This document provides you with key investor information about this Fund. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature and the risks of investing in this Fund. You are advised to read it so you can make an informed decision about whether to invest.

# FSSA Japan Focus Fund Class B Hedged (Accumulation) GBP



a sub-fund of First Sentier Investors ICVC (the Company)

ISIN GB00BY9D7B75

First Sentier Investors (UK) Funds Limited (trading as FSSA Investment Managers), the authorised corporate director of the Company

**Higher Risk** 

## Objectives and investment policy

**Objective:** The Fund aims to achieve capital growth over the medium to long term (at least three years).

**Policy:** The Fund invests at least 80% in shares of large and mid-sized companies based in or where the majority of their activities take place in Japan and that are listed on exchanges worldwide. This includes companies that are listed on exchanges worldwide which provide to exposure to Japan. These companies generally have a total stock market value of at least US\$1 billion.

The Fund may invest up to 10% in other funds.

The Fund will only use derivatives to reduce risk or to manage the Fund more efficiently in limited cases.

**Strategy:** The Fund's investment strategy is centred on identifying quality companies, buying them at a sensible price and holding for the medium to long-term (at least three years). The Manager looks for founders and management teams that act with integrity and risk awareness, and companies with a dominant market position that have the potential to deliver continual and predictable returns over the medium to long-term.

**Benchmark:** The Fund's performance is compared against the value of the TOPIX (Tokyo Stock Price Index).

The Fund's manager may use its discretion when deciding which investments should be held by the Fund.

The Fund is actively managed; investment of the Fund's assets is not constrained by the benchmark composition or sector requirements and the Fund's manager has discretion within the Fund's investment policy to invest in assets without regard to the benchmark.

**Recommendation:** This Fund may not be appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money within three years.

The Fund will not pay any income out; instead any income will be reflected in the value of your shares.

You can buy and sell shares in the Fund on any business day. As long as we receive your instruction before 12 noon (UK time), shares will be bought and sold at that day's price.

# Risk and reward profile

Lower Risk



- The synthetic risk reward indicator (the SRRI) rating is not a measure of the risk of you losing the entire value of your investment but describes how much the value of the share class has gone up and down in the past. Where a share class has not yet launched, the SRRI is calculated using representative data.
- The SRRI rating is based on historical data which may not be a reliable indication of the future risks and rewards of the share class.
- We cannot guarantee that the rating of the share class 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 share class has a rating
  of 6 due to its past performance (or representative data) and the nature of
  its investments.

- Categories 1-2 indicate a low level of historical fluctuations, 3-5 a medium level, and 6-7 a high level.
- 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 the Fund and its return is not guaranteed and may fall as well as rise. You may get back significantly less than you originally invested.
   Material risks not adequately captured by the SRRI:
- Currency risk: the Fund invests in assets which are denominated in other currencies; changes in exchange rates will affect the value of the Fund and could create losses. Currency control decisions made by governments could affect the value of the Fund's investments and could cause the Fund to defer or suspend redemptions of its shares.
- Currency hedged share class risk: hedging transactions are designed to reduce currency risk for investors. There is no guarantee that the hedging will be totally successful or that it can eliminate currency risk entirely.
- Single country / specific region risk: investing in a single country or specific region may be riskier than investing in a number of different countries or regions. Investing in a larger number of countries or regions helps spread risk.

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

#### **Charges for this Fund**

The charges are used to pay the costs of running the Fund, including the costs of marketing and distributing it. These charges reduce the potential growth of your investment.

One-off charges taken before or after you invest	
Entry charge	4.00%
Exit charge	N/A
This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it is invested.	
Charges taken from the fund over a year	
Ongoing charge	0.88%
Charges taken from the fund under certain specific conditions	
Performance fee	N/A

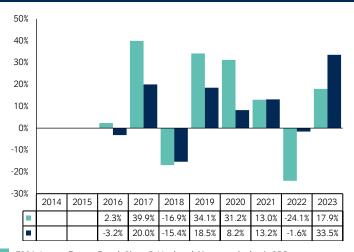
The entry and exit charges shown are the maximum you will need to pay. In some cases you might pay less - you can find out the actual entry and exit charges from your financial adviser.

The ongoing charge is based on expenses for the year ending July 2023. It may vary from year to year. It excludes portfolio transaction costs which are paid from assets of the Fund and performance fees, if any.

There are fees for switching between sub-funds. The fee for switching into the Fund is 0.5%.

Further information can be found in the Buying, Selling and Switching Shares section of the Company's prospectus.

## Past performance



Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance. The past performance shown here includes fees, any reinvested income and tax.

The Fund launched on 26 October 2015.

The Share Class launched on 30 October 2015. The past performance of the Share Class is calculated in GBP.

The past performance of the benchmark is calculated in GBP

\* Please note as of 07 December 2021, the Fund changed its benchmark from the MSCI Japan Index to the TOPIX (Tokyo Stock Price Index) Net Total Return Index.

The Fund's performance comparison to the Investment Association Sector can be found in the Company's prospectus.

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TOPIX (Tokyo Stock Price Index) Net Total Return Index (GBP Hedged)

#### **Practical information**

Depositary: The Bank of New York Mellon (International) Limited

Further information: The Fund forms part of the First Sentier Investors ICVC (the Company). The prospectus, annual and semi-annual reports of the Company as a whole are available free of charge on firstsentierinvestors.com or by contacting First Sentier Investors, PO Box 404, Darlington, DL1 9UZ. All documents are available in English.

Other practical information: The Fund's share price and other information about the Fund is available at firstsentierinvestors.com. The prospectus, annual and semi-annual reports contain information about all of the sub-funds and share classes of the Company.

Tax legislation: The Fund is subject to UK tax laws. This may have an impact on your personal tax position. For further details, please speak to your tax adviser.

**Liability statement:** First Sentier Investors (UK) Funds Limited (as management company) may be held liable solely on the basis of any statement contained in this document that is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent with the relevant parts of the prospectus for the Company.

**Fund information:** Each sub-fund of the Company is responsible for meeting its own debts. The sub-funds are segregated by law. This means that investments of the Fund cannot be used to pay the debts of the other sub-funds.

You can exchange shares in the Fund for shares in another sub-fund, which is called switching. There may be a charge for switching, as indicated above in 'Charges for this Fund'.

Remuneration: Information on the current remuneration policy of First Sentier Investors (UK) Funds Limited, including a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated and the identity of persons responsible for awarding the remuneration and benefits, is available at firstsentierinvestors.com. A paper copy of this information is available free of charge upon request from First Sentier Investors, PO Box 404, Darlington, DL1 9UZ.