with the rise in the retail prices index. United Kingdom resident shareholders referable to a "reporting fund" will be charged to income tax or corporation tax (as appropriate) on all "reportable income" of the Class, regardless of whether such income is actually distributed by way of a cash dividend, in accordance with applicable United Kingdom regulations.

Individual shareholders resident in the United Kingdom for tax purposes and who receive a cash dividend from the Company should, provided that less than 60 per cent. of the underlying assets of the Class in respect of which the dividend is paid (by market value) constitute investments falling within section 494 of the Corporation Tax Act 2009, be entitled to claim a tax credit equal to one-ninth of the cash dividend received. The effect of the dividend tax credit would be to extinguish any further tax liability for current basic rate

taxpayers (who pay tax at the dividend ordinary rate of 10 per cent.). The effect of the dividend tax credit for current higher rate taxpayers (who pay tax at the current dividend

upper rate of 32.5 per cent.) would be to reduce their effective tax rate to 25 per cent. of the

cash dividend received.

From 6 April 2010 a new additional rate of income tax applies for United Kingdom resident

individuals with an income of over £150,000. Such individuals will pay 42.5 per cent. tax on

dividends received (reduced to 36.11 per cent. for such taxpayers as a result of applying the

tax credit).

Shareholders who are bodies corporate resident in the United Kingdom for tax purposes may

be able to rely upon legislation introduced by the Finance Act 2009 with effect from 1 July

2009, which exempts certain classes of dividend and other company distributions from the

charge to UK corporation tax.

ISAs, SSAS and SIPPs

Investors resident in the United Kingdom who are considering acquiring Shares are

recommended to consult their own tax and/or investment advisers in relation to the eligibility

of the Shares for UK ISAs, SSAS and SIPPs.

Subject to applicable subscription limits, (currently £10,200 per year) the Shares should be

eligible for inclusion in a Stocks and Shares ISA.

The Directors have been advised that Shares in the Company should be eligible for inclusion

in a UK SSAS or a UK SIPPs, subject to the discretion of the trustees of the SSAS or SIPP,

as the case may be.

Stamp duty and stamp duty reserve tax ("SDRT")

Generally, no United Kingdom stamp duty or SDRT is payable on the issue or transfer of

Shares or an agreement to transfer Shares.

Other United Kingdom tax considerations

The Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 contains provisions (the "Controlled Foreign

Companies" legislation) that affect United Kingdom resident companies that are deemed to

be interested in at least 25 per cent. of the profits of a non-United Kingdom resident company

that is controlled by residents of the United Kingdom. The provisions may operate to attribute

a proportion of such a company's profits to such 25 per cent. shareholders. The UK

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Government is consulting on the reform of the controlled foreign companies regime. Although the scope of any reform cannot be accurately predicted, it is now expected that final legislation to introduce changes to the regime will be introduced by Finance Bill 2012.

The attention of individuals ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom for United Kingdom tax purposes is drawn to the provisions of Chapter 2 of Part 13 of the Income Tax Act 2007, which may render them liable to income tax in respect of any undistributed income of the Company or any capital sum received from the Company.

It is anticipated that the shareholdings in the Company will be such as to ensure that the Company would not be a "close company" if it were resident in the United Kingdom (broadly, controlled by five or fewer participants). If, however, the Company would be a close company if so resident, capital gains accruing to it may be apportioned to United Kingdom resident or ordinarily resident shareholders, under the provisions of Section 13 Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, who may thereby become chargeable to capital gains tax, or corporation tax on chargeable gains, on the gains apportioned to them.

#### INVESTMENT PROCESS

### **Dealing arrangements**

Following the Initial Offer Period, Shares may be purchased on each Dealing Day. The prices at which Shares can be purchased or redeemed will normally be determined according to the section entitled "Valuation" below and the relevant Supplement for each Cell. The Directors may change the Valuation Point or the Dealing Day at their discretion although the Shareholders will be given at least one month's prior notice of any such change on the Company's website. The Directors may also determine that there shall be additional Dealing Days without giving notice to the Shareholders either generally or in relation to one or more Cells, Classes or Shares and different days for different purposes.

### **Applications**

Applications for Shares must be made on an Application Form and submitted to the Registrar. The Directors have the discretion whether to accept or reject in whole or in part any application for Shares for any reason or no reason. Application Forms for the relevant Class of a Cell must be received within the timeframe set out in the relevant Supplement.

Payment by bank transfer should be effected as described in the Application Form. At the Directors' discretion, payments may be accepted other than in cash provided that Shariah

guidelines are observed. Any money held by an applicant for Shares shall be held in a non-

interest bearing client account.

In the event that an application is rejected, application monies will be returned without

interest by telegraphic transfer to the transmitting bank account at the risk and expense of the

person(s) entitled thereto.

The Directors may levy a Subscription Charge on subscriptions for Shares and such charge

may vary by Class or Cell. Details of the Subscription Charge payable in respect of each

Class of a Cell are set out in the relevant Supplement. The Subscription Charge will be

deducted from the application monies forwarded in connection with an application and the

remainder will be applied in connection with the subscription for Shares.

The Subscription Charges may be rebated in whole or in part at the discretion of the

Directors. The Directors are entitled to pay the whole or part of such charge along with any

other remuneration received to intermediaries and introducers at their discretion.

Certificates for Shares will not be issued. Title to the Shares will be evidenced by entries on

the Company's register of shareholders.

Redemptions

Shareholders may redeem all or part of their holding by submitting a redemption request form

to the Registrar within the timeframe for the relevant Class of a Cell set out in the relevant

Supplement. Redemption request forms may be obtained from the Registrar.

Shareholders will receive a sum calculated by reference to the Redemption Value as at the

next Redemption Day following receipt of the request to redeem Shares (unless dealings have

been suspended) minus any Redemption Charge.

The Directors may levy a Redemption Charge and such charge may vary by Class or Cell.

Details of the Redemption Charge payable in respect of each Class of a Cell are set out in the

relevant Supplement.

The net redemption proceeds will normally be paid within the timeframe set out in the

relevant Supplements and in accordance with instructions included on the Application Form

or amended instructions acceptable to the Directors.

The minimum redemption is Shares having a value not less than an amount in respect of each

Class of a Cell set out in the relevant Supplement. If a Shareholder's remaining investment in

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a Cell is less than the minimum holding specified in the relevant Supplement of the Cell, the

Directors may, at their discretion, redeem the entire holding.

Contract notes will be issued within seven Business Days of the relevant Redemption Day. It

is the responsibility of the Shareholder (and its agent where applicable) to check that the

information contained on the contract note is correct and to notify the Registrar within five

Business Days of receipt of any discrepancy. Contract notes are sent at the Shareholder's

own risk.

**Client Money** 

Monies received from prospective investors in respect of applications or from one or more

Classes of Cells in respect of redemptions or conversions will be held in separate non-interest

bearing bank accounts (designated as client money accounts).

Money laundering declarations

The Criminal Justice (Proceeds of Crime) (Financial Services Businesses) (Bailiwick of

Guernsey) Regulations, 2007 (as amended) require the Company to establish the identity of

the person by whom or on whose behalf an application form is lodged with payment. The

applicant or agent lodging an application form shall be deemed to agree to provide the

Company with such information and other evidence as the Company may require to satisfy

the verification of identity requirements. Shares will not be allotted to the applicant until the

verification of identity requirements have been complied with to the satisfaction of the

Company. The documentation required to comply with such requirements will vary

depending on the type of applicant, the nature of the relationship between the Company and

the applicant, and whether the applicant is in a jurisdiction as set out in Appendix C to the

Handbook for Financial Services Business on Countering Financial Crime and Terrorist

Financing.

**Minimum and Maximum Subscriptions** 

The minimum subscription to be accepted in respect of an application for Shares of a Class of

a Cell on behalf of any prospective investor is set out in the relevant Supplement.

The Directors may deviate from these minimums at their discretion.

Compulsory redemption

The Directors may compulsorily redeem the Shares of any Shareholder if such Shares are

held by or on behalf of a person:

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(a) in contravention of any law or requirement of any country or regulatory

authority by virtue of which such person is not qualified to;

(b) who is not a Non-Qualified Person or ineligible to hold or to be interested in

such Shares (as set out in the Articles or this document);

(c) whose holding of such Shares may, in the opinion of the Directors, cause

legal, regulatory, fiscal, tax, pecuniary or material administrative

disadvantage to the Company or its Shareholders; or

(d) who is a minor.

The Directors may also compulsorily redeem Shares in a Cell (if appropriate) if at any time

after the first anniversary date of the establishment of a Cell the Net Asset Value of the Cell

on each Dealing Day within a consecutive three month period falls below USD10 million.

Postponement of redemption

The Directors may at their discretion limit the value of Shares in any Cell redeemed on a

Redemption Day to 10 per cent. of that Cell's Net Asset Value. In such event, the limitation

will apply pro-rata to the number of Shares in that Cell to be redeemed. On the next

Redemption Day, priority shall be given in the following order to:

(a) Shareholders whose Shares are to be compulsorily redeemed;

secondly, Shareholders whose redemption requests have been deferred from (b)

a previous Redemption Day on the basis of redemption requests from an

earlier Redemption Day being given priority to redemption requests from a

later Redemption Day, in each case on a pro-rata basis; and

(c) thereafter all redemption requests shall be dealt with on a pro-rata basis.

The Shareholder will be notified if its requests for redemption of its Shares are so carried

forward.

Conversion

Conversion between Cells is not usually permitted, however, at the Directors' discretion,

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Shareholders may be permitted to convert their:

A Class Shares in one Cell to A Class Shares in another Cell; (a)

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- (b) B Class Shares in one Cell to B Class Shares in another Cell; and
- (c) I Class Shares in one Cell to I Class Shares in another Cell.

Shareholders should note that conversions may be treated as a realisation for the purposes of the taxation of capital gains in some jurisdictions. The valuation for transactions involving converting from one Cell to another will be by reference to:

- (i) the Redemption Value for the Shares of the existing Class of a Cell; and
- (ii) the Subscription Price for the Shares for the new Class of a Cell.

The subscription will take place on the Dealing Day on which the redemption is completed. Under no circumstances will the Shareholder who converts between Cells be given a right to reverse the transaction except as a new transaction.

Converting between the Cells may be subject to a charge of up to one per cent. of the Redemption Value of Shares of the existing Class of a Cell, which is payable to the Directors. The Directors may share such charge with any other person.

#### Suspension of Dealing and Calculation of Net Asset Value

The Directors may suspend issue, redemption and conversion of Shares of a Cell (or Class of a Cell) and the calculation of the Net Asset Value in such circumstances as they may determine in their absolute discretion if the Directors determine such suspension is justified having regard to the interests of the Shareholders, including, without limitation:

- during any period when any Recognised Investment Exchange on which any material part of an Investment Asset comprised in the Cell concerned for the time being are listed or dealt in is closed (otherwise than for ordinary holidays) or during which dealings are restricted or suspended, or in the case of investment in a unit trust, mutual fund or open-ended investment company, when the issue or redemption of units or shares in such unit trust, mutual fund, open-ended investment or company is suspended or postponed;
- (b) during the existence of any state of affairs which, in the opinion of the Directors, constitutes an emergency, as a result of which disposal of investments comprised in the Cell would not be reasonably practicable or might seriously prejudice the interests of the Shareholders as a whole;

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- (c) during any breakdown in the means of communication normally employed in determining the price of any of the investments comprised in the Cell or the current price on any Recognised Investment Exchange or when for any reason the prices of any investment cannot be promptly and accurately ascertained;
- (d) during any period when currency conversions which will or may be involved in the realisation of the investments comprised in the Cell or in the payment for investments cannot, in the opinion of the Directors, be carried out at normal rates of exchange; and
- (e) when a decision is taken to liquidate the Company.

Following a suspension, the calculation of the Subscription and Redemption Prices will commence at the Valuation Point for the Dealing Day next after the last day of the suspension period and all subscription applications and redemption requests shall be carried forward to the first Dealing Day following the Valuation Point on which the determination of the Net Asset Value shall resume. Any suspension shall be notified to Shareholders of the relevant Cell and to TISE immediately by way of announcement, following which the listing of the Shares on TISE will be suspended for such time that the suspension of dealing or calculation of Net Asset Value exists. A Shareholder may withdraw any subscription application or redemption request at any time whilst the calculation of Net Asset Value is suspended. If the notice is not so withdrawn, the subscription application or redemption request will be dealt with on the first Dealing Day following the termination of such suspension. The fees of the Custodian and the Administrator will continue to accrue during the period of suspension and will be calculated by reference to the last valuation prior to the suspension coming into effect.

## VALUATION

#### **Net Asset Value**

The Directors will ascertain the Net Asset Value of each Cell at the Valuation Point. The Net Asset Value of each Cell shall be determined on the basis of the Investment Value of the Investment Assets plus the value of the Cash Instruments and other assets of the Cell, including, where applicable, unamortised initial setup, unamortised acquisition fees and deferred distribution fees, less all liabilities whether existing or contingent and including such provision for future liabilities as the Directors may determine and any accrued performance fee. For the avoidance of doubt, for the purposes of calculating the Net Asset Value of each Cell, the assets and liabilities attributable to S Shares shall be excluded.

The valuation methods specific to the Investment Assets of a Cell are set out in the relevant

Supplement.

If, in any particular case, a value is not ascertainable or if the Directors considers that some

other method of valuation better reflects the fair value then the Directors will have the

discretion to choose such method of valuation as it sees fit.

The Net Asset Value per Share of each Class of a Cell is set out in the relevant Supplement.

The Net Asset Value per Share of each Cell listed on TISE will be notified to TISE as soon as

practicable after calculation.

**Subscription Price** 

The Subscription Price in respect of each Class of a Cell is set out in the respective

Supplement. The Articles permit the Directors to add a Subscription Charge of up to ten per

cent. of the Subscription Price. Subscriptions of Shares may be subject to a Subscription

Charge as detailed in the Supplements.

**Redemption Value** 

The Redemption Value in respect of each Class of a Cell is set out in the respective

Supplement. Redemptions of Shares may be subject to Redemption Charges as detailed

herein and in the Supplements.

AVAILABILITY OF PRICES

The Subscription Price for each Class of a Cell will be published on a daily basis by the

Directors and available upon request, and in respect of Share Classes admitted to listing on

the Official List of TISE, notified to TISE shortly after calculation. The prices will also be

notified daily to Bloomberg.

ACCOUNTING DATE

The annual accounting date of the Company and each Cell is 30 April in each year or such

other date as the Directors shall determine from time to time having given due notice to all

holders. The Company's first accounting period was from the date of incorporation ending 30

April 2011. The accounts of the Company and each Cell will be prepared annually and semi-

annually in accordance with IFRS and will be prepared in USD for the Company and the

Cells. The Company will prepare annual and semi-annual reports which will be published

and sent to Shareholders and/or published on the Company's Website within a period of six

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months following the relevant accounting date or within a period of four months of the semi-

annual accounting date.

FEES AND EXPENSES

**Initial establishment costs** 

The fees and expenses incurred in connection with the establishment of the Company and

each of the Cells and other initial set-up costs were approximately US\$800,000. This figure

included initial marketing costs in connection with the Company and service provider take-on

fees. These establishment costs have been apportioned pro rata to all of the Cells or in such

manner as the then manager deemed fair and reasonable (after consultation with the

Custodian). As each new Cell is created after the initial Cells, a proportion of these costs will

be allocated to, and borne by, each such Cell and added to the preliminary expenses of

establishing the relevant Cell. For the purposes of calculating Net Asset Value for issues,

redemptions and conversions of Shares, these fees will be amortised on a straight-line basis

over a period of five years commencing in the second financial year.

**Directors Fees** 

In accordance with the Articles, the Directors are entitled to receive remuneration not

exceeding £50,000 in aggregate in a financial year and reimbursement of any out of pocket

expenses in discharging their duties. Richard Phibbs and Simon Smith are each entitled to

receive £10,000 per annum.

At the date of this Offering Memorandum, the Directors are not entitled to receive any

benefits in kind from the Company.

The Directors are entitled to be reimbursed their out of pocket expenses properly incurred in

the performance of their duties.

**Listing Fees** 

The listing expenses of the Company associated with the listing of the Shares on the official

list of TISE were in the region of £5,000.

**Service Provider Fees** 

The fees and expenses in connection with the appointment of the Administrator (including in

its capacity as Secretary and Registrar), the Custodian, the Investment Adviser, the Sharia

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Adviser, the Marketing Co-ordinator payable in respect of each Cell are set out in the

Supplement applicable to the particulars Cell.

The following service provider fees are not specifically attributable to any particular Cell of

the Company and will be apportioned pro rata to all of the Cells or in such manner as the

Directors deems fair and reasonable (after consultation with the Custodian).

Notice to shareholders of at least one month will be given in the case of any proposal to

increase the level of charges payable to the Marketing Co-ordinator or any Investment

Manager or Investment Adviser, whose fees are payable directly by the Company.

Administrator

The Administrator is entitled to the following fees:

0.15% per annum of the NAV of the WSF Global Equity Fund, subject to a minimum of

£60,000 p.a.

For the provision of audited annual and un-audited interim financial statements a fixed fee of

£40,000 p.a.

For the provision of company secretarial services in connection with board, committee or

shareholder meetings a fixed fee per meeting of £2,500.

For the provision of registrar services, a fixed fee of £30,000 p.a. Shareholder transaction fee

(per transaction) £25.

Costs and expenses arising from, but not limited to, courier services, postage fees, telephone,

printing and the cost of travel at the request of the Fund will be charged separately for

reimbursement from the Fund.

There is a take on fee for the transfer of the administration of £3,500. The Administrator's

fees will be subject to an annual increase automatically by Guernsey RPI and reviewed on a

three-year basis.

An ongoing sponsorship fee of £4,000 per year is payable to the Administrator for acting as

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Sponsor plus £500 per listed class.

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The annual retainer for acting as Sponsor shall be subject to an annual review with a view to

an appropriate upwards adjustment, as shall be agreed between the Company and the Sponsor

with a minimum increase in line with annual inflation increases based on the Guernsey RPI.

Custodian

The fees payable to the Custodian by each Cell are subject to an overall minimum fee in

respect of all Cells of USD 60,000 for each 12 month period following the 12 month period

from the effective date of the Custodian Agreement.

Sharia Adviser

The fees payable to the Sharia Adviser of the Company (including each of the Cells) is

payable at a rate of GBP 18,000 per annum. The fee will be apportioned pro rata across each

Cell on the basis of the Net Asset Value of each Cell or otherwise on such basis as the

Directors deem fair and equitable.

The Sharia Adviser is also entitled to be reimbursed for any out of pocket expenses in

connection with carrying out its duties.

The Administrator, Custodian, the Investment Adviser, the Sharia Adviser, the Marketing Co-

ordinator are entitled to be reimbursed their out of pocket expenses properly incurred in the

performance of their respective duties. The out of pocket expenses of the Administrator

include, without limitation, costs associated with compliance with anti-money laundering

legislation.

Other fees and expenses

The Company shall bear all other expenses including, without limitation, costs and expenses

of legal advisers, auditors, listing expenses, consulting, banking, money transmission costs,

brokers, registration, publication and distribution of reports, accounts and similar documents.

Costs specific to a Cell are paid by the relevant Cell.

To the extent that costs of the Cells cannot be easily attributed to a Cell they will be

apportioned pro rata to all the Cells on the basis of their relative Net Asset Value or in such

manner as the Directors deem fair and reasonable (after consultation with the Custodian).

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All fees and expenses will be payable at cost.

**GENERAL INFORMATION** 

**Incorporation** 

The Company was incorporated in Guernsey under the provisions of the Companies Law as a

limited liability company (Registered No. 51802) on the 23 April 2010 as a protected cell

company. The life of the Company is unlimited.

The Company is not and has not since incorporation been engaged in any legal or arbitration

proceedings and, so far as the Directors are aware, no such proceedings or claims are pending

or threatened by or against the Company which may have or have had a significant effect on

the Company's financial position.

**Issue of Shares** 

Pursuant to a resolution of the Company dated 23 June 2010, the Directors were given an

unlimited authority to issue shares in the Company at any time; provided that to the extent

that the authority of the Directors is at any time limited by the Companies Law, the maximum

amount of shares which may be issued by the Directors is 500 million.

All issued shares are in registered form.

**Management Shares** 

The one Management Share in issue is owned by Vistra Nominees I (Guernsey) Limited.

Assets not attributable to any particular Cell will constitute the core assets of the Company

for the purposes of the Companies Law and in a winding up the surplus of any such assets

will be distributed to the holder of the Management Share or among the holders of

Management Shares pro rata to their respective holdings.

The Management Shares are not redeemable and do not carry any right to vote or to

dividends (except in relation to voting in respect of a voluntary winding-up of the Company

or unless there are no Shares or S Shares then in issue).

**Shares** 

Following the Initial Offer Period, Shares may be issued as Shares in a Class of a Cell at the

Subscription Price (excluding any Subscription Charge) based on the prevailing Net Asset

Value per Share determined by Directors from time to time.

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The Shares carry the right to any dividends determined by the Directors. Each holder of Shares is entitled to attend and vote at any general meeting. Assets attributable to any Cell will constitute the cellular assets of such Cell for the purposes of the Companies Law. In a winding up the cellular assets available for distribution shall be distributed among holders of Shares of each Cell in question pro-rata to their respective holdings in such Cell. A fraction of a Share in a Cell will rank pari passu and proportionately with a whole Share in that Cell.

#### **S Shares**

No dividends shall be paid in relation to the S Shares, however, S Shares will carry the right to receive all net income and net disposal proceeds in relation to the Illiquid Investments to which they relate. Holders of S Shares shall be entitled to receive notice of, attend and vote at general meetings of the Company. S Shares will not be redeemable at the option of the holder. A holder entitled to S Shares may redeem his Shares but will retain his entitlement to the S Shares until the Illiquid Investments to which they relate are realised (or considered by the Directors to have become liquid).

#### Unclaimed dividends and untraced shareholders

- (a) Any dividend which has remained unclaimed for 10 years from the date when it became due for payment shall, if the Directors so resolve, be forfeited and cease to remain owing by the Company.
- (b) All unclaimed dividends may be invested or otherwise made use of by the Directors for the benefit of the Company until claimed. No dividends shall bear interest against the Company. The payment by the Directors of any unclaimed dividend or other moneys payable on or in respect of a share into a separate account shall not constitute the Company a trustee in respect thereof.
- (c) The Company may sell a share of a shareholder at the best price reasonably obtainable if during the period of 12 years before the date of publication referred to immediately below, at least three cash dividends have become payable in respect of the share and during this period no cheque has been presented by the other or other payment permitted pursuant to the Articles has been claimed and no communication has been received by the holder. On expiry of such 12 year period, the Company must give notice of its intention to sell the share by advertisement in a United Kingdom national newspaper, in a daily newspaper circulating widely in each of Guernsey and Jersey and in a newspaper circulating in the area of the last known address of the holder. Further, the Company may

only sell such share if it has not received communication from the shareholder within three months of publication of the advertisements referred to above.

Right to purchase own shares

(a) The Company may, pursuant to the Articles, acquire any of its own shares

whether or not they are redeemable.

(b) The Company and any of its subsidiaries may give financial assistance directly or

indirectly for the purpose of or in connection with the acquisition of its shares or

in connection with reducing or discharging any liability incurred in connection

with the purchase of shares in the Company.

Winding up procedure

The Company may be wound up when a special resolution is passed by the Company.

Further, when the authorisation of the Company as an authorised collective investment

scheme is revoked, the Directors shall convene an extraordinary general meeting of the

Company for a date not later than one month after the revocation for the purpose of

consideration a resolution to wind up the Company.

The Company will be wound up in accordance with the Articles and any applicable Guernsey

laws and regulations.

As soon as practicable after the Company falls to be wound up, a liquidator will realise the

property of the Company and, after payment of all liabilities and costs, distribute the proceeds

of the realisation to the shareholders and in proportion to their respective interests in

accordance with the Articles.

**Voting rights (including proxies)** 

Notice of meetings will be sent to all shareholders of the Company entitled to attend and/or at

the discretion of the Directors will be published on the Company's website as may be advised

from time to time.

At any meeting of shareholders of the Company, resolutions may be passed by a show of

hands at the meeting unless a poll is required. A poll of shareholders may be demanded by

the chairman of the meeting, or at least two shareholders having the right to vote on the

resolution, or a shareholder or shareholders representing not less than one-tenth of the total

voting rights of all the shareholders having the right to vote on the resolution.

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Only Shareholders or the holders of S Shares or their proxies may vote at general meetings of the Company. The Management Shares do not carry any right to vote (except in relation to a resolution to voluntarily wind up the Company or unless there are no Shares or S Shares then in issue).

The shareholders representing not less than one-tenth of the voting shares of the Company in issue may, in writing, request the Directors to convene a meeting. The quorum for a general meeting for the purpose of passing resolutions shall be one shareholder entitled to vote present in person or by proxy.

A meeting duly convened and held in accordance with the provisions set out in the Articles (and subject to the Rules) shall be competent by special resolution:

- (a) to sanction any modification, alteration or addition to the provisions of the Articles;
- (b) to approve any departure by the Directors from any investment policy a statement of which has been included in this Offering Memorandum;
- (c) to remove the Administrator;
- (d) to remove the Custodian;
- (e) to approve an arrangement for the reconstruction or amalgamation of the Company with another body or scheme whether or not that other scheme is a collective investment scheme; or
- (f) to increase the maximum of the management fee provided that sufficient notice is given to holders so that they may redeem their shares prior to the increase coming into effect.

# **Treatment of Illiquid Investments**

In seeking to achieve each Cell's investment objectives, it is possible that investments in certain underlying assets acquired by a Cell may become and remain illiquid for an extended period. Such investments inevitably pose valuation problems for the period during which they are illiquid and it may not be possible to attribute a fair value to them.

Special arrangements have therefore been incorporated in the structure of the Company to protect the interests of all shareholders if such circumstances arise. Where an investment becomes an Illiquid Investment, it will be transferred into a special share account. Upon the

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designation of such Illiquid Investments, S Shares will be issued to each Shareholder who holds Shares in the relevant Cell pro rata to the number of Shares held. Such investments represented by S Shares will not be included in subsequent calculations of the Net Asset Value of Shares in each Cell or a Class of a Cell. The valuation ascribed to any assets represented by S Shares will be the last reported or estimated valuation. The net asset value of each class of S Shares will be calculated and published each month. Management and other service provider fees (including transaction fees) will continue to be charged on a side pocket as part of the relevant Cell but will be calculated by reference to the period during which the asset is side pocketed. The fees payable to the service providers in relation to custody and administration of side pocketed assets may also be subject to minima and any differences will be settled by the side pocket following the realisation of assets. These fees will be incorporated into the valuation only when they crystallize on the receipt of cash proceeds from the disposal of investments. An assessment of anticipated legal and professional fees and other out-of-pocket expenses associated with the creation and ongoing maintenance of any side pocket will be made when an asset is side pocketed. To facilitate payment of the above fees and expenses, a cash amount will be transferred with the assets transferred to the side pocket and allocated to the corresponding class of S Shares. The valuation will reflect any accounts over-accrued that are written back or, on the realisation of cash, amounts that have been under-accrued that are to be recovered.

Shareholders in the Cell at the time any investment is deemed an Illiquid Investment will have a proportionate interest in that investment via their holding in S Shares even if they subsequently redeem their Shares. The holders of Shares issued after the date any investment is deemed an Illiquid Investment and transferred into S Shares will have no right to participate in any return from such investment. There may be more than one class of S Share, depending upon the time of any underlying assets becoming Illiquid Investment.

Shareholders at the date of issue of S Shares will have a right to any net proceeds of realisation or income received from the Illiquid Investment concerned.

S Shares will not be redeemable at the option of the Shareholder. A Shareholder entitled to S Shares may redeem his Shares but will retain his entitlement to the S Shares until the relevant investment ceases to be an Illiquid Investment. Where an investment ceases to be an Illiquid Investment, Shareholders of S Shares will have their S Shares converted into an equivalent value of Shares, depending upon the currency class of their original investment in Shares at the time of issue of the S Shares. Where new Shares are issued to Shareholders who, at the time of such issue, do not hold any Shares, their new Shares will be redeemed on the next

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## **Articles of Incorporation**

The following is a summary of certain of the provisions of the Articles.

## (a) Variation of rights and alteration of capital

(i) If at any time the share capital is divided into different classes of shares, the rights attached to any class (unless otherwise provided by the terms of issue) may, whether or not the Company is being wound up, only be varied with the consent in writing of the holders of a majority of the issued shares of that class or with the sanction of an ordinary resolution passed at a separate general meeting of the holders of the shares of that class.

(ii) The special rights conferred upon the holder of shares shall (unless otherwise expressly provided by the conditions of issue of shares) be deemed not to be varied or abrogated by the creation or issue of further shares raking pari passu therewith (save as to the date from which such new shares rank for dividend).

#### (iii) The Company may by ordinary resolution:

- (A) consolidate and divide all or any of its share capital into shares of larger amount than its existing shares;
- (B) subdivide all or any of its shares into a larger number of shares than the existing number of shares;
- (C) cancel any shares which have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person and diminish the amount of its share capital by the number of shares so cancelled:
- (D) convert the currency of shares into another currency; and
- (E) denominate or redenominated the currency of the share capital.

#### (b) Issue and Transfer of Shares

- (i) Unless otherwise stated in this Offering Memorandum, the Directors may issue shares on such terms and to such persons as they think fit.
- (ii) Subject to the provisions of the Companies Law and without prejudice to any special rights for the time being conferred on the existing holders of any shares or class of shares any share in the Company may be issued with such rights or restrictions as the Directors may determine.
- (iii) Subject to the restrictions below, any shareholder may transfer in writing all or any of his Shares in any form, which the Directors may accept in their discretion.
- (iv) The Directors may in their discretion and without assigning any reason decline to register any transfer of shares (not being fully paid shares). The Shares, among other things, may not be offered, sold, transferred, acquired or delivered, directly or indirectly, in the United States of America or any of its territories, possessions or areas subject to its jurisdiction or to, or for the account of, a Non Qualified Person which definition includes a U.S. Person.
- (v) The Directors may also refuse to register any transfer of a share on which the Company has a lien, if the transferee is a person upon which a compulsory redemption notice may be served or unless the instrument of transfer is:
  - (A) lodged at the registered office of the Company or at such other place as the Directors may from time to time appoint and is accompanied by the certificate (if issued) for the shares to which it relates and such other evidence as the Directors may reasonably require to show the right of the transferor to make the transfer;
  - (B) in respect of only one class of shares;
  - (C) in favour of not more than four transferees; and
  - (D) to a person who is not under the age of 18.
- (vi) If the Directors refuse to register a transfer of a share they shall, within two months after the date on which the instrument of transfer was lodged

with the Company, send to the transferor and the transferee notice of the refusal.

(vii) The registration of transfers of shares or of transfers of any class of shares may be suspended at such times and for such periods (not exceeding 30 days in any year) as the Directors may determine.

Although not provided for in the Articles, any such determination by the Directors will be subject to such restrictions (if any) as may be imposed by the Listing Rules of TISE.

(viii) There shall be paid to the Company in respect of the registration of any probate, letters of administration, certificate of marriage or death, power of attorney or other document relating to or affecting the title to any shares, such fee as the Directors may from time to time require or prescribe.

## (c) Compulsory Redemptions

If it shall come to the notice of the Directors that Shares are or may be held directly, indirectly or beneficially by any person:

- (i) who is a U.S. Person; or
- (ii) who is in breach of any of the laws or regulations of any jurisdiction or regulatory authority by virtue of his holding of Shares; or
- (iii) whose ownership of Shares may in the opinion of the Directors or the Administrator subject the Company or its shareholders to adverse legal, tax or regulatory consequences or other fiscal or pecuniary or material administrative disadvantage; or
- (iv) who is within a class of persons identified in this offering memorandum as being ineligible; or
- (v) who is a minor (under age 18) where such minor's interest is not held in the name of an account maintained for a person or persons over the age of 18

(each a "Non-Qualified Person").

If within 30 days after the receipt of a notice it has not been complied with, the Directors may deem that the redemption of the relevant shares has been requested by the person and the shares shall be redeemed in accordance with the Articles.

All rights of a holder who has been served a compulsory redemption notice will be suspended from the close of business on the day the notice is served except as is necessary to effect a redemption or transfer.

# (d) Directors

- (i) Unless otherwise determined by ordinary resolution, the number of Directors shall be not less than one.
- (ii) No share qualification for Directors is required.
- (iii) The Directors shall have power at any time, and from time to time, without sanction of the Company in general meeting, to appoint any person to be a Director, either to fill a casual vacancy or as an additional Director. Any Director so appointed shall hold office only until the next following annual general meeting and shall then be eligible for reelection.
- (iv) The Company may by ordinary resolution appoint and remove any person as a Director.
- (v) A Director may retire from office as a Director by giving notice in writing to that effect to the Company.
- (vi) There is no fixed retirement age for the Directors and there is no provision for the retirement of Directors by rotation.
- (vii) The office of a Director shall be vacated if:
  - (A) he ceases to be a Director by virtue of any provision of, or he ceases to be eligible to be a director in accordance with the Companies Law; or
  - (B) he becomes bankrupt or makes any arrangement or composition with his creditors generally; or

- (C) he dies; or
- (D) he resigns his office by notice to the Company; or
- (E) he becomes of unsound mind or incapable or an order is made by a court having jurisdiction in matters concerning mental disorder for his detention or for the appointment of a receiver, curator or other person to exercise powers with respect to his property or affairs; or
- (F) he is given notice by all other Directors and he is given notice to vacate office; or
- (G) he is absent from meetings of the Directors for four successive meetings without leave expressed by a resolution of the Directors and the Directors resolve that his office be vacated; or
- (H) the Company so resolves by ordinary resolution; or
- (I) he becomes resident for tax purposes in the United Kingdom and, as a result, a majority of the Directors are resident for tax purposes in the United Kingdom.
- (viii) The Directors shall be entitled to such remuneration as set out in this Offering Memorandum or as the Company may by ordinary resolution determine.
- (ix) The Directors shall be entitled to be repaid by the Company all out of pocket expenses properly incurred by them or with a view to performance of their duties or in connection with their attendance at meetings of the Directors or of committees of the Directors or general meetings or separate meetings of the holders of any class of shares or otherwise in discharge of their duties.
- (x) Provided that he has disclosed to the Directors the nature and extent of any of his interest in accordance with the Companies Law, a Director notwithstanding his office may be a party to, or otherwise interested in, any transaction or arrangement with the Company and shall not, by reason of his office, be accountable to the Company for any benefit which he derives from any such transaction or arrangement. No such transaction or arrangement shall be liable to be avoided on the ground of

any such interest. A general disclosure given to the Directors to the effect that a Director is to be regarded as having an interest (as director, officer, employee, member or otherwise), including the monetary value of the director's interest is quantifiable, the nature and monetary value of that interest and if not quantifiable the nature and extent of that interest, in a party is to be regarded as interested in any transaction which after the date of disclosure be entered into with that party, shall be deemed to be sufficient disclosure of his interest in any such transaction or arrangement.

(xi) A Director may vote in respect of any transaction or arrangement or any other proposal whatsoever in which he has any interest which he has disclosed and may be counted in the quorum at the meeting at which such matter is voted.

(xii) Where proposals are under consideration concerning the appointment of two or more Directors there shall be no requirement for the resolutions to be considered separately.

## (e) Borrowing Powers

The Articles contain a restriction on the amount and purpose of borrowings (but not type) by the Company in relation to a Cell to the effect that the Company shall not borrow in excess of any limit or for any other purpose than is stated in the Offering Memorandum. For restrictions on borrowing powers of each Cell please refer to Schedule 2.

#### (f) Indemnity

Every present or former officer of the Company may (to the extent permissible under the Companies Law) be fully indemnified out of the assets and profits of the Company against all actions, expenses and liabilities which he may incur except through his own wilful act, neglect or default.

#### (g) Notices

The Company may give notice to a member by the following means:

(i) personally;

- (ii) by post in a prepaid envelope to his registered address or leaving it at that address;
- (iii) transmitting it by facsimile to the number last notified by the member; or
- (iv) sending it by electronic means to the electronic address advised to the Company or by means of website.

## (h) Suspension of dealings

The Directors may declare suspension of valuations and dealings in Shares in the Company or in any particular Cell if in the opinion of the Directors such suspension is justified having regard to the interests of the shareholders of the Company.

## (i) General

- (i) Save as otherwise disclosed herein, no share or loan capital of the Company is under option or agreed, conditionally or unconditionally, to be put under option.
- (ii) There are no provisions of Guernsey law, which confer pre-emption rights on existing shareholders on the allotment of equity securities for cash.
- (iii) None of the Directors nor any member of their respective immediate families has any interest in the share or loan capital of the Company the existence of which is known to, or could with reasonable diligence, be ascertained by, the relevant Director. In the future, other Directors of the Company may become interested directly or indirectly in the share capital of the Company.
- (iv) None of the Directors has a service contract with the Company and no such contract is proposed.
- (v) No loan or guarantee has been granted or provided by the Company to or for the benefit of any Director.
- (vi) Save as otherwise disclosed herein, none of the Directors nor any member of their respective immediate families has or has had any interest in any transaction or transactions which are or were unusual in

their nature or conditions or significant to the business of the Company and which were effected by the Company since its incorporation.

# Inspection of the Company's register of shareholders

The register of shareholders of the Company may be inspected at the registered office of the Company during usual business hours on each Business Day.

#### **Documents available for inspection**

Copies of the following documents may be inspected free of charge or purchased for a reasonable fee at the registered offices of the Company and the Administrator during usual business hours on each Business Day:

- (a) the memorandum and articles of incorporation of the Company;
- (b) the material agreements referred to below and in the Supplements and any amendments thereto:
- (c) this Offering Memorandum and the Supplements;
- (d) the Companies Law;
- (e) the Rules; and
- (f) the most recent audited accounts and the financial and annual reports of the Company.

#### **MATERIAL AGREEMENTS**

## (a) Administration Agreement

Pursuant to an administration agreement dated 1 June 2020 between the Company (on its own behalf and on behalf of each of the Cells) and the Administrator (the "Administration Agreement"), the Company appointed the Administrator to act as administrator of the Company and of each Cell, as amended from time to time. Save as otherwise provided in the Administration Agreement, the Administration Agreement exempts the Administrator (including its respective officers and employees) from liability not due to its bad faith, recklessness, negligence, wilful default, fraud or breach on the part of an indemnified person and provides the Administrator (including its respective officers and employees) with an indemnity (in the #VPC:TGR.247174#

absence of its bad faith, recklessness, negligence, wilful default, fraud or breach on the part of an indemnified person) in respect of losses, damages or expenses it may incur in the good faith performance of its duties. The Administration Agreement may be terminated, *inter alia*, by either the Administrator or the Company giving not less than three months' notice in writing to the other (provided that such notice shall not be effective within twelve months from the date of the agreement) provided a suitably qualified replacement has been appointed.

# (b) Custodian Agreement

Pursuant to the custodian agreement dated 1 June 2020 between the Company (on its own behalf and on behalf of each of the Cells), and the Custodian, (the "Custodian Agreement"), the Custodian was appointed as custodian of the assets of the Company and of each Cell. Save as otherwise provided in the Custodian Agreement, the Custodian Agreement exempts the Custodian from liability not due to its fraud, wilful default or negligence and provides the Custodian with an indemnity (in the absence of its fraud, wilful default or negligence) in respect of losses, damages or expenses it may incur in the performance of its duties. The Custodian Agreement may be terminated by, *inter alia*, not less than ninety days' notice in writing given by the Company to the Custodian or by the Custodian to the Company and the Administrator provided that a suitably qualified replacement has been appointed.

## (c) Marketing Co-ordination Agreement

Pursuant to the Marketing Co-ordination Agreement dated 1 June 2020 between the Company (on its own behalf and on behalf of each of the Cells), and the Marketing Co-ordinator (the "Marketing Co-ordination Agreement"), the Marketing Co-ordinator has been appointed to, amongst other things, oversee the promotion and distribution of the Shares, to engage third parties to assist with distribution and promotion of the Shares, to co-ordinate the production of marketing literature and advertisements in connection with the Company and to assist in the management of the relationships between the various service providers to the Company. Save as otherwise provided in the Marketing Co-ordination Agreement, the Marketing Co-ordination Agreement exempts the Marketing Co-ordinator

from any liability to the Manager or the Company not due to its negligence, wilful misconduct or fraud and provides the Marketing Co-ordinator with an indemnity (in the absence of its negligence, wilful default or fraud) in respect of losses, damages or expenses it may incur in the performance of its duties. The Marketing Co-ordination Agreement is terminable, *inter alia*, by either party giving three months' notice in writing.

## (d) Sharia Consultancy Agreement

Pursuant to the Consultancy Agreement Letter dated 29 November 2017 between the Company and the Sharia Adviser (the "Sharia Consultancy Agreement"), the Sharia Adviser has been appointed to provide on-going Sharia advisory and support for the two Cells, undertake an annual Sharia compliance audit review of the two Cells to ensure their compliance and produce the Sharia compliance report/certificate when the annual audit review has been concluded. Pursuant to the Sharia Consultancy Agreement, except to the extent that it arises out of or is contributed to by the negligence, wilful default or fraud by the Sharia Adviser or any of its directors, consultants or employees, the Company agrees to indemnify the Sharia Adviser against all direct losses which arise out of any action properly taken by it in accordance with the Sharia Consultancy Agreement or in consequence of any breach of the Sharia Consultancy Agreement by the Company. The Sharia Consultancy Agreement is terminable, inter alia, by any party giving to the others three months' advance notice in writing.

#### (e) Sponsor Agreement

Pursuant to the sponsor agreement dated 1 June 2020 between the Company (on its own behalf and on behalf of the Cells) and the Administrator (the "Sponsor Agreement"), the Administrator has been appointed to act as sponsor in connection with the listing of the shares of the Company on TISE. Save as otherwise provided in the Sponsor Agreement, the Sponsor Agreement exempts the Administrator from liability not due to its bad faith, recklessness, negligence, wilful default, fraud or breach on the part of an indemnified person in the Agreement, and provides the Manager with an indemnity (in the absence of its bad faith, recklessness, negligence, wilful default, fraud or breach on the part of an indemnified person under the Agreement or) in respect of losses, damages or expenses it may incur in the

performance of its duties. The Sponsor Agreement is terminable, *inter alia*, by a party giving not less than three months' notice in writing to the other (provided that such notice shall not be effective within twelve months from the date of the Sponsor Agreement).

# **SCHEDULE 1**

# Cells

WSF Global Equity Fund (previously Reliance Global Shariah Growth Fund) (See Supplement 1)

#### **SCHEDULE 2**

## **Investment Restrictions and Borrowing Policy**

Article 1

- (1) Each Cell may only invest in:
  - (a) Shariah-compliant transferable securities and Islamic money market instruments admitted to or dealt in on a regulated market;
  - (b) Shariah-compliant transferable securities and Islamic money market instruments dealt in on another market in a Member State of the European Union which is regulated, operates regularly and is recognised and open to the public;
  - (c) Shariah-compliant transferable securities and Islamic money market instruments admitted to official listing on a stock exchange in a non-Member State of the European Union or dealt in on another market in a non-Member State of the European Union which is regulated, operated regularly and is recognised and open to the public provided that the choice of the stock exchange or market has been provided for in this Offering Memorandum;
  - (d) recently issued Shariah-compliant transferable securities and Islamic money market instruments provided that:
    - (i) the terms of issue include an undertaking that application will be made for admission to official listing on a stock exchange or to another regulated market which operates regularly and is recognised and open to the public, provided that the choice of the stock exchange or the market has been provided for in this Offering Memorandum;
    - (ii) such admission is secured within one year of issue;
  - (e) units of UCITS authorised according to Directive 85/611/EEC and/or other UCIs within the meaning of the first and second indent of Article 1, paragraph (2) of Directive 85/611/EEC, whether situated in a Member State of the European Union or not, provided that:
    - (i) such other UCIs are authorised under laws which provide that they are subject to supervision considered by the CSSF to be equivalent to that

laid down in EU law, and that cooperation between authorities is sufficiently ensured;

- (ii) 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 asset segregation, borrowing, lending and uncovered sales of Shariahcompliant transferable securities and Islamic money market instruments are equivalent to the requirements of Directive 85/611/EEC;
- (iii) 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; and
- (iv) no more than 10 per cent. of the assets of the UCITS or other UCIs, whose acquisition is contemplated, can, according to their constitutional documents, in aggregate be invested in units of other UCITS or other UCIs;
- (f) Shariah-compliant 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 Member State of the European Union or, if the registered office of the credit institution is situated in a non-Member State, provided that it is subject to prudential rules considered by the CSSF as equivalent to those laid down in EU law;
- (g) Shariah-compliant derivative instruments, including equivalent cash-settled instruments, dealt in on a regulated market referred to in sub-paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) above, and/or Shariah-compliant derivative instruments dealt in over-the-counter ("OTC Shariah-compliant derivatives"), provided that:
  - (i) the underlying consists of instruments covered by sub-paragraphs (a) to
    (h), financial Islamic indices, profit rates, foreign exchange rates or currencies, in which each Cell may invest according to its investment objectives as stated in this Offering Memorandum;
  - (ii) the counterparties to OTC Shariah-compliant derivative transactions are institutions subject to prudential supervision, and belonging to the categories approved by the CSSF, and

- (iii) the OTC Shariah-compliant 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 market value at the Cell's initiative.
- (h) Islamic money market instruments other than those dealt in on a regulated market, if the issue or issuer of such instruments are themselves regulated for the purpose of protecting investors and savings, and provided that they are:
  - (i) issued or guaranteed by a central, regional or local authority, a central bank of a Member State, the European Central Bank, the European Union or the European Investment Bank, a non-Member State or, in the 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
  - (ii) issued by an undertaking any securities of which are dealt in on regulated markets referred to in sub-paragraphs (a), (b) or (c) above; or
  - (iii) issued or guaranteed by an establishment subject to prudential supervision, in accordance with criteria defined by Community 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 EU law; or
  - (iv) issued by other bodies belonging to the categories approved by the CSSF provided that investments in such instruments are subject to investor protection equivalent to that laid down in subparagraphs (i), (ii) and (iii) and provided that the issuer is a company whose capital and reserves amount at least to ten million euros and which presents and publishes its annual accounts in accordance with fourth 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) However, each Cell:
  - (a) may invest not more than 10 per cent. of its assets in Shariah-compliant transferable securities and Islamic money market instruments other than those referred to in paragraph (1);
  - (b) may acquire movable and immovable property which is essential for the direct pursuit of its business; and
  - (c) may not acquire either precious metals or certificates representing them.
- (3) Each Cell may not hold liquid assets, including bank Shariah-compliant deposits, on an ancillary basis.

#### Article 2

- (1) Each Cell shall ensure that its global exposure relating to Shariah-compliant derivative instruments does not exceed the total Net Asset Value of its portfolio.
- (2) The risk exposure referred to in the paragraph immediately above is calculated taking into account the current value of underlying assets, the counterparty risk, future market movements and time available to liquidate the positions. These principles shall also apply to the following sub-paragraphs.
- (3) Each Cell may invest, as a part of the investment policy and within the limits set out in Article 3, sub-paragraph 5, in Shariah-compliant derivative instruments provided that the exposure to the underlying assets does not exceed in aggregate the investment limits laid down in Article 3. When a Cell invests in index-based Shariah-compliant derivative instruments, these instruments doe not have to be combined with the limits set out in Article 3.

## Article 3

(1) Each Cell may invest no more than 10 per cent. of its assets in Shariah-compliant transferable securities or Islamic money market instruments issued by the same body. Each Cell may not invest more than 20 per cent. of its assets in Shariah-compliant deposits made with the same body. The risk exposure to a counterparty of a Cell in an OTC Shariah-compliant derivative transaction may not exceed 10 per cent. of its assets when the counterparty is a credit institution referred to in Article 1 subparagraph (1)(f), or five per cent. of its assets in the other cases.

(2) The total value of the Shariah-compliant transferable securities and Islamic money market instruments held by each Cell in the issuing bodies in each of which it invests more than five per cent. of its assets must not exceed 40 per cent. of the value of its assets. This limitation does not apply to Shariah-compliant deposits and OTC Shariah-compliant derivative transactions made with financial institutions subject to prudential supervision.

Notwithstanding the individual limits laid down in Article 3 sub-paragraph 1, each Cell may not combine:

- (a) investments in Shariah-compliant transferable securities or Islamic money market instruments issued by a single body;
- (b) Shariah-compliant deposits made with a single body, and/or
- (c) exposures arising from OTC Shariah-compliant derivatives transactions undertaken with a single body,

in excess of 20 per cent. of its assets.

- (3) The limit laid down in the first sentence of Article 3 sub-paragraph 1 may be of a maximum of 35 per cent. if the Shariah-compliant transferable securities or Islamic money market instruments are issued or guaranteed by a Member State of the European Union, by its local authorities, by a non-Member State or by public international bodies to which one or more Member States are members.
- (4) The limit laid down in the first sentence Article 3 subparagraph 1 may be of a maximum of 25 per cent. for certain Sukuk when they are issued by a credit institution which has its registered office in a Member State of the European Union and is subject by law, to special public supervision designed to protect bondholders. In particular, sums deriving from the issue of these Sukuk must be invested in conformity with the law in assets which, during the whole period of validity of the Sukuk, are capable of covering claims attaching to the Sukuk and which, in the event of bankruptcy of the issuer, would be used on a priority basis for the repayment of the principal and payment of the accrued interest.

If a Cell invests more than five per cent. of its assets in the Sukuk referred to in Article 3 subparagraph 1 and issued by one issuer, the total value of such investments may not exceed 80 per cent. of the value of such Cell's assets.

(5) The Shariah-compliant transferable securities and Islamic money market instruments referred to in Article 3 sub-paragraphs (3) and (4) shall not to be taken into account for the purpose of applying the limit of 40 per cent. referred to in Article 3 sub-paragraph (2).

The limits set out in Article 3 subparagraphs (1), (2), (3) and (4) may not be combined, and thus investments in Shariah-compliant transferable securities or Islamic money market instruments issued by the same body, in Shariah-compliant deposits or Shariah-compliant derivative instruments made with this body carried out in accordance with Article 3 sub-paragraphs (1), (2), (3) and (4) may not exceed a total of 35 per cent. of the assets of the relevant Cell.

Companies which are included in the same group for the purposes 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 the present Article.

A Cell may cumulatively invest up to 20 per cent. of its assets in Shariah-compliant transferable securities and Islamic money market instruments within the same group.

#### Article 4

- (1) Without prejudice to the limits set out in Article 7, the limits set out in Article 3 are raised to maximum 20 per cent. for investment in shares and/or Sukuk issued by the same body when the aim of the Cell's investment policy is to replicate the composition of a certain stock or Sukuk index which is recognised by the CSSF, on the following basis:
  - (a) the composition of the index is sufficiently diversified;
  - (b) the index represents an adequate benchmark for the market to which it refers;
  - (c) it is published in an appropriate manner.
- (2) The limit set out in Article 4 sub-paragraph 1 is raised to 35 per cent. where that proves to be justified by exceptional market conditions, in particular in regulated markets where certain Shariah-compliant transferable securities or Islamic money market instruments are highly dominant. The investment up to this limit is only permitted for a single issuer.

#### Article 5

(1) Notwithstanding Article 3, each Cell may invest in accordance with the principle of risk-spreading up to 100 per cent. of its assets in different Shariah-compliant transferable securities and Islamic money market instruments issued or guaranteed by any Member State of the European Union, its local authorities, another member state of the OECD or public international bodies of which one or more Member States of the EU are members, provided that the relevant Cell ensures the required legal protection for its investors complying with the limits laid down in Articles 3 and 4. It shall hold securities from at least six different issues, but securities from any one issue may not account for more than 30 per cent. of the total amount.

#### Article 6

- (1) A Cell may acquire the units of UCITS and/or other UCIs referred to in Article 1 subparagraph (1)(e) provided that, unless otherwise determined for a given Cell, no more than 10 per cent. of such Cell's assets can in aggregate be invested in units of other UCI or UCITS.
- (2) The investment policy of a Cell may derogate from the preceding paragraph provided that in such event, no more than 20 per cent. of such Cell's assets are invested in a single UCITS or other UCI.

For the purposes of the application of this investment limit, each compartment of a UCI with multiple compartments shall be considered as a separate entity, provided that the principle of segregation of the obligations of the different compartments is ensured in relation to third parties.

Investments made in units of UCIs other than UCITS may not in aggregate exceed 30 per cent. of the assets of the relevant Cell.

(3) When a Cell invests in the units of other UCITS and/or other UCIs that are managed, directly or by delegation, by the same management company or by any other company with which the management company is linked by common management or control, or by a substantial direct or indirect holding, that management company or other company may not charge subscription or redemption fees on account of each Cell's investment in the units of such other UCITS and/or other UCIs.

- (1) Each Cell, together for all undertakings for collective investment under its management, may not acquire any shares carrying voting rights which would enable it to exercise significant influence over the management of an issuing body.
- (2) Moreover, each Cell may acquire no more than:
  - (a) 10 per cent. of the non-voting shares of the same issuer;
  - (b) 10 per cent. of the debt securities of the same issuer;
  - (c) 25 per cent. of the units of the same UCITS and/or other UCI;
  - (d) 10 per cent. of the Islamic money market instruments of any single issuer.

The limits laid down in (b), (c) and (d) may be disregarded at the time of acquisition if at that time the gross amount of debt securities or of the Islamic money market instruments or the net amount of the instruments in issue cannot be calculated.

- (3) Article 7 sub-paragraphs (1) and (2) are waived as regards:
  - (a) Shariah-compliant transferable securities and Islamic money market instruments issued or guaranteed by a Member State of the European Union or its local authorities;
  - (b) Shariah-compliant transferable securities and Islamic money market instruments issued or guaranteed by a non-Member State of the European Union;
  - (c) Shariah-compliant transferable securities and Islamic money market instruments issued by public international bodies of which one or more Member States of the European Union are members;
  - (d) shares held by the Cell in the capital of a company incorporated in a non-Member State of the European Union 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 Cell can invest in the securities of issuing bodies of that State. This derogation, however, shall apply only if in its investment policy the company from the non-Member State of the European Union complies with the limits

laid down in Articles 3, 6 and 7 sub-paragraphs (1) and (2). Where the limits set in articles 3 and 6 are exceeded, article 8 shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

#### Article 8

- (1) Each Cell need not necessarily comply with the limits laid down in the present investment restrictions when exercising subscription rights attaching to Shariah-compliant transferable securities or Islamic money market instruments which form part of their assets.
- (2) If the limits referred to in Article 8 sub-paragraph 1 are exceeded for reasons beyond the control of the Cell 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 interests of its unit-holders.
- (3) To the extent that an issuer is a legal entity with multiple compartments where the assets of a 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 Articles 3, 4 and 6.

#### Article 9

- (1) Each Cell may not borrow. However, each Cell may acquire foreign currency by means of a back-to-back loan.
- (2) By way of derogation from Article 9 sub-paragraph (1), each Cell may borrow the equivalent of:
  - (a) up to 10 per cent. of its assets provided that the borrowing is on a temporary basis; or
  - (b) up to 10 per cent. of its assets provided that the borrowing is to make possible the acquisition of immovable property essential for the direct pursuit of their business; in this case, these borrowings and those referred to in subparagraph (a) may not in any case in total exceed 15 per cent. of their assets.

#### Article 10

(1) Each Cell may not, without prejudice to the application of Articles 1 and 2, grant #VPC:TGR.247174#

loans or act as a guarantor on behalf of third parties.

(2) Article 10, sub-paragraph 1 shall not prevent each Cell from acquiring Shariah-compliant transferable securities, Islamic money market instruments or other financial instruments referred to in Article 1 sub-paragraph (1)(e), (g) and (h) which

are not fully paid.

Article 11

Each Cell may not carry out uncovered sales of Shariah-compliant transferable securities,

Islamic money market instruments or other financial instruments referred to in Article 1 sub-

paragraph (1)(e), (g) and (h).

Article 12

Derivatives may be used either for investment purposes or for the purpose of efficient

portfolio management. In both cases, the objective pursued by the use of Shariah-compliant

derivative instruments must respectively be provided for in the investment policy of every

Cell concerned.

If used for investment purposes, Shariah-compliant derivative instruments must at all times

comply with the requirements and limits determined by the applicable laws and regulations,

additional investment restrictions hereto and the investment policy of the relevant Cell as set

out in the relevant Supplement.

Each Cell may also seek to protect and enhance the asset value in view of an efficient

portfolio management, through the use of techniques and instruments consistent with each

Cell's investment objectives, notably by using Shariah-compliant derivatives like options,

forward contracts and futures contracts. The use of such techniques and instruments shall at

all times comply with the applicable laws and regulations of the relevant Guernsey and/or

Luxembourg and/or international authorities in force from time to time, in particular with

Institut Monetaire Luxembourgeois Circular 91/75 to the extent applicable (or any

replacement circular). Such techniques and instruments shall be applied only for hedging

purposes or in view of an enhancement of the investment strategy.

Article 13

Each Cell may only invest in the investment instruments stated in Articles 1 to 13 above

which are in compliance with the Shariah Investment Guidelines for each Cell set out in the

relevant Supplement.

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