# SPARINVEST SICAV Société d'investissement à capital variable - société anonyme Registered office: 2, Place de Metz, L-1930 LUXEMBOURG R.C.S. Luxembourg: B 83.976 (the "Company")

# NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS OF THE SUB-FUND "SPARINVEST SICAV - HIGH YIELD VALUE BONDS SHORT DURATION 2017"

Luxembourg, 25 August 2017

Dear Shareholder,

The Company's prospectus foresees for the sub-fund "SPARINVEST SICAV - HIGH YIELD VALUE BONDS SHORT DURATION 2017" (the "Merging Sub-Fund") that the board of directors of the Company (the "Board") will decide before the Maturity Date being 31 December 2017 whether this sub-fund will be liquidated, prolonged for a new term or contributed to another sub-fund of the Company. The Board has decided to merge the Merging Sub-Fund into the sub-fund "SPARINVEST SICAV - VALUE BONDS - SHORT DATED HIGH YIELD" (the "Receiving Sub-Fund") as this is considered to be in the best interest of the shareholders.

The Merging Sub-Fund has, except for the fixed maturity date, a similar investment objective and policy. For efficient fund management purposes, the assets of the Merging Sub-Fund and the Receiving Sub-Fund shall be amalgamated so that, following the merger, shareholders of both sub-funds will benefit from the merger in terms of economies of scale.

This notice provides important information, including the reason for and details of the merger to be carried out in accordance with applicable Luxembourg laws, the date of the merger, how it will affect you and the choices you have. Also attached is the relevant Key Investor Information Document ("KIID") of the Receiving Sub-Fund, which should be carefully read by shareholders.

At the effective date of the merger, the shares of the Merging Sub-Fund will be automatically exchanged for shares in the Receiving Sub-Fund as described in this notice. A merger statement confirming the number and price of the new shares in the Receiving Sub-Fund will be sent within two (2) business days to the shareholders of the Merging Sub-Fund.

Shareholders, who do not wish to have their shares exchanged at the effective date of the merger, may switch, free of conversion charges, to any other sub-fund of the Company or redeem their shares, free of redemption charges, until 26 September 2017 at 5 p.m. by sending a conversion or redemption request to the Company's registrar and transfer agent European Fund Administration (Luxembourg) S.A. Fax: +352 48 65 61 8002.

A copy of the merger report issued by the Company's auditor, the common merger proposal as well as the statement of the Company's depositary bank are available upon request and free of charge.

Please contact Sparinvest S.A. for further information or in case of questions.

On behalf of the board of directors of the Company

### Summary

This section outlines key information relating to the merger as it concerns you as a shareholder. Further information is contained in the Detailed Sub-fund Comparison that follows as well as in the prospectus and relevant KIIDs.

Merging Sub-Fund	Sparinvest SICAV - High Yield Value Bonds Short Duration 2017	
Receiving Sub-Fund	Sparinvest SICAV - Value Bonds - Short Dated High Yield	
Management Company	Sparinvest S.A.	
Merger date	29 September 2017	
Background and reasons for merger	<ul> <li>Merging Sub-Fund will not be able to continue under the current terms</li> <li>Economies of scale</li> <li>Receiving Sub-Fund will exploit same value drivers (roll down effect) as the Merging Sub- Fund, and is constructed to do it continuously</li> <li>Adequate benchmarking will be possible for the Receiving Sub-Fund</li> </ul>	

# Impact

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Key differences in investment policy between the Merging Sub-Fund and the Receiving Sub-Fund	<ul> <li>No fixed maturity date for Receiving Sub-Fund</li> <li>Constant short duration for the Receiving Sub- Fund</li> </ul>
	Ongoing rebalancing of portfolio to exploit roll- down effect in the Receiving Sub-Fund
Potential benefits	<ul> <li>Growth in assets</li> <li>More efficient fund management</li> <li>Economies in scale</li> <li>Exploit roll-down effect to a larger extent</li> </ul>
Potential disadvantages	<ul> <li>The Receiving Sub-Fund has subscription fees for retail classes and redemption fees for all classes.</li> <li>On the Merger Date and two (2) business days before that, it will not be possible to subscribe for, switch or redeem shares in the Merging Sub-Funds.</li> </ul>
Tax considerations	<ul> <li>For German investors, the merger will be tax neutral. A confirmation about the tax neutrality will be issued by the Company's tax advisor and can be obtained upon request.</li> </ul>
Other considerations	<ul> <li>The Merging Sub-Fund and the Receiving Sub-Fund are managed by the same team of the Investment Manager.</li> <li>No rebalancing of the portfolio of the Receiving Sub-Fund will be required in connection with the merger.</li> <li>Any legal, advisory or administrative costs associated with the preparation and completion of the Merger will be borne by the Management Company.</li> <li>Performance information for the Merging and Receiving Sub-Funds can be found in the relevant KIID or factsheet which is available at sparinvest.lu</li> <li>We recommend that shareholders seek independent tax and investment advice before making any final decision about their holdings affected by the merger.</li> </ul>

### Timeline

26 September 2017 at 5 p.m.	Before this cut-off time, it will be possible to switch
	or redeem shares free of charge.
27 and 28 September 2017	On these two business days, it will not be possible to
	deal in the Merging Sub-Fund.
29 September 2017	<ul> <li>The merger transaction is carried out. All the assets,</li> </ul>
	liabilities and any accrued income in the Merging Sub-
	Fund will be transferred to the Receiving Sub-Fund and
	the Merging Sub-Fund will cease to exist.
	Shares in the Merging Sub-Fund are exchanged free of
	charge for shares in the equivalent share class of the
	Receiving Sub-Fund, based on the net asset value per
	share as of 28 September 2017 for both sub-funds. The
	calculation of the exchange ratio will be audited and
	documented in the merger report prepared by Deloitte
	Audit, the auditor for the Company and will be available
	upon request and free of charge.
	• The total value of the shares of the Merging Sub-Fund
	and the new shares in the Receiving Sub-Fund will be
	the same but there might be a difference regarding the
	number of shares.
As from 2 October 2017	As an investor in the Receiving Sub-Fund, it is possible
	to switch and redeem the new shares and subscribe for
	additional shares in the Receiving Sub-Fund.

# Detailed Sub-Fund Comparison

The table below compares the relevant KIID language of the Merging Sub-Fund and the Receiving Sub-Fund. It indicates where the KIID language is the same and where it differs. Unless stated otherwise, terms used in this table have the same meaning as in the Company's prospectus.

Sparinvest SICAV - High Yield Value Bonds Short Duration 2017 (the Merging Sub-Fund)	Sparinvest SICAV - Value Bonds - Short Dated High Yield (the Receiving Sub-Fund)
EUR R - LU0975253583	EUR R - LU1599093520
EUR RD - LU1009070894	EUR RD - LU1599093793
EUR I - LU0975253823	EUR I - LU1599094098
EUR ID - LU1005348278	EUR ID - LU1599094171
USD I - LU1026220654	USD I - LU1653067329
USD ID - LU1047164154	USD ID - LU1653067915

#### **Objectives & Investment Policies**

Language that is different between the sub-funds

The maturity date of the Fund is 31 December 2017.	The Fund may invest in bonds of any maturity, though the targeted bonds will generally have a maturity of 3 to 5 years.
The Fund invests over the medium term at least 2/3 of its total net assets in high yield corporate bonds and up to 1/3 of its total net assets in investment grade corporate bonds rated Baa3/BBB- or better.	The Fund invests at least 2/3 of its total net assets in high yield corporate bonds.
The Fund invests up to 49% of its total net assets in emerging markets corporate bonds.	The Fund is a global fund and may invest in all regions, including emerging markets. There are no limitations to industry and sector.

Language that is the same in both sub-funds

The Fund may, to a limited extent, invest in non-rated bonds, contingent convertibles (less than 10% of the total net assets) and/or in liquid assets and/or in regularly traded money market instruments. The strategy focuses primarily on bonds issued by companies with strong balance sheets that offers an attractive yield due to mispricing by the market. In addition and to a smaller extent, the strategy focuses on generating excess return from investing in either smaller issues or issuers and from investing in bonds the markets finds less attractive. The Fund may invest in equities or equity-like securities. The Fund normally uses currency derivatives to protect the portfolio against currency fluctuations.

As an investor in this Fund you get diversification and professional management of your investments. Sparinvest monitors your investments for you.

You can buy and sell your shares on Luxembourg full bank business days.

#### **Risk and Reward Profile**

SRRI Category 4 (for all share classes) Category 3 (for all share classes)
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Charges

Charges that are different between the sub-funds

Entry charge (for retail share classes)	0.00%	3.00%
Exit charge	0.00%	2.00%

Charges that are the same in both sub-funds

Ongoing charges EUR R	1.37%
Ongoing charges EUR RD	1.37%
Ongoing charges EUR I	0.83%
Ongoing charges EUR ID	0.83%
Ongoing charges USD I	0.83%
Ongoing charges USD ID	0.83%
Performance fee	None