



AXA WORLD FUNDS

(the "Sicav")

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THIS DOCUMENT IS IMPORTANT AND REQUIRES YOUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION.
IF IN DOUBT, PLEASE SEEK PROFESSIONAL ADVICE.

Dear Shareholders,

We are pleased to inform you that the directors of the Sicav (the "Directors") have decided to introduce a number of changes to the Hong Kong Offering Memorandum and the Product Key Facts Statements (collectively, the "Hong Kong Offering Documents") relating to certain sub-funds, which will enable it to look after your interests more effectively.

Please refer to the relevant sub-fund(s) as indicated below in order to find out whether there are any changes affecting the sub-funds in which you hold shares.

- I. **Enhanced disclosure on securities financing transactions**
- II. **Modification of the frequency of distribution**
- III. **Other amendments to the offering documents**

I – Enhanced disclosure on securities financing transactions

To comply with the Securities Financing Transaction Regulations in the European Union, the investment policy disclosure has been enhanced to improve transparency on the use of securities financing transactions such as securities lending, securities borrowing, repurchase / reverse repurchase transactions and total return swaps. Securities lending, securities borrowing, repurchase / reverse repurchase transactions shall be carried out as part of efficient portfolio management, while none of the sub-funds will use total return swaps.

The maximum exposure limits on securities lending, securities borrowing and repurchase / reverse repurchase transactions for each sub-fund remain to be 100%, 50% and 100% of net asset value respectively, except for AXA World Funds – Global Inflation Bonds for which its maximum exposure limit on repurchase / reverse repurchase transactions remains to be 10% of net asset value. Under normal circumstances, it is generally expected that the principal amount of such transactions will not exceed a proportion of each sub-fund’s net asset value as indicated in the table below. In certain circumstances, this proportion may be higher, but in any case within the maximum limit. The types of assets which might be subject to securities lending, securities borrowing, repurchase / reverse repurchase transactions for each sub-fund are also set out in the table below.

	The intended limit on the transactions under normal circumstances	The types of assets which might be subject to securities lending, securities borrowing, repurchase / reverse repurchase transactions include but are not limited to
AXA World Funds – Framlington Europe Opportunities		
Securities lending	Approximatively 20%	Equities
Securities borrowing	Approximatively 20%	
Repurchase/reverse repurchase agreements	Approximatively 10%	
AXA World Funds – Framlington Health		
Securities lending	Approximatively 25%	Equities
Securities borrowing	Approximatively 25%	
Repurchase/reverse repurchase agreements	Approximatively 10%	
AXA World Funds – Framlington Europe Real Estate Securities		
Securities lending	Approximatively 25%	Equities
Securities borrowing	Approximatively 25%	
Repurchase/reverse repurchase agreements	Approximatively 10%	
AXA World Funds – Framlington Global Real Estate Securities		
Securities lending	Approximatively 25%	Equities
Securities borrowing	Approximatively 25%	
Repurchase/reverse repurchase agreements	Approximatively 10%	
AXA World Funds – Framlington Euro Relative Value		
Securities lending	Approximatively 25%	Bonds and equities
Securities borrowing	Approximatively 25%	
Repurchase/reverse repurchase agreements	Approximatively 10%	
AXA World Funds – Framlington Global Convertibles		
Securities lending	Approximatively 25%	Government and corporate bonds and equities
Securities borrowing	Approximatively 25%	
Repurchase/reverse repurchase agreements	Approximatively 10%	
AXA World Funds – Framlington Emerging Markets		
Securities lending	Approximatively 25%	Bonds and equities

Securities borrowing	Approximatively 25%	
Repurchase/reverse repurchase agreements	Approximatively 10%	
AXA World Funds – Framlington American Growth		
Securities lending	Approximatively 25%	Bonds and equities
Securities borrowing	Approximatively 25%	
Repurchase/reverse repurchase agreements	Approximatively 10%	
AXA World Funds –Global Inflation Bonds		
Securities lending	Approximatively 25%	Government and corporate bonds
Securities borrowing	Approximatively 25%	
Repurchase/reverse repurchase agreements	Approximatively 10%	
AXA World Funds – Universal Inflation Bonds		
Securities lending	Approximatively 25%	Government and corporate bonds
Securities borrowing	Approximatively 25%	
Repurchase/reverse repurchase agreements	Approximatively 10%	
AXA World Funds – US High Yield Bonds		
Securities lending	Approximatively 25%	Government and corporate bonds and equities
Securities borrowing	Approximatively 25%	
Repurchase/reverse repurchase agreements	Approximatively 10%	
AXA World Funds – Asian Short Duration Bonds		
Securities lending	Approximatively 25%	Government and corporate bonds
Securities borrowing	Approximatively 25%	
Repurchase/reverse repurchase agreements	Approximatively 10%	
AXA World Funds – Emerging Markets Short Duration Bonds		
Securities lending	Approximatively 25%	Government and corporate bonds
Securities borrowing	Approximatively 25%	
Repurchase/reverse repurchase agreements	Approximatively 10%	

For the avoidance of doubt, for Asian Short Duration Bonds and Emerging Markets Short Duration Bonds, the current intended aggregate exposure to securities lending transactions and repurchase / reverse repurchase transactions remains to be less than 30% of net asset value.

The sub-funds may incur fixed or variable brokerage fees and transactions costs upon entering into securities financing transactions and such transactions costs will be disclosed in the annual report of the Sicav.

II – Modification of the frequency of distribution

The Directors have decided that the Class A Distribution quarterly HKD (hedged 95%) of the following sub-fund will henceforth distribute a dividend on a monthly basis and no more on a quarterly basis. Consequently, such share class will be henceforth denominated “Class A Distribution monthly HKD (hedged 95%)”.

- **AXA World Funds – Emerging Markets Short Duration Bonds.**

This change mentioned above will take effect on October 19, 2017.

Shareholders who do not agree with such changes may request the redemption of their shares free of charge up to October 19, 2017.

III – Other amendments to the offering documents

▪ Update of information

The Directors have decided to update the following information in the Hong Kong Offering Documents:

- tax status in relation to the Common Reporting Standard in the European Union and the Standard for Automatic Exchange of Financial Account Information in Hong Kong;
- update of the composition of the board of directors of the Sicav to reflect the resignation of Mr. Stephan Heitz;
- update of the functions of some board members of AXA Funds Management S.A.;
- typos and editing issues.

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The Hong Kong Offering Documents, taking into account the changes mentioned in this letter, will be available at the registered office of the Sicav and by contacting us online at: www.axa-im.com.hk. Shareholders should note that the website has not been reviewed by the SFC. Hong Kong investors should refer to the revised Hong Kong Offering Documents which will be available in due course, free of charge, at the office of the Hong Kong Representative.

Shareholders in Hong Kong may contact the Hong Kong Representative, AXA Rosenberg Investment Management Asia Pacific Limited, at 57/F, One Island East, 18 Westlands Road, Quarry Bay, Hong Kong (Tel: (852) 2285 2000) should you have any questions.

The Board of Directors of the Sicav accepts responsibility for the accuracy of the contents of this document.

Yours faithfully,

The Board of Directors
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