

# QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

## CT ASIA PACIFIC EQUITY FUND CLOSURE

# Q&A – Closure of CT Asia Pacific Equity Fund

## INTRODUCTION

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Columbia Threadneedle Investments has decided to close the CT Asia Pacific Equity Fund (the “Fund”), a sub-fund of Columbia Threadneedle (UK) ICVC II, effective on 21 September 2023 (the “Effective Date”).

### 1. Why are you closing the Fund?

We constantly review our range of funds and are committed to offering investors the best possible opportunities and value. We have decided to close the Fund due to its significant fall in assets in recent times, which has meant that the Fund has become too small to allow it to be run as efficiently as we would wish and as a result, the ongoing charges figure will rise. Therefore, we believe that closing the Fund is in the best interests of shareholders.

### 2. When is the Fund closing?

The Fund will close on 21 September 2023.

### 3. What options do I have?

You have the following options:

- i. You can switch your shares free of charge for shares of any other fund in Columbia Threadneedle Fund Management Limited’s UK range of authorised funds up to 12 noon (UK time) on 20 September 2023. Details of our funds can be found on [www.ctinvest.co.uk/oeicdocs](http://www.ctinvest.co.uk/oeicdocs).

After we receive your valid instructions to switch, we will switch your shares at the share price calculated at the next valuation point.

Please note that any switch will be subject to the minimum investment amounts described in the prospectus of the new fund, but no switching or initial charges will apply.

To make the switch, please complete a ‘Change of Investment Instructions’ form, which can be found on [www.ctinvest.co.uk/oeicdocs](http://www.ctinvest.co.uk/oeicdocs), and return to Columbia Threadneedle Fund Management Limited, PO Box 9040, Chelmsford, CM99 2XH.

- ii. You may choose to redeem your shares in the Fund prior to the closure. Shares can be redeemed either by:
  - writing to the ACD at Columbia Threadneedle Fund Management Limited, PO BOX 9040, Chelmsford, Essex CM99 2XH; or

- telephoning the dealing line on 0330 123 3798. Telephone calls may be recorded.

All redemptions are free of charge. You may choose this option at any time up to 12 noon on 20 September 2023.

- iii. You can take no action. Your shares will be automatically redeemed on the Effective Date (21 September 2023) and proceeds will be sent to you following the closure, within four working days.

Please note that we must have complete anti-money laundering documentation from you before we can pay any proceeds to you. If documents are outstanding, the proceeds will be held in a non-interest-bearing bank account until all outstanding documentation has been received. If you are unsure whether any anti-money laundering documents are outstanding, please contact us.

#### 4. What if I hold the Fund in my ISA, what options do I have?

You have the following options:

1. You can opt to switch your ISA investment in the Fund free of charge to any other fund in Columbia Threadneedle Fund Management Limited's UK range of authorised funds.

To make the switch, please complete a 'Change of Investment Instructions' form, which can be found on [www.ctinvest.co.uk/oeicdocs](http://www.ctinvest.co.uk/oeicdocs), and return to Columbia Threadneedle Fund Management Limited, PO Box 9040, Chelmsford, CM99 2XH.

If you wish to do this, please ensure we receive your instructions by no later than 12 noon on 20 September 2023.

2. You may transfer your ISA investment to another ISA manager. To do so, you need to contact your chosen ISA manager, complete their ISA transfer form and return it to them, who will then contact us to request the transfer. Please ensure that you initiate this process as soon as possible given that ISA transfers can take around 30 days to complete and must be completed prior to the Effective Date to avoid you losing your ISA wrapper.

If you do not take any action, your investment will be cashed in when the Fund is closed on the Effective Date, and your investment will lose its ISA status. Proceeds will be sent to you four business days after closure, subject to the anti-money laundering requirements outlined above.

#### 5. What are the tax implications?

There may be tax implications depending on your individual circumstances. We are unable to provide tax advice and we therefore suggest that you seek advice from your tax adviser about any potential tax implications before you take any action. However, please be aware

that regardless of whether you choose to switch or sell your investment, or take no action, you may be subject to capital gains tax, depending on the value of your investment.

#### **6. Can I still invest in the Fund?**

Yes, you can invest in the Fund until five business days before the Effective Date when we will no longer accept subscriptions into the Fund. However we would encourage you not to buy new shares in the Fund in the period leading up to the closure of the Fund.

The last regular savings collection will be 1 September 2023.

#### **7. Will I have to pay any of the closure or termination costs?**

No, Columbia Threadneedle Investments will bear all the closure and termination costs.

#### **8. What happens once the Fund has closed?**

If you remain invested in the Fund after dealing has been suspended, we will redeem your investment on the Effective Date. The proceeds of your investment will be sent to you four business days after closure using the information we have on our records, subject to the anti-money laundering requirements outlined above.

The Fund will then be terminated and you will be sent the final report and accounts of the Fund.