

ANNOUNCEMENT

NOTICE

To all Unit Holders of AmSustainable Series – Global Lower Carbon Equity Fund (formerly known as Sustainable Series – Global Lower Carbon Equity Fund)

RE: Issuance of the Second Supplementary Information Memorandum in respect of AmSustainable Series – Global Lower Carbon Equity Fund (formerly known as Sustainable Series – Global Lower Carbon Equity Fund) dated 1 March 2024

Dear Valued Unit Holders,

We wish to inform you that we have lodged the Second Supplementary Information Memorandum in respect of AmSustainable Series – Global Lower Carbon Equity Fund dated and effective 28 February 2024 (the “Second Supplementary Information Memorandum”) with Securities Commission Malaysia. The Second Supplementary Information Memorandum is to be read in conjunction with the Information Memorandum dated 23 May 2023 and First Supplementary Information Memorandum dated 28 February 2024 for AmSustainable Series – Global Lower Carbon Equity Fund.

This Second Supplementary Information Memorandum is issued to include the following, but is not limited to:

- the update made to the disclosure in “Definitions”;
- the update made to the investment strategy for the fund; and
- the insertion of new specific risks associated with the investment portfolio of the fund.

For further details, kindly refer to the summary list of key amendments below. Should you require further information and clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us at:

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1 March 2024

Summary List of Key Amendments for the Second Supplementary Information Memorandum in respect of AmSustainable Series – Global Lower Carbon Equity Fund dated 1 March 2024 (the “Second Supplementary Information Memorandum”). This Second Supplementary Information Memorandum is to be read in conjunction with the Information Memorandum dated 23 May 2023 and the First Supplementary Information Memorandum dated 28 February 2024 for AmSustainable Series – Global Lower Carbon Equity Fund.

Details	Prior disclosure in the Information Memorandum	Revised disclosure in the Second Supplementary Information Memorandum
Definitions – ESG Assessment Methodology	-	<p>ESG Assessment Methodology</p> <p>The Fund will invest in the Target Fund that complies with the following Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (“SFDR”) classification which the Manager deems ESG positive:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Article 8 – defined as “a fund which promoted, among other characteristics, environmental or social characteristics, or a combination of those characteristics, provided that the companies in which the investments are made follow good governance practices”; and 2. Article 9 – defined as “a fund that has sustainable investment as its objective or a reduction in carbon emissions as its objective”.
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	<p>The Fund is a qualified SRI fund. It invests in the Target Fund that adopts thematic investment in companies that have a lower carbon intensity. This includes screening, selection, monitoring and realization of the Target Fund’s investments by the Investment Adviser. The Target Fund will adopt the following strategy to ensure that the companies that the Target Fund invests in are in line with the sustainability principles adopted and the overall impact of such investments of the Target Fund is not inconsistent with any other sustainability principles.</p> <p>The Target Fund aims to provide long-term total return by investing in a portfolio of equities, while promoting ESG characteristics within the meaning of Article 8 of SFDR. The Target Fund aims to do this with a lower carbon intensity, calculated as a weighted average of the carbon intensities of the Target Fund’s investments.</p> <p>In normal market conditions, the Target Fund invests a minimum of 90% of its net assets in accordance with the Lower Carbon Strategy, in equities and equity-equivalent securities of companies which are domiciled in, based in, carry out the larger part of their business activities in, or are listed on a regulated market in developed markets.</p> <p>The Target Fund aims for lower exposure to carbon intensive businesses through portfolio construction.</p> <p>The Target Fund uses a multi-factor investment process, based on five factors (value, quality, momentum, low risk and size), to identify and rank stocks in its investment universe with the aim of maximising the portfolio’s riskadjusted return. Although the investment process currently uses these</p>	<p>The Fund is a qualified SRI fund. It invests in the Target Fund that adopts thematic investment in companies that have a lower carbon intensity. This includes screening, selection, monitoring and realization of the Target Fund’s investments by the Investment Adviser. The Target Fund will adopt the following strategy to ensure that the companies that the Target Fund invests in are in line with the sustainability principles adopted and the overall impact of such investments of the Target Fund is not inconsistent with any other sustainability principles.</p> <p>The Target Fund aims to provide long-term total return by investing in a portfolio of equities, while promoting ESG characteristics within the meaning of Article 8 of SFDR. The Target Fund aims to do this with a lower carbon intensity, calculated as a weighted average of the carbon intensities of the Target Fund’s investments.</p> <p>In normal market conditions, the Target Fund invests a minimum of 90% of its net assets in accordance with the lower carbon strategy, in equities and equity-equivalent securities of companies which are domiciled in, based in, carry out the larger part of their business activities in, or are listed on a regulated market in developed market, up to 10% of its net assets, may invest in units or shares of UCITS and/or other eligible UCIs (including bank deposits and money market instruments).</p> <p>The Target Fund aims for lower exposure to carbon intensive businesses through portfolio construction.</p> <p>The Target Fund uses a multi-factor investment process, based on five factors (value, quality, momentum, low risk and size), to identify and rank stocks in its investment universe with the aim of maximising the portfolio’s risk- adjusted return. Although the investment process currently uses these five factors, it is subject to ongoing research</p>
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	<p>replacement target fund must meet the requirements of the Guidelines on Sustainable and Responsible Investment Funds, where applicable. If the Target Fund no longer meets the requirements of the Guidelines on Sustainable and Responsible Investment Funds, the Fund’s SRI status will be revoked.</p>	<p>need not be reported to the SC and must be rectified as soon as practical within seven (7) business days from the date of the breach. The seven-business day period may be extended to three (3) months if it is in the best interest of Unit Holders and Trustee’s consent is obtained. Such extension must be subject to at least a monthly review by the Trustee.</p> <p>The Manager may, in consultation with the Trustee and with the approval of the Unit Holders, terminate the Fund or replace the Target Fund with another fund that has similar objective if, in the Manager’s opinion, the Target Fund no longer meets the Fund’s investment objective. The replacement target fund must meet the requirements of the Guidelines on Sustainable and Responsible Investment Funds, where applicable. If the Target Fund no longer meets the requirements of the Guidelines on Sustainable and Responsible Investment Funds, the Fund’s SRI status will be revoked.</p>		
<p>Risk Factors – Specific Risks</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>Specific risks associated with the investment portfolio of the Fund</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td data-bbox="1161 898 1371 1377"> <p>Sustainability and Responsible Investment and Impact Risk</p> </td> <td data-bbox="1371 898 2013 1377"> <p>As the Fund via investment in the Target Fund has an intention to generate positive sustainable and responsible impact alongside a financial return (“impact”), the investor must be able to accept temporary capital losses due to the potentially restricted number of companies that the Target Fund can invest in due to those companies which may not meet the sustainability considerations requirement and, consequently, should view investment in the Fund as a long-term investment.</p> <p>The Target Fund may seek to exclude holdings deemed inconsistent with the sustainability</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Sustainability and Responsible Investment and Impact Risk</p>	<p>As the Fund via investment in the Target Fund has an intention to generate positive sustainable and responsible impact alongside a financial return (“impact”), the investor must be able to accept temporary capital losses due to the potentially restricted number of companies that the Target Fund can invest in due to those companies which may not meet the sustainability considerations requirement and, consequently, should view investment in the Fund as a long-term investment.</p> <p>The Target Fund may seek to exclude holdings deemed inconsistent with the sustainability</p>
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		<p>considerations. As a result, the investments of the Target Fund will be more limited than other funds that do not apply sustainability considerations. The Target Fund may be precluded from purchasing, or required to sell, certain investments that are inconsistent with its investment policy and sustainability considerations which might otherwise be advantageous to hold. The incorporation of sustainability considerations could result in performance that is better or worse than the performance of the other funds depending on the performance of the excluded investments and the investments included in place of such excluded investments of the Target Fund. The ESG Assessment Methodology such as the methodology used by the Manager for assessing the Target Fund with scoring matrix is incorporated in our investment process to mitigate this risk.</p>
		<p>Greenwashing Risk Greenwashing is defined as making false, misleading or unsubstantiated claims about the positive environmental impact of an investment product. The Fund via investment in the Target Fund may inadvertently invest into such products, without prior knowledge of the fraudulent claims. As greenwashing could result in reputational risk, regulatory fines, and/or withdrawal of the products, there could be a negative impact on the value of the Target Fund and the Fund.</p>

		<p>In mitigating the greenwashing risk, there are governance and guidelines in place for assessing the sustainability of the Target Fund. The methodology of ESG score for Target Fund is approved by appropriate approving authority internally, and the ESG score for Target Fund is updated periodically if there is changes, i.e. on a monthly basis. The Manager also will monitor any negative news to the Target Fund and Investment Adviser in relation to greenwashing.</p>
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