

Luxembourg Investment Vehicles

An overview of the legal and regulatory requirements for regulated and supervised investment vehicles



2019/2020 Edition

This publication covers the following regulated and supervised investment vehicles:

UCITS: Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities

UCI or Part II fund*: Undertakings for Collective Investment

SICAR*: Investment Company in Risk Capital

SIF*: Specialised Investment Fund

RAIF*: Reserved Alternative Investment Fund

SCS (AIF)*: Société en Commandite Simple (limited partnership) with an authorised AIFM

SCSp (AIF)*: Société en Commandite Spéciale (limited partnership without legal personality) with an authorised AIFM

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Foreword

In the 2019/2020 edition of the Luxembourg Investment Vehicles publication, we are delighted to give you a general overview of the main regulated and supervised fund vehicles across all asset classes and investment strategies that can be established in Luxembourg.

This overview will help you better understand the set-up and operating requirements of the structures available. It covers the following aspects:

- legal and regulatory requirements
- shareholding
- reporting requirements
- approval and supervision
- taxation

The sea of voices directly influencing the regulatory agenda

The asset and fund management industry has flourished in the last decade, with surveys boasting an approximately 65% growth since 2007 to over USD\$80 trillion in worldwide assets under management. As the recognition of the industry's importance to the world's financial system increases — in linking investors with enterprises and activities needing funding — so does the prominence of the industry and regulators that police the sector.

A range of "external" voices are placing the industry and regulators under intense pressure, including demanding investors and consumer groups, clamoring political and

economic needs, civil society's ever-evolving priorities and expectations, an increasingly noisy press, the explosion of social media and the rapid growth of new technologies.

A fundamental rethink of firms' mindset and investment offerings is required

Structures and remits are in flux as **regulators and supervisors** adapt their agendas and working methods to a dynamic environment. The sector's supervision continues to broaden and deepen, while supervisors embrace technology to help perform their roles more efficiently.

While some areas and jurisdictions are creating new rules, agendas are increasingly tackling the monitoring and reviewing of the myriad of post-crisis rules. Policy-makers and regulators demand more and more data, while the industry and institutional investors press for the rationalization of requirements and greater global regulatory convergence.

In the wake of the 2008 financial crisis, policy-makers and regulators overwhelmingly prioritized the identification and containment of **systemic risks**. Eleven years later the financial crisis may be a distant memory for many, but policymakers are still highly attuned to market fragility. This, in turn, increases the call for more data.

As the asset management industry expands, the debate around it intensifies. And there are conflicting views about what the correct regulatory response should be. Regulators are deepening their examination of

the sector's systemic risks, focusing on liquidity and leverage. Exchange-traded and money market funds remain on their watch list.

Governance and conduct are global regulatory preoccupations. That ethos is spreading. It is no longer enough for firms to simply adhere to rules and regulations. They need to think more broadly about the impact of their culture and conduct. The public loudly demands that firms serve their clients with skill and care.

Calls are increasing around the world for individuals in the financial services industry to be held personally accountable for their actions. Diversity, remuneration and stewardship are all hot topics. Fund distribution and financial advice rules continue to be strengthened, and the industry's governance of delegated or outsourced activities is under scrutiny.

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The regulatory search continues for perfect disclosures to investors, with a focus on the calculation and presentation of **costs and charges**. A small but increasing number of regulators are also probing the level of costs, in response to persistent voices that call for a different equilibrium to be found between what is reasonable for investors to be charged and the profits of investment firms. "Closet trackers", the use of benchmarks and performance fees are all under the regulatory microscope.

Many markets are opening, but others are becoming more restrictive and there remain frictions in the cross-border distribution of investment funds. In particular, "Brexit" is impacting cross-border flows between the UK and the rest of the EU, and this impact is likely to increase. Meanwhile, the EU regulatory approach to delegation is being more stringently supervised, with US and Asian firms potentially affected, too.

Elsewhere, use of the Asian fund passports remains low but is slowly rising. Bilateral fund arrangements are flourishing, developing economies continue to open up their capital markets to foreign firms and investors, and new fund structures seek to compete. Around the globe, there are new opportunities for asset managers and investment funds in the retirement savings market, but in some cases more conditions or restrictions are being imposed.

Voices arguing for **climate-aware investing** and carbon controls are increasing. Demand for ethical treatment of employees, customers and other stakeholders is also growing, as is indignation about poorly-managed companies.

Regulators in some jurisdictions are seeking to catch up, but their responses vary, and industry and investor reactions to their proposals are mixed. Most, but by no means all, institutional investors believe sustainability should be incorporated into portfolios. However most, but not all, investors believe that ESG measures should not be mandated.

Meanwhile, **fintech** developments are coming thick and fast, and are already a powerful external driver of regulation. The regulators have a dilemma: they are called on to support and help nurture nascent industries that increase efficiency and help consumers to access financial services, but they are concerned about new and heightened risks, in particular the protection of personal data.

Regulators are rethinking how they regulate the industry, both new fintech entrants and existing businesses that are encompassing fintech developments. Existing conduct rules were largely written in a paper and face-to-face world. Are the rules fit-for-purpose in a digital age?

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A sea of voices – Evolving Asset Management report 2019

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Measuring ESG criteria in the absence of transparent and harmonized information sources and standards is a difficulty. The ESG screening is an excellent opportunity for AIF managers to take initiatives in Luxembourg.

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David Capocci

Partner



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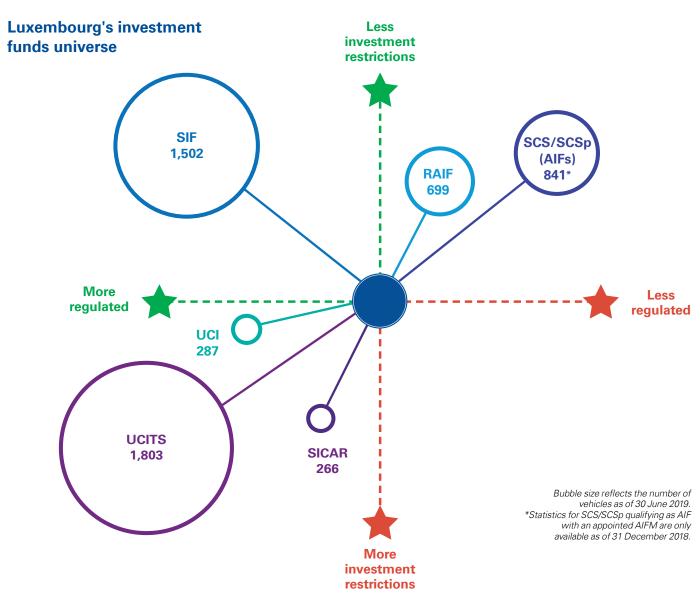
Luxembourg has continued to develop its strong reputation as a centre of excellence for a large variety of investment funds. The legal and regulatory framework is constantly being improved to offer the best tools for investment managers to structure their investments and to protect investors' interests.

ALFI 2020 Ambition

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To enable asset managers and investment funds to fulfil their role of serving investors and fostering economic growth, ALFI will continue to enhance Luxembourg's position as the international fund centre of reference, recognised as open, reliable and innovative by investors, policymakers and industry alike.





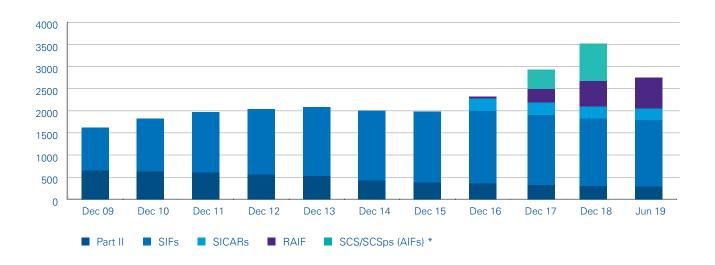
Alternative investment funds and managers

By being among the first to transpose the AIFMD into local law, Luxembourg has consolidated its leading position for structuring alternative investment funds, being home to 261 authorised alternative investment fund managers (AIFMs) and 585 registered (subthreshold) managers as at 30 June 2019. Many of the large UCITS managers also hold an AIFM license, building on existing expertise and operations to manage both AIFs and UCITS funds.

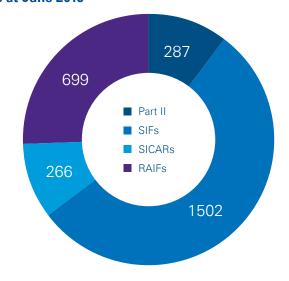
The Luxembourg government has continued its strong commitment to the funds industry, making an important upgrade to the range of fund structures in 2016 with the creation of the Reserved Alternative Investment Fund (RAIF). This vehicle meets the demands of many AIFMs and professional investors who had been calling for the removal of the dual regulatory approach whereby both manager and fund are subject to regulation and supervision.

The RAIF is similar to the popular SIF and SICAR structures, but differs in its removal of this double layer of regulation. As a result, its overall time-to-market is very fast. Only authorised AIFMs are permitted to manage RAIFs, which have been highly successful since there are 699 of them as of June 2019.

Number of AIFs between December 2009 and June 2019

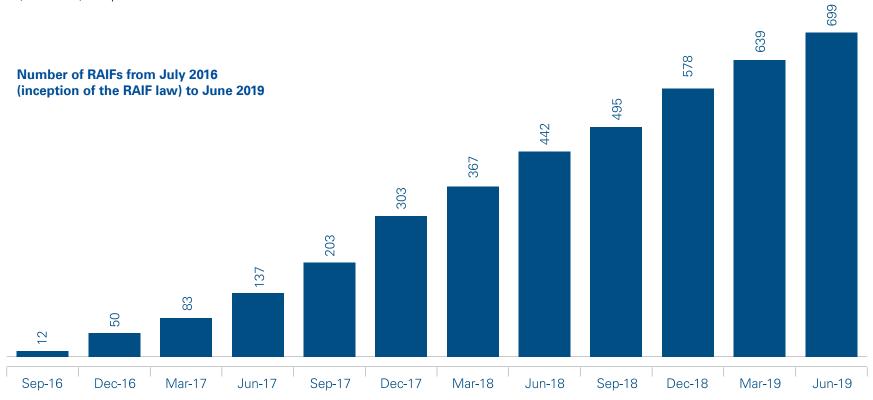


Numbers of directly or indirectly supervised AIFs as at June 2019





The CSSF continues to play an important role in providing guidance on the legal framework governing alternative investment funds and their managers, and updates the AIFMD Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) regularly. This FAQ covers scope, the content of the application file, loan origination and loan participation by AIFMs, the rules on delegation of regulated activities, the role of the depositary, marketing rules, reporting and transparency requirements, valuation, and prudential capital rules.



UCITS

The UCITS framework was introduced over 30 years ago and is still today a success-story for Luxembourg. The last major amendment to it was in 2016 when UCITS V was transposed into Luxembourg law. One of the main objectives of that reform package was to further enhance investor protection by aligning the role, responsibilities, and regulation of the depositary with the AIFMD rules. The responsibilities of the depositary were broadened to include the monitoring cash flows in the fund and oversight of fund operations, in addition to the custody of the portfolios

of investments. The liability of the depositary is stricter under UCITS, with the depositary fully liable for the loss of financial instruments held through the custody and sub-custody network.

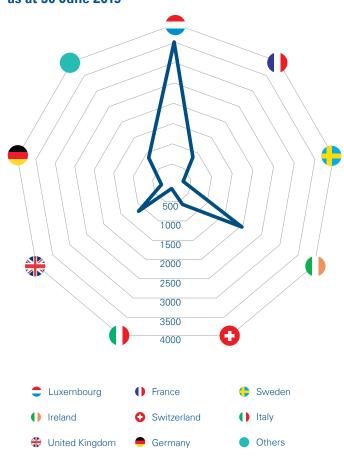
The CSSF also provides guidance on the UCITS framework in a UCITS Frequently Asked Questions document that is updated regularly.



Evolution of UCITS between 2009 and June 2019



UCITS AUM market share in Europe (in Bn) as at 30 June 2019





Brexit

Fund managers must assess the impact of Brexit on their operating models, as their cross-border fund business transitions to a post-Brexit legal and regulatory framework. Many alternative investment fund managers have chosen Luxembourg to domicile their investment activities and operations.

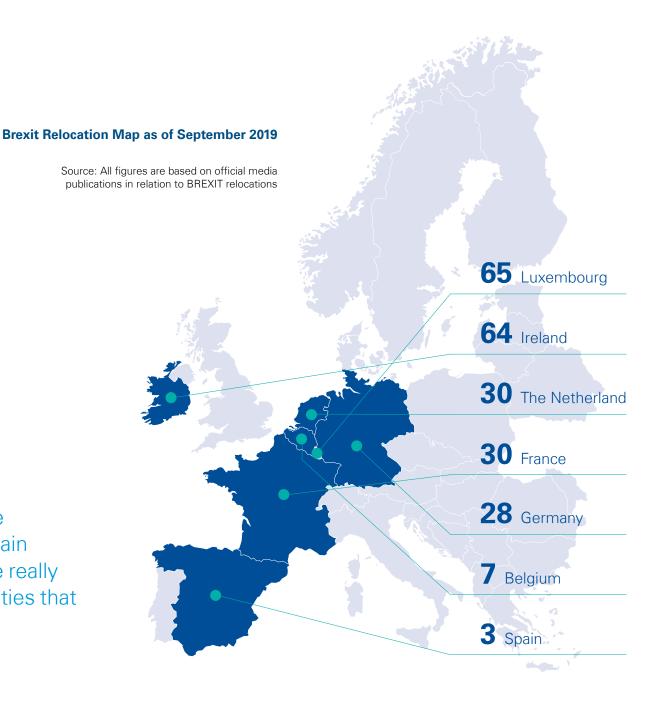
This confirms Luxembourg's position as the prime cross-border hub for funds, a top choice for UK and US managers to develop their distribution activities across the EU market, and a gateway to Asian markets.



I think that Luxembourg has not only due to Brexit but overall climbed the value chain from back office to middle office. We are really seeing a reshaping of the nature of activities that are being relocated to Luxembourg.

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Nicolas Mackel CEO, Luxembourg for Finance



Evolving regulatory trends and challenges

The regulatory framework continues to evolve at the European Union (EU) level and the initiatives described below are already dominating the fund industry in Luxembourg.

ESG

In March 2018, the European Commission published the action plan for financing a sustainable growth that targeted all financial market players, especially asset managers. It aims to introduce measures to clarify asset managers' duties in integrating ESG factors and risks into investment decisions, as well as to clarify and standardize transparency duties and ESG reporting requirements. Practically speaking, this will require asset managers managing sustainable investment products to factor ESG into their due diligence, portfolio management, monitoring and reporting. And, for all types of investment products, asset managers will need to demonstrate how sustainability risks are factored into risk management processes — for example, by using climate scenarios and stress testing — to ultimately better manage their portfolios' climate-related financial risks. These initiatives are likely to be voted by the end of 2019 and become applicable in 2020.



Pan-European personal pension, or PEPP

The PEPP Regulation seeks to establish a legislative framework for personal pension products with a long-term retirement nature. Insofar as possible, PEPPs should consider environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors given in the United Nations-supported Principles for Responsible Investment. They should be simple, safe, reasonably-priced, transparent, consumer-friendly and portable Union-wide, complementing member states' existing systems and therefore boosting pension savings.

The PEPP Regulation was published in the Official Journal of the EU (OJEU) on 25 July 2019. The Regulation will apply 12 months after the OJEU publication of the delegated acts, which is estimated to happen by the end of 2020.



Performance fees

Local restrictions on performance fees were recently implemented in several EU countries, setting the scene for new fund industry requirements. The goal of the regulators is to improve fee transparency and to achieve a standardized cost-reporting framework.

In July 2019, ESMA launched a public consultation paper on performance fees draft guidelines under the UCITS Directive aiming to harmonize requirements across Europe, ensure a coherent level of retail investor protection and avoid regulatory arbitrage.

The consultation also questions whether the scope of the guidelines' principles should be extended to AIFs distributed to retail investors. ESMA aims to issue the final guidelines in Q4 2019.

AIFMD review



Report AIFMD report

As a "first-step" in the Directive review process, the European Commission (DG FISMA: Directorate-General for Financial Stability, Financial Services, and CMU) mandated KPMG in 2017 to provide a comprehensive study on how the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive (AIFMD) has worked in practice and to what extent its objectives have been met.

The assessment includes a general overview regarding the functioning of specific AIFMD requirements, including marketing through the passport and national regimes, the impact of the depositary rules and the effect on:

- transparency and reporting requirements
- private equity funds
- venture capital funds
- the protection of non-listed companies.

The final report, issued in January 2019, includes a number of key findings that give asset managers a taste of what might be in store for the second incarnation of this key legislation.

Cross-border distribution Directive and Regulation in the OJEU

On 12 July 2019, the EU Regulation and Directive on cross-border distribution of funds were published in the OJEU following the European Commission's legislative proposal issued in March 2018.

These texts will amend and harmonize the distribution frameworks that apply to UCITS and AIFs. They cover the main barriers that were identified in CMU consultations since 2015, such as domestic marketing rules, regulatory fees and administrative and notification requirements.

The Regulation enters into force on 1 August 2019, except for the new requirements for marketing communications which will apply from 2 August 2021.

The Directive will have to be transposed into national law by July 2021 and shall apply from the same date.

Regulated Investment Vehicles			
UCITS ("Part I Fund")	Part II Fund with authorised AIFM	SIF with authorised AIFM	SICAR with authorised AIFM
Applicable legislation			
Law of 17 December 2010, as amended ("Fund law"), Part I.	Law of 17 December 2010, as amended ("Fund law"), Part II.	Law of 13 February 2007, as amended ("SIF law").	Law of 15 June 2004, as amended ("SICAR law").
Eligible assets			
Restricted to: Transferable securities admitted or dealt on a regulated market, investment funds, financial derivative instruments, cash and money market instruments that are compliant with Article 41 of the Fund law, the Commission Directive of 19 March 2007 implementing Council Directive 85/611/EEC as transposed in Luxembourg by the grand-ducal decree of 8 February 2008, CSSF circular 08/339, CSSF circular 08/380 and the EU regulation 2017/1131 on money market funds and the related delegated regulations from EU Commission. Uncovered short sales and borrowings are not permitted. Precious metals and certificates representing them may not be acquired.	Unrestricted. Prior approval of the investment objective and strategy by the CSSF.	Unrestricted.	Restricted to direct and/or indirect investment in securities that represent risk capital. CSSF Circular 06/241 defines the notion of risk capital and the way the CSSF will decide if the investment objective of the SICAR complies with the requirement to invest in risk capital. Risk capital consists mainly of high risk investments made in view of their launch, development or listing on a stock exchange. Such investments may take varied forms and are normally done with a medium-term view. The SICAR may also marginally enter into financial derivative instruments on an exceptional basis. Temporary investment in other assets is allowed pending investment in risk capital.
Risk diversification requirements			
Detailed risk diversification is required per Articles 42 to 52 of the Fund law.	Risk diversification requirements are detailed in CSSF Circular 91/75, as amended and are less stringent than the stringent ones in application for Part I funds. In addition, specific restrictions are contained in: CSSF Circular 91/75, as amended for funds investing in venture capital, futures, options, and real estate. CSSF Circular 02/80 for funds adopting an alternative investment strategy.	Risk diversification requirements are detailed in CSSF Circular 07/309 and are less stringent than the ones in application for part I and part II funds under the Fund Law. The main requirement for the SIF is in principle not to invest more than 30% of its assets with the same issuer.	No risk diversification requirements.



Supervised Investment Vehicles		
RAIF only with authorised AIFM	SCS (AIF)	SCSp (AIF)
Applicable legislation		
Law of 23 July 2016, as amended ("RAIF law").	Law 10 August 1915, as amended ("Company Law").	Law 10 August 1915, as amended ("Company Law").
Eligible assets		
For RAIFs other than those referred to in Article 48 (1) of the RAIF Law, the type of investments is not restricted although it has to invest in the aim of spreading the investment risks. For RAIF – Risk Capital» (referred to in Article 48 (1) of the RAIF Law), investments are restricted to direct and/or indirect investment in securities that represent risk capital. Risk capital mainly consists of high-risk investments made in view of their launch, development or listing on a stock exchange. CSSF Circular 06/241 provides guidance in defining the notion of risk capital. The réviseur d'Entreprises agréé is required to issue a specific report for each financial year that certify that the investments meet the criteria of risk capital.	Unrestricted.	Unrestricted.
Risk diversification requirements		
No risk diversification limits defined; RAIF should invest in accordance with the risk-spreading principle. No risk diversification if it invests solely in Risk Capital.	No risk diversification requirements.	No risk diversification requirements.



Regulated Investment Vehicles			
UCITS ("Part I Fund")	Part II Fund with authorised AIFM	SIF with authorised AIFM	SICAR with authorised AIFM
Entity Type			
SICAV (SA) SICAF (SA, SCA)	SICAV (SA) SICAF (SA, SCA, Sàrl, SCS, SCSp)	SICAV / SICAF (SA, SCA, Sàrl, SCoSA, SCS, SCSp)	Corporate entity with fixed or variable share capital (SA, SCA, Sàrl, SCoSA, SCS, SCSp)
FCP	FCP	FCP	
All three must be open-ended.	Structures may be open or closed-ended.	Structures may be open or closed-ended.	Structures may be open or closed-ended.
Segregated sub-funds			
Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.
Cross sub-funds investment			
Yes, with restrictions.	Yes, with restrictions.	Yes, with restrictions.	No.
Master - Feeder			
Yes. Subject to specific rules (Fund law and CSSF Regulation 10-5).	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.
Central administration			
Central administration established in Luxembourg; or central administration may be performed in another EU Member State for funds managed by UCITS Management Company established in another EU Member State.	Central administration established in Luxembourg.	Central administration established in Luxembourg.	Central administration established in Luxembourg.
Required service providers in Luxembourg			
Depositary - eligible under UCITS directive. Réviseur d'entreprises agréé.	Depositary - eligible entity under AIFM law. Réviseur d'entreprises agréé.	Depositary - eligible entity under AIFM law. Réviseur d'entreprises agréé.	Depositary - eligible entity under AIFM law. Réviseur d'entreprises agréé.



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RAIF only with authorised AIFM	SCS (AIF)	SCSp (AIF)
Entity Type		
SICAV / SICAF (SA, SCA, Sàrl, SCoSA, SCS, SCSp) FCP	It has its own legal personality distinct from its partners	It has no legal personality distinct from its partners (however still benefits from main attributes generally attached to legal personality) e.g. the holding of assets and the creditors.
Structures may be open or closed-ended.		
Segregated sub-funds		
Yes.	No.	No.
Cross sub-funds investment		
Yes, with restrictions.	No.	No.
Master - Feeder		
Yes.	Yes.	Yes.
Central administration		
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Required service providers in Luxembourg		
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	Regulated Investment Vehicles		
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Management company requirement			
Yes. Management company established in Luxembourg under Chapter 15 of the Fund law or a UCITS Management company established in another EU Member State.	Yes. Management company established in Luxembourg under Chapter 15 of the Fund law, management company established in Luxembourg under Chapter 16, article 125-2 of the Fund law, or management company established in Luxembourg under Chapter 16, article 125-1 of the Fund law (which must designate an AIFM for the FCP managed).	Yes. Management company established in Luxembourg under Chapter 15 of the Fund law, management company established in Luxembourg under Chapter 16, article 125-2 of the Fund law or a management company established in Luxembourg under Chapter 16, article 125-1 of the Fund law (which must designate an AIFM for the FCP managed).	No management company is required but a General Partner is required if set-up as a SCA, SCS/SCSp. It must also have an AIFM if it falls under the AIFMD regulation.
SICAV/SICAF May appoint a Luxembourg (Chapter 15 of the Fund law) or EU management company or be set up as a UCITS self-managed SICAV.	SICAV/SICAF No – however, the authorised AIFM could be a management company.	SICAV/SICAF No – however, the authorised AIFM could be a management company.	
Registration requirements in Luxembourg			
A fund is deemed to be established in Luxembourg if it is authorised by the CSSF. No nationality or residency requirements for directors of funds which have appointed a management company. At least two conducting officers/persons of the Luxembourg management company or self-managed SICAV must be located	Registered office of SICAV/ SICAF or of the management company of the FCP must be in Luxembourg. No nationality or residency requirements for directors of funds or Chapter 16 management company. Minimum requirements for the two conducting officers of the AIFM to be located in Luxembourg (unless specific derogation is obtained from	Registered office of SICAV/ SICAF or of the management company of the FCP must be in Luxembourg. No nationality or residency requirements for directors of funds or Chapter 16 management company. Minimum requirement for the two conducting officers of the AIFM to be located in Luxembourg (unless	Registered office of the SICAR must be in Luxembourg. No nationality or residency requirements for directors.
in Luxembourg (unless specific derogation is obtained from the CSSF). For non-Luxembourg management companies, local rules apply.	the CSSF).	specific derogation is obtained from the CSSF).	

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Management company requirement		
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Registration requirements in Luxembourg		
Registered office of SICAV/ SICAF or of the management company of the FCP must be in Luxembourg.	Registered office of the SCS must be in Luxembourg.	Registered office of the SCSp must be in Luxembourg.
No nationality or residency requirements for directors of funds or management company.	No nationality or residency requirements for the partners (including the General Partner).	No nationality or residency requirements for the partners (including the General Partner).
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Regulated Investment Vehicles		
Part II Fund with authorised AIFM	SIF with authorised AIFM	SICAR with authorised AIFM
€1,250,000 to be reached within 6 months of authorisation. Internally-managed SICAV/SICAF: €300,000 at the date of authorisation and €1,250,000 to be reached within 6 months of authorisation. For umbrella structures, this capital requirement applies to the structure as a whole.	€1,250,000 to be reached within 12 months of authorisation. Internally-managed SICAV/SICAF: €300,000 at the date of authorisation and €1,250,000 to be reached within 6 months of authorisation. For umbrella structures, this capital requirement applies to the structure as a whole.	Total of subscribed share capital and share premium of €1,000,000 to be reached within 12 months of authorisation. Internally-managed company: €300,000 at the date of authorisation and the total of subscribed share capital and share premium of €1,000,000 to be reached within 12 months of authorisation. For umbrella structures, this capital requirement applies to the structure as a whole.
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Supervised Investment Vehicles		
RAIF only with authorised AIFM	SCS (AIF)	SCSp (AIF)
Minimum capital requirement for fund/company		
€1,250,000 to be reached within 12 months from entry into force of the management regulations. For umbrella structures, this capital requirement applies to the structure as a whole.	No minimum capital requirement required. The capital requirement is calculated at the level of the AIFM.	No minimum capital requirement required. The capital requirement is calculated at the level of the AIFM.
Risk management		
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Shareholding

Regulated Investment Vehicles				
UCITS ("Part I Fund")	Part II Fund with authorised AIFM	SIF with authorised AIFM	SICAR with authorised AIFM	
Eligible investors			•	
All types.	All types.	Well-informed investors.	Well-informed investors.	
Listing				
Possible.	Possible.	Possible.	Possible.	
Capital calls				
FCP Capital calls can be made either by way of capital commitments or through the issue of partly paid units. The law does not prescribe a minimum percentage of payment of the unit. SICAV Capital calls may only be made by way of capital commitments, as partly paid shares are not allowed for a SICAV. SICAF If the SICAF is set up as a SA or SCA, capital calls can be organised through capital commitments or by way of the issue of partly paid shares. At least 25% of each share must be paid up.	Capital calls can be made either by way of capital commitments or through the issue of partly paid units. The law does not prescribe a minimum percentage of payment of the unit. SICAV Capital calls may only be made by way of capital commitments, as partly paid shares are not allowed for a SICAV. SICAF For a Sàrl capital calls may only be made by way of capital commitments, as partly paid shares are not allowed. If the SICAF is set up as a SA, SCA, SCS or SCSp capital calls can be organised through capital commitments or by way of the issue of partly paid shares. For SA and SCA, at least 25% of each share must be paid up and there are no minimum legal	FCP Capital calls may be made by way of capital commitments or through the issue of partly paid units. The law does not prescribe a minimum percentage to which each unit must be paid up. SICAV Capital calls may be done by way of capital commitments or through the issue of partly paid shares. At least 5% of each share must be paid up. SICAF Capital calls may be done by way of capital commitments or through the issue of partly paid shares. At least 5% of each share must be paid up.	Capital calls may be made by way of capital commitments or through the issue of partly paid shares. At least 5% of each share must be paid up.	

Issue of shares / units

FCP

Units must be issued at the NAV price.

Existing unitholders do not have a pre-emption right when new units are issued, unless specifically provided for in the management regulations.

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The unit price will be determined based on the principles laid down in the management regulations.

Existing unitholders do not have a pre-emption right when new units are issued, unless specifically provided for in the management regulations.

The issue of new shares requires an amendment of the constitutive documents unless the SICAR is set up with variable share capital.

The share price will be determined based on the principles laid down in the constitutive documents.

Issue of shares / units (continued)



	Supervised Investment Vehicles	
RAIF only with authorised AIFM	SCS (AIF)	SCSp (AIF)
Eligible investors		
Well-informed investors.	Well-informed investors.	Well-informed investors.
Listing		
Possible.	In principle no. Listing is legally possible but not practicable due to low transferability.	In principle no. Listing is legally possible but not practicable due to low transferability.
Capital calls		
Capital calls may be made by way of capital commitments or through the issue of partly paid units. The law does not prescribe a minimum percentage to which each unit must be paid up. SICAV Capital calls may be done by way of capital commitments or through the issue of partly paid shares. At least 5% of each share must be paid up. SICAF Capital calls may be done by way of capital commitments or through the issue of partly paid shares. At least 5% of each share must be paid up.	Capital calls may be made by way of capital commitments or unpaid capital. They are freely defined in the LPA.	Capital calls may be made by way of capital commitments or unpaid capital. They are freely defined in the LPA.
Issue of shares / units		
FCP The unit price will be determined based on the principles laid down in the management regulations. Existing unitholders do not have a pre-emption right when new units are issued, unless specifically provided for in the management regulations.	Contribution to SCS consists of partnership interests which can be represented by securities or capital account, according to the LPA. The price is determined by the provision included in the LPA.	Contribution to SCSp consists of partnership interests which can be represented by securities or capital account, according to the LPA. The price is determined by the provision included in the LPA.

Issue of shares / units (continued)



Shareholding

Regulated Investment Vehicles			stment Vehicles	
UCITS ("Part I Fund")		Part II Fund with authorised AIFM	SIF with authorised AIFM	SICAR with authorised AIFM
	SICAV The issue of shares does not require an amendment of the constitutive documents.	SICAV The issue of shares does not require an amendment of the constitutive documents.	SICAV The issue of shares does not require an amendment of the constitutive documents.	The issue of new shares will be conducted as provided for in the constitutive documents.
	The share price will be determined by dividing the NAV by the number of shares outstanding.	The share price will be determined by dividing the NAV by the number of shares outstanding.	The share price will be determined based on the principles laid down in the constitutive documents.	
	Existing shareholders do not have a pre-emption right when new shares are issued, unless specifically provided for in the constitutive documents.	Existing shareholders do not have a pre-emption right when new shares are issued, unless specifically provided for in the constitutive documents.	Existing shareholders do not have a pre-emption right when new shares are issued, unless specifically provided for in the constitutive documents.	The existing shareholders will have a pre-emption right if specifically provided for in the constitutive documents.
	SICAF The issue of shares requires an amendment of the constitutive documents. The share price will be determined based on the principles laid down in the constitutive documents. When the SICAF is organised as a SA or SCA, existing shareholders have a pre-emption right when new shares are issued, unless this right was waived by the shareholders' meeting as permitted in the constitutive documents.	SICAF The issue of shares requires an amendment of the constitutive documents. The share price will be determined based on the principles laid down in the constitutive documents. When the SICAF is organised as a SA or SCA, existing shareholders have a pre-emption right when new shares are issued, unless this right was waived by the shareholders' meeting as permitted in the constitutive documents.	SICAF The issue of shares requires an amendment of the constitutive documents. The share price will be determined based on the principles laid down in the constitutive documents. When the SICAF is organised as a SA or SCA, existing shareholders have a pre-emption right when new shares are issued, unless this right was waived by the shareholders' meeting as permitted in the constitutive documents.	
	Distribution of dividends			
	The distribution of dividends must be foreseen in the prospectus of the fund. For SICAV and FCP, distributions (interim or final) can	The distribution of dividends must be foreseen in the prospectus of the fund. For SICAV and FCP, distributions (interim or final) can	The distribution of dividends must be foreseen in the prospectus of the fund. For SICAV and FCP, distributions (interim or final) can	The distribution of dividends must be foreseen in the prospectus/article of incorporation of the SICAR.
	be made irrespective of the realised results within the period, to the extent the minimum share capital is maintained (€1,250,000).	be made irrespective of the realised results within the period, to the extent the minimum share capital is maintained (€1,250,000).	be made irrespective of the realised results within the period, to the extent the minimum share capital is maintained (€1,250,000).	Dividend distributions, interim and final, are not subject to specific regulatory restrictions, except for compliance with minimum capital requirements and other restrictions stated in the constitutive
	For SICAF, final dividend distributions may not result in a decrease in assets to an amount less than one-and-a-half times the fund's total liabilities to its creditors. Interim dividend distributions may be subject to	When the SICAF is organised as a SA or SCA, final dividend distributions are subject to restrictions as per Article 461-4 of the Commercial Law. For SA, SCA and Sàrl, Interim dividend distributions may be subject to	When the SICAF is organised as a SA or SCA, final dividend distributions are subject to restrictions as per Article 461-4 of the Commercial Law. For SA, SCA and Sàrl, Interim dividend distributions may be subject to	documents.

statutory requirements of the Commercial Law.



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statutory requirements of the Commercial Law.

When the SICAF is organised as a SA or SCA,

requirements of the Commercial Law.

final dividend distributions are subject to restrictions as per

Article 461-4 of the Commercial Law. For SA, SCA and Sàrl, interim dividend distributions may be subject to statutory

RAIF only with authorised AIFM	SCS (AIF)	SCSp (AIF)
SICAV The issue of shares does not require an amendment of the constitutive documents.	Transferability rules and the rights of the partners are as foreseen in the LPA.	Transferability rules and the rights of the partners are as foreseen in the LPA.
The share price will be determined based on the principles laid down in the constitutive documents.		
Existing shareholders do not have a pre-emption right when new shares are issued, unless specifically provided for in the constitutive documents.		
SICAF The issue of shares requires an amendment of the constitutive documents.		
The share price will be determined based on the principles laid down in the constitutive documents.		
When the SICAF is organised as a SA or SCA, existing shareholders have a pre-emption right when new shares are issued, unless this right was waived by the shareholders' meeting as permitted in the constitutive documents.		
Distribution of dividends		
The distribution of dividends must be foreseen in the prospectus of the fund. For SICAV and FCP, distributions (interim or final) can be made irrespective of the realised results within the period, to the	The distribution is freely set out in the LPA. If not covered in the LPA, each partner participates in the profits and losses in proportion of its partnership interest. There are no statutory restrictions on distributions to partners, whether in	The distribution is freely set out in the LPA. If not covered in the LPA, each partner participates in the profits and losses in proportion of its partnership interest. There are no statutory restrictions on distributions to partners, whether in
extent the minimum share capital is maintained (€1,250,000).	the form of distribution of profit or reimbursement of partnership interests.	the form of distribution of profit or reimbursement of partnership interests.

Distribution may be subject to claw back by the partnership and can be

Distribution of dividends or reimbursement of capital cannot be recalled

freely foreseen in the LPA.

unless foreseen in the LPA.



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unless foreseen in the LPA.

	Regulated Investment Vehicles			
UCITS ("Part I Fund")	Part II Fund with authorised AIFM	SIF with authorised AIFM	SICAR with authorised AIFM	
Prospectus directive as transposed into the Luxemb	ourg law			
Closed-ended Part I funds may not be closed-ended.	Closed-ended A prospectus prepared in compliance with the requirements of the Prospectus Directive must be prepared when an "offer to the public" within the meaning of the Prospectus Directive is made except if the offer falls under any exemption of the Prospectus Directive. In that case, a prospectus must be prepared in accordance with the Fund law. The information to be communicated to investors stated in article 21 of the AIFM law must either be included in the prospectus or communicated separately to investors.	Closed-ended A prospectus prepared in compliance with the requirements of the Prospectus Directive must be prepared when an "offer to the public" within the meaning of the Prospectus Directive is made except if the offer falls under any exemption of the Prospectus Directive. In that case, either a prospectus or an offering document must be prepared in accordance with the SIF law. The information to be communicated to investors stated in article 21 of the AIFM law must either be included in the prospectus or communicated separately to investors.	Closed-ended A prospectus prepared in compliance with the requirements of the Prospectus Directive must be prepared when an "offer to the public" within the meaning of the Prospectus Directive is made except if the offer falls under any exemption of the prospectus Directive. The information to be communicated to investors stated in article 21 of the AIFM law must either be included in the prospectus or communicated separately to investors.	
Open-ended Part I funds make a public offer on the basis of their prospectus prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Fund law.	Open-ended Part II funds may make a public offer on the basis of their prospectus prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Fund law. The information to be communicated to investors stated in article 21 of the AIFM law must either be included in the prospectus or communicated separately to investors.	Open-ended A SIF may make an offer to well-informed investors on the basis of their prospectus/offering document being prepared in accordance with the requirements of the SIF law. The information to be communicated to investors stated in article 21 of the AIFM law must either be included in the prospectus or communicated separately to investors.	Open-ended A SICAR that makes an offer under an exemption of the Prospectus Directive must prepare a prospectus compliant with the SICAR law. The information to be communicated to investors stated in article 21 of the AIFM law must either be included in the prospectus or communicated separately to investors.	
The prospectus must be updated on an ongoing basis.	The prospectus must be updated on an ongoing basis.	The prospectus/offering document must be updated on an ongoing basis.	The prospectus must be updated each time new securities are issued.	
PRIIP (Packaged Retail and Insurance-based Investm	ents Products)			
Exemption at least until December 31, 2021.	Required if the fund is offered to retail investors.	Required if the SIF's well-informed investor is classified as retail investor.	Required if the SICAR's well-informed investor is classified as retail investor.	
Key Investor Information Document (KIID)				
Required at least until December 31, 2021	Not required.	Not required.	Not required.	
NAV computation frequency				
NAV must be computed on each day there are subscriptions or redemptions with a minimum of twice a month.	NAV must be computed on each day there are subscriptions or redemptions with a minimum of once a month.	NAV is computed on the frequency set in the constitutive documents or management regulations with a minimum of once a year.	NAV is computed on the frequency set in the constitutive documents or management regulations, which must be done at least once a year.	



Supervised Investment Vehicles			
RAIF only with authorised AIFM	SCS (AIF)	SCSp (AIF)	
Prospectus directive as transposed into the Luxembourg law			
Closed-ended A prospectus prepared in compliance with the requirements of the Prospectus Directive must be prepared when an "offer to the public" within the meaning of the Prospectus Directive is made except if the offer falls under any exemption of the Prospectus Directive. In that case, either a prospectus or an offering document must be prepared in accordance with the RAIF law. The information to be communicated to investors stated in article 21 of the AIFM law must either be included in the prospectus or communicated separately to investors.	Unless listed which is not practically due to transferability, the SCS is established by way of partnership agreement.	Unless listed which is not practically due to transferability, the SCSp is established by way of partnership agreement.	
Open-ended A RAIF may make an offer to well-informed investors on the basis of their prospectus/offering document being prepared in accordance with the requirements of the RAIF law. The information to be communicated to investors stated in article 21 of the AIFM law must either be included in the prospectus or communicated separately to investors. The prospectus/offering document must be updated on an ongoing basis.			
PRIIP (Packaged Retail and Insurance-based Investments Prod	ducts)		
Required if the RAIF's well-informed investor is classified as retail investor.	Required if the SCS' investor is classified as retail investor.	Required if the SCSp's investor is classified as retail investor.	
Key Investor Information Document (KIID)			
Not required.	Not required.	Not required.	
NAV computation frequency			
NAV is computed on the frequency set in the constitutive documents or management regulations with a minimum of once a year.	NAV is computed on the frequency set in the LPA, which must be done at least once a year.	NAV is computed on the frequency set in the LPA, which must be done at least once a year.	



	Regulated Investment Vehicles			
UCITS ("Part I Fund")	Part II Fund with authorised AIFM	SIF with authorised AIFM	SICAR with authorised AIFM	
Valuation principles				
Valuation of assets is made on the basis of the realisable value estimated in good faith.	Valuation of assets is made on the basis of the realisable value estimated in good faith, unless provided for differently in the constitutive documents or management regulations.	Assets must be valued at fair value, which is determined in compliance with the rules detailed in constitutive documents or management regulations.	Assets are to be valued at fair value to be determined in compliance with the rules detailed in the constitutive documents.	
Financial reports				
Audited annual report is required within 4 months of the year-end.	Audited annual report is required within 6 months of the year-end.	Audited annual report is required within 6 months of the year-end.	Audited annual report is required within 6 months of the year-end.	
Semi-annual report is due within 2 months of the 6 month period-end.	Semi-annual report is due within 3 months of the 6 month period-end.	No semi-annual report is required.	No semi-annual report is required.	
	If a closed-ended fund is listed on an EU regulated market the deadlines may be shorter (if listed on LuxSE, an audited annual report is required within 4 months of the year-end and a semi-annual report is due within 3 months of the 6 month period-end).	If a closed-ended fund is listed on an EU regulated market the deadlines may be shorter (if listed on LuxSE, an audited annual report is required within 4 months of the year-end and a semi-annual report is due within 3 months of the 6 month period-end).	If the entity is listed on an EU-regulated market the requirements may be different. If listed on LuxSE, an audited annual report is required within four months of the year-end and a semi-annual report is due within three months of the six-month-period end.	



Supervised Investment Vehicles			
RAIF only with authorised AIFM	SCS (AIF)	SCSp (AIF)	
Valuation principles			
Assets are to be valued at fair value unless provided for differently in the constitutive documents or management regulations.	Assets must be valued as provided in for in the LPA or management regulations and as per the applicable accounting standards, i.e. fair value or historic cost.	Assets must be valued as provided in for in the LPA or management regulations and as per the applicable accounting standards, i.e. fair value or historic cost.	
Financial reports			
Audited annual report is required within 6 months of the year-end.	SCS (AIF) must prepare annual accounts within six months of the year end. Audited annual report is required within 6 months of the year-end.	SCSp (AIF) must prepare annual accounts within six months of the year end. Audited annual report is required within 6 months of the year-end.	
No semi-annual report is required.	No semi-annual report is required.	No semi-annual report is required.	
If a closed-ended fund is listed on an EU regulated market the requirements may be different (if listed on LuxSE, an audited annual report is required within 4 months of the year-end and a semi-annual report is due within 3 months of the 6 month periodend).			



Regulated Investment Vehicles			
UCITS ("Part I Fund")	Part II Fund with authorised AIFM	SIF with authorised AIFM	SICAR with authorised AIFM
Generally accepted accounting principles			
Irrespective of the methodology used for the calculation of the NAV, the reports may be prepared as follows:	Irrespective of the methodology used for the calculation of the NAV, the reports may be prepared as follows:	Irrespective of the methodology used for the calculation of the NAV, the reports may be prepared as follows:	Irrespective of the methodology used for the calculation of the NAV, the reports may be prepared as follows:
Annual report - Lux GAAP, i.e. provisions of the law of 19 December 2002 (as subsequently amended) except for: • The content and layout of the annual report. • The valuation of assets which is ruled by articles 9§3, 28§4, 39 of the Fund law. Or:	Annual report - Lux GAAP, i.e. provisions of the law of 19 December 2002 (as subsequently amended) except for: • The content and layout of the annual report. • The valuation of assets which is ruled by articles 88-4, 90, 95, 99§5 of the Fund law. Or:	Annual report - Lux GAAP, i.e. provisions of the law of 19 December 2002 (as subsequently amended) except for: • The content and layout of the annual report. • The valuation of assets which is ruled by articles 9, 28§4, 40§1, 82 of the SIF law. Or:	Annual report - Lux GAAP, i.e. provisions of the law of 19 December 2002 (as subsequently amended) except for the valuation of assets which is ruled by article 49 of the SICAR law. Or:
- IFRS	- IFRS In addition, the AIFM law requires specific disclosure to be included in the annual report.	- IFRS In addition, the AIFM law requires specific disclosure to be included in the annual report.	- IFRS In addition, the AIFM law requires specific disclosure to be included in the annual report.
Semi-annual report - Lux GAAP, i.e. provisions of the law of 19 December 2002 (as subsequently amended) except for:	Semi-annual report - Lux GAAP, i.e. provisions of the law of 19 December 2002 (as subsequently amended) except for:	Semi-annual report Not required.	Semi-annual report Not required.
 The content and layout of the annual report. The valuation of assets which is ruled by articles 9§3, 28§4, 39 of the Fund law. Or: IFRS 	 The content and layout of the annual report. The valuation of assets which is ruled by articles 88-4, 90, 95, 99\$5 of the Fund law. Or: IFRS 		
Consolidated accounts IFRS is mandatory if the company is listed in accordance with EU regulation 1606/2002.	Consolidated accounts IFRS is mandatory if the company is listed in accordance with EU regulation 1606/2002.	Consolidated accounts IFRS is mandatory if the company is listed in accordance with EU regulation 1606/2002.	Consolidated accounts IFRS is mandatory if the company is listed in accordance with EU regulation 1606/2002.
Other reports			
A long-form report is to be issued by the auditor with the annual report in accordance with CSSF Circular 02/81.	A long-form report to be issued by the auditor with the annual report in accordance with CSSF Circular 02/81.	None.	None.



Supervised Investment Vehicles			
RAIF only with authorised AIFM	SCS (AIF)	SCSp (AIF)	
Generally accepted accounting principles			
Irrespective of the methodology used for the calculation of the NAV, the reports may be prepared as follows:	Irrespective of the methodology used for the calculation of the NAV, the reports may be prepared as follows:	Irrespective of the methodology used for the calculation of the NAV, the reports may be prepared as follows:	
Annual report In order to clarify this requirement for RAIFs, it is necessary to distinguish three categories of RAIFs, namely: (i) RAIF (other than those referred to in Article 48 (1) of the RAIF Law) which has to present the balance sheet and profit and loss accounts under Lux GAAP based on the format prescribed in the Annex of the RAIF Law. (ii) RAIF – Risk Capital» (referred to in Article 48 (1) of the RAIF Law) which has the option to prepare the balance sheet and profit and loss accounts under Lux GAAP based on the format prescribed in that Annex of the RAIF Law or as per the format in the commercial Law 2002 (Articles 34, 35, 46 and 47). (iii) «RAIF – IFRS EU regime» (exercising the option provided for in Article 72bis L20022) which will prepare it annual accounts in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the EU. It must be noted that with respect to RAIFs, a separate annual report may be established for each compartment provided that each annual report contains also the combined data of all the compartments. In addition, the AIFM law requires specific disclosure to be included in the annual report. Semi-annual report Not required. Consolidated accounts IFRS is mandatory if the company is listed in accordance with EU regulation 1606/2002.	Annual report SCS (AIF) are required to apply accounting principles recognized as per article 20 of the AIFM Law. ie Lux GAAP, IFRS. It should also be noted that the preparation of the financial statements and the choice of the accounting standard is the responsibility of the management of the fund and the AIFM. Semi-annual report Not required.	Annual report SCSp (AIF) are required to apply accounting principles recognized as per article 20 of the AIFM Law. ie Lux GAAP, IFRS. It should also be noted that the preparation of the financial statements and the choice of the accounting standard is the responsibility of the management of the fund and the AIFM. Semi-annual report Not required.	
Other reports			
None.	None.	None.	



Regulated Investment Vehicles			
UCITS ("Part I Fund")	Part II Fund with authorised AIFM	SIF with authorised AIFM	SICAR with authorised AIFM
Consolidation			
No exemption granted – normally not required due to diversification requirements.	The law contains an exemption to prepare consolidated accounts for the UCI and its subsidiaries owned for investment purposes.	The law contains an exemption to prepare consolidated accounts for the SIF and its subsidiaries owned for investment purposes.	The law contains an exemption for the SICAR to prepare consolidated accounts.

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Supervised Investment Vehicles			
RAIF only with authorised AIFM	SCS (AIF)	SCSp (AIF)	
Consolidation			
The law contains an exemption for the RAIF and its subsidiaries to prepare consolidated accounts.	Consolidation requirements as per Company Law are applicable, except if any exemption can be used.	An SCSp does not have a separate legal personality. On that basis, the general interpretation is that the SCSp is out of the scope of Directive 2013/34/EU and related national transpositions. Furthermore article 77 of the RCS Law only refers to common limited partnerships (SCS) and does not include an explicit reference to special limited partnerships (SCSp). Consequently no consolidation obligations pertain for SCSp under Luxembourg legal and regulatory requirements.	



Approval and supervision

	Regulated Investment Vehicles			
UCITS ("Part I Fund")	Part II Fund with authorised AIFM	SIF with authorised AIFM	SICAR with authorised AIFM	
Promoter requirement				
No for SIAGs, FCPs and SICAVs with a Luxembourg UCITS management company.	Yes for self-managed SICAVs and for FCPs and SICAVs with a management company established under Chapter 16 of the Fund law.	No.	No.	
Yes for FCPs and SICAVs with a management company established in another EU Member State.	and chapter to or the rail allow.			
Supervision by CSSF				
Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	
Regular reporting to CSSF				
Yes. Monthly with due date the 10 th of the next month.	Yes. Monthly with due date the 10 th of the next month.	Yes. Monthly with due date the 10 th of the next month based on the latest available NAV (when NAV is not calculated monthly).	Yes. Twice a year, on 30 June and 31 December with due date 45 calendar days subsequent to the reference date of the report.	
Annually with due date 4 months after year-end.	Annually with due date 6 months after year-end.	Annually with due date 6 months after year-end.	Annually with due date 6 months after year-end.	
Details on reporting contained in CSSF Circular 97/136 as modified by CSSF Circular 08/348 and CSSF Circular 15/627.	Details on reporting contained in CSSF Circular 97/136 as modified by CSSF Circular 08/348 and CSSF Circular 15/627.	Details on reporting contained in CSSF Circular 07/310 as modified by CSSF Circular 08/348 and CSSF Circular 15/627.	Details on reporting contained in CSSF circular 08/376 and CSSF Circular 15/627. Internally-managed company (authorised AIFM):	
Semi-annual UCITS risk reporting applicable to Part I funds. Details for the first reporting were provided in a circular letter dated 22 April 2016. Each reporting will be accompanied by a circular letter to the industry.	Internally-managed SICAV/SICAF (authorised AIFM): details on reporting contained in article 22 of the AIFM law.	Internally-managed SICAV/SICAF (authorised AIFM): details on reporting contained in article 22 of the AIFM law.	details on reporting contained in article 22 of the AIFM law.	

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Supervised Investment Vehicles			
RAIF only with authorised AIFM	SCS (AIF)	SCSp (AIF)	
Promoter requirement			
No.	No.	No.	
Supervision by CSSF			
Yes via its AIFM.	Yes via its AIFM.	Yes via its AIFM.	
Regular reporting to CSSF			
No reporting to the CSSF by the RAIF but via its AIFM.	No reporting to the CSSF by the entity but via its AIFM. Internally-managed company (authorised AIFM): details on reporting contained in article 22 of the AIFM law.	No reporting to the CSSF by the entity but via its AIFM. Internally-managed company (authorised AIFM): details on reporting contained in article 22 of the AIFM law.	



Approval and supervision

Regulated Investment Vehicles			
UCITS ("Part I Fund")	Part II Fund with authorised AIFM	SIF with authorised AIFM	SICAR with authorised AIFM
Approval process			
Creation of a fund is subject to the CSSF's prior approval of:	Creation of a fund is subject to the CSSF's prior approval of:	Creation of a fund is subject to the CSSF's prior approval of:	Formation of a SICAR is not subject to approval of the CSSF.
 Constitutive documents or management regulations, prospectus, draft KIIDs and main agreements with service providers. 	• Constitutive documents, or management regulations, prospectus and main agreements with service providers.	• Constitutive documents or management regulations, offering document or prospectus and main agreements with service providers.	An authorisation file must be submitted to the CSSF within the month following the formation of the SICAR. The authorisation will be granted
 Directors of the fund and/or of the management company. 	Directors of the fund and/or of the management company.	 Directors of the fund and/or of the management company. 	subject to:Approval of the constitutive documents,
• Choice of depositary, auditor and asset manager.	• Choice of depositary, auditor and AIFM.	Choice of depositary, auditor and AIFM.	prospectus and main agreements with service providers.
 Promoter's experience and financial soundness (if applicable). 	• Promoter's experience and financial soundness (if applicable).		Notification of the directors of the SICAR.
 Confirmation of supervision by regulatory authority of promoter (if applicable) and asset manager. 	Confirmation of supervision by regulatory authority of promoter (if applicable).		 Approval of the choice of depositary, auditor and AIFM.
Process for cross-border distribution in Europe			
Regulator-to-regulator for initial notification. Fund management company to regulator for notification of subsequent changes.	Professional investors: regulator-to-regulator for initial notification and subsequent changes.	Professional investors: regulator-to-regulator for initial notification and subsequent changes.	Professional investors: regulator-to-regulator for initial notification and subsequent changes.
or subsequent changes.	Retail investors: national marketing rules apply.	Other types of well-informed investors: national marketing rules apply.	Other types of well-informed investors: national marketing rules apply.
	Marketing may also be performed by a non-EU AIFM based on national marketing rules.	Marketing may also be performed by a non-EU AIFM based on national marketing rules.	Marketing may also be performed by a non-EU AIFM based on national marketing rules.



	Supervised Investment Vehicles			
R/	AIF only with authorised AIFM	SCS (AIF)	SCSp (AIF)	
Ар	pproval process			
and the	ne creation, launch, documentation, activities and termination of the RAIF are not subject to e approval of, or any supervision by, the CSSF. The RAIF must be managed by an authorised AIFM.	The creation, launch, documentation, activities and termination of the SCS are not subject to the approval of, or any supervision by, the CSSF. The SCS must be managed by an AIFM, if it qualifies as AIF.	The creation, launch, documentation, activities and termination of the SCSp are not subject to the approval of, or any supervision by, the CSSF. The SCSp must be managed by an AIFM, if it qualifies as AIF.	
Pro	ocess for cross-border distribution in Europe			
reg	ofessional investors: gulator-to-regulator for initial notification d subsequent changes.	Professional investors: regulator-to-regulator for initial notification and subsequent changes.	Professional investors: regulator-to-regulator for initial notification and subsequent changes.	
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Taxation

Regulated Investment Vehicles			
UCITS ("Part I Fund")	Part II Fund with authorised AIFM	SIF with authorised AIFM	SICAR with authorised AIFM
Income tax			
Tax exempt.	Tax exempt.	Tax exempt.	Tax exemption for income and capital gain derived from transferable securities connected with investments in risk bearing capital. Tax exemption for one year for income on cash held for the purpose of a future investment. The remaining income is subject to the ordinary income tax of 24.94 % (Municipal Business Tax + Corporate Income Tax - Luxembourg city 2019).
Withholding tax on dividends and capital gains			
Not subject to withholding tax.	Not subject to withholding tax.	Not subject to withholding tax.	Not subject to withholding tax.
Subscription tax			
 0.05% of NAV, except: 0.01% of NAV for money market funds, cash funds or share-classes of UCIs reserved to one or more institutional investors. Exemption for special institutional money market funds, pension funds, exchange traded funds, microfinance funds and funds investing in other funds already subject to the subscription tax. 	 0.05% of NAV, except: 0.01% of NAV for money market funds, cash funds or share-classes of UCIs reserved to one or more institutional investors. Exemption for special institutional money market funds, pension funds, exchange traded funds, microfinance funds and funds investing in other funds already subject to the subscription tax. 	0.01% of NAV annually. Tax exemption possible for certain money market, microfinance funds and pension funds or SIFs investing in other funds already subject to subscription tax.	No subscription tax.
Net wealth tax			
Tax exempt.	Tax exempt.	Tax exempt.	Only subject to minimum net wealth tax.
Capital duty			
No proportional capital duty.	No proportional capital duty.	No proportional capital duty.	No proportional capital duty.
Value Added tax (VAT)			
VAT exemption on management services.	VAT exemption on management services.	VAT exemption on management services.	VAT exemption on management services.



Supervised Investment Vehicles		
RAIF only with authorised AIFM	SCS with authorised AIFM	SCSp with authorised AIFM
Income tax		
If the RAIF does not invest in a portfolio of risk capital (such as a SICAR): tax exemption on income tax.	Fiscally transparent for corporate income and net wealth tax purposes.	Fiscally transparent for corporate income and net wealth tax purposes.
 If the RAIF invests in a portfolio of risk capital (such as a SICAR): Tax exemption for income and capital gain derived from transferable securities connected with investments in risk bearing capital. Tax exemption for one year for income on cash held for the purpose of a future investment. The remaining income is subject to the ordinary income tax of 24.94 % (Municipal Business Tax + Corporate Income Tax - Luxembourg city 2019). 	Partnerships which qualify as AIFs according to the AIFMD are not subject to Luxembourg municipal business tax as they are not considered as carrying out a commercial activity.	Partnerships which qualify as AIFs according to the AIFMD are not subject to Luxembourg municipal business tax as they are not considered as carrying out a commercial activity.
Withholding tax on dividends and capital gains		
Not subject to withholding tax.	Not subject to withholding tax.	Not subject to withholding tax.
Subscription tax		
If the RAIF does not invest in a portfolio of risk capital (such as a SICAR): • 0.01% of NAV annually. • Tax exemption possible for certain money market, microfinance funds and pension funds or RAIFs investing in other funds already subject to subscription tax.	No subscription tax.	No subscription tax.
If the RAIF invests in a portfolio of risk capital (such as a SICAR): no subscription tax.		
Net wealth tax		
Only subject to minimum net wealth tax if the RAIF does invest in a portfolio of risk capital (such as a SICAR).	Not subject to net wealth tax as considered to be fiscally transparent.	Not subject to net wealth tax as considered to be fiscally transparent.
Capital duty		
No proportional capital duty.	No proportional capital duty.	No proportional capital duty.
Value Added tax (VAT)		
VAT exemption on management services.	VAT exemption on management services.	VAT exemption on management services.



Taxation

Regulated Investment Vehicles			
UCITS ("Part I Fund")	Part II Fund with authorised AIFM	SIF with authorised AIFM	SICAR with authorised AIFM
Double Taxation Treaties (DTT)			
FCP In principle, no access to DTTs. Exceptions apply to a few DTTs, determined based on the Circular Letter L. G. – A. n° 61 dated 8 December 2017. SICAV/SICAF Access for a large number of DTTs, determined based on the Circular Letter L. G. – A. n° 61 dated 8 December 2017.	FCP In principle, no access to DTTs. Exceptions apply to a few DTTs, determined based on the Circular Letter L. G. – A. n° 61 dated 8 December 2017. SICAV/SICAF Access for a large number of DTTs, determined based on the Circular Letter L. G. – A. n° 61 dated 8 December 2017.	FCP In principle, no access to DTTs. Exceptions apply to a few DTTs, determined based on the Circular Letter L. G. – A. n° 61 dated 8 December 2017. SICAV/SICAF Access for a large number of DTTs, determined based on the Circular Letter L. G. – A. n° 61 dated 8 December 2017.	SICAR in the form of a corporate entity (all types except the SCS and SCSp) should benefit from the Luxembourg double tax treaty network.



Supervised Investment Vehicles		
RAIF only with authorised AIFM	SCS with authorised AIFM	SCSp with authorised AIFM
Double Taxation Treaties (DTT)		
A RAIF investing in a portfolio of risk capital (such as a SICAR) and set up in the form of a corporate entity (all types except the SCS and SCSp) should benefit from the Luxembourg double tax treaty network. The following applies to a RAIF not investing in a portfolio of risk capital (such as a SICAR) and set up as a:	No access to DTTs signed by Luxembourg.	No access to DTTs signed by Luxembourg.
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Glossary of terms

ALFI	Association of the Luxembourg Fund Industry)	
Articles	Articles Articles of incorporation of a company / fund	
AIF	Alternative Investment Fund: a collective investment undertaking, including investment compartments thereof, which: a) raise capital from a number of investors, with a view to investing it in accordance with a defined investment policy for the benefit of those investors; and b) do not require authorisation pursuant to Article 5 of Directive 2009/65/EC (the UCITS Directive)	
AIFM	Alternative Investment Fund Manager: legal persons whose regular business is managing one or more AIFs	
AIFMD	Directive 2011/61/EU of the European Parliament and the council of 8 of June 2011 on alternative investment fund managers and amending Directives 2003/41/EC and 2009/65/EC and Regulations (EC) No 1060/2009 and (EU) No 1095/2010	
AIFM Law	Law of 12 July 2013 on Alternative Investment Fund Managers, transposing Directive 2011/61/EU	
Authorised AIFM	Any entities qualifying as an AIFM fall under the authorisation regime and have to be authorised under Chapter 2 of the AIFM Law, unless they can benefit from the registration regime referred to below	
Closed-ended fund	A fund which is not open to redemptions	
Commercial Law	The Law dated 10 August 1915 on commercial companies, as amended	
Constitutive documents	Constitutive documents correspond to the Statuts (Articles of incorporation of a Company for a SA, SCoSA, SCA and Sàrl) or to the Contrat Social (partnership agreement for a SCS and SCSp)	
CSSF	Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier, the Luxembourg financial supervisory authority	
DTT	Double Taxation Treaties	
EPM	Efficient Portfolio Management	

ETF	Exchange-Traded Fund	
ESMA	A European Securities and Markets Authority	
FCP	Fonds Commun de Placement, an unincorporated co- ownership of assets managed by a management company	
IFRS	International Financial Reporting Standards	
IOSCO	International Organisation of Securities Commissions	
Internally-managed (AIF)	AIFs should be deemed internally managed when the management functions are performed by the governing body or any other internal resource of the AIF	
KID	Key Investor Information Document: pre-sale document of two pages, written in plain language	
LuxGAAP	Generally Accepted Accounting Principles applicable to investment funds in Luxembourg	
MMF	Money Market Fund	
NAV	Net Asset Value	
Offer to the public	The meaning of offer to the public within the context of the Prospectus Directive: a communication that is addressed in any form or by any means to individuals and containing sufficient information on the conditions of the offer and on the shares offered, so that the investor is in a position to decide on the purchase or subscription of those shares; this definition also applies to the placement of shares by financial intermediaries	
Open-ended fund	A fund that is open to redemptions	
OTC	Over-The-Counter	
Part I fund	A fund that complies with Part I of the law of 17 December 2010 as amended, also referred to as UCITS (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities)	
Part II fund	A fund that complies with Part II of the law of 17 December 2010 as amended	
Professional Investors	Investors who are considered to be professionals or who on request may be treated as professionals, within the meaning of Annex II to the Directive 2004/39/EC	

Prospectus Directive	Directive 2003/71/EC (amending Directive 2001/34/EC) on the prospectus to be published when securities are offered to the public or admitted to trading, as transposed into Luxembourg law
RAIF law	Law of 23 July 2016 on Reserved Alternative Investment Funds
Registered AIFM	As a derogation from the authorisation regime, entities qualifying as below-threshold AIFMs are subject to the registration regime under article 3(3) of the AIFM law, i.e. AIFMs whose AIFs' assets under management do not in total exceed the following thresholds: (i) EUR 100 million, including assets acquired through use of leverage; (ii) EUR 500 million, when the portfolio of assets managed consists of AIFs that are not leveraged and have no redemption rights exercisable during a period of five years following the date of the initial investment in each AIF
Réviseur d'entreprises agréé	Approved statutory auditor
SA	Société Anonyme (public limited company)
Sàrl	Société à Responsabilité Limitée (private limited company)
SCA	Société en Commandite par Actions (partnership limited by shares)
ScoSA	Société Coopérative organisée comme une Société Anonyme (cooperative company organised as a public limited company)
SCS	Société en Commandite Simple (limited partnership)
SCSp	Société en Commandite Spéciale (limited partnership without legal personality)
SIAG	Investment company which has not designated a management company (i.e. self managed investment company as société d'investissement autogérée)
SICAF	Société d'Investissement à Capital Fixe (investment company with fixed capital)

SICAR	(investment company in risk capital), compliant with the law of 15 June 2004
SICAV	Société d'Investissement à Capital Variable (investment company with variable capital)
SIF	Specialised investment fund, compliant with the law of 13 February 2007, as amended
UCITS	Undertakings for Collective Investments in Transferable Securities
Well-informed investor	A well-informed investor must be one of the following:

CICAD Société d'Investiggement en Capital à Risque

- An institutional investor: Undertakings and organisations that manage a significant number of funds and assets. This concept covers inter alia credit institutions and other financial sector professionals, insurance and re-insurance undertakings, welfare institutions and pension funds, industrial and financial groups and structures put in place by these entities to manage an important amount of funds and assets.
- A professional investor: Any professional investor within the meaning of Annex Il to Directive 2004/39/EC on markets in financial instruments
- An investor who has adhered in writing to the status of well-informed investor and complies with one of the following conditions:
 - invests at least €125,000 in the fund/company
- has expertise that has been confirmed by a banking institution as defined in Directive 2006/48/EC, by an investment firm as defined in Directive 2004/39/EC or by a management company as defined in Directive 2009/65/EC



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