

## HSBC Global Investment Funds

# ASIA EX JAPAN EQUITY

Monthly report 31 March 2023 | Share class AD

### Investment objective

The Fund aims to provide long term capital growth by investing in a portfolio of Asian (excluding Japanese) shares, 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 (or securities similar to shares) of companies of any size that are based in Asia (excluding Japan). The Fund invests in both developed markets and emerging markets. The Fund will not invest in companies with involvement in specific excluded activities, such as, companies involved in the production of 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 can invest up to 50% in China A and China B-shares. For China A-shares, up to 50% through the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect and/or the Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect, and up to 30% in CAAPs. The Fund may invest up to 10% in other funds and will not invest more than 10% 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 59.02</b>
Performance 1 month	<b>2.37%</b>
Volatility 3 years	<b>23.93%</b>

#### Fund facts

UCITS V compliant	<b>Yes</b>
Subscription mode	<b>Cash / SRS (Supplementary Retirement Scheme)</b>
Dividend treatment	<b>Distributing</b>
Distribution Frequency	<b>Annually</b>
Dividend ex-date	<b>8 July 2020</b>
Dividend annualised yield	<b>0.46%</b>
Last Paid Dividend	<b>0.305883</b>
Dealing frequency	<b>Daily</b>
Valuation Time	<b>17:00 Luxembourg</b>
Share Class Base Currency	<b>USD</b>
Domicile	<b>Luxembourg</b>
Inception date	<b>31 July 1974</b>
Fund Size	<b>USD 441,953,669</b>
Reference benchmark	<b>100% MSCI AC Asia ex Japan</b>
Managers	<b>Stanley Chen Derek Koon Vandana Luthra</b>

#### Fees and expenses

Minimum initial investment (SG) <sup>1</sup>	<b>USD 1,000</b>
Maximum initial charge (SG)	<b>5.000%</b>
Management fee	<b>1.500%</b>

#### Codes

ISIN	<b>LU0043850808</b>
Bloomberg ticker	<b>HSBASEI LX</b>

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

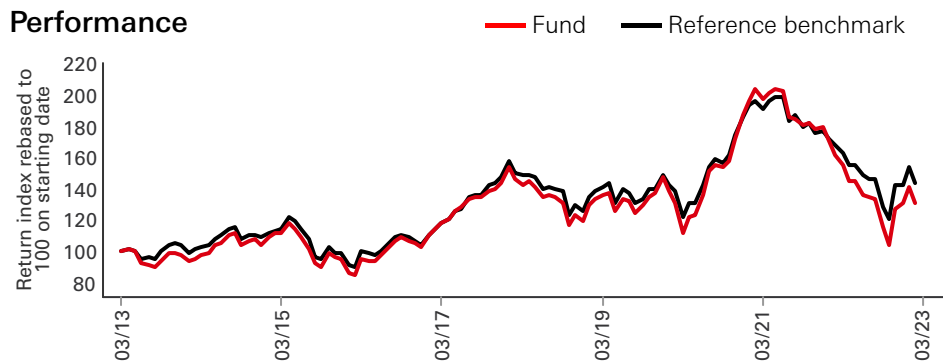
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**Source: HSBC Asset Management, data as at 31 March 2023**

## Performance



Performance (%)	YTD	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years ann	5 years ann
<b>AD</b>	<b>1.97</b>	<b>2.37</b>	<b>1.97</b>	<b>16.09</b>	<b>-13.95</b>	<b>6.12</b>	<b>-1.33</b>
AD (Net)*	-2.88	-2.51	-2.88	10.57	-18.04	4.41	-2.29
Reference benchmark	4.34	3.48	4.34	16.19	-8.90	6.95	0.07

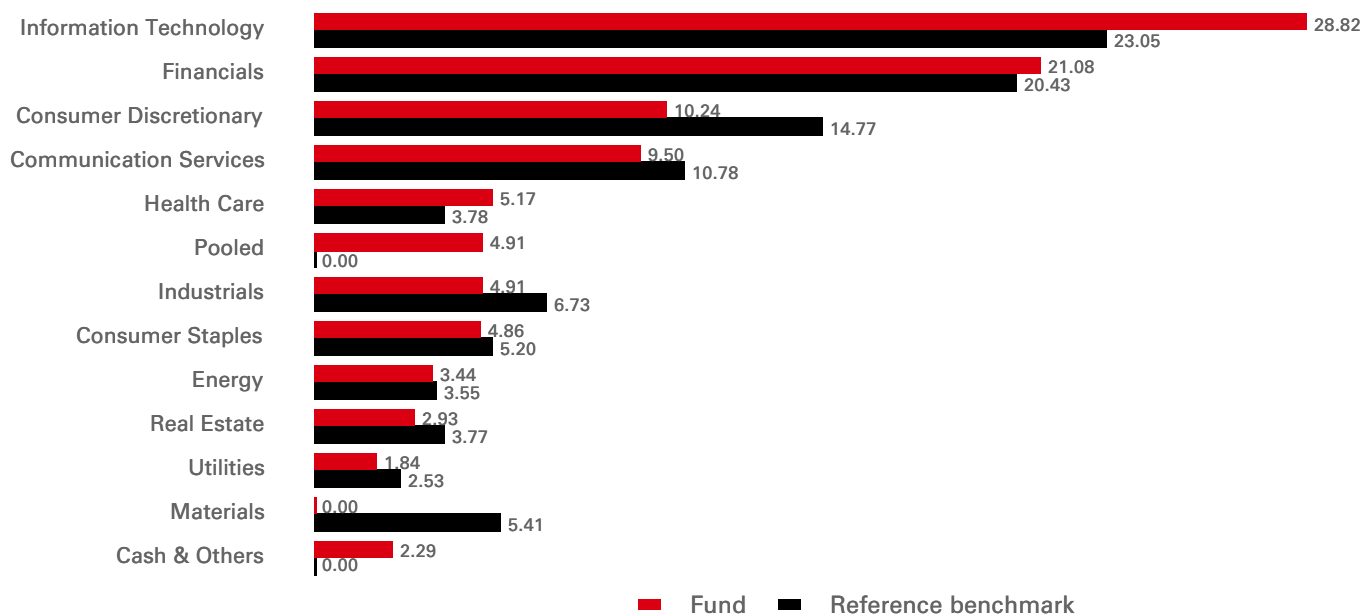
Calendar year performance (%)	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
<b>AD</b>	<b>-16.65</b>	<b>23.04</b>	<b>26.93</b>	<b>-3.72</b>	<b>-27.20</b>
AD (Net)*	-20.62	17.18	20.89	-8.31	-30.67
Reference benchmark	-14.37	18.17	25.02	-4.72	-19.67

Carbon footprint	Fund	Reference benchmark	MSCI ESG Score	ESG score	E	S	G
Carbon intensity emissions	138.53	307.98	Fund	6.1	6.6	5.3	5.0
			Reference benchmark	5.7	6.0	5.1	4.7

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

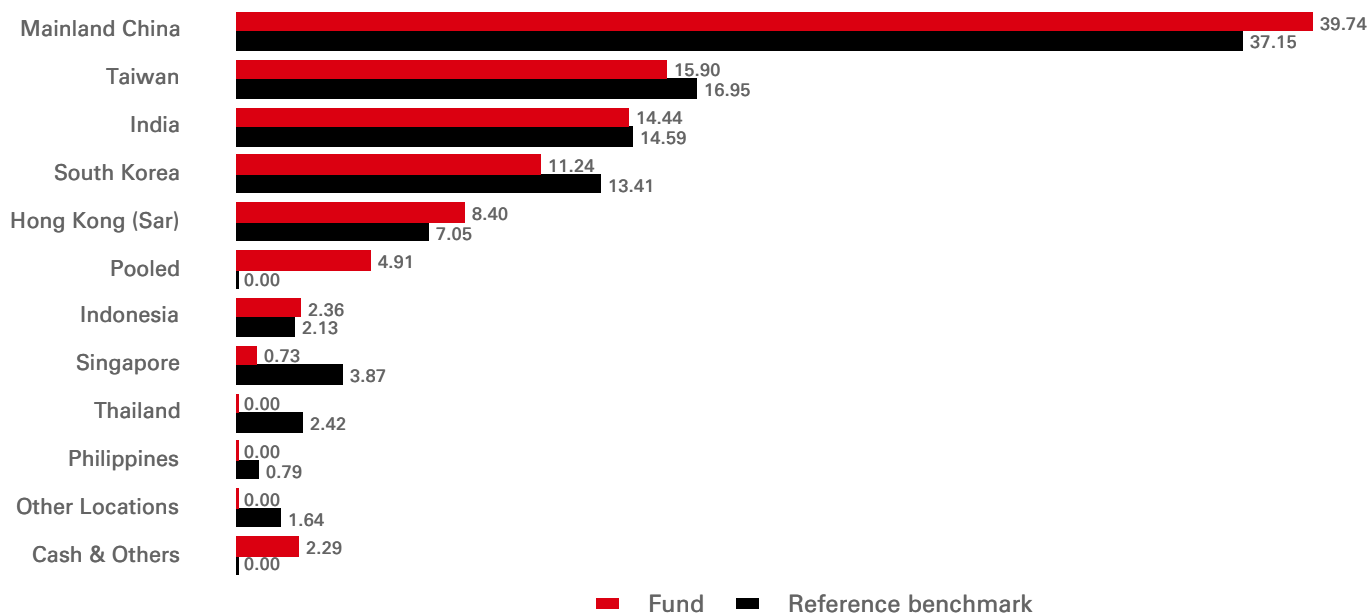
Equity characteristics	Fund	Reference benchmark	3-Year Risk Measures	AD	Reference benchmark
No. of holdings ex cash	37	1,188	Volatility	23.93%	20.01%
Average Market Cap (USD Mil)	159,022	108,032	Information ratio	-0.13	--
			Beta	1.17	--

## Sector Allocation (%)



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### Geographical Allocation (%)



Top 10 Holdings	Location	Sector	Weight (%)
Taiwan Semiconductor Co Ltd	Taiwan	Information Technology	9.62
Tencent Holdings Ltd	Mainland China	Communication Services	6.46
Samsung Electronics Co Ltd	South Korea	Information Technology	6.30
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd	Mainland China	Consumer Discretionary	5.37
AIA Group Ltd	Hong Kong (SAR)	Financials	4.26
MediaTek Inc	Taiwan	Information Technology	3.68
Reliance Industries Ltd	India	Energy	3.39
China Construction Bank Corp	Mainland China	Financials	3.14
Baidu Inc	Mainland China	Communication Services	3.04
SK Hynix Inc	South Korea	Information Technology	2.91

Top 10 holdings exclude holdings in cash and cash equivalents and money market funds.

## Monthly performance commentary

Stock selection was negative for the month. Positive performance came from Consumer Discretionary and Taiwan, though this was offset by negative stock selection in Real Estate and Mainland China.

Mainland China Consumer Discretionary security, ALIBABA with total effect 0.24% was the top contributor. Additionally, Taiwan Technology security, MEDIATEK was the second largest contributor with total effect 0.15%. Chinese Communication Services security, BAIDU also contributed with total effect 0.15%.

On the other side, detractors included Mainland China Real Estate security SHIMAO HOLDINGS with total effect -0.34%, Mainland China Healthcare holding WUXI BIOLOGICS with total effect -0.25%, and Mainland China Utilities holding CHINA LONGYUAN POWER with total effect -0.23%

Sector and country allocation effects are residual to stock selection. At the country level, effects were negative, given an underweight exposure to Singapore

## Risk Disclosure

- Derivatives may be used by the Fund, and these can behave unexpectedly. The pricing and volatility of many derivatives may diverge from strictly reflecting the pricing or volatility of their underlying reference(s), instrument or asset.
- 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.
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**Source: HSBC Asset Management, data as at 31 March 2023**

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## Supplemental information sheet

Performance (%)	YTD	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years ann	5 years ann
AC USD	1.97	2.37	1.97	16.09	-13.95	6.13	-1.33
AC USD (Net)*	-2.88	-2.51	-2.88	10.57	-18.04	4.41	-2.29
AD EUR	0.17	-0.08	0.17	4.68	-11.87	6.47	1.14
AD EUR (Net)*	-4.60	-4.84	-4.60	-0.30	-16.07	4.76	0.16
AD SGD	1.09	1.11	1.09	7.57	-15.46	3.73	-1.06
AD SGD (Net)*	-3.73	-3.71	-3.73	2.45	-19.49	2.05	-2.02
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AD EUR	-12.45	25.30	16.45	3.59	-22.43
AD EUR (Net)*	-16.62	19.34	10.90	-1.34	-26.12
AD SGD	-14.99	21.38	24.76	-1.79	-27.58
AD SGD (Net)*	-19.04	15.60	18.82	-6.47	-31.02
AD USD	-16.65	23.04	26.93	-3.72	-27.20
AD USD (Net)*	-20.62	17.18	20.89	-8.31	-30.67

Share class	Share Class Base Currency	Distribution Frequency	Dividend ex-date	Last Paid Dividend	Annualised Yield based on ex-dividend date
AC	USD	--	--	--	--
AD	USD	Annually	8 July 2020	0.305883	0.46%

Share class	Inception date	ISIN	Share Class Base Currency	Minimum Initial Investment	NAV per Share	Management fee	Distribution type
AC	7 April 2003	LU0165289439	USD	USD 5,000	66.85	1.500%	Accumulating
AD	31 July 1974	LU0043850808	USD	USD 5,000	59.02	1.500%	Distributing

Different classes may have different performances, dividend yields and expense ratios. For hedged classes, the effects of hedging will be reflected in the net asset values of such classes. Expenses arising from hedging transactions may be significant and will be borne by the relevant hedged classes. Hedged class performs the required hedging on a best efforts basis.

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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 comprise of distributed income, capital, or both.

The calculation method of annualised yield prior to August 2019 is the simple yield calculation: (dividend amount / NAV per share or units as of ex-dividend date) x n; 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.

Investors and potential investors should refer to the details on dividend distributions of the Fund, which are available on HSBC Asset Management (Singapore) Limited website.

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