# FRANKLIN TEMPLETO VARIABLE INSURANCE PRODUCTS TRUST

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## FRANKLIN RISING DIVIDENDS VIP FUND

#### **Investment Goal**

Long-term capital appreciation. Preservation of capital, while not a goal, is also an important consideration.

## Fees and Expenses of the Fund

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the Fund. The table and the example do not include any fees or sales charges imposed by variable insurance contracts, qualified retirement plans or funds of funds. If they were included, your costs would be higher.

Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)

	Class 1	Class 2	Class 4
Management fees	0.64%	0.64%	0.64%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees	None	0.25%	0.35%
Other expenses <sup>1</sup>	0.01%	0.01%	0.01%
Acquired fund fees and expenses	0.01%	0.01%	0.01%
Total annual Fund operating expenses <sup>2</sup>	0.66%	0.91%	1.01%

Healthcare Companies The activities of healthcare companies may be funded or subsidized by federal and state governments. If government funding and subsidies are reduced or discontinued, the profitability of these companies could be adversely affected. Healthcare companies may

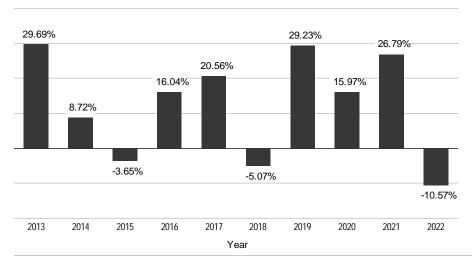
#### Performance

The following bar chart and table provide some indication of the risks of investing in the Fund. The bar chart shows changes in the Fund's performance from year to year for Class 2 shares. The table shows how the Fund's average annual returns for 1 year, 5 years, 10 years or since inception, as applicable, compare with those of a broad measure of market performance. The Fund's past

performance is not necessarily an indication of how the Fund will perform in the future.

Performance reflects all Fund expenses but does not include any fees or sales charges imposed by variable insurance contracts, qualified plans or funds of funds. If they had been included, the returns shown below would be lower. Investors should consult the variable insurance contract prospectus, or the disclosure documents for qualified plans or funds of funds for more information.

Class 2 Annual Total Returns



Best Quarter:	2020, Q2	19.84%
Worst Quarter:	2020, Q1	-20.60%

As of March 31, 2023, the Fund's year-to-date return was 3.70%.

Average Annual Total Returns For periods ended December 31, 2022

### **Investment Manager**

Franklin Advisers, Inc. (Advisers)

### Portfolio Managers

Nicholas P. B. Getaz, CFA

Portfolio Manager of Advisers and portfolio manager of the Fund since 2014.

Matthew D. Quinlan

Senior Vice President of Advisers and portfolio manager of the Fund since 2019.

Amritha Kasturirangan, CFA

Portfolio Manager of Advisers and portfolio manager of the Fund since 2019.

Navan Sheth, CFA

Portfolio Manager of Advisers and portfolio manager of the Fund since 2019.

### Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

Shares of the Fund are sold to insurance companies' separate accounts (Insurers) to fund variable annuity or variable life insurance contracts and to qualified plans. Insurance companies offer variable annuity and variable life insurance products through separate accounts. Shares of the Fund may also be sold to other mutual funds, either as underlying funds in a fund of funds or in other structures. In addition, Fund shares are held by a limited number of Insurers, qualified retirement plans and, when applicable, funds of funds. Substantial withdrawals by one or more Insurers, qualified retirement plans or funds of funds could reduce Fund assets, causing total Fund expenses to become higher than the numbers shown in the fees and expenses table above.

The terms of the offering of interests in separate accounts are included in the variable annuity or variable life insurance product prospectus. The terms of offerings of funds of funds are included in those funds' prospectuses. The terms of offering of qualified retirement plans are described in their disclosure documents. Investors should consult the variable contract prospectus, fund of fund prospectus, or plan disclosure documents for more information on fees and expenses imposed by variable insurance contracts, funds of funds or qualified retirement plans, respectively.

#### **Taxes**

Because shares of the Fund are generally purchased through variable annuity contracts or variable life insurance contracts, the Fund's distributions (which the Fund expects, based on its investment goals and strategies to consist of

ordinary income, capital gains or some combination of both) will be exempt from current taxation if left to accumulate within the variable contract. You should refer to your contract prospectus for more information on these tax consequences.

## Payments to Sponsoring Insurance Companies and Other Financial Intermediaries

The Fund or its distributor (and related companies) may pay broker/dealers or other financial intermediaries (such as banks and insurance companies, or their related companies) for the sale and retention of variable contracts which offer Fund shares and/or for other services. These payments may create a conflict of interest for an intermediary or be a factor in the insurance company's decision to include the Fund as an investment option in its variable contract. For more information, ask your insurance company or financial advisor, visit your insurance company's or intermediary's website, or consult the Contract prospectus or this Fund prospectus.



## FRANKLIN TEMPLETON VARIABLE INSURANCE PRODUCTS TRUS

#### Overview

Franklin Templeton Variable Insurance Products Trust (the Trust) currently consists of multiple series (Funds), offering a wide variety of investment choices. Funds may be available in multiple classes: Class 1, Class 2, Class 4 and Class 5. The classes are identical except that Class 2, Class 4 and Class 5 each has a distribution plan (see "Share Classes" under Fund Account Information). The Funds are not offered to the public; they are offered and sold only to: (1) insurance company separate accounts to serve as the underlying investment vehicle for variable contracts; (2) certain qualified plans; and (3) other funds of funds.

#### **Investment Considerations**

- x The following give a general sense of the level of fund assets associated with a particular investment or strategy: "small portion" (less than 10%); "portion" (10% to 25%); "significant" (25% to 50%); "substantial" (50% to 66%); "primary" (66% to 80%); and "predominant" (80% or more). The percentages are not limitations unless specifically stated as such in this prospectus or in the Trust's Statement of Additional Information (SAI).
- federally insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Federal Reserve Board, or any other agency of the U.S. government. Fund shares involve investment risks, including the possible loss of principal.
- x Because you could lose money by investing in a Fund, take the time to read each Fund description and consider all risks before investing.

#### Risks

x Fund shares are not deposits or obligations of, or guaranteed or endorsed by, any bank, and are not

#### Additional Information

More detailed information about each Fund, its investment policies, and its particular risks can be found in the SAI.

### **Investment Management**

The Funds' investment managers and their affiliates manage as of February 28, 2023, \$1.42 trillion in assets, and have been in the investment management business since 1947.



## FRANKLIN RISING DIVIDENDS VIP FUND

#### Investment Goal

The Fund's investment goal is long-term capital appreciation. Preservation of capital, while not a goal, is also an important consideration.

Principal Investment Policies and Practices

Under normal market conditions, the Fund invests at least 80% of its net assets in equity securities of financially sound companies that have paid consistently rising dividends. Shareholders will be given at least 60 days' advance notice of any change to this 80% policy. The Fund invests predominantly in equity securities, mostly common stocks. Companies that have paid consistently rising dividends include those companies that currently pay dividends on their common stocks and have maintained or increased their dividend rate during the last four consecutive years. Under normal market conditions, the Fund invests at least 65% of its net assets in securities of companies that have:

- x consistently increased dividends in at least 8 out of the last 10 years and have not decreased dividends during that time;
- x increased dividends substantially (at least 100%) over the last 10 years;
- reinvested earnings, paying out less than 65% of current earnings in dividends (except for utility companies); and
- x either long-term debt that is no more than 50% of total capitalization (except for utility companies) or senior debt that has been rated investment grade by at least one of the major bond rating organizations.

In addition to the criteria above, the investment manager utilizes a comprehensive suite of valuation tools in seeking investments which trade below the investment manager's view of intrinsic value.

The Fund typically invests the rest of its assets in equity securities of companies that pay dividends but do not meet all of these criteria. Although the investment manager searches for investments that it believes to meet the criteria

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commodity options, or swaps markets. The CFTC has neither reviewed nor approved the investment manager's reliance on these exclusions, or the Fund, its investment strategies or this prospectus.

#### Temporary Investments

When the investment manager believes market or economic conditions are unfavorable for investors, the investment manager may invest up to 100% of the Fund's assets in a temporary defensive manner by holding all or a substantial portion of its assets in cash, cash equivalents or other high quality short-term investments. Temporary defensive investments generally may include short-term U.S. government securities, high grade commercial paper, bank obligations, repurchase agreements, money market fund shares (including shares of an affiliated money market fund), and other money market instruments. The investment manager also may invest in these types of securities or hold cash while looking for suitable investment opportunities to maintain liquidity. In these circumstances, the Fund may be unable to achieve its investment goal.

#### Principal Risks

#### Market

The market values of securities or other investments owned by the Fund will go up or down, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably. The Fund's investments may decline in value due to factors affecting individual issuers (such as the results of supply and demand), or sectors within the securities markets. The value of a security or other investment also may go up or down due to general market conditions that are not specifically related to a particular issuer, such as real or perceived adverse economic conditions, changes in interest rates or exchange rates, or adverse investor sentiment generally. Furthermore, events involving limited liquidity, defaults, non-performance or other adverse developments that affect one industry, such as the financial services industry, or concerns or rumors about any events of these kinds, have in the past and may in the future lead to market-wide liquidity problems, may spread to other industries, and could negatively affect the value and liquidity of the Fund's investments. In addition, unexpected events and their aftermaths, such as the spread of diseases: natural, environmental or man-made disasters; financial, political or social disruptions; terrorism and war; and other

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Trading practices. Brokerage commissions, withholding taxes, custodial fees, and other fees generally are higher in foreign markets. The policies and procedures followed by foreign stock exchanges, currency markets, trading systems and brokers may differ from those applicable in the United States, with possibly negative consequences to the Fund. The procedures and rules governing foreign trading, settlement and custody (holding of the Fund's assets) also may result in losses or delays in payment, delivery or

puts limitations on the Fund's ability to plan for or respond to a cyber attack. Like other funds and business enterprises, the Fund, the investment manager, and their service providers are subject to the risk of cyber incidents occurring from time to time.

More detailed information about the Fund and its policies and risks can be found in the Fund's SAI.

#### Management

Franklin Advisers, Inc. (Advisers), One Franklin Parkway, San Mateo, California 94403-1906, is the Fund's investment manager.

The Fund is managed by a team of dedicated professionals focused on investments that have paid rising dividends. The portfolio managers of the Fund are as follows:

Nicholas P.B. Getaz, CFA Portfolio Manager of Advisers Mr. Getaz has been a portfolio manager of the Fund since 2014 and assumed the duties of co-lead portfolio manager in 2019. He joined Franklin Templeton in 2011.

Matthew D. Quinlan Senior Vice President of Advisers Mr. Quinlan has been co-lead portfolio manager of the Fund since 2019. He joined Franklin Templeton in 2005.

Amritha Kasturirangan, CFA Portfolio Manager of Advisers

Ms. Kasturirangan has been portfolio manager of the Fund since 2019. She joined Franklin Templeton in 2009.

Nayan Sheth, CFA Portfolio Manager of Advisers

Mr. Sheth has been a portfolio manager of the Fund since 2019. He joined Franklin Templeton in 2014.

As co-lead portfolio managers of the Fund, Messrs. Getaz and Quinlan are jointly and primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund's portfolio. They have equal authority over all aspects of the Fund's investment portfolio, including, but not limited to, purchases and sales of individual securities, portfolio risk assessment, and the management of daily cash balances in accordance with anticipated investment management requirements. The degree to which each portfolio manager may perform these functions, and the nature of these functions, may change from time to time. Ms. Kasturirangan and Mr. Sheth provide research and advice on the purchases and sales of individual securities, and portfolio risk assessments.

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The Fund's SAI provides additional information about portfolio manager compensation, other accounts that they manage and their ownership of Fund shares.

### Franklin Rising Dividends VIP Fund - Class 2

		Year Ended December 31,				
	2022	2021	2020	2019	201	
Per share operating performance (for a share outstanding throughout the year)						
Net asset value, beginning of year	\$35.42	\$29.14	\$26.99	\$25.04	\$28.46	
Income from investment operations <sup>a</sup> :						
Net investment income <sup>b</sup>	0.27	0.21	0.24	0.29	0.31	
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses)	(4.40)	7.41	3.65	6.57	(1.61)	
Total from investment operations	(4.13)	7.62	3.89	6.86	(1.30)	
Less distributions from:						
Net investment income	(0.25)	(0.28)	(0.33)	(0.37)	(0.36)	
Net realized gains	(4.01)	(1.06)	(1.41)	(4.54)	(1.76)	
Total distributions	(4.26)	(1.34)	(1.74)	(4.91)	(2.12)	
Net asset value, end of year	\$27.03	\$35.42	\$29.14	\$26.99	\$25.04	
Total return <sup>c</sup>	(10.57)%	26.79%	15.97%	29.23%	(5.07)%	
Ratios to average net assets						
Expenses before waiver and payments by affiliates	0.89%	0.88%	0.90%	0.88%	0.87%	
Expenses net of waiver and payments by affiliates <sup>d</sup>	0.88%	0.88%e	0.90%e	0.88%e	0.87%e	
Net investment income	0.92%	0.66%	0.95%	1.09%	1.13%	
Supplemental data						
Net assets, end of year (000's)	\$1,211,909	\$1,513,905	\$1,365,745	\$1,387,688	\$1,106,334	
Portfolio turnover rate	12.59%	3.92%	12.83%	7.26% <sup>f</sup>	3.09% <sup>f</sup>	

#### Franklin Rising Dividends VIP Fund - Class 4

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Per share operating performance (for a share outstanding throughout the year)					
Net asset value, beginning of year	\$35.49	\$29.22	\$27.08	\$25.11	\$28.54
Income from investment operations <sup>a</sup> :					
Net investment income <sup>b</sup>	0.24	0.18	0.22	0.26	0.29
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses)	(4.41)	7.42	3.65	6.60	(1.62)
Total from investment operations	(4.17)	7.60	3.87	6.86	(1.33)
Less distributions from:					
Net investment income	(0.25)	(0.27)	(0.32)	(0.35)	(0.34)
Net realized gains	(4.01)	(1.06)	(1.41)	(4.54)	(1.76)
Total distributions	(4.26)	(1.33)	(1.73)	(4.89)	(2.10)
Net asset value, end of year	\$27.06	\$35.49	\$29.22	\$27.08	\$25.11
Total return <sup>c</sup>	(10.68)%	26.63%	15.85%	29.16%	(5.16)%
Ratios to average net assets					
Expenses before waiver and payments by affiliates	0.99%	0.98%	1.00%	0.98%	0.97%
Expenses net of waiver and payments by affiliates <sup>d</sup>	0.98%	0.98%e	1.00%e	0.98%e	0.97%e
Net investment income	0.84%	0.56%	0.85%	0.99%	1.03%
Supplemental data					
Net assets, end of year (000's)	\$70,696	\$72,589	\$51,137	\$46,539	\$32,825
Portfolio turnover rate	12.59%	3.92%	12.83%	7.26% <sup>f</sup>	3.09% <sup>f</sup>

a. The amount shown for a share outstanding throughout the period may not correlate with the Statement of Operations in the annual report for the period due to the timing of sales and repurchases of the Fund's shares in relation to income earned and/or fluctuating fair value of the investments of the Fund.

b. Based on average daily shares outstanding.

c. Total return does not include fees, charges or expenses imposed by the variable annuity and life insurance contracts for which Franklin Templeton Variable Insurance Products Trust serves as an underlying investment vehicle.

d. Benefit of expense reduction rounds to less than 0.01%.

e. Benefit of waiver and payments by affiliates rounds to less than 0.01%.

f. Excludes the value of portfolio activity as a result of in-kind transactions.

## Additional Information, All Funds

**Dealer Compensation** 

Franklin Distributors, LLC (Distributors) and/or its affiliates

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- x committing staff to selectively review on a continuing basis recent trading activity in order to identify trading activity that may be contrary to the Fund's Frequent Trading Policy;
- x monitoring potential price differentials following the close of trading in foreign markets to determine whether the application of fair value pricing procedures is warranted; and
- x seeking the cooperation of financial intermediaries to assist the Fund in identifying frequent trading activity.

Though these methods involve judgments that are inherently subjective and involve some selectivity in their application, the Fund seeks to make judgments and applications that are consistent with the interests of the Fund's shareholders. There is no assurance that the Fund or its agents will gain access to any or all information necessary to detect frequent trading in Insurers' separate accounts. While the Fund will

illiquid, there is the possibility of a differential between the last available market prices for one or more of those securities and the latest indications of market values for those securities. The Fund has procedures, approved by the board of trustees, to determine the fair value of individual securities and other assets for which market prices are not readily available (such as certain restricted or unlisted securities and private placements) or which may not be reliably priced (such as in the case of trade suspensions or halts, price movement limits set by certain foreign markets, and thinly traded or illiquid securities). Some methods for valuing these securities may include: fundamental analysis (earnings multiple, etc.), matrix pricing, discounts from market prices of similar securities, or discounts applied due to the nature and duration of restrictions on the disposition of the securities. The board of trustees oversees the application of fair value pricing procedures.

The application of fair value pricing procedures represents a good faith determination based upon specifically applied procedures. There can be no assurance that the Funds could obtain the fair value assigned to a security if they were able to sell the security at approximately the time at which a Fund determines its NAV per share.

## SECURITY VALUATION - U.S. PASS-THROUGH SECURITIES, CMO, ABS, MBS

Mortgage pass-through securities (such as Ginnie Mae, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac), other mortgage-backed securities (MBS), collateralized mortgage obligations (CMOs) and asset-backed securities (ABS), generally trade in the over-the-counter market rather than on a securities exchange. The Fund may value these portfolio securities by utilizing quotations from bond dealers, information with respect to bond and note transactions and may rely on independent pricing services. The Fund's pricing services use valuation models or matrix pricing to determine current value. In general, they use information with respect to comparable bond and note transactions, quotations from bond dealers or by reference to other securities that are considered comparable in such characteristics as rating, interest rate, maturity date, option adjusted spread models, prepayment projections, interest rate spreads and yield curves. Matrix pricing is considered a form of fair value pricing.

## SECURITY VALUATION - CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES

Corporate debt securities generally trade in the over-thecounter market rather than on a securities exchange. The Fund may value these portfolio securities by utilizing quotations from bond dealers, information with respect to bond and note transactions and may rely on independent pricing services to assist in determining a current market value for each security. The Fund's pricing services uses independent quotations from bond dealers and bond market activity to determine current value.

## SECURITY VALUATION - SENIOR SECURED CORPORATE LOANS

Senior secured corporate loans with floating or variable interest rates generally trade in the over-the-counter market rather than on a securities exchange. The Fund may value these portfolio securities byTI

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## VALUATION – FOREIGN SECURITIES – POTENTIAL IMPACT OF TIME ZONES AND MARKET HOLIDAYS

Trading in securities on foreign securities stock exchanges and over-the-counter markets, such as those in Europe and Asia, may be completed before 1 p.m. Pacific time on each day that the Fund is open. Occasionally, events occur between the time at which trading in a foreign security is completed and 1 p.m. Pacific time that might call into question the availability (including the reliability) of the value of a foreign portfolio security held by the Fund. As a result, the Fund may be susceptible to what is referred to as "timezone arbitrage." Certain investors in the Fund may seek to take advantage of discrepancies in the value of the Fund's portfolio securities as determined by the foreign market at its close and the latest indications of value attributable to the portfolio securities at the time the Fund's NAV is computed. Trading by these investors, often referred to as "arbitrage"

- x Typically, redemptions are processed by the next business day provided the redemption request is received in proper form and good order, but may take up to seven days to be processed if making immediate payment would adversely affect the Fund or there is another cause for delay (for example, if you sell shares recently purchased, proceeds may be delayed until your check, draft or wire/electronic funds transfer has cleared). In certain circumstances, however, the Fund may not have the ability to delay a redemption request or may not have the time to determine whether a particular redemption would have an adverse effect on the Fund before the redemption request is paid.
- x At any time, the Fund may establish or change investment minimums.
- x The Fund may make material changes to or discontinue the exchange privilege on 60 days' notice to insurance company or Fund of Fund shareholders, or as otherwise provided by law.
- x Purchases of shares of the Fund (including the purchase side of an exchange) may be made only when such shares are eligible for sale in the appropriate state or jurisdiction.
- x In unusual circumstances, we may temporarily suspend redemptions or postpone the payment of proceeds, as allowed by federal securities laws.
- x For redemptions over a certain amount, the Fund may, but is not required to, pay redemption proceeds in securities or other assets rather than cash (also known as a redemption in-kind) if the investment manager determines it is in the best interest of the Fund, consistent with applicable law. The investment manager will, in its sole discretion, determine whether a redemption in-kind will be considered for a particular redemption request or type of redemption request. In







#### For More Information

For information on the Fund, including a free copy of the Fund's prospectus and Statement of Additional Information, and the Fund's Annual and Semiannual Reports, contact your financial advisor or the insurance company offering your Contract.

Shares of the insurance funds of Franklin Templeton Variable Insurance Products Trust (FTVIPT) are not offered to the public; they are offered and sold only to: (1) insurance company separate accounts to serve as the underlying investment vehicles for variable contracts; (2) certain qualified plans; and (3) other mutual funds (funds of funds).

Not all Funds and classes are available in all Contracts. For information on the terms of investment in a Contract, please consult the Contract prospectus that accompanies this Fund prospectus.

You can learn more about the Fund in the following documents:

Annual/Semiannual Fund Reports to Shareholders

Include a discussion of recent market conditions and Fund strategies that significantly affected Fund performance during its last fiscal year, financial statements, detailed performance information, portfolio holdings and, in the annual report only, the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm's report.

Statement of Additional Information (SAI)