

# **BAILLIE GIFFORD WORLDWIDE FUNDS PLC**

## **COUNTRY SUPPLEMENT FOR GERMANY**

**10 December 2024**

**This document (the “Country Supplement”) contains information specific to investors in Germany regarding Baillie Gifford Worldwide Funds plc (the “Company”). It forms part of and must be read in conjunction with the prospectus of the Company dated 29 November 2024 (the “Prospectus”) as amended by way of addendum (the “First Addendum”) dated 06 December 2024.**

All capitalised terms used herein shall have the same meaning as set forth in the Prospectus, unless otherwise indicated.

The offering of the shares (the “Shares”) of the following sub-funds (“Funds”) have not been notified to the German Financial Services Supervisory Authority in accordance with section 310 of the German Investment Code (Kapitalanlagegesetzbuch – KAGB):

1. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Diversified Return Fund
2. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Diversified Return Yen Fund
3. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Emerging Markets Ex China Equities Fund
4. Baillie Gifford Worldwide European Growth Fund
5. Baillie Gifford Worldwide European High Yield Bond Fund
6. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Global Developed Equities Fund
7. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Global Strategic Bond Fund
8. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Health Innovation Fund
9. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Sustainable Emerging Market Bond Fund
10. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Systematic Long Term Growth Fund

Shares in these sub-funds must not be offered to investors in the Federal Republic of Germany.

The offering of the Shares of the remaining Funds of the Company made available through the Prospectus has been notified to the German Financial Services Supervisory Authority in accordance with section 310 of the German Investment Code (the “Funds”).

### **FACILITY AGENT IN THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY**

GerFIS – German Fund Information Service GmbH Zum Eichhagen 4, 21382 Brietlingen Germany, has undertaken the role of facility agent in Germany in accordance with section 306 of the German Investment Code (the “German Facility Agent”).

Copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Prospectus, the key information documents relating to the Shares of the Company that are admitted to be marketed in Germany, the audited annual report and, if subsequently published, the unaudited semi-annual report may be obtained free of charge in paper form at the office of the German Facility Agent.

Furthermore, the Company has entered into the following material contracts:

1. the Management Agreement dated 20 September 2022 between the Company and the Manager;
2. the Investment Management and Distribution Agreement effective as of 1 April 2022 between the Manager and the Investment Manager pursuant to which the latter was appointed as delegated investment manager of the Company and as distributor of the Shares of the Company outside of the EEA (including the U.K. but not Switzerland);
3. the Depositary Agreement dated 20 May 2016 between the Company and the Depositary pursuant to which the latter acts as depositary in relation to the Company; and
4. the Administration Agreement dated 1 April 2022 between the Company, the Manager and the Administrator, as amended pursuant to which the latter acts as administrator, registrar and transfer agent of the Company.

Copies of the aforementioned contracts and agreements as well as copies of the European Communities (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) Regulations 2011, as amended, and any applicable notices or regulations issued by the Central Bank pursuant thereto and for the time being enforced are available for inspection free of charge during normal business hours at the registered office of the German Facility Agent.

The latest subscription and redemption prices as well as possible information to the investors are available free of charge upon request at the registered office of the German Facility Agent or on the website of the Investment Manager ([www.bailliegifford.com](http://www.bailliegifford.com)).

## **REDEMPTION REQUESTS FROM AND PAYMENTS TO SHAREHOLDERS IN THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY**

Investors in Germany can submit their redemption and conversion requests relating to the Shares of the Company to the respective entity in Germany maintaining their custody accounts (depotführende Stelle) which will in turn forward the requests for processing to the Administrator of the Fund or will request the redemption on its own name for the account of the investor.

Distributions of the Company, the payments of redemption proceeds and other payments to the investors in Germany will also be made through the respective entity in Germany maintaining the client's custody account (depotführende Stelle) which will credit the payments to the investor's account.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

The subscription and redemption prices will be published at [www.bailliegifford.com](http://www.bailliegifford.com). Shareholder notifications from the Company will be made via shareholder letter.

In addition to receiving a shareholder letter, Shareholders will be informed via a publication in the German Electronic Federal Gazette about the following changes:

- the suspension of redemption of a Fund's Shares;
- the termination of the management or the liquidation of the Company or a Fund,

- changes to the Memorandum and Articles of Association which are incompatible with the existing investment policies, which affect material shareholder rights or which affect the fees and reimbursement of expenses that may be withdrawn from the assets of the Funds;
- the merger of a Fund (the information on the merger shall be in the form that is required to be prepared according to article 43 of the Directive 2009/65/EC; and, where applicable); and
- the conversion of a Fund into a feeder fund and a change of a master fund (the information shall be in the form that is required to be prepared according to article 64 of the Directive 2009/65/EC).

## **COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE**

Information regarding the Company's complaints procedures are available to Shareholders free of charge upon request at the German Facility Agent.

## **FEES AND EXPENSES**

Information in relation to fees and expenses is set out in the 'Fees and Expenses' section of the Prospectus.

## **TAXATION IN GERMANY**

It is strongly recommended that investors seek professional advice concerning the tax consequences of the purchase of the Company's Shares prior to making an investment decision.

The Funds listed below will continuously invest more than 50 per cent. of their net assets in equity assets as defined in sec. 2 para 8 German Investment Tax Act (2018) and therefore ensure their eligibility for the partial tax exemption as an equity fund according to sec. 2 para 6 German Investment Tax Act for German resident investors:

1. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Asia Ex Japan Fund
2. Baillie Gifford Worldwide China Fund
3. Baillie Gifford Worldwide China A Shares Growth Fund
4. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Discovery Fund
5. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Emerging Markets All Cap Fund
6. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Emerging Markets Leading Companies Fund
7. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Global Alpha Fund
8. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Global Dividend Growth Fund
9. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Islamic Global Equities Fund
10. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Japanese Fund
11. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Long Term Global Growth Fund
12. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Positive Change Fund
13. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Pan-European Fund
14. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Responsible Global Alpha Paris-Aligned Fund
15. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Responsible Global Dividend Growth Fund
16. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Sustainable Growth Fund

17. Baillie Gifford Worldwide US Equity Alpha Fund.
18. Baillie Gifford Worldwide US Equity Growth Fund