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What is a pricing adjustment?

A pricing adjustment (also called swing pricing) is a mechanism specifically designed to protect existing investors in a fund from the transaction costs of large [net] subscriptions or redemptions. These transactions costs include, but are not limited to, brokerage fees and taxes on transactions.

Without a pricing adjustment, transactions costs would fall on all shareholders in the fund. Instead, when this mechanism applies, the transaction costs are borne only by those client(s) who have just subscribed or redeemed, since it is their transactions that cause the costs.

HSBC Global Asset Management use a pricing adjustment mechanism to protect their existing investors in this way.

How does this mechanism work?

The pricing adjustment mechanism is a system of rates – expressed in % – with three main components (see the example opposite for an illustration).

1. A threshold rate

The total subscriptions minus the total redemptions in the fund is calculated on every valuation day.

If there are more subscriptions, the result will be “net subscriptions” and if there are more redemptions, the result will be “net redemptions”.

If, on any given valuation day, the result of ‘subscriptions – redemptions’ is a larger percentage of the fund’s Net Asset Value (NAV) than the threshold rate, it triggers one of the adjustment rates.

2. A buy adjustment rate

This is applied when the amount of net subscriptions is bigger than the threshold rate.

In this case, the fund’s NAV per share is increased by the buy adjustment rate.

The effect is the same as asking investors to pay an extra fee to subscribe on that day, and then putting this fee back into the fund so the existing shareholders don’t suffer the impact of the transaction costs.

3. A sell adjustment rate

This rate works exactly like the buy adjustment rate, but for situations when the amount of net redemptions is bigger than the threshold rate.

When this happens, the fund’s NAV per share is reduced by the sell adjustment rate.

The rates may be different for each fund, as shown in our table of adjustment rates on page 2.

An example

- Fund AUM: USD100 million
- Threshold rate: 1% of the AUM
- Subscriptions: USD10 million
- Redemptions: USD 8 million
- Subscriptions – Redemptions: USD2 million (net subscriptions)

In this example, the amount of net subscriptions (USD2 million) is higher than the threshold rate (1% of USD100 million, which is USD1 million).

Therefore, the fund’s NAV per share will be adjusted up using the buy adjustment rate.

The table in the next page shows the current adjustment rates (buy and sell rates) for each fund where pricing adjustment applies. HSBC Global Asset Management do not disclose the threshold figures.

Do threshold and adjustment rates ever change?

HSBC Global Asset Management review the threshold and adjustment rates on a quarterly basis.

However, we may also adjust these rates on an *ad hoc* basis, to respond to market-specific circumstances and protect our funds’ investors.

Conclusion

The sole objective of a pricing adjustment is to protect shareholders.

Whenever investors are impacted by the pricing adjustment when subscribing/ redeeming, they are in fact paying for the transaction costs of dealing so existing shareholders are not disadvantaged.

In addition, they would incur these dealing costs themselves if they decided to invest directly.

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The Adjustment Rates disclosed in the table below are effective from 7 April 2020.

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Fund	Adjustment Rate	
	Buy (%)	Sell (%)
HSBC GIF Asia ex Japan Equity	0.35	0.35
HSBC GIF Asia Pacific ex Japan Equity High Dividend	0.31	0.35
HSBC GIF Asia ex Japan Equity Smaller Companies	1.50	1.50
HSBC GIF Brazil Equity	0.64	0.63
HSBC GIF BRIC Equity	0.54	0.54
HSBC GIF BRIC Markets Equity	0.57	0.57
HSBC GIF China Consumer Opportunities	0.22	0.23
HSBC GIF Chinese Equity	0.72	0.73
HSBC GIF Economic Scale Global Equity	0.27	0.21
HSBC GIF Economic Scale Japan Equity	0.15	0.15
HSBC GIF Economic Scale US Equity	0.25	0.25
HSBC GIF Emerging Wealth	0.19	0.13
HSBC GIF Euro Bond	0.10	0.20
HSBC GIF Euro High Yield Bond	1.00	1.50
HSBC GIF Euroland Equity	0.30	0.20
HSBC GIF Euroland Equity Smaller Companies	0.70	0.55
HSBC GIF European Equity	0.35	0.15
HSBC GEM Equity Volatility Focused	0.44	0.35
HSBC GIF Global Bond	0.18	0.18
HSBC GIF Global Corporate Bond	1.75	1.75
HSBC GIF Global Corporate Fixed Term Bond 2022*	N/A	1.25
HSBC GIF Global Emerging Markets Bond	2.00	2.00
HSBC GIF Global Emerging Markets Equity	0.52	0.57
HSBC GIF Global Emerging Markets Multi-Asset Income	1.20	1.21
HSBC GIF Global Equity Climate Change	0.12	0.06
HSBC GIF Global Equity Dividend	0.27	0.21
HSBC GIF Global Equity Volatility Focused	0.27	0.21
HSBC GIF Global Government Bond	0.10	0.10
HSBC GIF Global High Income Bond	1.75	1.75
HSBC GIF Global High Yield Bond	1.75	1.75
HSBC GIF Global Investment Grade Securitised Credit Bond	1.20	1.20
HSBC GIF Global Lower Carbon Bond	1.75	1.75
HSBC GIF Global Lower Carbon Equity	0.13	0.09
HSBC GIF Global Real Estate Equity	0.24	0.17
HSBC GIF Global Short Duration Bond	0.15	0.15
HSBC GIF Hong Kong Equity	0.85	0.84
HSBC GIF India Fixed Income	0.20	0.20
HSBC GIF Indian Equity	0.40	0.41

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Fund	Adjustment Rate	
	Buy (%)	Sell (%)
HSBC GIF Managed Solutions - Asia Focused Conservative	0.72	0.72
HSBC GIF Managed Solutions - Asia Focused Growth	0.32	0.32
HSBC GIF Managed Solutions - Asia Focused Income	0.92	0.92
HSBC GIF Russia Equity	0.44	0.43
HSBC GIF Thai Equity	0.36	0.36
HSBC GIF UK Equity	1.27	0.77
HSBC GIF US Dollar Bond	0.55	0.55
HSBC GIF US High Yield Bond	1.75	1.75
HSBC GIF US Income Focused	0.81	0.84
ICAV China Government Local Bond Index Fund	0.09	0.09
ICAV Global Aggregate Bond Index Fund	0.18	0.18
ICAV Global Corporate Bond Index Fund	0.40	0.40
ICAV Global Emerging Market Government Bond Index Fund	0.95	0.95
ICAV Global Equity Index Fund	0.27	0.21
ICAV Global Government Bond Index Fund	0.13	0.13
ICAV US Equity Index Fund	0.25	0.25
HCIT - HSBC Asia Pacific ex Japan Equity Volatility Focused Fund	0.31	0.35
HCIT - HSBC Asia High Income Bond Fund	0.40	1.80
HCIT - HSBC China Multi-Asset Income Fund	0.52	0.53
HCIT - HSBC Euro Multi-Asset Income Fund	0.13	0.09
HCIT - HSBC All China Bond Fund	0.35	0.35
HIFT - HSBC Asian Bond Fund	0.30	1.70
HIFT - HSBC Asian High Yield Bond Fund	0.60	2.00
HIFT - HSBC China Growth Fund	0.41	0.41
HIFT - HSBC China Momentum Fund	0.68	0.68
HSBC Managed Balanced Fund	0.33	0.30
HSBC Managed Growth Fund	0.40	0.37
HSBC Managed Stable Fund	0.07	0.07
HSBC Managed Stable Growth Fund	0.04	0.04

* HSBC GIF Global Corporate Fixed Term Bond 2022 fund is currently closed to subscriptions.

Risk Considerations

Investment in any fund carries with it a degree of risk. The value of an investment, and any income from it, may fall as well as rise, and you may not get back the amount you originally invested.

Potential investors should review the Offering Document in its entirety including the risk factors and consult with their legal, tax and financial advisors prior to making a decision to invest.

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