## **Xtrackers MSCI World Minimum Volatility UCITS ETF**

## **Supplement to the Prospectus**

This Supplement contains information in relation to Xtrackers MSCI World Minimum Volatility UCITS ETF (the "Fund"), a sub-fund of Xtrackers (IE) plc (the "Company") an umbrella type open-ended investment company with segregated liability between sub-funds and with variable capital governed by the laws of Ireland and authorised by the Central Bank of Ireland (the "Central Bank").

This Supplement forms part of, may not be distributed unless accompanied by (other than to prior recipients of the prospectus of the Company dated 15 June 2023 (the "Prospectus")), and must be read in conjunction with, the Prospectus.

Xtrackers (IE) plc

**Dated 15 June 2023** 

# **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

The Fund is an ETF. The Shares of this Fund are fully transferable to investors and will be listed for trading on one or more stock exchanges.

#### TERMS OF THE SHARES REPRESENTING INTERESTS IN THE FUND

### **Investment Objective**

The investment objective of the Fund is to track the performance before fees and expenses of the Underlying Asset, which is the MSCI World Minimum Volatility (USD) Index (the "Reference Index").

The Reference Index consists of global equities from developed markets that provide the lowest absolute volatility of returns, measured by the rate of fluctuation in their daily price movements over time, within a certain set of constraints.

Further information on the Reference Index is contained under "General Description of the Underlying Asset".

## **Investment Policy**

In order to seek to achieve the investment objective, the Fund will adopt a Direct Investment Policy. There is no assurance that the investment objective of the Fund will actually be achieved.

The Fund will aim to replicate or track, before fees and expenses, the performance of the Reference Index by holding a portfolio of equity securities that comprises all, or a substantial number of, the securities comprised in the Reference Index (the "**Underlying Securities**"). The Fund is managed according to a passive approach and is a Full Replication Fund (as described in the Prospectus under the heading "*Direct Investment Funds following a passive approach*"). Full disclosure on the composition of the Fund's portfolio will be available on a daily basis at www.Xtrackers.com.

The Underlying Securities are listed or traded on markets and exchanges which are set out at Appendix I of the Prospectus, with the Underlying Securities being bought by the Fund from any broker or counterparty who trades on the markets and exchanges listed at Appendix I of the Prospectus.

As further described in the 'Efficient Portfolio Management and Financial Derivative Instruments' sections below and in the Prospectus, the Fund may also invest in equity securities which are not constituents of the Reference Index and/or financial derivative instruments ("FDIs") related to a constituent or constituents of the Reference Index, for efficient portfolio purposes, where such securities and/or FDIs would achieve a risk and return profile similar to that of the Reference Index, a constituent of the Reference Index or a sub-set of constituents of the Reference Index.

The Fund may invest in ancillary liquid assets which will include secured and/or unsecured deposits, and/or units or shares of other UCITS or other collective investment schemes which pursue a money market/cash strategy or which are related to the Reference Index or constituents of the Reference Index.

The investments and liquid assets the Fund may hold on an ancillary basis will, together with any fees and expenses, be valued by the Administrator on each Valuation Day in order to determine the Net Asset Value of the Fund in accordance with the rules set out in the Prospectus.

The value of the Fund's Shares is linked to the Reference Index, the performance of which may rise or fall. Hence, investors should note that the value of their investment could fall as well as rise and they should accept that there is no guarantee that they will recover their initial investment.

The Fund will have no Final Repurchase Date. However, the Board of Directors may decide to terminate the Fund in accordance with the terms set out in the Prospectus and/or the Articles of Association.

#### **Efficient Portfolio Management and Financial Derivative Instruments**

The Fund may employ techniques and instruments relating to transferable securities from time to time under the conditions and within the limits laid down by the Central Bank and the conditions set out in the Prospectus an this supplement for efficient portfolio management purposes. The Fund may enter into securities lending transactions for efficient portfolio management purposes only in accordance with the conditions and limits set down by the

Central Bank from time to time and the conditions set out in the Prospectus.

The Fund may also invest in FDIs subject to the conditions and limits laid down by the Central Bank for efficient portfolio management purposes and as described in the Prospectus.

The Company employs a risk management process which enables it to accurately measure, monitor and manage at any time the risks attached to the Fund's FDI positions and their contribution to the overall risk profile of the portfolio of assets of a Fund. The Company will, on request, provide supplementary information to Shareholders relating to the risk management methods employed, including the quantitative limits that are applied and any recent developments in the risk and yield characteristics of the main categories of investments in respect of the relevant Fund.

### **Calculation of Global Exposure**

The Fund will employ the commitment approach to assess the Fund's global exposure and to ensure that the Fund's use of derivative instruments is within the limits specified by the Central Bank. Global exposure will be calculated daily. While the Fund may be leveraged through the use of the FDIs, any such leverage would not be expected to be in excess of 100% of the Fund's Net Asset Value.

# **Investment Restrictions**

The general investment restrictions set out under "Investment Restrictions" in the Prospectus apply to the Fund.

Further, the Fund will not invest more than 10% of its assets in units or shares of other UCITS or other collective investment schemes in order to be eligible for investment by UCITS governed by the UCITS directive.

The Directors may from time to time impose such further investment restrictions as shall be compatible with or in the interests of Shareholders, in order to comply with the laws and regulations of the countries where Shareholders are located. Such investment restrictions will be included in an updated Supplement.

### **Borrowing**

The Company may only borrow, for the account of the Fund, up to 10% of the Net Asset Value of the Fund provided that such borrowing is for temporary purposes. The assets of the Fund may be charged as security for any such borrowings.

### Specific Risk Warning

Investors should note that the Fund is not capital protected or guaranteed and that the capital invested is not protected or guaranteed and investors in this Fund should be prepared and able to sustain losses up to the total capital invested.

The Fund should not be considered low risk and may not be appropriate for cautious investors. It is strongly recommended that you seek professional investment advice before considering investing in the Fund.

The Reference Index is based on a broad parent index, namely the MSCI World Index (the "**Parent Index**"), and selects securities which tend to exhibit, either individually or in aggregate, lower levels of volatility. Due to this selection, investors should be aware that the Reference Index is likely to be less diverse than the Parent Index, for example by containing fewer constituents or sector exposures. As the Reference Index is likely to be less diverse, it could be more susceptible to specific sector or market related impacts which may negatively affect the value of the Fund.

Although the Reference Index is designed to be less volatile than the Parent Index there is no guarantee that this strategy will be successful. There is a risk that the Reference Index will not exhibit minimum levels of volatility and it could be more volatile than the Parent Index.

Investors are reminded that Shares in the Fund are traded on exchange and are bought and sold at market prices. As such, Share market prices may be different to the Net Asset Value per Share of the Fund. Investors should note that use of "Minimum Volatility" in the name of the Fund relates to the Reference Index exposure and the constituents of the Reference Index only, and as such there is no guarantee that the market price of the Shares of the Fund when traded on exchange will have low volatility.

In periods of strong market performance, the Reference Index may not perform as well as the Parent Index. This means that the Fund may perform less strongly than one tracking the Parent Index in times when the market is performing well and values of stocks are increasing.

Investors will also bear certain other risks as described under the section "Risk Factors" in the Prospectus.

#### **Profile of a Typical Investor**

Prospective investors in the Fund should ensure that they understand fully the nature of the Fund, as well as the extent of their exposure to risks associated with an investment in the Fund and should consider the suitability of an investment in the Fund.

Investment in the Fund may be appropriate for investors who have knowledge of, and investment experience in this type of financial product and understand and can evaluate the strategy and characteristics in order to make an informed investment decision. Further, they may have free and available cash for investment purposes and are looking to gain exposure to the securities making up the Reference Index. As the Net Asset Value per Share of the Fund will fluctuate and may fall in value, investment in the Fund should be viewed as suitable for investors who seek a return over the medium to long term. However, prospective investors should be prepared and able to sustain losses up to the total amount of capital invested.

The Prospectus sets out statements on taxation regarding the law and practice in force in the relevant jurisdiction at the date of the Prospectus. The statements are by way of a general guide to potential investors and Shareholders only and do not constitute legal or tax advice to Shareholders or potential investors. Shareholders and potential investors are therefore advised to consult their professional advisers concerning any investment in the Fund particularly as the tax position of an investor and the rates of tax may change over time.

# **Dividend Policy**

The Fund does not intend to make dividend payments.

# **General Information Relating to the Fund**

Base Currency USD

Cut-off Time Means 4:30 p.m. Dublin time on the Business Day before the

relevant Transaction Day.

**Fund Classification (InvStG)** Equity Fund, target minimum percentage of 70%.

Minimum Fund Size USD 50,000,000.

Settlement Period Means up to seven Business Days following the Transaction

Day1.

Securities Lending Yes

Securities Lending Agent Deutsche Bank AG, acting through its Frankfurt head office and

its London and New York branches.

Securities Lending fee

**allocation** The Securities Lending Agent shall receive a fee for the services

provided in respect of any Securities Lending Transactions.

Securities Lending Revenue To the extent the Fund undertakes securities lending to reduce

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In the case that a Significant Market is closed for trading or settlement on any Business Day during the period between the relevant Transaction Day and the expected settlement date (inclusive), and/or settlement in the base currency of the Fund is not available on the expected settlement date, there may be corresponding delays to the settlement times indicated in this Supplement subject to the regulatory limit on settlement periods of 10 Business Days from the Cut-off Time. Earlier or later times may be determined by the Management Company at its discretion, whereby notice will be given on <a href="https://www.xtrackers.com">www.xtrackers.com</a>.

costs, the Fund will ultimately be allocated 70% of the associated revenue generated, the Sub-Portfolio Manager will be allocated 15%, and the Securities Lending Agent will be allocated 15%. To facilitate this, the Fund will initially receive 85% of the associated revenue generated from which the Sub-Portfolio Manager will receive their allocation. The Securities Lending Agent acts as the Company's agent in relation to securities lending transactions and the Sub-Portfolio Manager provides risk monitoring services to the Company in relation to securities lending transactions. As securities lending revenue sharing does not increase the costs of running the Fund, this has been excluded from the figures set out under "Fees and Expenses" below.

Significant Market

Means a Direct Replication Significant Market.

Description of the Shares "1C"

ISIN Code IE00BL25JN58

German Security Identification Number (WKN) A1103F

**Currency** USD

Launch Date 5 September 2014

Minimum Initial Investment Amount 55,000 Shares

Minimum Additional Investment Amount 55,000 Shares

Minimum Redemption Amount 55,000 Shares

Fees and Expenses

Management Company Fee Up to 0.15% per annum

Platform Fee Up to 0.10% per annum

All-in Fee Up to 0.25% per annum

Primary Market Transaction Costs Applicable

Transaction Costs Applicable

Anticipated Tracking Error Up to 1.00% per annum

This section headed "Fees and Expenses" should be read in conjunction with the section headed "Fees and Expenses" in the Prospectus.

#### GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE UNDERLYING ASSET

This section is a brief overview of the Reference Index. It contains a summary of the principal features of the Reference Index and is not a complete description of the Reference Index. In case of inconsistency between the summary of the Reference Index in this section and the complete description of the Reference Index, the complete description of the Reference Index prevails. Information on the Reference Index appears on the website identified below in "Further Information". Such information may change from time to time and details of the changes will appear on that website.

### General description of the Reference Index

The Reference Index is based on the Parent Index which is administered by MSCI Limited (the "Index Administrator"). The Parent Index is designed to reflect the performance of the shares of certain listed large and medium sized companies across developed markets countries.

The Reference Index is designed to reflect the performance characteristics of a portfolio based on the universe of eligible securities constituting the Parent Index with the lowest forecasted volatility of returns, subject to certain risk diversification constraints as further described below. Volatility of returns measures the rate of daily price movements of a security over a given period of time. For example, a security with a low volatility would have smaller fluctuations in its daily price movements over time, compared to one with a higher volatility.

The Reference Index uses the relevant Barra Equity Model (the "Model") in conjunction with the most recent Barra Open Optimizer (the "Optimizer"), which are maintained by the Index Administrator, to construct the portfolio. The Model and Optimizer are both rules based, and are further described below.

The Optimizer applies risk diversification constraints which include, but are not limited to, minimum and maximum weights per constituent, country, and sector relative to the Parent Index. As a result of this optimisation, the weighting of certain securities, countries and sectors may deviate from the Parent Index. As such, some securities, countries, and sectors included in the Parent Index may not feature in the Reference Index at all.

The Model forecasts the volatility of each constituent in the Parent Index and measures the correlation between all constituents in the Parent Index.

The Model utilises a variety of factors to determine forecasted volatility, including, but not limited to, historic market data (i.e. stock price, trading volume), past financial statements, financial indicators (i.e. dividend to price ratio, book to price ratio, predicted earnings growth), industry membership and stock returns.

The Reference Index is a total return net index. A total return net index calculates the performance of the index constituents on the basis that any dividends or distributions are reinvested after the deduction of any taxes that may apply.

The Reference Index is calculated in USD on an end of day basis.

The Reference Index is rebalanced semi-annually, and may also be rebalanced at other times in order to reflect corporate activity such as mergers and acquisitions. Further information is contained under "Rebalancing Frequency and Costs" in the Prospectus.

### **Further Information**

MSCI Limited has been granted authorisation by the UK FCA as a UK administrator for all MSCI equity indices under the UK's Benchmarks Regulation and is listed on the FCA's register for administrators.

Additional information on the Reference Index, its composition, calculation and rules for periodic review and rebalancing and on the general methodology behind the MSCI indices can be found on <a href="https://www.msci.com/constituents">www.msci.com/constituents</a>. Index constituents can be viewed under <a href="https://www.msci.com/constituents">https://www.msci.com/constituents</a>.

More detailed information on the Model and Optimizer can be found at the following: <a href="https://www.msci.com/portfolio-management">https://www.msci.com/portfolio-management</a>.

#### **IMPORTANT**

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