

# Key Information Document

## Purpose

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

## Product

### Water Responsible Investing

Sub-fund of KBC Eco Fund  
Classic Shares Capitalisation shares  
ISIN-code: BE0175479063

Manufacturer of the product: KBC Asset Management NV (Part of the KBC Group)

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## What is this product?

### Type

This product is a fund. Classic Shares is a shareclass of the sub-fund Water Responsible Investing, a sub-fund of the open-ended investment company governed by Belgian law, KBC Eco Fund. This open-ended investment company does fulfil the requirements of the UCITS Directive. (\*)

### Term

Unlimited

### Objectives

KBC Eco Fund Water Responsible Investing aims to generate a return by investing in the water theme. All regions may be taken into consideration.

The fund invests its assets to the maximum extent possible, in shares of companies that operate in a responsible way within this theme. These companies generate a substantial proportion of their turnover by offering products and services relating to the water sector.

The fund pursues responsible investing objectives based on a dualistic approach: a negative screening and a positive selection methodology.

The negative screening entails that the fund may not invest in assets of companies that are excluded based on exclusion criteria (including tobacco, gambling activities and weapons). More information on the exclusion policy can be found at [www.kbc.be/investment-legal-documents](http://www.kbc.be/investment-legal-documents) > Exclusion policy for Responsible Investing funds.

The positive selection methodology is the responsible investing objective of contributing to a specific sustainability challenge, that is providing access to and improving the efficiency of clean water facilities.

This includes the following business activities: water and wastewater facilities, water treatment technology and environmental management consultancy firms. Only companies that focus at least 10% of their activities on this objective may be taken into consideration for the universe. In addition, the fund sets an objective at portfolio level: based on the individual sales figures, the weighted average of the portfolio is calculated in terms of theme relevance. This figure may never be less than 50%.

More information on the positive selection methodology and the concrete goals of the fund can be found at [www.kbc.be/investment-legal-documents](http://www.kbc.be/investment-legal-documents) > Investment policy for Responsible Investing funds and in the annex to the prospectus for this fund.

KBC Eco Fund Water Responsible Investing may make limited use of derivatives\*. This means that derivatives can be used either to help achieve the investment objectives (for instance, to increase or decrease the exposure to one or more market segments in line with the investment strategy), or to neutralise the portfolio's sensitivity to market factors (by hedging an exchange rate risk, for example).

The manager can make significant use of derivatives involving the assets of companies that do not have a responsible character.

The fund is actively managed without referring to any benchmark.

The fund is denominated in Euro.

The fund reinvests any income received in the manner set out in the prospectus (for more details, see section 'Types of units and fees and charges' of the information for this sub-fund in the prospectus).

### Practical information

The custodian of KBC Eco Fund is KBC Bank NV.

You can obtain a copy of the prospectus and the most recent annual and half-yearly reports in Dutch or English free of charge from any branch or agency of the financial service provider KBC Bank NV or KBC Asset Management NV (Havenlaan 2, 1080 Brussels, Belgium) or via the following website: [www.kbc.be/kid](http://www.kbc.be/kid).

You can find the most recent net asset value\* at [www.beama.be](http://www.beama.be). You can read all other practical information at: [www.kbc.be/kid](http://www.kbc.be/kid). Updated information on the remuneration policy (as described in the prospectus under 'Management Company') can be found at [www.kbc.be/investment-legal-documents](http://www.kbc.be/investment-legal-documents) (Remuneration Policy) and is available free of charge from any branch or agency of the financial service provider KBC Bank NV.

This key information document describes **Classic Shares**, a shareclass of **Water Responsible Investing**, a sub-fund of the open-ended investment company\* KBC Eco Fund.

The prospectus and periodic reports cover all sub-funds of the open-ended investment company.

Each sub-fund of KBC Eco Fund should be considered as a separate entity. Your rights as an investor are restricted to the assets of the sub-fund. The obligations of each individual sub-fund are covered only by the assets of that sub-fund.

Orders for fund units are executed daily (for more details, see the 'Information concerning the trading of shares' section of the information for this sub-fund in the prospectus).

You may exchange your investment in units in this sub-fund for units in another sub-fund. For additional information about this, see the 'Types of shares and fees and charges' section in the information concerning this sub-fund in the prospectus.

## Intended retail investor

The product is aimed at retail investors who want to build up wealth and have an investment horizon of around 8 years.

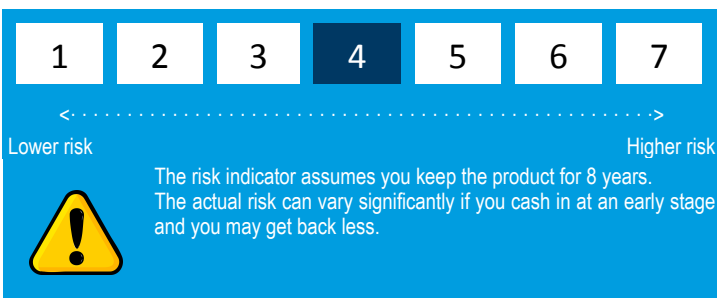
These investors are willing to take a certain amount of risk for a potentially higher return and can bear losses under adverse conditions.

These investors have at least a basic knowledge of and/or experience with investing.

They have also a preference for responsible investment.

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

### Risk indicator



The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay you. We have classified this product as 4 out of 7, which is a medium risk class.

4 is typical for an equity fund and indicates that the fund is highly sensitive to the markets. Indeed shares do not provide a guaranteed return and their value can fluctuate sharply.

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

If we are not able to pay you what is owed, you could lose your entire investment.

Moreover, an investment in this fund involves:

- a high level of exchange rate risk: since there are investments in securities that are denominated in currencies other than the Euro, there is a considerable chance that the value of an investment will be affected by movements in exchange rates.
- a moderate level of concentration risk: there is a concentration of investments in the shares of companies that operate in a responsible way within the water theme.
- a moderate level of liquidity risk: since there will be invested in a theme which may include companies with a lower market capitalisation, there is a risk that a position cannot be sold quickly at a reasonable price.

There is no capital protection.

### Scenarios

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

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

The unfavourable, moderate, and favourable scenarios shown are illustrations using the worst, average, and best performance of the product over the last 13 years.

Markets could develop very differently in the future.

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

Recommended holding period: 8 years

Example Investment: 10 000 EUR

If you exit after 1 year

If you exit after 8 years

### Scenarios

Scenarios		If you exit after 1 year	If you exit after 8 years
<b>Minimum</b>	<b>There is no minimum guaranteed return. You could lose some or all of your investment.</b>		
<b>Stress</b>	<b>What you might get back after costs</b> Average return each year	<b>1 490 EUR</b> -85.10%	<b>830 EUR</b> -26.74%
<b>Unfavourable</b>	<b>What you might get back after costs</b> Average return each year	<b>8 150 EUR</b> -18.50%	<b>9 240 EUR</b> -0.98%
<b>Moderate</b>	<b>What you might get back after costs</b> Average return each year	<b>10 570 EUR</b> 5.70%	<b>20 850 EUR</b> 9.62%
<b>Favourable</b>	<b>What you might get back after costs</b> Average return each year	<b>14 410 EUR</b> 44.10%	<b>26 550 EUR</b> 12.98%

Unfavourable scenario on 8 years or less: This type of scenario occurred for an investment between January 2022 and December 2023.

Moderate scenario on 8 years: This type of scenario occurred for an investment between March 2011 and February 2019.

Favourable scenario on 8 years: This type of scenario occurred for an investment between October 2011 and September 2019.

## What happens if KBC Asset Management NV is unable to pay out?

Because you invest directly in the fund, the failure of the Management Company, KBC Asset Management NV, to make distributions (for example, due to insolvency) would have no direct consequences on the ability of the fund to make distributions.

In the event that the fund itself fails to make distributions, you may lose your investment entirely. The fund is not covered by any compensation, guarantee scheme or any other form of investor guarantee.

## What are the costs?

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

## Costs over time

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

We have assumed:

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

	If you exit after 1 year	If you exit after 8 years
<b>Total costs</b>	<b>496 EUR</b>	<b>1 866 EUR</b>
Annual cost impact (*)	5.0%	2.3% each year

(\*) This illustrates how costs reduce your return each year over the holding period. For example it shows that if you exit at the recommended holding period your average return per year is projected to be 11.9% before costs and 9.6% after costs.

We may share part of the costs with the person selling you the product to cover the services they provide to you. They will inform you of the amount. These figures include the maximum distribution fee that the person selling you the product may charge: 3.0% of the amount invested. This person will inform you of the actual distribution fee.

## Composition of costs

One-off costs upon entry or exit		If you exit after 1 year
<b>Entry costs</b>	Max. 3.00% of the amount you pay in when entering this investment. This includes distribution costs of max. 3.00% of amount invested.	300 EUR
<b>Exit costs</b>	We do not charge an exit fee for this product. However, if you exit within one month after the entry, an exit fee of max. 5.00% can be charged.	0 EUR
<b>Ongoing costs taken each year</b>		
<b>Management fees and other administrative or operating costs</b>	1.86% of the value of your investment per year. This is an estimate based on actual costs over the last year.	186 EUR
<b>Transaction costs</b>	0.10% of the value of your investment per year. This is an estimate of the costs incurred when we buy and sell the underlying investments for the product. The actual amount will vary depending on how much we buy and sell.	10 EUR
<b>Incidental costs taken under specific conditions</b>		
<b>Performance fees</b>	There is no performance fee for this product.	0 EUR

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

### Recommended holding period: 8 years

Given the investment strategy of this product, we recommend holding on to this product for 8 years or longer. The holding period is determined with the aims to reduce the timing risk when entering and exiting the product, and to ensure sufficient time for the underlying assets to recover in case of unfavourable market conditions. According to our estimates, the probability of getting a positive return is higher when you hold on to the recommended holding period or longer. You can exit this product before the recommended holding period, but in that case the probability of getting less back than the initial investment is higher.

A partial or full exit is free of charge. However, if you exit within one month after the entry, the fee mentioned in the 'What are the costs?' section can be charged.

## How can I complain?

For complaints about the product or the conduct of the manufacturer or person selling or advising on the product, your intermediary is the first point of contact. If you cannot reach agreement, you can contact [klachten@kbc.be](mailto:klachten@kbc.be) Tel. 0161/ 43 25 94, Brusselssesteenweg 100 3000 Leuven, or [gestiondesplaintes@cbc.be](mailto:gestiondesplaintes@cbc.be) Tel. 081 803 163, Avenue Albert I 5000 Namur or [ombudsman@ombudsfm.be](mailto:ombudsman@ombudsfm.be) Tel. 02 545 77 70, North Gate II, Koning Albert II-laan 8 bus 2 1000 Brussels. You can find the complete complaints procedure at [www.kbc.be/suggestion-or-complaint](http://www.kbc.be/suggestion-or-complaint) or [www.cbc.be/suggestion-ou-plainte](http://www.cbc.be/suggestion-ou-plainte). However, you always retain the right to initiate legal proceedings.

## Other relevant information

Detailed information on this product and the associated risks can be found in the documentation relating to the fund. Be sure to read this information before signing up. You can obtain the information free of charge from your intermediary. You can find information about the past performance of this product during the past 10 years in the past performance information document on the following website: [www.kbc.be/fund-performance](http://www.kbc.be/fund-performance).

You can find previous performance scenario calculations on the following website: [www.kbc.be/fund-performance](http://www.kbc.be/fund-performance).

\*see glossary of Key Information Document terms at: [www.kbc.be/kid](http://www.kbc.be/kid).