

#### **FUND FACTS (USD)**

Total Fund Assets \$206.0 million

Benchmark MSCI Japan Index

Management Fee 0.75%

Minimum Initial Investment \$100,000/€100,000\*

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Minimum Subsequent

Investment \$100/€100\*
Fund Domicile Luxembourg

Available Share Classes I

Base Currency USD Additional Dealing Currencies EUR

Net Asset Value

I Acc (USD) \$15.42 I Acc (EUR) €14.00

#### **PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT**

Taizo IshidaShuntaro TakeuchiLead ManagerLead Manager

### **KEY RISKS**

The value of an investment in the Fund can go down as well as up and possible loss of principal is a risk of investing. Investments in international market securities may involve risks such as social and political instability, market illiquidity, exchange-rate fluctuations, a high level of volatility and limited regulation. The Fund invests in holdings denominated in foreign currency, and is exposed to the risk that the value of the foreign currency will increase or decrease. The Fund invests primarily in equity securities, which may result in increased volatility. Investments in a single-country fund may be subject to a higher degree of market risk than diversified funds because of concentration in a specific country. Pandemics and other public health emergencies can result in market volatility and disruption. These and other risks associated with investing in the Fund can be found in the Prospectus.

#### **MATTHEWS ASIA**

Matthews Asia believes in the long-term growth of Asia, one of the world's fastest-growing regions. Since 1991, we have focused our efforts and expertise in these countries, investing through a variety of market environments. Matthews Asia employs a bottomup, fundamental investment philosophy with a focus on long-term investment performance. As of 28 February 2022, Matthews Asia had US\$22.7 billion in assets under management.

# Japan Fund

Matthews Asia Funds

# Class I Shares - Hedged

28 February 2022

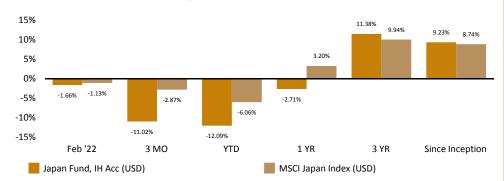
## **Investment Objective**

Long-term capital appreciation.

### **Available Share Classes**

Share Class	ISIN	SEDOL	CUSIP
I Acc (USD) - Hedged	LU1525503915	BDRKSB0	L6258X852
I Acc (EUR) - Hedged	LU1525504053	BDRKSC1	L6258X837

### Performance as of 28 February 2022<sup>†</sup>



Japan Fund	Feb '22	3 MO	YTD	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	Since Inception	Inception
I Acc (USD)	-1.66%	-11.02%	-12.09%	-2.71%	11.38%	n.a.	9.23%	03 Apr 2017
I Acc (EUR)	-1.75%	-11.50%	-12.28%	-3.58%	9.75%	n.a.	7.10%	03 Apr 2017
MSCI Japan 100% Hedged to USD (USD)	-1.13%	-2.87%	-6.06%	3.20%	9.94%	n.a.	8.74%	n.a.
MSCI Japan 100% Hedged to EUR (EUR)	-1.19%	-3.21%	-6.24%	2.38%	8.06%	n.a.	6.49%	n.a.

## Rolling 12 Month Returns (For the period ended 31 December 2021)

Japan Fund	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
I Acc (USD)	9.63%	25.29%	26.94%	-20.85%	n.a.
I Acc (EUR)	8.65%	24.18%	23.10%	-23.30%	n.a.
MSCI Japan 100% Hedged to USD (USD)	13.96%	10.14%	21.81%	-13.31%	n.a.
MSCI Japan 100% Hedged to EUR (EUR)	13.13%	8.27%	18.17%	-15.92%	n.a.

<sup>\*</sup> For U.K. residents only, the minimum initial investment is \$1,000/\$1,000 and the minimum subsequent investment is \$100/\$100.

All performance quoted represents past performance and is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate with market conditions so that when redeemed, shares may be worth more or less than the original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than performance shown. Investors investing in Funds denominated in non-local currency should be aware of the risk of currency exchange fluctuations that may cause a loss of principal.

Performance details provided are based on a NAV-to-NAV basis with any dividends reinvested, and are net of management fees and other expenses. Source: Brown Brothers Harriman (Luxembourg) S.C.A.

<sup>+</sup> All returns over 1 year are annualised

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TOP TEN HOLDINGS <sup>1</sup>		
	Sector	% of Net Assets
Toyota Motor Corp.	Consumer Discretionary	4.4%
Sony Group Corp.	Consumer Discretionary	4.0%
Shin-Etsu Chemical Co., Ltd.	Materials	3.8%
ORIX Corp.	Financials	3.8%
Seven & i Holdings Co., Ltd.	Consumer Staples	3.2%
Olympus Corp.	Health Care	3.2%
Toyota Industries Corp.	Industrials	2.9%
Dai-ichi Life Holdings, Inc.	Financials	2.7%
JSR Corp.	Materials	2.5%
Renesas Electronics Corp.	Information Technology	2.5%
% OF ASSETS IN TOP TEN		33.0%
Source: Brown Brothers Harriman (Luxembourg) S.C.A.		

SECTOR ALLOCATION (%) <sup>2</sup>					
	Fund	Benchmark	Difference		
Industrials	21.4	21.7	-0.3		
Consumer Discretionary	15.2	19.5	-4.3		
Information Technology	15.1	13.9	1.2		
Health Care	10.1	9.4	0.7		
Materials	8.8	5.0	3.8		
Financials	7.8	10.3	-2.5		
Communication Services	7.0	8.2	-1.2		
Consumer Staples	6.8	6.9	-0.1		
Cash and Other Assets, Less Liabilities	7.8	0.0	7.8		

Sector data based on MSCI's revised Global Industry Classification Standards. For more details, visit

www.msci.com.

Source: FactSet Research Systems

Large Cap (\$10B-\$25B)	22.8	26.9	-4.1				
Mid Cap (\$3B-\$10B)	20.7	17.4	3.3				
Small Cap (under \$3B)	12.9	0.0	12.9				
Cash and Other Assets, Less Liabilities	7.8	0.0	7.8				
Source: FactSet Research Systems							
PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS							
		Fund	Benchmark				
Number of Positions	51	259					
Weighted Avg. Market C (in billions)	\$43.5	\$53.1					
Active Share <sup>4</sup>	71.0	n.a.					
P/E Using FY1 Estimates	17.6x	13.3x					
P/E Using FY2 Estimates <sup>5</sup>	16.1x	12.7x					
Price/Cash Flow <sup>6</sup>	11.7	10.3					
Price/Book <sup>7</sup>	1.8	1.3					
Return on Equity <sup>8</sup>	11.9	11.1					
EPS Growth (3 Years)9	10.4%	-3.6%					
Source: FactSet Research Systems							

MARKET CAP EXPOSURE (%)2,3

Mega Cap (over \$25B)

Fund Benchmark Difference

55.7 -19.8

35.9

- 1 Holdings may combine more than one security from the same issuer and related depositary receipts.
- 2 Percentage values in data are rounded to the nearest tenth of one percent; the values may not sum to 100% due to rounding. Percentage values may be derived from different data sources and may not be consistent with other Fund literature.
- 3 Equity market cap of issuer.
- 4 Active Share is calculated by taking the absolute value of the difference between portfolio holdings and benchmark weights, summing all of these differences, and dividing by two. The calculation will result in an active share number between 0%, which indicates the portfolio perfectly replicates the benchmark, and 100%, which indicates there is no overlap whatsoever between the portfolio and the index. Active Share was calculated including cash held in the Fund.
- 5 The P/E Ratio is the share price of a stock as of the report date, divided by the forecasted earnings per share for a 12-month period (FY1) or a 24-month period (FY2). For the Fund, this is the weighted harmonic average estimated P/E ratio of all the underlying stocks in the Fund, excluding negative earners. There is no guarantee that the composition of the Fund will remain unchanged, or that forecasted earnings of a stock will be realized. Information provided is for illustrative purposes only.
- 6 A measure of the market's expectations of a firm's future financial health. Because this measure deals with cash flow, the effects of depreciation and other non-cash factors are removed. Similar to price/earnings ratio, this measure provides an indication of relative
- 7 Price-to-Book Ratio (P/B Ratio) is used to compare a stock's market value to its book value. It is calculated by dividing the current closing price of the stock by the latest quarter's book value per share. A lower P/B ratio could mean that the stock is undervalued.
- 8 Return on Equity (ROE) is the amount of net income returned as a percentage of shareholders equity. Return on equity measures a corporation's profitability by revealing how much profit a company generates with the money shareholders have invested, and is calculated as net income divided by shareholder's equity.
- 9 Earnings Per Share (EPS) is the amount of annual profit (after tax and all other expenses) attributable to each share in a company. EPS is calculated by dividing profit by the average number of shares in a company. Earnings growth is not a measure of a fund's future performance.

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#### Matthews Asia Funds

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