

DIMENSIONAL TRUSTS

Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2019

Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust

ARSN 620 814 477

Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust

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for the year ended 30 June 2019

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Directors' Report for the year ended 30 June 2019

The Directors of DFA Australia Limited (ABN 46 065 937 671) the 'Responsible Entity' of the following trusts, which form part of the Dimensional Trusts (collectively the 'Schemes'), present their report together with the Financial Statements of the following Schemes for the year ended 30 June 2019.

Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust

Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust

The Responsible Entity of the Schemes is DFA Australia Limited (the 'Responsible Entity'), a public company incorporated and operating in Australia.

In order to comply with the provisions of the *Corporations Act 2001*, the Directors of the Responsible Entity report as follows:

Directors

The names of the Directors of the Responsible Entity during the year and up to the date of this report (unless otherwise stated) are:

J.G. Crane

M.S. Gilliland (resigned 31 July 2018)

N.A.D. Stewart

S.A. Clark

C.L. Newell

D.P. Butler

B.P. Singh

G.K. O'Reilly

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Principal activities

The Schemes are registered managed investment schemes domiciled in Australia. The principal activity of the Schemes is to invest funds in accordance with the investment objectives and guidelines. Set out in the Schemes' current Product Disclosure Statement and in accordance with the provisions of their Constitutions. The following are summaries of the investment objectives of the Schemes:

Scheme Name	Investment Objective	Principal Investments
Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust	The investment objective of the Scheme is to provide long term capital growth by gaining exposure to a diversified portfolio of securities listed in Australia with increased emphasis on higher expected return securities, and adjusted to take into account certain environmental and sustainability impact and social considerations.	The Scheme is managed to invest in a diversified market-wide portfolio of Australian listed securities. Eligible securities for the strategy include securities of companies and Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) and REIT-like entities listed in Australia. The portfolio emphasises investment in securities with a higher expected return considering the overall market, company size, relative price and profitability, and adjusted to take into account certain environmental and sustainability impact and social considerations.
Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust	The Scheme is managed to invest in a broadly diversified portfolio of eligible intermediate term domestic and global fixed interest and money market securities. Within portfolio constraints, including controls on portfolio maturity, security maturity, credit quality and diversification, and adjusted to take into account certain environmental and sustainability impact and social considerations, the objective of the Scheme is to maximise the return of the portfolio.	The Scheme is managed to invest in a diverse portfolio of Investment Grade corporate and government fixed interest securities, with a maximum maturity of 15 years from the date of settlement. Two classes of units are offered to all investors: AUD class units that are denominated in Australian dollars and NZD class units that are denominated in New Zealand dollars. Dimensional aims to hedge all foreign currency exposure to the Australian dollar (for the AUD class units) or the New Zealand dollar (for the NZD class units).

The Schemes had no employees during the year.

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Review and results of operations

The results of the operations of the Schemes and the total amount distributed to unitholders are presented below. For details of distributions paid during the year, refer to Note 9 to the Financial Statements.

	Year Ended 2019	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust Period Ended 2018
Operating profit/(loss) (\$'000)	2,278	–
Distributions paid and payable (\$'000)	239	–
Distributions paid and payable (cents per unit)	14.49	–

	Year Ended 2019	AUD Class Period Ended 2018	Year Ended 2019	Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust NZD Class Period Ended 2018
Operating profit/(loss) (\$'000)	2,726	112	4,718	(696)
Distributions paid and payable (\$'000)	3,054	17	3,784	–
Distributions paid and payable (cents per unit)	73.53	3.74	90.80	–

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Matters subsequent to the end of the financial year

There has not been any matter or circumstance, other than that referred to in the Financial Statements or Notes thereof, that has arisen since the end of the financial year that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect:

- (i) the operations of the Schemes in future financial years, or
- (ii) the results of those operations in future financial years, or
- (iii) the state of affairs of the Schemes in future financial years.

Significant changes in the State of affairs

In the opinion of the Directors, there were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Schemes that occurred during the financial year.

Likely developments and expected results of operations

The Schemes will continue to be managed in accordance with the investment objectives and guidelines as prescribed in the governing documents of the Schemes and in accordance with the provisions of the Schemes' Constitutions.

The results of the Schemes' operations will be affected by a number of factors, including the performance of investment markets in which the Schemes invest. Investment performance is not guaranteed and future returns may differ from past returns. As investment conditions change over time, past returns should not be used to predict future returns.

Further information on likely developments in the operations of the Schemes and the expected results of those operations has not been included in this report because the Responsible Entity believes it would likely result in unreasonable prejudice to the Schemes.

Options granted

No options were:

- (i) granted over unissued units in the Schemes during or since the end of the financial year; or
- (ii) granted to the Responsible Entity.

No unissued units in the Schemes were under option as at the date on which this report is made.

No units were issued in the Schemes during or since the end of the financial year as a result of the exercise of an option over unissued units in the Schemes.

Indemnification and insurance of officers and auditor

No insurance premiums are paid for out of the assets of the Schemes in regards to insurance cover provided to either the officers of the Responsible Entity or the auditor of the Schemes. So long as the officers of the Responsible Entity act in accordance with the Schemes' Constitutions and the Law, the officers remain indemnified out of the assets of the Schemes against losses incurred while acting on behalf of the Schemes. The auditor of the Schemes is in no way indemnified out of the assets of the Schemes.

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Fees paid to and interests in the Schemes by the Responsible Entity

Fees paid to the Responsible Entity and its associates out of the Schemes' property during the year are disclosed in the Statements of Comprehensive Income and in Note 11(e) to the Financial Statements.

No fees were paid out of the Schemes' property to the directors of the Responsible Entity during the year. The number of units in the Schemes held by the Responsible Entity or its associates as at the end of the financial year are disclosed in Note 11(d) to the Financial Statements.

The number of interests in the Schemes issued during the financial year, withdrawals from the Schemes during the financial year, and the number of interests in the Schemes at the end of the financial year are disclosed in Note 7 to the Financial Statements.

The value of the Schemes' assets as at the end of the financial year are disclosed in the Statement of Financial Position as "Total Assets" and the basis of valuation is included in Note 2 to the Financial Statements.

Auditor's independence declaration

A copy of the Auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* is set out on page 7.

Environmental regulation

The operations of the Schemes are not subject to any particular or significant environmental regulations under either Commonwealth, State or Territory law.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors of the Responsible Entity made pursuant to section 298(2) of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Rounding of amounts to the nearest thousand dollars

Amounts in the Directors' report have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars in accordance with *ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191*, unless otherwise indicated.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors of the Responsible Entity made pursuant to section 298(2) of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

On behalf of the Directors,



J.G. Crane

Director



N.A.D Stewart

Director

Sydney, 17 September 2019

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Auditor's Independence Declaration



Auditor's Independence Declaration

As lead auditor for the audit of Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust and Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust for the year ended 30 June 2019, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- (a) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit; and
- (b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Ashley Wood'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

A S Wood
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Statements of Comprehensive Income for the year ended 30 June 2019

		Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust		Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust	
		Year Ended	Period	Year Ended	Period
	Note	30 June 2019	15 August 2017	30 June 2019	15 August 2017
		\$'000	to 30 June 2018	\$'000	to 30 June 2018
			\$'000		\$'000
Investment income					
Interest income from financial assets at amortised cost		2	–	12	3
Interest income from financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		–	–	1,500	106
Dividend and distribution income		335	–	–	–
Net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	6	1,979	–	6,156	(676)
Other income		–	–	–	–
Total net investment income/(loss)		2,316	–	7,668	(567)
Expenses					
Management fees	11(e)	28	–	224	17
Brokerage fees		10	–	–	–
Other expenses		–	–	–	–
Total operating expenses		38	–	224	17
Operating profit/(loss)		2,278	–	7,444	(584)
Finance costs attributable to unitholders					
Distributions to unitholders	9	–	–	6,838	17
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unitholders	7	–	–	606	(601)
Profit/(loss) for the year		2,278	–	–	–
Other comprehensive income		–	–	–	–
Total comprehensive income for the year		–	–	–	–

The above Statements of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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Statements of Financial Position as at 30 June 2019

	Note	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust		Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust	
		30 June 2019 \$'000	As at 30 June 2018 \$'000	30 June 2019 \$'000	As at 30 June 2018 \$'000
Assets					
Cash and cash equivalents		167	–	1,043	597
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	3	30,935	–	97,897	29,818
Receivables		332	–	5,456	1
Total assets		31,434	–	104,396	30,416
Liabilities					
Payables		342	–	6,801	363
Distributions payable	9	143	–	4,905	17
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	4	–	–	591	703
Total liabilities		485	–	12,297	1,083
Net assets attributable to unitholders – liability	7	–	–	92,099	29,333
Net assets attributable to unitholders – equity	7	30,949	–	–	–

The above Statements of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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Statements of Changes in Equity for the year ended 30 June 2019

	Note	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust		Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust	
		Year Ended 30 June 2019 \$'000	Period 15 August 2017 to 30 June 2018 \$'000	Year Ended 30 June 2019 \$'000	Period 15 August 2017 to 30 June 2018 \$'000
Total equity at the beginning of the financial year		-	-	-	-
Comprehensive income for the year					
Profit/(loss) for the year		2,278	-	-	-
Other comprehensive income		-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income		2,278	-	-	-
Transactions with unitholders	7				
Applications		29,346	-	-	-
Redemptions		(439)	-	-	-
Units issued upon reinvestment of distributions		3	-	-	-
Distributions paid and payable	9	(239)	-	-	-
Total transactions with unitholders		28,671	-	-	-
Total equity at the end of the financial year		30,949	-	-	-

The above Statements of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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Statements of Cash Flows for the year ended 30 June 2019

	Note	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust		Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust	
		Year Ended 30 June 2019 \$'000	Period 15 August 2017 to 30 June 2018 \$'000	Year Ended 30 June 2019 \$'000	Period 15 August 2017 to 30 June 2018 \$'000
Cash flows from operating activities					
Proceeds from sale of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss		386	–	11,031	429
Purchase of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss		(29,017)	–	(78,287)	(29,618)
Dividend and distributions received		234	–	–	–
Interest received		2	–	998	(139)
Expenses paid		(21)	–	(211)	(10)
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	10(a)	(28,416)	–	(66,469)	(29,338)
Cash flows from financing activities					
Proceeds from applications by unitholders		29,116	–	72,929	29,943
Payments for redemptions by unitholders		(439)	–	(4,144)	(8)
Distributions paid		(94)	–	(1,874)	–
Net cash provided by/(used in) financing activities		28,583	–	66,911	29,935
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		167	–	442	597
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		–	–	597	–
Effects of foreign currency exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		–	–	4	–
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		167	–	1,043	597

The above Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2019

1. General information

These Financial Statements present the following schemes (the 'Schemes') as individual entities;

Scheme Name	Date of Constitution	Date of Commencement	Date of Activation	Date of Termination
Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust	15 August 2017	4 December 2018	4 December 2018	4 December 2098
Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust	15 August 2017	12 April 2018	12 April 2018	12 April 2098

The Schemes are registered managed investment schemes domiciled in Australia. The Schemes may be terminated prior to termination date in accordance with the provisions of the Schemes' Constitutions.

The Responsible Entity of the Schemes is DFA Australia Limited (the 'Responsible Entity'), a public company incorporated and operating in Australia.

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The Financial Statements are presented in the Australian currency.

The Financial Statements were authorised for issue by the Directors of the Responsible Entity on 11 September 2019. The Directors of the Responsible Entity have the power to amend and reissue the Financial Statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2019

2. Summary of significant accounting policies

Financial reporting framework

These general-purpose Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board, and the Corporations Act 2001 in Australia.

The Schemes are for-profit entities for the purpose of preparing the Financial Statements.

(a) Basis of preparation

The Schemes are of the kind referred to in ASIC Corporations (Related Scheme Reports) Instrument 2015/839 dated 18 September 2015 issued by ASIC. In accordance with that Instrument, Schemes with a common Responsible Entity can include the Financial Statements in adjacent columns in a single financial report.

The Financial Statements are prepared on the basis of fair value measurement of assets and liabilities except where otherwise stated.

The Statements of Financial Position are presented on a liquidity basis. Assets and liabilities are presented in decreasing order of liquidity and do not distinguish between current and non-current. All balances are expected to be recovered or settled within 12 months, except for financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and net assets attributable to unitholders. The amount expected to be recovered or settled within 12 months after the end of each reporting period cannot be reliably determined.

The following significant accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation and presentation of the Financial Statements and have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated below:

(i) Compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards

The Financial Statements of the Schemes also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

(ii) New and amended standards adopted by the Schemes

- (i) AASB 9 *Financial Instruments* became effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2018. AASB 9 addresses the classification, measurement and derecognition of financial assets and liabilities and replaces the multiple classification measurement and "incurred loss" models in AASB 139 with 'expected credit loss' (ECL) models.

Classification and measurement of debt securities is driven by the entity's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets whilst derivative and equity instruments are measured at fair value through profit or loss unless, for equity instruments not held for trading, an irrevocable option is taken to measure at fair value through other comprehensive income.

The adoption of AASB 9 did not result in a change to the classification or measurement of financial instruments in either the current or prior periods. The Schemes' investment portfolios continue to be classified as fair value through profit or loss and other financial assets which are held for collection continue to be measured at amortised cost. The Schemes do not apply hedge accounting.

AASB 9 has been applied retrospectively by the Schemes without the use of hindsight. The adoption of AASB 9 has not had a material effect on the Schemes' accounting policies related to financial liabilities and derivative financial instruments in either the current or prior periods. The Schemes have elected to restate the comparative period presented to comply with AASB 9. The Schemes' investment portfolio continues to be classified as fair value through profit or loss and other financial assets which are held for collection continue to be measured at amortised cost.

- (ii) AASB 15 *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* became effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018 and replaced AASB 118 *Revenue* and related interpretations. The adoption of this standard did not have a material impact on the Schemes' main sources of interest income, dividends and gains on financial instruments on the basis that these revenue sources are all outside the scope of the new standard.

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2. Summary of significant accounting policies (*continued*)

(a) Basis of preparation (*continued*)

There are no other standards, interpretations or amendments to existing standards that are effective for the first time for the financial year commencing on or after 1 July 2018 that have a material impact on the amounts recognised in the prior periods or the current or future periods.

(iii) New standards, amendments and interpretations not yet adopted

AASB 16 *Leases* became effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019. AASB 16 *Leases* amends the accounting for leases. Lessees will be required to bring all leases on the Statements of Financial Position as the distinction between operating and finance leases has been eliminated. Lessor accounting remains largely unchanged.

Initial application is not expected to result in any material impact for the Schemes on the basis that the Schemes do not hold any operating or finance leases contracts.

A number of other new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 January 2019, and have not been early adopted in preparing these Financial Statements. None of these are expected to have a material effect on the Financial Statements of the Schemes.

(b) Financial assets and liabilities

(i) Classification

Financial assets

The Schemes classify financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- those to be measured subsequently at fair value through profit or loss; and
- those to be measured at amortised cost.

The Schemes classify their investments based on their business model for managing those financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets. The Schemes' portfolio of financial assets are managed and their performance are evaluated on a fair value basis in accordance with the Schemes' documented investment strategy. The Schemes' policy is for the Responsible Entity to evaluate the information about these financial assets on a fair value basis together with other related financial information.

For equity securities and derivatives, the contractual cash flows of these instruments do not represent solely payments of principal and interest. Consequently, these investments are measured at fair value through profit or loss.

Investments in financial assets previously designated at fair value through profit or loss

The Schemes hold equity securities and derivatives which had previously been designated at fair value through profit or loss. On adoption of AASB 9, these interest securities are now mandatorily classified as fair value through profit or loss.

Financial liabilities

The Schemes invest in derivative financial instruments such as futures and warrants. These derivative financial instruments that have a negative fair value are presented as liabilities at fair value through profit or loss.

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2. Summary of significant accounting policies (*continued*)

(b) Financial assets and liabilities (*continued*)

(ii) Recognition/derecognition

The Schemes recognise financial assets and financial liabilities on the date they become party to the contractual agreement (trade date) and recognise changes in the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities from this date.

Investments are derecognised when the right to receive cash flows from the investments have expired or have been transferred and the Schemes have transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership.

(iii) Measurement

At initial recognition, the Schemes measure financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value. Transaction costs of financial assets and financial liabilities carried at fair value through profit or loss are expensed in the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

Subsequent to initial recognition, all financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value. Gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss category are presented in the Statements of Comprehensive Income within 'net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss' in the period in which they arise. The following represent the basis of valuation for financial reporting purposes:

- (i) Securities that are listed or traded on an exchange are fair valued based on quoted 'last' prices on long securities.
- (ii) Securities which are not listed on a securities exchange or are thinly traded are valued using quotes from brokers. Investments in unlisted unit trusts are valued at the redemption price as established by the underlying trust's responsible entity.
- (iii) In the absence of quoted values or brokers' representative prices, securities are valued using appropriate valuation techniques as reasonably determined by the Responsible Entity.

The Responsible Entity has determined that the Schemes are an investment entity under AASB 10 as they meet all criteria and characteristics of an investment entity.

(iv) Impairment

At each reporting date, the Schemes shall measure the loss allowance on financial assets at amortised cost at an amount equal to the lifetime expected credit losses if the credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition. If, at the reporting date, the credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition, the Schemes shall measure the loss allowance at an amount equal to 12-month expected credit losses. Significant financial difficulties of the counter party, probability that the counter party will enter bankruptcy or financial reorganisation, and default in payments are all considered indicators that a loss allowance may be required. If the credit risk increases to the point that it is considered to be credit impaired, interest income will be calculated based on the gross carrying amount adjusted for the loss allowance. A significant increase in credit risk is defined by management as any contractual payment which is more than 30 days past due. Any contractual payment which is more than 90 days past due is considered credit impaired.

The ECL approach is based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Scheme expects to receive. The shortfall is then discounted at an approximation to the asset's original effective interest rate.

Financial assets measured at amortised cost are measured initially at fair value plus transaction costs and subsequently amortised using the effective interest rate method, less impairment losses if any. Such assets are reviewed at the end of each reporting period to determine whether there is objective evidence of impairment.

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2. Summary of significant accounting policies (*continued*)

(b) Financial assets and liabilities (*continued*)

(iv) Impairment (*continued*)

If evidence of impairment exists, an impairment loss is recognised in the Statements of Comprehensive Income as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the original effective interest rate.

If in a subsequent period the amount of an impairment loss recognised on a financial asset carried at amortised cost decreases and the decrease can be linked objectively to an event occurring after the write-down, the write-down is reversed through the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

(c) Offsetting financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the Statements of Financial Position when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. Refer to Note 5 to the Financial Statements for further information.

(d) Net assets attributable to unitholders

Units are redeemable at the unitholders' option, however, applications and redemptions may be suspended by the Responsible Entity if it is in the best interests of the unitholders.

The units can be put back to the Schemes at any time for cash based on the redemption price, which is equal to a proportionate share of the Schemes' net asset value attributable to the unitholders.

The units are carried at the redemption amount that is payable at balance sheet date if the holder exercises the right to put the unit back to the Schemes. This amount represents the expected cash flows on redemption of these units.

Units are classified as equity when they satisfy the following criteria under AASB 132 *Financial Instruments: Presentation*:

- the puttable financial instrument entitles the holder to a pro-rata share of net assets in the event of the Schemes' liquidation
- the puttable financial instrument is in the class of instruments that is subordinate to all other classes of instruments and class features are identical
- the puttable financial instrument does not include any contractual obligations to deliver cash or another financial asset, or to exchange financial instruments with another entity under potentially unfavourable conditions to the Schemes, and it is not a contract settled in the Schemes' own equity instruments; and
- the total expected cash flows attributable to the puttable financial instrument over the life are based substantially on the profit or loss.

The Australian Sustainability Trust satisfies the above conditions. However, since the Global Bond Sustainability Trust has multiple classes of units where the features are not identical, it does not satisfy all of the above conditions and thus the units are classified as financial liabilities.

(e) Investment income

Interest income is recognised in the Statements of Comprehensive Income for all financial instruments that are at amortised cost on a time-proportionate basis using the effective interest method.

Interest income on financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss is included in the net gains/(losses) on financial instruments. Other changes in fair value for such instruments are recorded in accordance with the policies described in Note 2(b) to the Financial Statements.

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2. Summary of significant accounting policies (*continued*)

(e) Investment income (*continued*)

Dividend income is recognised on the ex-dividend date inclusive of any related foreign withholding tax.

Trust distributions are recognised on an entitlements basis.

(f) Expenses

All expenses, including Responsible Entity fees, brokerage fees and custodian fees, are recognised in the Statements of Comprehensive Income on an accruals basis.

(g) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of presentation in the Statements of Cash Flows, cash and cash equivalents include deposits at call which are readily convertible to cash on hand and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and bank overdrafts. Overdrafts are presented as liabilities in the Statements of Financial Position.

(h) Income tax

Under current legislation, the Schemes are not subject to income tax provided they attribute the entirety of their taxable income to their unitholders.

The benefits of imputation credits and foreign tax paid are passed on to unitholders. The Schemes currently incurs withholding tax imposed by certain countries on investment income. Such income is recorded net of withholding tax in the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

(i) Distributions

Distributions are payable as set out in the Schemes' Constitutions and offering documents, at the end of September, December, March and June each year for all Schemes.

Distributions in the current period are recognised in the Statements of Comprehensive Income as finance costs attributable to unitholders with the exception of Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust which is recognised in the Statement of Changes in Equity.

(j) Increase/decrease in net assets attributable to unitholders

Income not distributed is included in net assets attributable to unitholders. Where the Schemes' units are classified as liabilities, movements in net assets attributable to unitholders are recognised in the Statements of Comprehensive Income as finance costs.

(k) Due from/to brokers

Amounts due from/to brokers represent receivables for securities sold and payables for securities purchased that have been contracted for but not yet delivered by the end of the year. Trades are recorded on trade date, and for equities normally settled within three business days. A provision for impairment of amounts due from brokers is established when there is objective evidence that the Schemes will not be able to collect all amounts due from the relevant broker. Indicators that the amount due from brokers is impaired include significant financial difficulties of the broker, probability that the broker will enter bankruptcy or financial reorganisation and default in payments.

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2. Summary of significant accounting policies (*continued*)

(l) Receivables

Receivables may include amounts for dividends, trust distributions, interest and securities sold where settlement has not yet occurred. Dividends and trust distributions are accrued when the right to receive payment is established. Interest is accrued at the end of each reporting period from the time of last payment. Amounts are generally received within 30 days of being recorded as receivables.

(m) Payables

Payables represent liabilities and accrued expenses for amounts owing by the Schemes at year end which are unpaid. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition. Trades are recorded on trade date and normally settled within three business days. Purchases of securities and investments that are unsettled at reporting date are included in payables. The distributions payable to unitholders as at the end of each reporting period are recognised separately in the Statements of Financial Position, where these amounts remain unpaid as at the end of the reporting period.

(n) Applications and redemptions

Applications received for units in the Schemes are recorded net of any Transaction Cost Allowance payable before the issue of units in the Schemes. Redemptions from the Schemes are recorded gross of any Transaction Cost Allowance payable after the cancellation of units redeemed. Unit redemption prices are determined by reference to the net assets of the Schemes, divided by the number of units on issue at or immediately before close of business each day less any Transaction Cost Allowance.

(o) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

The GST incurred on the cost of various services provided to the Responsible Entity by third parties, such as audit fees, custodial fees and other expenses of the Schemes have been passed on to the Schemes. The Schemes qualify for Reduced Input Tax Credits (RITCs) on certain fees and expenses, which have been recognised in the Statements of Comprehensive Income net of the amount of GST recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Accounts payable are inclusive of GST. The net amount of GST recoverable from the ATO is included in receivables in the Statements of Financial Position. Cash flows related to GST are included in the Statements of Cash Flows on a gross basis.

(p) Foreign currency transactions and translation

(i) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the Schemes' Financial Statements are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which they operate (the 'functional currency'). This is the Australian dollar, reflecting the currency of the economy in which the Schemes compete for funds and are regulated. The Australian dollar is also the Schemes' presentation currency.

(ii) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translations at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

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2. Summary of significant accounting policies (*continued*)

(p) Foreign currency transactions and translation (*continued*)

Non-monetary items that are measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when fair value was determined. Translation differences on assets and liabilities carried at fair value are reported in the Statements of Comprehensive Income on a net basis within net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss.

(q) Use of estimates

The Schemes make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year. Estimates are continually evaluated and based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable in the circumstances.

Quoted market prices are readily available for most of the Schemes' financial instruments. However, certain financial instruments, for example, over-the-counter derivatives or unquoted securities, are fair valued using valuation techniques. Where valuation techniques (for example, pricing models) are used to determine fair values, they are validated and periodically reviewed by experienced personnel of the Responsible Entity, independent of the area that created them.

Models use observable data, to the extent practicable. However, areas such as credit risk (both own and counterparty), volatilities and correlations require management to make estimates. Changes in assumptions about these factors could affect the reported fair value of financial instruments.

For certain other financial instruments, including amounts due from/to brokers and payables, the carrying amounts approximate fair value due to the short-term nature of these financial instruments.

(r) Rounding of amounts

The Schemes are an entity of a kind referred to in *ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191* relating to the "rounding off" of amounts in the Financial Statements. Amounts in the Financial Statements have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise indicated.

(s) Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets, other than those at fair value through profit or loss, are assessed for indicators of impairment at the end of the reporting period. Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset the estimated future cash flows of the investment have been impacted. For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the amount of the impairment is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate.

The carrying amount of the financial asset is reduced by the impairment loss directly for all financial assets with the exception of trade receivables, where the carrying amount is reduced through the use of an allowance account. When a trade receivable is uncollectable, it is written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against the allowance account. Changes in the carrying amount of the allowance account are recognised in profit or loss.

If, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is reversed through profit or loss to the extent the carrying amount of the investment at the date of the impairment does not exceed what the amortised cost would have been had the impairment not been recognised.

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3. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust		Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust	
	30 June 2019 \$'000	30 June 2018 \$'000	30 June 2019 \$'000	30 June 2018 \$'000
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss				
Forward currency contracts	-	-	860	140
Listed equities	27,247	-	-	-
Listed unit trust	3,688	-	-	-
Interest securities	-	-	97,037	29,678
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	30,935	-	97,897	29,818

The Schemes' investments in equity and interest securities were previously designated at fair value through profit or loss and derivatives were held for trading. On adoption of AASB 9, all above instruments are mandatorily classified as fair value through profit or loss.

An overview of the risk exposures relating to financial assets at fair value through profit or loss is included in Note 12.

The Schemes have entered into a securities lending arrangement with Citigroup. In accordance with the terms of the securities lending arrangement, the securities lent continue to be disclosed in the Statements of Financial Position of the Schemes, while the respective collateral received from counterparties is not included in the Statements of Financial Position.

The value of securities lent to the counterparty and the respective collateral received are presented in the following table:

	Fair value		Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust Collateral value	
	30 June 2019 \$'000	30 June 2018 \$'000	30 June 2019 \$'000	30 June 2018 \$'000
	1,198	-	1,262	-

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4. Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust		Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust	
	30 June 2019 \$'000	30 June 2018 \$'000	30 June 2019 \$'000	30 June 2018 \$'000
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss				
Forward currency contracts	-	-	591	703
Total financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	-	-	591	703

The Schemes' investments in derivatives were previously held for trading. On adoption of AASB 9, all above investments are mandatorily classified as fair value through profit or loss.

An overview of the risk exposures relating to financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss is included in Note 12.

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5. Offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the Statement of Financial Position when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. The gross and net positions of financial assets and liabilities that have been offset in the Statement of Financial Position are disclosed in the first three columns of the tables below.

Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust					
Financial assets	Gross amounts of financial assets	Gross amounts set off in the balance sheet	Net amount of financial assets presented in the balance sheet	Amounts subject to master netting arrangements	Net amount
2019	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Derivative financial instruments	860	–	860	(144)	716
Total	860	–	860	(144)	716
2018					
Derivative financial instruments	140	–	140	(47)	93
Total	140	–	140	(47)	93

Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust					
Financial liabilities	Gross amounts of financial liabilities	Gross amounts set off in the balance sheet	Net amount of financial liabilities presented in the balance sheet	Amounts subject to master netting arrangements	Net amount
2019	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Derivative financial instruments	591	–	591	(144)	447
Total	591	–	591	(144)	447
2018					
Derivative financial instruments	703	–	703	(47)	656
Total	703	–	703	(47)	656

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6. Net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss

Net gains/(losses) recognised in relation to financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss:

	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust		Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust	
	30 June 2019 \$'000	30 June 2018 \$'000	30 June 2019 \$'000	30 June 2018 \$'000
Financial assets				
Net gain/(loss) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	1,979	–	13,519	887
Total net gain/(loss) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	1,979	–	13,519	887
Financial liabilities				
Net gain/(loss) on financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	–	–	(7,363)	(1,563)
Net gain/(loss) on financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	–	–	(7,363)	(1,563)
Total net gain/(loss) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	1,979	–	6,156	(676)

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7. Net assets attributable to unitholders

Under AASB 132 *Financial instruments: Presentation*, puttable financial instruments are classified as equity where certain strict criteria are met. The Australian Sustainability Trust classifies the net assets attributable to unitholders as equity as it satisfies all the criteria.

However, since the Global Bond Sustainability Trust has multiple classes of units where the features are not identical, it does not satisfy all of the conditions and thus the units are classified as financial liabilities.

Movements in the number of units and net assets attributable to unitholders during the year/period are presented as follows:

	30 June 2019	30 June 2018	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust	
	Units'000	Units'000	30 June 2019 \$'000	30 June 2018 \$'000
Opening balance	-	-	-	-
Applications	2,754	-	29,346	-
Redemptions	(42)	-	(439)	-
Units issued upon reinvestment of distributions	-	-	3	-
Distribution paid and payable	-	-	(239)	-
Profit/(loss) for the year	-	-	2,278	-
Closing balance	2,712	-	30,949	-

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7. Net assets attributable to unitholders (continued)

	AUD Class				Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust NZD Class			
	30 June 2019	30 June 2018	30 June 2019	30 June 2018	30 June 2019	30 June 2018	30 June 2019	30 June 2018
	Units'000	Units'000	\$'000	\$'000	Units'000	Units'000	\$'000	\$'000
Opening balance	459	–	4,250	–	2,694	–	25,083	–
Applications	4,676	459	47,605	4,580	2,641	2,695	25,391	25,361
Redemptions	(217)	–	(2,207)	–	(874)	(1)	(8,705)	(7)
Units issued upon reinvestment of distributions	6	–	56	–	2	–	20	–
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unitholders	–	–	403	(330)	–	–	203	(271)
Closing balance	4,924	459	50,107	4,250	4,463	2,694	41,992	25,083
New Zealand Dollar equivalent (NZD\$)							43,872	27,373

As stipulated in the Schemes' Constitutions, each unit represents a right to an individual share of the net asset value of the Schemes (based on the market value of the portfolio of investments of the Schemes) and does not extend to a right to the underlying assets of the Schemes. Capital risk management is included in Note 12.

8. Auditor's remuneration

	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust		Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust	
	Year Ended 30 June 2019	Period Ended 15 August 2017 to 30 June 2018	Year Ended 30 June 2019	Period Ended 15 August 2017 to 30 June 2018
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Auditing the financial report	4,635	1,600	4,635	4,500
Other non-audit services	3,871	–	13,499	5,988
Total auditor's remuneration	8,506	1,600	18,134	10,488

The auditor of the Schemes is PricewaterhouseCoopers.

The auditor's remuneration for auditing Financial Statements and other non-audit services was paid by the Responsible Entity. Other non-audit services include taxation services.

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9. Distributions payable

	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust			
	30 June 2019	30 June 2018	30 June 2019	30 June 2018
	\$'000	\$'000	c/unit	c/unit
Opening balance	-	-	-	-
Additional provisions for distributions recognised	239	-	14.49	-
Reductions arising from payments:				
June	-	-	-	-
September	-	-	-	-
December	-	-	-	-
March	(96)	-	(9.22)	-
Closing balance as at 30 June	143	-	5.27	-

	Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust							
	AUD Class				NZD Class			
	30 June 2019	30 June 2018	30 June 2019	30 June 2018	30 June 2019	30 June 2018	30 June 2019	30 June 2018
\$'000	\$'000	c/unit	c/unit	\$'000	\$'000	c/unit	c/unit	
Opening balance	17	-	3.74	-	-	-	-	-
Additional provisions for distributions recognised	3,054	17	73.53	3.74	3,784	-	90.80	-
Reductions arising from payments:								
June	(17)	-	(3.74)	-	-	-	-	-
September	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
December	(177)	-	(6.95)	-	(250)	-	(7.51)	-
March	(707)	-	(22.51)	-	(799)	-	(22.00)	-
Closing balance as at 30 June	2,170	17	44.07	3.74	2,735	-	61.29	-

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10. Cash and cash equivalents

(a) Reconciliation of profit/(loss) to net cash inflows/(outflows) from operating activities

	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust		Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust	
	Year Ended 30 June 2019	Period Ended 30 June 2018	Year Ended 30 June 2019	Period Ended 30 June 2018
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Operating profit/(loss)	2,278	–	7,444	(584)
Proceeds from sale of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	386	–	11,031	429
Purchase of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	(29,017)	–	(78,287)	(29,618)
Net (gains)/losses on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	(1,979)	–	(6,156)	676
Change in:				
Receivables	(101)	–	(522)	(249)
Creditors and accruals	17	–	21	8
Net cash provided by operating activities	(28,416)	–	(66,469)	(29,338)

(b) Non-cash financing and investing activities

Income distributions that were reinvested by unitholders during the year for additional units in the Schemes are presented below:

	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust		Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust	
	Year Ended 30 June 2019	Period Ended 30 June 2018	Year Ended 30 June 2019	Period Ended 30 June 2018
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Distributions reinvestments	3	–	76	–

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11. Related party transactions

(a) Responsible Entity and Investment Manager

The Responsible Entity of the Schemes is DFA Australia Limited (ABN 46 065 937 671). DFA Australia Limited is a subsidiary of Dimensional Fund Advisors LP (incorporated in the United States of America).

DFA Australia Limited also acts as the Investment Manager of the Schemes.

(b) Key management personnel

The names of each person considered to be key management personnel of the Responsible Entity at any time during the financial year were:

B.P. Singh	M.S. Gilliland (resigned 31 July 2018)	J.G. Crane	N.A.D. Stewart
C.L. Newell	S.A. Clark	D.P. Butler	G.K. O'Reilly

(c) Key management personnel compensation

No payments were made from the Schemes directly to the key management personnel of the Responsible Entity. Key management personnel are paid by the Responsible Entity.

(d) Related party unitholdings

The below related party unitholdings include units held by individuals and entities associated with key management personnel, DFA Australia Limited and other Dimensional Trusts.

	Fair Value		Holding		Acquired		Disposals		Distribution paid and payable		Number of units held	
	2019 \$	2018 \$	2019 %	2018 %	2019 Units	2018 Units	2019 Units	2018 Units	2019 \$	2018 \$	2019 Units	2018 Units
Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust	926,370	–	3.00	–	80,892	–	(10)	–	9,024	–	80,882	–
Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust	2,016,395	2,027,987	2.09	6.83	18,089	202,819	(29,331)	(20)	105,651	3,744	191,558	202,799

Apart from those details disclosed in this note, no key management personnel have entered into a contract with the Schemes during the financial year and there were no material contracts involving key management personnel's interests existing at year end.

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11. Related party transactions (continued)

(e) Transactions with related parties

Under the terms of the Schemes' Constitution, the Responsible Entity is entitled to a management fee of up to 1% per annum (2018: 1% per annum) of the net asset value of the Schemes. The Responsible Entity has however agreed to be paid management fees as set out below and as disclosed in the current Product Disclosure Statements.

Fees are accrued daily and payable on a monthly basis. Management fees are separately disclosed in the Statements of Comprehensive Income.

Scheme Name	Management Fees' 30 June 2019 %	Management Fees' 30 June 2018 %
Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust	0.345	0.345
Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust	0.390	0.390

1. Rates are inclusive of GST.

The Responsible Entity has the right to increase management fees up to the limit set out in the Schemes' Constitutions, and to remove or vary the management fees.

The management fees paid/payable for the year ended between the Schemes and the Responsible Entity are presented below:

	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust		Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust	
	Year Ended 30 June 2019 \$	Period Ended 30 June 2018 \$	Year Ended 30 June 2019 \$	Period Ended 30 June 2018 \$
Management fees for the year earned by the Responsible Entity	28,355	–	224,329	16,617
Aggregate amounts payable to the Responsible Entity at the end of the reporting period	7,935	–	31,440	8,369

(f) Investments in related parties

The Schemes did not hold any investment in DFA Australia Limited, its affiliates, or any other scheme managed by DFA Australia Limited or its parent entity during the period. No guarantees were provided or received for any related party transactions or balances.

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12. Financial risk management

(a) Significant accounting policies

Details of significant accounting policies and methods adopted, including the criteria for recognition, the basis of measurement and the basis on which revenues and expenses are recognised, in respect of each class of financial asset and financial liability are disclosed in Note 2 to the Financial Statements.

(b) Financial risk management objectives

The Schemes are exposed to a variety of financial risks as a result of their activities. These include market risk (including foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk and price risk), credit risk, liquidity risk and cash flow interest rate risk. The Schemes' risk management and investment policies, approved by the Responsible Entity, seek to minimise potential adverse effects of these risks on the Schemes' financial performance. These policies may include the use of certain financial derivative instruments.

The Responsible Entity manages the financial risks relating to the operations of the Schemes in accordance with the Schemes' Constitutions and Product Disclosure Statements.

The Schemes do not enter into or trade derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes. The use of financial derivatives is governed by the Schemes' investment policies, which provide written principles on the use of financial derivatives. These principles permit the use of derivatives to change the Schemes' exposure to particular assets. Derivatives are not used to gear the Schemes and the Schemes' effective market exposure will not exceed their market value. Compliance with policies and exposure limits is reviewed by the Responsible Entity on a continuous basis.

(c) Capital risk management

The Schemes consider their net assets attributable to unitholders as capital. The amount of net assets attributable to unitholders can change significantly on a daily basis as the Schemes are subject to daily applications and redemptions.

The Responsible Entity manages cash levels to ensure there are sufficient cash resources to meet unitholder redemptions.

The Schemes have no restrictions or specific capital requirements for the application and redemption of units. The Schemes' overall investment strategy remains unchanged from the previous year.

(d) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the value of the Schemes' investment portfolio will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices. This risk is managed by ensuring that all activities are transacted in accordance with mandates, overall investment strategies and within approved limits. Market-risk analysis is conducted regularly on a total portfolio basis, which includes the effect of derivatives.

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12. Financial risk management (*continued*)

(d) Market risk (*continued*)

Derivative financial instruments

In the normal course of business the Schemes may enter into transactions in various derivative financial instruments which have certain risks. A derivative is a financial instrument or other contract which is settled at a future date the value of which changes in response to the change in a specified interest rate, financial instrument price, commodity price, foreign exchange rate, index of prices or rates, credit rating or credit index or other variable.

Derivative financial instruments require no initial net investment or an initial net investment that is smaller than would be required for other types of contracts that would be expected to have a similar response to changes in market factors.

Derivative transactions include many different instruments such as forwards, futures and options. Derivatives are considered to be part of the investment process and the use of derivatives is an essential part of the Schemes' portfolio management. Derivatives are not managed in isolation. Consequently, the use of derivatives is multifaceted and includes:

- > hedging to protect an asset or liability of the Schemes against a fluctuation in market values or to reduce volatility;
- > a substitution for trading of physical securities; and
- > adjusting asset exposures within the parameters set in the investment strategy, and adjusting the duration of fixed-interest portfolios or the weighted average maturity of cash portfolios.

Derivatives are not used to gear (leverage) a portfolio. Gearing a portfolio would occur if the level of exposure to the markets exceeded the underlying value of the Schemes.

The Schemes hold the following derivative instruments:

Forward currency contracts

Forward currency contracts are mainly used by the Schemes to hedge against foreign currency exchange rate risks on their non-Australian dollar denominated investments designated at fair value through profit or loss. The Schemes agree to receive or deliver a fixed quantity of foreign currency for an agreed price on an agreed future date. Forward currency contracts are valued at the prevailing last price at the end of each reporting period. The Schemes recognise a gain or loss equal to the change in fair value at the end of each reporting period.

Foreign exchange risk

A scheme that invests in financial denominated currencies other than the Australian dollar is exposed to foreign exchange risk. Foreign exchange risk arises as the income and value of monetary securities denominated in other currencies will fluctuate due to changes in exchange rates.

Derivative financial instruments are used within the Schemes to manage foreign exchange risk as described above.

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12. Financial risk management (continued)

(d) Market risk (continued)

Foreign exchange risk (continued)

The following tables detail the international investments in Australian dollar equivalents by currency exposure and the amounts that are economically hedged using forward foreign currency contracts, as at the end of each reporting period. At 30 June 2019, had the exchange rate of all the currencies increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, the impact on the net assets attributable to unitholders would have been as reflected in the table below.

	Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust						
	US Dollar	Canadian Dollar	European Euro	British Pound	New Zealand Dollar*	Other	Total
30 June 2019	\$A'000	\$A'000	\$A'000	\$A'000	\$A'000	\$A'000	\$A'000
Gross investment amounts in foreign currency	34,261	2,897	32,106	13,832	558	8,623	92,277
Increase/(decrease) in foreign currency exposure	(34,552)	(2,990)	(32,055)	(13,816)	44,985	(8,620)	(47,048)
Total foreign currency exposure	(291)	(93)	51	16	45,543	3	45,229
Net foreign currency exposure	(291)	(93)	51	16	45,543	3	45,229
Foreign currency exposure (+/-10%)	(29)	(9)	5	2	4,554	–	4,523

	Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust						
	US Dollar	Canadian Dollar	European Euro	British Pound	New Zealand Dollar*	Other	Total
30 June 2018	\$A'000	\$A'000	\$A'000	\$A'000	\$A'000	\$A'000	\$A'000
Gross investment amounts in foreign currency	10,161	849	10,328	4,177	(362)	2,884	28,037
Increase/(decrease) in foreign currency exposure	(10,455)	(847)	(10,297)	(4,158)	24,693	(2,892)	(3,956)
Total foreign currency exposure	(294)	2	31	19	24,331	(8)	24,081
Net foreign currency exposure	(294)	2	31	19	24,331	(8)	24,081
Foreign currency exposure (+/-10%)	(29)	–	3	2	2,433	(1)	2,408

*The residual New Zealand dollars exposure relates to the NZD Class Units.

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12. Financial risk management (*continued*)

(d) Market risk (*continued*)

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that a financial asset's value will fluctuate as a result of changes in market interest rates. Interest rate risk is managed as part of the overall investment strategy of the Schemes.

The following tables detail the Schemes' exposure to interest rate risk as at 30 June 2019 and 30 June 2018.

	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust		
	Floating interest rate	Non-interest bearing	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
30 June 2019			
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	167	–	167
Receivables	–	332	332
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	–	30,935	30,935
Total assets	167	31,267	31,434
Liabilities			
Payables	–	(342)	(342)
Distributions payable	–	(143)	(143)
Total liabilities	–	(485)	(485)
Net assets	167	30,782	30,949

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12. Financial risk management (continued)

(d) Market risk (continued)

Interest rate risk (continued)

		Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust		
		Floating Interest rate	Non-interest bearing	Total
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
30 June 2018				
Assets				
	Cash and cash equivalents	-	-	-
	Receivables	-	-	-
	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	-	-	-
	Total assets	-	-	-
Liabilities				
	Payables	-	-	-
	Distributions payable	-	-	-
	Total liabilities	-	-	-
	Net assets	-	-	-
		Change in variable		Effect on profit/net assets attributable to unitholders
	30 June 2019	30 June 2018	30 June 2019	30 June 2018
	+/-%	+/- %	\$'000	\$'000
	Interest rate risk	1.00	2	-

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12. Financial risk management (*continued*)

(d) Market risk (*continued*)

30 June 2019	Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust					
	Floating Interest Rate	Non-interest Bearing	Less than 1 year	Fixed interest maturing in or repriced at:		Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	1 to 5 years	Greater than 5 years	\$'000
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	1,043	-	-	-	-	1,043
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	-	860	135	8,151	88,751	97,897
Receivables	-	5,456	-	-	-	5,456
Total assets	1,043	6,316	135	8,151	88,751	104,396
Liabilities						
Payables	-	(6,801)	-	-	-	(6,801)
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	-	(591)	-	-	-	(591)
Distributions payable	-	(4,905)	-	-	-	(4,905)
Total liabilities	-	(12,297)	-	-	-	(12,297)
Net assets	1,043	(5,981)	135	8,151	88,751	92,099

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12. Financial risk management (continued)

(d) Market risk (continued)

30 June 2018	Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust Fixed interest maturing in or repriced at:					
	Floating Interest Rate \$'000	Non-interest Bearing \$'000	Less than 1 year \$'000	1 to 5 years \$'000	Greater than 5 years \$'000	Total \$'000
Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	597	–	–	–	–	597
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	–	140	2	2,921	26,755	29,818
Receivables	–	1	–	–	–	1
Total assets	597	141	2	2,921	26,755	30,416
Liabilities						
Payables	–	(363)	–	–	–	(363)
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	–	(703)	–	–	–	(703)
Distributions payable	–	(17)	–	–	–	(17)
Total liabilities	–	(1,083)	–	–	–	(1,083)
Net assets	597	(942)	2	2,921	26,755	29,333

	Change in variable		Effect on profit/net assets attributable to unitholders	
	30 June 2019 +/-%	30 June 2018 +/- %	30 June 2019 \$'000	30 June 2018 \$'000
Interest rate risk	1.00	1.00	960	291

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12. Financial risk management (continued)

(d) Market risk (continued)

Price risk

Price risk is the risk that the total value of investments will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices, whether caused by factors specific to an individual investment, its issuer, or all factors affecting all instruments traded in the market. The Schemes have investments in equities, fixed interest and discount securities which expose it to price risk. The Responsible Entity manages the Schemes' market risk on a daily basis in accordance with the Schemes' investment objectives and policies.

As the majority of the Schemes' financial instruments are carried at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in the Statements of Comprehensive Income, all changes in market conditions will directly affect investment income.

The following table details the effect on profit attributable to unitholders and net assets attributable to unitholders from possible changes in other market risk that were reasonably possible based on the risk the Schemes were exposed to at the reporting date:

	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust				Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust			
	Change in variable		Effect on profit attributable to unitholders		Change in variable		Effect on profit attributable to unitholders	
	30 June 2019 +/-%	30 June 2018 +/-%	30 June 2019 \$'000	30 June 2018 \$'000	30 June 2019 +/-%	30 June 2018 +/-%	30 June 2019 \$'000	30 June 2018 \$'000
Equity price risk								
Australia	10.00	10.00	3,079	–	10.00	10.00	545	110
Asia Pacific (excluding Australia)	10.00	10.00	–	–	10.00	10.00	214	37
USA and Canada	10.00	10.00	–	–	10.00	10.00	4,695	1,310
Continental Europe	10.00	10.00	11	–	10.00	10.00	2,933	1,051
United Kingdom	10.00	10.00	–	–	10.00	10.00	556	250
Other	10.00	10.00	4	–	10.00	10.00	787	154

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12. Financial risk management (continued)

(e) Credit Risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the Schemes. The Schemes have adopted the policy of only dealing with creditworthy counterparties and obtaining sufficient collateral or other security where appropriate, and ensuring that the majority of transactions are undertaken on recognised markets, as a means of mitigating the risk of financial loss from default. The Schemes measure credit risk on a fair value basis.

The Schemes are also exposed to counterparty credit risk on derivative financial instruments, cash and cash equivalents, amounts due from brokers and other receivables. The Schemes have no significant credit risk exposure to any single counterparty or counterparties having similar characteristics. All transactions in listed securities are settled/paid for upon delivery using approved brokers. The risk of default is considered low, as delivery of securities sold is only made once the broker has received payment. Payment is made once securities purchased have been received by the broker. The trade will fail if either party fails to meet its obligations.

The exposure to credit risk for cash and cash equivalents is low as all counterparties have a rating of AA or higher. The exposure to credit risk in relation to other financial assets, such as equity securities and exchange traded derivatives, is reflected in the price of the assets and therefore, subject to price risk. The maximum exposure to credit risk at the end of each reporting period is the carrying amount of the financial assets. None of these assets are impaired nor past due but not impaired as at 30 June 2019. Refer to Summary of Significant Accounting Policies Note 2(b)(iv).

Debt securities

The Schemes invest in debt securities which have an investment grade categorisation as rated by Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC. For unrated assets a rating is assigned by the Responsible Entity using an approach that is consistent with the approach used by rating agencies. All debt securities must have an investment rating of BBB or higher as determined by Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC. An analysis of debt by rating is presented in the following table.

	30 June 2019	Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust 30 June 2018
	\$'000	\$'000
Fixed interest securities and money markets		
AAA	17,683	5,469
AA+	11,160	3,587
AA	16,317	5,303
AA-	8,644	3,444
A+	9,147	3,074
A	6,407	1,828
A-	7,306	1,623
BBB+	9,736	2,652
BBB	7,492	2,027
BBB-	3,145	671
Total	97,037	29,678

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12. Financial risk management (*continued*)

(f) Net fair value

The carrying amount of financial assets and financial liabilities recorded in the Financial Statements represents their respective net fair values, determined in accordance with Note 2 to the Financial Statements.

The Schemes have no significant holdings of investments which are not readily traded on original markets in standardised form or for which prices are not publicly available.

(g) Liquidity and cash flow risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Schemes will experience difficulty in either realising assets or otherwise raising sufficient funds to satisfy commitments associated with financial instruments. This risk is controlled through the Schemes' investments in financial instruments which under normal market conditions are readily convertible to cash. In addition, the Schemes maintain cash and cash equivalents to meet normal operating requirements.

Cash flow risk is the risk that the future cash flows derived from holding financial instruments will fluctuate.

The risk management guidelines adopted are designed to minimise liquidity and cash flow risk through:

- > ensuring there is no significant exposure to illiquid or thinly traded financial instruments; and
- > applying limits to ensure there is no concentration of liquidity risk to a particular counterparty or market.

(i) Maturity analysis of financial liabilities

The following tables analyses the Schemes' non-derivative financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at balance sheet date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows. Units are redeemed on demand at the unitholder's option. However, the Board of Directors does not envisage that the contractual maturity disclosed in the table below will be representative of the actual cash flows, as holders of these instruments typically retain them for the medium to long term.

	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust			
	Due on demand	Due within 3 months	Due after 3 months	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
30 June 2019				
Payables	–	342	–	342
Distributions payable	–	143	–	143
Net assets attributable to unitholders	30,949	–	–	30,949
Contractual cash flows (excluding derivatives)	30,949	485	–	31,434

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12. Financial risk management (continued)

(g) Liquidity and cash flow risk (continued)

	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust			
	Due on demand	Due within 3 months	Due after 3 months	Total
30 June 2018	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Payables	-	-	-	-
Distributions payable	-	-	-	-
Net assets attributable to unitholders	-	-	-	-
Contractual cash flows (excluding derivatives)	-	-	-	-

	Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust			
	Due on demand	Due within 3 months	Due after 3 months	Total
30 June 2019	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Payables	-	6,801	-	6,801
Distributions payable	-	4,905	-	4,905
Financial liabilities – Net settled derivatives	-	591	-	591
Net assets attributable to unitholders	92,099	-	-	92,099
Contractual cash flows (excluding derivatives)	92,099	12,297	-	104,396

	Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust			
	Due on demand	Due within 3 months	Due after 3 months	Total
30 June 2018	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Payables	-	363	-	363
Distributions payable	-	17	-	17
Financial liabilities – Net settled derivatives	-	703	-	703
Net assets attributable to unitholders	29,333	-	-	29,333
Contractual cash flows (excluding derivatives)	29,333	1,083	-	30,416

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12. Financial risk management (*continued*)

(h) Fair value measurement

The Schemes measure and recognise the following assets and liabilities at fair value on a recurring basis:

- Financial assets/liabilities at fair value through profit or loss; and
- Derivative financial instruments

The Schemes have no assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis in the current reporting period.

AASB 13 requires disclosure of fair value measurements by level of the following fair value hierarchy:

- quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1).
- inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices) (Level 2); and
- inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs) (Level 3).

(i) Fair value in an active market (Level 1)

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities traded in active markets is based on their quoted market prices at the end of the reporting period without any deduction for estimated future selling costs.

The Schemes value their investments in accordance with the accounting policies set out in Note 2 to the Financial Statements. For the majority of their investments, the Schemes rely on information provided by independent pricing services for the valuation of their investments.

The quoted market price used for financial assets and financial liabilities held by the Schemes is last price. When the Schemes hold derivatives with offsetting market risks, it uses last market prices as a basis for establishing fair values for the offsetting risk positions and the net open position.

A financial instrument is regarded as quoted in an active market if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis.

(ii) Fair value in an inactive or unquoted market (Level 2 and Level 3)

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities that are not traded in an active market is determined using valuation techniques. These include the use of recent arm's length market transactions, reference to the current fair value of a substantially similar other instrument, discounted cash flow techniques, option pricing models or any other valuation technique that provides a reliable estimate of prices obtained in actual market transactions.

Where discounted cash flow techniques are used, estimated future cash flows are based on management's best estimates and the discount rate used is a market rate at the end of the reporting period applicable for an instrument with similar terms and conditions.

For other pricing models, inputs are based on market data at the end of the reporting period. Fair values for unquoted equity investments are estimated, if possible, using applicable price/earnings ratios for similar listed companies adjusted to reflect the specific circumstances of the issuer.

The fair value of derivatives that are not exchange traded is estimated at the amount that the Schemes would receive or pay to terminate the contract at the end of the reporting period taking into account current market conditions (volatility and appropriate yield curve) and the current creditworthiness of the counterparties. The fair value of a forward contract is determined as a net present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at appropriate market rates as at the valuation date. The fair value of an option contract is determined by applying the Black-Scholes option valuation model.

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12. Financial risk management (continued)

(h) Fair value measurement (continued)

(ii) Fair value in an inactive or unquoted market (Level 2 and Level 3) (continued)

Investments in other unlisted unit trusts are recorded at the redemption value per unit as reported by the investment managers of such funds.

Some of the inputs to these models may not be market observable and are therefore estimated based on assumptions.

The output of a model is always an estimate or approximation of a value that cannot be determined with certainty, and valuation techniques employed may not fully reflect all factors relevant to the positions the Schemes hold. Valuations are therefore adjusted, where appropriate, to allow for additional factors including liquidity risk and counterparty risk.

The following tables present the Schemes' financial assets and liabilities (by class) measured at fair value according to the fair value hierarchy at 30 June 2019 and 30 June 2018.

	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust				Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust			
	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
30 June 2019								
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss								
Derivatives								
Forward currency contracts	-	-	-	-	-	860	-	860
Equity securities	27,247	-	-	27,247	-	-	-	-
Listed unit trusts	3,688	-	-	3,688	-	-	-	-
Debt securities								
Interest securities	-	-	-	-	-	97,037	-	97,037
Total	30,935	-	-	30,935	-	97,897	-	97,897
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss								
Derivatives								
Forward currency contracts	-	-	-	-	-	591	-	591
Total	-	-	-	-	-	591	-	591

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12. Financial risk management (continued)

(h) Fair value measurement (continued)

(ii) Fair value in an inactive or unquoted market (Level 2 and Level 3) (continued)

	Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust				Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust			
	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
30 June 2018								
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss								
Derivatives								
Forward currency contracts	–	–	–	–	–	140	–	140
Debt securities								
Interest securities	–	–	–	–	–	29,678	–	29,678
Total	–	–	–	–	–	29,818	–	29,818
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss								
Derivatives								
Forward currency contracts	–	–	–	–	–	703	–	703
Total	–	–	–	–	–	703	–	703

Investments, whose values are based on quoted market prices in active markets, and therefore classified within Level 1, include equities and fixed interest securities.

Financial instruments that trade in markets that are not considered to be active but are valued based on quoted market prices, dealer quotations or alternative pricing sources supported by observable inputs are classified within Level 2. These include investment-grade corporate bonds, floating rate notes, mortgage certificates and public sector bonds and certain unlisted unit trusts, warrants and active unlisted unit trusts. As Level 2 investments include positions that are not traded in active markets and/or are subject to transfer restrictions, valuation may be adjusted to reflect illiquidity and/or non-transferability, which are generally based on available market information.

Investments classified within Level 3 have significant unobservable inputs, as they are infrequently traded. Level 3 instruments include corporate debt securities and certain floating rate notes. As observable prices are not available for these securities, the Responsible Entity has used valuation techniques to derive fair value.

The Schemes did not hold any Level 3 securities during the year ended 30 June 2019 (30 June 2018: Nil). The Schemes have no assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis in the current year.

(i) Transfers between levels

There have been no material transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 for the year ended 30 June 2019 (30 June 2018: Nil).

The carrying value of receivables and payables are assumed to approximate their fair values.

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13. Structured entities

A structured entity is an entity in which voting or similar rights are not the dominant factors in deciding control. The nature and extent of the Schemes' interests in structured entities are summarised in Note 3 'Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss' and Note 11 'Related party transactions' where appropriate. The total size of the structured entities that the Schemes have exposure to is their net assets, which is determined based on the percentage interest held and carrying value disclosed in Note 11 'Related party transactions'.

The Schemes have exposure to unconsolidated structured entities through their trading activities. These Schemes typically have no other involvement with the structured entity other than the securities they hold as part of trading activities and their maximum exposure to loss is restricted to the carrying value of the asset. Exposures to trading assets are managed in accordance with financial risk management practices as set out in Note 12.

14. Contingent assets and liabilities and commitments

The Schemes did not have any contingent assets, liabilities or commitments as at 30 June 2019 (30 June 2018: nil).

15. Subsequent events

No significant events have occurred since the end of the reporting period which would impact on the financial position of the Schemes disclosed in the Statements of Financial Position as at 30 June 2019 or on the results and cash flows of the Schemes for the year ended on that date.

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Directors' Declaration for the year ended 30 June 2019

The Financial Statements and notes thereto of the following Schemes have been prepared by the DFA Australia Limited (the Responsible Entity) in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust

Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust

In the opinion of the Directors of the Responsible Entity:

- (a) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Schemes will be able to pay their debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- (b) the attached Financial Statements and Notes thereto of the Schemes are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
 - (i) complying with Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
 - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the Schemes' financial positions as at 30 June 2019 and of their performance for the financial year ended on that date.
- (c) the Financial Statements also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board as disclosed in Note 2.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors of the Responsible Entity made pursuant to section 295(5) of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

On behalf of the Directors,



J.G. Crane

Director



N.A.D. Stewart

Director

Sydney, 17 September 2019

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Unitholders of Dimensional Trust



Independent auditor's report

To the unitholders of Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust and Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust

Our opinion

In our opinion:

The accompanying financial report of Dimensional Australian Sustainability Trust and Dimensional Global Bond Sustainability Trust (the Registered Schemes) is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the Registered Schemes' financial positions as at 30 June 2019 and of their financial performance for the year then ended
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

What we have audited

The financial report comprises:

- the Statements of Financial Position as at 30 June 2019
- the Statements of Comprehensive Income for the year then ended
- the Statements of Changes in Equity for the year then ended
- the Statements of Cash Flows for the year then ended
- the Notes to the Financial Statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies
- the Directors of the Responsible Entity's declaration.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report* section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence

We are independent of the Registered Schemes in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Unitholders of Dimensional Trust



Other information

The directors of DFA Australia Limited (the "Responsible Entity") are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2019, including the Directors' Report for the year ended 30 June 2019, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed on the other information that we obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the directors of the Responsible Entity for the financial report

The directors of the Responsible Entity of the Registered Schemes are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors of the Responsible Entity determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the directors of the Responsible Entity are responsible for assessing the ability of the Registered Schemes to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors of the Responsible Entity either intends to liquidate the Registered Schemes or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Unitholders of Dimensional Trust



A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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