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28 January 2015

Dear Shareholder,

#### ABERDEEN GLOBAL II

Your Board of Directors has decided to make changes to Aberdeen Global II. The principal proposed changes are detailed in this letter. The Aberdeen Global II Prospectus and relevant Key Investor Information Documents have also been updated accordingly.

**CHANGES TO EXISTING SUB-FUNDS AND SHARE CLASSES**

1. **Renaming of Hedged Share Classes**

With effect from 2 March 2015, the existing currency hedged share classes offered in certain sub-funds shall be renamed to better explain their effect considering the currencies of the underlying assets of the relevant sub-fund. The new collective name of the hedged share classes will be "Base Currency Exposure Share Classes" as indicated in the table set out in the Appendix.

The Base Currency Exposure Share Classes, where available, seek to offer amended currency risk (which can generate greater or lesser risk depending on the share class currency and sub-fund currency exposures), by selling the sub-fund base currency and buying the currency of the Base Currency Exposure Share Class.

Depending on the underlying currency exposure of a sub-fund, it should be noted that Base Currency Exposure Share Classes are categorised as follows:

1. Base Currency Hedged Share Classes, where the sub-fund invests at least 80% of its assets in securities denominated in the base currency of the sub-fund (or hedged back to the base currency by the Investment Adviser).

For example, the Aberdeen Global II – US Dollar High Yield Bond Fund only offers this type of Base Currency Exposure Share Class as it has a base currency of USD with at least 80% of assets held in securities denominated in USD (or hedged back to USD by the Investment Adviser).

(B) Partial Base Currency Short Share Classes, where the sub-fund invests between 10-80% of its assets in securities denominated in the base currency of the sub-fund (or hedged back to the base currency by the Investment Adviser).

For example, the Aberdeen Global II – Asia Pacific Multi Asset Fund only offers this type of Base Currency Exposure Share Class as it has a base currency of USD with between 10-80% of assets held in securities denominated in USD (or hedged back to USD by the Investment Adviser).

(C) Base Currency Short Share Classes, where the sub-fund invests less than 10% of its assets in securities denominated in the base currency of the sub-fund (or hedged back to the base currency by the Investment Adviser).

For example, the Aberdeen Global II - Emerging Europe Bond (if such share class is available in the future) would only offer this type of Base Currency Exposure Share Class as it has a base currency of EUR with less than 10% of assets held in securities denominated in EUR (or hedged back to EUR by the Investment Adviser).

It should be noted that there may be short periods of time when the actual exposure may be more or less than the stated levels above for a Base Currency Exposure Share Class due to a change in the assets in the portfolio of a sub-fund and/or as a result of redemption and subscription activities. In such circumstances, the category of the relevant Share Class described above and in the Appendix (which is correct as at just prior to the date of this letter) will be subject to change. Investors in Base Currency Exposure Share Classes should refer to www.aberdeen-asset.com for details of the Base Currency Share Classes available for a sub-fund and its relevant category according to the currency in which assets of the sub-fund are denominated at any time.

It should be further noted that regardless of the Base Currency Exposure Share Class category, the operational process of using forward foreign exchange contracts remains unchanged and the same process is employed for each type of Share Class, so performance and other characteristics of the Base Currency Exposure Share Classes will be unaffected any change in category resulting from a change in underlying assets.

The disclosure in the prospectus relating to such Share Classes has also been amended accordingly, as well as the applicable minimum investment levels which shall be $5,000 for any initial investment in the Base Currency Hedged versions of Class A, C and U Base Currency Exposure Share Classes of a sub-fund and $200,000 in respect of the Base Currency Short and Partial Base Currency Short versions of the same Share Classes.

Shareholders affected by the changes mentioned above who feel that the aforementioned changes no longer meet their investment requirements may request redemption or switching of their shares, free of any applicable redemption and/or switching charges, until 13:00 hours Luxembourg time on 27 February 2015.

**ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES**

The Prospectus will also be updated for factual information as well as certain clarifications, including but not limited to the following.

The information relating to the Board of Directors of Aberdeen Global II will be updated to reflect recent changes in the composition of the Board, and to update their biographical information.

Clarifications and updates have also been made to certain specific risk factors of certain sub-funds.

The Prospectus has been updated to reflect distribution frequency changes in the following sub-funds, as previously notified to investors and effective on 1 October 2014:

Aberdeen Global II - Euro High Yield Bond Fund

Aberdeen Global II - Global High Yield Bond Fund

Aberdeen Global II - US Dollar High Yield Bond Fund

The General Risk Factors have been updated in respect of Restricted (Rule 144A) securities.

The section regarding compliance with U.S. Reporting and Withholding Requirements has been updated.

The expected level of leverage based on “Sum of Notionals” and Commitment approach of the following sub-funds have been recalculated and the prospectus updated accordingly;

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|  | Expected Level of Leverage (%) based on “Sum of Notionals” approach | Expected Level of Leverage (%) based on Commitment approach |
| Aberdeen Global II - Asian Bond Fund | 125-250 | 60-100 |
| Aberdeen Global II - Australian Dollar Bond Fund  | 10-25 | 15-25 |
| Aberdeen Global II - Emerging Europe Bond Fund | 20-80 | 15-50 |
| Aberdeen Global II - Euro Bond Fund | 15-50 | 10-50 |
| Aberdeen Global II - Euro Government Bond Fund  | 15-35 | 10-35 |
| Aberdeen Global II - Euro High Yield Bond Fund  | 100-150 | 25-50 |
| Aberdeen Global II - Global Bond Fund | 50-200 | 60-180 |
| Aberdeen Global II - Global Government Bond Fund | 50-200 | 20-180 |
| Aberdeen Global II - Global High Yield Bond Fund | 25-70 | 5-15 |
| Aberdeen Global II – Global Sovereign Opportunities Bond Fund | 40-100 | 15-25 |
| Aberdeen Global II - Sterling Index Linked Bond Fund | 150-400 | 50-320 |
| Aberdeen Global II - Sterling Long Dated Government Bond Fund | 150-400 | 50-320 |
| Aberdeen Global II - Sterling Long Dated Credit Bond Fund | 40-140 | 20-100 |
| Aberdeen Global II - Asia Pacific Multi Asset Fund | 50-100 | 30-45 |
| Aberdeen Global II - US Dollar Short Term Bond Fund | 15-25 | 0-20 |
| Aberdeen Global II - Sterling Bond Fund | 100-400 | 50-320 |
| Aberdeen Global II - Sterling Government Bond Fund | 150-380 | 50-320 |
| Aberdeen Global II - Sterling Credit Bond Fund | 30-120 | 20-100 |
| Aberdeen Global II - US Dollar High Yield Bond Fund | 15-25 | 0-20 |

For the avoidance of doubt, these increases of global exposures do not imply a change of the investment approach of the sub-funds concerned.

Appendix E of the Prospectus has been updated to reflect reductions in Management Fees of certain sub-funds, as previously notified to investors.

Appendix F of the Prospectus has been updated to take into account updates to relevant country specific details.

**Prospectus**

The changes detailed in this letter are reflected in a new Prospectus of Aberdeen Global II to be dated March 2015.

Your Board of Directors accepts responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this letter. To the best of the knowledge and belief of your Board of Directors (who have taken reasonable care to ensure this is the case) the information contained in this letter is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the importance of such information.

If you have any questions or would like any further information please contact us at our registered office or, alternatively, call one of the following Shareholder Service Centre helplines:

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Your Board of Directors believes that the changes are fair and reasonable and are in the best interests of shareholders.

Yours faithfully,



For and on behalf of

the Board of Directors – Aberdeen Global II

**APPENDIX**

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| **Fund** | **Existing Share Class Name until 27 February 2015** | **ISIN** | **New Share Class Name with effect from 2 March 2015** | **Base Currency Exposure Share Class category (depending on sub-fund currency exposure) as at 22 January 2015\*** |
| Aberdeen Global II – Asia Pacific Multi Asset Fund | A-2 Hedged CHF Acc  | LU0513837616 | A-2 Base Currency Exposure CHF Acc | Partial Base Currency Short |
| A-2 Hedged EUR Acc | LU0513837707 | A-2 Base Currency Exposure EUR Acc |
| Aberdeen Global II – Asian Bond Fund | A-2 Hedged EUR Acc  | LU0513448471 | A-2 Base Currency Exposure EUR Acc | Partial Base Currency Short |
| D-2 Hedged GBP Acc | LU0585135808 | D-2 Base Currency Exposure GBP Acc |
| Aberdeen Global II – Euro Corporate Bond Fund | A-2 Hedged CZK Acc | LU0875492679 | A-2 Base Currency Exposure CZK Acc | Base Currency Hedged |
| Aberdeen Global II – Global High Yield Bond Fund | A-1 Hedged EUR Acc | LU1016763408 | A-1 Base Currency Exposure EUR Acc | Base Currency Hedged |
| I-2 Hedged EUR Acc | LU1016766096 | I-2 Base Currency Exposure EUR Acc |
| Aberdeen Global II – US Dollar High Yield Bond Fund | A-2 Hedged EUR Acc | LU0924022667 | A-2 Base Currency Exposure EUR Acc | Base Currency Hedged |
| I-2 Hedged EUR Acc | LU0304234379 | I-2 Base Currency Exposure EUR Acc |

**\*Please refer to www.aberdeen-asset.com for up-to-date details of the Base Currency Share Class category according to the assets of the sub-fund at any time.**