## Asset Management

16 December 2024

Dear Investor,

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION - Japan Index Fund (the "Fund")**

The stock exchanges in Japan will be closed for business from 31 December 2024 to 3 January 2025 and then again from 5 May 2025 to 6 May 2025 for public holidays. Please note that 1 January 2025 and 5 May 2025 are also UK public holidays.

With the stock exchanges closed for consecutive days we will not be able to buy and sell underlying stocks for the Fund. Additionally, the price of stocks as listed on the closed exchanges will not change to reflect any wider economic developments during these times. This creates risks for the Fund. In order to mitigate these risks, we are exercising our discretion to declare the period from 30 December 2024 to 3 January 2025 inclusive and from 2 May 2025 to 6 May 2025 inclusive as non-dealing days for the Fund.

This means that investors in the Fund will not be able to buy, sell, switch or convert shares in the Fund during these non-dealing periods. Apart from the days that are UK public holidays, we will still publish prices for shares in the Fund during these non-dealing periods, taking account of our fair value pricing policy. We believe this approach is in the best interests of investors in the Fund and is the same approach we follow for UK public holidays.

Therefore, any instructions to buy, sell, switch or convert shares in the Fund that are received by us after:

- 12 noon on 27 December 2024 in respect of the first non-dealing period and
- 12 noon on 1 May 2025 in respect of the second non-dealing period

will be retained and processed when normal dealing in the Fund is resumed on 6 January 2025 and 7 May 2025 respectively.

For regular savers who invest in the Fund by Direct Debit, the amount you invest will be collected from your bank account on 2 January 2025 and will be used to buy shares in the relevant Fund(s) when normal dealing is resumed on 6 January 2025 in respect of the first non-dealing period. There will be no impact for regular savers in respect of the second non-dealing period.



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If you have any questions regarding this letter or require further information, please call the Fund Servicing Centre on 0800 358 3011 or write to us at HSBC Asset Management (Fund Services UK) Limited, Sunderland, SR43 4BF. Lines are open from 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays). To help us continually improve our service and in the interest of security, we may monitor and/or record your communications with us.

Yours faithfully

Matthew Higginbotham Chief Executive Officer HSBC Asset Management (Fund Services UK) Limited

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