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Index funds from Barclays Global Investor (BGI)

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BGI UK Index Fund

Fund Description

Indicative equity exposure: 100% of the value of the fund

The BGI UK Index Fund is a unit-linked fund investing in an open ended Undertakings for the Collective Investment of Transferable Securities (UCITS) index fund that aims to track the UK equity markets. The pricing of UCITS allows for the buying and selling costs of the underlying securities. The benchmark for this fund is the MSCI UK Index. While Eagle Star prices the fund in euro, the underlying index fund is denominated in £Stg and therefore a currency risk arises. This fund is managed by Barclays Global Investors (BGI).

Investment Aim

The fund aims to achieve a return in line with the UK equity markets. Eagle Star Investments has established a relationship with Barclays Global Investors to provide additional choice to investors by offering a range of index investment funds.

Who should invest in the Fund?

This fund is available as part of the Matrix range for pension and investment clients. This fund is an ideal choice for investors who seek to track the performance of the UK equity markets.

Expertise

Innovation brought Barclays Global Investors to the forefront of the investment management industry over 30 years ago with the invention of indexation. Since then, it has consistently applied an optimal combination of people and technology to achieve highly risk-controlled, cost effective results.

Further Information

A fund factsheet which includes data updated quarterly on the **BGI UK Index Fund** is available on **www.zurichlife.ie**

How does Barclays track an index accurately?

- Barclays has a 30-year track record and is the world's largest manager of index funds.
- Where possible, Barclays fully replicate the index by holding every stock, which
 means better tracking, and by using skill in managing deviations.
- Barclays perform detailed analysis of corporate actions, reinvest dividends and implement effective trading around index changes.
- Barclays manage the buying and selling of the underlying securities to ensure the
 dealing costs, and hence the spread between purchase and selling cost of the
 units in the UCITS, are kept to a minimum.



Significant features of the Fund

- The underlying UCITS fund is denominated in £Stg and therefore a currency risk arises.
- Zurich Life prices the fund in euro.
- Managed against a benchmark of the MSCI UK Index.
- Aims to achieve a rate of return that is in line with the MSCI UK Index.
- Equity exposure is 100% of the value of the fund.
- The use of securities lending where possible, to generate additional revenue to offset administration fees.
- The fund is domiciled in Ireland.



Warning: The value of your investment may go down as well as up. Benefits may be affected by changes in currency exchange rates.

