

# Pioneer Funds (the “Fund”)

*Fonds commun de placement*

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NOTICE

## Notice to the Unitholders

### *Pioneer Funds – Global Equity Target Income*

Dear Unitholder

Please be advised that, the Board of Directors of the Management Company has approved the merger of Capital Italia – Capital Italia International (the “Merging Sub-Fund”) a sub-fund of Capital Italia, into Pioneer Funds – Global Equity Target Income (the “Target Sub-Fund”). The merger will take place on midnight of 30 October 2015 (the “Merger Date”) and complies with Article 21 of the management regulations of the Fund.

#### **Background and Rationale of the Proposed Merger**

The Board of Directors has approved the merger with the principal aim of improving the range of offering of the funds it manages and for the purpose of economic efficiency.

In order to generate opportunities for enhanced operational and investment efficiency and given the general similarity of the Target Sub-Fund to the Merging Sub-Fund, the Board of Directors of the Management Company believes that the merger represents the most suitable solution for investors in the long term.

The table below shows which unit class of the Target Sub-Fund will absorb the corresponding share class of the Merging Sub-Fund:

| <b>Merging Sub-Fund / Share Class</b>  |   | <b>Target Sub-Fund / Unit Class</b>  |
|--|---|--|
| Capital Italia – Capital Italia International A EUR (ND) Non-Hedged<br>ISIN LU0006065022 | → | Pioneer Funds – Global Equity Target Income E EUR (ND) Non-Hedged<br>ISIN LU0313639691 |
| ND: Non Distributing   |   |  |

#### **Impact of the Proposed Merger on Unitholders**

The costs incurred in the merger will not be charged to the Target Sub-Fund or to you as a Unitholder. The costs and expenses incurred in the merger will be borne by the management company of the Merging Sub-Fund, Pioneer Investment Management SGRpA.

The merger is not expected to have any material impact on the portfolio or performance of the Target Sub-Fund and on the Unitholders of the Target Sub-Fund. All assets of the Merging Sub-Fund will be aligned with the Investment Objective and Policy of the Target Sub-Fund.

The Investment Manager will not rebalance the portfolio of the Target Sub-Fund before or after the merger.

#### **Rights of Unitholders**

Unitholders of the Target Sub-Fund may redeem or convert their units without any redemption or conversion fees (if applicable) from the date of this notice up to and including 30 October, at 6:00 p.m. Luxembourg time.

A copy of the Auditor's merger report will be available on request and free of charge at the registered office of the Management Company to the Unitholders of the Target Sub-Fund. For further information, Unitholders may contact the Management Company at the registered office.

**Procedural Aspects of the Merger**

On the Merger Date, the assets and liabilities of the Merging Sub-Fund will be transferred to the Target Sub-Fund and the Merging Sub-Fund will cease to exist.

On the Merger Date, Shareholders of the Merging Sub-Fund will be switched to the Target Sub-Fund and will receive units in the Target Sub-Fund equal to the number of shares held in the relevant share Class of the Merging Sub-Fund multiplied by the relevant exchange ratio. Fractions of units shall be issued up to three decimal places. The exchange ratio will be calculated by dividing the net asset value of the shares of the Merging Sub-Fund dated 30 October 2015 by the net asset value of the units of the relevant unit Class of the Target Fund having the same date.

**General Information**

The Board of Directors of the Management Company accepts responsibility for the accuracy of the contents of this letter.

Luxembourg, 21 September 2015