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# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

# This letter is important and requires your immediate attention.

If you have any questions regarding the content or action to be taken, please contact your client services representative, local PineBridge office or seek independent professional advice.

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Dear Unitholder,

# RE: PINEBRIDGE GLOBAL FUNDS (THE "FUND") – TERMINATION OF PINEBRIDGE CHINA A-SHARES QUANTITATIVE FUND (THE "SUB-FUND")

At PineBridge, we continually review our fund range to ensure that the investment characteristics and positioning of our funds remain both relevant and consistent with the current investment environment and expectations of our clients.

As part of this review process, we are writing to inform you of our intention to terminate the Sub-Fund in which you have invested.

## WHY IS THE SUB-FUND TERMINATING?

Pursuant to Clause 31.03 of the trust deed of the Fund, as amended (the "**Trust Deed**"), PineBridge Investments Ireland Limited as manager of the Fund (the "**Manager**") has discretion to terminate the Sub-Fund at any time.

The Manager has determined to terminate the Sub-Fund following recent outflows such that the asset level of the Sub-Fund no longer provides for sufficient scale to operate in an economically efficient manner.

As such, the Manager has resolved to terminate the Sub-Fund with effect from 30 September 2024 (the "Effective Date").

With effect from the date of this notice, the Sub-Fund will not be marketed to the public and will not accept subscriptions or switches into the Sub-Fund from any new investors.

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#### WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO MY INVESTMENT?

As a valued investor, we WOULD LIKE TO OFFER YOU several options:

#### Switch to another Sub-Fund

You may switch your unitholding free of charge into another sub-fund of the Fund that is authorised or recognised and available for sale in your jurisdiction and in accordance with the provisions of the Fund prospectus and the supplements (collectively the "**Prospectus**") and other document(s) forming part of the offering documents in the relevant jurisdiction (collectively the "**Offering Documents**")<sup>1</sup>

Should you wish to switch to another sub-fund, please notify State Street Fund Services (Ireland) Limited (the "Administrator"), no later than 12:00 noon Irish time / 19:00 p.m. (Singapore time) on 23 September 2024 (the "Dealing Cut-Off")<sup>2</sup>.

Before investing into another sub-fund of the Fund, please ensure that you have read and understood the investment objective, policies, risks and fees applicable to the relevant sub-fund as described in the Offering Documents.

#### **Redeem your Unitholding**

If you wish to redeem your units in the Sub-Fund, you may do so free of charge in accordance with the provisions of the Offering Documents.

#### Please notify the Administrator no later than the Dealing Cut-Off<sup>3</sup>.

In the event that the Administrator has not received any redemption or switching request by the Dealing Cut-Off, all of your unitholdings in the Sub-Fund will be compulsorily redeemed free of any charge at the final Net Asset Value per unit calculated on the Effective Date, and any redemption proceeds due to you will normally be settled within 3 Business Days following the Effective Date.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For Unitholders in Europe, the Offering Documents include the Prospectus and KID/KIID (as applicable). For Unitholders in Singapore, the Offering Documents include the Singapore prospectus and the Product Highlight Sheet.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Please note that different procedures and/or cut-off times may apply if dealing in units are made through distributors. Please also note that some distributors may charge additional fees such as switching or transaction fees at their own discretion.

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The Sub-Fund will not accept further subscriptions between the date of this notice and the Effective Date.

### WINDING UP

Pursuant to the Offering Documents, the Sub-Fund will be managed so as to be fully invested, other than during periods where the Manager believes that a larger cash position is justified. As such, while the Manager will continue managing the Sub-Fund according to its investment policy and guidelines on a best efforts basis, as part of an orderly wind-down and acting in the Unitholders' best interests, the Manager will start to liquidate the Sub-Fund's assets prior to the Effective Date and in doing so may deviate from the investment policy of the Sub-Fund as it sells off positions in which the Sub-Fund has invested. Accordingly, please note that, the Sub-Fund's exposure may substantially, and increasingly as the Effective Date approaches, consist of cash and / or money market equivalents.

We have determined that the final sale of any remaining investments of the Sub-Fund will start on or before the Effective Date and it will be conducted in a manner that is considered to be in the best interests of the Unitholders. Following the final sale of the remaining investments of the Sub-Fund, the final Net Asset Value per unit will be calculated on the Effective Date and the proceeds of any amount due to you will normally be settled within 3 Business Days following the Effective Date. The costs arising from the termination of the Sub-Fund are expected to be approximately US \$32,500 and will be borne by the Sub-Fund. These costs have already been accrued and accounted for in the Net Asset Value of the Sub-Fund as at the date of this letter. There are no unamortized preliminary expenses of the Sub-Fund.

After the Sub-Fund has been wound-up, the final annual accounts of the Sub-Fund have been prepared and all anticipated fund expense invoices have been received, should a surplus of cash exist, due to, for example, any difference between the accrued estimated termination costs and the actual termination costs or money attributable to the Sub-Fund received at a later date (for example, in respect of any tax reclaim or assets that are hard to sell), one or more subsequent distribution(s) will be paid directly to the relevant Unitholders. If the actual termination costs exceed the accrued estimated termination costs, the Manager will bear the shortfall. Any subsequent distribution will be calculated on a pro-rata basis to the unitholding in the Sub-Fund of each Unitholder as of the Effective Date. Regarding whether or not there may be subsequent distribution(s), your client relation representative should contact you after the final annual



accounts of the Sub-Fund are issued. If there are any subsequent distribution(s), the money will be paid to you. Please be advised that if any subsequent distributions amount (the "**Cash**") is less than USD10 per Unitholder, being the minimum transactional cost that would be incurred in making the distribution, we reserve the right not to distribute such amount. Pursuant to Clause 32.03 (b) of the Trust Deed, the Trustee may, at the expiration of twelve months from the date on which the Cash was payable, arrange for the Cash, or such amount of the Cash as remains at that time, to be paid to a charity chosen by the Trustee, subject to the right of the Trustee to deduct therefrom any expenses it may incur in carrying out this payment.

After the Sub-Fund is terminated, we will seek to have the approval of the Sub-Fund revoked by the Central Bank of Ireland.

## TAXATION

Unitholders should consult with their professional advisers in relation to the tax treatment of their unitholdings in the Sub-Fund.

The current Offering Documents and the latest annual and semi-annual financial reports and accounts of the Fund and the Sub-Fund will be available at the Manager's registered office (as set forth below) during normal office hours and can be obtained at **pinebridge.com/funds** by choosing your region and viewing the Useful Resources tab.

If in the meantime you have any queries, please contact your client relation representative, local office or seek independent financial advice.

**Unitholders resident in Europe/UK,** please contact PineBridge Investments Ireland Limited, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, 16 Sir John Rogerson's Quay, Dublin 2, Ireland Tel: +353 1 697 3903.

**Unitholders in Singapore,** please contact PineBridge Investments Singapore Limited, One George Street, 1 George Street, Unit 21-06, Singapore 049145 Tel: 65 6571 9360.

Yours faithfully,

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for and on behalf of PineBridge Investments Ireland Limited



The Representative and the Paying Agent in Switzerland is State Street Bank International GmbH, Munich, Zurich Branch, Beethovenstrasse 19, CH-8002 Zurich. The Prospectus for Switzerland, the Key Investor information documents, the Trust Deed as well as the annual and half-yearly reports may be obtained free of charge from the representative in Switzerland.

Zurich, 29 August 2024