

### Seeking Alternative Sources of Income, Return and Diversification

**Pioneer ILS Interval Fund** 

As of September 30, 2024

NASDAQ Symbol: XILSX

Cusip: **72369L107** 

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#### **Fund Facts**

#### **Investment Objective**

Total return

### **Portfolio Management**



**Chin Liu**Managing Director, Director
of Insurance-Linked Securities &
Fixed Income Solutions,
Portfolio Manager

- Joined Amundi US in 2006
- Investment experience since 2005

#### **Investment Resources**



Joe Qiu

- Joined Amundi US in 2023
- Investment experience since 2008



Mei Li

- Joined Amundi US in 2012
- Investment experience since 2003



Jing Chen

- Joined Amundi US: 2018
- Investment experience since 2017

Insurance-Linked Securities are financial instruments whose performance is determined by insurance loss events primarily driven by weather-related and other natural catastrophes – such as hurricanes and earthquakes. These events are typically low-frequency but high-severity occurrences. In exchange for higher potential yields, investors assume the risk of a disaster during the life of their bonds, with their principal used to cover damage caused if the catastrophe is severe enough.

Insurance-Linked Securities (ILS) provide a unique opportunity to invest in an alternative asset class that is uncorrelated with financial markets. This may result in strong diversification benefits and an attractive risk-return profile. Further, we believe a portfolio construction approach that mimics the regional and peril exposure of the global reinsurance industry and that seeks to reduce adverse selection through a comprehensive due-diligence process can add value over a purely passive approach over time.

# **Approach**

The Pioneer ILS Interval Fund pursues total returns that exceed that of a purely passive approach with lower volatility. The Fund seeks to be highly diversified across reinsurance peril, geographic region and security type.

### **Distinguishing Features**

### Active Management Approach: Careful assessment of risk and return potential

Amundi US utilizes a research intensive approach to ILS investing that seeks to minimize adverse selection and non-modeled risks. Amundi US's global fixed income and equity research analysts support the portfolio management team, which includes comprehensive coverage of the insurance industry. We believe this provides unique insights into re/insurance industry's approach to capital markets and may allow for strong long-term risk-adjusted returns.

<sup>1</sup> **Correlation** – The degree to which assets or asset class prices have moved in relation to one another. Correlation ranges from -1 (always moving in opposite directions) through 0 (absolutely independent) to 1 (always together). <sup>2</sup> **Diversification** does not assure a profit or protect against loss.

## Distinguishing Features (continued)

### Risk Management Focus: A research-driven ILS allocation

Our process utilizes a deep team of quantitative risk analysts and sophisticated modeling capabilities. Analysts work closely with the portfolio management team to provide comprehensive portfolio risk and attribution analysis. The risk modeling process is supported by AIR Worldwide TOUCHSTONE system. This is a risk analytics system widely used by the insurance industry.

### **Experience & Commitment:** Uniquely positioned expertise

Amundi US has been investing in the asset class since 2008. During this period the market structure and investor base has evolved significantly. Our experience in investing across insurance cycles may enhance our ability to evaluate and negotiate deal structures and gives us tenure in a specialized market that can help promote strong relationships.

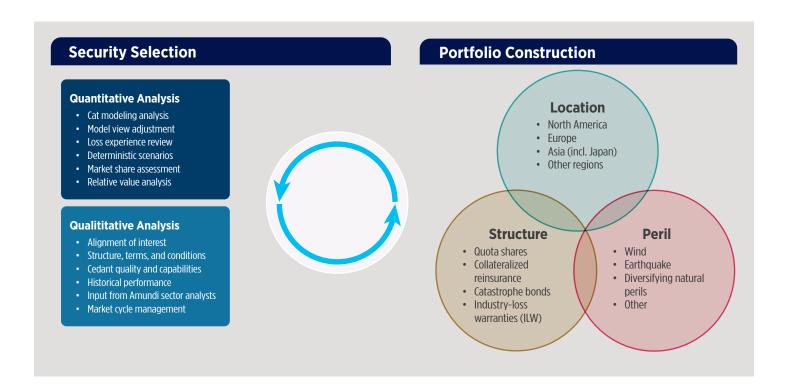
### **Optimal Size**

Amundi US's ILS team oversees over \$1.9 billion.\* We manage ILS as a component of many of our diversified portfolios and on a dedicated basis. We believe our size and flexibility allows us to be an attractive risk-sharing partner with re/insurance sponsors. This may enhance our relationships.

### **Investment Process**

The foundation of our investment approach is robust quantitative analysis. We utilize a top rated insurance industry analytic system, AIR Worldwide TOUCHSTONE. The risk model contains a robust database of historical catastrophic events and detailed current property structures that allows Amundi US to model its peril exposures at both the security and portfolio level. The objective of our portfolio construction approach is to build a portfolio that mimics the region and peril diversification of the global re/insurance market.

Importantly, we do not invest in every ILS deal issued into the market. We utilize a comprehensive due diligence process to evaluate each investment for the appropriate structure and alignment of interest between the Fund and the sponsoring cedent.



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Please consider the Fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses carefully before investing. The prospectus contains this and other information about the Fund and should be read carefully before you invest or send money. To obtain a prospectus and for other information on any Pioneer fund, call 1–844–391–3034 or visit our web site at amundi.com/usinvestors.

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#### A Word About Risk

Certain fees and expenses are associated with an investment in Pioneer ILS Interval Fund. The Fund is a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company designed primarily as a long-term investment. The Fund is not a complete investment program. The Fund is operated as an interval fund, meaning the Fund will seek to conduct quarterly repurchase offers for a percentage of the Fund's outstanding shares. Although the Fund will make quarterly repurchase offers, the Fund's shares should be considered illiquid. The Fund invests primarily in insurancelinked securities ("ILS"). ILS include event-linked bonds, quota share instruments (also known as "reinsurance sidecars"), collateralized reinsurance investments, industry loss warranties and other insurance and reinsurance-related securities. The Fund could lose a portion or all of the principal it has invested in an ILS, and the right to additional interest and/or dividend payments with respect to the security, upon the occurrence of one or more trigger events, as defined within the terms of the security. **Trigger events may include** natural or other perils of a specific size or magnitude that occur in a designated geographic region during a specified time period, and/or that involve losses or other metrics that exceed a specific amount. **ILS may expose** the Fund to other risks, including, but not limited to, issuer (credit) default, adverse regulatory or jurisdictional interpretations and adverse tax consequences. The Fund has limited transparency into the individual contracts underlying certain ILS, which may make the risk assessment of such securities more difficult. The size of the ILS market may change over time, which may limit the availability of ILS for investment. The availability of ILS in the secondary market may also be limited. ILS in which the Fund invests may have limited liquidity or may be illiquid and, therefore, may be impossible or difficult to purchase, sell, or unwind. **ILS also may be difficult to value.** The values of Fund holdings may go up or down, due to market conditions, inflation, changes in interest or currency rates, lack of liquidity in the financial markets or adverse investor sentiment. **Investments in high yield or lower-rated securities** are subject to greater-than-average price volatility, illiquidity, and possibility of default. The market price of securities may fluctuate when interest rates change. When interest rates rise, the prices of fixed income securities held by the Fund will generally fall. Conversely, when interest rates fall, the prices of fixed income securities held by the Fund will generally rise. Investments in the Fund are subject to possible loss due to the financial failure of issuers of underlying securities and their inability to meet their debt obligations. The market prices of securities may go up or down, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably, due to general market conditions, such as real or perceived adverse economic, political, or regulatory conditions, recessions, inflation, changes in interest or currency rates, lack of liquidity in the bond markets, the spread of infectious illness or other public health issues or adverse investor sentiment. The Fund may use derivatives, such as swaps, inverse floating-rate obligations and others, which can be illiquid, may disproportionately increase losses, and have a potentially large impact on the Fund's performance. Derivatives may have a leveraging effect. **Investing in** foreign and/or emerging market securities involves risks relating to interest rates, currency exchange rates, and economic and political conditions. To the extent the Fund invests a significant percentage of its assets in a single industry, such as the financial segment, the Fund may be particularly susceptible to adverse economic, regulatory or other events affecting that industry and may be more risky than a Fund that does not concentrate in an industry. **As a non-diversified Fund**, the Fund can invest a higher percentage of its assets in the securities of any one or more issuers than a diversified fund. Being non-diversified may magnify the Fund's losses from adverse events affecting a particular issuer. Please see a prospectus for a complete discussion of the Fund's risks.

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