# MANAGEMENT INFORMATION CIRCULAR (JULY 28, 2021)

**Special Meetings of Unitholders of:** 

FRANKLIN BRANDYWINE GLOBAL INCOME OPTIMISER FUND FRANKLIN CLEARBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL GROWTH FUND FRANKLIN CLEARBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL GROWTH FUND II FRANKLIN MARTIN CURRIE GLOBAL EQUITY FUND II

(each, a "Fund" and, collectively, the "Funds")

# SPECIAL MEETINGS TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 27, 2021



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#### SOLICITATION OF PROXIES

This management information circular ("Circular") is being furnished by Franklin Templeton Investments Corp. (the "Manager"), in its capacity as manager of the Funds, for use at the special meetings of unitholders of the Funds (the "Meetings") to be held on Friday, August 27, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. (Toronto time) for the purposes set forth below. The Meetings will be held virtually. Unitholders can join and watch the Meetings via a live webcast at www.franklintempleton.ca/august27meetings.

Unitholders may submit questions live through the webcast's "Q&A" function and may also pre-submit questions at <a href="https://www.franklintempleton.ca/august27meetings">www.franklintempleton.ca/august27meetings</a>. We encourage unitholders to pre-submit questions in advance of the Meetings.

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic and current restrictions on public gatherings, unitholders will not be able to attend the Meetings in person. Unitholders and any duly appointed proxyholders will have an opportunity to participate at the Meetings virtually, just as they would at a physical meeting, provided they remain connected to the internet at all times during the Meetings. It is the unitholder's responsibility to ensure internet connectivity for the duration of the Meetings. For any questions regarding a unitholder's ability to participate in or vote at the Meetings, please contact Broadridge Financial Solutions at proxy.request@broadridge.com.

# This solicitation of proxies is made by or on behalf of the Manager, as manager of each Fund.

The Manager will bear the costs of soliciting proxies. Proxies may be solicited by mail and the directors, officers, employees or agents of the Manager may solicit proxies personally, by telephone or by facsimile transmission. The costs of the Meeting will be borne by the Manager.

The Manager has engaged Broadridge Financial Solutions Inc. as its proxy agent to receive and tabulate proxies. Completed proxies should be sent to Data Processing Centre, P.O. Box 3700, Station Industrial Park, Markham, Ontario L3R 9Z9 or by fax to (905) 507-7793 (English) or (514) 281-8911 (French). Unitholders can also vote by telephone at 1-800-474-7493 (English) or 1-800-474-7501 (French) or via the internet at <a href="https://www.proxyvote.com">www.proxyvote.com</a>. Due to government restrictions on in-person meetings attributed to the COVID-19 pandemic, we <a href="https://www.proxyvote.com">strongly encourage</a> you to exercise your right to vote before the close of the Meetings on August 27, 2021.

#### **Notice and Access**

Pursuant to exemptive relief granted by the Ontario Securities Commission on December 5, 2016 (the "Notice-and-Access Relief"), all investment funds managed by the Manager, including the Funds, have been permitted to provide unitholders with a notice-and-access document and follow the notice-and-access procedures ("Notice and Access") in a manner analogous to the "notice-and-access" procedures set forth in National Instrument 54-101 – Communications with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer and National Instrument 51-102 – Continuous Disclosure Obligations. Notice and Access allows reporting issuers to post this management information circular, and such other materials as may be permitted under securities laws ("Meeting Materials") on a website instead of having to mail such materials to registered and beneficial unitholders.

Notice and Access may be used to provide access to the Meeting Materials by posting such materials on SEDAR and on a non-SEDAR website (such as the Manager's website), and concurrently posting and sending to unitholders a Notice and Access document together with a form of proxy (the "Notice Package"), rather than delivering such materials by mail. Notice and Access is available for all meetings, including special meetings. Unitholders of the Funds will still be entitled to request delivery of paper copies of the Meeting Materials at no expense.

The Manager will send the Notice Package directly to non-objecting beneficial owners. The Manager will not pay for intermediaries to forward the Notice Package to objecting beneficial owners and thus objecting beneficial owners will not receive these materials unless their intermediaries assume the cost of delivery.

#### PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

The Meetings will be held for the following purposes:

- (i) to consider and, if advisable, adopt a resolution to approve the change of investment objective of Franklin Brandywine Global Income Optimiser Fund (the "Brandywine Fund Investment Objective Change");
- (ii) to consider and, if advisable, adopt a resolution to approve the change of investment objective of Franklin ClearBridge International Growth Fund (the "ClearBridge Fund Investment Objective Change");
- (iii) to consider and, if advisable, adopt a resolution to approve the change of investment objective of Franklin ClearBridge International Growth Fund II (the "ClearBridge Fund II Investment Objective Change");
- (iv) to consider and, if advisable, adopt a resolution to approve the change of investment objective of Franklin Martin Currie Global Equity Fund (the "Martin Currie Fund Investment Objective Change");
- (v) to consider and, if advisable, adopt a resolution to approve the change of investment objective of Franklin Martin Currie Global Equity Fund II (the "Martin Currie Fund II Investment Objective Change");
- (vi) to transact such other business as may come before the Meeting.

The text of each resolution is set out in Schedules "A" to "E" to this Circular. The Brandywine Fund Investment Objective Change, the ClearBridge Fund Investment Objective Change, the ClearBridge Fund II Investment Objective Change, the Martin Currie Fund Investment Objective Change, and the Martin Currie Fund II Investment Objective Change may each be referred to, individually, as an "Investment Objective Change" and, collectively, as the "Investment Objective Changes".

#### PROPOSED CHANGES TO INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES

## Franklin Brandywine Global Income Optimiser Fund (applicable to unitholders of that Fund only)

As part of its ongoing product review, the Manager proposes to change the investment objective of Franklin Brandywine Global Income Optimiser Fund (the "Brandywine Fund"). On June 4, 2021, the name of the Brandywine Fund was changed to its current name from Franklin Strategic Income Fund, its sub-advisor was replaced with Brandywine Global Investment Management, LLC, and its investment strategies were changed to reflect the approach of the new sub-advisor, including a focus on sustainable investing. The proposed changes will better align the investment objectives of the Brandywine Fund with the revised investment strategies, in particular affirming the Brandywine Fund's commitment to sustainable investing.

The Manager seeks the approval of unitholders of the Brandywine Fund to consider and, if deemed advisable, to authorize the Brandywine Fund Investment Objective Change. The full text of the resolution to be considered at the Meeting is set out in Schedule "A" to this Information Circular. If the Manager proceeds with the Brandywine Fund

Investment Objective Change, it will rename the Brandywine Fund to Franklin Brandywine Global Sustainable Income Optimiser Fund. The following chart summarizes the proposed changes to the investment objective of the Brandywine Fund:

<b>Existing Investment Objective</b>	<b>Proposed Investment Objective</b>
High current income and some long-term capital	High income and preservation of capital by investing
appreciation by investing primarily in fixed-income	primarily in debt instruments of sustainable issuers
securities issued in the U.S. and elsewhere	anywhere in the world

# Tax Basis of Change

The change to the Brandywine Fund's investment objective is not a taxable event. Unitholders who continue to hold their units in the Brandywine Fund will not have a disposition of their units in the Brandywine Fund and, accordingly, will not realize a capital gain (or a capital loss) as a result of the change in the investment objective.

# Franklin ClearBridge International Growth Fund and Franklin ClearBridge International Growth Fund II (applicable to unitholders of those Funds only)

As part of its ongoing product review, the Manager proposes to change the investment objective of Franklin ClearBridge International Growth Fund (the "ClearBridge Fund"). On June 7, 2021, the name of the ClearBridge Fund was changed to its current name from Templeton International Stock Fund, its sub-advisor was replaced with ClearBridge Investments, LLC, and its investment strategies were changed to reflect the approach of the new sub-advisor, including a focus on sustainable investing. The proposed changes will better align the investment objectives of the ClearBridge Fund with the revised investment strategies, in particular affirming the ClearBridge Fund's commitment to sustainable investing.

The Manager seeks the approval of unitholders of the ClearBridge Fund to consider and, if deemed advisable, to authorize the ClearBridge Fund Investment Objective Change. The full text of the resolution to be considered at the Meeting is set out in Schedule "B" to this Information Circular. If the Manager proceeds with the ClearBridge Fund Investment Objective Change, it will rename the ClearBridge Fund to Franklin ClearBridge Sustainable International Growth Fund.

The investment objective of Franklin ClearBridge International Growth Fund II (the "ClearBridge Fund II") is to invest substantially all of its assets in units of the ClearBridge Fund. Given that it is being proposed that the investment objective of the ClearBridge Fund be changed, the Manager is also seeking the approval of unitholders of the ClearBridge Fund II to consider and, if deemed advisable, to authorize the ClearBridge Fund II Investment Objective Change. The full text of the resolution to be considered at the Meeting is set out in Schedule "C" to this Information Circular. If the Manager proceeds with the ClearBridge Fund II Investment Objective Change, it will rename the ClearBridge Fund II to Franklin ClearBridge Sustainable International Growth Fund II.

The following chart summarizes all the proposed changes to the ClearBridge Fund and the ClearBridge Fund II:

	<b>Existing Investment Objective</b>	<b>Proposed Investment Objective</b>	
Franklin ClearBridge International Growth Fund	investing primarily in equity primarily in equity securities of su securities of companies outside issuers outside Canada and the U.S.		
Franklin ClearBridge International Growth Fund II	Long-term capital appreciation by investing substantially all of its assets in units of Franklin ClearBridge International Growth Fund, which invests primarily in equity securities of companies outside Canada and the United States	substantially all of its assets in units of Franklin ClearBridge Sustainabl International Growth Fund, which invest primarily in equity securities of sustainables issuers outside Canada and the U.S.	

# Tax Basis of Change

The changes to the ClearBridge Fund's and the ClearBridge Fund II's investment objectives are not taxable events. Unitholders who continue to hold their units in either Fund will not have a disposition of their units in either Fund and, accordingly, will not realize a capital gain (or a capital loss) as a result of the change in the investment objective.

Required Approvals for the Investment Objective Changes and Effective Date

Each of the ClearBridge Fund Investment Objective Change and the ClearBridge Fund II Investment Objective Change is contingent on the approval of the other. If applicable unitholder approval of each Fund is not received at its respective meeting, then neither the ClearBridge Fund Investment Objective Change and nor the ClearBridge Fund II Investment Objective Change will proceed.

# Franklin Martin Currie Global Equity Fund and Martin Currie Global Equity Fund II (applicable to holders of those Funds only)

As part of its ongoing product review, the Manager proposes to change the investment objective of Franklin Martin Currie Global Equity Fund (the "Martin Currie Fund"). On July 19, 2021, the name of the Martin Currie Fund was changed to its current name from Franklin Mutual Global Discovery Fund, its sub-advisor was replaced with Martin Currie Inc., and its investment strategies were changed to reflect the approach of the new sub-advisor, including a focus on sustainable investing. The proposed changes will better align the investment objectives of the Martin Currie Fund with the revised investment strategies, in particular affirming the Martin Currie Fund's commitment to sustainable investing.

The Manager seeks the approval of unitholders of the Martin Currie Fund to consider and, if deemed advisable, to authorize the Martin Currie Fund Investment Objective Change. The full text of the resolution to be considered at the Meeting is set out in Schedule "D" to this Information Circular. If the Manager proceeds with the Martin Currie Fund Investment Objective Change, it will rename the Martin Currie Fund to Franklin Martin Currie Sustainable Global Equity Fund.

The investment objective of Franklin Martin Currie Global Equity Fund II (the "Martin Currie Fund II") is to invest substantially all of its assets in units of the Martin Currie Fund. Given that it is being proposed that the investment objective of the Martin Currie Fund be changed, the Manager is also seeking the approval of unitholders

of the Martin Currie Fund II to consider and, if deemed advisable, to authorize the Martin Currie Fund II Investment Objective Change. The full text of the resolution to be considered at the Meeting is set out in Schedule "E" to this Information Circular. If the Manager proceeds with the Martin Currie Fund II Investment Objective Change, it will rename the Martin Currie Fund II to Franklin Martin Currie Sustainable Global Equity Fund II.

The following chart summarizes all the proposed changes to the Martin Currie Fund and the Martin Currie Fund II:

	<b>Existing Investment Objective</b>	<b>Proposed Investment Objective</b>		
Franklin Martin	Long-term capital appreciation	Long-term capital appreciation by investing		
Currie Global Equity	by investing primarily in equity	primarily in equity securities of sustainable		
Fund	and debt securities of issuers	issuers anywhere in the world		
	around the world			
Franklin Martin	Long-term capital appreciation	Long-term capital appreciation by investing		
<b>Currie Global Equity</b>	uity by investing substantially all of substantially all of its assets in u			
Fund II	its assets in units of Franklin   Franklin Martin Currie Sustainable Glo			
	Martin Currie Global Equity	Equity Fund, which invests primarily in		
	Fund, which invests primarily in	equity securities of sustainable issuers		
	equity and debt securities of	anywhere in the world		
	issuers around the world			

# Tax Basis of Change

The changes to the Martin Currie Fund's and the Martin Currie Fund II's investment objectives are not taxable events. Unitholders who continue to hold their units in either Fund will not have a disposition of their units in either Fund and, accordingly, will not realize a capital gain (or a capital loss) as a result of the change in the investment objective.

Required Approvals for the Investment Objective Changes and Effective Date

Each of the Martin Currie Fund Investment Objective Change and the Martin Currie Fund II Investment Objective Change is contingent on the approval of the other. If applicable unitholder approval of each Fund is not received at its respective meeting, then neither the Martin Currie Fund Investment Objective Change and nor the Martin Currie Fund II Investment Objective Change will proceed.

#### General

The Investment Objective Change for each Fund will not be effective unless approved by a majority of the votes cast at the Meeting for that Fund. Each unitholder of each Fund is entitled to one vote for each whole unit held of that Fund. Unitholders of record of a Fund at the close of business on July 5, 2021 (the "**Record Date**") will be entitled to vote at the Meeting of that Fund, except to the extent that a transferee of units after that date complies with the procedures described under "*Record Date and Quorum*" on page 8, in order to qualify to vote the transferred units. If approved, the Investment Objective Changes will become effective on or about September 17, 2021.

Notwithstanding the receipt of unitholder approvals, the Manager (as trustee of the Funds) may, in its discretion, decide not to proceed with, or delay, any Investment Objective Change for any reason if it considers such course to be in the best interests of a Fund or its unitholders.

#### Recommendation

The Manager recommends that unitholders in each Fund vote in favour of (FOR) the resolution in respect of the Investment Objective Change for their Fund at the Meeting.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

The Manager knows of no other business to be presented at the Meeting. If any additional matters should be properly presented, it is intended that the proxy will be voted in accordance with the judgment of the persons named in the proxy.

## APPOINTMENT AND REVOCATION OF PROXIES

The persons named in the proxy are representatives of the Manager. A unitholder has the right to appoint a person other than the persons specified in such proxy to attend and act on behalf of such unitholder at the Meeting. This right may be exercised by striking out the names of the persons specified in the proxy, inserting the name of the person to be appointed in the blank space so provided, signing the proxy and returning it in the reply envelope or by facsimile or by naming the appointee when voting via the internet at <a href="https://www.proxyvote.com">www.proxyvote.com</a>.

Any unitholder who executes and returns the proxy may revoke it: (i) by depositing an instrument in writing executed by him or her or by his or her attorney authorized in writing at the registered office of the Funds, at any time up to and including the last business day preceding the Meeting or any adjournment thereof; (ii) by emailing a signed revocation of such instrument to the Secretary of the Meeting at <a href="mailto:secretary@franklintempleton.ca">secretary@franklintempleton.ca</a> on the day of such Meeting or any adjournment thereof; or (iii) in any other manner permitted by law. In order to be voted, proxies must be received no later than the time for commencement of the Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

#### **VOTING OF PROXIES**

Units represented by properly executed proxies in favour of the persons designated by the Manager will be voted at the Meeting in accordance with the instructions contained therein and, in the absence of such instructions, WILL **BE VOTED IN FAVOUR OF** the matters referred to in the proxy.

The proxy confers discretionary authority upon the persons named therein with respect to amendments or variations to the matters identified in the Notice Package and with respect to other matters which may properly come before the Meeting in respect of which the proxy is granted or any adjournments of such Meeting. As of the date hereof, the Manager knows of no such amendments, variations or other matters to come before the Meetings.

# RECORD DATE AND QUORUM

The Board of Directors of the Manager has fixed the close of business on the Record Date for the purpose of determining which unitholders of a Fund are entitled to receive notice of and vote at the Meeting of that Fund. Unitholders of the Funds on the Record Date will be entitled to vote at the Meeting of that Fund, except to the extent that a transferred of units after the Record Date complies with the required procedures in order to qualify to vote the transferred units. If your units were transferred to you from another unitholder after the Record Date, you should contact the Manager to determine the documentation necessary to transfer the units on the Manager's records. You will only be able to vote the transferred units after the transfer has been recorded on the Manager's records.

The quorum for each Meeting is any two unitholders of a Fund present in person or by proxy. If within one-half hour from the time appointed for a Meeting a quorum is not present, then the Meeting of that Fund shall stand adjourned without notice, in the following week on the same day, same time and in the same forum. At such adjourned meeting, the unitholders of the Fund present in person or by proxy shall constitute a quorum.

## VOTING UNITS AND PRINCIPAL HOLDERS THEREOF

Each Fund is an open-end mutual fund existing under the laws of Ontario. Each Fund is divided into multiple series of units as set out below:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Available Series</u>
Brandywine Fund	Series A, F, O
ClearBridge Fund	Series A, F, FT, I, O, T
ClearBridge Fund II	Series A, F, O, T
Martin Currie Fund	Series A, A-Hedged, F, F-Hedged, FT, FT-Hedged, I-
	Hedged, O, O-Hedged, T, T-Hedged, T-USD
Martin Currie Fund II	Series A, F, I, O, T, T-USD

Each such whole unit is entitled to one vote for all special matters brought before the unitholders.

# **Outstanding Voting Units**

As at the Record Date, the following number of units of each Fund were issued and outstanding:

<u>Fund</u>	<b>Units Issued and Outstanding</b>
Brandywine Fund	20,517,791
ClearBridge Fund	14,026,414
ClearBridge Fund II	4,553,645
Martin Currie Fund	13,845,614
Martin Currie Fund II	6,958,846

To the knowledge of the directors and senior officers of the Manager, as of the close of business on the Record Date, no person or company beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, or exercised control or direction over, more than 10% of the voting rights attached to the units of any series of any Fund, except as disclosed below. For privacy considerations, we have omitted the names of beneficial owners who are natural individuals. The information is available on request by contacting us at the telephone number 1-800-387-0830 or by emailing us at service@franklintempleton.ca:

Fund	Holder of Units	Fund Series	Number of Units	% of Series Held
Brandywine Fund	2543-6387 Quebec Inc.	F	40,209.2238	11.08
Brandywine Fund	Franklin Quotential Diversified Income Portfolio	О	9,938,610.5568	52.02
Brandywine Fund	Franklin Quotential Balanced Growth Portfolio	О	4,172,315.1877	21.84
Brandywine Fund	Franklin Quotential Balanced Income Portfolio	О	2,939,791.6933	15.39
ClearBridge Fund	and Investor 1		20,901.6873	98.31
ClearBridge Fund	Investor 2	I	15,775.8446	17.71
ClearBridge Fund	Franklin ClearBridge International Growth Fund II		1,756,783.0375	75.00
ClearBridge Fund II	Bonner Ventures Inc.	О	993,355.2879	29.83
ClearBridge Fund II	Investor 3	T	12,795.6663	33.10
ClearBridge Fund II	Investor 4	T	4,133.3695	10.69

Fund	Holder of Units	Fund Series	Number of Units	% of Series Held
ClearBridge Fund II	Investor 5	T	4,061.5334	10.51
ClearBridge Fund II	Investor 6	T	3,986.5035	10.31
Martin Currie Fund	Franklin Mutual Global Discovery Fund II	О	2,609,215.5477	93.49
Martin Currie Fund	Investor 7	PFT	7,339.7406	56.53
Martin Currie Fund	Investor 8	PFT	2,639.1356	20.33
Martin Currie Fund	Investor 9	PFT	2,638.1653	20.32
Martin Currie Fund	Investor 10	PT	5,039.3534	46.11
Martin Currie Fund	Investor 11	PT	2,234.5284	20.45
Martin Currie Fund	Investor 12	PT	1,422.1592	13.01
Martin Currie Fund	Investor 13	PT	1,422.1592	13.01
Martin Currie Fund	Investor 11	PT-USD	5,562.1847	77.32
Martin Currie Fund	Polege Holding Corporation	PT-USD	1,165.8728	16.21
Martin Currie Fund	Investor 14	T	14,725.6704	13.77
Martin Currie Fund	Investor 15	T	12,087.3751	11.30
Martin Currie Fund	Investor 16	T-USD	2,836.4259	100.00
Martin Currie Fund II	Kelceer Holdings Ltd.	I	45,456.0810	10.56
Martin Currie Fund II	Investor 17	PT	4,828.1765	32.63
Martin Currie Fund II	Investor 18	PT	3,733.6856	25.23
Martin Currie Fund II	Investor 19	PT	3,160.9196	21.36
Martin Currie Fund II	urrie Fund II J. Roberts & Associates Inc.		2,307.7443	15.60
Martin Currie Fund II	Polege Holding Corporation	PT-USD	17,868.2432	60.01
Martin Currie Fund II	Investor 20	PT-USD	8,716.0581	29.27
Martin Currie Fund II	Investor 21	T	9,927.1184	10.09
Martin Currie Fund II	Amin Lalani Professional Corp.	T-USD	5,213.5553	27.25
Martin Currie Fund II	Investor 22	T-USD	3,141.7843	16.42
Martin Currie Fund II	Investor 23	T-USD	2,658.3488	13.89

Units that are held by another mutual fund managed by the Manager will not be voted at the Meeting.

The Manager intends to vote the units it holds as seed capital in the Funds listed below in favour of (FOR) the resolution at the Meetings:

Fund	% of Fund Held
ClearBridge Fund	0.01
ClearBridge Fund II	0.34
Martin Currie Fund	0.01
Martin Currie Fund II	0.02

As at the close of business on the Record Date, the directors and senior officers of the Manager owned less than 10% of the units of each Fund.

#### **Nominee Name Unitholders**

Only registered unitholders of a Fund or the persons they appoint as their proxies, are permitted to attend and vote at the Meeting of that Fund. Each Fund has distributed copies of the Notice Package to clearing agencies, securities dealers, banks and trust companies or their nominees (collectively, the "intermediaries") for forwarding to unitholders of the applicable Fund whose units are registered in the name of such intermediaries ("nominee name unitholders"). The intermediaries are required to forward the Notice Package to nominee name unitholders who have not waived their right to receive meeting materials. The solicitation of proxies from nominee name unitholders will be carried out by the intermediaries.

Nominee name unitholders who wish to submit a proxy should follow the directions of their intermediary. Generally, nominee name unitholders will either:

- (a) be given a form of proxy which has been signed by the intermediary, as the registered unitholder, but otherwise uncompleted and the nominee name unitholder may complete the proxy and return it to the applicable Fund; or
- (b) be given a voting instruction form, which must be completed, signed and submitted by the nominee name unitholder in accordance with the directions on the form.

#### MANAGEMENT OF THE FUNDS

The Manager is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Funds. The Manager provides management services to the Funds, including marketing and promotion and unitholder reporting and servicing.

Management services are provided to the Funds pursuant to the Amended and Restated Master Management Agreement dated as of November 1, 2014, as amended (the "Management Agreement"). The Management Agreement may be terminated by a Fund without penalty at any time with 60 days' prior written notice provided that the termination is directed or approved by the trustee, if applicable, or by the vote of the majority of the outstanding voting units of the Fund. The Management Agreement shall terminate immediately if the Manager assigns the Management Agreement to anyone other than an affiliate of the Manager.

# **Management and Investment Advisory Fees**

In consideration of the management and investment advisory services, the Funds pay a management fee to the Manager. During the financial year ended December 31, 2020 and the period January 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021, the aggregate management fees (inclusive of harmonized sales tax) paid to the Manager by each Fund in respect of all of its series of units (other than Series O units, for which management and administration fees are paid directly by the unitholder to the Manager) were as follows:

<u>Management Fees P</u> (January 1, 2020 – June 3	
Brandywine Fund	\$172,806
ClearBridge Fund	\$7,310,195
ClearBridge Fund II	\$168,705*
Martin Currie Fund	\$7,201,550
Martin Currie Fund II	\$710,461**

<sup>\*</sup> For the period March 11, 2020 to June 30, 2021

<sup>\*\*</sup> For the period August 19, 2020 to June 30, 2021

# **Directors and Senior Officers of the Manager**

The names and municipalities of residence of the directors and senior officers of the Manager, and their positions are as follows:

Name and Municipality of Residence	Position and Office
DUANE GREEN	Director, Chair, President and Chief Executive
Toronto, Ontario	Officer
ANDREW ASHTON	Director
Scottsdale, Arizona	
GHION SHEWANGZAW	Director, Senior Vice-President – Global
Toronto, Ontario	Shareholder Services
BRAD BEUTTENMILLER	Senior Associate General Counsel and Corporate
Bayfield, Ontario	Secretary
DAVID PATERSON	Chief Financial Officer
Salt Lake City, Utah	
MICHAEL D'AGROSA	Chief Compliance Officer, Canada
Whitby, Ontario	_
DENNIS TEW	Head of National Sales, Canada
Toronto, Ontario	

# CANADIAN FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The proposed changes to the investment objectives of the Funds do not have any Canadian federal income tax consequences.

## **CERTIFICATE**

The contents of this Circular and its distribution to unitholders have been approved by the board of directors of the Manager of each Fund.

FRANKLIN TEMPLETON INVESTMENTS CORP., as manager and trustee of Franklin Brandywine Global Income Optimiser Fund, Franklin ClearBridge International Growth Fund, Franklin ClearBridge International Growth Fund II, Franklin Martin Currie Global Equity Fund, and Franklin Martin Currie Global Equity Fund II

By: "Brad Beuttenmiller"

Brad Beuttenmiller Senior Associate General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

## **SCHEDULE "A"**

# RESOLUTION OF FRANKLIN BRANDYWINE GLOBAL INCOME OPTIMISER FUND TO CHANGE THE INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE PASSED AT THE SPECIAL MEETING OF UNITHOLDERS HELD ON AUGUST 27, 2021

(applicable to unitholders of Franklin Brandywine Global Income Optimiser Fund only)

WHEREAS the unitholders of Franklin Brandywine Global Income Optimiser Fund (the "Fund") wish to pass a resolution approving a change in the investment objective of the Fund;

- 1. the change in the investment objective of the Fund, as described in the Management Information Circular dated July 28, 2021 (the "Circular"), be and the same is hereby authorized and approved;
- 2. Franklin Templeton Investments Corp., as the manager of the Fund (the "Manager"), be and is hereby authorized to change the investment objective of the Fund substantially to the following:
  - "High income and preservation of capital by investing primarily in debt instruments of sustainable issuers anywhere in the world"
- 3. any officer or director of the Manager be and is hereby authorized and directed, on behalf of the Fund, to execute and deliver all such documents and do all such other acts and things as may be necessary or desirable for the implementation of this resolution; and
- 4. the board of directors of the Manager shall have the right to revoke or delay the implementation of this resolution for any reason whatsoever in their sole and absolute discretion, without further approval of the unitholders if they consider such course to be in the best interests of the Fund or its unitholders.

#### **SCHEDULE "B"**

# RESOLUTION OF FRANKLIN CLEARBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL GROWTH FUND TO CHANGE THE INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE PASSED AT THE SPECIAL MEETING OF UNITHOLDERS HELD ON AUGUST 27, 2021

(applicable to unitholders of Franklin ClearBridge International Growth Fund only)

WHEREAS the unitholders of Franklin ClearBridge International Growth Fund (the "Fund") wish to pass a resolution approving a change in the investment objective of the Fund;

- 1. the change in the investment objective of the Fund, as described in the Management Information Circular dated July 28, 2021 (the "Circular"), be and the same is hereby authorized and approved;
- 2. Franklin Templeton Investments Corp., as the manager of the Fund (the "Manager"), be and is hereby authorized to change the investment objective of the Fund substantially to the following:
  - "Long-term capital appreciation by investing primarily in equity securities of sustainable issuers outside Canada and the U.S."
- 3. any officer or director of the Manager be and is hereby authorized and directed, on behalf of the Fund, to execute and deliver all such documents and do all such other acts and things as may be necessary or desirable for the implementation of this resolution; and
- 4. the board of directors of the Manager shall have the right to revoke or delay the implementation of this resolution for any reason whatsoever in their sole and absolute discretion, without further approval of the unitholders if they consider such course to be in the best interests of the Fund or its unitholders.

## **SCHEDULE "C"**

# RESOLUTION OF FRANKLIN CLEARBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL GROWTH FUND II TO CHANGE THE INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE PASSED AT THE SPECIAL MEETING OF UNITHOLDERS HELD ON AUGUST 27, 2021

(applicable to unitholders of Franklin ClearBridge International Growth Fund II only)

**WHEREAS** the unitholders of Franklin ClearBridge International Growth Fund II (the "**Fund**") wish to pass a resolution approving a change in the investment objective of the Fund;

- 1. the change in the investment objective of the Fund, as described in the Management Information Circular dated July 28, 2021 (the "Circular"), be and the same is hereby authorized and approved;
- 2. Franklin Templeton Investments Corp., as the manager of the Fund (the "Manager"), be and is hereby authorized to change the investment objective of the Fund substantially to the following:
  - "Long-term capital appreciation by investing substantially all of its assets in units of Franklin ClearBridge Sustainable International Growth Fund, which invests primarily in equity securities of sustainable issuers outside Canada and the U.S."
- 3. any officer or director of the Manager be and is hereby authorized and directed, on behalf of the Fund, to execute and deliver all such documents and do all such other acts and things as may be necessary or desirable for the implementation of this resolution; and
- 4. the board of directors of the Manager shall have the right to revoke or delay the implementation of this resolution for any reason whatsoever in their sole and absolute discretion, without further approval of the unitholders if they consider such course to be in the best interests of the Fund or its unitholders.

#### **SCHEDULE "D"**

# RESOLUTION OF FRANKLIN MARTIN CURRIE GLOBAL EQUITY FUND TO CHANGE THE INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE PASSED AT THE SPECIAL MEETING OF UNITHOLDERS HELD ON AUGUST 27, 2021

(applicable to unitholders of Franklin Martin Currie Global Equity Fund only)

WHEREAS the unitholders of Franklin Martin Currie Global Equity Fund (the "Fund") wish to pass a resolution approving a change in the investment objective of the Fund;

- 1. the change in the investment objective of the Fund, as described in the Management Information Circular dated July 28, 2021 (the "Circular"), be and the same is hereby authorized and approved;
- 2. Franklin Templeton Investments Corp., as the manager of the Fund (the "Manager"), be and is hereby authorized to change the investment objective of the Fund substantially to the following:
  - "Long-term capital appreciation by investing primarily in equity securities of sustainable issuers anywhere in the world"
- 3. any officer or director of the Manager be and is hereby authorized and directed, on behalf of the Fund, to execute and deliver all such documents and do all such other acts and things as may be necessary or desirable for the implementation of this resolution; and
- 4. the board of directors of the Manager shall have the right to revoke or delay the implementation of this resolution for any reason whatsoever in their sole and absolute discretion, without further approval of the unitholders if they consider such course to be in the best interests of the Fund or its unitholders.

#### **SCHEDULE "E"**

# RESOLUTION OF FRANKLIN MARTIN CURRIE GLOBAL EQUITY FUND II TO CHANGE THE INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE PASSED AT THE SPECIAL MEETING OF UNITHOLDERS HELD ON AUGUST 27, 2021

(applicable to unitholders of Franklin Martin Currie Global Equity Fund II only)

**WHEREAS** the unitholders of Franklin Martin Currie Global Equity Fund II (the "**Fund**") wish to pass a resolution approving a change in the investment objective of the Fund;

- 1. the change in the investment objective of the Fund, as described in the Management Information Circular dated July 28, 2021 (the "Circular"), be and the same is hereby authorized and approved;
- 2. Franklin Templeton Investments Corp., as the manager of the Fund (the "Manager"), be and is hereby authorized to change the investment objective of the Fund substantially to the following:
  - "Long-term capital appreciation by investing substantially all of its assets in units of Franklin Martin Currie Sustainable Global Equity Fund, which invests primarily in equity securities of sustainable issuers anywhere in the world"
- 3. any officer or director of the Manager be and is hereby authorized and directed, on behalf of the Fund, to execute and deliver all such documents and do all such other acts and things as may be necessary or desirable for the implementation of this resolution; and
- 4. the board of directors of the Manager shall have the right to revoke or delay the implementation of this resolution for any reason whatsoever in their sole and absolute discretion, without further approval of the unitholders if they consider such course to be in the best interests of the Fund or its unitholders.