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Dear (Salutation)

Fund merger for Fidelity Japan Smaller Companies

Account number: <<Account_Number>>

Your financial adviser: <<BRKName>>

I am writing to you because you are invested in the Fidelity Japan Smaller Companies fund, provided by FIL Investment Services (UK) Limited.

Fidelity has informed us that the Fidelity Japan Smaller Companies fund will merge into the Fidelity Japan fund on **07 June 2024**. You'll see the new fund on your valuations and statements after that date.

You may want to speak to your financial adviser about the impact of the merger. Please speak to them before making any investment decisions, or if you have any questions about this change.

If you don't have a financial adviser, we recommend that you consider the benefits of receiving professional financial advice, which can be especially important when you need to make investment decisions. If you would like to search for an adviser in your area you can start by visiting quilter.com/financial-advice/find-an-adviser.

The last date we can sell from the fund before the merger will be 11:00 am on 07 June 2024.

How the merger will affect your account

- **The value of your fund holding** – the merger will not affect the value of your fund holding.
- **Direct Debits** – If you are paying into the fund by Direct Debit:
 - 1) payments up to and including **31 May 2024** will be allocated to the Fidelity Japan Smaller Companies fund.
 - 2) any payments which are due to be collected whilst the merger is taking place will buy units proportionally across the other assets in your Direct Debit instruction. If the merging fund is the only fund in your instruction, those payments will be allocated to cash. They will stay in cash unless you choose to switch them to another asset in future.
 - 3) payments after the merger will be allocated to the Fidelity Japan fund.

- **Phasing and Rebalancing** – Any **phased investment** or **rebalancing** instructions using the fund will automatically continue after the merger. Unless you give us an alternative choice, future transactions will be reapportioned across the other assets in your instruction, or cash if the merging fund is the only fund in your instruction.

Cash may not be suitable for your long-term investment needs. If you're happy for the amount to stay in cash, you don't need to do anything. Alternatively, you can switch the cash into an alternative asset(s) from our extensive range. Your financial adviser can give us your switch instruction, or you can switch by logging into our online Customer Centre at quilter.com/login or by sending us a switch form in the post.

- The merger **may change the fund's risk profile**. You can see more information about the new fund in its Key Investor Information document, available online at . Please note, it may not reflect the charges applicable when accessing the fund through us.
- **Ongoing Charge Figure (OCF) / Total Expense Ratio (TER)** - the OCF/TER will change with the merger.

Fund managers apply an Annual Management Charge (AMC) for the investment management they provide. This is reflected within the daily price of the fund and not taken directly from your holdings.

The OCF/TER represents the ongoing charges for the fund, expressed as a percentage. It is the sum of the AMC and all other running costs of the fund. OCF is increasingly replacing the TER.

The table below shows the current and new AMC and OCF/TER.

	AMC %	OCF / TER%
Current	0.75	0.97
New	0.75	0.79

Please note that none of the changes detailed in this letter affect any charges made by Quilter.

Why the funds are merging

The fund's assets have more than halved over the last 3-5 years due to outflows and the fund is now becoming uneconomic for Fidelity to operate.

The receiving fund is much larger and retains a high level of flexibility to invest in Japanese companies of all sizes. The merger would provide enhanced economies of scale to the receiving fund.

You can find more information about the old and new funds further down this page.

The next steps and avoiding the merger

You do not need to take any action unless you would like to choose a new asset from our extensive range. You can switch your holding in the Fidelity Japan Smaller Companies fund at any time up until **11:00 am on 07 June 2024**. If you decide to switch into a new asset(s), please note that you will also need to update your asset choice for Direct Debit payments, if applicable.

If you have any questions about this letter, please speak to your financial adviser who will be able to help you. Alternatively, you can call or email us using the details shown and we will be happy to help. Our Customer Service Centre is open 8:30am – 5:30pm, Monday to Friday.

Yours sincerely



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Head of Customer Operations

Fund objectives

Current fund Fidelity Japan Smaller Companies	New fund Fidelity Japan
<p>Fund objective: To increase the value of your investment over a period of 5 years or more by investing at least 70% in equities (and their related securities) of medium and smaller sized Japanese companies (those domiciled, incorporated or having significant business in Japan and those which are listed in Japan). The investment manager is not restricted in their choice of company by either size or industry.</p>	<p>Fund objective: To increase the value of your investment over a period of 5 years or more by investing at least 70% in equities (and their related securities) of Japanese companies (those domiciled, incorporated or having significant business in Japan and those which are listed in Japan) and is not restricted in terms of size or industry.</p>