



6 March 2023

Dear ,

CHANGES TO AXA FRAMLINGTON EMERGING MARKETS FUND

We, AXA Investment Managers UK Limited, in our role as authorised fund manager of the AXA Framlington Emerging Markets Fund (the “**Fund**”), are writing to you as a unitholder in the Fund. This Letter is further to the Information and Notice of the Meeting of Unitholders we sent to you on 27 January 2023 in respect of the changes we are proposing to make to the Fund (the “**Notice**”). This letter is to inform you that, in connection with the changes that we are proposing to the Fund outlined in the Notice, we intend to launch a new unit class with a significantly lower annual management charge than the annual management charge attributable to the unit class you currently hold in the Fund. The annual management charge is the annual fee we take from the Fund (as a percentage based on the size of the Fund) for carrying out our duties and responsibilities in managing the Fund. You will be eligible for and, unless you inform us otherwise, will receive the new unit class and benefit from the lower annual management charge **if the changes to the Fund are approved.**

As we set out in the Notice, we are proposing to change the name, the investment objective and the investment policy of the Fund. The Fund will also join AXA IM’s global ACT range of products (the “**Proposal**”). The ACT range of products implement a responsible investment approach as part of their investment strategy and are designed to enable investors to take action on global environmental, social and governance issues through their investments. We are therefore proposing that the Fund will seek to achieve a sustainable objective, alongside its current financial objective of achieving capital growth over the longer term and it will have the ability to invest globally rather than primarily in Emerging Markets. The name of the Fund will also be changed to the AXA ACT People & Planet Equity Fund, to reflect this new responsible investment approach (the “**New Fund**”).

In order for the changes to be effective, they must be approved by the unitholders by the passing of an extraordinary resolution at the Meeting. The Meeting is scheduled to take place on 4 April 2023. If approved the changes will be effective from 6 April 2023 (the “**Effective Date**”).

Having considered certain feedback we have received from some investors in the Fund following their receipt of the Notice, we have decided that, if the Proposal is approved, we will convert (i.e. move) all unitholders in the Fund into a new unit class in the New Fund, the Class S Unit through what is known as a conversion (the “**Conversion**”). **The new Class S Unit will have an annual management charge of 0.25%.** This will represent a significant saving on the annual management charge you pay on the unit class you currently hold in the Fund. The Conversion is a gesture of goodwill on our behalf and recognition of your commitment to invest in the New Fund and its responsible investment approach if the Proposal is approved.

We are required under the Financial Conduct Authority rules and the terms of the Prospectus to give you 60 days' prior written notice before a Conversion is carried out. This Letter provides this advance notice of the Conversion. The Conversion will, therefore, take place after the Effective Date of the Proposal on 8th May 2023 (the "**Conversion Date**"). However, we wish to ensure you benefit from the reduction in the annual management charge you pay from the Effective Date (6 April). In order to achieve this, we will reimburse the New Fund with an amount equal to the difference between the annual management charge you currently pay and the reduced annual management charge of 0.25% you will pay on the new Class S Unit in the New Fund. This will cover the period between the Effective Date and the Conversion Date.

The Conversion does not require your approval and you are not required to take any action in order for your units to be converted however, please note the Conversion will only take place if the Proposal is approved. In the event that the Proposal is not approved, we will seek the consent of the FCA to terminate the Fund.

Please note that this Letter does not constitute investment advice. If you do not understand this Letter or are in doubt as to its implications, please consult your financial advisor, stockbroker, accountant or solicitor immediately.

1. Which unitholders are affected by the Conversion?

The Conversion applies to all unitholders on the Fund on the Effective Date unless you advise us you do not wish to move to the new S Unit Class, as set out below.

2. Will the Conversion affect any of my rights as unitholder in the Fund?

The rights afforded to unitholders in the Class S Unit of the New Fund are equivalent to those afforded to investors in the existing classes of units of the Fund. As such, your rights as unitholder will not be affected. The number of units you hold and their price will be different but the total value of your unitholding will stay the same.

The minimum holding requirements, the minimum initial investment requirement and the minimum subscription/redemption limit are set out in the table at the Appendix to this letter. Please note that we will not apply the minimum holding requirement for Class S Units at the point of the Conversion or apply the provisions of the Prospectus allowing us to compulsorily redeem your investment in the Class S Units if it is below the minimum holding requirement.

Should you currently make monthly contributions to your holding of units we will also not apply the requirement for any subscriptions or redemptions to and from the Class S Unit to be at least £50. Save in respect of any monthly contributions that you make, the minimum subscription/redemption limit in respect of the Class S Unit will continue to apply after the Conversion.

You will not be able to increase your holding in the Class S Unit other than through an existing monthly contribution or with our prior written agreement.

3. Will I incur any additional charges as a result of the Conversion?

No, there will be no additional fees or charges incurred by you as a result of the Conversion. The attached Appendix to this Letter shows a comparison of the cost and charges of Class R Units, the Class D Units and the Class Z Units of the Fund and of Class S Units of the New Fund so you can compare the fees which will apply to you as a Class S investor. Ultimately, you will pay less fees for the same rights and access afforded to you by the units you currently hold.

4. Will the Conversion trigger any tax on capital gains?

For persons subject to United Kingdom taxation, the Conversion is not considered to be a tax event, so you will not incur any capital gains tax on Conversion.

5. Will the Class S Units be qualifying investments for any stocks and shares ISA managed by the Manager I may hold?

The Class S Units of the New Fund will be a qualifying investment for any stocks and shares ISA managed by AXA Investment Managers UK Limited you may hold.

6. Can I continue to hold the Class of Units I currently Hold?

You can continue to hold the class of units you currently hold by notifying us that you do not wish to participate in the Conversion by completing the enclosed form and returning it to us at AXA Investment Managers UK Limited, PO Box 10908 no later than 28th April 2023.

7. Can I choose to redeem my current holding units?

Yes, your right to redeem remains unaffected and you may redeem via the usual procedure by either writing to us at: AXA Investment Managers UK Limited, PO Box 10908, Chelmsford CM99 2UT; or calling us on 0345 777 5511.

You may also switch your unitholding(s) to any other AXA IM fund available to UK investors without any initial or switching charge. The last date for doing this is 12p.m. on 4th May 2023;

Please note: Key Investor Information Documents for all AXA IM funds are available on our website www.axa-im.co.uk

If your investment is outside an ISA or other tax-efficient wrapper, please note that HMRC will treat a redemption as a "disposal" of units. This means you may be liable to capital gains tax on any gains arising from the redemption of your units.

Further information and queries

We have included a draft Key Investor Information Document for the Class S Units of the New Fund. From the Conversion Date, you may access an electronic copy of the final Key Investor Information Document for the Class S Unit of the New Fund by clicking on the following link: <https://retail.axa-im.co.uk/key-investor-information> and visiting our "Fund Centre". In the fund profile page, you should select the "Literature" tab. You can also contact us on 0345 777 5511 to receive a printed copy.

If you have any questions about the contents of this letter, the Notice or the Conversion or require any further information, please contact your usual client services manager or via email AXA-IM@UK.DSYSTEMS.COM or call us on 0345 777 5511 between 9:00 am and 5:30 pm, Monday to Friday (calls may be recorded).

Yours sincerely,



Marcello Arona
Director
For and on behalf of
AXA Investment Managers UK Limited
As Authorised Fund Manager of the Fund

Appendix

Annual Management Charge

Class	Accumulation (ACC) or Income (INC)	Initial charge	Annual Management Charge	Minimum holding/ minimum initial investment	Minimum subsequent purchase/ redemption	Regular Savings
Class S	ACC INC	Nil	0.25% p.a.	£10,000,000	£100,000	£50 per month minimum (ACC only)
Class D	ACC INC	Nil	1.10% p.a.	£1,000	£100	£50 per month minimum (ACC only)
Class R	ACC INC	Nil	1.50% p.a.	£1,000	£100	£50 per month minimum (ACC only)
Class Z	ACC INC	Nil	0.25% p.a.	£100,000	£5,000	Not Available