

## HSBC Global Investment Funds

# ASIA EX JAPAN EQUITY SMALLER COMPANIES

Monthly report 31 December 2023 | Share class IC



### Investment objective

The Fund aims to provide long term capital growth by investing in a portfolio of smaller company shares of Asia (excluding Japan), while promoting environmental, social and governance (ESG) characteristics. The Fund qualifies under Article 8 of SFDR.



### Investment strategy

The Fund is actively managed. In normal market conditions, the Fund will invest at least 90% of its assets in shares of companies that are based in Asia (excluding Japan), including both developed markets and emerging markets. The Fund may invest up to 70% in smaller sized companies. These companies are defined as being in the bottom 25% by market value in the Asia ex Japan universe. The Fund includes the identification and analysis of a company's ESG Credentials as an integral part of the investment decision making process to reduce risk and enhance returns. The Fund will not invest in companies with involvement in specific excluded activities, such as: companies involved in the production controversial weapons and tobacco; companies with more than 10% revenue generated from thermal coal extraction; and companies with more than 10% revenue generated from coal-fired power generation. The Fund may invest up to 50% in China A and China B-shares, up to 10% in other funds and up to 15% in Real Estate Investment Trusts. See the Prospectus for a full description of the investment objectives and derivative usage.



### Main risks

- The Fund's unit value can go up as well as down, and any capital invested in the Fund may be at risk.
- The value of investible securities can change over time due to a wide variety of factors, including but not limited to: political and economic news, government policy, changes in demographics, cultures and populations, natural or human-caused disasters etc.
- The Fund may invest in Emerging Markets, these markets are less established, and often more volatile, than developed markets and involve higher risks, particularly market, liquidity and currency risks.

### Share Class Details

#### Key metrics

NAV per Share	<b>USD 91.01</b>
Performance 1 month	<b>3.94%</b>
Volatility 3 years	<b>15.67%</b>

#### Fund facts

UCITS V compliant	<b>Yes</b>
Dividend treatment	<b>Accumulating</b>
Dealing frequency	<b>Daily</b>
Share Class Base Currency	<b>USD</b>
Domicile	<b>Luxembourg</b>
Inception date	<b>12 May 2009</b>
Fund Size	<b>USD 492,654,908</b>
Reference benchmark	<b>100% MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Small Cap</b>
Managers	<b>Elina Fung Alex Kwan</b>

#### Fees and expenses

Minimum initial investment (HK) <sup>1</sup>	<b>USD 1,000,000</b>
Maximum initial charge (HK)	<b>5.000%</b>
Management fee	<b>0.750%</b>

#### Codes

ISIN	<b>LU0164939885</b>
Bloomberg ticker	<b>HSBASIC LX</b>

<sup>1</sup>Please note that initial minimum subscription may vary across different distributors

**Past performance does not predict future returns. The figures are calculated in the share class base currency, NAV to NAV basis with dividend reinvested, net of fees. If investment performance is not denominated in HKD or USD, HKD or USD based investors are exposed to exchange rate fluctuations. \*The fund may pay dividends out of capital or gross of expenses.**

**Reference Performance Benchmark: MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Small Cap Net since 1 Nov 2008.**

**From 31 Dec 2000 – 31 Oct 2008 was MSCI AC Far East Free ex Japan Net.**

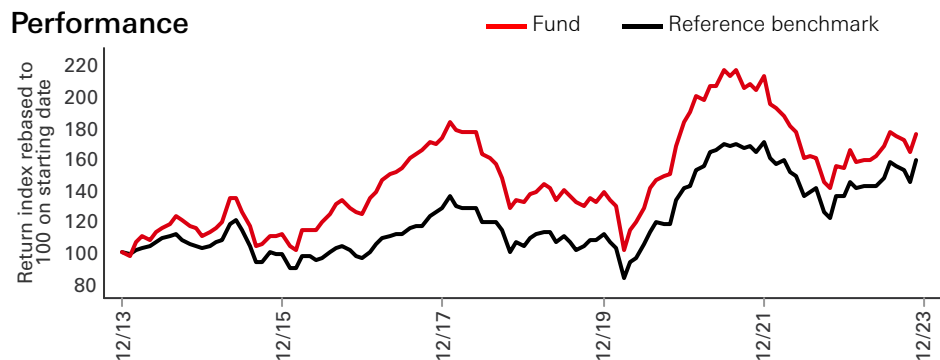
**Prior to that was MSCI AC Far East Free ex Japan Gross.**

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## Performance



Performance (%)	YTD	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years	5 years
IC	18.36	3.94	6.62	8.58	18.36	-0.47	38.29
Reference benchmark	21.57	4.05	8.65	11.59	21.57	16.90	58.19

Calendar year performance (%)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
IC	4.45	33.02	15.85	-27.42	18.36
Reference benchmark	7.23	26.20	20.72	-20.35	21.57

The calendar year return of the first year is calculated between share class inception date and calendar year end of first year if the share class has less than 5-year history.

Results are cumulative

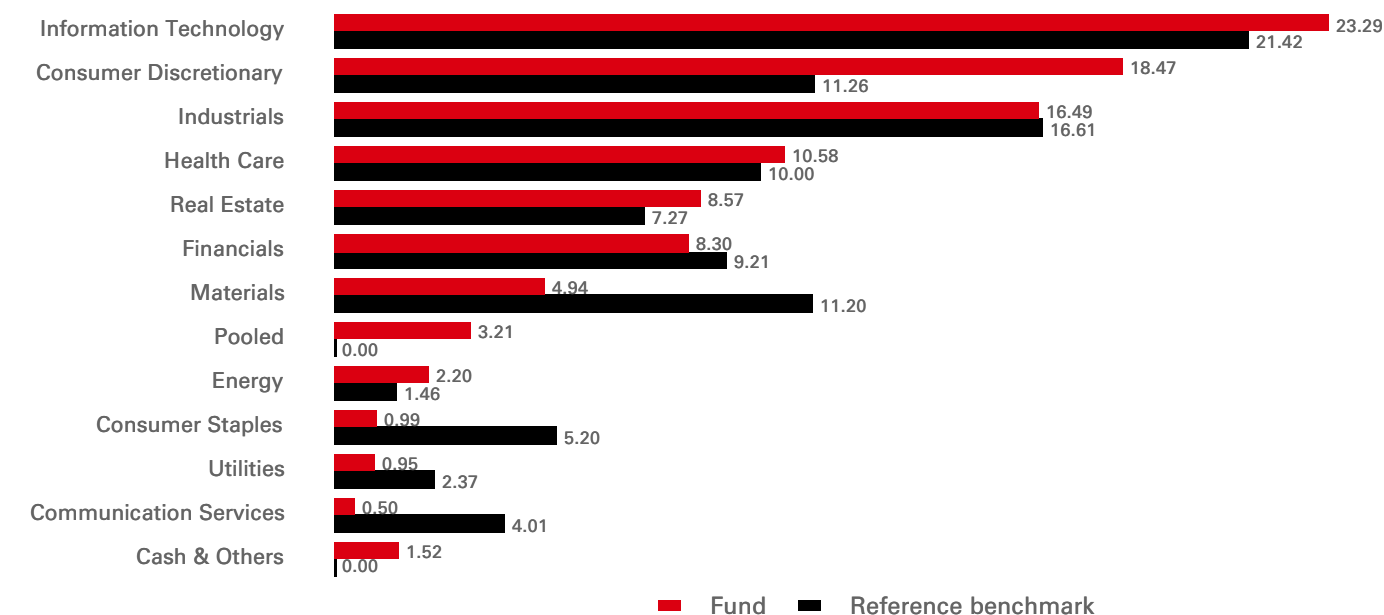
Carbon footprint	Fund	Reference benchmark	MSCI ESG Score	ESG score	E	S	G
Carbon intensity emissions	217.58	352.69	Fund	4.8	4.8	4.5	5.1
			Reference benchmark	4.4	4.6	4.3	4.8

Carbon Intensity measures the quantity of carbon emission of a company (tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>e/USD million)

Source of analytics: Trucost

Equity characteristics	Fund	Reference benchmark	3-Year Risk Measures	IC	Reference benchmark
No. of holdings ex cash	89	1,682	Volatility	15.67%	16.21%
Average Market Cap (USD Mil)	4,615	1,870	Information ratio	-1.07	--
			Beta	0.92	--

## Sector Allocation (%)



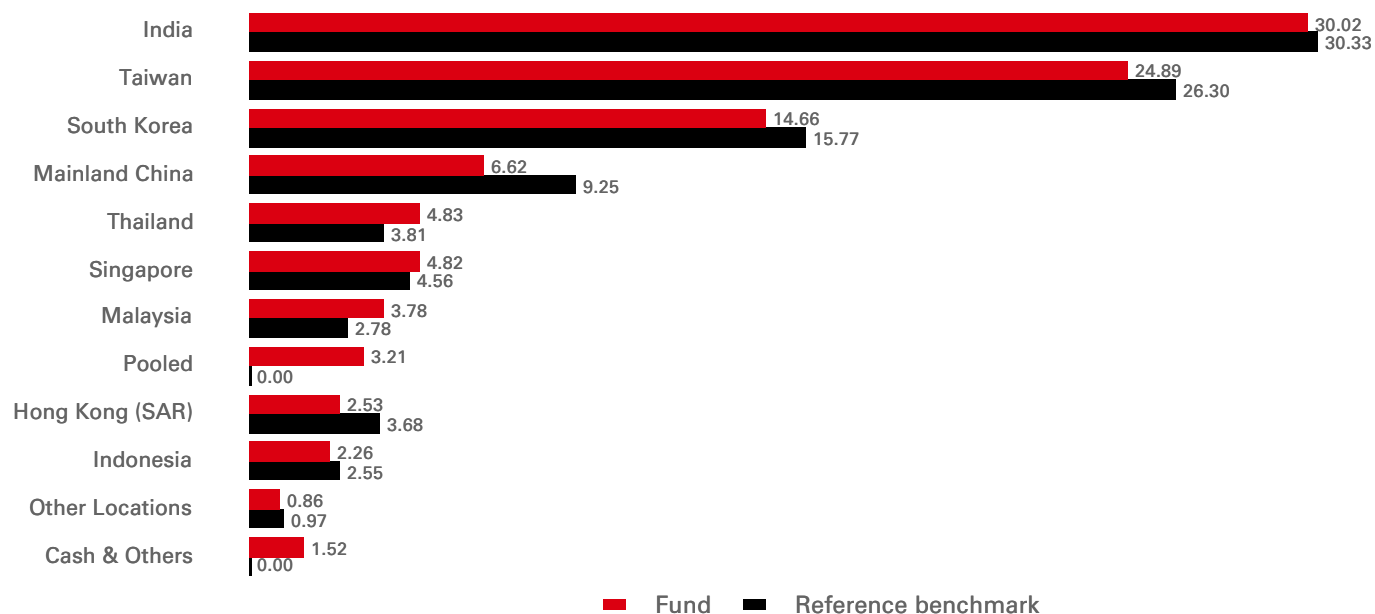
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## Geographical Allocation (%)



Top 10 Holdings	Location	Sector	Weight (%)
Alchip Technologies Ltd	Taiwan	Information Technology	2.73
Lendlease Global Commercial RE	SINGAPORE	Real Estate	2.42
Route Mobile Ltd	India	Information Technology	2.32
Pakuwon Jati Tbk PT	INDONESIA	Real Estate	1.97
Yageo Corp	Taiwan	Information Technology	1.94
Sinbon Electronics Co Ltd	Taiwan	Information Technology	1.88
KEI Industries Ltd	India	Industrials	1.87
Nien Made Enterprise Co Ltd	Taiwan	Consumer Discretionary	1.70
Makalot Industrial Co Ltd	Taiwan	Consumer Discretionary	1.66
PG Electroplast Ltd	India	Information Technology	1.62

## Risk Disclosure

- Investment Leverage occurs when the economic exposure is greater than the amount invested, such as when derivatives are used. A Fund that employs leverage may experience greater gains and/or losses due to the amplification effect from a movement in the price of the reference source.
- Where overseas investments are held the rate of currency exchange may cause the value of such investments to go down as well as up.
- Further information on the potential risks can be found in the Key Information Document (KID) and/or the Prospectus or Offering Memorandum.

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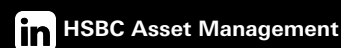
## Benchmark disclosure

The Investment Advisor will use its discretion to invest in securities not included in the reference benchmark based on active investment management strategies and specific investment opportunities. It is foreseen that a significant percentage of the Fund's investments will be components of the reference benchmark. However, their weightings may deviate materially from those of the reference benchmark. Any deviations with respect to the benchmark are monitored within a comprehensive risk framework, which includes monitoring at sector and country level. The deviation of the Fund's performance relative to the benchmark is monitored, but not constrained, to a defined range.

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Supplemental information sheet

Share class	Share Class Base Currency	Distribution Frequency	Dividend ex-date	Dividend Amount	Annualised Yield based on ex-dividend date
AC	USD	--	--	--	--
AD	USD	Annually	31 May 2023	0.560363	0.88%
ADHKD	HKD	Annually	31 May 2023	0.143264	0.88%
IC	USD	--	--	--	--

The above table cites the last dividend paid within the last 12 months only.  
Dividend is not guaranteed and may be paid out of capital, which will result in capital erosion and reduction in net asset value. A positive distribution yield does not imply a positive return. Past distribution yields and payments do not represent future distribution yields and payments. Historical payments may be comprised of both distributed income and capital.  
The calculation method of annualised yield from August 2019 is the compound yield calculation:  $((1 + (\text{dividend amount} / \text{ex-dividend NAV}))^n - 1)$ , n depends on the distributing frequency. Annually distribution is 1; semi-annually distribution is 2; quarterly distribution is 4; monthly distribution is 12.  
The annualised dividend yield is calculated based on the dividend distribution on the relevant date with dividend reinvested, and may be higher or lower than the actual annual dividend yield.  
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