

# Open-end investment fund ABLV US Industry USD Equity Fund

Annual report for 2016

and the independent auditor's report

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## General information on the investment fund

Name of the fund ABLV US Industry USD Equity Fund Category of the fund: Open-end investment fund Type of the fund: Stock fund Registration date: 11 September 2013 Registration number of the fund: FL132-02.01.02.263/204 Name of the investment management company: ABLV Asset Management, IPAS Registered office: 23 Elizabetes street, Riga, LV-1010, Latvia Registration number of the investment management 40003814724 company: License number of the investment management company: 06.03.07.263/315 Licence issued: 4 August 2006, re-registered on 3 June 2011. Name of the custodian bank: ABLV Bank, AS 23 Elizabetes street, Riga, LV-1010, Latvia Registered address of the custodian bank: Registration number of the custodian bank: 50003149401 Names and positions of council members, board Council of the Joint Stock Investment Management Company: members, and the fund manager: Chairman of the Council - Ernests Bernis Deputy Chairman of the Council - Māris Kannenieks Council Member - Vadims Reinfelds Board of the Joint Stock Investment Management Company: Chairman of the Board - Leonīds Kils Deputy Chairman of the Board - Jevgenijs Gžibovskis Board Member - Sergejs Gačenko Fund manager - Andrejs Pilka Duties of the fund manager: The fund manager operates with the fund's assets according to the

company's Articles of Association and the Fund Management

company's Articles of Association and the Fund Management Regulations. The fund manager may be employed only by one investment management company and manage several funds of a

single investment management company.

## Investment management company report

The open-end investment fund ABLV US Industry USD Equity Fund (hereinafter - the fund) was registered on 11 September 2013 as a stock fund. The investment currency of the fund is USD.

ABLV Asset Management, IPAS (hereinafter - the company) was registered with the Republic of Latvia Register of Enterprises on 4 August 2006 under No. 40003814724, the licence for operations of investment management company No. 06.03.07.263/315, and it is located in Riga, at 23 Elizabetes Street.

The fund's investment objective is the achievement of the long-term capital growth. To achieve this objective, the fund's assets are invested in the ETF securities that replicate the index structure of the stocks of commercial companies operating in different economy sectors which are traded on regulated markets of the USA.

The fund's investment portfolio is diversified among investments in different countries and issuers, thus ensuring higher investment safety and protection against fluctuations of the fund's assets value and against the risk of default on obligations.

During the reporting period fund's net assets decreased from USD 5,190,675 (EUR 4,767,773) to USD 3,469,609 (EUR 3,291,537), the fund's total assets decreased from USD 5,200,748 (EUR 4,777,026) to USD 3,476,655 (EUR 3,298,221); the decrease was caused both by drop of the value of fund's certificate and the decrease in the number of fund's investors. At the beginning of the reporting period seeing a sharp drop in prices on global stock markets, the share of monetary assets was increased, yet later by the end of the year it was lowered gradually.

During the reporting period, the following costs covered from the fund's assets: management fee – EUR 52,275, custody fee – EUR 6,970, and other expenses – EUR 1,891. In the reporting period, the fund's total expense ratio equalled 1.75% of the fund's average net asset value, which is comparable to the corresponding indicator in the previous reporting period.

In the reporting period the value of the fund's certificate decreased from USD 10.94 (EUR 10.05) to USD 10.91 (EUR 10.35), demonstrating negative annual return equalled -0.27%.

2016 has been a rather tough year for the global financial markets. High volatility was prevailing on the global stock market throughout the year. Almost all major stock exchanges started the year with a massive downslide caused by sharp drop of stock prices on Chinese equity market. Chinese macroeconomic data released on the first days of the year brought a negative surprise to the investors causing worries about worsening of economic situation in the country. Just within 2.5 weeks US stock market lost 11% of its value. Along with the drop on stock markets, correction continued on commodities market as well, and oil price reached minimum of several years in January.

Promises of the central banks of leading countries to take additional actions for economy stimulations upon necessity managed to stop the market correction. These promises resulted into actions. Japan's Central Bank decreased base interest rate to the negative value and gave additional hope to the investors regarding further strengthening the stimulation measures of economy and financial markets. European Central Bank lowered the refinancing rate and deposit rate, announcing the extension of quantitative easing programme. While US Federal Reserve System having increased the base interest rate in December 2015 was for a good while restraining from any further changes in its monetary policy (increasing the interest rate only in December 2016). The activity of the Central Banks made the markets feel their support and global stocks started recovering from the losses faced at the beginning of the year.

Yet the peace was prevailing on the stock markets not too long. In June, the whole world held its breath waiting for one of the biggest events of the year — UK's referendum on leaving the European Union. Before the fateful day the probability that EU composition would change was not considered serious — bookmakers were predicting only 20—25% probability of the UK leaving the Union. Yet in contradiction with the predictions of experts, the UK voted for its future development beyond the EU causing another panic on the financial markets. On the day after the referendum results were announced, British pound exchange rate against the US dollar dropped by 8% (reaching 30-years minimum). Government bond prices experienced sharp growth, German 10-year bond yield dropped to negative. The drop of European stock indexes exceeded 10% in two days, prices on raw materials market shrunk, while gold price grew. The panic was not long. Given the uncertainties in Europe, US market became front runner and returned to growth in a few days reaching new historical maximums just in a couple of weeks.

By the end of the year, the destiny had another surprise for the investors. Again, contrary to all predictions, Donald Trump won US presidential elections despite that his chances were considered much lower than Hillary Clinton's. Once again, the investors panicked not even waiting for the outcome of the elections. Yet the panic was even shorter than the one experienced after Brexit. Investors shifted focus to the promises of the new president to revive the economy and rushed to buy stock, which got cheaper for a short while. As a result, the US leading market index S&P 500 demonstrated 8.5% growth per annum. Stocks of oil and metals and mining sector companies were looking much better than the market in general. Growth leaders inter alia were financial, transport and manufacturing sectors. While the dynamics of stocks of biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, and healthcare companies were underperforming the market and demonstrated negative return in 2016. Construction and consumer goods sectors' stocks were looking weaker than the market in general, as well.

It is anticipated that in 2017 value of the assets of the fund might increase taking into account that the investors of the fund – both existing and prospective ones – will appreciate the investment policy of the fund and will invest monetary assets into the fund (accordingly increasing the number of certificates of the fund). Additionally, the value growth of assets of the fund may be prompted by the expected increase in the value of fund's certificate.

The company performs regular analysis of current political and economic situation, as well as comparative analysis and technical analysis, analysis of various macroeconomic indicators, and summarizing analysis of recommendations given by the world's leading brokerage and analytics companies on different financial markets.

In order to regularly provide information on situation in the world's financial markets to current clients and prospective investors of ABLV Asset Management, IPAS, detailed monthly analysis of macroeconomic situation prepared by our chief analyst, as well as monthly comment of the fund manager and overview of the market situation, fund's performance, and actions taken by the fund manager, are published at ABLV Bank, AS website www.ablv.com.

To ensure diversification and minimize risks, the company constantly pays great attention to risk management. The Investment Strategy Committee is established at the company, it determines the company's investment strategy, risk limits, and financial markets on which transactions in financial instruments are performed. The members of the Investment Strategy Committee are ABLV Bank, AS and the company's top specialists in financial markets.

Since 1 August 2016 Andrejs Pijka is appointed as the manager of ABLV US Industry USD Equity Fund by the decision of the Board of ABLV Asset Management, IPAS.

Management of ABLV Asset Management, IPAS expresses gratitude to our clients for their loyalty and successful cooperation.

Between the last day of the reporting period and the day of approving the report there were no significant events that would have substantial impact on the performance of the fund during the reporting period.

ABLV Asset Management, IPAS Chairman of the Board

Leonīds Kils

Riga, 20 April 2017

ABLV Asset Management, IPAS

Fund Manager

## Statement of responsibility of the board of the investment management company

The board of the investment management company is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements of the investment fund ABLV US Industry USD Equity Fund.

The financial statements set out on pages 8 to 22 are prepared in accordance with the source documents and present fairly the financial position of the fund as of 31 December 2016 and the 31 December 2015, and the results of its operations for the years ended 31 December 2016 and 31 December 2015.

The above financial statements were prepared according to the laws of the Republic of Latvia and 'Regulation on the preparation of annual reports, consolidated annual reports and interim reports of an investment fund and open alternative investment fund' issued by the Financial and Capital Market Commission, according to International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union on a going concern basis. Appropriate accounting methods have been consistently applied in the reporting period. During the preparation of financial statements the Management has made prudent and reasonable judgements and estimates.

The Board of the investment management company is responsible for the maintenance of proper accounting records, the safeguarding of the fund's assets, and the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities in the fund. The Board is also responsible for operating in compliance with the Latvian Law on Investment Management Companies, regulations of the Financial and Capital Market Commission (FCMC) and other laws and regulations of the Republic of Latvia.

ABLV Asset Management, IPAS Chairman of the Board

Leonīds Kils

Riga, 20 April 2017

## Custodian bank's report

To the investors of the open-end investment fund ABLV US Industry USD Equity Fund

ABLV Bank, AS, registered with the Enterprise Register of the Republic of Latvia on 17 September 1993 under No 50003149401, located in Riga, 23 Elizabetes Street, hereby confirms and attests that:

According to the Law on Investment Management Companies, FCMC regulations, other requirements of the laws of the Republic of Latvia, and the Custodian Bank Agreement signed on 2 March 2007, ABLV Bank, AS (hereinafter – the custodian bank) acts as the custodian bank for the fund ABLV US Industry USD Equity Fund established by ABLV Asset Management, IPAS.

The custodian bank is responsible for compliance with the requirements of the laws of the Republic of Latvia applicable to custodian banks and the execution of the Custodian Bank Agreement.

The key duties of the custodian bank are as follows:

- to keep the fund's property held in the account according to the conditions of the Custodian Bank Agreement;
- to service the fund's account and execute the orders given by the company in respect of the fund's property held in the account according to the Custodian Bank Agreement;
- to control that the fund's investment certificates are issued, sold and redeemed and the fund's share value is calculated following the procedure prescribed by laws, the fund's Prospectus, and the Fund Management Regulations;
- to submit to the company the list of persons authorised by the custodian bank to accept orders at the effectiveness date of the Custodian Bank Agreement;
- to ensure the execution of other duties assigned to the custodian banks by laws and regulations.

The investment certificates are issued, sold and redeemed pursuant to the requirements of the Law on Investment Management Companies, the fund's Prospectus, and the Fund Management Regulations.

The fund's property is kept in accordance with the requirements of the Law on Investment Management Companies and the Custodian Bank Agreement.

The net asset value is calculated according to the requirements of the Law on Investment Management Companies, FCMC regulations, the fund's Prospectus, and the Fund Management Regulations.

The company's orders and transactions involving the property of the open-end investment fund ABLV US Industry USD Equity Fund comply with the requirements of the Law on Investment Management Companies, the fund's Prospectus, the Fund Management Regulations, and the Custodian Bank Agreement.

In the reporting period, there were no errors or illegalities observed in the company's operations involving the fund's property.

Custodian bank ABLV Bank, AS Chairman of the Board

**Ernests Bernis** 

Riga, 20 April 2017

# Statement of assets and liabilities

			EUR
Assets	Notes	31.12.2016.	31.12.2015.
Demand deposits with credit institutions	4	690,671	204,226
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	5	2,607,550	4,572,800
Shares and other non-fixed income securities		2,607,550	4,572,800
Total assets		3,298,221	4,777,026
Liabilities			
Accrued expense	6	(6,684)	(9,253)
Total liabilities		(6,684)	(9,253)
Net assets		3,291,537	4,767,773

ABLV Asset Management, IPAS Chairman of the Board

Leonīds Kiļs

Riga, 20 April 2017

ABLV Asset Management, IPAS Fund manager

# Statement of income and expense

			EUR
		01.01.2016	01.01.2015
Income	Notes	31.12.2016.	31.12.2015.
Dividends		37,847	81,067
Total		37,847	81,067
Expense			
Remuneration to investment management company		(52,275)	(75,458)
Remuneration to custodian bank		(6,970)	(10,061)
Other fund management expense		(1,857)	(2,076)
Interest expense		(34)	-
Total		(61,136)	(87,595)
Increase in investment value			
Realised (decrease)/increase in investment value	7	(205,767)	219,615
Unrealised increase in investment value	8	217,471	377,367
Total increase in investment value		11,704	596,982
Taxes and duties		(11,354)	(25,098)
(Decrease)/increase in net assets from investment		(22,939)	565,356

ABLV Asset Management, IPAS Chairman of the Board

Leonīds Kiļs

Riga, 20 April 2017

ABLV Asset Management, IPAS

Fund manager

# Statement of changes in net assets

		EUR
	01.01.2016	01.01.2015
Item	31.12.2016.	31.12.2015.
Net assets at the beginning of the period	4,767,773	4,881,891
(Decrease)/ increase in net assets from investment	(22,939)	565,356
Transactions with investment certificates		
Inflow from sale of investment certificates	663,764	1,031,295
Outflow of redemption of investment certificates	(2,117,061)	(1,710,769)
Total result of transactions with investment certificates	(1,453,297)	(679,474)
(Decrease) in net assets for the period	(1,476,236)	(114,118)
Net assets at the end of the period	3,291,537	4,767,773
Issued investment certificates at the beginning of the period	474,459	536,177
Issued investment certificates at the end of the period	318,002	474,459
Net assets per investment certficate at the beginning of the period	10.05	9.11
Net assets per investment certificate at the end of the period	10.35	10.05

ABLV Asset Management, IPAS Chairman of the Board

Leonīds Kiļs

Riga, 20 April 2017

ABLV Asset Management, IPAS

Fund manager

# Statement of cash flows

			EUR
		01.01.2016	01.01.2015
Item	Note	31.12.2016.	31.12.2015.
Dividends received		37,847	81,067
Investment management expense		(63,671)	(87,898)
Acquisition of financial assets	9	(4,482,908)	(12,951,536)
Disposal of financial assets		6,462,802	12,418,548
Taxes and duties		(11,354)	(25,098)
Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents from operating activities		1,942,716	(564,917)
Inflow from sale of investment certificates		662.764	1 021 205
Outflow of redemption of investment certificates		(2,117,061)	1,031,295 (1,710,769)
(Decrease) in cash and cash equivalents from financing activities		(1,453,297)	(679,474)
Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents for the period		489,419	(1,244,391)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period		204,226	1,357,159
Net foreign exchange difference	·	(2,974)	91,458
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period		690,671	204,226

ABLV Asset Management, IPAS Chairman of the Board

Leonīds Kiļs

Riga, 20 April 2017

ABLV Asset Management, IPAS Fund manager

## Notes to the financial statements

#### 1. Note

#### General information

The open-end investment fund ABLV US Industry USD Equity Fund (hereinafter - the fund) is a stock fund registered on 11 September 2013. The registered office of the investment management company is at 23 Elizabetes Street, Riga, LV-1010, Latvia.

The fund's business activity is making diversified investments in ETF securities, which replicate the index structure of corporations of various economic industries traded on US regulated markets.

The following abbreviations are used in the notes to these financial statements: International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), International Accounting Standards (IAS), International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC), Financial and Capital Market Commission of the Republic of Latvia (FCMC), European Monetary Union (EMU), European Union (EU), Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), the Republic of Latvia (LR), ABLV Asset Management, IPAS (the company), ETF (exchange traded funds).

#### 2. Note

### Information on principal accounting policies

Basis of preparation

These financial statements are based on accounting records kept according to law and are prepared in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union and their interpretations, as well as FCMC regulations that are in force at the end of the reporting period, on a going concern basis.

The financial statements were prepared on the historical cost basis, except for the financial assets carried at fair value.

The financial statements for the period from 1 January 2016 to 31 December 2016 were prepared on the basis of accounting policies consistent with those disclosed in the prior-year financial statements, except for the changes in IFRS that entered into effect during the reporting period.

The accounting and functional currency of the fund is USD. The presentation currency of the financial statements of the fund is EUR.

Information given herein in brackets represents comparative figures for the year ended 31 December 2015 unless stated differently.

Significant Estimates and Assumptions

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the EU requires the management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expense, and disclosure of contingencies. Future events may impact assumptions that were used as the basis for estimates. Such estimates and assumptions are based on most reliable information available to the management in respect of specific events and actions. The effect of any changes in estimates is recorded in the financial statements when determinable.

The significant areas of estimation uncertainty and assumptions relate to determining the fair value of financial assets.

Recognition, subsequent measurement and derecognition of financial assets and liabilities

A financial asset is any asset that is cash, an equity instrument of another entity, a contractual right to receive cash or another financial asset from another entity or to exchange financial assets or financial liabilities with another entity under conditions that are potentially favourable to the fund; or an agreement which is derived and will or may be settled in a manner other than by the exchange of a fixed amount of cash or another financial asset for a fixed number of the entity's own equity instruments.

A financial liability is any liability that is a contractual obligation to deliver cash or another financial asset to another entity or to exchange financial assets or financial liabilities with another entity under conditions that are potentially unfavourable to the fund; or an agreement that is derived and will or may be settled in a manner other than by the exchange of a fixed amount of cash or another financial asset for a fixed number of the entity's own equity instruments.

Financial assets or financial liabilities are recognised by the fund on the statement of assets and liabilities when, and only when, the fund becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are shares and other non-fixed income securities held-for-trading, i.e. securities acquired for generating a profit from fluctuations in price in the short term.

Securities are initially stated at fair value, including transaction costs, and further marked-to-market on the basis of quoted market prices. Any gain or loss resulting from revaluation of securities at fair value as well as any gain or loss resulting from disposal of the above securities is included in the statement of income and expense.

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. Loans and receivables comprise balances due from credit institutions. Those are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The effective interest rate is a method of calculating the amortized cost of a financial asset or liability, which is based on the recognition of interest income and expenses over a specific period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument.

An impairment allowance is established when there is objective evidence that the fund will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms. The amount of the allowance is the difference between the amortised cost and the recoverable amount.

A financial asset is derecognised only when the contractual rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired, or the fund has transferred the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset to the counterparty. A financial liability is derecognised only when the obligation under the liability is discharged according to the contract or cancelled or expires.

All purchases and sales of financial assets are recorded on the settlement date. The acquisition value of sold securities is determined on a weighted average cost basis.

#### Fair Value of Financial Assets and Liabilities

Fair value of the financial assets and liabilities represents the amount that would be received when the asset is sold or paid to for settlement of a liability in an orderly transaction between knowledgeable and willing market participants that are not financially related. The best evidence of fair value of financial assets and liabilities is quoted prices in an active market. If the market for a financial asset or liability is inactive, fair value is established by using several valuation models, including discounted cash flow analysis, recent transactions that are substantially the same, as well as management estimates and assumptions. The comparison of carrying amounts and fair values of the fund's financial assets and liabilities is presented in Note 15.

#### Revenue and Expense Recognition

All income and expense are recognised on an accrual basis, except for dividend income, which is recognised when received.

The difference between the acquisition price and the value of a financial instrument (hereinafter – a 'Day 1' profit or loss) is not recognised in the statement of income and expense at the acquisition date. The 'Day 1' profit or loss from transactions is recognised on an individual basis. The difference is recognised in the statement of income and expense during the term of the transaction, or deferred and recognised only either when the fair value of the financial instrument may be determined using observable data, or recognised in the statement of income and expense upon derecognition of a financial instrument. The financial instrument is subsequently stated at fair value adjusted by the deferred 'Day 1' profit or loss. Any changes in the fair value are recognised in the statement of income and expense without adjustments by the deferred 'Day 1' profit or loss.

#### Foreign Currency Translation

The fund's functional currency is USD but as required by the FCMC the fund ensures accounting also in EUR. These financial statements are prepared based on transaction accounting in EUR.

The assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies have been revaluated into EUR at the exchange rate set by the ECB on the last day of the financial year. Profit or loss resulting from changes in exchange rates has been disclosed in the statement of income and expense as an unrealised change in the value of the investment. Income and expenses in foreign currencies were revalued into EUR at the exchange rate set by the ECB at the date of recognition of the respective items.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise the fund's demand deposits with credit institutions and term deposits with credit institutions with original contractual maturities of three months or less. Cash and cash equivalents are highly liquid assets that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and that are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

#### Taxes

Income earned by the holders of the fund's certificates is subject to income taxes in the country of its origin. The fund's income is exempt from income taxes. The fund is not a Latvian corporate income tax payer, and upon redemption of the fund's investment certificates, no income taxes are charged on increases in value.

#### Subsequent Events

These financial statements reflect subsequent events that are likely to impact the financial position of the fund at the end of the reporting period (adjusting events). If the nature of the subsequent events is other than adjusting, they are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements only if they are significant.

Adoption of new and/ or changed IFRSs and IFRIC interpretations in the reporting year

The fund has adopted the following new standards and amendments to standards, including any consequential amendments to other standards, with the date of initial application of 1 January 2016.

The application of new standards and amendments did not have any impact on these financial statements:

- IFRS 11- Accounting for Acquisitions of Interests in Joint Operations
- IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements
- IAS 16 Property, Plant and Equipment and IAS 38 Intangible Assets
- IAS 19 Defined Benefit Plans: Employee Contributions
- IAS 27 Separate Financial Statements
- Annual Improvements to IFRSs

Standards issued but not yet effective and not early adopted

Standards that are issued, but not yet effective or not endorsed by the EU, and which are not applied prior to their official date of validity.

The fund has not applied the following IFRS and amendments to IFRIC interpretations that have been issued to the date of authorisation of these financial statements for issue, but which are not yet effective:

• IFRS 9 – Financial Instruments (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018. Earlier application is permitted.)

This Standard replaces IAS 39, Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement, except that it is still permitted to apply hedge accounting according to IAS 39 and entities have an accounting policy choice between IFRS 9 and IAS 39.

Although the permissible measurement bases for financial assets – amortised cost, fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) and fair value through profit and loss (FVTPL) – are similar to IAS 39, the criteria for classification into the appropriate measurement category are significantly different.

A financial asset measured at amortized cost if the following two conditions are met:

- the asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets in order to collect contractual cash flows; and.
- its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal outstanding.

In addition, for a non-trading equity instrument, an entity may elect to present irrevocably subsequent changes in fair value (including foreign exchange gains and losses) in OCI. These are not reclassified to profit or loss under any circumstances.

For financial instruments measured at FVOCI, interest income, expected credit losses and foreign exchange gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss in the same manner as for assets carried at amortised cost. Other gains and losses are recognised in OCI and are reclassified to profit or loss on derecognition.

The impairment model in IFRS 9 replaces the 'incurred loss' model in IAS 39 with an 'expected credit loss' model, which means that a loss event will no longer need to occur before an impairment allowance is recognised. IFRS 9 includes a new general hedge accounting model, which aligns hedge accounting more closely with risk management. The types of hedging relationships – fair value, cash flow and foreign operation net investment – remain unchanged, but additional judgment will be required.

The standard contains new requirements to achieve, continue and discontinue hedge accounting and allows additional exposures to be designated as hedged items.

Extensive additional disclosures regarding risk management and hedging activities will be required.

The fund does not expect IFRS 9 to have material impact on the financial statements. Due to the nature of the fund's operations and the types of financial instruments it holds, the classification and measurement of the fund's financial assets is not expected to change significantly under IFRS 9. The fund believes that impairment losses could increase as losses are expected to become more volatile for assets that qualify for the ECL model. The fund has not yet completed the development of impairment methodology in accordance with IFRS 9.

- IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018. Earlier application is permitted.)
- IFRS 16 Leases (Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019. Earlier application is permitted if the entity also applies IFRS 15).
- Amendments to IFRS 2: Classification and Measurement of Share-based Payment Transactions (Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018; to be applied prospectively. Earlier application is permitted).
- Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28 Sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture (The effective date has not yet been determined by the IASB, however earlier adoption is permitted.)
- Amendments to IAS 7 (Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017, to be applied prospectively.
   Earlier application is permitted).
- Amendments to IAS 12: Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealised Losses (Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018; to be applied prospectively. Earlier application is permitted).
- Amendments to IAS 40 Transfers of Investment Property (Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018; to be applied prospectively).
- IFRIC 22 Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration (Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018).

It is not expected that these IFRS and IFRIC amendments will affect fund's financial statements.

#### Annual improvements to IFRSs

Annual improvements to IFRSs 2014-2016 cycle were issued on 8 December 2016 and introduce two amendments to two standards and consequential amendments to other standards and interpretations that result in accounting changes for presentation, recognition or measurement purposes. The amendments on IFRS 12 Disclosure of Interest in Other Entities are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017 and amendments on IAS 28 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018; to be applied retrospectively. None of these amendments are expected to have a significant impact on the financial statements of the fund.

#### 3. Note

#### Risk management

Risks are inherent in the investment process and risk management is one of the fund's strategic values, which is based on the confidence that efficient risk management is critical for the success of the fund. Managing risks permits keeping the fund's exposure at a level meeting its willingness and ability to undertake risks.

The key investment risks are market risk, price risk, liquidity risk, currency risk, credit risk, legal risk, information risk, foreign investment risk, and other business-related risks. Given that the company makes investments only in the fund's base currency (USD), the exposure to currency risk can be considered insignificant. Risk management stands for identification, assessment and control of potential risks.

The company acts in strict compliance with the provisions and restrictions of the fund prospectus, agreements, and legislation of the Republic of Latvia, as well as assesses the compliance of the investments made on an ongoing basis.

Investment risks are minimised by managing the fund in line with the principle of risk diversification and hedging. The company applies qualitative and quantitative assessments to manage financial risks. According to the qualitative assessment, investments are made in assets corresponding to certain parameters. In planning investments, the company takes into consideration investment safety in each particular country and particular financial instruments and term deposits with banks, i.e., analyses credit ratings granted to the respective country, bank or company. In developing the investment strategy and stating limits, the company performs an analysis of the fund's investments by maturity, geographical placements, currency profile, industry, etc., assessing the risks inherent in each of the above factors. Meanwhile, the quantitative assessment is expressed as limits set for specific investment types, countries and regions, industries, specific issuers and counterparties.

In spite of the fact that the company makes investments only in the fund's base currency, currency risk should also be considered. Investments in ETF instruments denominated in the fund's base currency with underlying assets made of investments in the markets of countries whose currency is other than the fund's base currency are exposed to currency risk. This risk is mitigated based on the principle of diversification of investments and by making investments in ETF instruments that use derivatives to hedge currency risk. The fund may invest in derivatives only for hedging purposes.

The fund's investment strategy seeks to reduce the above risks to the extent possible; however, the company cannot guarantee that these risks can be completely avoided in the future.

Credit risk and financial risks are further presented in Notes 10 and 11.

#### 4. Note

### Demand deposits with credit institutions

		31.12.2016.		31.12.2015.
	Carrying amount	Carrying amount to fund's assets	Carrying	Carrying amount to fund's assets
Demand deposits with credit institutions	EUR	%	EUR	%
Demand deposits with ABLV Bank, AS	690,671	20.94	204,226	4.28
Total demand deposits with credit institutions	690,671	20.94	204,226	4.28

As of 31 December 2016 and 31 December 2015, demand deposits with credit institutions were neither past due nor impaired.

#### 5. Note

#### Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

All shares and other non-fixed income securities are classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss. All securities are quoted and traded on a regulated market (on an exchange).

Traded shares and other non-fixed income securities on regulated markets by region:

				EUR
		31.12.2016.		31.12.2015.
		Carrying amount ot		Carrying amount ot
	Carrying amount	fund's assets	Carrying amount	fund's assets
Region	EUR	%	EUR	%
OECD countries	2,583,406	78.32	4,449,890	93.15
Other countries	12,453	0.38	35,909	0.75
EMU countries	7,487	0.23	68,518	1.43
EU countries	4,204	0.13	18,483	0.39
Total shares and other non-fixed income securities	2,607,550	79.06	4,572,800	95.72

Shares and other non-fixed income securities traded on regulated markets by country profile and issuers as of 31 December 2016:

			Acquisition value	Carrying amount	Carrying amount to fund's assets
Issuer	ISIN code	Amount —	EUR	EUR	(%)
United States of America		44,935	2,449,869	2,582,774	78.34
FDN - FIRST TRUST DJ INTERNET IND	US33733E3027	900	68,979	68,142	2.07
IAI - ISHARES U.S. BROKER-DEALERS	US4642887941	1,700	63,235	79,799	2.42
IBB - ISHARES NASDAQ BIOTECHNOLOGY	US4642875565	312	84,761	78,480	2.38
ITA - ISHARES U.S. AEROSPACE & DEF	US4642887602	720	86,911	96,071	2.91
ITB - ISHARES US HOME CONSTRUCTI	US4642887529	2,500	68,613	65,198	1.99
IYT - ISHARES TRANSPORTATION AVERA	US4642871929	600	83,073	92,633	2.81
KRE - SPDR S&P REGIONAL BANKING  QQQ - POWERSHARES QQQ	US78464A6982 US73935A1043	1,776	71,245	93,589	2.84
SOXX - ISHARES PHLX SEMICONDUCTOR E	US4642875235	1,449 730	143,509 76,557	162,958 84,917	4.94 2.57
SPY - SPDR TRUST SERIES 1	US78462F1030	699	125,626	148,239	4.49
XHB - SPDR S&P HOMEBUILDERS ETF	US78464A8889	3,300	110,756	105,972	3.21
XLB - MATERIALS SELECT SECTOR SPDR	US81369Y1001	1,000	47,711	47,130	1.43
XLE - ENERGY SELECT SECTOR SPDR	US81369Y5069	2,495	162,878	178,313	5.41
XLI - INDUSTRIAL SELECT SECT SPDR	US81369Y7040	2,987	156,239	176,310	5.35
XLK - TECHNOLOGY SELECT SECT SPDR	US81369Y8030	6,000	239,951	275,097	8.35
XLRE - REAL ESTATE SELECT SECT SPDR	US81369Y8600	3,044	88,610	88,799	2.69
XLU - UTILITIES SELECT SECTOR SPDR	US81369Y8865	2,100	92,873	96,782	2.93
XLV - HEALTH CARE SELECT SECTOR	US81369Y2090	3,800	253,336	248,491	7.53
XLY - CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY SELT  XME - SPDR S&P METALS & MINING ETF	US81369Y4070 US78464A7550	1,790 1,700	137,037 50,754	138,245 49,044	4.19 1.49
XPH - SPDR S&P PHARMACEUTICALS ETF	US78464A7220	3,063	137,422	113,574	3.45
XRT - SPDR S&P RETAIL ETF	US78464A7147	2,270	99,793	94.991	2.89
Bermuda	0010404/(1141	18	1,840	2,045	0.06
SOXX - ISHARES PHLX SEMICONDUCTOR E	US4642875235	17	1,777	1,971	0.06
SPY - SPDR TRUST SERIES 1	US78462F1030	17	63	74	0.00
France	00704021 1000	1	139	129	0.00
	1104040075505				
IBB - ISHARES NASDAQ BIOTECHNOLOGY	US4642875565	1	139	129	0.00
Israel		5	490	535	0.01
IBB - ISHARES NASDAQ BIOTECHNOLOGY  QQQ - POWERSHARES QQQ	US4642875565	<u>1</u>	104 386	97	0.00
	US73935A1043			438	0.01
Ireland	110 10 10075505	1	391	362	0.01
IBB - ISHARES NASDAQ BIOTECHNOLOGY	US4642875565	1	391	362	0.01
Cayman Islands		38	1,902	1,598	0.05
IBB - ISHARES NASDAQ BIOTECHNOLOGY	US4642875565	1	261	242	0.01
XPH - SPDR S&P PHARMACEUTICALS ETF	US78464A7220	37	1,641	1,356	0.04
Canada		1	104	97	0.00
IBB - ISHARES NASDAQ BIOTECHNOLOGY	US4642875565	1	104	97	0.00
China		29	3,186	3,511	0.10
IBB - ISHARES NASDAQ BIOTECHNOLOGY	US4642875565	2	513	475	0.01
QQQ - POWERSHARES QQQ	US73935A1043	27	2,673	3,036	0.09
Great Britain		51	3,821	4,204	0.12
IBB - ISHARES NASDAQ BIOTECHNOLOGY	US4642875565	1	339	314	0.01
QQQ - POWERSHARES QQQ	US73935A1043	11	1,084	1,231	0.04
SPY - SPDR TRUST SERIES 1	US78462F1030	1	113	134	0.00
XLE - ENERGY SELECT SECTOR SPDR	US81369Y5069	24	1,579	1,728	0.05
XLI - INDUSTRIAL SELECT SECT SPDR	US81369Y7040	14	706	797	0.02
Netherlands		58	5,973	6,649	0.20
QQQ - POWERSHARES QQQ	US73935A1043	9	861	978	0.03
SOXX - ISHARES PHLX SEMICONDUCTOR E	US4642875235	49	5,112	5,671	0.17
Puerto Rico		24	953	1,252	0.04
KRE - SPDR S&P REGIONAL BANKING	US78464A6982	24	953	1,252	0.04
Spain		1	374	346	0.01
IBB - ISHARES NASDAQ BIOTECHNOLOGY	US4642875565	1	374	346	0.01
Taiwan		35	3,649	4,048	0.12
SOXX - ISHARES PHLX SEMICONDUCTOR E	US4642875235	35	3,649	4,048	0.12
			•		79.06
Total			2,472,691	2,607,550	79.06

No payments for securities were past due in the reporting period.

#### 6. Note

## Accrued expense

		EUR
Item	31.12.2016.	31.12.2015.
Accrued commission fees payable to investment management company	4,259	6,172
Accrued fees payable for professional services	1,573	1,960
Accrued commission fees payable to custodian bank	568	823
Accrued payments to the stock exchange	284	298
Total accrued expense	6,684	9,253

#### 7. Note

## Realised (decrease)/increase in investment value

Total realised (decrease)/increase in investment value	(205,767)	219,615
Acquisition value of investments sold	(6,668,569)	(12,499,025)
Income from sale of investments	6,462,802	12,718,640
Item	31.12.2016.	31.12.2015.
	01.01.2016	01.01.2015
		EUR

#### 8. Note

#### Unrealised increase in investment value

		EUR
	01.01.2016	01.01.2015
Item	31.12.2016.	31.12.2015.
Revaluation of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	134,707	(219,997)
Currency exchange difference	82,764	597,364
Total unrealised increase in investment value	217,471	377,367

### 9. Note

## Change in investment portfolio during the reporting period

The increase in the investment portfolio during the reporting period is due to cost of acquisition of financial assets, while the decrease in the investment portfolio is due to income from disposal of investments.

		EUR
	01.01.2016	01.01.2015
	31.12.2016.	31.12.2015.
Investment portfolio at the beginning of the period	4,572,800	3,534,288
Increase in the period	4,482,908	12,951,536
Decrease in the period	(6,459,862)	(12,510,006)
Revaluation of fair value	(71,060)	(382)
Revaluation of foreign currency	82,764	597,364
Investment portfolio at the end of the period	2,607,550	4,572,800

#### 10. Note

#### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that the fund's value will decrease as a result of the failure of counterparties or issuers of debt securities to meet their contractual liabilities towards the fund.

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As the fund makes investments predominantly in ETFs that reflect fund index dynamics for certain countries and regions thereby achieving the maximum diversification, credit risk associated with investments is low.

Credit risk concentration by geographical area as of 31 December 2016:

**EUR** 

		EMU	EU	OECD	Other	
Assets	Latvia	countries	countries	countries	countries	Total
Demand deposits with credit institutions	690,671	-	-	-	-	690,671
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	-	7,487	4,204	2,583,406	12,453	2,607,550
Total assets	690,671	7,487	4,204	2,583,406	12,453	3,298,221

Credit risk concentration by geographical area as of 31 December 2015:

EUR

		EMU	EU	OECD	Other	
Assets	Latvia	countries	countries	countries	countries	Total
Deman deposits with credit institutions	204,226	-	-	-	-	204,226
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	-	68,518	18,483	4,449,890	35,909	4,572,800
Total assets	204,226	68,518	18,483	4,449,890	35,909	4,777,026

Credit risk concentration analysis by industry profile:

		31.12.2016.		31.12.2015.
	Carrying	Carrying amount	Carrying	Carrying amount
	amount	to fund's assets	amount	to fund's assets
Industry	EUR	%	EUR	%
Production of consumer goods	866,081	26.28	1,572,446	32.91
Manufacturing	746,792	22.63	1,039,283	21.77
Finance	307,005	9.32	926,377	19.39
Information and comunication services	300,235	9.11	556,905	11.65
Energy	194,366	5.90	199,412	4.17
Utilities	101,088	3.07	221,695	4.64
Mining	87,359	2.65	45,421	0.95
Central governments	3,020	0.07	-	-
Other industries	1,604	0.03	11,261	0.24
Total shares and other non-fixed income securities	2,607,550	79.06	4,572,800	95.72

The maximum exposure to credit risk is equal to the carrying amount.

#### 11. Note

#### Financial risks

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the fund will sustain a loss if fund's assets cannot be realised at minimal transaction costs within a certain period.

Liquidity risk is minimised by holding a part of the fund's assets as cash and high quality, highly liquid securities to maintain an adequate diversification of investments and by forecasting cash flows related to the fund's participants.

To maintain liquidity and to meet the requirements related to the operation of the fund, the fund may attract funding for a period not exceeding three months if the total amount of such funding does not exceed 10 percent of the value of the fund.

Maturity analysis of assets and liabilities as of 31 December 2016:

			EUR
Assets	Up to 1 month	1 - 12 months	Total
Demand deposits with credit institutions	690,671	-	690,671
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	2,607,550	-	2,607,550
Total assets	3,298,221	-	3,298,221
Liabilities			
Accrued expense	(4,827)	(1,857)	(6,684)
Total liabilities	(4,827)	(1,857)	(6,684)
Net assets	3,293,394	(1,857)	3,291,537

Maturity analysis of assets and liabilities as of 31 December 2015:

			EUR
Assets	Up to 1 month	1 -12 months	Total
Demand deposits with credit institutions	204,226	-	204,226
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	4,572,800	-	4,572,800
Total assets	4,777,026	-	4,777,026
Liabilities			
Accrued expense	(6,995)	(2,258)	(9,253)
Total liabilities	(6,995)	(2,258)	(9,253)
Net assets	4,770,031	(2,258)	4,767,773

#### Price risk

Price risk is the risk of potential losses due to adverse changes in the market prices of financial instruments. There are two types of price risk: systematic and specific risk.

Systematic risk represents changes in stock indexes of a respective country, while specific risk demonstrates potential changes in the individual issuer's financial position. As market risk is hedged by ABLV US Industry USD Equity Fund by making investments in various index funds traded on US and European stock exchanges, specific risk is minimised, whereas the exposure to systematic risk remains. Systematic risk is managed by conducting a fundamental analysis of the countries and regions selected for investing, based on the forecasts regarding the global economic development. This risk is assessed by calculating the volatility of the fund's market prices. Although the historical performance does not always provide a sound basis for forecasting future income, it still demonstrates the potential volatility of the fund's prices. As a rule, the higher price volatility, the higher investor risk. The lowest potential yield due to price volatility is calculated as a deviation from the 2016 yield subject to the 95% confidence level, i.e. that is the probability that the fund's yield cannot drop below the lowest level assuming a normal distribution of the market price volatility.

Analysis of volatility of the fund's market prices:

	31.12.2016.	31.12.2015.
	%	%
Annual volatility	9.44	13.87
Annual yield	(0.27)	(1.03)
Lowest potential yield subject to the 95% confidence level	(15.80)	(23.84)

The annual volatility is calculated by extrapolating the daily yield volatility estimated for the previous year. The daily yield volatility is determined as the standard deviation from the natural logarithms of the daily yield for the reporting year.

The annual yield is computed as the relative difference in the fund's prices at the year-end against the previous reporting date

The lowest potential yield subject to the 95% confidence level is determined on the basis of a normal distribution assumption where the average expected value is the estimated annual yield, while the standard deviation is the estimated annual volatility.

#### 12. Note

#### Information on holders of investment certificates

Proportion of investment certificates held by related parties of the company:

		31.12.2016.		31.12.2015.
	Number of	% of total	Number of	% of total
Item	certificates	certificates	certificates	certificates
Investment certificates held by shareholders	-	-	103,000	21.71
Investment certificates held by related parties	48,432	15.23	48,432	10.21
Investment certificates held by other persons	269,570	84.77	323,027	68.08
Investment certificates issued as at the period end	318,002	100.00	474,459	100.00

#### 13. Note

## Related party disclosures

The majority of the fund's investments are acquired with the intermediation of the custodian bank ABLV Bank, AS. ABLV Bank, AS also receives remuneration as the custodian bank, as disclosed in the statement of income and expense. In addition, the fund's cash is held with ABLV Bank, AS (see Note 4).

The remuneration paid to the investment management company during the reporting year is disclosed in the statement of income and expense.

During the reporting period, related parties acquired 0 (1,069) investment certificates and sold 103,000 (105,556) investment certificates of the fund.

#### 14. Note

#### Pledged assets

During the reporting period, no guarantees or collateral have been issued by the fund, neither has it pledged or otherwise caused any encumbrance or lien on its assets.

#### 15. Note

#### Fair values

Fair value of financial instruments, such as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, is predominantly defined based on quoted prices in an active market. In the absence of observable prices, the respective instruments are valued based on observable prices in less active markets. The fair value of the financial assets which are not quoted and for which no quoted prices of similar assets in active markets are available is estimated using valuation models which are based on assumptions and estimates regarding the potential future performance of the investee, risks inherent to the industry of the investee and the geographical region of operation of the investee. The fair value of other assets and liabilities carried at fair value, which have short maturities (less than three months) is assumed to approximate their carrying amount. This assumption also applies to demand deposits with credit institutions.

#### Hierarchy of input data for determining the fair value of assets and liabilities

The fair value of assets and liabilities is determined using several sources of fair value distributed into three level according to the following hierarchy:

- Level 1: Quoted prices in active markets;
- Level 2: Other techniques for which all inputs which have a significant effect on the recorded fair value are observable;
- Level 3: Other techniques which use inputs which have a significant effect on the recorded fair value that are not based on observable market data.

Fund's assets according to the hierarchy of input data for determining the fair value:

		EUR
	31.12.2016.	31.12.2015.
Assets at fair value	Level 1	Level 1
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	2,607,550	4,572,800
Total assets at fair value	2,607,550	4,572,800

There has been no significant movement between the levels during the reporting year.

#### 16. Note

## Dynamics of performance indicators

Fund's annual performance\*:

Item	31.12.2016.	31.12.2015.	31.12.2014
Net assets (EUR)	3,291,537	4,767,773	4,881,891
Number of investment certificates	318,002	474,459	536,177
Value of investment fund's investment certificates (EUR)	10.35	10.05	9.11
Net assets (USD)	3,469,609	5,190,675	5,927,104
Number of investment certificates	318,002	474,459	536,177
Value of investment fund's investment certificates (USD)	10.91	10.94	11.05
	01.01.2016	01.01.2015	01.01.2014
	31.12.2016.	31.12.2015.	31.12.2014.
Annual performance of investment fund's investment certificates (USD)	(0.27%)	(1.03%)	9.10%

<sup>\* -</sup> Performance is calculated as the value of the fund's share at the end of the year to its value at the beginning of the year. This ratio is expressed as annual percentage raised to the power, where the dividend is 365, but the divisor is the number of days of the reporting period.

#### 17. Note

## **Subsequent Events**

No significant subsequent events have occurred from the reporting date to the date of these financial statements that would materially impact the fund's financial position, performance and cash flows in the reporting period.

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## Independent Auditors' Report

## To the investment certificate holders of Open-end investment fund ABLV US Industry USD Equity Fund

Our Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Open-end investment fund ABLV US Industry USD Equity Fund ("the Fund"), which is managed by the investment management company ABLV Asset Management, IPAS, (further – the Company), set out on pages 8 to 22 of the accompanying Annual Report, which comprise:

- the statement of assets and liabilities as at 31 December 2016,
- · the statement of income and expense for the year then ended,
- the statement of changes in net assets for the year then ended,
- · the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and
- the notes to the financial statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of Open-end investment fund ABLV US Industry USD Equity Fund as at 31 December 2016, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the European Union.

#### Basis for Opinion

In accordance with the 'Law on Audit Services' of the Republic of Latvia we conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing adopted in the Republic of Latvia (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report.

We are independent of the Fund and the Company in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code) and independence requirements included in the 'Law on Audit Services' of the Republic of Latvia that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the Republic of Latvia. We have also fulfilled our other professional ethics responsibilities and objectivity requirements in accordance with the IESBA Code and the 'Law on Audit Services' of the Republic of Latvia.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.



#### Reporting on Other Information

The Company's management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises:

- the Investment management company report, as set out on pages 4 to 5 of the accompanying Annual Report,
- the Statement of responsibility of the Board of the investment management company, as set out on page 6 of the accompanying Annual Report,

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information included in the Annual Report, and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon, except as described in the Other Reporting Responsibilities in Accordance with the Legislation of the Republic of Latvia section of our report.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed and in light of the knowledge and understanding of the Fund and its environment obtained in the course of our audit, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Other Reporting Responsibilities in Accordance with the Legislation of the Republic of Latvia

In addition, in accordance with the 'Law on Audit Services' of the Republic of Latvia with respect to the Investment management company report, our responsibility is to consider whether the Investment management company report is prepared in accordance with the requirements of the regulations No. 99 Regulations on the preparation of the annual report, consolidated annual report and half-year report of an investment fund and an open-end investment fund of the Financial and Capital Market Commission of the Republic of Latvia.

Based solely on the work required to be undertaken in the course of our audit, in our opinion:

- the information given in the Investment management company report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Investment management company report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the regulations No. 99 Regulations on the preparation of the annual report, consolidated annual report and half-year report of an investment fund and an open-end investment fund of the Financial and Capital Market Commission of the Republic of Latvia.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance of the Fund for the Financial Statements

Company's management is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the European Union and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.



In preparing the financial statements, the Company's management is responsible for assessing the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Company's management either intends to liquidate the Fund or to cease its operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance of the Fund are responsible for overseeing the Fund's financial reporting process.

Auditors' Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
  procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of
  expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control related to
  the management of the Fund.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of
  accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty
  exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability
  to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are
  required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial
  statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions
  are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However,
  future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease the Fund's operations as
  a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves a fair presentation.



We communicate with those charged with governance of the Fund regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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