

Stewart Investors Asia Pacific Leaders Fund Class B GBP

a subfund of First State Investments ICVC (the Company) - Fund Factsheet

29 February 2020

Investment objective and policy

The Fund aims to grow your investment.

The Fund invests in shares of companies based in or having significant operations in the Asia Pacific region including Australia and New Zealand excluding Japan. The Fund invests in shares of large and mid-sized companies in the region. These companies generally have a total stock market value of at least US\$1 billion. Consideration is given to investment in companies that are positioned to benefit from, and contribute to, the sustainable development of the countries in which they operate. The Fund may use derivatives to reduce risk or to manage the Fund more efficiently.

Fund Information

Fund Launch Date	01 December 2003
Share Class Launch Date	01 December 2003
Fund Size (£m)	6167.1
Benchmark	MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex Japan Index*
Number of holdings	36
Fund Manager(s)	David Gait/Sashi Reddy
Available as ISA	Yes, subject to ISA limits
Minimum Investment	£1,000/£50 per month
Initial charge	0%<
Ongoing Charges †	0.88%
Share Type	Accumulation
Sedol	3387476
ISIN	GB0033874768
Research Rating‡	Square Mile:Responsible AA Morningstar®:Silver RSM:Rated
Fund Yield	1.2%

^{*} The benchmark for this Fund has been identified as a means by which investors can compare the performance of the Fund and has been chosen because its constituents most closely represent the scope of the investable assets. The benchmark is not used to limit or constrain how the portfolio is constructed nor is it part of a target set for Fund performance. Given the diverse nature of the constituent funds within the Specialist IA sector the manager does not compare performance of this Fund with its IA sector.

Annual Performance (% in GBP) to 29 February 2020^

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Period	12 mths to 29/02/20	12 mths to 28/02/19	12 mths to 28/02/18	12 mths to 28/02/17	12 mths to 29/02/16
Fund return	1.7	3.6	6.2	26.9	-4.0
Benchmark return	4.3	-3.7	14.9	43.3	-12.3
Sector return	3.0	-1.0	4.4	30.9	-7.8
Quartile rank	3	1	2	3	2

Cumulative Performance (% in GBP) to 29 February 2020^

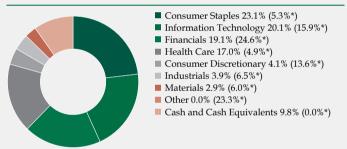
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Period	mths	mths	yr	yrs	yrs	yrs	Inception
Fund return	-5.0	-6.7	1.7	11.9	36.4	148.8	637.4
Benchmark return	-1.2	-1.1	4.3	15.3	44.8	104.1	411.9
Sector return	-3.7	-4.1	3.0	6.2	29.0	76.2	299.3
Quartile rank	3	3	3	2	2	1	1

These figures refer to the past. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. For investors based in countries with currencies other than GBP, the return may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations.

Ten Largest Holdings

Stock name		Stock name	%
CSL	6.8	Hoya Corp.	4.7
Tata Consultancy Serv. Ltd	6.7	Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation	4.5
Tech Mahindra Limited	5.2	Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited	4.3
President Chain Store Corporation	5.2	Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd.	4.1
Unicharm Corporation	5.1	Housing Development Finance Corporation Limited	4.0

Sector Breakdown



*Index Weight

Country Breakdown



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Sector and Country classifications provided by Factset and Stewart Investors.

Cash Equivalents may include T-Bills.

Sector returns calculated by Lipper and denote the arithmetic mean performance of funds in the relevant UK's Investment Association Sector. Quartile Ranking by Lipper methodology which ranks funds within a category according to performance: quartile 1 represents the top 25% and quartile 4 the bottom 25%.

All performance data for the Stewart Investors Asia Pacific Leaders Fund Class B (Accumulation) GBP as at 29 February 2020. Source for fund - Lipper IM / Stewart Investors.

All performance data for the Stewart Investors Asia Pacific Leaders Fund Class B (Accumulation) GBP as at 29 February 2020. Source for fund - Lipper IM / Stewart Investors. Performance data is calculated on a net basis by deducting fees incurred at fund level (e.g. the management and administration fee) and other costs charged to the fund (e.g. transaction and custody costs), save that it does not take account of initial charges or switching fees (if any). Income reinvested is included on a net of tax basis. Source for benchmark - MSCI, income reinvested net of tax. Since inception performance figures have been calculated from 01 December 2003.

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Risk and Reward Profile

✓ Lower Risk
Potentially Lower Rewards

Potentially Higher Rewards

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

The synthetic risk reward indicator (the SRRI) rating is not a measure of the risk of you losing your investment but describes how much the value of the Fund went up and down in the past.

The SRRI rating is based on historical data which may not be a reliable indication of the future risks and rewards of the Fund. We cannot guarantee that the rating of the Fund will remain the same: it may change over time.

Even the lowest rating 1 does not mean a risk free investment.

On a scale of 1 (less risky) to 7 (more risky), this Fund has a rating of 5 due to its past performance and the nature of its investments. Shares with a rating of 5 might have a higher risk, but also higher returns. Risk is taken in order to make a higher potential return; the more risk a fund takes, the higher the potential return but the greater the risk of loss.

The value of investments and any income from them may go down as well as up and is not guaranteed. Investors may get back significantly less than the original amount invested.

The Fund may also experience the following risks:

Currency risk: The Fund invests in assets which are denominated in other currencies; changes in exchange rates will affect the value of the Fund.

Emerging market risk: emerging markets may not provide the same level of investor protection as a developed market; they may involve a higher risk than investing in developed markets.

Recommendation: This fund may not be appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money within five years.

For further information on risks, please refer to the Risk Factors section in the Company prospectus.

Investment should be made on the basis of the Prospectus and Key Investor Information Document. If you are in any doubt as to the suitability of any of our funds for your investment needs, please seek independent financial advice.

Country Classification

The fund aims to invest in companies listed in, incorporated in, or earning the greater part of their revenues or profits in Asia Pacific ex-Japan markets. The Japan exposure shown in the Country Breakdown represents companies that are listed on the Japanese Stock Market, but produce the majority of their revenues or profits in Asia Pacific ex-Japan markets.

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- † The ongoing charge figure (OCF) is calculated on the same basis as for the Key Investor Information Document and represents the charges you will pay over a year for as long as you hold your investment and may vary from year to year. The OCF is made up of the annual management charge and additional expenses, but excludes portfolio transaction costs. For further information about charges and costs please visit http://www.firststateinvestments.com/uk/private/Charges/.
- ‡ This does not constitute an investment recommendation and is not indicative of future results. Methodology available on rating provider's website.
- ^ The performance ranking of funds within the IA Specialist sector is not viewed as a fair comparison given the diverse nature of the funds within the sector. Performance statistics are therefore noted versus benchmark rather than the IA sector. The Specialist sector constituents are defined by the IA as Funds that have an investment universe that is not accommodated by the other IA mainstream sectors.

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