Fund Factsheet February 2024



# BL Emerging Markets B EUR Acc

Share Class of BL SICAV



## **Fund Characteristics**

 AUM
 € 348.45 mn

 Fund Launch date
 30/10/2007

Share class LU0309192036
Reference currency EUR
Legal structure (SICAV)
Domicile LU
European Passport Yes

Countries of registration

AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, GB, IT, LU, NL, NO, PT, SE, SG
Risk Indicator (SRI) 5

SFDR Classification 8
% Sustainable Assets 39%

# Representative Market Index

MSCI EM (Emerging Markets) NR EUR

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#### **Management Company**

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### **Dealing & Administrator Details**

Ul efa S.A. Telephone +352 48 48 80 582 +352 48 65 61 8002 Fax Dealing frequency daily1 Cut-off-time 17:00 CET Front-load fee max. 5% Redemption fee None NAV calculation dailv1 NAV publication www.fundinfo.com

#### **Investment Objective**

The fund's objective is to generate long-term capital gains by investing flexibly (between 60% and 100% of net assets) in quality companies listed on global emerging markets (Asia ex-Japan, Latin America, Eastern Europe, Africa and the Middle East) with a strong and sustainable competitive advantage. The equity allocation varies according to the number of companies available that meet the investment criteria (quality fundamentals and valuation).

The balance is held in cash and emerging market government bonds.

A minimum of 5% of the fund's assets will be invested in sustainable assets.

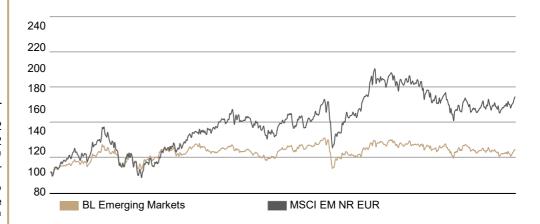
The fund manager implements an active, long-term strategy based on solid convictions and aims to outperform the return on emerging market equities with lower volatility.

#### Key Facts

- An active, fundamental, conviction-based and purely bottom-up approach, oriented towards the long term;
- A variable allocation to equities (between 60% and 100%) depending on the attractiveness of companies within the investment universe in terms of quality of fundamentals and valuation;
- Investments in emerging market bonds and liquidity to cushion equity market corrections;
- A combination of regional players with a large market share and companies with international reach;
- Integration of ESG factors at different stages of the investment process (exclusions, analysis, valuation, monitoring of controversies, voting policy and engagement);
- Non-benchmarked management resulting in significant deviations from the initial investment universe:
- · Low turnover.

### **Fund Performance**

Past performance does not guarantee or predict future performance. References to a market index or peergroup are made for comparison purposes only; the market index or peergroup are not mentioned in the investment policy of the sub-fund. Investors are also invited to consult the performance chart disclosed in the key investor information document of the sub-fund.



Yearly Performance	YTD	20	23 20	202	21 2020	2019
B EUR Acc	1.2%	-0.8	3% -4.	8% 2.8	% -4.8%	13.7%
Reference Index	2.0%	6.	1% -14.	9% 4.9	% 8.5%	20.6%
<b>Cumulative Performance</b>	1 Month	QTD	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years
B EUR Acc	4.1%	3.0%	-0.3%	-2.5%	-0.7%	21.4%
Reference Index	5.2%	4.7%	6.6%	-7.7%	15.6%	71.6%
<b>Annualized Performance</b>			1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years
B EUR Acc			-0.3%	-0.9%	-0.1%	2.0%
Reference Index			6.6%	-2.6%	2.9%	5.5%
Annualized Volatility			1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years
B EUR Acc			8.7%	9.5%	11.5%	10.9%
Reference Index			11 7%	14 4%	17 5%	17 1%

Please see the Available Share Classes page for the complete list of information.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Luxembourg banking business day

**Current Portfolio** 



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<b>Top Holdings</b>	Equity	Portfolio
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TSMC	4.7%
Samsung Electronics	3.6%
Vietnam Dairy Product	2.7%
Taiwan Secom	2.6%
Coca Cola Femsa	2.6%
L'Occitane	2.5%
Thai Beverage	2.5%
Netease	2.4%
Ambev	2.3%
Indofood	2.3%

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Philippines 0,875% 17-05-27	0.5%
Poland 3,25% 06-04-26	0.8%
Indonesia 4,125% 15-01-2025	0.8%
Peru 2,75% 30-01-2026	0.8%
Romania 2,875% 28-10-24	0.9%

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#### **Bond Portfolio Technicals**

average modified duration	1.72
average maturity	1.83 years
average yield to maturity	4.63%

New investments	Equity	Bond

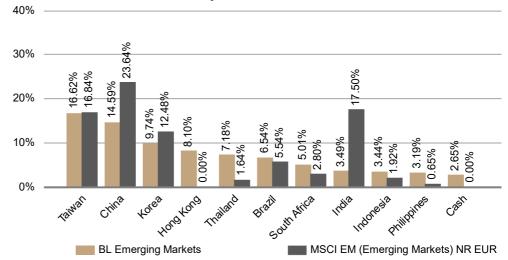
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Investments sold	Equity	Bond
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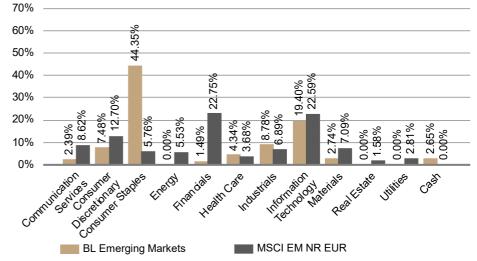
Currency	Currency before hedging	
HKD	20.2%	20.2%
TWD	16.6%	16.6%
KRW	9.7%	9.7%
USD	9.7%	9.7%
BRL	6.5%	6.5%
Other	37.2%	37.2%

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Region	Gross	Hedging	Net
Asia	72.4%		72.4%
Latin America	13.5%		13.5%
Emerging Markets	5.0%		5.0%
Total Equity	91.0%	0.0%	91.0%
Emerging Markets	2.6%		
Asia	1.8%		
Latin America	1.9%		
Total Bond	6.4%		
Total Cash	2.6%		
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Total	100.0%		

# **Country Allocation vs Index**



# Sector Allocation vs Index





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The emerging markets' equity index, the MSCI Emerging Markets NR, was up by 5.2% (in EUR) during the month of February. The fund (retail class B) was up by 4.1% (in EUR) over the same period.

The sectors that performed best during the month were consumer discretionary, industrials and information technology. The worst sectors during the month were materials, consumer staples and energy.

A large number of companies published their quarterly results for the quarter/year ending 2023.

Some positive news came from YUM China, the KFC and Pizza Hut operator in China. The company reassured investors about their expansion plans and expects 1.500 to 1.700 net new restaurant additions for 2024. Furthermore, management plans to increase shareholder returns through higher dividends and share buybacks.

Taiwanese King Slide Works, one of the leading server rails manufacturers in the world showed strong growth from higher margin AI rails. The direct impact in their gross margins can already be seen.

Korean cosmetics company Amorepacific experiences still a difficult and restructuring market in China. Encouraging signs and strong growth (> 30% guidance) are seen in the US with brands like Laneige and Innisfree. However, the US is still less than 10% of total revenues for the company.

NetEase, the second largest online game developer in China (behind Tencent) slightly missed revenue expectations. Nevertheless, their game pipeline is promising and recent game approval trends have been positive for the company.

At the beginning of the month, the fund manager liquidated the position in Korean snack and beverage company Orion Corp. The company recently announced an investment in Korean LegoChem Biosciences, a biotech company in the field of oncology. This venture is risky and not aligned with its core business model. The company's capital allocation is put into question.

The equity allocation remained close to 90% as overall valuations for emerging markets companies remain reasonable.



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Investor Type	Clean Share	Share class	Curr.	Income	Mgmt Fees	On-going charges	ISIN	Bloomberg Ticker
Institutional	No	BCI	USD	Acc	0.60%	0.81%	LU1484144594	BLEMBCI LX
Institutional	No	BI	EUR	Acc	0.60%	0.79%	LU0439765677	BLEMMBI LX
Retail	No	Α	EUR	Dis	1.25%	1.48%	LU0309191905	BLEMMKA LX
Retail	Yes	AM	EUR	Dis	0.85%	1.16%	LU1484144164	BLEMMAM LX
Retail	No	В	EUR	Acc	1.25%	1.49%	LU0309192036	BLEMMKB LX
Retail	No	ВС	USD	Acc	1.25%	1.50%	LU0887931029	BLEMMTC LX
Retail	Yes	BCM	USD	Acc	0.85%	1.08%	LU1484144321	BLEMBCM LX
Retail	Yes	BM	EUR	Acc	0.85%	1.10%	LU1484144248	BLEMMBM LX