# Veritas — Asset Management

# **Key Information Document**

#### Purpose

This document provides you with key information about this investment product. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature, risks, costs, potential gains and losses of this product and to help you compare it with other products.

#### **Product**

# Veritas China Fund a sub-fund of Veritas Funds PLC Class B USD (IE00B4JSGS29)

Veritas China Fund is authorised in Ireland and regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland (CBI).

The PRIIP Manufacturer and the Management Company is Waystone Management Company (IE) Limited which is authorised in Ireland and supervised by the Central Bank of Ireland (CBI). For more information on this product, please refer to https://www.vamllp.com/ or call +353 (0) 16192300.

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## What is this product?

#### Type

This is an investment fund established as a company with variable capital and segregated liability between sub-funds, incorporated with limited liability under the laws of Ireland.

#### **Objectives**

Investment objective The Fund aims to achieve long term capital growth, regardless of market conditions, by taking positions primarily in equities or equity related derivative contracts of companies located in China (People's Republic of China, and its Specials Administrative Regions, Hong Kong and Macau) or companies that are not located in China but derive a majority (over 50%) of their income from China.

Investment policies The Fund primarily invests in equities listed or traded on Recognised Exchanges. Investments may also be made in securities (including convertible bonds with equity linked notes which bonds shall be fixed and/or floating rate and shall generally be investment grade) which are listed or traded on a Recognised Exchange, subject to the Investment Restrictions within the Prospectus. It is anticipated that the Recognised Exchanges that the Fund will invest in will be mainly, but not limited to the London Stock Exchange, Exchanges in the United States of America, Exchanges in Hong Kong, the Shanghai Stock Exchange, the Shenzhen Stock Exchange and the Singapore Stock Exchange.

The Fund may gain exposure to the equities issued by companies whose business or the business of their parent company is located or conducted primarily in the People's Republic of China. Such exposure is gained by entering into arrangements with and acquiring notes or similar equity linked securities or instruments issued by institutions that have obtained Qualified Foreign Institutional Investor status through which the Fund can gain exposure indirectly to the China A Share market. Examples of the notes or similar equity linked securities or instruments are listed P-Notes and warrants. These will be fully financed positions and so have no leverage or finance elements. Exposure may also be gained through OTC derivatives such as swaps.

The Fund may also gain exposure to certain equities listed on mainland China stock exchanges via Hong Kong through the market access programme through which foreign investors can deal in select China A Shares. The transaction may be executed by entering into an agreement to acquire a participatory note or warrant issued by a counterparty or directly via the Special Segregated Account Model ("SPSA"). The SPSA model is a method whereby brokers set up an account under Stock Connect to settle and safekeep China A Shares. The securities do not need to be predelivered under the SPSA model and cash is received upon settlement.

Investments in the Fund may include financial derivative instruments. Such instruments may be used to obtain, increase or

reduce exposure to underlying assets and may create leverage; therefore, their use may result in greater fluctuations of the Net Asset Value of the Fund. The Investment Manager will ensure that the use of derivatives does not materially alter the risk profile of the Fund

Benchmark The Fund is actively managed and is not managed in reference to, or constrained by, any benchmark. The Sub-Fund uses the MSCI China Index for performance comparison reason only.

**Redemption and Dealing** You can buy, sell and switch shares of the Fund on demand on any Business Day as defined in the "Definitions" section of the Fund's Prospectus.

**Distribution Policy** It is intended that dividend income will be distributed as set out in the "Dividend Policy" section of the Supplement of the Fund.

Launch date The Fund was launched on 02/10/2009. The share class was funded on 02/10/2009.

Fund Currency The base currency of the Fund is USD.

**Conversion of units/shares** More share classes are available for this Fund, and you can find further information on

https://www.vamllp.com/. It is possible to exchange your shares in the Fund for shares in other sub-funds of the Company, details of which can be found in the Prospectus.

**Asset Segregation** The Company is an umbrella fund with segregated liability between its sub-funds. The prospectus and the periodic reports are prepared for the Company as a whole.

#### Intended retail investor

This product is intended for investors who plan to stay invested for at least 5 years and are prepared to take on a medium-high level of risk of loss to their original capital in order to get a higher potential return. It is designed to form part of a portfolio of investments.

#### Term

The Fund is open-ended and has no maturity date. Subject to the liquidation, dissolution and termination rights of the board of the Fund as set forth in the Fund prospectus, the Fund cannot be automatically terminated. The PRIIP manufacturer, Waystone Management Company (IE) Limited, is not entitled to terminate the product unilaterally.

#### Practical information

**Depositary** Brown Brothers Harriman Trustee Services (Ireland) Limited.

Further information The Prospectus, latest annual report and semiannual reports are available free of charge in English at https://www.vamllp.com/, as well as the details of latest share prices of the Fund.

## What are the risks and what could I get in return?

#### **Risks**



The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay you.

We have classified this product as 5 out of 7, which is a medium-high risk class.

This rates the potential losses from future performance at a mediumhigh level, and poor market conditions will likely impact the capacity of the Fund to pay you.

Be aware of currency risk. In some circumstances, you may receive payments in a different currency, so the final return you will get may depend on the exchange rate between the two currencies. This risk is not considered in the indicator shown above.

Beside the risks included in the risk indicator, other risks may affect the Fund performance. Please refer to the Fund prospectus, available free of charge at https://www.vamllp.com/.

#### Performance scenarios

The figures shown include all the costs of the product itself, and includes the costs of your advisor or distributor. The figures do not take into account your personal tax situation, which may also affect how much you get back.

What you will get from this product depends on future market performance. Market developments in the future are uncertain and cannot be accurately predicted.

The unfavourable, moderate, and favourable scenarios shown are illustrations using the worst, average, and best performance of the product over the last 10 years. Markets could develop very differently in the future.

The stress scenario shows what you might get back in extreme market circumstances.

Unfavourable: this type of scenario occurred for an investment between 29 January 2021 and 29 December 2023.

Moderate: this type of scenario occurred for an investment between 30 April 2014 and 30 April 2019.

Favourable: this type of scenario occurred for an investment between 30 June 2016 and 30 June 2021.

| Recommended holding period  Example Investment |   | 5 years                     | 5 years<br>10,000 USD   |  |
|--|---|-----------------------------|---|--|
|  |   | 10,000 USD                  |   |  |
| Scenarios                                      |   | if you exit after<br>1 year | if you exit after<br>5 years<br>(recommended<br>holding period) |  |
| Minimum  | There is no minimum guaranteed return. You could lose some or all of your investment. |                             |   |  |
| Stress   | What you might get back after costs Average return each year                          | <b>3,169 USD</b> -68.3%     | <b>2,135 USD</b> -26.6%   |  |
| Unfavourable                                   | What you might get back after costs<br>Average return each year                       | <b>6,331 USD</b> -36.7%     | <b>5,138 USD</b> -12.5%   |  |
| Moderate                                       | What you might get back after costs<br>Average return each year                       | <b>10,166 USD</b> 1.7%      | <b>11,999 USD</b> 3.7%  |  |
| Favourable                                     | What you might get back after costs<br>Average return each year                       | <b>18,451 USD</b> 84.5%     | <b>23,295 USD</b> 18.4%   |  |

# What happens if Waystone Management Company (IE) Limited is unable to pay out?

The Management Company has no obligation to pay out since the Fund design does not contemplate any such payment being made. You are not covered by any national compensation scheme. To protect you, the assets are held with a separate company, a depositary. Should the Fund default, the depositary would liquidate the investments and distribute the proceeds to the investors. In the worst case, however, you could lose your entire investment.

#### What are the costs?

The person advising on or selling you this product may charge you other costs. If so, this person will provide you with information about these costs and how they affect your investment.

#### Costs over time

The tables show the amounts that are taken from your investment to cover different types of costs. These amounts depend on how much you invest, how long you hold the product. The amounts shown here are illustrations based on an example investment amount and different possible investment periods.

We have assumed

- in the first year you would get back the amount that you invested (0% annual return). For the other holding periods we have assumed the product performs as shown in the moderate scenario,
- 10,000 USD is invested.

| Example Investment 10,000 USD | if you exit after<br>1 year | if you exit after 5 years (recommended holding period) |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Total Costs                   | 185 USD                     | 1,166 USD  |
| Annual cost impact*           | 1.9%                        | 1.9%   |

<sup>(\*)</sup> This illustrates how costs reduce your return each year over the holding period. For example it shows that if you exit at the recommended holding period your average return per year is projected to be 5.7% before costs and 3.7% after costs.

#### Composition of costs

| One-off costs upon entry or ex                              | Annual cost impact if you exit after 1 year  |         |
|---|--|---------|
| Entry costs   | 0.00%, we do not charge an entry fee.  | 0 USD   |
| Exit costs  | <b>0.00</b> %, we do not charge an exit fee for this product, but the person selling you the product may do so.  | O USD   |
| Ongoing costs taken each year                               | Annual cost impact if you exit after 1 year  |         |
| Management fees and other administrative or operating costs | 1.75% of the value of your investment per year.  This is an estimate based on actual costs over the last year.   | 175 USD |
| Transaction costs   | <b>0.10%</b> of the value of your investment per year. This is an estimate of the costs incurred when we buy and sell the underlying investments for the product. The actual amount will vary depending on how much we buy and sell. | 10 USD  |
| Incidental costs taken under sp                             | Annual cost impact if you exit after 1 year  |         |
| Performance fees  | There is no performance fee for this product.  | 0 USD   |

## How long should I hold it and can I take money out early?

#### Recommended holding period: 5 years

This product is designed for longer term investments; you should be prepared to stay invested for at least 5 years. However, you can redeem your investment without penalty at any time during this period, or hold the investment longer. You can buy, sell and switch shares of the Fund on demand on any Business Day as defined in the "Definitions" section of the Fund's Prospectus.

#### How can I complain?

You can send your complaint to the Management Company at the following postal address: 35 Shelbourne Rd, Ballsbridge, IE - Dublin, D04 A4EO, Ireland or by e-mail to complianceeurope@waystone.com.

If you have a complaint about the person that advised you about this product, or who sold it to you, they will tell you where to complain.

### Other relevant information

Cost, performance and risk The cost, performance and risk calculations included in this key information document follow the methodology prescribed by EU rules.

Performance scenarios You can find previous performance scenarios updated on a monthly basis at https://www.vamllp.com/.

Past performance You can download the past performance over the last 10 year(s) from our website at https://www.vamllp.com/.

Additional information Veritas Funds PLC (the "Company") is authorised in Ireland and regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland. The Company is recognised by the UK Financial Conduct Authority and the sub-funds are registered for sale in the UK.

Details of the up-to-date remuneration policy of the Management Company (including a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated and the identity of the person responsible for rewarding these) are available on www.waystone.com. A paper copy will be made available upon request and free of charge by the Management Company.

The tax legislation in Ireland may have an impact on your personal tax position. For further details you should consult a tax adviser.

Information for investors in Switzerland The representative and paying agent in Switzerland is Société Générale Paris, Zurich branch, with registered offices at Talacker 50 in 8021 Zurich, Switzerland.