

This notice (the "Notice") is sent to Shareholders of Vanguard Investment Series plc (the "Company"). It is important and requires your immediate attention. If you are in any doubt as to the action to be taken, you should immediately consult your stockbroker, solicitor or attorney or other professional advisor. If you sold or otherwise transferred your holding in the Company, please send this Notice to the stockbroker or other agent through whom the sale or transfer was effected, for transmission to the purchaser or transferee.

This Notice has not been reviewed by the Central Bank of Ireland (the "Central Bank") and it is possible that changes thereto may be necessary to meet the requirements of the Central Bank. The directors of the Company (the "Directors") are of the opinion that there is nothing contained in this Notice nor in the proposals detailed herein that conflicts with the guidance issued by and regulations of the Central Bank.

The Directors have taken all reasonable care to ensure that, as at the date of this Notice, the information contained in this Notice is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information. The Directors accept responsibility for the information contained in this Notice.

Unless otherwise indicated, all capitalised terms in this Notice shall have the same meaning as described in the prospectus for the Company dated 29 November 2022.

## **Vanguard Investment Series plc**

70 Sir John Rogerson's Quay Dublin 2 Ireland

(An open-ended umbrella type variable capital company, with segregated liability between sub-funds, established as an undertaking for collective investment in transferable securities pursuant to the European Communities (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) Regulations, 2011 (as amended) (the "UCITS Regulations")).

Date: 17th March 2023

Dear Shareholder,

Change to the definition of "Dealing Day" - no action required

We are writing to inform you of certain changes we are making in respect of the sub-funds of the Company (the "**Sub-Funds**"). You are receiving this Notice because you are a holder of Shares in one or more of the Sub-Funds. This Notice is important and requires your attention, but you do not need to take any action.

## What are we changing?

We are making changes to the definitions of a "Dealing Day" in the prospectus supplements (the "Supplements") for the Sub-Funds. Dealing Days are days on which you can buy, sell or, where permitted, exchange your Shares, and, at present, are usually any days except Saturdays, Sundays or the days on which the London Stock Exchange is closed to observe the holidays of Christmas Day, New Year's Day or Good Friday each year, or in the case of index tracking Sub-Funds, where markets on which the securities included in the relevant index are listed or traded, or markets relevant to that index, are closed and as a result of which 25% or more of the securities included in the index may not be traded.

However, other days can also be treated as non-dealing days ("Fund Holidays") under certain circumstances. This may be, for example, when it is difficult to value the investments held by the Sub-Funds or there is a public holiday in a country where the investment manager or one of its delegates are based.

While in practice we expect the net impact of the planned changes to the definition of Dealing Day to be minimal, it will now be clearer to investors as to the types of days which may amount to Fund Holidays. You will be able to find a copy of the calendar of Fund Holidays (the "Fund Holiday Calendar") on our public website in the same way that you can now, which is through the web link stated in the Supplement for each Sub-Fund. The Fund Holiday Calendar will be kept up to date.

Details of the changes we are making for each of the Supplements are set out in the Appendix to this Notice.

# When will the changes take place?

The changes set out above will take effect from on or around 5<sup>th</sup> April 2023. An updated prospectus for the Company, which will include the updated Supplements for the Sub-Funds, save that the Vanguard U.S. Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities Index Fund will continue to have its own Supplement, will be published on or around such date to reflect the changes.

#### Queries

Please do not hesitate to contact your professional adviser in connection with any questions you may have concerning the changes in respect of the Company described above.

If you have any queries concerning the matters outlined in this Notice, please contact your sales representative or Vanguard's Client Services team at <a href="mailto:European\_client\_services@vanguard.co.uk">European\_client\_services@vanguard.co.uk</a> or on +44 203 753 5600.

Yours sincerely,

DocuSigned by:

For and on behalf of

**Vanguard Investment Series plc** 

# Appendix: Changes to the Prospectus language shown in Appendix 1 for each of the Sub-Funds<sup>1</sup>

## All Sub-Funds except Vanguard U.S. Opportunities Fund

Each Business Day will be a Dealing Day except that for any day when on which, in the sole determination of the Investment Manager:

(a) markets on which the <u>securities</u> included in the Index are listed or traded, or markets relevant to that Index, are closed and as a result of which 25% or more of the <u>shares</u> securities included in the Index may not be traded, <u>shall not be a Dealing Day</u>. However, the Fund will have at least one Dealing Day per fortnight, A calendar of Dealing Days for the Fund is available at; or

(b) the fair and accurate valuation of the Fund's portfolio of securities, or a significant portion thereof, in accordance with the UCITS Regulations, this Prospectus and the Memorandum and Articles of the Company, is impeded; or

(c) there is a public holiday in the jurisdiction in which a delegate of the Investment Manager which has been appointed in respect of the Fund is based;

(each such Business Day, being a "Fund Holiday") and in each case provided there is at least one Dealing Day per fortnight.

<u>A calendar of the Fund Holidays for the Fund is available</u> on https://global.vanguard.com/portal/site/loadPDF?country=global&docId=11630.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Texts in strike through show deletions from the current wording <u>Underlined</u> text shows additions to the current wording

# Vanguard U.S. Opportunities Fund

Each Business Day will be a Dealing Day except that for:

- (a) any day on which the New York Stock Exchange is closed for trading shall not be a Dealing;
- (b) there is a public holiday in the jurisdiction in which a delegate of the Investment Manager which has been appointed in respect of the Fund is based; or
- (c) any day on which, in the sole determination of the Investment Manager, the fair and accurate valuation of the Fund's portfolio of securities, or a significant portion thereof, in accordance with the UCITS Regulations, this Prospectus and the Memorandum and Articles of the Company, is impeded;

(each such Business Day, provided that the Fund will have being a "Fund Holiday") and in each case provided there is at least one Dealing Day per fortnight. A calendar of Dealing Days for the fund us available at https://global.vanguard.com/portal/site/loadPDF?country=global&docId=11630.

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