ASI Emerging Markets Income Equity Fund

Platform 1 Inc GBP



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Objective

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

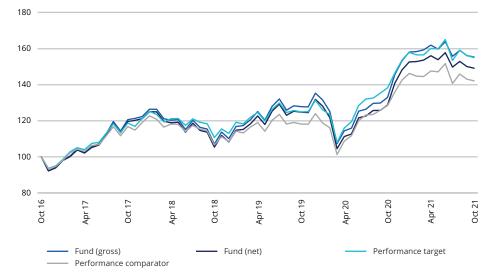
Performance Target: To deliver a yield greater than that of the MSCI Emerging Markets Index over a rolling five year period (before charges) and achieve a return in excess of the MSCI Emerging Markets Index over a rolling five year period (before charges). The Performance Target is the level of performance that the management team hopes to achieve for the fund. There is however no certainty or promise that they will achieve the Performance Target.

The ACD believes this is an appropriate target for the fund based on the investment policy of the fund and the constituents of the index.

Portfolio securities

- The fund will invest at least 70% in equities and equity related securities of companies listed, incorporated or domiciled in emerging market countries, or companies that derive a significant proportion of their revenues or profits from emerging market operations or have a significant proportion of their assets there.
- Emerging markets include Asian, Eastern European, Middle Eastern, African or Latin American countries.
- The fund may also invest up to 10% in bonds (loans to companies).
- The fund may also invest in other funds (including those managed by Aberdeen Standard Investments) and money-market instruments, and cash.

Performance



Cumulative and annualised performance

	1 month	6 months	Year to date	1 year	3 years (p.a.)	5 years (p.a.)
Fund (gross) (%)	-0.53	-4.10	1.35	16.83	13.23	9.20
Fund (net) (%)	-0.61	-4.44	0.66	15.90	12.31	8.31
Performance target (%)	-0.65	-3.17	0.92	12.15	11.93	9.16
Performance comparator (%)	-0.65	-3.72	-0.28	10.68	10.08	7.27

Discrete annual returns - year to 31/10

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	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Fund (gross) (%)	16.83	4.03	19.44	-11.24	20.50
Fund (net) (%)	15.90	3.17	18.46	-11.93	19.49
Performance target (%)	12.15	10.69	12.95	-6.82	18.62
Performance comparator (%)	10.68	8.70	10.88	-8.74	16.68

Performance Data: Share Class Platform 1 Inc GBP.

Benchmark history: Performance comparator/Portfolio constraining benchmark – MSCI Emerging Markets
Source: abrdn (Fund & Benchmark) and Morningstar (Sector). 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

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Fund manager(s)	Matthew Williams & Adam Montanaro
Fund launch date	13 December 2012
Share class launch date	13 December 2012
Authorised corporate director (ACD)	Aberdeen Standard Fund Managers Limited
Fund size	£889.5m
Number of holdings	84
Performance target/ Performance comparator/ Portfolio constraining benchmark	MSCI Emerging Markets
Index historic yield	2.25%
Entry charge (up to) ²	0.00%
Annual management charge	0.75%
Ongoing charge figure ³	0.93%
Minimum initial investment	GBP 1,000,000
Fund type	OEIC
Valuation point	12:00 (UK time)
Base currency	GBP
Sedol	B8N1FM2
ISIN	GB00B8N1FM23
Bloomberg	SLGEP1I LN
Citicode	GY0Z
Domicile	United Kingdom

Risk and reward profile



This indicator reflects the volatility of the fund's share price over the last five years. See Key Investor Information Document (KIID) 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) 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) The fund invests in emerging market equities and / or bonds. Investing in emerging markets involves a greater risk of loss than investing in more developed markets due to, among other factors, greater political, tax, economic, foreign exchange, liquidity and regulatory risks.

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Management process

- The management team use their discretion (active management) to maintain a diverse asset mix at country, sector and stock level.
- Their primary focus is on stock selection using research techniques to select individual holdings. Given the fund's income objective, the management team place particular emphasis on understanding business fundamentals and dynamics and the impact this has on cash flow generation and the company's ability to allocate cash effectively.
- In seeking to achieve the Performance Target, the MSCI Emerging Markets Index is used as a
 reference point for portfolio construction and as a basis for setting risk constraints. The expected
 variation ('tracking error') between the returns of the fund and the index is not ordinarily expected
 to exceed 9%. Due to the income nature of the management process, the Fund's performance
 profile may deviate significantly from that of the MSCI Emerging Markets Index.

Top ten holdings (%)

Samsung Electronics	7.8
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing	7.1
Tencent	4.1
Alibaba Group Holding	3.8
Nari Technology	2.7
Grupo Mexico	2.6
LG Chem	2.3
Foxconn	2.1
NetEase	2.0
Ping An Insurance	2.0
Assets in top ten holdings	36.5

Sector (%)

Information Technology	27.0
Financials	16.4
Communication Services	11.2
Consumer Discretionary	10.9
Materials	9.4
Industrials	8.6
Consumer Staples	6.3
Energy	4.1
Real Estate	2.1
Cash and Other	4.0

Country (%)

China	21.3
Taiwan, Republic of China	14.7
Korea, Republic of	13.9
Hong Kong	12.1
India	11.0
Russian Federation	9.1
Mexico	4.9
South Africa	2.1
Brazil	1.8 ■
Cash and Other	9.1

Source : abrdn 31/10/2021

Figures may not always sum to 100 due to rounding.

- (d) The fund may invest in companies with Variable Interest Entity (VIE) structures in order to gain exposure to industries with foreign ownership restrictions. There is a risk that investments in these structures may be adversely affected by changes in the legal and regulatory framework.
- (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 fund invests in securities which are subject to the risk that the issuer may default on interest or capital payments.
- (g) The fund price can go up or down daily for a variety of reasons including changes in interest rates, inflation expectations or the perceived credit quality of individual countries or securities.
- (h) 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

Fund Volatility 16.80

Source: abrdn. ^ Three year annualised.

Derivative usage

- The fund may use derivatives to reduce risk, reduce cost and/or generate additional income or growth consistent with the risk profile of the fund (often referred to as 'Efficient Portfolio Management').
- 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 company shares.

To help you understand this fund and for a full explanation of risks and the overall risk profile of this fund and the shareclasses within it, please refer to the Key Investor Information Documents and Prospectus which are available on our website www.abrdn.com The Prospectus also contains a glossary of key terms used in this document.

¹The Historic Yield as at 30/09/2021 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. The fund charges 100% of the annual management charge to capital. This has the effect of increasing distributions for the year and constraining the fund's capital performance to an equivalent extent.

²These 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.

³The 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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