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#### HSBC GLOBAL INVESTMENT FUNDS

« Société d'Investissement à Capital Variable »
Registered Office: 16, Boulevard d'Avranches, L-1160 Luxembourg, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg
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#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Annual General Meeting (the "Meeting") of HSBC Global Investment Funds (the "Company") will be held at the registered office of the Company on **Friday**, **28 July 2017 at 11.00 a.m.** (Central **European Time**) for the purpose of considering and voting upon the following matters:

### Agenda

- 1. Presentation of the Report of the Board of Directors for the accounting year ended 31 March 2017.
- 2. Presentation of the Report of the Auditors for the accounting year ended 31 March 2017.
- 3. Approval of the Financial Statements for the accounting year ended 31 March 2017.
- 4. Discharge the Board of Directors in respect of their duties carried out for the accounting year ended 31 March 2017.
- 5. Re-election of Mr Michael Boehm as a Director, to serve as such until the Annual General Meeting to approve the Financial Statements for the accounting year ending on 31 March 2018.
- 6. Re-election of Mrs Eimear Cowhey as a Director, to serve as such until the Annual General Meeting to approve the Financial Statements for the accounting year ending on 31 March 2018.
- 7. Re-election of Mr Jean de Courrèges as a Director, to serve as such until the Annual General Meeting to approve the Financial Statements for the accounting year ending on 31 March 2018.
- 8. Re-election of Mr Peter Dew as a Director, to serve as such until the Annual General Meeting to approve the Financial Statements for the accounting year ending on 31 March 2018.
- 9. Re-election of Mr George Efthimiou as a Director, to serve as such until the Annual General Meeting to approve the Financial Statements for the accounting year ending on 31 March 2018.
- 10. Re-election of Mr John Li as a Director, to serve as such until the Annual General Meeting to approve the Financial Statements for the accounting year ending on 31 March 2018.
- 11. Re-election of Mrs Joanna Munro as a Director, to serve as such until the Annual General Meeting to approve the Financial Statements for the accounting year ending on 31 March 2018.
- 12. Election of Mr Matteo Pardi as a Director, to serve as such until the Annual General Meeting to approve the Financial Statements for the accounting year ending on 31 March 2018.
- 13. Re-election of PricewaterhouseCoopers, Société coopérative as Independent Auditor of the Company until the Annual General Meeting to approve the Financial Statements for the accounting year ending on 31 March 2018.
- 14. Allocation of the results for the accounting year ended 31 March 2017.
- 15. Approval of Directors Fees (as disclosed in Note 4(d) of the Financial Statements for the accounting year ended 31 March 2017).
- 16. Consideration of such other business as may properly come before the Meeting.

### **Financial Statements**

A copy of the Financial Statements for the accounting year ended 31 March 2017, which includes the Reports to be presented at Items 1 and 2 above, is available upon request by shareholders from the registered office of the Company or the Hong Kong Representative 15 days prior to the Meeting.

## **Election of Directors**

**Mr Michael Boehm** is a Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer of HSBC Global Asset Management Germany. Based in Duesseldorf, he is responsible for Operations, Risk, Finance, IT, HR, Legal and Compliance. He is a member of the Fund Board of global fund ranges of HSBC, as well as other internal HSBC- and external Boards.

Prior to his actual position Mr Boehm was serving until 2010 at HSBC Trinkaus & Burkhardt as Deputy Head of Legal and Head of Legal Capital Markets. During that time he focused on advising Global Markets, OTC-Derivatives, Equity Capital Markets, Asset Management and Insolvency Law.

Mr Boehm started his career with an apprenticeship as Qualified Bank Clerk and Law Studies at the University of Bonn and the Higher Court of Cologne. After three years as Research Assistant at the Institute of Commercial and Corporate Law of the University of Bonn and Dr. jur. theses on legal aspects of Crossborder Netting Agreements Mr Boehm started in 1998 as Legal Adviser in the Legal Department of HSBC Trinkaus & Burkhardt.

From 1999 until 2006 Mr Boehm was a Member of the Working Group on Derivatives and from 2006 until 2010 Member of the Committee on Financial Instruments of the Association of German Banks in Berlin. Since 2011 Mr Boehm is a Member of the Committee on EU and International regulatory affairs of the German Investment Funds Association (BVI). Additionally Mr Boehm serves since 2008 as Lecturer in Banking and Investment Law at the University of Düsseldorf.

**Mrs Eimear Cowhey** has over 25 years' experience in the offshore funds industry and currently acts as a non-executive independent chairman, director and committee member of various investment fund and management boards in Dublin and Luxembourg. From 1999 to 2006 Mrs Cowhey held various executive positions within The Pioneer Group, including Head of Legal and Compliance and Head of Product Development.

From 1992 to 1999 Mrs Cowhey held various executive positions within Invesco Asset Management, including Managing Director, Global Fund Director and Head Legal Counsel. Mrs Cowhey is a qualified Irish lawyer with a Diploma in Accounting and Finance, Diploma in Company Direction (IoD), Certificate in Financial Services Law and is in the course of achieving Chartered Director status from the IoD (London).

Mrs Cowhey was a member of the Committee on Collective Investment Governance (CCIG) which was established by the Central Bank of Ireland in December 2013 and which issued an expert report in July 2014 on recommendations for good governance practice for investment funds.

Mrs Cowhey is a former Council member and past Chairman of Irish Funds (formerly IFIA) and is a former member of the IFSC Funds Group a joint government/industry group to advise the government of investment fund related matters. Mrs Cowhey lectures at the Law Society of Ireland on Financial Services and Investment Funds law and is a regular conference speaker.

Mr Jean de Courrèges - For the last 8 years, Mr de Courrèges has been an Independent Director for various investment structures and companies in Luxembourg. Mr de Courrèges sits on Boards of structures established by some of the top names of the financial industry. Mr de Courrèges did spend most of his career both in Banking and Investment sectors the world around. After graduating from ESSEC with a MBA in 1978, he was initially trained as Credit Analyst, Trader and Risk Manager. In 1985 Mr de Courrèges was appointed as Regional Treasurer in Asia for Banque Indosuez. Subsequently he was hired by Credit Commercial de France as Country Chief Executive in Japan and then in the USA. In 1997 in New York, he started focusing on alternative investments (Hedge Funds and Private Equity) as an Analyst and Fund Manager with various specialists such as Credit Suisse Asset Management.

Mr Peter Dew has over 30 years' experience in the investment management industry, having served as a Director of Mercury Asset Management, where he headed an international fund management team; managing UK and international institutional portfolios, a Director of GT Management plc, a global fund management company, and Group Managing Director of Thornton & Co Ltd, a subsidiary of Dresdner Bank AG, a fund management company specialising in investing in Asian stock markets.

Mr Dew has been engaged as an Investment Management Consultant by Mercury Asset Management, Private Bank & Trust Company Limited, Association of Investment Trust Companies and Prudential Portfolio Managers.

Mr Dew has also served as a non-executive Chairman of Unicorn Asset Management, a non-executive Director, non-executive Chairman and interim joint chief executive of Syndicate Asset Management plc and currently serves as a non-executive Director of Hume Global Investors PCC Ltd, a Guernsey registered investment fund.

**Mr George Efthimiou** is Global Chief Operating Officer ("COO") for HSBC Global Asset Management and is a member of the HSBC Global Asset Management EXCO and a Director of the HSBC Global Asset Management Limited Board. Mr Efthimiou has held this position since 2003.

As Global COO, Mr Efthimiou is responsible for Operations, IT, Client & Performance Reporting, Business Transformation, Financial Crime Risk Management, Business Risk Control and Regulatory Change Management. Prior to taking on the Global COO role, Mr Efthimiou was based in Hong Kong where he was COO Hong Kong and then COO Asia Pacific for HSBC Global Asset Management.

Mr Efthimiou first joined the HSBC Group in 1988, where he was a Senior Manager within the HSBC Internal Audit function before joining HSBC Global Asset Management. Prior to that Mr Efthimiou previously worked for Merrill Lynch and KPMG.

Mr Efthimiou is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland and holds a BA in Business Administration from Strathclyde University.

Mr John Li is a Partner of The Directors' Office, the leading practice of independent Directors in Luxembourg.

Mr Li trained and qualified as a Chartered accountant in the UK. Mr Li has also 6 years of experience in London before moving to Luxembourg in 1987. During the last 30 years Mr Li worked essentially in the financial sector, auditing and advising clients such as Banks, Investment Funds, Insurance companies, etc. Clients also were from Europe, US, Japan and Asia offering. Mr Li has an extensive experience in dealing with international companies.

Mr Li was a Partner at KPMG Luxembourg for more than 20 years during which he was Managing Partner for 8 years (2000-2008) before taking on the role Of Chairman of the Supervisory Board for 3 years (2008-2011). Mr Li was also a member of the Leadership team of the Global Investment Management Practice in KPMG.

Mrs Joanna Munro is currently Global Head of Fiduciary Governance for HSBC Global Asset Management and has been with HSBC since 2005. Mrs Munro has been in the asset management industry for over twenty-five years, in roles on the investment, sales and product side at international financial institutions. Most recently Mrs Munro has been the CEO for the Asia Pacific business of HSBC Global Asset Management, responsible for around 90bn USD of assets under management with offices in Australia, HK, India, Japan, Singapore and Taiwan as well as a joint venture in Shanghai.

Mrs Munro has been a director on a number of asset management boards, as well as a director of the Chartered Financial Analyst Institute (UK).

Mrs Munro was educated at Cambridge and the London School of Economics and has an MBA from Stanford University.

**Mr Matteo Pardi** is currently the Chief Executive Officer, HSBC Global Asset Management (France). Mr Pardi joined HSBC in 2001 to establish HSBC Global Asset Management's presence in Italy and in 2007 became Head of Southern Europe (Italy, Iberia, Greece). Since 2011, Mr Pardi has been HSBC Global Asset Management's Head of Wholesale for Continental Europe.

Before joining HSBC, Mr Pardi worked in Paris for Banque Sovac Lazard Group and GE Capital and in Milan for Citigroup and JPMorgan Asset Management.

## Voting

The majority at the Meeting shall be determined according to the shares issued and outstanding at midnight (Luxembourg time) five days prior to the Meeting, i.e. 21 July 2017 (referred to as "Record Date"). There will be no requirement as to the quorum in order for the Meeting to validly deliberate and decide on the matters listed in the agenda; resolutions will be passed by the simple majority of the votes cast. At the Meeting, each share entitles to one vote. The rights of the shareholders to attend the Meeting and to exercise the voting right attached to their shares are determined in accordance with the shares held at the Record Date.

## **Voting Arrangements**

If you intend to vote on the above-mentioned matters, please complete the enclosed Proxy Form and return it to us at Level 22, HSBC Main Building, 1 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong on or before 4.00 p.m. (Hong Kong time) on 24 July 2017. HSBC Global Asset Management Holdings (Bahamas) Limited is holding your investment in the Company on your behalf and will vote on your behalf following receipt of your completed Proxy Form.

If you have any queries, please direct these to your bank or financial adviser or alternatively you should contact the Hong Kong Representative at Level 22, HSBC Main Building, 1 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong (telephone number: (852) 2284 1229).

# **HSBC Investment Funds (Hong Kong) Limited**

Hong Kong Representative of HSBC Global Investment Funds 14 June 2017

The Hong Kong Representative accepts responsibility for the accuracy of the contents of this document at the date of publication.

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## PROXY FORM

(for use at the Annual General Meeting (the "Meeting") of Shareholders of HSBC Global Investment Funds on Friday, 28 July 2017 or at any adjournment thereof)

I/We	(name)
of	(address)
account number	holding through HSBC Global Asset Management Holdings
(Bahamas) Limited (the "Nominee")	(number) of Shares of
HSBC Global Investment Funds –	*
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hereby authorise the Nominee to appoint the Chairman of the Meeting (the "Proxyholder") for the purpose of representing me/us, through the Nominee, to vote on my/our behalf at the Meeting to be held on Friday, 28 July 2017 and at adjournment thereof.

I/we instruct the Proxyholder to vote on the items contained in the Notice of the said Meeting as follows:

		In favour	Against	Abstain **
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Failing any specific instruction, the Proxyholder will vote at his/her complete discretion.

Signature		
Dated this	day of	2017

If you want to instruct the Proxyholder to vote for you in the meeting, please complete and return this Proxy Form (and the power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which they are signed or a notarially certified copy thereof) to the Hong Kong Representative, HSBC Investment Funds (Hong Kong) Limited at Level 22, HSBC Main Building, 1 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong so as to arrive no later than 24 July 2017, 4 p.m. Hong Kong time. HSBC Global Asset Management Holdings (Bahamas) Limited (the "Nominee") is holding your investment in the Company on your behalf and will vote on your behalf following receipt of your completed Proxy Form.

<sup>\*</sup> Please indicate the name of the sub-fund of HSBC GLOBAL INVESTMENT FUNDS of which you are an investor

<sup>\*\*</sup> Please indicate with an '✓' in the spaces provided above.