

Franklin Templeton Investments (Asia) Limited 富蘭克林鄧普頓投資(亞洲) 有限公司

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This web notice is important and requires your immediate attention.

If you are in doubt about the contents of this web notice, you should seek independent professional advice.

Hong Kong, 30 September 2022

Dear Investors,

Franklin Templeton Investment Funds (the "Company")
- Appointment of the New Transfer Agent of the Company and its sub-funds (the "Funds")

This web notice is intended for the investors who hold shares of the Company via an account with (i) Franklin Templeton Investments (Asia) Limited (the "**Hong Kong Representative**") or (ii) a duly authorized intermediary for the Hong Kong market (collectively, the "**Investors**").

Unless otherwise specified herein, capitalized terms used in this web notice shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Explanatory Memorandum of the Company dated July 2022, as amended from time to time (the "Explanatory Memorandum"). A post notification reflecting the change sets out in this web notice will be issued to the Investors in due course.

Appointment of the new transfer agent

We are writing to notify you about the Company's decision to appoint Virtus Partners Fund Services Luxembourg S.à r.l. ("Virtus Partners") as registrar and transfer agent of the Company with effect on 3 October 2022.

Why are we making this change

Franklin Templeton Group including Franklin Templeton International Services S.à r.l. (the "Management Company"), which is currently performing registrar and transfer agency services for the Company in-house, has taken a strategic decision to exit registrar and transfer agent activities.

At the same time, it was decided to enter into a strategic partnership with FIS Global, that is represented in Luxembourg by its subsidiary, Virtus Partners.

This delegation will allow the Management Company (and Franklin Templeton Group) to:

- optimize its business functions and processes by relying on the expertise, technology and resources of Virtus Partners;
- benefit from the expertise of Virtus Partners, a specialized professional of the financial sector authorised in Luxembourg; and
- leverage technology solutions, which will benefit the Company and its shareholders and will meet ongoing regulatory needs and client demands for increasingly complex products.

What this change means to you

The change of registrar and transfer agent will not have any consequences for you as a shareholder of the Company. You are not required to take any action in relation to this change.

Virtus Partners will take over the Management Company's technology and service delivery teams and will provide registrar and transfer agent services to the Company on a white-label basis. It means that there will be no change to your contacts and interactions with Franklin Templeton.

Information about FIS Global and Virtus Partners

FIS Global is a leading financial technology company, providing solutions to deliver modern, seamless, and secure experiences for its clients. As a global transfer agent provider, FIS Global offers scale, investment, and real-time technology, with a tenured team of experts to meet the ever-changing needs of its clients' customer base.

FIS Global helps its clients to use technology in innovative ways to solve business-critical challenges and deliver superior experiences for its customers. Headquartered in Jacksonville, Florida, FIS Global ranks #241 on the 2021 Fortune 500 and is a member of Standard & Poor's 500® Index. Please visit www.fisglobal.com¹ for further details of FIS Global.

Virtus Partners, which is a subsidiary firm of FIS Global, was incorporated in Luxembourg as a *société* à *responsabilité limitée* and has its registered office at 8A, rue Albert Borschette, L-1246 Luxembourg, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg.

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The change sets out in this web notice will not give rise to any change in the fee level or fee structure of the Company and the Funds, nor any additional costs, expense, rights or interests to the Investors (other than the cost of publishing the post notification letter). Any additional costs and expenses arising from the change will be borne by the Management Company.

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The Management Company and the Board of Directors accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this web notice as at the date of its publication and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge and belief there are no other facts the omission of which would make any statement misleading.

The Explanatory Memorandum of the Company (which is available for download from the Hong Kong Representative's website at www.franklintempleton.com.hk¹) will be updated to reflect the above change and available at the office of the Hong Kong Representative in due course.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact your investment consultant, call our Investor Hotline at +852 2805 0111 or contact the Hong Kong Representative at 17/F, Chater House, 8 Connaught Road Central, Hong Kong. If you are not a duly authorized intermediary for the Hong Kong market, please be advised that you are not required to forward this web notice to your end clients.

Yours faithfully,

Franklin Templeton Investments (Asia) Limited 富蘭克林鄧普頓投資(亞洲)有限公司 As Hong Kong Representative of the Company

¹ The website has not been reviewed by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong.



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此乃重要文件,須即時留意。

如閣下對本網絡通知的內容有任何疑問, 請諮詢獨立專業人士意見。

敬啟者:

富蘭克林鄧普頓投資基金(「本公司」) 委任本公司及其子基金(「基金」)的新過戶代理

本網絡通知適用於通過(i)富蘭克林鄧普頓投資(亞洲)有限公司(「**香港代表**」)或(ii) 香港市場的正式授權中介人賬戶而持有本公司股份的投資者(合稱,「**投資者**」)。

除另有規定外,本網絡通知內所用的詞語與本公司日期為 2022 年 7 月的基金說明書(經不時修訂)(「**基金說明書**」)所界定者具相同涵義。將於適當時候向投資者發出反映本網絡通知中所載變更的事後通知。

委任新過戶代理

我們現通知閣下本公司決定委任 Virtus Partners Fund Services Luxembourg S.à r.l. (「Virtus Partners」) 作為本公司的登記及過戶代理,自 2022 年 10 月 3 日起生效。

我們為什麼要進行此項變更

富蘭克林鄧普頓集團,包括 Franklin Templeton International Services S.à r.l. (「管理公司」) 現時為本公司內部提供登記及過戶代理服務,其已採取退出登記及過戶代理業務的戰略決策。

同時,本公司決定與 FIS Global 建立戰略合作夥伴關係,FIS Global 在盧森堡由其附屬公司 Virtus Partners 作爲代表。

此轉授將允許管理公司(及富蘭克林鄧普頓集團):

- 依靠 Virtus Partners 的專業知識、技術及資源優化其業務功能和流程;
- 受惠於盧森堡認可的金融行業專業人士 Virtus Partners 的專業知識;及
- 利用技術解決方案,這將使本公司及其股東受惠,並將滿足持續的監管需求和客戶對日益複雜的產品的需求。

這對閣下意味著什麼

變更登記及過戶代理不會對閣下作為本公司股東產生任何後果。閣下無需對此變更採取任何行動。

Virtus Partners 將接管管理公司的技術及服務交付團隊,並將以白標方式向本公司提供登記及過戶代理服務。這意味著閣下與富蘭克林鄧普頓的聯繫及互動不會發生任何變化。

關於 FIS Global 及 Virtus Partners 的資料

FIS Global 是一家領先的金融技術公司,提供解決方案,為其客戶提供現代、無縫及安全的體驗。作為全球過戶代理提供商,FIS Global 提供規模、投資及實時技術,擁有一支資深的專家團隊,以滿足其客戶群不斷變化的需求。

FIS Global 幫助其客戶以創新的方式使用技術來解決業務關鍵挑戰,並為其客戶提供卓越的體驗。 FIS Global 總部位於佛羅里達州傑克遜維爾,在 2021 年財富 500 強中排名第 241 位,是標準普爾 500® 指數的成員。有關 FIS Global 的更多詳細資料,請瀏覽 www.fisglobal.com¹。

Virtus Partners 為 FIS Global 的附屬公司,是一家在盧森堡註冊成立的私人有限公司,註冊辦事處位於 8A, rue Albert Borschette, L-1246 Luxembourg, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg。

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本網絡通知所載之變更預計不會導致本公司及基金的收費水平或收費結構發生任何變化,亦不會為投資者帶來額外的成本、費用、權利或利益(發佈事後通知信函的費用除外)。因此變更而產生的任何額外成本及費用將由管理公司承擔。

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管理公司及董事局就本網絡通知內容截至發佈日的準確性承擔全部責任,並已作出一切合理查詢後,確認就其所知及所信,並無遺漏其他事實致使本文件所載任何陳述產生誤導。

本公司的基金説明書(可於香港代表網站 www.franklintempleton.com.hk 1 下載)將作出更新以反映上述變更,並適時可於香港代表辦事處取得。

如閣下需要任何進一步資料,請聯絡閣下的投資顧問或致電我們的投資者熱線 +852 2805 0111 或聯絡香港代表(香港中環干諾道中 8 號遮打大廈 17 樓)。如閣下不是香港市場的正式授權中介人,您不需要將本網絡通知轉發給您的最終客戶。

富蘭克林鄧普頓投資 (亞洲) 有限公司 Franklin Templeton Investments (Asia) Limited 作為本公司的香港代表

香港,2022年9月30日

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¹網站未經香港證監會審核。