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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 MATTHEWS ASIA - ASIA DIVIDEND FUND - IMPACTS RL360 PROTECTED LIFESTYLE.

We have been informed by the Board of Directors of Matthews Asia Funds ("Matthews Asia") that it will be closing its **Matthews Asia – Asia Dividend Fund** (the "Affected Fund"). We are writing to you as you have one or more clients whose RL360 plan holds units in the Affected Fund.

Background

As part of a review of its fund range, Matthews Asia has decided to merge its Asia Dividend Fund into its Emerging Markets Equity Fund (the "Proposed Receiving Fund") on 24 January 2025 (the "Closure Date"). In anticipation of the merger, Matthews Asia will stop accepting investment into the Affected Fund with effect from 10 January 2025 (the "Subscription Suspension Date").

Action RL360 will be taking in regard to the merger

The Proposed Receiving Fund is not available in our Protection fund range. Therefore we will instead switch holdings into the **abrdn Liquidity (Lux) USD A2 Acc Fund** (the "Alternative Receiving Fund"), on **9 January 2025** (the "**Switch Date**"), just ahead of the Subscription Suspension Date. Any regular premium being allocated to the Affected Fund will also be redirected.

The Alternative Receiving Fund is a money market fund and has a different risk reward profile to the Affected Fund, which is an Asia-Pacific Equity fund. As the Alternative Receiving Fund has a lower risk/return profile than the Affected Fund, it is expected that returns over the long-term will be lower than the Affected Fund. Please refer to the Appendix for further information.

We have now closed the Affected Fund to new business and switches in with immediate effect. Your clients can remain invested in the Affected Fund until the date we switch them. Any holdings in the Affected Fund will be automatically switched, and any regular premium allocation redirected (if applicable), into the Alternative Receiving Fund.

If you are happy with our choice of Alternative Receiving Fund then you do not need to do anything. However, if you would prefer to switch and/or redirect any regular premium allocation to a different fund, it is very easy to do. If you would like this to happen before the Switch Date, we must receive your instructions by 5.00pm UK time on 8 January 2025.

Switching funds is easy

Visit the fund centre for your clients' product at www.rl360adviser.com/fundcentres 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 www.rl360.com 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 csc@rl360.com and one of our team will be happy to help.

Kind regards



Chris Corkish
Investment Marketing Manager

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APPENDIX - Comparison of the Affected Fund and the Alternative Receiving Fund

	Affected Fund details	Alternative Receiving Fund details
Fund Name	Matthews Asia - Asia Dividend A Acc USD	abrdrn Liquidity (Lux) USD A2 Acc
ISIN	LU0491817952	LU0049014870
Domicile	Luxembourg	Luxembourg
Launch Date	26 August 2010	17 September 1984
Investment Objective and Policy	The Fund's investment objective is to seek total return through capital appreciation and current income. Under normal market conditions, the Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing, directly or indirectly, primarily (i.e. at least 65% of its total net assets) in income-paying publicly traded common stocks, preferred stocks, convertible debt and equity securities of any maturity and in those that are unrated, or would be below investment grade if rated, and other equity-related instruments (including, for example, investment trusts and other financial instruments) of companies located in or with substantial ties to the Asia Pacific region. On an ancillary basis, the Fund may invest in other permitted assets on a worldwide basis.	The Fund's investment objective is to preserve capital and provide liquidity whilst aiming to deliver a return in line with prevailing short term money market rates for which SOFR has been chosen as the performance comparator. To achieve this objective, the assets of the Fund are invested with the principle of risk diversification predominantly in fixed or floating US Dollar denominated Money Market Instruments and in deposits with credit institutions, including but not limited to, fixed-term deposits at financial institutions, certificates of deposit, commercial paper, ABCPs, medium-term notes, short-term treasury bills, floating rate notes, Asset Backed Securities and call and notice accounts.
Morningstar Sector	Asia-Pacific Equity	USD Money Market - Short Term
Risk and Reward Rating (1 being low, 7 being high)	6	1
Annual Management Charge	1.25%	0.40%
Ongoing Charge *	1.80%	0.43%
5 Year Annualised Performance	0.55%	2.34%
5 Year Standard Deviation **	16.79%	0.65%

Notes: Information within this table is sourced from Morningstar® and is correct as at 20 December 2024.

* Ongoing Charge includes the Annual Management Charge plus other operational expenses, so better reflects the total costs applied to the fund.

** 5 Year 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%.

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