Objectives and Investment Policy

- The Share Class is a share class of a Fund which aims to achieve a return on your investment, through a combination of capital growth and income on the Fund's assets, which reflects the return of the Markit iBoxx GBP Corporate 0-5 Index, the Fund's benchmark index (Index).
- The Share Class, via the Fund is passively managed and aims to invest so far as possible and practicable in the fixed income (FI) securities (such as bonds) that make up the Index and comply with its credit rating requirements. If the credit ratings of the FI securities are downgraded, the Fund may continue to hold them until they cease to form part of the Index and it is practicable to sell them.
- The Index measures the performance of the Sterling denominated investment grade debt securities (such as bonds) issued by companies with an expected remaining time to maturity of between 0 and 5 years. The debt securities will, at the time of inclusion in the Index, have an average rating of investment grade (i.e. meet a specified level of creditworthiness). All issues are included based on the currency of the issue and not the domicile of the issuer. Bonds must have a minimum amount outstanding of £100 million to be considered for inclusion in the Index.
- The Fund uses optimising techniques to achieve a similar return to its Index. These may include the strategic selection of certain securities that make up the Index or other FI securities which provide similar performance to certain constituent securities. These may also include the use of financial derivative instruments (FDIs) (i.e. investments the prices of which are based on one or more underlying assets). FDIs may be used for direct investment purposes. The use of FDIs is expected to be limited for this Share Class.
- The Fund may also engage in short-term secured lending of its investments to certain eligible third parties to generate additional income to offset the costs of the Fund.
- Recommendation: This Fund is suitable for medium to long term investment, though the Fund may also be suitable for shorter term exposure to the Index.
- Your shares will be distributing shares (i.e. income will be paid on the shares semi-annually).
- Your shares will be denominated in Sterling, the Fund’s base currency.
- The shares are listed on one or more stock exchanges and may be traded in currencies other than their base currency. The performance of your shares may be affected by this currency difference. In normal circumstances, only authorised participants (e.g. select financial institutions) may deal in shares (or interests in shares) directly with the Fund. Other investors can deal in shares (or interests in shares) daily through an intermediary on stock exchange(s) on which the shares are traded.
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- The lowest category does not mean risk free. Credit risk, changes to interest rates and/or issuer defaults will have a significant impact on the performance of fixed income securities. Potential or actual credit rating downgrades may increase the level of risk.
- Investment risk is concentrated in specific sectors, countries, currencies or companies. This means the Fund is more sensitive to any localised economic, market, political or regulatory events.
- Particular risks not adequately captured by the risk indicator include:
  - Counterparty Risk: The insolvency of any institutions providing services such as safekeeping of assets or acting as counterparty to derivatives or other instruments, may expose the Share Class to financial loss.
  - Credit Risk: The issuer of a financial asset held within the Fund may not pay income or repay capital to the Fund when due. If a financial institution is unable to meet its financial obligations, its financial assets may be subject to a write down in value or converted (i.e. “bail-in”) by relevant authorities to rescue the institution.
  - Liquidity Risk: Lower liquidity means there are insufficient buyers or sellers to allow the Fund to sell or buy investments readily.

For more information on the Fund, Share Class, risks and charges, please see the Fund’s prospectus, available on the product pages at www.blackrock.com
Charges

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

*Not applicable to secondary market investors. Investors dealing on a stock exchange will pay fees charged by their stock brokers. Such charges are publicly available on exchanges on which the shares are listed and traded, or can be obtained from stock brokers.

*Authorised participants dealing directly with the Fund will pay related transaction costs including, on redemptions, any applicable capital gains tax (CGT) and other taxes on underlying securities.

The ongoing charges figure is based on the fixed annualised fee charged to the Share Class in accordance with the Fund’s prospectus. This figure excludes portfolio trade related costs, except costs paid to the depositary and any entry/exit charge paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

Past Performance

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

The chart shows the Share Class’s annual performance in GBP for each full calendar year over the period displayed in the chart. It is expressed as a percentage change of the Share Class's net asset value at each year-end. The Fund was launched in 2011. The Share Class was launched in 2011. Performance is shown after deduction of ongoing charges. Any entry/exit charges are excluded from the calculation.

† Benchmark: Markit iBoxx GBP Corporate 0-5 Index (GBP). Prior to 30 September 2015 the Fund used a different benchmark which is reflected in the benchmark data.

Practical Information

- The depositary of the Fund is State Street Custodial Services (Ireland) Limited.
- Further information about the Fund and the Share Class can be obtained from the latest annual report and half-yearly reports of iShares plc. These documents are available free of charge in English and certain other languages. These can be found, along with other information, such as details of the key underlying investments of the Share Class and share prices, on the iShares website at www.ishares.com or by calling +44 (0)845 357 7000 or from your broker or financial adviser.
- Investors should note that the tax legislation that applies to the Fund and Share Class may have an impact on the personal tax position of your investment.
- The Fund is a sub-fund of iShares plc, an umbrella structure comprising different sub-funds. The Fund has one or more share classes. This document is specific to the Share Class and share prices, on the iShares website at www.ishares.com or by calling +44 (0)845 357 7000 or from your broker or financial adviser.
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- iShares plc may be held liable solely on the basis of any statement contained in this document that is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent with the relevant parts of the Fund’s prospectus.
- Under Irish law, iShares plc has segregated liability between its sub-funds (i.e. the Fund’s assets will not be used to discharge the liabilities of other sub-funds within iShares plc). In addition, the Fund’s assets are held separately from the assets of other sub-funds. Assets and liabilities specific to a share class would be attributable to only that share class, however there is no segregation of liabilities between share classes under Irish law.
- Switching of shares between the Fund and other sub-funds within iShares plc is not available to investors. Only Authorised Participants dealing directly with the Fund may switch shares between share classes of the Fund subject to meeting certain conditions in the Fund’s prospectus.
- The Remuneration Policy of the Management Company, which describes how remuneration and benefits are determined and awarded, and the associated governance arrangements, is available at www.blackrock.com/Remunerationpolicy or on request from the registered office of the Management Company.

** To the extent the Fund undertakes securities lending to reduce costs, the Fund will receive 62.5% of the associated revenue generated and the remaining 37.5% will be received by BlackRock as the securities lending agent. As securities lending revenue sharing does not increase the costs of running the Fund, this has been excluded from the ongoing charges.

### One-off charges taken before or after you invest

| Entry Charge | None* |
| Exit Charge | None* |

This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it is invested or before proceeds of your investments are paid out.

### Charges taken from the Share Class over each year

| Ongoing Charges | 0.20% ** |

### Charges taken from the Share Class under certain conditions

| Performance Fee | None |

During this period performance was achieved under circumstances that no longer apply.

![Historic performance to 31 December 2019](image)

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