

# UK Tax Changes Impacting Investors in the Bond Fund Range in the First State Investments ICVC

## First State Investments

1 February 2017

### First State Emerging Markets Bond Fund/ First State Emerging Markets Local Currency Bond Fund (the 'Subfunds')

The purpose of this notice is to inform you of changes being made to the way share classes are priced and the way that interest distribution payments will be calculated and paid in the above Subfunds in First State Investments ICVC.

The Finance Act 2017 is expected to abolish the requirement for companies to deduct income tax from interest distributions with effect from 6 April 2017.

The Subfunds intend to cease to account for UK tax on Net Income/Net Accumulation Share classes for interest distributions after this date and shall remove the distinction between Gross Share and Net Income/Net Accumulation Share classes.

As a result of the above changes, all Net Income/Net Accumulation Share classes will be priced gross of tax on income starting from the first distribution period (1st February 2017) where a payment date falls on or after 6 April 2017. This reflects that First State Investments ICVC should not be required to deduct income tax when the interest distribution is made on or after 6 April 2017.

Please note that the information contained herein is not intended to be professional tax advice and should not be relied upon in that regard. Readers should seek their own professional tax advice where necessary before taking any action based on the information contained in this letter.

More information on these changes is available in our Prospectus which can be located on our website [www.firststateinvestments.com](http://www.firststateinvestments.com) or if you would like to discuss the matter further then please contact us either by free phone 0800 587 4141 (or +44 131 525 8870 if outside the UK), by email to [enquiries@firststate.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@firststate.co.uk) or by writing to the above address.

OEIC Shareclass Name	Shareclass	Shareclass CCY	Inc/ Acc	ISIN
First State Emerging Markets Bond Fund Class A (Acc) USD	A	USD	Acc	GB00B8K7Y044
First State Emerging Markets Bond Fund Class A (Inc) USD	A	USD	Inc	GB00B7TFMK86
First State Emerging Markets Bond Fund Class A Hedged (Acc) EUR	A	EUR	Acc	GB00B5TFC155
First State Emerging Markets Bond Fund Class A Hedged (Acc) GBP	A	GBP	Acc	GB00B40L7J87
First State Emerging Markets Bond Fund Class A Hedged (Inc) EUR	A	EUR	Inc	GB00B4ZGPN84
First State Emerging Markets Bond Fund Class A Hedged (Inc) GBP	A	GBP	Inc	GB00B620B735
First State Emerging Markets Bond Fund Class B (Acc) USD	B	USD	Acc	GB00B8CKTK64
First State Emerging Markets Bond Fund Class B (Income) USD	B	USD	Inc	GB00B7VYTP79
First State Emerging Markets Bond Fund Class B Hedged (Acc) EUR	B	EUR	Acc	GB00B4NXQV60
First State Emerging Markets Bond Fund Class B Hedged (Acc) GBP	B	GBP	Acc	GB00B6R3H571
First State Emerging Markets Bond Fund Class B Hedged (Inc) EUR	B	EUR	Inc	GB00B64J1907
First State Emerging Markets Bond Fund Class B Hedged (Inc) GBP	B	GBP	Inc	GB00B5MKN900
First State Emerging Markets Local Currency Bond Fund Class A (Acc) USD	A	USD	Acc	GB00BFRB4M08
First State Emerging Markets Local Currency Bond Fund Class A (Inc) USD	A	USD	Inc	GB00BFRB4T76
First State Emerging Markets Local Currency Bond Fund Class A Hedged (Acc) EUR	A	EUR	Acc	GB00BFRB4L90
First State Emerging Markets Local Currency Bond Fund Class A Hedged (Inc) EUR	A	EUR	Inc	GB00BFRB4S69
First State Emerging Markets Local Currency Bond Fund Class B (Acc) GBP	B	GBP	Acc	GB00BFRB4P39
First State Emerging Markets Local Currency Bond Fund Class B (Acc) USD	B	USD	Acc	GB00BFRB4R52
First State Emerging Markets Local Currency Bond Fund Class B (Inc) GBP	B	GBP	Inc	GB00BFRB4W06
First State Emerging Markets Local Currency Bond Fund Class B (Inc) USD	B	USD	Inc	GB00BFRB4Y20
First State Emerging Markets Local Currency Bond Fund Class B Hedged (Acc) EUR	B	EUR	Acc	GB00BFRB4Q46
First State Emerging Markets Local Currency Bond Fund Class B Hedged (Acc) GBP	B	GBP	Acc	GB00BFRB4N15
First State Emerging Markets Local Currency Bond Fund Class B Hedged (Inc) EUR	B	EUR	Inc	GB00BFRB4X13
First State Emerging Markets Local Currency Bond Fund Class B Hedged (Inc) GBP	B	GBP	Inc	GB00BFRB4V98