#### Schroder

# **Global Emerging Markets Fund**

# **Interim Short Report**

1 April 2013 to 30 September 2013





## Schroder Global Emerging Markets Fund

### Review of Investment Activities

From 28 March 2013 to 30 September 2013 the price of A Accumulation units on a selling price to selling price basis fell 7.20%. In comparison, the MSCI Emerging Markets Index generated a negative net return of 8.64%<sup>1</sup>.

#### 1 Source: Thomson Reuters Datastream.

Global equities rose over the period supported by firmer data and continued benign global liquidity. Concerns about a scaling back of stimulus in the US were relieved following the decision by the US Federal Reserve to delay tapering. Progress towards policy normalisation in the US weighed on emerging markets and the MSCI Emerging Markets index underperformed the MSCI World index.

The fund outperformed the index. Country allocation and stock selection added to returns. Our underweights to Indonesia and Chile, both of which underperformed, added value. This was somewhat offset by the underweight to Taiwan, which outperformed. The main positive stock selection effect came from China.

The most significant changes made to our country positioning versus the index over the period were as follows: we moved Taiwan from underweight to neutral in July and China from neutral to overweight in April. We also took Hungary from neutral to a small overweight in April. We reduced the overweight position in Turkey throughout the period and took Brazil from neutral to underweight in July.

Investor sentiment towards global emerging markets remains stubbornly bearish. We believe this is somewhat surprising given the positive growth differential and generally superior fundamentals of emerging economies in comparison to their developed peers. There is also a case to be made that investor concerns have already largely been priced in with valuations at attractive levels.



Co-Fund Manager: Robert Davy



Co-Fund Manager: Allan Conway

## **Fund Information**

|                         | Interim        | Final        |
|-------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Accounting dates        | 30 September   | 31 March     |
| Revenue allocation date |                | 31 May       |
|                         |                |              |
|                         | For the period | For the year |
| Ongoing charges figure  | to 30.9.13     | to 31.3.13   |
| A Income units          | 1.74%1         | 1.73%        |
| A Accumulation units    | 1.74%1         | 1.73%        |
| Z Income units          | 0.99%1         | 0.98%        |
| Z Accumulation units    | 0.99%1         | 0.98%        |

<sup>1</sup> The Ongoing charges figure is annualised based on the fees suffered during the accounting period.

## Performance Record

| Fund performance     | Net Asset<br>Value as at<br>30.9.13<br>pence per unit | Net Asset<br>Value as at<br>31.3.13<br>pence per unit | Net Asset<br>Value<br>% change |
|----------------------|---|---|--------------------------------|
| A Income units       | 128.68  | 139.04  | (7.45)                         |
| A Accumulation units | 136.70  | 147.71  | (7.45)                         |
| Z Income units       | 54.05   | 58.19   | (7.11)                         |
| Z Accumulation units | 54.75   | 58.94   | (7.11)                         |

|                             | 3 months | 6 months | 5 years |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|---------|
| Schroder Global Emerging    |          |          |         |
| Markets Fund                | 1.26%    | (7.20)%  | 62.49%  |
| MSCI Emerging Markets Index | (0.94)%  | (8.64)%  | 55.99%  |

Fund Source: A Accumulation units on a selling price to selling price basis to 30.9.13.

Index Source: Thomson Reuters Datastream, net return in sterling terms to 30.9.13.

Please remember that past performance is not a guide to future performance and it might not be repeated. The value of investments and the revenue from them may go down as well as up and investors may not get back the amount originally invested. Because of this, you are not certain to make a profit on your investments and you may lose money.

# Performance Record (continued)

| Unit price range     | A Incon                | ne units               | A Accumul              | ation units            |
|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Year to 31 December  | Highest<br>buying<br>p | Lowest<br>selling<br>p | Highest<br>buying<br>p | Lowest<br>selling<br>p |
| 2008                 | 128.60                 | 57.55                  | 132.90                 | 59.48                  |
| 2009                 | 129.50                 | 68.55                  | 135.20                 | 70.85                  |
| 2010                 | 149.10                 | 111.80                 | 156.10                 | 116.80                 |
| 2011                 | 151.70                 | 104.70                 | 158.80                 | 110.00                 |
| 2012                 | 139.90                 | 114.70                 | 146.90                 | 121.40                 |
| 2013 to 30 September | 146.20                 | 118.50                 | 154.60                 | 125.90                 |

|                      | Z Incon                | ne units          | Z Accumul              | ation units      |
|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| Year to 31 December  | Highest<br>buying<br>p | Lowest<br>selling | Highest<br>buying<br>p | Lowest selling p |
| 2008                 | _                      | -                 |                        | _                |
| 2009                 | -                      | -                 | -                      | -                |
| 2010                 | -                      | _                 | -                      | _                |
| 2011                 | 50.49                  | 46.22             | 50.49                  | 46.22            |
| 2012                 | 56.49                  | 48.11             | 56.49                  | 48.10            |
| 2013 to 30 September | 61.67                  | 49.69             | 61.68                  | 50.33            |

| Net revenue<br>Year to 31 December | A Income units pence per unit | A Accumulation units<br>pence per unit |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| 2008                               | 0.0624                        | 0.0645                                 |
| 2009                               | 0.7993                        | 0.8261                                 |
| 2010                               | 0.2942                        | 0.3084                                 |
| 2011                               | 0.5670                        | 0.5959                                 |
| 2012                               | 0.8514                        | 0.8850                                 |
| 2013 to 30 September               | 0.6381                        | 0.6761                                 |

| Year to 31 December  | Z Income units pence per unit | Z Accumulation units<br>pence per unit |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| 2008                 | _                             | -                                      |
| 2009                 | -                             | -                                      |
| 2010                 | -                             | -                                      |
| 2011                 | Nil                           | Nil                                    |
| 2012                 | Nil <sup>1</sup>              | Nil <sup>1</sup>                       |
| 2013 to 30 September | 0.7383                        | 0.7383                                 |

<sup>1</sup> There was no distribution for Z Income units and Z Accumulation units as the total amounts distributable were below the de minimis.

# Portfolio Information

| China/Hong Kong       21.77       18.06         India       3.27       4.81         Indonesia       0.00       1.18         Malaysia       3.69       3.49         Philippines       0.91       1.10         South Korea       19.00       18.18         Taiwan       11.39       6.82         Thailand       5.26       6.07         Cayman Islands       0.00       0.20         Czech Republic       0.25       0.28         Egypt       0.22       0.53         Hungary       1.25       0.23         Jersey       0.00       0.29         Netherlands       0.00       0.20         Poland       1.65       1.42         Qatar       0.00       0.62         Russia       9.14       8.94         South Africa       2.45       2.11         Turkey       2.92       5.10         Brazil       10.10       12.71         Colombia       0.32       1.11         Mexico       5.16       5.53         United States       0.00       0.55         Net other assets       1.25       0.47 </th <th>Spread of investments</th> <th>% of net assets as at 30.9.13</th> <th>% of net assets as at 31.3.13</th> | Spread of investments | % of net assets as at 30.9.13 | % of net assets as at 31.3.13 |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Indonesia       0.00       1.18         Malaysia       3.69       3.49         Philippines       0.91       1.10         South Korea       19.00       18.18         Taiwan       11.39       6.82         Thailand       5.26       6.07         Cayman Islands       0.00       0.20         Czech Republic       0.25       0.28         Egypt       0.22       0.53         Hungary       1.25       0.23         Jersey       0.00       0.29         Netherlands       0.00       0.20         Poland       1.65       1.42         Qatar       0.00       0.62         Russia       9.14       8.94         South Africa       2.45       2.11         Turkey       2.92       5.10         Brazil       10.10       12.71         Colombia       0.32       1.11         Mexico       5.16       5.53         United States       0.00       0.55  | China/Hong Kong       | 21.77                         | 18.06                         |
| Malaysia       3.69       3.49         Philippines       0.91       1.10         South Korea       19.00       18.18         Taiwan       11.39       6.82         Thailand       5.26       6.07         Cayman Islands       0.00       0.20         Czech Republic       0.25       0.28         Egypt       0.22       0.53         Hungary       1.25       0.23         Jersey       0.00       0.29         Netherlands       0.00       0.20         Poland       1.65       1.42         Qatar       0.00       0.62         Russia       9.14       8.94         South Africa       2.45       2.11         Turkey       2.92       5.10         Brazil       10.10       12.71         Colombia       0.32       1.11         Mexico       5.16       5.53         United States       0.00       0.55  | India                 | 3.27                          | 4.81                          |
| Philippines       0.91       1.10         South Korea       19.00       18.18         Taiwan       11.39       6.82         Thailand       5.26       6.07         Cayman Islands       0.00       0.20         Czech Republic       0.25       0.28         Egypt       0.22       0.53         Hungary       1.25       0.23         Jersey       0.00       0.29         Netherlands       0.00       0.20         Poland       1.65       1.42         Qatar       0.00       0.62         Russia       9.14       8.94         South Africa       2.45       2.11         Turkey       2.92       5.10         Brazil       10.10       12.71         Colombia       0.32       1.11         Mexico        5.16       5.53         United States       0.00       0.55  | Indonesia             | 0.00                          | 1.18                          |
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| Taiwan       11.39       6.82         Thailand       5.26       6.07         Cayman Islands       0.00       0.20         Czech Republic       0.25       0.28         Egypt       0.22       0.53         Hungary       1.25       0.23         Jersey       0.00       0.29         Netherlands       0.00       0.20         Poland       1.65       1.42         Qatar       0.00       0.62         Russia       9.14       8.94         South Africa       2.45       2.11         Turkey       2.92       5.10         Brazil       10.10       12.71         Colombia       0.32       1.11         Mexico       5.16       5.53         United States       0.00       0.55   | Philippines           | 0.91                          | 1.10                          |
| Thailand       5.26       6.07         Cayman Islands       0.00       0.20         Czech Republic       0.25       0.28         Egypt       0.22       0.53         Hungary       1.25       0.23         Jersey       0.00       0.29         Netherlands       0.00       0.20         Poland       1.65       1.42         Qatar       0.00       0.62         Russia       9.14       8.94         South Africa       2.45       2.11         Turkey       2.92       5.10         Brazil       10.10       12.71         Colombia       0.32       1.11         Mexico       5.16       5.53         United States       0.00       0.55   | South Korea           | 19.00                         | 18.18                         |
| Cayman Islands         0.00         0.20           Czech Republic         0.25         0.28           Egypt         0.22         0.53           Hungary         1.25         0.23           Jersey         0.00         0.29           Netherlands         0.00         0.20           Poland         1.65         1.42           Qatar         0.00         0.62           Russia         9.14         8.94           South Africa         2.45         2.11           Turkey         2.92         5.10           Brazil         10.10         12.71           Colombia         0.32         1.11           Mexico         5.16         5.53           United States         0.00         0.55  | Taiwan                | 11.39                         | 6.82                          |
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| Egypt       0.22       0.53         Hungary       1.25       0.23         Jersey       0.00       0.29         Netherlands       0.00       0.20         Poland       1.65       1.42         Qatar       0.00       0.62         Russia       9.14       8.94         South Africa       2.45       2.11         Turkey       2.92       5.10         Brazil       10.10       12.71         Colombia       0.32       1.11         Mexico       5.16       5.53         United States       0.00       0.55  | Cayman Islands        | 0.00                          | 0.20                          |
| Hungary       1.25       0.23         Jersey       0.00       0.29         Netherlands       0.00       0.20         Poland       1.65       1.42         Qatar       0.00       0.62         Russia       9.14       8.94         South Africa       2.45       2.11         Turkey       2.92       5.10         Brazil       10.10       12.71         Colombia       0.32       1.11         Mexico       5.16       5.53         United States       0.00       0.55  | Czech Republic        | 0.25                          | 0.28                          |
| Jersey         0.00         0.29           Netherlands         0.00         0.20           Poland         1.65         1.42           Qatar         0.00         0.62           Russia         9.14         8.94           South Africa         2.45         2.11           Turkey         2.92         5.10           Brazil         10.10         12.71           Colombia         0.32         1.11           Mexico         5.16         5.53           United States         0.00         0.55  | Egypt                 | 0.22                          | 0.53                          |
| Netherlands         0.00         0.20           Poland         1.65         1.42           Qatar         0.00         0.62           Russia         9.14         8.94           South Africa         2.45         2.11           Turkey         2.92         5.10           Brazil         10.10         12.71           Colombia         0.32         1.11           Mexico         5.16         5.53           United States         0.00         0.55   | Hungary               | 1.25                          | 0.23                          |
| Poland       1.65       1.42         Qatar       0.00       0.62         Russia       9.14       8.94         South Africa       2.45       2.11         Turkey       2.92       5.10         Brazil       10.10       12.71         Colombia       0.32       1.11         Mexico       5.16       5.53         United States       0.00       0.55   | Jersey                | 0.00                          | 0.29                          |
| Qatar       0.00       0.62         Russia       9.14       8.94         South Africa       2.45       2.11         Turkey       2.92       5.10         Brazil       10.10       12.71         Colombia       0.32       1.11         Mexico       5.16       5.53         United States       0.00       0.55  | Netherlands           | 0.00                          | 0.20                          |
| Russia       9.14       8.94         South Africa       2.45       2.11         Turkey       2.92       5.10         Brazil       10.10       12.71         Colombia       0.32       1.11         Mexico       5.16       5.53         United States       0.00       0.55  | Poland                | 1.65                          | 1.42                          |
| South Africa         2.45         2.11           Turkey         2.92         5.10           Brazil         10.10         12.71           Colombia         0.32         1.11           Mexico         5.16         5.53           United States         0.00         0.55   | Qatar                 | 0.00                          | 0.62                          |
| Turkey         2.92         5.10           Brazil         10.10         12.71           Colombia         0.32         1.11           Mexico         5.16         5.53           United States         0.00         0.55  | Russia                | 9.14                          | 8.94                          |
| Brazil         10.10         12.71           Colombia         0.32         1.11           Mexico         5.16         5.53           United States         0.00         0.55   | South Africa          | 2.45                          | 2.11                          |
| Colombia         0.32         1.11           Mexico         5.16         5.53           United States         0.00         0.55  | Turkey                | 2.92                          | 5.10                          |
| Mexico         5.16         5.53           United States         0.00         0.55   | Brazil                | 10.10                         | 12.71                         |
| United States 0.00 0.55  | Colombia              | 0.32                          | 1.11                          |
|  | Mexico                | 5.16                          | 5.53                          |
| Net other assets 1.25 0.47   | United States         | 0.00                          | 0.55                          |
|  | Net other assets      | 1.25                          | 0.47                          |

## Portfolio Information (continued)

|                                       | % of net assets as at |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Major holdings                        | 30.9.13               |
| Samsung Electronics                   | 4.79                  |
| Hyundai Motor                         | 3.03                  |
| Tencent Holdings                      | 3.02                  |
| China Construction Bank H             | 2.67                  |
| Taiwan Semiconductor<br>Manufacturing | 2.62                  |
| Lukoil ADR                            | 2.47                  |
| China Petroleum & Chemical H          | 1.93                  |
| Sberbank of Russia ADR                | 1.91                  |
| LG Chem                               | 1.72                  |
| CNOOC                                 | 1.72                  |

|                              | % of net assets  |
|------------------------------|------------------|
|                              | as at<br>31.3.13 |
| Samsung Electronics          | 6.39             |
| China Construction Bank H    | 2.63             |
| China Construction Bank H    | 2.03             |
| Lukoil ADR                   | 2.53             |
| Taiwan Semiconductor         |                  |
| Manufacturing                | 2.47             |
| Sberbank of Russia ADR       | 2.40             |
| Hyundai Motor                | 2.14             |
| Itau Unibanco Holding ADR    | 1.71             |
| China Petroleum & Chemical H | 1.68             |
| LG Chem                      | 1.59             |
| Tencent Holdings             | 1.56             |
|                              |                  |

# Investment Objective & Policy

The fund's investment objective is to achieve long term capital growth by investing in the emerging markets of the world.

The fund will invest in equity or equity related securities (including warrants and convertible securities) and fixed interest securities which provide exposure to emerging markets.

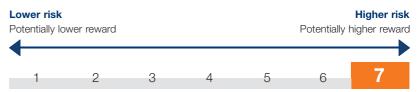
The portfolio may also include shares in investment trusts and other closed end funds which are themselves dedicated to investment in emerging markets, as well as in securities of companies which, whilst listed on eligible stock exchanges, conduct a significant proportion of their business in emerging market countries and may, therefore, be expected to participate in their growth.

Investment will be in directly held transferable securities. The fund may also invest in collective investment schemes, warrants and money market instruments.



### Risk Profile

#### Risk and reward indicator



The risk category was calculated using historical performance data and may not be a reliable indicator of the fund's future risk profile.

The fund is in this category because it can take higher risks in search of higher rewards and its price may rise and fall accordingly.

The fund's risk category is not guaranteed to remain fixed and may change over time.

A fund in the lowest category does not mean a risk free investment.

#### Specific risks

The fund invests in assets which are exposed to currencies other than sterling. Exchange rates may cause the value of overseas investments and the revenue from them to rise or fall.

The fund invests in less developed markets which are generally less well regulated than the UK. They may be less liquid and may have less reliable custody arrangements.

The fund invests in emerging markets and the Far East. This involves a high degree of risk and should be seen as long term in nature.

The fund invests in smaller companies which may be less liquid than larger companies and price swings may therefore be greater than in larger company funds.

For these reasons, the purchase of units should not normally be regarded as a short term investment.

## Report & Accounts

This document is a short report for the Schroder Global Emerging Markets Fund for the period ended 30 September 2013. The long form Report & Accounts for the fund are available on our website www.schroders.co.uk or upon written request to Schroders, FREEPOST, RLTZ-CHSY-HBUT, PO Box 1102. Chelmsford, Essex CM99 2XX.

## Other information

The information contained in this report is designed to enable unitholders to make an informed judgement on the activities of the fund during the period it covers and the results of those activities at the end of the period. For more information about the activities and performance of the fund during this and previous periods, please contact the Manager.

The Prospectus, the Key Investor Information Document and details of investment charges and costs are available on request or can be downloaded from our website **www.schroders.co.uk**.



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