# abrdn Emerging Markets Equity Fund

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#### Objective

To generate growth over the long term (5 years or more) by investing in emerging markets equities (company shares).

**Performance Target:** To achieve the return of the MSCI Emerging Markets Index, plus 3% per annum over three rolling year periods (before charges). There is no certainty or promise that the Performance Target will be achieved.

The MSCI Emerging Markets Index (the "Index") is a representative index of the collective stock markets across Emerging Markets.

#### Portfolio securities

- The fund invests at least 70% in Emerging Markets equities.
- Emerging Markets include Asian, Eastern European, Middle Eastern, African and Latin American countries or any country included within the Index.
- The fund may also invest in other funds (including those managed by abrdn), cash and assets that can be turned into cash quickly.

#### Performance



#### Cumulative and annualised performance

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|--------------------------|-------------|----------|-----------------|--------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                          | 1 month     | 6 months | Year to<br>date | 1 year | 3 years<br>(p.a.) | 5 years<br>(p.a.) |
| Fund (gross) (%)         | 4.47        | 2.00     | -0.50           | -0.27  | -6.64             | 2.39              |
| Fund (net) (%)           | 4.40        | 1.62     | -0.63           | -1.01  | -7.39             | 1.50              |
| Performance target (%)   | 5.72        | 6.68     | 1.19            | 7.50   | 0.25              | 6.30              |

#### Discrete annual returns - year to 29/2

|                        | 2024  | 2023  | 2022   | 2021  | 2020 |
|------------------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|------|
| Fund (gross) (%)       | -0.27 | -7.64 | -11.68 | 33.68 | 3.47 |
| Fund (net) (%)         | -1.01 | -8.33 | -12.47 | 32.35 | 2.47 |
| Performance target (%) | 7.50  | -2.59 | -3.78  | 27.92 | 5.31 |

Performance Data: Share Class I Acc.

Benchmark history: Performance target – MSCI Emerging Markets +3.00%

Source: Lipper. Basis: Total Return, NAV to NAV, UK Net/Gross Income Reinvested.

"Fund (Net)" refers to the actual unit price performance of the shareclass shown; "Fund(Gross)" adds back charges such as the annual management charge to present performance on the same basis as the performance target / performance comparator / portfolio constraining benchmark. These figures do not include the initial charge; if this is paid it will reduce performance from that shown.

Past performance is not a guide to future returns and future returns are not guaranteed.

# Key facts

| Fund manager(s)                        | Global Emerging<br>Markets Equity<br>Team |
|--|---|
| Fund launch date                       | 16 March 1987                             |
| Share class launch date                | 25 July 2003                              |
| Authorised corporate<br>director (ACD) | abrdn Fund<br>Managers Limited            |
| Fund size                              | £599.4m                                   |
| Number of holdings                     | 63  |
| Performance target                     | MSCI Emerging<br>Markets +3.00%           |
| Fund historic yield <sup>1</sup>       | 1.45%                                     |
| Distribution frequency                 | Annual                                    |
| Entry charge (up to) <sup>2</sup>      | 0.00%                                     |
| Annual management<br>charge            | 0.75%                                     |
| Ongoing charge figure <sup>3</sup>     | 0.87%                                     |
| Minimum initial investment             | GBP 1,000,000                             |
| Fund type                              | OEIC                                      |
| Valuation point                        | 12:00 (UK time)                           |
| Base currency                          | GBP                                       |
| Sedol                                  | 3322756                                   |
| ISIN                                   | GB0033227561                              |
| Bloomberg                              | ABEMMCA LN                                |
| Citicode                               | ZY91                                      |
| Reuters                                | LP60087505                                |
| Domicile                               | United Kingdom                            |
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# Risk and reward profile



This indicator reflects the volatility of the fund's share price. See the relevant UCITS Key Investor Information Document (KIID) or PRIIPs Key Information Document (KID) for details

## Key risks

- (a) The value of investments and the income from them can fall and investors may get back less than the amount invested.
- (b) Equity Risk The fund invests in equity and equity related securities. These are sensitive to variations in the stock markets which can be volatile and change substantially in short periods of time.
- (c) Emerging Markets Risk The fund may invest in emerging markets, where political, economic, legal and regulatory systems are less developed. As a result, investing in emerging markets may involve higher volatility and a greater risk of loss than investing in developed markets.

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## Management process

- The management team use their discretion (active management) to maintain a diverse asset mix at country, sector and company level.
- Their primary focus is on selecting companies using research techniques to select individual holdings. The research process is focused on finding attractive high quality companies that can be held for the long term through the assessment of their business, the industry they operate in, their financial strength and the capability of their management team.
- Due to the active nature of the management process, the fund's performance profile may deviate significantly from that of the Index over the long term.

# **Top Ten Holdings**

# Sector (%)

| 1 0                                       |      |
|---|------|
| Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd | 9.8  |
| Samsung Electronics Co Ltd                | 7.2  |
| Tencent Holdings Ltd                      | 5.4  |
| Alibaba Group Holding Ltd                 | 3.9  |
| SBI Life Insurance Co Ltd                 | 2.8  |
| Power Grid Corp of India Ltd              | 2.6  |
| HDFC Bank Ltd                             | 2.5  |
| AIA Group Ltd                             | 2.2  |
| TotalEnergies SE                          | 1.9  |
| Grupo Financiero Banorte SAB de CV        | 1.8  |
| Assets in top ten holdings                | 40.1 |

| Information Technology | 25.9 |
|------------------------|------|
| Financials             | 23.9 |
| Consumer Discretionary | 12.1 |
| Communication Services | 7.5  |
| Consumer Staples       | 7.4  |
| Industrials            | 7.0  |
| Materials              | 6.0  |
| Energy                 | 3.6  |
| Other                  | 5.7  |
| Cash                   | 0.7  |

# Country (%)

| China                     | 21.2 |
|---------------------------|------|
| India                     | 17.7 |
| Taiwan, Republic of China | 13.7 |
| Korea (South)             | 12.0 |
| Mexico                    | 7.3  |
| Brazil                    | 6.6  |
| Indonesia                 | 4.0  |
| Hong Kong                 | 3.7  |
| Other                     | 13.0 |
| Cash                      | 0.7  |

Source : abrdn 29/02/2024

Figures may not always sum to 100 due to rounding.

- (d) Derivatives Risk The use of derivatives may involve additional liquidity, credit and counterparty risks. In some cases the risk of loss from derivatives may be increased where a small change in the value of the underlying investment may have a larger impact on the value of the derivative.
- (e) Investing in China A shares involves special considerations and risks, including greater price volatility, a less developed regulatory and legal framework, exchange rate risk/controls, settlement, tax, quota, liquidity and regulatory risks.
  (f) The use of derivatives carries the risk
- (f) The use of derivatives carries the risk of reduced liquidity, substantial loss and increased volatility in adverse market conditions, such as a failure amongst market participants. The use of derivatives may result in the fund being leveraged (where market exposure and thus the potential for loss by the fund exceeds the amount it has invested) and in these market conditions the effect of leverage will be to magnify losses.

## **Risk stats**

| Alpha^                                 | -4.14 |
|--|-------|
| Benchmark Volatility (SD)^             | 13.19 |
| Beta <sup>^</sup>                      | 0.93  |
| Fund Volatility (SD)^                  | 12.83 |
| Information Ratio <sup>^</sup>         | -0.89 |
| R-Squared <sup>^</sup>                 | 0.91  |
| Sharpe Ratio^                          | -0.82 |
| Tracking Error <sup>^</sup>            | 4.04  |
| Source : abrdp A Three year appualised |       |

Source : abrdn. ^ Three year annualised.

#### Ratings Morningstar

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# Derivative usage

- Derivative usage in the fund is expected to be very limited. Where derivatives are used, this would mainly be in response to significant inflows into the fund so that in these instances, cash can be invested while maintaining the fund's existing allocations to equities.
- Derivatives are linked to the value of other assets. In other words, they derive their price from one or more underlying asset.

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<sup>1</sup>The Historic Yield as at 31/01/2024 reflects distributions declared over the past twelve months as a percentage of the mid-market share price, as at the date shown. It does not include any preliminary charge and investors may be subject to tax on their distributions.

<sup>2</sup>These are the maximum charges that we might take out of your money before it is invested. In some cases, the charges may be less and you should speak to your financial advisor about this.

<sup>3</sup>The Ongoing Charge Figure (OCF), is the overall cost shown as a percentage of the value of the assets of the fund. It is made up of the Annual Management Charge (AMC) of 0.75% and other charges. It does not include any initial charges or the cost of buying and selling stocks for the fund. The Ongoing Charges figure can help you compare the annual operating expenses of different funds.

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