

## KEY INFORMATION DOCUMENT

### Purpose

This document provides you with key information about this investment product. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature, risks, costs, potential gains and losses of this product and to help you compare it with other products.

### Product

**PRIIP Name:** European Currency Option

**PRIIP Manufacturer:** Bank of Scotland plc ("Bank of Scotland plc")

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**Website:** <http://business.bankofscotland.co.uk>

**Date of Production:** 22/02/2025

**You are about to purchase a product that is not simple and may be difficult to understand**

### What is this product?

**Type:** An Over the Counter (OTC) contract - Foreign Exchange Instrument

#### Objective:

The objective of this product is to manage adverse movements in currency rates that you may experience. Note that it may not provide you with complete protection against such exposures. The product achieves its objectives by Bank of Scotland plc agreeing the terms of an OTC contract with you under which you will pay an upfront cash payment (Premium) in return for the right, but not the obligation to exchange one currency for another at a fixed future date (Expiry Date).

Sample Parameters and pre-agreed circumstances and conditions are set out below for the sale of GBP and purchase of EUR:

|                  |             |                  |            |
|------------------|-------------|------------------|------------|
| Expiry Date      | 12 Months   | Ref Forward Rate | 1.1620     |
| Notional Amount  | EUR 302,320 | Strike Rate      | 1.1840     |
| Ref FX Spot Rate | 1.1852      | Premium          | EUR 10,000 |

The product achieves its objectives as follows:

If, at the Expiry Date the FX Spot Rate is trading at or below the Protection Rate (Defined above), then you have the right but not the obligation to sell GBP and buy EUR at the Protection Rate on the Protected Amount (Defined above).

If, at the Expiry Date the FX Spot Rate is trading above the Protection Rate, then you may choose to sell GBP and buy EUR at the prevailing FX Spot Rate.

#### Intended Retail Investor:

This product is intended for retail investors with a short to medium time horizon who:

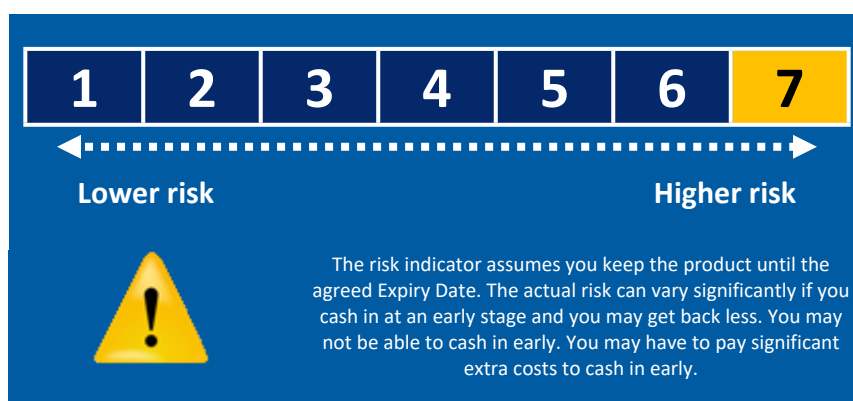
- (i) Have sufficient knowledge or experience with complex financial products; and
- (ii) Have exposure to the relevant foreign currency and want a level of protection against adverse movements in foreign currency exchange rates.

#### Term:

The term of the European Currency Option will depend on how long you wish to protect against adverse movements in foreign currency exchange rates and will be agreed with you before you enter into the product. The product is a bilateral agreement that cannot ordinarily be terminated unilaterally by either you or Bank of Scotland plc, unless certain events of default or other termination events occur. In this case early termination payments may apply, and you may incur significant losses.

### What are the risks and what could I get in return?

#### Risk Indicator:



The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay you. We have classified this product as 7 out of 7, which is the highest risk class. This rates the potential losses from future performance at a very high level. **Be aware of currency risk. Where you receive payments in a different currency the final return you get depends on the exchange rate between the two currencies. This risk is not reflected in the indicator shown above.** This product does not include any protection from future market performance so you could incur significant losses. If we are not able to pay you what is owed you could incur significant losses.

### Investment Performance Information

#### a) Factors likely to affect future returns

The factors affecting returns will also affect the product's performance. For this product, the Spot rate of the currency pair is the only factor affecting return. Your return will vary depending on how the Spot rate performs against the strike rate

#### b) Most relevant Index

The most relevant index is the underlying currency pair Spot rate of the European Currency Option. On maturity of the contract, the Spot rate directly affects the performance and the expected range of returns of the European Currency Option.

#### c) What could affect my return positively?

At the expiry date, if the currency you are purchasing strengthens against the currency you are selling so that the Spot rate goes through the strike rate, then you can purchase currency at the strike rate, costing you less compared to the prevailing Spot rate. This means your return will be higher.

#### d) What could affect my return negatively?

At the expiry date, if the currency you are purchasing weakens against the currency you are selling so that the Spot rate does not go through the strike rate; then exercising the Notional Amount of currency option will give you no benefit as you can purchase currency at the prevailing market rate. However, you will still be required to make any premium payments due to the Bank. This means your return will be lower.

#### e) Performance in severely adverse market conditions

If your European Currency option is not exercised, the maximum amount you will lose is the premium paid, i.e. you would lose your investment.

## What happens if Bank of Scotland plc is unable to pay out?

You may be exposed to a risk that Bank of Scotland plc might be unable to fulfil its obligations in respect of the European Currency Option. The product is not protected by any local investor compensation or guarantee scheme. This means that if Bank of Scotland plc is unable to pay out, you may not receive any amount from Bank of Scotland plc under the product.

## What are the costs?

The Reduction in Yield (RIY) shows what impact the total costs you pay will have on the investment return you might get. The total costs take into account one-off, ongoing and incidental costs. The amounts shown here are the cumulative costs of the product itself, over the recommended holding period. They include potential early exit penalties. The figures assume you invest EUR 10,000. The figures are estimates and may change in the future.

### Costs over time:

The person selling you this product may charge you other costs. If so, this person will provide you with information about these costs, and show you the impact that all costs will have on your investment over time.

| Investment Scenarios<br>[EUR 10,000]   | If you cash in at the end of the recommended holding period |
|--|---|
| <b>Total costs</b>                     | EUR 3,930.16  |
| <b>Impact on return (RIY) per year</b> | 40.47 % each year   |

### Composition of costs:

The table below shows:

- the impact each year of the different types of costs on the investment return you might get at the end of the recommended holding period;
- the meaning of the different cost categories.

The costs below are the maximum values shown and will vary depending on the underlying parameters of the transaction.

| This table shows the impact on return per year |                                    |         |   |
|--|------------------------------------|---------|---|
| One-off costs                                  | <b>Entry costs</b>                 | 40.47 % | The impact of the costs you pay when entering your investment. This is the most you will pay, and you could pay less. |
|  | <b>Exit costs</b>                  | 0.00 %  | The impact of the costs of exiting your investment when it matures.   |
| Ongoing costs                                  | <b>Portfolio transaction costs</b> | 0.00 %  | The impact of the costs of us buying and selling underlying investments for the product.                              |

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|  | <b>Other ongoing costs</b> | 0.00 % | The impact of the costs we take each year for managing your investments. |
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## How long should I hold it and can I take it out early?

**Recommended holding period:** This product is designed to be held to the agreed Expiry Date in order to match your investment requirement. It is a product designed to be entered into for its term and cannot be easily sold. Early termination may occur if certain events of default or other termination events occur, in which case early termination payments may apply.

**Early exit impact:** If the product is terminated early, in whole or in part, an Early Termination Payment may become payable by Bank of Scotland plc. The Early Termination Payment is linked to market parameters and settlement on early termination will be specific to your European Currency Option. It will be influenced by a number of factors which include but are not limited to: whether it is an increasing or decreasing foreign exchange rate environment; the movement of the FX Spot Rate since the transaction Trade Date; the amount affected by the early termination.

**The Early Termination Payment is not a penalty charge.** The sum represents the economic value of what Bank of Scotland plc would have paid if the product continued as agreed.

## How can I complain?

### Contact us

Should you have any complaints about the product, the conduct of Bank of Scotland plc and/or the person selling the product, please follow the below steps:

- Include the following information so we can resolve your complaint as quickly as possible: as much information as possible about your complaint; any actions you wish us to take to resolve your complaint;
- Contact your Relationship Manager
- Call us on **0345 300 0268** or **+44 131 549 8724**
- Contact us online at <http://business.bankofscotland.co.uk>; or
- Write to us at **The Manager, Bank of Scotland, Customer Services Box 761, Leeds LS1 9JF**

## Other Relevant Information

Additional relevant information may be set out in the confirmation, as supplemented and amended by the applicable definitions and the master agreement terms. These are available upon request from your Bank of Scotland plc's representative. Information about your relationship with us can be found at <http://business.bankofscotland.co.uk>.