

Key information about this Service

CORPORATE SPONSORED NOMINEE ACCOUNT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1.1 What Service are we providing?

We agree to provide you with access to the The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc corporate sponsored nominee account (Service). The type of Security held in the corporate sponsored nominee account for you by our Nominee will be Shares. We are authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority. These legally binding terms explain to you the relationship between you and us in relation to the Service.

The price of Securities can go down as well as up and the income from Securities is not guaranteed. You may suffer a loss and receive back less than you originally invested. Remember that past performance is no guide to future performance.

Please read these terms and conditions carefully. If there is anything you do not understand, please contact us or seek independent professional advice. We may change these terms and conditions, if we do so, we will let you know beforehand.

We only make the Service available to people over 18 years old living in one of the Permitted Countries. You may not use this Service unless you live in a Permitted Country. In any event, you may not use this Service in a country where it would be either illegal to do so or that would require us to observe regulatory procedures or legal formalities in addition to those required in England and Wales. The Permitted Countries section has further details.

1.2 How much will it cost you to use the Service?

We will not charge you for holding your Securities. The Company is charged an annual administration fee for the provision of the Service. We may charge you a fee for transferring your Securities, or for using some of the services provided under these terms and conditions.

If, following your instructions, we transfer your Securities to a third party brokerage account or you, we will charge you £15.00. We may deduct our fees directly from your Account before arranging for monies to be sent to you by one of the methods set out in these terms and conditions, or we may request you send us a cheque or make payment to us by another means. You may request an itemised breakdown of total costs and charges. Further information on our charges is available in the What are our Costs section.

1.3 Are we providing you with any advice?

We will not provide you with any investment, taxation or legal advice in relation to either the Service or the purchase, sale or transfer of Securities. We will not assess the suitability or appropriateness of any product, service or transaction and we will not recommend or invite you to sell, transfer or hold your Securities. You will not benefit from the protection of the FCA Rules on assessing appropriateness.

It is your responsibility to make sure the Service is right for you and you may wish to seek independent professional advice before using it.

1.4 How do you contact us?

You can contact us by e-mail at web.queries@computershare.co.uk or post. You can also telephone us on 0370 702 0135 between 08:30 and 17:30 on Business Days. The Contacting Each Other section has further details.

1.5 How do you keep your personal information up to date?

When we contact you we will use the most recent contact details we have for you on our records. Where we make a payment to you it will be to the bank account details we have for you on our records or by cheque that we will send to the most recent address we have for you on our records. You must tell us immediately if you change your contact details or your bank account.

1.6 What happens if something goes wrong?

We will always aim to provide the Service with reasonable care and skill. If you are not happy with any aspect of the Service, please contact us. The Complaints and Compensation section has further information. Please note that we limit our liability to you under these terms and conditions. Further information is contained in the Limits on our Liability section.

List of technical words used in these terms and what they mean

When a word appears in these terms that starts with a capital letter, check to see if it appears in the list of defined terms below for its specific meaning.

“Account”	means the account managed by our Nominee who shall use it to hold Securities on your behalf;
“Business Day”	means any day on which the London Stock Exchange (“LSE”) is open for business;
“Company”	means the company in which we hold Securities on your behalf and any other company it has control of or that is controlled by the same people who also control the company, as the context requires;
“CSD”	means a central securities depository which is a computer-based system enabling securities to be held and transferred electronically. Relevant depositories include CREST in the UK, the Direct Registration System in the USA, Nominatif Pur in France and Issuer Sponsored Subregister in Australia;
“FCA”	means the UK Financial Conduct Authority;
“FCA Rules”	means the rules, guidance and principles set out in the FCA Handbook;
“Nominee”	means one of our group companies which we may nominate to provide the Service, and whose business shall consist solely of acting as a nominee holder of shares or other securities on behalf of others. This company shall initially be Computershare Company Nominees Limited;
“Security”	<p>means financial instruments issued by the Company which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• stock, or shares which are a unit of share capital;• depository interests or CREST Depository Interests which represent shares and can be held and settled electronically through a CSD; and• debenture, loan note, right, warrant, or any other type of financial instrument. <p>and “Securities” shall mean any one or combination of these.</p>
“us”, “we”, “our” or “Computershare”	means Computershare Investor Services PLC (Company No: 3498808) whose registered address is The Pavilions, Bridgwater Road, Bristol, BS13 8AE, Financial Services Register No. 188534;
“you”	means the person holding an interest in the Security. Where our Nominee holds your Security for more than one person, references to “you” in these terms and conditions are to be treated as references to each joint holder jointly and severally.

Interpretation We have referred to some statutes, regulations or other rules. References to them include references to them as amended or replaced from time to time. Where we have referred to a time of day this means UK time, unless we say otherwise. Where we start a phrase with the words ‘including’ or ‘include’, the phrase is to be construed as illustrative only and does not limit the sense of the words preceding those terms.

How the Service will operate

2. Nominee Arrangements

- 2.1 Our Nominee normally holds your Securities electronically in a relevant CSD. Nothing in these terms varies in any way any of the rights or duties our Nominee has as legal owner in relation to the Company.
- 2.2 Our Nominee will hold your Securities on trust for you which means that they will be the legal owner of the Securities and you will remain the beneficial owner.
- 2.3 You agree that the Company may issue Securities to our Nominee and require our Nominee to hold the Securities. Under these terms neither we nor our Nominee will have any claim over or interest in your Securities other than where we use them as security against a debt you owe to us (subject to FCA Rules), or where we do so under a separate agreement.
- 2.4 You agree that you alone have all interests and rights in the Securities and that you will not pledge or charge the Securities to any third party. Therefore you must not give any other person rights over your Securities, or give them any benefits or rights under these terms. We will not recognise any duty or responsibility to any third party. We will only recognise our responsibilities to you under these terms and conditions. You must tell us immediately if someone is claiming an interest in your Securities or may try to stop you from transferring them.
- 2.5 We will only accept instructions from you in writing or via your online account, and which contain your Shareholder Reference Number ("SRN"). We put this number on all statements we send to you. You must keep the SRN secure and maintain the security of your account at all times. You must use your SRN in all communications you send to us about your Securities. If you lose or fail to quote your SRN we may delay acting upon your instruction. If you ask us we will acknowledge your instructions to transfer by an amended statement of holdings. We will confirm any other instructions by simply following them. We will not write to you to tell you we have done so.

3. Company meetings and communications

- 3.1 Where we are reasonably able to, we will let you know about the Company's annual meetings and other shareholder meetings. We will also send you a form you can give to our Nominee with your voting instructions to vote by proxy, on a poll, or by show of hands. If you want to attend a shareholders' meeting we will appoint you as our proxy in respect of your Securities (as long as this is permitted by the Company's constitutional documents), provided you have sent us the relevant form correctly filled out and on time, with your instructions. We can only offer you these services in so far as they are allowed by the CSD. We will let you know when we are able to offer this service.

4. Entitlements attaching to Securities and corporate actions

- 4.1 In the event of a corporate action (for example a takeover or rights issue) we will treat you as far as reasonably possible as if you were a registered shareholder. Where you want to exercise any rights over your Securities we will follow your reasonable written instructions, provided you instruct us following these terms and conditions and in accordance with any instructions we provide you with at that time. Where a payment is required on your behalf, we will not act on your instructions until you have sent us money to cover that payment.
- 4.2 Where our Nominee holds Securities or other rights in the Securities for other investors, our Nominee will share them among all investors on a pro rata basis. If any fractions in the Securities arise as a result of our Nominee holding the Security for a number of investors then our Nominee will aggregate the fractions and sell them with the sale proceeds shared among all investors on a pro rata basis.
- 4.3 If the Company offers a dividend reinvestment plan, it will be subject to separate terms and conditions which will be provided to you when the dividend reinvestment plan becomes available.
- 4.4 If you choose to take part in any currency election that we offer you, we will convert any distribution or cash dividend payable and attributable to your account with our Nominee into any other available currency. We will pay you this money by cheque or by electronic transfer into your nominated UK bank account, at about the same time as this happens for other Company shareholders.
- 4.5 We will hold this money in a client money bank account in our name which will be governed by the FCA rules on client money. We will not pay you interest. We will charge you a currency conversion fee every time we

convert your cash dividend or distribution into another currency, which we will deduct from your dividend or distribution before sending to you. Refer to the What are our Costs section for more information.

- 4.6 We will carry out the currency conversion using a competitive rate based on a wholesale exchange rate. The wholesale rate is a point in time rate that is updated throughout the day subject to the availability of currencies for online trading. It will be derived from a reliable foreign exchange feed such as Reuters or Bloomberg and will also be dependent upon the ability to buy and/or sell currencies and the bulk buying position.
- 4.7 We may combine a number of foreign currency conversion instructions for payments denominated in the same currency, in order to provide a more favourable exchange rate than if each order were carried out separately. We will not accept from you any instruction that the conversion must be carried out at a minimum currency exchange rate.
- 4.8 You agree that the currency exchange rate may vary after you send us your instructions but before we are able to convert the currency, which may reduce the value of the proceeds we send you. We accept no liability for any losses or expenses which you may suffer as a result of any such movement in the currency exchange rate.
- 4.9 The payment of any cash dividends or other distributions from your Securities may attract withholding tax, a tax required to be applied by us on any dividend or other distribution payable to you. We may deduct any withholding tax from the cash dividend or other distribution payable to you, and pay it to the relevant tax authority. We may appoint a "Withholding Agent" to send any withholding tax to the tax authorities for you. We may require you to send us a dividend withholding form or such other information as we require to work out exactly how much withholding tax you owe.

5. Statements

- 5.1 When we open an Account for you we will send you a statement setting out how many Securities you have in the Account. After that we will send you a statement at least quarterly i.e. at regular intervals not less than four times a year for as long as we hold assets or cash for you. You may request statements more frequently, but we may charge you for providing these.
- 5.2 You must check your statements and if anything is wrong or you have any questions about the statement you must contact us straightaway.

6. What are our Costs?

- 6.1 Our fees are set out in the Key Information section.
- 6.2 We will not charge you for holding your Securities in the Account and taking care of much of the administration.
- 6.3 We may charge you for other ancillary services provided under these terms and conditions such as providing duplicate tax vouchers, acquisition costs, withdrawal and statutory fees or other charges associated with carrying out your instructions. Our current fees and charges for these other services are available upon request from us.
- 6.4 We may increase our charges and we will notify you in writing at least 20 Business Days in advance of any proposed new charge or before we increase our charges. If we do this, you may withdraw from the Service within the notice period without incurring any penalties. We may increase our charges for any reason, which may include:
 - (a) increases in inflation;
 - (b) changes in interest rates;
 - (c) increases in our running costs of the Service;
 - (d) additional charges imposed by parties we work with in connection with the provision of the Service;
 - (e) new services being offered under the Service;
 - (f) alterations in the provision of the Service being provided; and/or
 - (g) tax or legal changes.
- 6.5 All applicable UK Value Added Tax ("VAT") on our fees, commissions and charges is payable by you to us. All our fees, commissions and charges are inclusive of any applicable VAT unless specifically stated otherwise. Our dealing and currency conversion fees are exclusive of VAT, but currently no VAT is applicable to these fees. If that situation changes in the future we will charge you VAT without notifying you beforehand.
- 6.6 If you instruct us to transfer any of your Securities you agree to indemnify us and our Nominee against any liabilities or costs we or the Nominee may suffer, because of anything you have done that stops the transfer from completing.

7. Purchases and Sales of Securities

- 7.1 If the Company permits it, you may buy more Company Securities and put them in your Account at any time. There may be other instances where we will permit our Nominee to accept additional Securities into your account.
- 7.2 If you take part in a dividend reinvestment plan you will have more Securities added to your Account.
- 7.3 You can only buy or sell your Securities through a facility we may provide, which will be subject to its own terms and conditions.

8. How to Exit or Transfer from the Service

Transfer

- 8.1 You may instruct us to arrange for our Nominee to hold your Securities for someone else or to add someone else as a joint holder of the Securities with you. We will only do this if you send us the correct form confirming that this transfer is a gift from you to them. We will not charge you for this transfer.
- 8.2 We may reject any transfer instruction provided using the wrong or incorrectly filled in form. You may not amend or cancel any transfer instruction once you have sent it to us.
- 8.3 We will not accept transfer of Securities into our Nominee unless the Company allows us to do so.
- 8.4 We may choose to reject an instruction to transfer Securities into the Nominee's name (provided we have a reasonable basis to do so, for example, if you owe us money or your transfer request is incompatible with these terms and conditions or our legal and regulatory obligations).

Cancellation Rights

- 8.5 You may cancel participation in the Service up to fourteen calendar days after activation (the Cancellation Period). However, you will lose your cancellation right if you ask us during the Cancellation Period to process any payment to you or sell any of your Securities for you, in accordance with separate dealing terms and conditions.
- 8.6 If you want to cancel your participation in the Service you must tell us before the Cancellation Period ends. We will not charge you any fees when you cancel. After you have cancelled and we have transferred any Securities these terms and conditions will cease to apply to you. If you do not cancel then we will provide the Service in accordance with these terms and conditions.

Withdrawal Rights

- 8.7 You may end this agreement for the Service with us at any time. You will have to pay any fees and taxes associated with withdrawing.

What you need to know about both your Withdrawal and Cancellation Options.

- 8.8 When you cancel or decide to withdraw from the Service we will, depending on your instructions and the options available to you as set out in the Key Information Section, transfer your Securities from the Service to:
- (a) you, so that you may hold a share certificate and be named directly on the Company share register;
 - (b) you, so that you may hold your Securities through a relevant CSD; or
 - (c) a third party stock brokerage account.
- 8.9 You can end the Service by either writing to us, or by using the form we send you. You must give details of the full name and SRN of the account you wish to end and if you wish to end an account in the name of joint holders, then the form must be signed by all joint holders.
- ## 9. Our Right to end this Agreement
- 9.1 We may stop you using the Account at any time on five days' notice if:
- (a) we think you are in material breach of these terms and conditions; or
 - (b) we or our Nominee is unable to comply with any obligation we or our Nominee are subject to in relation to your Securities.
- 9.2 If this happens or if the agreement between us and the Company governing the Account ends (in whole or in part) or if you or we choose to end this agreement for the Service or if the Account closes for any other reason then we will, depending on your instructions and the options available, transfer your Securities from the Account to either:
- (a) you, so that you may hold a share certificate and be named directly on the Company share register; or
 - (b) you, so that you may hold your Securities through a relevant CSD; or
 - (c) a third party stock brokerage account.

- 9.3 Even if we end this Service for any of the reasons set out above we will still honour any instructions which you have already sent to us, subject to these terms and conditions. When this Service ends for whatever reasons yours and our rights and responsibilities to each other that continue afterwards, in relation to the Service, shall still be governed by these terms and conditions.

- 9.4 Whenever we transfer Securities into your name on the Company share register, the Company may apply any mandates or other instructions given by you under the Service to your registered holding.

- 9.5 You agree to appoint us to be your agent for the purpose of issuing any instructions to the relevant CSD to give effect to the transfers referred to in these terms and conditions.

10. Joint holders

- 10.1 We will send all notices and other documents under these terms and conditions to the first named holder on the nominee register, which will then be treated as sent to all of the other joint holders. The first named joint holder who receives the notices or other documents agrees to notify the other joint holders. Only the first named joint holder may be nominated as proxy to attend, speak and vote at meetings of the Company's shareholders (where that proxy facility is made available by the CSD and where it is possible under the Company's constitutional documents).

- 10.2 Each joint holder therefore agrees that:

- (a) we and our Nominee are liable to the joint holders taken together and not separately; and
- (b) the joint holders are liable to us and the Nominee together and not separately.

- 10.3 We will only accept transfer instructions given by or on behalf of all of the joint holders, but we may accept other instructions signed by one or more joint holders which means the joint holder(s) giving the instructions warrant(s) to us that they have the necessary authority to act on behalf of all joint holders. We will only hold Securities for up to four joint holders.

- 10.4 Where we receive transfer instructions from a corporate holder, we will assume the signatory has the necessary authority to act on behalf of the corporate holder.

General information

1. Limits on our liability

- 1.1 We and our Nominee will provide the Service with reasonable care and skill.
- 1.2 We are not liable for losses unless they are foreseeable by each of us at the time we enter into an agreement governed these terms and conditions and are caused by our or our Nominee's breach of these terms and conditions, negligence, wilful default or fraud.
- 1.3 We are not liable for losses or expenses suffered by you that are caused by:
 - (a) your failure to obey the law;
 - (b) third parties (which for this purpose includes banks, custodians the Nominee and CSDs but otherwise excludes our own sub-contractors) subject to the provisions of these terms and conditions;
 - (c) documents getting lost or delayed in the post;
 - (d) delays over the internet before your communication reaches the Computershare website;
 - (e) your online communication being intercepted or hacked before it reaches the Computershare website;
 - (f) any planned maintenance that we have to carry out which will normally take place outside Business Hours;
 - (g) fraudulent instructions;
 - (h) us acting on your instructions; and/or
 - (i) unclear instructions.
- 1.4 We are not liable for any indirect losses or consequential loss of any kind and in any event we are not liable for:
 - (a) loss of opportunity (including investment opportunity);
 - (b) loss of potential future income, revenue, or increase in value;
 - (c) loss of income including interest;
 - (d) loss of goodwill;
 - (e) loss of anticipated savings; or
 - (f) any wasted time;

whether they amount to direct or indirect loss.

- 1.5 Nothing in these terms and conditions excludes or limits in any way our liability for:
 - (a) death or personal injury caused by our negligence; or
 - (b) fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation; or
 - (c) any other matter for which it would be illegal or unlawful for us to exclude or limit or attempt to exclude or limit our liability.

- 1.6 We shall not be responsible for delays or failure to perform the Service due to circumstances beyond our reasonable control which may include for example market conditions, halts on trading in a market, power failures or natural disasters. Where we do suffer such delays we will try to resume the Service as soon as reasonably possible.

- 1.7 You accept responsibility for all instructions you send to us or arrange to be sent to us on your behalf.

2. Contacting Each Other

- 2.1 When you write to us you must send all correspondence to: Computershare Investor Services PLC, The Pavilions, Bridgwater Road, Bristol BS99 6ZZ and include the full name and SRN of your Account.
- 2.2 When we send documents by post to you we will treat them as delivered two Business Days after we have sent them if you live in the UK, or five Business Days after if you live outside the UK. Where we send documents by courier, we will treat them as received by you on delivery.
- 2.3 If we send you an email or communicate with you via the Computershare website we shall regard the communications as being delivered instantly.
- 2.4 We will not accept any instructions from you by fax, email or photocopied forms.
- 2.5 Ours and your obligations under these terms and conditions shall be binding on us and you and your successors, executors, administrators and other legal representatives.
- 2.6 Where we are reasonably satisfied someone has proved they are authorised to act on your behalf in relation to your Securities, we will be entitled to rely and act upon any instructions they give us on your behalf as if they came from you. We will only act on an instruction sent under a power of attorney if you send the original power of attorney or a copy certified by a solicitor or notary public to us by post, which will be inspected and returned to you.

- 2.7 We provide these terms and conditions in English and we will only communicate with you in English when providing the Service.

3. General

- 3.1 These terms and conditions and the Service are governed by the laws of England. You agree that any claim under these terms must be brought before an English court.

- 3.2 You agree under these terms and conditions that your Securities and your rights and interests in your Securities are provided to us as security. You will indemnify us against any losses and expenses we suffer because:

- (a) you fail to give us sufficient funds to carry out your instructions;
- (b) you are in breach of these terms and conditions; or
- (c) we have had to pay taxes on your behalf arising out of your use of the Service.

- 3.3 Where we owe you money and you owe us money under the Service, we will deduct the monies you owe us from the monies we owe you, and only send you the net amount (if any).

- 3.4 We will round down any money payable to you to the nearest penny and keep the difference for our own benefit.

- 3.5 Unless we waive any of our rights in writing you cannot take any conduct or delay on our part to mean we have given up those rights.

- 3.6 We reserve the right to reject instructions from you. We may do this if we think we need to:

- (a) obtain further information from you;
- (b) comply with any legal requirements (for example: obtaining evidence of identity to comply with antimoney laundering regulations);
- (c) investigate any other issues we may have with your instructions;
- (d) check that you are not breaching money laundering legislation; and/or
- (e) carry out a credit check against you.

Where you fail to provide us with the evidence we need we may stop holding Securities and/or stop making payments to you. We may also notify the relevant authorities. We will notify you in writing as soon as possible if we decide not to accept an instruction from you. By agreeing to use this Service, you give us permission to check your identity using electronic identity checking services where necessary.

- 3.7 Neither we nor our Nominee will lend your Securities to any third party or borrow money using them as security.

- 3.8 When we arrange for the sale of Securities for you we could be:

- (a) acting for an associated company which is dealing as principal for its own account by buying Securities from you, or
- (b) buying Securities where an associated company is involved in a new issue, rights issue, takeover or similar transaction concerning the Company Security, or
- (c) otherwise in a position where we have a material interest in the transaction.

- 3.9 Conflicts of interest which may be detrimental to you may arise between us, our agents, our other corporate clients, our employees and those who use the Service. We will make every effort to identify and prevent such conflicts. Where this is not possible, we will manage and mitigate the conflicts. Where we cannot prevent, manage or mitigate such conflicts we will disclose details to you. You may obtain a copy of our Conflicts of Interest Policy, which we update regularly, on our website or you may request a copy by writing to us at Computershare Investor Services PLC, The Pavilions, Bridgwater Road, Bristol BS13 8AE, United Kingdom.

- 3.10 In performing the Service we may on occasion employ agents to carry out certain activities. Before doing so we will satisfy ourselves that they are able to do the job we are asking them to do.

- 3.11 The Service (and as a result all or some client money and assets) may at any time be moved to another provider. You will be notified in advance of when this will occur (the transfer date). The new provider may notify you of any changes to the scope of the Service and details of their terms and conditions as well as any associated information such as changes of address and banking details. Rights you may have against us which relate to the period before the transfer date will not be affected, but we and the Nominee shall have no liability to you in respect of the period after the transfer date.

- 3.12 We may at any time move all or part of our business (and as a result all or some client money and assets) to another provider, including for example as part of a restructure or amalgamation. The new provider will assume our rights and obligations under these terms and conditions and we will notify you in advance of when this will occur (the transfer date). This notice will include details of any changes to the Service and to these terms and conditions necessary because of the transfer, for example changes of address and banking details. Rights you may have against us which relate to the period before the transfer date will not be affected, but we and the Nominee shall have no liability to you in respect of the period after the transfer date.
- Subject to the contents of the notice referred to above, from the transfer date:
- these terms and conditions will be treated for all purposes as being entered into by you and the new provider rather than us;
 - references to us will be read as references to the new provider and references to the Nominee will be read as references to the new provider or its new nominee; and
 - we and the Nominee will be released and discharged from all of our obligations under these terms and conditions.
- 3.13 In these circumstances, we will satisfy ourselves that the new provider will hold monies in accordance with the FCA Rules on client money or if not, we will exercise due skill, care and diligence in assessing whether the new provider will apply adequate equivalent measures to protect your client money. You agree that from the transfer date we will no longer hold your money in a client money bank account and we will no longer treat it as client money under the FCA Rules.
- 3.14 In offering the Service we will treat you as a "retail client". As a retail client you are protected by the FCA Rules and you may be eligible for compensation under the FSCS, as described further in the Complaints and Compensation section.
- 3.15 Only you or we have any right to enforce these terms and no third party has right to enforce any of the terms by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.
- 3.16 We will not do anything which we think would or might break any relevant laws, rules, regulations or codes, or risk exposing us to criticism for behaving improperly or not acting in accordance with good market practice.
- 3.17 We will notify you when we change these terms and conditions and if we make any changes that are to your material disadvantage, we will give you not less than twenty Business Days' notice before such change becomes effective, and you will be able to withdraw from the Service without suffering any penalty during this period of twenty Business Days if you disagree with the change.
- 3.18 We may change these terms and conditions without telling you beforehand if we need to change them because the law or regulation changes.
- 4. Client Money and Assets**
- 4.1 When we provide you with the Service you agree that we can hold your money in a UK bank chosen by us. The money will be held in a separate pooled client money bank account together with other clients' monies but separate from our money. You will still have the same rights to your money. The account will be governed by the FCA Rules on client money. All money belonging to clients will be held on trust for the sole benefit of clients. We will not pay interest on monies we hold for you.
- 4.2 Assets will be segregated and held with assets of other customers of our nominee services. You agree that by pooling your Securities with those of other shareholders you retain all rights you have as the legal owner of your assets, but that your entitlement will not be identifiable by separate share certificates or other physical or electronic records of title.
- 4.3 We will not be responsible for anything a UK bank or any subcustodian in relation to the assets, does or fails to do with your money or assets.
- 4.4 Under the FCA Rules, if we, a bank or any sub-custodian becomes insolvent and cannot repay all the money or assets owed to clients this could result in a shortfall. In that case, we will treat money or assets as pooled, which means that any shortfall will be shared equally and proportionally with other shareholders of the Company and other customers of ours who are affected by the shortfall. You may not recover all of your money or assets. In this situation, you may be eligible to claim under the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). For more information, please see the Complaints and Compensation section.
- 4.5 Sometimes, in exceptional circumstances we may hold your money or assets in a bank or sub-custodian based outside of the UK. If we do so, we will take all reasonable steps to protect your money or assets in line with local laws, which may be different from the laws in the UK, and your rights in the event of insolvency of the bank or sub-custodian may be reduced.
- 4.6 If you hold client money with us and there has been no movement in your balance for at least six years, other than charges we may have levied, we may remove this money from the client money bank account and donate it to a registered charity of our choice. You may later claim this sum of money back from us, but you will not be entitled to claim any interest on it. We will let you know at least 28 days before we do this by writing to you at the last email or postal address we have for you. Where the amount is no more than £25 (or equivalent) and you fail to claim it before the 28 day notice period expires, we will donate the money without attempting to contact to you again. If the amount is more than £25 (or equivalent), after the 28 day notice period expires, we will make at least one further attempt to contact you using other means, before donating the money to charity.
- 4.7 If we have not received any instructions from you for at least twelve years, we may sell assets we hold for you at market value if the law and applicable regulations allow it. You may later claim from us a sum equal to the value of the proceeds at the time your assets were sold. You will not be entitled to claim any interest on this sum. We will let you know at least 28 days before we do this by writing to you at the last email or postal address we have for you. If we have not heard from you within the 28 days' notice period, we will make at least one further attempt to contact you using other means. After a further 28 day period, we will donate the assets or proceeds to a registered charity of our choice.
- 5. Permitted Countries**
- 5.1 The 'Permitted Countries' are: Argentina, Austria, Belgium, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Chile, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Gibraltar, Greece, Guernsey, Guinea, Hungary, Iceland, Indonesia, Ireland, Isle of Man, Italy, Jersey, South Korea, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Namibia, The Netherlands, Norway, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan and the United Kingdom.
- 5.2 This list may be updated from time to time with the current list displayed on our website. In the event of conflict, the list on our website takes precedence. If you are resident in another territory you will be excluded from the Service. If you are unsure of your status please call us.
- 6. Data Protection**
- 6.1 In order to provide the Service to you we need to use your personal information. We may also transfer your personal information to other countries which have different data protection laws. We will only do this if we are satisfied that there are adequate safeguards in place to protect your personal information.
- 6.2 For full details about how we use and share your personal information please see our Privacy Policy, which is available on our website. The Privacy Policy also explains your rights in relation to your personal information and how you can exercise them.
- 7. Complaints and Compensation**
- 7.1 If you are dissatisfied with the Service we have provided you or wish to receive a copy of our complaints procedure please write to us or find a copy of our complaints procedure on the Computershare website. If we cannot resolve your complaint, you may refer it to the Financial Ombudsman Service, Telephone: +44 (0)800 023 4567 (free from UK landlines) or 0300 123 9123 (from UK mobiles) or at www.financialombudsman.org.uk.
- 7.2 Under the FSCS you may be entitled to compensation if we cannot meet our financial obligations. You may be covered for up to 100% of the first £50,000 of your investments (i.e. a maximum of £50,000 per person). Where we hold your money in a client bank account and the relevant UK approved bank becomes insolvent, you may be covered under the FSCS for up to £85,000 of the money on deposit with that bank. Details about our external banking partners are available on request. These amounts may be subject to change. Where we are required to hold your client money in a jurisdiction outside the UK, your rights in the event of insolvency may be reduced. Further details of your rights under the FSCS can be found here: www.fscs.org.uk.