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PLEASE PASS THIS LETTER TO THE INVESTMENT ADVISER(S) IN YOUR COMPANY WHO MANAGE INVESTMENT CHOICES FOR CLIENTS ON RL360 PLANS. THIS NOTIFICATION MAY IMPACT THEM AND THEY MAY WISH TO TAKE SOME ACTION.

You are receiving this notification as your company has RL360 plans, which are advised by you and are impacted by this notification. We have not written directly to the owners of the plans. As each plan owner has appointed your company in the capacity of investment adviser to manage the investment choices on their behalf, you should contact your clients as necessary to discuss the details of this notification and any recommended course of action.

Dear investment adviser

CLOSURE OF THE DWS NOOR PRECIOUS METALS SECURITIES FUND - IMPACTS RL360 REGULAR SAVINGS PLAN, REGULAR SAVINGS PLAN MALAYSIA, PARAGON, ORACLE, QUANTUM AND QUANTUM MALAYSIA.

We regularly review the funds available to our savings and investment products to ensure that plan owners continue to have access to a high quality and diverse range of funds, to help them meet their investment goals. The review process considers the performance and risk profile of funds within the range to determine whether they continue to provide the right outcomes for investors and remain appropriate for the product.

We have recently completed a review of our Islamic sector in the range and as a result of the review, we have made the decision to remove the DWS Noor Precious Metal Securities fund (the "Closing Fund"), from this sector.

What does this mean?

You have clients invested in the Closing Fund being removed from the range. For the Closing Fund, we have selected an alternative fund (the "Receiving Fund") that holdings will be switched into automatically (including redirection of any regular payment allocation) on **20 August 2024.** Your clients can remain invested in the Closing Fund until the date we switch them. The details of the Closing Fund and the Receiving Fund can be found in the Appendix.

If you are happy with our choice of Receiving Fund then you do not need to do anything. However, if you would prefer to switch to a different fund, it is free of charge and very easy to do.

Switching funds is easy

Visit the fund centre for your clients' product at <u>www.rl360adviser.com/fundcentres</u> to help you decide on a new fund, or funds. After that, choose one of the following options:

Switch online	Send us your changes
If you are a registered user of our Online Service Centre and have signed up for online switching, log into your account at <u>www.rl360.com</u> and submit your switch online quickly and efficiently.	Download a copy of our Fund Switch Instruction Form, which you will find on the product fund centre website page, complete it and fax, post or email a scanned version back to us using the details on the form.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or any general queries, please get in touch. Call our Customer Service Team on +44 (0)1624 681682 or send an email to <u>csc@rl360.com</u> and one of our team will be happy to help.

Kind regards

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Chris Corkish Investment Marketing Manager

APPENDIX – Comparison of the Closing Fund and the Receiving Fund

	Closing Fund	Receiving Fund
Fund Name	DWS Noor Precious Metals Securities LC USD	HSBC Islamic Global Equity Index AC USD
Fund ISIN	IE00BMF77083	LU0466842654
Annual Management Charge (AMC)	1.50%	0.75%
Ongoing Charge Fee (OCF) ¹	1.87%	0.96%
Fund Size (as at 14 June 2024)	\$41,141,713	\$1,722,953,079
Global Category	Precious Metals Sector Equity	Global Equity Large Cap
Risk Rating (1-7, 1=low risk, 7=high risk)	7	6
5yr Annualised Returns (as at 14 June 2024)	3.15%	16.90%
5yr Standard Deviation (as at end of May 2024) ²	35.96%	18.00%
Fund Investment objective and policy	The investment objective of the Fund is to achieve capital appreciation in the medium to long term by investing in a portfolio of Sharia compliant equity and equity-related securities of companies engaged in activities (exploration, mining and processing) related to gold, silver, platinum or other precious metals or minerals. The Fund is actively managed. In order to achieve the investment objective, the Fund will invest in a portfolio of Sharia compliant equity and equity- related securities listed or traded on a Regulated Market (as set out in Appendix 1 of the Irish Prospectus), of companies engaged in activities (exploration, mining and processing) related to gold, silver, platinum or other precious metals or minerals.	The Fund aims to track as closely as possible the returns of the Dow Jones Islamic Market Titans 100 Net Total Return Index. The Fund tracks the Index, which is Shariah compliant. The Fund follows an investment process that has been approved by an independent Shariah committee. The Shariah committee monitors the Fund throughout the year and issues an annual Shariah certificate on the Fund's compliance with Shariah principles. This certificate is included in the annual report of the Fund as a confirmation of the Shariah compliance for that year. Before investing, please do check that this Fund meets your Shariah requirements, and if in any doubt please consult an adviser. The Fund will invest in equity securities (shares), which meet Islamic investment principles, of companies in the Index.

¹Ongoing Charge ("OCF") includes the Annual Management Charge plus other operational expenses, so better reflects the total costs applied to the fund. This information is sourced from Morningstar® and is correct as at 29 April 2024.

²⁵ yr Standard Deviation – Standard deviation is a statistical measurement which, when applied to a fund, expresses its volatility, or risk. It shows how widely a range of returns varied from the fund's average return over a particular selected period; in this case a 5 year period has been selected. If a fund had an average return of 5%, and its volatility was 15%, this would mean that the range of its returns over the period had swung between +20% and -10%.

More information regarding the Closing Fund and the Receiving fund can be obtained from the Documents tab of the relevant product fund centre at <u>www.rl360adviser.com/fundcentres</u>. Documents include factsheet, prospectus and Key investor information document which details charges, fund objective and strategy and risks associated to the funds.