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BNY MELLON INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT ADDS GLOBAL DYNAMIC BOND TO SUSTAINABLE FUND RANGE

LONDON, 26 February 2019 – BNY Mellon Investment Management (IM) today announces the launch of the BNY Mellon Sustainable Global Dynamic Bond Fund (the Fund). Newton Investment Management (Newton IM), an investment specialist of BNY Mellon IM, is appointed to manage the Fund. The new Fund is part of the Dublin-domiciled BNY Mellon Global Funds, plc range.

The BNY Mellon Sustainable Global Dynamic Bond Fund is an actively managed, unconstrained dynamic global fixed income portfolio that exclusively invests in holdings that adhere to Newton IM's sustainability criteria. The Fund will measure its performance against cash (1-month EURIBOR) + 2% per annum over five years before fees¹. It is managed by Paul Brain, Scott Freedman, Martin Chambers, Trevor Holder and Carl Shepherd.

The Fund is the fourth to be launched in Newton IM's sustainable range. It follows the recent launches of the Newton Sustainable Global Equity Fund, Newton Sustainable Real Return Fund and Newton Sustainable Sterling Bond Fund under the UK-domiciled BNY Mellon Investment Funds umbrella fund.

The Fund will seek to deliver positive returns over a typical market cycle, and will follow Newton IM's global thematic approach in seeking to identify areas of potential investment opportunity and risk. It will invest in a broad range of fixed income asset classes, including government bonds, investment-grade corporate bonds, high yield corporate bonds, and emerging-market sovereign debt.

All holdings in the Fund are selected in accordance with Newton IM's proprietary sustainable investment process.

Hilary Lopez, head of European intermediary at BNY Mellon IM, said:

"Our investment specialist Newton Investment Management has had responsible investing at the heart of its approach since its foundation in 1978.

"By encouraging companies to engage in long-term sustainable behaviour, we believe these efforts over time result in better management, which can lead to better outcomes – both for clients in terms of value and for society as a whole."

"The BNY Mellon Sustainable Global Dynamic Bond Fund offers investors access to bonds that meet Newton IM's sustainability criteria for fixed-income investments. The assessment of ESG factors within credit analysis enhances risk mitigation, which is particularly important given the asymmetric nature of bond returns. We are very pleased to be able to offer this important proposition to European investors."

The BNY Mellon Sustainable Global Dynamic Bond Fund is a new Fund in the Dublin-domiciled BNY Mellon Global Funds, plc range. It is registered for distribution in the UK, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Belgium, Austria, Denmark, Switzerland, Norway, Sweden, Finland, The Netherlands and Luxembourg. The Fund is available to intermediaries and institutional investors.

¹ However, a positive return is not guaranteed and a capital loss may occur.

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Newton IM manages £2.6 billion (US\$3.4bn; EUR2.9bn) on a sustainable or ethical basis (as of 31 December 2018).

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With assets under management of £46.714 billion (US\$\$59.5bn) as at 31 December 2018, Newton IM provides investment products and services to a wide range of clients, including pension funds, charities, corporations and (via BNY Mellon) individuals. News and other information about Newton is available at <u>www.newtonim.com</u> and via Twitter: @NewtonIM.

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