



J. SAFRA SARASIN



Funding your retirement

J. Safra Sarasin Pension Foundations

The three-pillar pension system



In Switzerland, the three-pillar pension system provides the basis for planning your personal finances and future security in retirement.

1st pillar

The goal of the state pension system (OASI/DI) is to meet the subsistence needs of pensioners, the disabled and surviving dependants.

2nd pillar

The occupational pension system (LPP), which is based on Art. 111 of the Swiss Federal Constitution, is commonly referred to as «the Pension Fund». It is intended to supplement the benefits from the first pillar (OASI/DI) so as to allow pensioners, surviving dependants and disabled persons to maintain their accustomed standard of living.

3rd pillar

This closes possible pension gaps left by the first and second pillars. The individual's standard of living can be protected against risks using this flexible, individual and voluntary scheme of provision. It can also be used to achieve financial objectives.

Our **Vested Benefits Foundation** allows you to invest your pension savings at attractive rates of return and also arrange a term assurance policy tailored to your individual needs.

With the **Pillar 3a Foundation**, Bank J. Safra Sarasin Ltd offers you a versatile solution which allows you not only to save flexibly, but also to invest profitably for your retirement. At the same time you can save tax and take out competitively priced life and disability insurance if required.

Further information can be found in our leaflets

- Investment savings
- Term assurance
- Naming beneficiaries

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J. Safra Sarasin Vested Benefits Foundation

Preserve your existing pension entitlements under the 2nd pillar

What will happen to my pension savings if I change jobs and don't need the whole amount to buy into the new pension fund? How will my pension entitlements be affected if I become self-employed, if I plan to spend a long period abroad, or if I am a working parent and would like to reduce my working hours or stop working altogether for a certain period of time? The ideal solution in all these situations is to open an account with the J. Safra Sarasin Vested Benefits Foundation. This account preserves your existing pension entitlements – and if you would like to optimise the return on your pension assets further still, the Vested Benefits Foundation will help you actively manage your investments.

J. Safra Sarasin Pillar 3a Foundation

Creating income for the future, at the same time saving tax

Would you like to enjoy a care-free retirement? With the private pension scheme you can safeguard your future income and at the same time significantly reduce your tax bill:

- Payments into your pension account are fully tax-deductible.
- No capital gains tax is payable on the pension assets.
- Until benefits are paid out, you do not have to pay income or withholding tax on any proceeds earned.

The tax advantages easily outweigh the modest amount of tax due when benefits are paid out.

The advantages of a J. Safra Sarasin Vested Benefits Account and a J. Safra Sarasin Pillar 3a Account

- You can invest in the LPP-compliant funds of the J. Safra Sarasin Investment Foundation. The available strategies allow you to participate in broadly diversified portfolios investing in top-quality shares and bonds. Over the long term, such investments achieve significantly higher returns than pure savings interest. Your assets will therefore grow faster.
- You can invest your capital in a pension scheme within the 2nd pillar at any time.

- You have free access to your assets upon retirement, or if you buy your own home, pay off an existing mortgage, become disabled, take up self-employment or change to a different sector within or leave Switzerland for good (see the Swiss-EU Agreement on the Free Movement of Persons).
- Until benefits are paid out, you do not have to declare your pension savings for tax (with moderate taxation on pay-out).
- You can take out life and disability insurance with a policy precisely tailored to your individual needs.
- Subject to the relevant legal requirements, you can name beneficiaries who will receive the assets in the event of your death. In that case, the whole of the capital will be paid to the surviving persons named by you.
- You can maintain flexibility upon the withdrawal of your pension assets by keeping two accounts.

Our competent and experienced professionals are here to help you

Is your goal to achieve financial security in retirement? As a client of the Pension Foundations you will attain your objectives more quickly. We do not simply «administer» your pension savings: Our experienced investment experts always use their skills to your advantage and with a view to your success. Don't forget that even a very small difference in returns over many years can have a huge impact on the rate at which your capital grows.

