

# Irish Equity Fund



## Fund Description

Indicative equity range: 80% to 100% of the value of the fund.

The Zurich Life Irish Equity Fund is an actively managed equity fund which seeks to maximise growth through capital gain and income from a diversified portfolio of Irish equities and equity based financial instruments. In terms of currency the fund is managed from the point of view of a eurozone investor. The fund may invest in shares listed on the Irish Stock Exchange which also trade on other exchanges. This may result in some currency risk for the euro investor. This fund is managed by Zurich Life.

#### Investment Aim

The fund is managed against a benchmark of the ISEQ Index. Zurich Life will seek to add value to the fund and achieve superior returns through the fund manager's stock selection skills.

### Who should invest in the Fund?

The fund is available as part of the Matrix range for both pension and investment clients. The fund has been established to provide investors with an actively managed Irish equity fund. It should be used in conjunction with other funds to allow pension and investment clients to build their own diversified portfolio of investments.

Due to the concentrated nature of the ISEQ Index, investors should be aware that the top 4 to 5 stocks tend to make up over 50% of the index on an ongoing basis. This concentration leads to increased levels of stock specific risk and therefore, the fund is more appropriate as part of a diversified investment portfolio.

## **Equity Expertise**

In today's ever-changing investment climate, stability of an investment team is crucial to delivering consistent, superior performance. The leaders of the investment team have worked together for over 15 years. This closely-knit team, integrated across asset classes, ensures the implementation of investment strategy quickly and effectively.

Zurich Life has a strong commitment to equity investment and we have proven expertise in this area. We have established an innovative range of equity funds which

### **Further Information**

A fund factsheet which includes data updated quarterly on the **Irish Equity Fund** is available on **www.zurichlife.ie** 



provide investors with the opportunity to take advantage of our fund managers' stock selection skills by offering concentrated portfolios in key regions around the world, as well as more broadly based international and eurozone portfolios.

Zurich Life has a disciplined top-down investment process, the key inputs to which are the assessment of the economic and asset cycle. We believe that the macro economic environment is the key driver for investment market themes. We are business cycle investors, portfolios being constructed to take advantage of opportunities over all parts of the economic cycle. Portfolios may at any time show either a growth or a value bias depending on prevailing macro economic views.



### Significant Features of the Fund

- An actively managed fund in line with Zurich Life's general philosophy.
- The fund invests exclusively in Irish equities and equity based financial instruments.
- Up to 100% equity exposure.
- Managed against a benchmark of the ISEQ Index.

Warning: The value of your investment may go down as well as up.

Warning: This product may be affected by changes in currency exchange rates.



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