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**If you are in any doubt about the contents of this Supplement, you should consult your stockbroker or other financial adviser.**

**This Supplement forms part of and should be read in conjunction with the general description of the Trust contained in the current Prospectus together with the most recent annual report and audited financial statements and if published after such report, a copy of the latest half-yearly report and unaudited financial statements.**

The Directors of the Manager, whose names appear under the heading “Management and Administration” in the Prospectus, dated 2 July 2021, accept responsibility for the information contained in the Prospectus and in this Supplement. 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 Supplement is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of the information.

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## **AXA GLOBAL EQUITY SELECTION**

*(a sub-fund of Architas Multi-Manager Global Funds Unit Trust, an umbrella open-ended Unit Trust with segregated liability between its Funds authorised by the Central Bank pursuant to the provisions of the Regulations)*

### **SUPPLEMENT**

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**This Supplement contains information relating to AXA Global Equity Selection.**

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## DEFINITIONS

*"Business Day"*, a day (excluding Saturday and Sunday) on which the banks are open for business in Ireland, Japan and Hong Kong (and/or such other day as the Manager may from time to time determine and notify in advance to Unitholders).

*"Central Bank"*, means the Central Bank of Ireland and its successors thereof.

*"Dealing Day"*, each Business Day (or such other day or days as the Manager may from time to time determine and notify in advance to Unitholders provided there is at least one Dealing Day per fortnight).

*"Dealing Deadline"*, before 9.00a.m. (Irish time) on the day prior to the relevant Dealing Day.

*"Valuation Point"*, close of business in the relevant market on each Dealing Day or such other days as the Directors, with the consent of the Trustee, may determine.

With the exception of the defined terms set out above, and unless the context requires otherwise, defined terms in this Supplement shall have the meaning attributed to them in the Prospectus.

## INTRODUCTION

As at the date of this Supplement, AXA Global Equity Selection has nineteen classes of Units namely, the Institutional Class I (JPY) Units, the Retail Class R (JPY) Units, the Zero Class Z (JPY) Units, the Institutional Class H (USD) Units, the Institutional Class I (USD) Units, Institutional Class A (USD) Hedged Units, the Retail Class Q (USD) Units, the Retail Class R (USD) Units, the Zero Class Y (USD) Units, the Zero Class Z (USD) Units, the Institutional Class H (EUR) Hedged Units, the Institutional Class I (EUR) Units, the Retail Class R (EUR) Units, the Zero Class Z (EUR) Units, the Zero Class Y (EUR) Hedged Units, the Institutional Class H (GBP) Hedged Units, the Institutional Class I (GBP) Units, the Retail Class R (GBP) Units and the Zero Class Z (GBP) Units. Additional classes may be added to AXA Global Equity Selection in accordance with the requirements of the Central Bank.

The base currency of AXA Global Equity Selection is Japanese Yen.

Please see Schedule II of this Supplement entitled "*Sustainability Risk*" for information on the manner in which sustainability risks are integrated into investment decisions of AXA Global Equity Selection.

### Profile of a Typical Investor

AXA Global Equity Selection is suitable for investors seeking to achieve long term capital appreciation measured in Japanese Yen with a medium to high level of volatility.

## AXA GLOBAL EQUITY SELECTION

### Investment Objective

The investment objective of AXA Global Equity Selection is to provide investors with long-term capital growth from a diversified and actively managed portfolio of securities.

### Investment Strategy

AXA Global Equity Selection is subject to the overall management of the Manager who in turn appoints one or more Investment Managers and determines the allocation given to each such Investment Manager. Each Investment Manager will be responsible for the investment of assets of AXA Global Equity Selection based on its investment style. For example, certain selected Investment Managers may adopt a growth style whereby they will seek to identify companies they believe will generate superior long-term earnings, other selected Investment Managers may adopt a value style whereby they seek to identify companies that are undervalued by the market and are trading at a discount to their intrinsic value, other selected Investment Managers may apply a core style, style-agnostic exposure to global equities, driven directly by their proprietary and fundamental research insights which can include a combination of macroeconomic, fundamental bottom up stock selection process and technical analysis.

A style-agnostic investment strategy means that the relevant Investment Manager will not adopt a particular investment style at the exclusion of others and allows the relevant Investment Manager to implement a flexible and adaptable investment strategy to assist with the selection of investments. This allows the relevant Investment Manager to be more readily adaptable as different style factors come into or fall out of favour. Each Investment Manager will be subject to the Investment Objective and Investment Policy of AXA Global Equity Selection. The Manager may, itself, also manage all or a specified allocation of the assets of AXA Global Equity Selection.

### Investment Policy

AXA Global Equity Selection is actively managed. AXA Global Equity Selection will aim to achieve its objective by investing at least two-thirds of its Net Asset Value in equities domiciled, listed, quoted or traded on Regulated Markets globally (excluding Japan). AXA Global Equity Selection may also invest up to 30% of its Net Asset Value in equity-related securities (including preferred stock, American Depositary Receipts ("ADRs") and Global Depositary Receipts ("GDRs")). AXA Global Equity Selection is not subject to any limitation on the portion of its Net Asset Value that may be invested in any one country excluding Japan, region or sector. AXA Global Equity Selection may invest up to 10% of its Net

Asset Value in UCITS and acceptable alternative investment funds (as referred to at 1.5 of Appendix III of the Prospectus).

AXA Global Equity Selection may invest in fixed income securities if, in the opinion of the Investment Manager, such investment would improve the performance of AXA Global Equity Selection. While it is not anticipated that AXA Global Equity Selection will invest a significant proportion of its Net Asset Value in fixed income securities (investment in fixed income securities will, at all times be less than 10% of the Net Asset Value of AXA Global Equity Selection), AXA Global Equity Selection may, from time to time, invest in fixed and/or floating rate debt securities and in fixed income related securities, such as Global Depository Notes. Such securities may include investment grade and/or high yield (rated by a recognised agency) debt securities. Such Investments will be unleveraged.

AXA Global Equity Selection may invest in financial indices as part of its general investment strategy, as described in further detail below.

AXA Global Equity Selection may also invest up to 10% of its Net Asset Value in Real Estate Investment Trusts (i.e. REITs).

In pursuit of its investment objective AXA Global Equity Selection may employ FDI for investment purposes or efficient portfolio management purposes in accordance with the provisions of the Prospectus and the limitations set down in Appendix II to the Prospectus. Investments in FDI may include equity index futures (which will be used to gain efficient exposure to equities or equity-related securities) and currency forwards. AXA Global Equity Selection will only utilise FDI which are included in a RMP submitted to the Central Bank.

In relation to total return swaps, the Manager expects that such transactions will apply to 0% of the Net Asset Value of AXA Global Equity Selection, however AXA Global Equity Selection may enter into such transactions up to 100% of its Net Asset Value.

AXA Global Equity Selection may enter into securities lending, repurchase and/or reverse repurchase agreements solely for the purposes of efficient portfolio management in accordance with the provisions of the Central Bank Requirements and Appendix II to the Prospectus. The Manager expects that lending of securities and repurchase transactions will apply to 0% of the Net Asset Value of AXA Global Equity Selection, however, AXA Global Equity Selection may enter into such transactions up to 100% of its Net Asset Value. The Manager expects that borrowing of securities and reverse repurchase transactions will apply to 0% of the Net Asset Value of AXA Global Equity Selection however AXA Global Equity Selection may enter into such transactions up to 100% of its Net Asset Value. Details on the past utilisation of these transactions are contained in the AXA Global Equity Selection annual report.

AXA Global Equity Selection may directly invest in or use FDI to gain exposure to the MSCI Kokusai Index (Net Total Return, Japanese Yen) (the “**Index**” or “**Benchmark**”) for investment purposes. AXA Global Equity Selection is actively managed in reference to the Benchmark by virtue of the fact AXA Global Equity Selection aims to outperform the Benchmark over the medium to long term.

Further information in relation to the Index is available from the website of the Index provider, being [www.msci.com](http://www.msci.com).

The Index is currently rebalanced on a quarterly basis by the Index provider.

An Investment Manager may also directly invest in or gain exposure to other financial indices for investment purposes which reflect AXA Global Equity Selection’s investment objective and policies. Any such financial indices will be rebalanced/adjusted on a periodic basis in accordance with the requirements of the Central Bank e.g., on a weekly, monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual basis.

The costs associated with investing in or gaining exposure to a financial index, including the Index, will be impacted by the frequency with which the relevant financial index is rebalanced.

Where the weighting of a particular constituent in the financial index, including the Index, exceeds the investment restrictions set down in the UCITS Regulations, the relevant Investment Manager will as a

priority objective look to remedy the situation taking into account the interests of Unitholders of AXA Global Equity Selection.

A list of the financial indices to which AXA Global Equity Selection invests in or takes exposure to will be set out in the annual financial statements of AXA Global Equity Selection. Details of any financial indices (including their name, classification, rebalancing frequency and the markets that they represent) used by AXA Global Equity Selection will also be provided to Unitholders by the Manager on request.

AXA Global Equity Selection is actively managed in reference to the Benchmark by virtue of the fact AXA Global Equity Selection aims to outperform the Benchmark over the medium to long term. Certain of AXA Global Equity Selection's securities will be components of and may have similar weightings to the Benchmark. While the Benchmark is used to define a portion of the portfolio, it will not be used to define the entire portfolio composition of AXA Global Equity Selection. It is expected that up to 50% of AXA Global Equity Selection's Net Asset Value will be determined by the Benchmark, however, in certain circumstances and on a temporary basis, up to 100% of AXA Global Equity Selection's Net Asset Value may be determined by the Benchmark (for example where an Investment Manager is being replaced).

It should be noted that an Investment Manager may at any time change the Benchmark where, for reasons outside its control, that Benchmark has been replaced, or another benchmark may reasonably be considered by the relevant Investment Manager to have become the appropriate standard for the relevant exposure. In such circumstances, any proposed change in the Benchmark will result in an update to the Supplement and the change will also be disclosed in the annual or half-yearly report of AXA Global Equity Selection issued subsequent to such change.

#### Taxonomy Regulation

The investments underlying this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Global exposure of AXA Global Equity Selection will be measured and monitored using the commitment approach. AXA Global Equity Selection may be leveraged up to 100% of its Net Asset Value as a result of its use of FDI. AXA Global Equity Selection may also borrow up to 10% of its Net Asset Value temporarily.

### **RISK FACTORS**

Unitholders and potential investors are specifically referred to the section headed "Risk Factors" in the Prospectus.

In addition, Unitholders should be aware that, while the use of FDI may be beneficial, FDI also involve risks different from, and, in certain cases greater than the risks presented by more traditional investments. The use of FDI may cause the Unit price to be more volatile. For a further description of risks relating to the use of FDI please refer to the "Risk Factors" section of the Prospectus.

### **INVESTMENT AND BORROWING RESTRICTIONS**

AXA Global Equity Selection is subject to the investment and borrowing restrictions set out in the Regulations and in Appendix III to the Prospectus.

### **DISTRIBUTION POLICY**

It is not intended to declare any dividend on Units in AXA Global Equity Selection (although the Manager retains discretion to implement a policy of paying dividends). Consequently, any income and other profits will be accumulated and reinvested on behalf of Unitholders. Full details of any permanent change to AXA Global Equity Selection's dividend policy will be provided in an updated Supplement and all Unitholders will be notified in advance.

### **RESTRICTIONS ON DISTRIBUTION IN JAPAN**

The Units may not be offered for a public offering in Japan unless a securities registration statement pursuant to Article 4, Paragraph 1 of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act of Japan (Act No. 25 of 1948, as amended; (the "FIEA")) has been filed with the Director of the Kanto Local Finance Bureau of the Ministry of Finance of Japan.

No securities registration statement pursuant to Article 4, Paragraph 1 of the FIEA has been made or will be made with respect to the solicitation for the purchase of the Units in Japan as such solicitation is made by way of the Private Placement of Securities as defined in Article 2, Paragraph 3 of the FIEA and falls within the Solicitation for Qualified Institutional Investors (as such term is defined in Item 1, Paragraph 3 of Article 2 of the FIEA and Paragraph 1 of Article 10 of the Cabinet Office Ordinance on Definitions provided in Article 2 of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act (Ordinance No. 14 of 1993 of the Ministry of Finance, as amended); hereinafter the same) as defined under Article 23-13, Paragraph 1 of the FIEA.

The Units may be offered in Japan to Qualified Institutional Investors only. A Unitholder in Japan who subscribed for or acquired the Units may not to, directly or indirectly, sell, exchange, assign, mortgage, hypothecate, pledge or otherwise transfer its Units (or any interest therein) in whole or in part to any party other than to another Qualified Institutional Investor.

The Unitholder, when assigning or otherwise transferring its Units pursuant to the transfer restriction in the preceding paragraph, shall notify the assignee or the transferee of the matters described in the preceding two paragraphs in writing prior to or at least simultaneously with the assignment or the transfer.

The Manager for the account of AXA Global Equity Selection has filed a notification statement with the Commissioner of the Financial Services Agency of Japan (the "FSA") pursuant to the Act on Investment Trusts and Investment Corporations of Japan in connection with the private placement of the Units in Japan. A report with respect to the placement and redemption of the Units may be filed by the Manager with the Ministry of Finance of Japan as required in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act of Japan.

## **SUBSCRIPTIONS**

### Initial Offer

The Initial Offer Period for the Retail Class R (JPY) Units, the Zero Class Z (JPY) Units, the Institutional Class H (USD) Units, the Institutional Class I (USD) Units, Institutional Class A (USD) Hedged Units, the Retail Class Q (USD) Units, the Retail Class R (USD) Units, the Zero Class Y (USD) Units, the Zero Class Z (USD) Units, the Institutional Class H (EUR) Hedged Units, the Institutional Class I (EUR) units, the Retail Class R (EUR) Units, the Zero Class Z (EUR) Units, the Zero Class Y (EUR) Hedged Units, the Institutional Class H (GBP) Hedged Units, the Institutional Class I (GBP) Units, the Retail Class R (GBP) Units and the Zero Class Z (GBP) Units shall be the period beginning at 9.00 am (Irish time) on 15 July 2024 and ending at 5.30 p.m. (Irish time) on 14 January 2025.

The initial offer price for the (JPY) Unit classes shall be ¥10,000, for the (USD) Unit classes shall be \$100, for the (EUR) Unit classes shall be €100 and for the (GBP) Unit classes shall be £100.

Applications for Units during the Initial Offer Period must be received during the Initial Offer Period. Payment in respect of applications for subscriptions received during the Initial Offer Period must be received by the Administrator by 5.00p.m. (Irish time) on the second Business Day following the relevant Dealing Day.

### Subsequent Subscriptions

Units may be subscribed for in the manner described in the Prospectus under the heading "Subscriptions".

Applications for subscriptions must be received by the Administrator by the Dealing Deadline or such other time as the Manager may determine (in exceptional circumstances and provided the application is

received by the Administrator before the relevant Valuation Point, which for this purpose shall be the close of business in the market that closes first on each Dealing Day). Any applications received after the Dealing Deadline will normally be held over until the next Dealing Day but may in exceptional circumstances be accepted for dealing after the Dealing Deadline, at the discretion of the Manager (provided the application is received by the Administrator before the relevant Valuation Point).

Payment in respect of applications for subscriptions must be received by the Administrator by 5.00p.m. (Irish time) on the second Business Day following the relevant Dealing Day or such later time or date as the Manager may determine at its discretion.

The latest price for Units will be available during normal business hours every Business Day at the office of the Administrator and will be published daily on the Manager's website <https://select.axa-im.com/>

#### Minimum Subscription Amount / Minimum Holding

The minimum subscription amount during and after the Initial Offer Period and minimum holding amount in respect of each Unit class are set out below.

<b>Unit Class</b>	<b>Minimum Subscription during Initial Offer Period / Minimum Holding</b>	<b>Minimum Subscription</b>
Institutional Class I (JPY) Units	JPY 100,000,000	JPY 100,000,000
Retail Class R (JPY) Units	JPY 100,000	JPY 100,000
Zero Class Z (JPY) Units	JPY 100,000,000	JPY 100,000,000
Institutional Class H (USD) Units	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Institutional Class I (USD) Units	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Institutional Class A (USD) Hedged Units	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Retail Class Q (USD) Units	\$1,000	\$1,000
Retail Class R (USD) Units	\$1,000	\$1,000
Zero Class Y (USD) Units	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Zero Class Z (USD) Units	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Institutional Class H (EUR) Hedged Units	€1,000,000	€1,000,000
Institutional Class I (EUR) Units	€1,000,000	€1,000,000
Retail Class R (EUR) Units	€1,000	€1,000
Zero Class Z (EUR) Units	€1,000,000	€1,000,000
Zero Class Y (EUR) Hedged Units	€1,000,000	€1,000,000
Institutional Class H (GBP) Hedged Units	£1,000,000	£1,000,000
Institutional Class I (GBP) Units	£1,000,000	£1,000,000
Retail Class R (GBP) Units	£1,000	£1,000
Zero Class Z (GBP) Units	£1,000,000	£1,000,000

The Manager may, at its discretion, grant Unitholders and potential investors an exemption from the above minimum subscription amounts.



Unitholders and potential investors should note that subscriptions in specie are not available in the context of AXA Global Equity Selection. For that reason, the section headed "Subscriptions/Redemptions in Specie" in the Prospectus is not applicable to AXA Global Equity Selection and should be disregarded when reading the Prospectus in conjunction with this Supplement.

## REDEMPTIONS

Units may be redeemed as described in the Prospectus under the heading "Redemptions". Applications for redemptions must be received by the Administrator by the Dealing Deadline or such other time as the Manager may determine (in exceptional circumstances and provided the application is received by the Administrator before the relevant Valuation Point, which for this purpose shall be the close of business in the market that closes first on each Dealing Day). Any applications received after the Dealing Deadline will normally be held over until the next Dealing Day but may in exceptional circumstances be accepted for dealing after the Dealing Deadline, at the discretion of the Manager (provided the application is received by the Administrator before the relevant Valuation Point).

Redemption proceeds will be paid by 5.00p.m. (Irish time) on the second Business Day following the relevant Dealing Day or such later time or date as the Manager may determine at its discretion in accordance with the Central Bank's UCITS Regulations, provided that all required documentation has been furnished to and received by the Administrator.

The latest price for Units will be available during normal business hours every Business Day at the office of the Administrator and will be published daily on the Manager's website <https://select.axa-im.com/>

Unitholders and potential investors should note that redemptions in specie are not available in the context of AXA Global Equity Selection. For that reason, the section headed "Subscriptions/Redemptions in Specie" in the Prospectus is not applicable to AXA Global Equity Selection and should be disregarded when reading the Prospectus in conjunction with this Supplement.

## SWITCHING

Unitholders of AXA Global Equity Selection may switch, free of charge, to any other Classes of AXA Global Equity Selection or to other Classes of another Fund as the Directors of the Manager may permit.

## FEES AND EXPENSES

### General

All fees and expenses relating to the establishment of AXA Global Equity Selection including the fees of the advisers, such as legal advisers, to the Trust ("establishment expenses") all in aggregate not exceeding €60,000 will be borne by AXA Global Equity Selection and will be amortised over the first five financial years of the lifetime of AXA Global Equity Selection or such other period as the Directors may determine. AXA Global Equity Selection shall bear its attributable proportion of the organisational and operating expenses of the Trust (including any establishment expenses). These are set out in detail under the heading "Fees and Expenses" in the Prospectus.

### Management Fees

The Manager is entitled to charge up to the amounts set forth below in respect of its own fees, the fees of any Investment Manager (who will, from the fee received by it from the Manager, discharge the fees and expenses of any sub-investment manager), the Administrator (including registrar and transfer agency fees), the Trustee (including any sub-custody fees) and the fees of any duly appointed distributor to AXA Global Equity Selection. The fees will be accrued daily based on the daily Net Asset Value of AXA Global Equity Selection attributable to the relevant Unit class and will be paid monthly in arrears.

Unit Class	NAV
Institutional Class I (JPY) Units	Up to 2.50%
Retail Class R (JPY) Units	Up to 3.00%

<b>Unit Class</b>	<b>NAV</b>
Zero Class Z (JPY) Units	Up to 2.00%
Institutional Class H (USD) Units	Up to 2.50%
Institutional Class I (USD) Units	Up to 2.50%
Institutional Class A (USD) Hedged Units	Up to 2.50%
Retail Class Q (USD) Units	Up to 3.00%
Retail Class R (USD) Units	Up to 3.00%
Zero Class Y (USD) Units	Up to 2.00%
Zero Class Z (USD) Units	Up to 2.00%
Institutional Class H (EUR) Hedged Units	Up to 2.50%
Institutional Class I (EUR) Units	Up to 2.50%
Retail Class R (EUR) Units	Up to 3.00%
Zero Class Z (EUR) Units	Up to 2.00%
Zero Class Y (EUR) Hedged Units	Up to 2.00%
Institutional Class H (GBP) Hedged Units	Up to 2.50%
Institutional Class I (GBP) Units	Up to 2.50%
Retail Class R (GBP) Units	Up to 3.00%
Zero Class Z (GBP) Units	Up to 2.00%

The Manager shall also pay from these amounts all reasonable, properly vouched out-of-pocket expenses incurred by it, the Investment Manager, the Administrator and the Trustee in the performance of their duties and responsibilities under the Trust Deed and material contracts.

The Manager shall discharge any additional fees and expenses out of the assets of AXA Global Equity Selection, such as Duties and Charges, audit fees and legal fees provided for in the Prospectus under the heading "Fees and Expenses".

### **GENERAL**

The Funds in existence as at the date of this Supplement are set out in Supplement No.1.

## SCHEDULE I

### Collateral Policy

#### Permitted types of collateral

Where AXA Global Equity Selection receives collateral as a result of trading in FDI on an OTC basis or as a result of entry into repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements or securities lending, AXA Global Equity Selection intends, subject to the criteria set out in the Central Bank Requirements and Appendix II to the Prospectus, to accept collateral in the following form:

- (a) cash;
- (b) government or other public securities;
- (c) bonds/commercial paper issued by relevant institutions or by non-bank issuers where the issue or the issuer are of high quality;
- (d) certificates of deposit issued by relevant institutions;
- (e) letters of credit with a residual maturity of three months or less, which are unconditional and irrevocable and which are issued by relevant institutions; and
- (f) equity securities traded on a stock exchange in the EEA, UK, Switzerland, Canada, Japan, the United States, Jersey, Guernsey, the Isle of Man, Australia or New Zealand.

#### Haircut Policy

In respect of the permitted types of collateral above:

- (a) none;
- (b) market standard haircut in respect to the residual maturity of the security;
- (c) market standard haircut in respect to the residual maturity of the security;
- (d) market standard haircut in respect to the residual maturity of the security;
- (e) market standard haircut in respect to the residual maturity of the security; and
- (f) market standard haircut in respect to the residual maturity of the security.

#### Level of collateral required

Collateral obtained must be marked to market daily and must equal or exceed, in value, at all times the value of the amount invested or securities loaned.

## SCHEDULE II – “Sustainability Risk”

### Sustainability Risk

The Manager has designed and implemented a sustainability risks integration policy, which is in line with the SFDR. Under the SFDR, "sustainability risk" means an environmental, social or governance ("ESG") event or condition that, if it occurs, could cause an actual or a potential material negative impact on the value of an investment. The Manager's policy therefore approaches sustainability risks from the perspective that ESG events might cause a material negative impact on the value of AXA Global Equity Selection's Investments. Sustainability risks are integrated into investment decisions by including an ESG due diligence process as part of the Manager's investment due diligence process that is applicable to delegate manager selection for manager of manager products, such as AXA Global Equity Selection.

While the Manager cannot remove all sustainability risk from the portfolio of AXA Global Equity Selection, the Manager's ESG due diligence process aims at reducing the tail risk related to sustainability across the AXA Global Equity Selection's Investments and delivering more stable returns over the long term.

For example a sustainability risk could be a burden to a particular sector such as energy or mining from regulation, with respect to climate change, that is likely to increase the cost of burning fossil fuels and have a knock on effect of reducing demand for those fuels that emit carbon dioxide. The purpose of ESG due diligence in this regard is to ensure that Investment Managers are taking these sorts of sustainability risks into account when selecting issuers to invest in. Those issuers that are more exposed to sustainability risks and are not managing those risks in an appropriate manner are likely to see financial performance negatively impacted, which could result in reduced returns for Unitholders.

The Manager has assessed the likely impact of sustainability risks on the returns of AXA Global Equity Selection. The ability of the Manager to assess the impact of sustainability risks is complex. The assessment of sustainability risks requires subjective judgements and is based on data that is difficult to obtain, incomplete, estimated, out of date or otherwise materially inaccurate. Even when identified, there can be no guarantee that the impact of sustainability risks on AXA Global Equity Selection's Investments will be correctly assessed.

To the extent that a sustainability risk occurs, or occurs in a manner that is not anticipated, there may be a sudden, material negative impact on the value of an Investment and hence the returns of AXA Global Equity Selection. Such negative impact may result in an entire loss of value of the relevant Investment(s) and may have an equivalent negative impact on the returns of AXA Global Equity Selection.

In general, where a sustainability risk occurs in respect of an asset, there will be a negative impact on, and may be an entire loss of, its value. For a corporate issuer, this may be because of damage to its reputation with a consequential fall in demand for its products or services, loss of key personnel, exclusion from potential business opportunities, increased costs of doing business and/or increased cost of capital. A corporate issuer may also suffer the impact of fines and other regulatory sanctions. The time and resources of the corporate's management team may be diverted from furthering its business and be absorbed seeking to deal with the sustainability risk, including changes to business practices and dealing with investigations and litigation. Sustainability risks may also give rise to loss of assets and/or physical loss including damage to real estate and infrastructure. The utility and value of assets held by businesses to which AXA Global Equity Selection is exposed may also be adversely impacted by a sustainability risk.

Sustainability risks are relevant as both standalone risks, and also as cross-cutting risks which manifest through many other risk types which are relevant to the assets of AXA Global Equity Selection. For example, the occurrence of a sustainability risk can give rise to financial and business risk, including though a negative impact on the credit worthiness of other businesses. The increasing importance given to sustainability considerations by both businesses and consumers means that the occurrence of a sustainability risk may result in significant reputational damage to affected businesses. The occurrence of a sustainability risk may also give rise to enforcement risk by governments and regulators and litigation risk.

A sustainability risk may arise and impact a specific Investment or may have a broader impact on an economic sector, geographical regions and/or jurisdictions and political regions.

Many economic sectors, regions and/or jurisdictions, including those in which AXA Global Equity Selection may invest, are currently and/or in the future may be, subject to a general transition to a greener, lower carbon and less polluting economic model. Drivers of this transition include governmental and/or regulatory intervention, evolving consumer preferences and/or the influence of non-governmental organisations and special interest groups.

Laws, regulations and industry norms play a significant role in controlling the impact on sustainability factors of many industries, particularly in respect of environmental and social factors. Any changes in such measures, such as increasingly stringent environmental or health and safety laws, can have a material impact on the operations, costs and profitability of businesses. Furthermore, businesses which are following current measures may suffer claims, penalties and other liabilities in respect of alleged prior failings. Any of the foregoing may result in a material loss in value of an investment linked to such businesses.

Further, certain industries face considerable scrutiny from regulatory authorities, non-governmental organisations and special interest groups in respect of their impact on sustainability factors, such as compliance with minimum wage or living wage requirements and working conditions for personnel in the supply chain. The influence of such authorities, organizations and groups along with the public attention they may bring can cause affected industries to make material changes to their business practices which can increase costs and result in a material negative impact on the profitability of businesses. Such external influence can also materially impact the consumer demand for a business's products and services which may result in a material loss in value of an investment linked to such businesses.

Sectors, regions, businesses and technologies which are carbon-intensive, higher polluting or otherwise cause a material adverse impact on sustainability factors may suffer from a significant fall in demand and/or obsolescence, resulting in stranded assets the value of which is significantly reduced or entirely lost ahead of their anticipated useful life. Attempts by sectors, regions, businesses and technologies to adapt so as to reduce their impact on sustainability factors may not be successful, may result in significant costs being incurred, and future ongoing profitability may be materially reduced.

In the event that a sustainability risk arises this may cause investors to determine that a particular investment is no longer suitable and to divest of it (or not make an investment in it), further exacerbating the downward pressure on the value of the investment.