Product Key Facts
Franklin Templeton Investment Funds -
Franklin High Yield Fund

Issuer: Franklin Templeton Investments (Asia) Limited

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- **This statement is a part of the offering document.**
- **You should not invest in this product based on this statement alone.**

Quick facts

Management company: *Franklin Templeton International Services S.à r.l.*

Investment manager(s): *Franklin Advisers, Inc., United States of America (internal delegation)*

Depositary: *J.P. Morgan SE, Luxembourg Branch*

Base currency: *USD*

Financial year end of this Fund: *30 June*

Dealing frequency: *Every Hong Kong Business Day*

Minimum Investment: *USD 1,000 [initial] and USD 500 [subsequent purchases] or equivalent*

Ongoing charges over a year[#]:

Class A (Mdis) AUD-H1: 1.51%
Class A (Mdis) USD: 1.51%
Class A (acc) USD: 1.51%
Class B (Mdis) USD: 2.91%
Class N (acc) USD: 2.11%

[#]The ongoing charges figures are based on the semi-annual report for the period ended 31 December 2022. These figures may vary from year to year.

Dividend policy: *Dividends, if declared, will be reinvested unless indicated by you in the application form to be paid out. Subject to any legal and regulatory requirements, the Fund may at its discretion pay dividends out of the capital or out of gross income of the Fund while charging / paying all or part of the Fund's fees and expenses to / out of the capital of the Fund, which results in an increase in distributable income for the payment of dividends by the Fund and therefore, the Fund may effectively pay dividends out of capital. The Fund may amend such distribution policy subject to the Securities and Futures Commission ("SFC")'s prior approval and by giving not less than one month's prior notice to investors. Any distributions involving payment of dividends out of the Fund's capital or payment of dividends effectively out of the Fund's capital (as the case may be) may result in an immediate reduction of the net asset value per share.*

What is this product?

This is a fund constituted in the form of a mutual fund. It is domiciled in Luxembourg and its home regulator is Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier.

Investment Objective and Policy

Franklin High Yield Fund (the "Fund") aims to earn high income and, secondarily, to increase the value of its investments over the medium to long term.

The Fund invests principally (that is, at least two-thirds of the Fund's net assets) in:

- *fixed-income debt securities with any credit rating, if issued by U.S. issuers, or, if issued by non-U.S. issuers or unrated, their equivalent. The Fund will have an allocation to fixed income securities of at least 75%. It is the current intention of the Investment Manager to focus the investments of the Fund on below investment grade securities.*

On a temporary basis and if justified by exceptionally unfavourable market conditions, the Fund may, in order to take measures to mitigate risks relative to such exceptional market conditions in the best interests of its shareholders, hold ancillary liquid assets (i.e. bank deposits at sight, such as cash held in current accounts with a bank accessible at any time) up to 100% of its net assets.

The Fund may also, in order to achieve its investment goals and for treasury purposes, invest in bank deposits, money market instruments or money market funds pursuant to the investment restrictions. For defensive purposes, the Fund may invest up to 100% of its net assets in these instruments on a temporary basis.

The Fund can invest on an ancillary basis in:

- *other types of securities, such as equity-linked securities (such as common stock and preferred stock), government securities, warrants and convertible securities*
- *derivatives for hedging, efficient portfolio management and investment purposes*
- *securities in default (limited to 10% of net assets)*
- *credit-linked securities (limited to 10% of net assets)*

The investment team manages risk through credit analysis of securities issuers, which involves a detailed examination of individual companies and specific industries.

The Fund may invest in debt instruments with loss-absorption features ("LAP") e.g. contingent convertible securities, senior non-preferred debts, etc. These instruments may be subject to contingent write-down or contingent conversion to ordinary shares on the occurrence of trigger event(s). The Fund's expected total maximum investments in LAP is 30% of its net assets.

The expected level of exposure that could be subject to securities lending transactions amounts to 5% of the Fund's net assets.

Use of derivatives / investment in derivatives

The Fund's net derivative exposure may be up to 50% of the Fund's net asset value.

What are the key risks?

Investment involves risks. Please refer to the offering document for details including the risk factors.

- ***Debt securities risk:*** *The Fund is exposed to the credit/default risk of issuers of the debt securities that the Fund may invest in. Investment in the Fund is subject to interest rate risk. The debt securities will generally increase in value when interest rates fall and decrease in value when interest rates rise. Credit ratings assigned by rating agencies are subject to limitations and do not guarantee the creditworthiness of the security and/or issuer at all times. The Fund may invest in debt securities on which the issuer is not currently making interest payments (defaulted debt securities). These securities may become illiquid. The Fund may invest in higher-yielding securities rated lower than investment grade or unrated. Such securities are generally subject to lower liquidity, higher volatility and greater risk of loss of principal and interest than high-rated debt securities.*
- ***Market risk:*** *The market values of securities owned by the Fund will tend to go up or down, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably, due to factors affecting individual issuers, particular industries or sectors within securities markets, or because of general market conditions. During a general downturn in the securities markets, multiple asset classes (including different sectors of the same asset class) may decline in value at the same time. Similarly, when markets perform well, there can be no assurance that securities held by the Fund will participate in the advance. Because the securities the Fund holds fluctuate in price in this manner, the Fund's value may go down as well as up and investors may be adversely affected.*
- ***Credit risk:*** *The Fund is exposed to the credit/default risk of issuers of the debt securities that the Fund may invest in. Changes in the financial condition of an issuer, changes in economic and political conditions in general, or changes in economic and political conditions specific to an issuer, are factors that may have an adverse impact on an issuer's credit quality and security value. Default can occur if an issuer fails to make principal and interest payments when due, which may result in a substantial loss to the Fund. Debt securities are also exposed to the risk of being downgraded, which can adversely affect and/or result in a substantial loss to the Fund.*
- ***Floating rate corporate investment risk:*** *The floating rate corporate loans and corporate debt securities in which the Fund invests are often issued in connection with highly leveraged transactions. Such transactions include leveraged buyout loans, leveraged recapitalisation loans, and other types of acquisition financing. Leveraged buyout loans are subject to greater credit risks than other investments including a greater possibility that the borrower may default or enter bankruptcy. Some of these*

loans may be "covenant lite" loans which do not include terms which allow the lender to control and track the performance of the borrower and declare a default if certain criteria are breached.

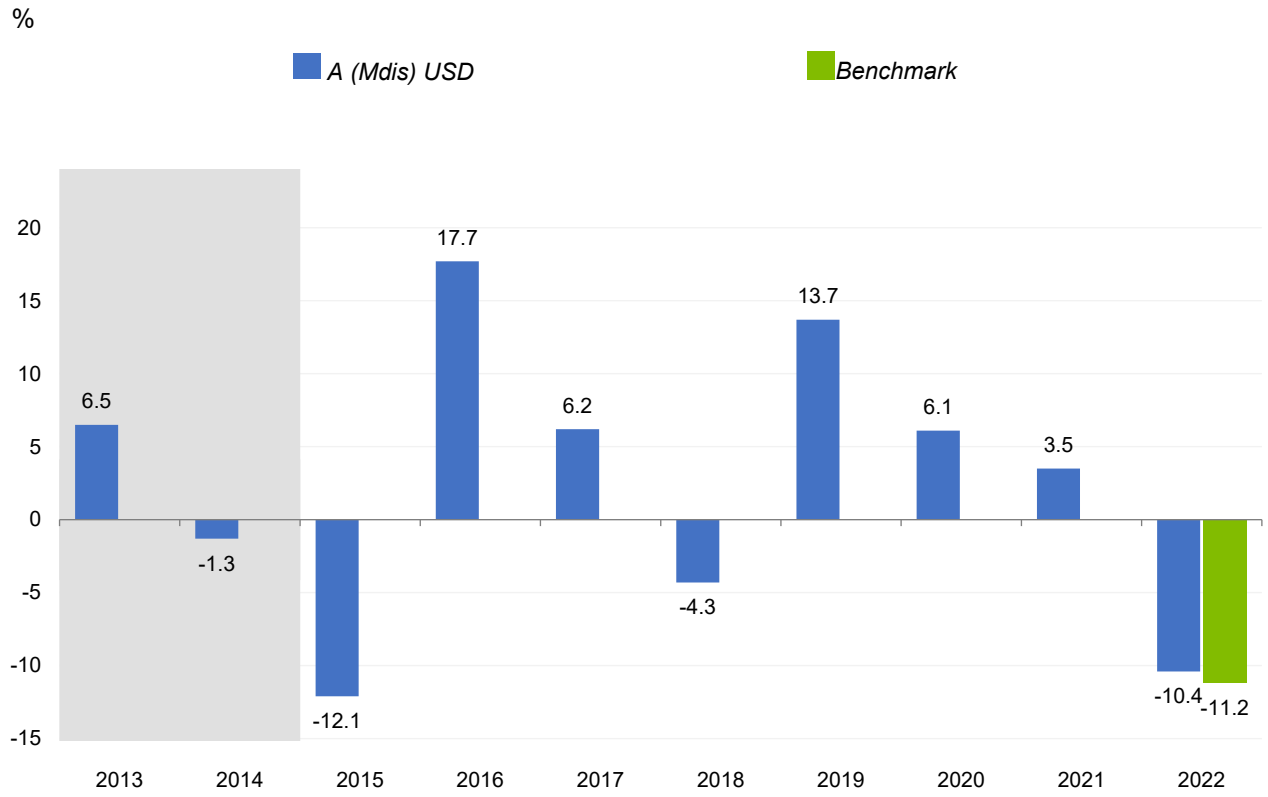
- ***Foreign currency risk:*** *The Fund will typically invest to a significant degree in securities that are denominated in currencies other than the base currency of the Fund, exposing its investments to changes in foreign exchange rates and the possibility of exchange control regulations. Changes in currency exchange rates may adversely affect the value of the Fund, and also may affect the income earned by the Fund and gains and losses realized by the Fund. The Fund may seek to hedge currency exposure, which can limit the potential for currency gains. To the extent that the Fund seeks to hedge or protect against currency exchange risk, there is no guarantee that hedging or protection will be achieved, and the value of the Fund may be adversely affected.*
- ***Liquidity risk:*** *The Fund may not be able to easily sell securities due to adverse market conditions or reduced value or creditworthiness of issuers in which it invests. The inability of the Fund to sell securities or positions may also impede the ability of the Fund to meet redemption requests in a timely manner. Certain securities may also be illiquid due to limited trading markets or contractual restrictions on their resale. Reduced liquidity due to these factors may have an adverse impact on the net asset value of the Fund.*
- ***Valuation risk:*** *Valuation of the Fund's investments may involve uncertainties and judgmental determinations. Independent pricing information may not always be available. If valuations prove to be incorrect, the investors of the Fund may be adversely affected.*
- ***Derivative instruments risk:*** *Derivative instruments involve cost, may be volatile, and may involve a leverage effect. A small market movement may give rise to a proportionately larger impact, which may cause substantial loss to the Fund. Other risks include counterparty/credit risk, liquidity risk, valuation risk, volatility risk and over-the-counter transaction risk. In adverse situations, the Fund's use of derivative instruments may become ineffective and the Fund may suffer significant losses.*
- ***Counterparty risk:*** *When over-the-counter (OTC) or other bilateral contracts are entered into (such as OTC derivatives, security lending etc.), the Fund may find itself exposed to risks arising from the solvency of its counterparties and from their ability to respect the condition of these contracts and the Fund/investors may be adversely impacted.*
- ***Volatility risk:*** *The debt securities in emerging markets may be subject to higher volatility and lower liquidity compared to more developed markets. The prices of securities traded in such markets may be subject to fluctuations. The bid and offer spreads of the price of such securities may be large and the Fund may incur significant trading costs.*
- ***Credit-linked securities risk:*** *The Fund may invest in credit-linked securities (such as credit default swaps). The Fund may be adversely affected by any delay or cessation in the making of payments by the issuers of the debt obligations underlying the credit-linked security or by the issuer of the credit-linked security. If the market for credit-linked securities becomes illiquid, the Fund could experience difficulty in selling such security at a price the investment manager believes is fair, and the Fund may be adversely impacted.*
- ***Risks associated with investments in debt instruments with loss-absorption features:*** *Debt instruments with loss-absorption features are subject to greater risks when compared to traditional debt instruments as such instruments are typically subject to the risk of being written down or converted to ordinary shares upon the occurrence of a pre-defined trigger events (e.g. when the issue is near or at the point of non-viability or when the issuer's capital ratio falls to a specified level), which are likely to be outside of the issuer's control. Such trigger events are complex and difficult to predict and may result in a significant or total reduction in the value of such instruments. In the event of the activation of a trigger, there may be potential price contagion and volatility to the entire asset class. Debt instruments with loss-absorption features may also be exposed to liquidity, valuation and sector concentration risk. The Fund may invest in contingent convertible debt securities, commonly known as CoCos, which are highly complex and are of high risk. Upon the occurrence of the trigger event, CoCos may be converted into shares of the issuer (potentially at a discounted price), or may be subject to the permanent write-down to zero. Coupon payments on CoCos are discretionary and may be cancelled by the issuer at any point, for any reason, and for any length of time. The Fund may also*

invest in senior non-preferred debts. While these instruments are generally senior to subordinated debts, they may be subject to write-down upon the occurrence of a trigger event and will no longer fall under the creditor ranking hierarchy of the issuer. This may result in total loss of principal invested.

- ***Convertible securities risk:*** *The Fund may invest in convertible securities which are a hybrid between debt and equity, permitting holders to convert into shares of the issuer at a specified future date. Convertibles are exposed to equity movement and greater volatility than straight bond investments. Investments in convertible securities are subject to the same interest rate risk, credit risk, liquidity risk and prepayment risk associated with comparable straight bond investments. The value and performance of the Fund may be adversely affected as a result.*
- ***Swap agreements risk:*** *In a standard "swap" transaction, two parties agree to exchange the returns (or differential in rates of return) earned or realized on particular predetermined investments or instruments. Whether the Fund's use of swap agreements will be successful in furthering its investment objective will depend on the ability of the investment manager to correctly predict whether certain types of investments are likely to produce greater returns than other investments. Swap agreements are illiquid and in the event of the default or bankruptcy of a swap agreement counterparty, the Fund may suffer a substantial loss.*
- ***Warrants risk:*** *Warrants are more volatile than the securities to which the warrants are linked, exposing the Fund to greater risk. The Fund may be adversely affected as a result.*
- ***Class hedging risk:*** *The hedging strategy for a hedged share class may not work as intended, exposing investors of that share class to currency risk. Additionally, investors of a hedged share class may be exposed to fluctuations in the net asset value per share reflecting the gains/losses on and the associated transaction costs of the financial instruments used for hedging, and such investors may be adversely impacted.*
- ***Europe and Eurozone risk:*** *The Fund may invest in the Eurozone. Mounting sovereign debt burdens (e.g. any sovereigns within the Eurozone, which default on their debts, may be forced to restructure their debts and faced difficulties in obtaining credit or refinancing) and slowing economic growth among European countries, combined with uncertainties in European financial markets, including feared or actual failures in the banking system and the possible break-up of the Eurozone and Euro currency, may adversely affect interest rates and the prices of securities across Europe and potentially other markets as well. These events may increase volatility, liquidity and currency risks associated with investments in Europe. The aforesaid economic and financial difficulties in Europe may spread across Europe and as a result, a single or several European countries may exit the Eurozone or a sovereign within the Eurozone may default on its debts. In any event of the break-up of the Eurozone or Euro currency, the Fund may be exposed to additional operational or performance risks. While the European governments, the European Central Bank, and other authorities are taking measures (e.g. undertaking economic reforms and imposing austerity measures on citizens) to address the current fiscal conditions, these measures may not have the desired effect and therefore the future stability and growth of Europe is uncertain. The performance and value of the Fund may be adversely affected should there be any adverse credit events (e.g. downgrade of the sovereign credit rating or default or bankruptcy of any Eurozone countries).*
- ***Restructuring companies risk:*** *Companies involved in reorganization or financial restructuring tend to have a relatively weak financial position. Restructuring could be disruptive to the business and management structure of the companies involved, which may result in substantial losses for the Fund.*
- ***Securities lending risk:*** *Securities lending transactions may involve the risk that the borrower may fail to return the securities lent out in a timely manner and the value of the collateral may fall below the value of the securities lent out, which may result in a substantial loss to the Fund.*
- ***Dividend policy risk:*** *The Fund's dividend policy allows for payment of dividends out of capital or effectively out of capital. Where this is done, it amounts to a return or withdrawal of part of an investor's original investment or from any capital gains attributable to that original investment. Any distributions involving payment of dividends out of the Fund's capital or payment of dividends effectively out of the Fund's capital (as the case may be) may result in an immediate reduction of the net asset value per share. The distribution amount and net asset value of a hedged share class may be adversely affected by differences in the interest*

rates of the reference currency of the hedged share class and the Fund's base currency, resulting in an increase in the amount of distribution that is paid out of capital and hence a greater erosion of capital than other non-hedged share classes.

How has the Fund performed?



The performance of the Fund in these years was achieved under circumstances that no longer apply. The investment policy was changed in 2015.
Note: On 20 October 2017, Franklin Templeton Investment Funds - Franklin Global High Income Bond Fund merged into Franklin Templeton Investment Funds - Franklin High Yield Fund.

- *Past performance information is not indicative of future performance. Investors may not get back the full amount invested.*
- *The computation basis of the performance is based on the calendar year end, NAV-to-NAV, with dividends reinvested.*
- *These figures show by how much class A (Mdis) USD increased or decreased in value during the calendar year being shown. Class A (Mdis) USD is the share class available in Hong Kong with the longest history in the Fund. Performance data has been calculated in USD, including ongoing charges and excluding subscription fee and redemption fee you might have to pay.*
- *Fund launch date: 1 March 1996*
- *Class A (Mdis) USD launch date: 1 March 1996*
- *Effective 25 February 2021, ICE BofA US High Yield Constrained Index was added as the benchmark of the Fund to adhere to European disclosure rules regarding the use of benchmark.*

Is there any guarantee?

This Fund does not have any guarantees. You may not get back the full amount of money you invest.

What are the fees and charges?

Charges which may be payable by you

You may have to pay the following fees when dealing in the shares of the Fund.

Fee	***What you pay***		
	Class A	***Class B***	***Class N***
Subscription fee (Initial sales charge)	***Up to 5.00% of the subscription amount***	***N/A***	***Up to 3.00% of the subscription amount***
Switching fee (Switching charge)*	***1.00% of the value of the shares being switched***	***N/A***	***N/A***
Redemption fee (Redemption charge)	***N/A***	***Up to 4.00%***	***N/A***

Ongoing fees payable by the Fund

The following expenses will be paid out of the Fund. They affect you because they reduce the return you get on your investments.

	Annual rate (as a % of the Fund's net asset value)		
	Class A	***Class B***	***Class N***
Management fee (annual management charge*^)	***1.20%***	***1.55%***	***1.80%***
Depositary fee	***Up to 0.140%***	***Up to 0.140%***	***Up to 0.140%***
Performance fee	***N/A***	***N/A***	***N/A***
Administration fee	***N/A***	***N/A***	***N/A***
Servicing charge	***N/A***	***1.06%***	***N/A***
Registrar and Transfer, Corporate, Domiciliary and Administrative Agent fee	***Up to 0.2175%***	***Up to 0.2175%***	***Up to 0.2175%***
Additional fixed amount per Shareholder account at each Class level	***Up to USD 30 per annum***	***Up to USD 30 per annum***	***Up to USD 30 per annum***

**The current fee level may be increased up to the maximum level permitted by the constitutive document of the Fund by giving one month's prior notice to the shareholders.*

^The annual management charge as set out in the Explanatory Memorandum comprises the investment management fee and the maintenance charge, details of which are provided in the annual report of Franklin Templeton Investment Funds.

Other fees

You may have to pay other fees and charges when dealing in the shares of the Fund.

Additional Information

- *You generally buy and redeem shares at the Fund's next determined net asset value (NAV) after the Hong Kong Representative, Franklin Templeton Investments (Asia) Limited, receives your request in good order on or before 4:00 p.m. (Hong Kong time) being the dealing cut-off time. Certain intermediaries may impose an earlier dealing cut-off time.*

- *The net asset value of this Fund is calculated and the price of shares is published on each business day. Information about prices is available online at www.franklintempleton.com.hk.*
- *The compositions of the dividends (i.e. the relative amounts paid out of (i) net distributable income and (ii) capital) for the last 12 months are made available by the Hong Kong Representative on request and are also available online at www.franklintempleton.com.hk.*
- *Investors may obtain the past performance information of other share classes offered to Hong Kong investors from the Hong Kong Representative's website at www.franklintempleton.com.hk.*
- *Investors may obtain information on the intermediaries by calling the Hong Kong Representative at (852) 2877-7733 or visiting the Hong Kong Representative's website at www.franklintempleton.com.hk.*
- *The website mentioned above has not been reviewed by the SFC.*

Important

If you are in doubt, you should seek professional advice.

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