

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

DWS Strategic Defensive

Share class: XD, ISIN: LU1740985491, German Security Code: A2JAED, Currency: EUR

a sub-fund of DWS Strategic. The fund is a Luxembourg based UCITS (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities). The management company is **DWS Investment S.A. (the manufacturer), a member of DWS Group**. Please refer to www.dws.com/fundinformation/ or call +352 4 21 01-2 for more information. The Competent Authority Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier is responsible for supervising DWS Strategic in relation to this Key Information Document. This PRIIP is authorised in Luxembourg. The management company DWS Investment S.A. is authorised in Luxembourg and is regulated by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier. This key information is accurate as at 16.02.2026.

What is this product?

Type

The product is a UCITS - Part 1 sub-fund of a SICAV under Luxembourg law.

Term

This product is an open-ended fund without predefined maturity. You may request the redemption of shares generally on each valuation date. The company may, however, suspend the redemption if extraordinary circumstances appear to make this necessary, taking into account the interests of the investors. Further, the company may restrict the redemption. The product may be redeemed early in certain circumstances as set out in the sales prospectus. The XD share class of DWS Strategic Defensive was launched in 2018.

Objectives

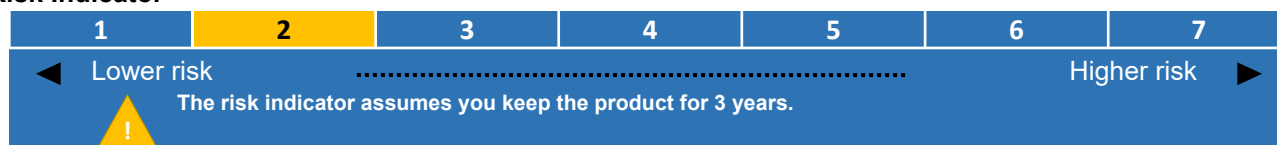
The fund is actively managed. The fund is not managed in reference to a benchmark. The fund promotes environmental and social characteristics and is subject to the disclosure requirements of a financial product in accordance with article 8(1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 on sustainability-related disclosures in the financial services sector. More ESG information is available in the sales prospectus and on the DWS website. The objective of the investment policy is to achieve a positive mid- to long-term investment performance taking into account the opportunities and risks of the international capital markets. In order to achieve this, the sub-fund invests predominantly in Exchange Traded Funds. Moreover, the sub-fund may invest in interest-bearing securities, in equities, in certificates on, for example, equities, bonds, indices, commodities and precious metals, in convertible bonds, in warrant-linked bonds whose underlying warrants relate to securities, in equity warrants, in participation and dividend-right certificates, in derivatives, in funds as well as in money market instruments, deposits and cash. The sub-fund's investments in asset backed securities and mortgage backed securities shall be limited to 20% of the sub-fund's net asset value. Up to 10% of the sub-fund's assets may be invested in certificates on commodities, commodities indices, precious metals and precious metals indices. The fund targets an annualized volatility between 2% and 5% over a rolling 5-year period. However, it cannot be guaranteed that the volatility range will be met at any time. When selecting suitable investments, environmental and social aspects and the principles of good corporate governance (ESG criteria) are taken into consideration. In this context, the selection of individual investments is the responsibility of the fund management. The return of the product is reflected by the daily calculated net asset value per unit and the distribution amount if applicable. The currency of the fund is EUR. The fund distributes annually. This fund is a sub-fund of DWS Strategic for which the sales prospectus and the periodic reports are prepared as a whole. The assets and liabilities of each sub-fund are segregated by law. As a result, assets of one sub-fund are not available in the event of claims against or insolvency of another. More share classes may be available for this fund - please refer to the relevant section of the sales prospectus for further details. Shares may in many cases be exchanged for shares in share class of the same or another DWS Strategic SICAV sub-fund. Details can be found in the "Exchange of shares" section of the sales prospectus. The depositary is State Street Bank International GmbH, Luxembourg Branch. More detailed information on this fund, such as the sales prospectus as well as the latest annual and semi-annual report, can be obtained free of charge online at www.dws.com. Select your country of residence on the website, enter the fund name in the search bar and select the desired documents under "Downloads".

Intended retail investor

The sub-fund is intended for medium term retail investors with basic knowledge/experience, who can bear losses. The sub-fund can be used for general capital accumulation.

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

Risk Indicator



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 2 out of 7, which is a low risk class. This rates the potential losses from future performance at a low level, and poor market conditions are very unlikely to impact the capacity to pay you.

The following is applicable if you subscribe for or settle shares in a different currency than the fund or share-class currency: Be aware of currency risk. You will receive payments in a different currency, so the final return you will get depend on the exchange rate between the two currencies. This risk is not considered in the indicator shown above.

The following risks could be of particular significance for the fund: Credit risk, Risks specific to funds of funds. A more detailed description of risks and other general information can be found in the risk section(s) of the sales prospectus. You may lose some or all of your investment. Your risk is limited to the amount invested. This product does not include any protection from future market performance so you could lose some or all of your investment.

Performance Scenarios

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 and a suitable benchmark over the last 10 years. Markets could develop very differently in the future.

Recommended holding period:
Example Investment:

3 years
10.000 EUR

		If you exit after 1 year	If you exit after 3 years
Scenarios			
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	7,910 EUR -20.9 %	8,110 EUR -6.8 %
Unfavourable	What you might get back after costs Average return each year	8,790 EUR -12.1 %	9,650 EUR -1.2 %
Moderate	What you might get back after costs Average return each year	10,380 EUR 3.8 %	10,790 EUR 2.6 %
Favourable	What you might get back after costs Average return each year	11,330 EUR 13.3 %	12,370 EUR 7.3 %

The figures shown include all the costs of the product itself, but may not include all the costs that you pay to your advisor or distributor. The figures do not take into account your personal tax situation, which may also affect how much you get back. The stress scenario shows what you might get back in extreme market circumstances. For the 1 year holding period the following applies: This type of scenario (Favourable, Moderate, Unfavourable) occurred for an investment - possibly with reference to 70% iBoxx EUR Overall, 30 MSCI World Net TR EUR - between (Favourable: 31.03.2020-31.03.2021, Moderate: 29.06.2018-28.06.2019, Unfavourable: 30.12.2021-30.12.2022). For the recommended holding period the following applies: This type of scenario (Favourable, Moderate, Unfavourable) occurred for an investment - possibly with reference to 70% iBoxx EUR Overall, 30 MSCI World Net TR EUR - between (Favourable: 31.10.2022-31.10.2025, Moderate: 31.05.2016-31.05.2019, Unfavourable: 30.12.2019-30.12.2022).

What happens if DWS Investment S.A. is unable to pay out?

The assets of the fund are kept separately from those of the management company, DWS Investment S.A.. An insolvency or default of the management company should not result in the fund suffering any financial loss in relation to its assets. On the insolvency or default of the depositary State Street Bank International GmbH, Luxembourg Branch securities held by the depositary on behalf of the fund should be protected but the fund may suffer loss in relation to cash and certain other assets which are not protected. Cash deposits of the fund deposited with other credit institutions may cause investors to suffer a financial loss if such deposits are not covered by any existing deposit guarantee schemes. Investment in the fund is not covered by any investor compensation or guarantee scheme.

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 and how well the product does. 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 EUR is invested.

	If you exit after 1 year	If you exit after 3 years
Total costs	28 EUR	88 EUR
Annual cost impact (*)	0.3 %	0.3 % each year

*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 2.9% before costs and 2.6% after costs.

We may share part of the costs with the person selling you the product to cover the services they provide to you. They will inform you of the amount.

Composition of costs

One-off costs upon entry or exit		If you exit after 1 year
Entry costs	We do not charge an entry fee.	0 EUR
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Ongoing costs taken each year		
Management fees and other administrative or operating costs	0.26 % of the value of your investment per year. This is an estimate based on actual costs for the fiscal year ending 31.12.2025.	26 EUR
Transaction costs	0.02 % 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.	2 EUR
Incidental costs taken under specific conditions		
Performance fees	We do not charge a performance fee.	0 EUR

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

Recommended holding period: 3 years. The product has no minimum holding period.

This product has no required minimum holding period. The recommended holding period has been selected due to its investment strategy and because it is designed for a medium term investment horizon. It is expected that it will be possible to achieve the investment objective of the fund within this time frame. You may request the redemption of shares generally on each valuation date. No fees or penalties will be charged by the company for any such transaction.

There is no change on the risk return profile when you redeem your shares early.

How can I complain?

Complaints about the behaviour of the person who advised you on the product or sold it to you, should be addressed directly to that person. Complaints about the product or the behaviour of the manufacturer of this product should be directed to the following address:

DWS Investment S. A., 2, Boulevard Konrad Adenauer, 1115 Luxembourg; Email: info@dws.com; www.dws.com

We will then handle your request and provide you with feedback as soon as possible. We have a summary of our complaints handling procedure available free of charge online at <https://funds.dws.com/en-lu/footer/disclaimer/>.

Other relevant information

Taxation regimes applicable to the fund in your jurisdiction may affect your personal tax situation. Prospective investors should inform themselves of, and where appropriate take advice on such taxation regimes. Information on the current remuneration policy of the management company, including a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated is published on the Internet at <https://www.dws.com/footer/Legal-Resources/dws-remuneration-policy?setLanguage=en>. The information will be sent to you in paper form free of charge upon request.

Information about the performance of this fund over the last 7 calendar years is available from <https://download.dws.com/product-documents/LU1740985491/Past%20Performance/LU/EN> and information about previous performance scenarios is available from <https://download.dws.com/product-documents/LU1740985491/Previous%20Performance/LU/EN>.