# abrdn SICAV I - Select Emerging Markets Bond



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# 31 March 2024

## Objective

The Fund aims to achieve a combination of income and growth by investing in bonds (which are like loans that can pay a fixed or variable interest rate) issued by companies, governments or other bodies, in Emerging Market countries.

The Fund aims to outperform the JP Morgan EMBI Global Diversified Index (USD) benchmark (before charges).

# Portfolio securities

- The Fund invests at least two-thirds of its assets in bonds issued by companies, governments or other bodies in Emerging Market countries. The Fund will invest up to 100% in Sub-Investment grade bonds.
- Bonds will be of any credit quality and typically in the currencies of the countries where they are issued.

## **Performance**



#### Cumulative and annualised performance

	1 month	6 months	Year to date	1 year	3 years (p.a.)	5 years (p.a.)	10 years (p.a.)
Fund (net) (%)	2.81	10.93	3.63	15.23	2.08	1.48	n/a
Benchmark (%)	2.23	7.62	2.97	8.92	1.55	1.34	n/a

#### Discrete annual returns - year to 31/3

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Fund (net) (%)	15.23	-3.58	-4.27	8.98	-7.14	6.86	-6.54	30.99	n/a	n/a
Benchmark (%)	8.92	-0.89	-3.00	4.25	-2.09	12.19	-7.03	25.19	n/a	n/a

Performance Data: Share Class X Acc GBP

Benchmark history: Benchmark – JP Morgan EMBI Global Diversified (GBP)

Source: Lipper. Basis: Total Return, NAV to NAV, net of annual charges, gross Income reinvested, (GBP).

Costs may increase or decrease as a result of currency and exchange rate fluctuations. This may impact what you might get back. "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 Benchmark / Benchmark / portfolio constraining benchmark. All return data includes investment management fees, operational charges and expenses, and assumes the reinvestment of all distributions. The returns provided do not reflect the initial sales charge and, if included, the performance shown would be lower.Performance and benchmark returns are shown in the currency of the share class which may differ from the base currency of the Fund.

Past performance does not predict future returns.

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Fund manager(s)	Global Emerging Market Debt Team
Fund launch date	15 August 2001
Share class launch date	19 June 2015
Management company	abrdn Investments Luxembourg S.A.
Fund size	USD 382.2m
Number of holdings	184
Benchmark	JP Morgan EMBI Global Diversified (GBP)
Yield to maturity exc derivatives <sup>1</sup>	8.27%
Entry charge (up to) <sup>2</sup>	0.00%
Annual management charge	0.75%
Ongoing charge figure <sup>3</sup>	0.90%
Minimum initial investment	USD 1,000 or currency equivalent
Fund type	SICAV
Valuation point	13:00 (LUX time)
Base currency	USD
Share class currency	GBP
Sedol	BXNTCH5
ISIN	LU1227631378
Bloomberg	ABSEMR2 LX
Citicode	FUKW
Reuters	LP68317996
Valoren	28375620
WKN	A14TXX
Domicile	Luxembourg

## Risk and reward profile

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

This indicator reflects the volatility of the fund's share price over the last five years. See the relevant UCITS Key Investor Information Document (KIID) or PRIIP Key Information Document 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 securities which are subject to the risk that the issuer may default on interest or capital payments.
- (c) 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.

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## Management process

- The Fund is actively managed.
- The benchmark is used as a reference point for portfolio construction and as a basis for setting risk constraints.
- In order to achieve its objective, the Fund will take positions whose weightings diverge from the benchmark or invest in securities which are not included in the benchmark. The investments of the Fund may deviate significantly from the components and their weightings in the benchmark.
- Due to the active nature of the management process, the Fund's performance profile may deviate significantly from that of the benchmark over the longer term.
- abrdn integrate environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations within the investment process. Details of the Fixed Income ESG Integration Approach are published at www.abrdn.com under "Sustainable Investing".

# **Top Ten Holdings**

Nota Do Tesouro Nacional 10% 2031	3.4
Saudi (Govt Of) International 5% 2049	2.7
Domnican (Govt of) 6% 2028	2.5
Peru (Govt of) 7.3% 2033	2.4
Qatar (Govt of) 4.817% 2049	2.1
Pertamina Persero PT 6.5% 2041	2.0
Petroleos Mexicanos 6.5% 2041	1.8
Qatar (Govt of) 5.103% 2048	1.8
Georgian Railway Jsc 4% 2028	1.6
Kenya (Govt of) 7% 2027	1.6
Assets in top ten holdings	21.9

#### Credit rating (%)

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AAA	0.1
AA	4.4
A	6.3
BBB	27.1
ВВ	26.6
В	15.4
CCC	10.3
CC	0.7 ■
C or below	3.8
N/R	5.3

# Country (%)

Brazil	5.8
Indonesia	4.8 ■
Mexico	4.7 ■
Colombia	4.7 ■
Saudi Arabia	4.6 ■
Dominican Republic	4.0 ■
Qatar	3.7 ■
Peru	3.6 ■
Other	59.2
Cash	4.8 ■

## Composition by asset (%)

Government	70.5
Quasi Sovereign	13.2
Energy	3.7 ■
Materials	1.8 ■
Financials	1.6 ▮
Telecommunication Services	1.2
Real Estate	1.0 I
Utilities	0.9 I
Other	1.3 I
Cash	4.8 ■

## Currency (%)

USD 79.6	
BRL 5.1 ■	
EUR 3.6 ■	
INR 2.9 <b>■</b>	
PEN 2.2 <b>■</b>	
COP 2.1 <b>I</b>	
IDR 1.9 <b>■</b>	
PHP 1.4 I	
UYU 1.2 I	

Source : abrdn 31/03/2024

Figures may not always sum to 100 due to rounding.

- (d) Emerging markets are countries generally considered to be relatively less developed or industrialized, and investments in emerging markets countries are subject to a magnification of the risks that apply to foreign investments. These risks are greater for securities of companies in emerging market countries because the countries may have less stable governments, more volatile currencies and less established markets
- (e) The fund invests in high yielding bonds which carry a greater risk of default than those with lower yields.
- (f) Convertible securities are investments that can be changed into another form upon certain triggers. As such, they can exhibit credit, equity and fixed interest risk. Contingent convertible securities (CoCos) are similar to convertible securities but have additional triggers which mean that they are more vulnerable to losses and volatile price movements and hence become less liquid.
- (g) 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 <sup>^</sup>	1.35
Benchmark Volatility (SD) <sup>^</sup>	10.63
Beta <sup>^</sup>	1.10
Fund Volatility (SD) <sup>^</sup>	11.97
Information Ratio <sup>^</sup>	0.35
R-Squared <sup>^</sup>	0.95
Sharpe Ratio <sup>^</sup>	-0.03
Tracking Error <sup>^</sup>	2.81
Effective duration (years)	6.43

Source : abrdn. ^ Three year annualised.

#### Derivative usage

 Derivatives will only be used for hedging or to provide exposures that could be achieved through investment in the assets in which the Fund is primarily invested. Usage of derivatives is monitored to ensure that the Fund is not exposed to excessive or unintended risks. A summary of investor rights can be found in English on our website - www.abrdn.com/corporate/legal. 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 available in the local language, and Prospectus available in English, which are available on our website www.abrdn.com. The Prospectus also contains a glossary of key terms used in this document. The Fund Management company may terminate arrangements for marketing the fund under the Cross-border Distribution Directive denotification process.

. This Fund concerns the acquisition of units or shares in a fund, and not in a given underlying asset such as a building or shares of a company.

<sup>1</sup>Yield to Maturity as at 31/03/2024 is the yield that would be realised on a bond or other debt instrument if the security was held until the maturity date.

<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. There are other applicable costs. The other operating charges figure (OOC) is the total expenses paid by each share class, against its average net asset value. This includes the annual management charge, the other operating expenses and any synthetic element to incorporate the ongoing charges of any underlying qualifying investments. The OOC can fluctuate as underlying costs change. Where underlying costs have changed, the OOC disclosed in the Fund offering Documents will be updated to reflect current changes.

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