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This document is intended for use by individuals who are familiar with investment terminology. Please contact your financial adviser if you need an explanation of the terms used.

The SL iShares ESG Sterling Corporate Bond Index Pension Fund invests primarily in the BlackRock iShares ESG Sterling Corporate Bond Index (UK) Fund. The aim of the BlackRock iShares ESG Sterling Corporate Bond Index (UK) Fund is summarised below.

The aim of the Fund is to provide a return on investment (generated through an increase in the value of the assets held by the Fund and/or income received from those assets) by tracking closely the performance of the iBoxx MSCI ESG GBP NonGilts Index (the "Index"). The pre-defined ESG screens set by the index provider seek to limit and/or exclude from the Index corporate issuers within the iBoxx GBP Non-Gilts Index which are determined by the index provider (often by reference to specific revenue thresholds or to any connection to an activity regardless of any revenue received) as having exposure to, or other ties with, certain activities and involvement in relevant ESG controversies. The Fund is passively managed and the investment manager has limited discretion to select the Fund's investments and in doing so may take into consideration the Index. The Fund invests in fixed income securities (such as bonds) that make up the Index and, at the time of purchase, comply with the credit rating requirements of the Index. The Fund may at times invest indirectly via other fixed income-related investments (i.e. other investments whose value is related to debt) giving exposure to such fixed income securities, or in other fixed income securities not in the Index.

The value of any investment can fall as well as rise and is not guaranteed – you may get back less than you pay in.

For further information on the BlackRock iShares ESG Sterling Corporate Bond Index (UK) Fund, please refer to the fund manager fact sheet, link provided below.

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[BlackRock iShares ESG Sterling Corporate Bond Index \(UK\) - Fund Factsheet - Underlying Factsheet link](#)

Pension Investment Fund

Bond Fund

Quarterly

Standard Life Launch Date	22/03/2024
Standard Life Fund Size (30/09/2024)	£0.2m
Standard Life Fund Code	FFDC
Volatility Rating (0-7)	4

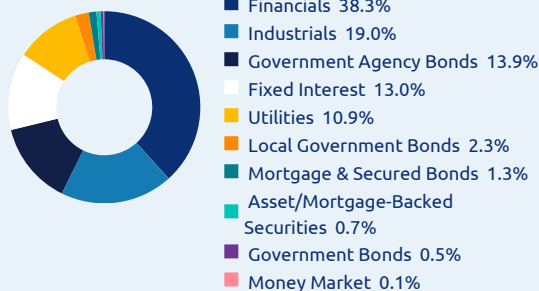
Underlying Fund Launch Date	06/09/2021
Underlying Fund Size (30/09/2024)	£2,595.1m
Underlying Fund Manager(s)	Divya Manek

The investment performance you will experience from investing in the Standard Life version of the fund will vary from the investment performance you would experience from investing in the underlying fund directly. This will be as a result of a number of differences, such as charges, tax and timing of investment.

Underlying Fund Information *

Note: Asset / Sector / Regional compositions are shown in a standardised format due to categorisation of items. This may be marginally different to the way the same information is displayed by the underlying fund manager. Figures may not add up to 100 due to rounding.

Composition by Sector



Source: FE fundinfo 30/09/2024

Top Holdings

	Fund (%)
KFW MTN REGS 4.125 02/18/2026	0.6
EUROPEAN INVESTMENT BANK 6 12/07/2028	0.5
KFW MTN REGS 3.75 07/30/2027	0.5
KFW MTN REGS 4.875 10/10/2028	0.5
EUROPEAN INVESTMENT BANK 5.625 06/07/2032	0.5
KFW BANKENGRUPPE MTN 6 12/07/2028	0.5
EUROPEAN INVESTMENT BANK MTN REGS 1 09/21/2026	0.5
KFW MTN REGS 0.875 09/15/2026	0.4
KFW MTN REGS 1.375 12/15/2025	0.4
INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCT 3.875 10/02/2028	0.4
Total	4.8

Source: FE fundinfo 30/09/2024

Fund Performance *

Note: This fund has been running for less than one year therefore no past performance has been shown.

Where a fund holds overseas assets the Sterling value of these assets may rise and fall as a result of exchange rate fluctuations.

Definition(s): Volatility Rating - The volatility rating of a fund indicates how much the fund price might move compared to other funds. The higher the volatility rating, the less stable the fund price is likely to be. You can use this to help you decide how much risk you're comfortable taking with your investments. Volatility ratings are calculated on a scale of 0-7.

Money Market - may include bank and building society deposits, other money market instruments such as Certificates of Deposits (CDs), Floating Rate Notes (FRNs) including Asset Backed Securities (ABSs), Money Market Funds and allowances for tax, dividends and interest due if appropriate.

Key Risks

The fund can invest in a wide variety of investment strategies and assets. Below we document the specific or heightened risks applicable to this fund rather than an exhaustive list.

CIS Risk- The fund can invest in collective investment schemes which can themselves invest in a diverse range of other assets. These underlying assets may vary from time to time but each category of asset (which may include equities, bonds or immovable property) has individual risks associated with them. The fund may not have any control over the activities of any collective investment scheme invested in by the fund.

Bond Risk - This fund can invest in bonds, the value of a bond may fall if, for example, the company or government issuing the bond is unable to pay the loan amount or interest when they are supposed to. The value may also be affected by movements in interest rates which may result in the value of the bond rising or falling. This may (or will) result in the value of the fund falling.

ESG Risk - The Fund seeks to exclude companies engaging in certain activities inconsistent with ESG criteria. Investors should therefore make a personal ethical assessment of the Fund's ESG screening prior to investing in the Fund. Such ESG screening may adversely affect the value of the Fund's investments compared to a fund without such screening.

Counterparty risk - The Investment Adviser may use one or more separate counterparties to undertake derivative transactions on behalf of the fund. From time to time the fund may be required to pledge collateral, and when this is required it will be paid from within the assets of the fund. When a derivatives contract moves in favour of the fund there is a risk that the counterparty may wholly or partially fail to honour their contractual obligations under the arrangement. The Investment Adviser assesses the creditworthiness of counterparties as part of the risk management process and will ordinarily hold collateral to mitigate this.

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