

# AEW Global Focused Real Estate Fund

Ticker Symbol: Class A (NRFAX), Class C (NRCFX), Class N (NRFNX), Class T\* (NRETX) and Class Y (NRFYX)

\* Class T shares of the Fund are not currently available for purchase.

Before you invest, you may want to review the Fund's Prospectus, which contains more information about the Fund and its risks. You can find the Fund's Prospectus, reports to shareholders, and other information about the Fund online at [im.natixis.com/fund-documents](http://im.natixis.com/fund-documents). You can also get this information at no cost by calling 800-225-5478 or by sending an e-mail request to [NatixisFunds@natixis.com](mailto:NatixisFunds@natixis.com). The Fund's Prospectus and Statement of Additional Information, each dated June 1, 2021, as may be revised or supplemented from time to time, are incorporated by reference into this Summary Prospectus.

## Investment Goal

The Fund seeks to provide investors with above-average income and long-term growth of capital.

## Fund Fees & Expenses

The following table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold, and sell shares of the Fund. You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in this table. You may qualify for sales charge discounts if you and your family invest, or agree to invest in the future, at least \$50,000 in the Natixis Funds Complex. More information about these and other discounts is available from your financial professional and in the section "How Sales Charges Are Calculated" on page 13 of the Prospectus, in Appendix A to the Prospectus and on page 69 in the section "Reduced Sales Charges" of the Statement of Additional Information ("SAI").

### Shareholder Fees

(fees paid directly from your investment)

|   | Class A | Class C | Class N | Class T | Class Y |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Maximum sales charge (load) imposed on purchases (as a percentage of offering price)                                    | 5.75%   | None    | None    | 2.50%   | None    |
| Maximum deferred sales charge (load) (as a percentage of original purchase price or redemption proceeds, as applicable) | None*   | 1.00%   | None    | None    | None    |
| Redemption fees   | None    | None    | None    | None    | None    |

\* A 1.00% contingent deferred sales charge ("CDSC") may apply to certain purchases of Class A shares of \$1,000,000 or more that are redeemed within eighteen months of the date of purchase.

### Annual Fund Operating Expenses

(expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)

|  | Class A | Class C | Class N | Class T            | Class Y |
|--|---------|---------|---------|--------------------|---------|
| Management fees  | 0.75%   | 0.75%   | 0.75%   | 0.75%              | 0.75%   |
| Distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees   | 0.25%   | 1.00%   | 0.00%   | 0.25%              | 0.00%   |
| Other expenses   | 0.55%   | 0.55%   | 0.42%   | 0.55% <sup>1</sup> | 0.55%   |
| Total annual fund operating expenses   | 1.55%   | 2.30%   | 1.17%   | 1.55%              | 1.30%   |
| Fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement <sup>2,3</sup>                             | 0.40%   | 0.40%   | 0.32%   | 0.40%              | 0.40%   |
| Total annual fund operating expenses after fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement | 1.15%   | 1.90%   | 0.85%   | 1.15%              | 0.90%   |

1 Other expenses are estimated for the current fiscal year.

2 AEW Capital Management, L.P. ("AEW" or the "Adviser") has given a binding contractual undertaking to the Fund to limit the amount of the Fund's total annual fund operating expenses to 1.15%, 1.90%, 0.85%, 1.15% and 0.90% of the Fund's average daily net assets for Class A, C, N, T and Y shares, respectively, exclusive of brokerage expenses, interest expense, taxes, acquired fund fees and expenses, organizational and extraordinary expenses, such as litigation and indemnification expenses. This undertaking is in effect through May 31, 2022 and may be terminated before then only with the consent of the Fund's Board of Trustees. The Fund's investment adviser will be permitted to recover, on a class by class basis, management fees waived and/or expenses reimbursed to the extent that expenses in later periods fall below applicable expense limitations for Class A, C, N, T and Y shares. The Fund will not be obligated to repay any such waived/reimbursed fees and expenses more than one year after the end of the fiscal year in which the fees or expenses were waived/reimbursed.

3 Natixis Advisors, LLC ("Natixis Advisors") has given a binding contractual undertaking to the Fund to reimburse any and all transfer agency expenses for Class N shares. This undertaking is in effect through May 31, 2022 and may be terminated before then only with the consent of the Fund's Board of Trustees.

### Example

This example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated and then redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods (except where indicated). The example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund's operating expenses remain the same, except that the example is

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based on the Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Fee Waiver and/or Expense Reimbursement assuming that such waiver and/or reimbursement will only be in place through the date noted above and on the Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses for the remaining periods. The example for Class C shares for the ten-year period reflects the conversion to Class A shares after eight years. The example does not take into account brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries that you may pay on your purchases and sales of shares of the Fund. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

| <b>If shares are redeemed:</b> | <b>1 year</b> | <b>3 years</b> | <b>5 years</b> | <b>10 years</b> |
|--------------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Class A                        | \$ 685        | \$ 999         | \$ 1,335       | \$ 2,282        |
| Class C                        | \$ 293        | \$ 680         | \$ 1,194       | \$ 2,416        |
| Class N                        | \$ 87         | \$ 340         | \$ 613         | \$ 1,392        |
| Class T                        | \$ 364        | \$ 689         | \$ 1,037       | \$ 2,016        |
| Class Y                        | \$ 92         | \$ 373         | \$ 675         | \$ 1,533        |

| <b>If shares are not redeemed:</b> | <b>1 year</b> | <b>3 years</b> | <b>5 years</b> | <b>10 years</b> |
|------------------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Class C                            | \$ 193        | \$ 680         | \$ 1,194       | \$ 2,416        |

### Portfolio Turnover

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes for you if your Fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the example, affect the Fund’s performance. During its most recently ended fiscal year, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 119% of the average value of its portfolio.

## Investments, Risks and Performance

### Principal Investment Strategies

Under normal market conditions, the Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets (plus any borrowings made for investment purposes) in securities, including common stocks and preferred stocks, of real estate investment trusts (“REITs”) and/or real estate-related companies (e.g., real estate operating companies). REITs are generally dedicated to owning, and usually operating, income-producing real estate, or dedicated to financing real estate. The Fund primarily invests in equity REITs, which own or lease real estate and derive their income primarily from rental income. Real estate-related companies are those companies whose principal activity involves the development, ownership, construction, management or sale of real estate; companies with significant real estate holdings; and companies that provide products or services related to the real estate industry. Companies in the real estate industry, including REITs and real estate operating companies in which the Fund may invest may have relatively small market capitalizations. The Fund invests in securities of issuers located in no fewer than three regions, North America, Europe and Asia Pacific. Under normal circumstances, the Fund’s regional weightings will be +/- 10% of the regional weightings of the Fund’s benchmark, the FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed Index (Net). Although the Fund does not seek to track any particular index, the Fund will be diversified in terms of geographic and property type exposures, and the FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed Index (Net) may be used as a benchmark for the regional weighting of the Fund’s portfolio. The Fund may invest up to 10% of its assets in securities of companies located in emerging markets. For the purposes of determining whether a particular country is considered an emerging market, the Fund uses the designation set forth by the FTSE EPRA Nareit Emerging Index. The Fund follows a focused investment approach and typically holds 50 to 60 securities.

AEW employs a value-oriented investment strategy designed to identify securities that are priced below what it believes is their intrinsic value. AEW believes that ultimately the performance of real estate equity securities is dependent upon the underlying real estate assets and company management, as well as the overall influence of capital markets.

When selecting investments for the Fund, AEW generally considers the following factors that it believes help to identify those companies whose shares represent the greatest value and price appreciation potential:

**Valuation:** AEW has developed a proprietary model to assess the relative value of each stock in the Fund’s investment universe. This model is designed to estimate what an issuer’s anticipated cash flows are worth to a stock investor (a capital markets value) and to a direct real estate investor (a real estate value). The model helps AEW to identify stocks that it believes trade at discounts to either or both of these model values relative to similar stocks. AEW will generally sell a security once it is considered overvalued or when AEW believes that there is greater relative value in other securities in the Fund’s investment universe.

**Price:** AEW examines the historic pricing of each company in the Fund’s universe of potential investments. Those stocks that have underperformed in price, either in absolute terms or relative to the Fund’s investment universe in general, are typically of greater interest, provided AEW can identify and disagree with the sentiment that caused the underperformance.

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**Catalysts:** When evaluating a security, AEW also seeks to identify potential catalysts, such as changes in interest rates, regional and local economic conditions and other factors, that in its opinion, could cause the marketplace to re-value the security upwards in the near term. These catalysts can be macro-economic (e.g. interest rate expectations), market-driven or company-specific (e.g. a company's development pipeline) in nature.

**ESG:** AEW seeks to identify environmental, social, and governance ("ESG") factors that it believes are most relevant to real estate investments in the Fund's investable universe. ESG factors may include, among other things, the environmental performance of buildings, diversity, equity and inclusion policies, corporate giving, and Board diversity. AEW incorporates insights from fundamental research and company meetings alongside third party data and ESG data sourced directly from the issuer into a proprietary ESG risk score, which is an input into AEW's securities valuation analysis. While AEW considers ESG factors in all buy and sell decisions for the Fund, the ESG profile of an investment will not be prioritized over other considerations in AEW's investment selection process.

### Principal Investment Risks

The principal risks of investing in the Fund are summarized below. The Fund does not represent a complete investment program. You may lose money by investing in the Fund.

The significance of any specific risk to an investment in the Fund will vary over time, depending on the composition of the Fund's portfolio, market conditions, and other factors. You should read all of the risk information presented below carefully, because any one or more of these risks may result in losses to the Fund.

**Real Estate Risk:** Because the Fund concentrates its investments in REITs and the real estate industry, the Fund's performance will be dependent in part on the performance of the real estate market and the real estate industry in general. Investments in the real estate industry, including REITs, are particularly sensitive to economic downturns and are sensitive to factors such as changes in real estate values, property taxes and tax laws, interest rates, cash flow of underlying real estate assets, occupancy rates, government regulations affecting zoning, land use and rents and the management skill and creditworthiness of the issuer. Companies in the real estate industry also may be subject to liabilities under environmental and hazardous waste laws. In addition, the value of a REIT is affected by changes in the value of the properties owned by the REIT or mortgage loans held by the REIT. REITs are also subject to default and prepayment risk. Many REITs are highly leveraged, increasing their risk. The Fund will indirectly bear its proportionate share of expenses, including management fees, paid by each REIT in which it invests in addition to the expenses of the Fund.

**Small- and Mid-Capitalization Companies Risk:** Compared to large-capitalization companies, small- and mid-capitalization companies are more likely to have limited product lines, markets or financial resources. Stocks of these companies often trade less frequently and in limited volume and their prices may fluctuate more than stocks of large-capitalization companies. As a result, it may be relatively more difficult for the Fund to buy and sell securities of small- and mid-capitalization companies.

**Equity Securities Risk:** The value of the Fund's investments in equity securities could be subject to unpredictable declines in the value of individual securities and periods of below-average performance in individual securities or in the equity market as a whole. Value stocks can perform differently from the market as a whole and from other types of stocks. Value stocks also present the risk that their lower valuations fairly reflect their business prospects and that investors will not agree that the stocks represent favorable investment opportunities, and they may fall out of favor with investors and underperform growth stocks during any given period. In the event an issuer is liquidated or declares bankruptcy, the claims of owners of the issuer's bonds generally take precedence over the claims of those who own preferred stock or common stock.

**Currency Risk:** Fluctuations in the exchange rates between different currencies may negatively affect an investment. The Fund may be subject to currency risk because it may invest in securities or other instruments denominated in, or that generate income denominated in, foreign currencies. The Fund may elect not to hedge currency risk, or may hedge such risk imperfectly, which may cause the Fund to incur losses that would not have been incurred had the risk been hedged.

**Foreign Securities Risk:** Investments in foreign securities may be subject to greater political, economic, environmental, credit/counterparty and information risks. The Fund's investments in foreign securities also are subject to foreign currency fluctuations and other foreign currency-related risks. Foreign securities may be subject to higher volatility than U.S. securities, varying degrees of regulation and limited liquidity.

**Emerging Markets Risk:** In addition to the risks of investing in foreign investments generally, emerging markets investments are subject to greater risks arising from political or economic instability, nationalization or confiscatory taxation, currency exchange restrictions, sanctions by other countries (such as the United States) and an issuer's unwillingness or inability to make principal or interest payments on its obligations. Emerging markets companies may be smaller and have shorter operating histories than companies in developed markets.

**Cybersecurity and Technology Risk:** The Fund, its service providers, and other market participants increasingly depend on complex information technology and communications systems, which are subject to a number of different threats and risks that could adversely affect the Fund and its shareholders. Cybersecurity and other operational and technology issues may result in financial losses to the Fund and its shareholders.

**Focused Investment Risk:** Because the Fund may invest in a small number of industries or securities, it may have more risk because the impact of a single economic, political or regulatory occurrence may have a greater adverse impact on the Fund's net asset value.

**Liquidity Risk:** Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund may be unable to find a buyer for its investments when it seeks to sell them or to receive the price it expects. Decreases in the number of financial institutions willing to make markets in the Fund's investments or in their capacity or willingness to transact may increase the Fund's exposure to this risk. Events that may lead to increased redemptions, such as market disruptions or increases in interest rates, may also

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negatively impact the liquidity of the Fund's investments when it needs to dispose of them. If the Fund is forced to sell its investments at an unfavorable time and/or under adverse conditions in order to meet redemption requests, such sales could negatively affect the Fund. Securities acquired in a private placement, such as Rule 144A securities, are generally subject to significant liquidity risk because they are subject to strict restrictions on resale and there may be no liquid secondary market or ready purchaser for such securities. Liquidity issues may also make it difficult to value the Fund's investments.

**Management Risk:** A strategy used by the Fund's portfolio managers may fail to produce the intended result.

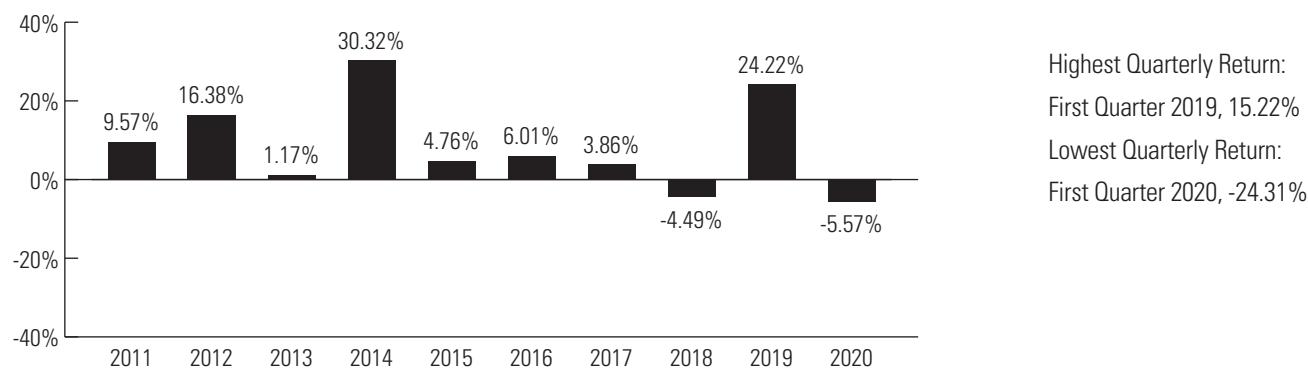
**Market/Issuer Risk:** The market value of the Fund's investments will move up and down, sometimes rapidly and unpredictably, based upon overall market and economic conditions, as well as a number of reasons that directly relate to the issuers of the Fund's investments, such as management performance, financial condition and demand for the issuers' goods and services.

### Risk/Return Bar Chart and Table

The bar chart and table shown below provide some indication of the risks of investing in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund's performance from year-to-year and by showing how the Fund's average annual returns for the one-year, five-year, ten-year, and life-of-class periods (as applicable) compare to those of a broad measure of market performance. Class C shares will automatically convert to Class A shares after eight years. The Fund's past performance (before and after taxes) does not necessarily indicate how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available online at [im.natixis.com](http://im.natixis.com) and/or by calling the Fund toll-free at 800-225-5478.

The chart does not reflect any sales charge that you may be required to pay when you buy or redeem the Fund's shares. A sales charge will reduce your return.

### Total Returns for Class Y Shares



The Fund's Class Y shares total return year to date as of March 31, 2021 was 5.63%.

### Average Annual Total Returns

(for the periods ended December 31, 2020)

|   | Past 1 Year | Past 5 Years | Past 10 Years | Life of Class (5/1/13) |
|---|-------------|--------------|---------------|------------------------|
| Class Y - Return Before Taxes                               | -5.57%      | 4.29%        | 8.07%         | -                      |
| Return After Taxes on Distributions                         | -6.73%      | 1.48%        | 5.19%         | -                      |
| Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares | -2.96%      | 2.83%        | 5.87%         | -                      |
| Class A - Return Before Taxes                               | -11.21%     | 2.81%        | 7.16%         | -                      |
| Class C - Return Before Taxes                               | -7.46%      | 3.24%        | 7.15%         | -                      |
| Class N - Return Before Taxes                               | -5.58%      | 4.35%        | -             | 5.58%                  |
| Class T - Return Before Taxes                               | -8.13%      | 3.51%        | 7.52%         | -                      |
| FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed Index (Net)                      | -9.04%      | 3.74%        | 5.44%         | 2.99%                  |

The Fund did not have Class T shares outstanding during the periods shown above. The returns of Class T shares would have been substantially similar to the returns of the Fund's other share classes because they would have been invested in the same portfolio of securities and would only differ to the extent the other share classes did not have the same expenses. Performance of Class T shares shown above is that of Class A shares, which have the same expenses as Class T shares, restated to reflect the different sales load applicable to Class T shares.

The Fund revised its investment strategies at the close of business on May 31, 2019, and performance may have been different had the current investment strategies been in place for all periods shown.

After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on an investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown. After-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who

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hold their Fund shares through tax-advantaged arrangements, such as 401(k) plans, qualified plans, education savings accounts, such as 529 plans, or individual retirement accounts. The after-tax returns are shown for only one class of the Fund. After-tax returns for the other classes of the Fund will vary. Index performance reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes.

The Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares for the 1-year period exceeds the Return Before Taxes due to an assumed tax benefit from losses on a sale of Fund shares at the end of the measurement period.

## Management

### Investment Adviser

AEW Capital Management, L.P.

### Portfolio Managers

Robert Oosterkamp, Managing Director of AEW, has served as Lead Portfolio Manager of the Fund since 2019.

Milton Low, CFA<sup>®</sup>, Managing Director of AEW, has served as co-portfolio manager of the Fund since 2019.

Gina Szymanski, CFA<sup>®</sup>, Managing Director of AEW, has served as co-portfolio manager of the Fund since 2017.

## Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

### Class A and C Shares

The following chart shows the investment minimums for various types of accounts:

| Type of Account   | Minimum Initial Purchase | Minimum Subsequent Purchase |
|---|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Any account other than those listed below   | \$ 2,500                 | \$ 50                       |
| For shareholders participating in Natixis Funds' Investment Builder Program   | \$ 1,000                 | \$ 50                       |
| For Traditional IRA, Roth IRA, Rollover IRA, SEP-IRA and Keogh plans using the Natixis Funds' prototype document (direct accounts, not held through intermediary) | \$ 1,000                 | \$ 50                       |
| Coverdell Education Savings Accounts using the Natixis Funds' prototype document (direct accounts, not held through intermediary)                                 | \$ 500                   | \$ 50                       |

There is no initial or subsequent investment minimum for:

- **Fee Based Programs** (such as wrap accounts) where an advisory fee is paid to the broker-dealer or other financial intermediary. Please consult your financial representative to determine if your fee based program is subject to additional or different conditions or fees.
- **Certain Retirement Plans.** Please consult your retirement plan administrator to determine if your retirement plan is subject to additional or different conditions or fees imposed by the plan administrator.
- Clients of a **Registered Investment Adviser** where the Registered Investment Adviser receives an advisory, management or consulting fee.

The minimum investment requirements for Class A shares may be waived or lowered for investments effected through certain financial intermediaries that have entered into special arrangements with Natixis Distribution, LLC (the "Distributor"). Consult your financial intermediary for additional information regarding the minimum investment requirement applicable to your investment.

### Class N Shares

Class N shares of the Fund are subject to a \$1,000,000 initial investment minimum. This minimum applies to Fee Based Programs and accounts (such as wrap accounts) where an advisory fee is paid to the broker-dealer or other financial intermediary, accounts established via a transfer, or any other transaction in which a new account is established. There is no subsequent investment minimum for these shares. There is no initial investment minimum for:

- **Certain Retirement Plans.** Please consult your retirement plan administrator to determine if your retirement plan is subject to additional or different conditions or fees imposed by the plan administrator.
- **Sub-accounts** held within an omnibus account, where the omnibus account has at least \$1,000,000.
- **Funds of funds** that are distributed by the Distributor.

In its sole discretion, the Distributor may waive the investment minimum requirement for accounts as to which the Distributor reasonably believes will have enough assets to exceed the investment minimum requirement within a relatively short period of time following the establishment date of such accounts in Class N. If, after two years, an account's value does not exceed the investment minimum requirement, the Distributor and the Fund reserve the right to redeem such account.

### Class T Shares

Class T shares of the Fund are not currently available for purchase.

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Class T shares of the Fund may only be purchased by investors who are investing through an authorized third party, such as a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary, that has entered into a selling agreement with the Distributor. Investors may not hold Class T shares directly with the Fund. Class T shares are subject to a minimum initial investment of \$2,500 and a minimum subsequent investment of \$50. Not all financial intermediaries make Class T shares available to their clients.

### Class Y Shares

Class Y shares of the Fund are generally subject to a minimum initial investment of \$100,000 and a minimum subsequent investment of \$50, except there is no minimum initial or subsequent investment for:

- **Fee Based Programs** (such as wrap accounts) where an advisory fee is paid to the broker-dealer or other financial intermediary. Please consult your financial representative to determine if your fee based program is subject to additional or different conditions or fees.
- **Certain Retirement Plans.** Please consult your retirement plan administrator to determine if your retirement plan is subject to additional or different conditions or fees imposed by the plan administrator.
- **Certain Individual Retirement Accounts** if the amounts invested represent rollover distributions from investments by any of the retirement plans invested in the Fund.
- Clients of a **Registered Investment Adviser** where the Registered Investment Adviser receives an advisory, management or consulting fee.
- **Fund Trustees**, former Fund trustees, employees of affiliates of the Natixis Funds and other individuals who are affiliated with any Natixis Fund (this also applies to any spouse, parents, children, siblings, grandparents, grandchildren and in-laws of those mentioned) and Natixis affiliate employee benefit plans.

At the discretion of Natixis Advisors, LLC, clients of Natixis Advisors, LLC and its affiliates may purchase Class Y shares of the Fund below the stated minimums.

Due to operational limitations at your financial intermediary, certain fee based programs, retirement plans, individual retirement accounts and accounts of registered investment advisers may be subject to the investment minimums described above.

The Fund's shares are available for purchase and are redeemable on any business day through your investment dealer, directly from the Fund by writing to the Fund at Natixis Funds, P.O. Box 219579, Kansas City, MO 64121-9579, by exchange, by wire, by internet at [im.natixis.com](http://im.natixis.com) (certain restrictions may apply), through the Automated Clearing House system, or, in the case of redemptions, by telephone at 800-225-5478 or by the Systematic Withdrawal Plan.

## Tax Information

Fund distributions are generally taxable to you as ordinary income or capital gains, except for distributions to retirement plans and other investors that qualify for tax-advantaged treatment under U.S. federal income tax law generally. Investments in such tax-advantaged plans will generally be taxed only upon withdrawal of monies from the tax-advantaged arrangement.

## Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase shares of the Fund through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Fund and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of the Fund shares and related services. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.