# Lazard Emerging Markets Fund

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## A sub-fund of Lazard Investment Funds, a UK-based OEIC

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## Morningstar Rating<sup>1</sup> \*\*\*\*

(Overall Rank out of 695 Funds).

Morningstar Rating based on risk-adjusted returns as of 31 December 2023 for the Share Class. Ratings and performance characteristics for other share classes may vary.

## **Fund Description**

Lazard's Emerging Markets Fund aims to outperform the MSCI Emerging Markets Index with lower than index levels of volatility. The Fund typically invests in securities of companies domiciled in countries included in the MSCI Emerging Markets Index with over \$300 million in market cap, and which are of sufficient liquidity.

### Share Class

NAV	426.30p
Dividend Yield <sup>§</sup>	3.70%

#### Fund AUM

Class Currency	£604.95m
Base Fund Currency	£604.95m

#### Risk Rating



#### Key Risks Related to the Fund

There is no capital guarantee or protection of the value of the Fund. The value of your investment and the income from it can go down as well as up and you may not get back the amount you originally invested.

This Fund will invest in the securities of emerging markets. These markets may be less developed than others and so there is a greater risk that the Fund may experience greater volatility, delays in buying, selling and claiming ownership of its investments. Emerging markets may also have less developed political, economic and legal systems and there is a higher risk that the Fund may not get back its money.

The Fund may invest in units or shares of other investment funds. Such other funds may themselves be subject to their own fees and expenses.

#### Key Risks Related to the Share Class

The returns from your investment may be affected by changes in the exchange rate between the Fund's base currency, the currency of the Fund's investments, your share class and your home currency.

See "Risk Factors" in the UCITS' Prospectus for more information about risks.

#### Performance Data

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results

#### Rolling Year Performance (%)\*

(Annualised Return\* in GBP % p.a.)

		12 Months ended 31 December								
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Lazard Emerging Markets Fund	15.4	-5.0	6.7	-2.4	13.9	-13.3	16.5	46.2	-15.4	1.5
MSCI Emerging Markets Index	3.6	-10.0	-1.6	14.7	13.9	-9.3	25.4	32.6	-10.0	3.9
IA Global Emerging Markets	4.3	-12.3	-0.4	13.6	15.7	-11.5	24.5	31.6	-9.2	3.4
Quartile	1	1	1	4	3	4	4	1	4	3

#### Fund Performance (%)\*

(Annualised Return\* in GBP % p.a.)

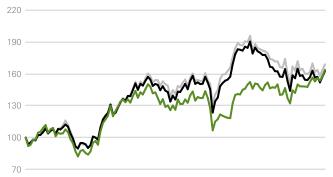
		Periods ended December 2023								
				Cumulative			Annualised			
	1M	ЗM	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	10Y	 3Y	5Y	10Y
Lazard Emerging Markets Fund	3.8	5.0	15.4	15.4	16.9	29.9	64.6	5.3	5.4	5.1
MSCI Emerging Markets Index	3.2	3.3	3.6	3.6	-8.3	19.7	69.0	-2.8	3.7	5.4
IA Global Emerging Markets	3.3	3.5	4.3	4.3	-8.9	19.7	63.0	-3.1	3.7	5.0
Quartile	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	 1	1	2

\*Source: Morningstar, NAV to NAV basis, Net Income Reinvested, Net of Fees. \*Performance data for periods less than 1 year is illustrated on a cumulative growth basis. The Fund's performance is measured against the performance of the MSCI Emerging Markets Index (the "Benchmark") which the manager of the Fund has assessed to be the most appropriate Benchmark for comparison. The Benchmark is not a target for the Fund, nor is the Fund constrained by the Benchmark as the Fund has flexibility to invest in securities and asset classes not included in the Benchmark. The Fund will only invest in securities and asset classes that are stated in the Fund Prospectus or Fund Supplement. IA Sector performance data are post-tax returns that take into account the taxes a hypothetical investor pays on fund distributions and capital gains. The returns from your investment may be affected by changes in the exchange rate.

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# £100 Invested Over Ten Years



Dec-13 Dec-14 Dec-15 Dec-16 Dec-17 Dec-18 Dec-19 Dec-20 Dec-21 Dec-22 Dec-23

Lazard Emerging MSCI Emerging Markets Fund Markets Index (64.58%) (68.95%)

Source: Morningstar, Cumulative Growth, NAV to NAV Price, Net of fees, Net Income Reinvested to 31 December 2023 in GBP.

## Market Cap Breakdown



## **Regional Breakdown**

	Fund (%)	Index	Relative Weight
Emerging Asia	60.2	77.8	-17.6
Emerging Latin America	17.4	9.5	7.9
Emerging Africa	8.0	3.2	4.8
Emerging Europe	5.0	2.5	2.5
Continental Europe	3.1	0.0	3.1
United Kingdom	2.1	0.0	2.1
Asia ex Japan	0.7	0.0	0.7
Emerging\Middle East	0.0	7.0	-7.0
Cash	3.4	0.0	3.4

## Technical Statistics<sup>\*</sup>

	Fund	Index
Alpha (% p.a.)	7.57	-
Beta	0.73	-
Information Ratio	1.25	-
Sharpe Ratio	0.30	-0.37
Tracking Error (% p.a.)	6.54	-
Volatility	11.07	13.06

‡Source: Morningstar. Technical statistics calculated three years to 31 December 2023. For the calculation of Sharpe ratio, the 3-month Libor rate has been used as the reference interest rate.

## Top 10 Holdings

Stock	Country	Fund (%)
TSMC	Taiwan	3.8
Lenovo	China	2.7
China Construction Bank	China	2.7
ASE Technology	Taiwan	2.6
BB Seguridade	Brazil	2.5
Banco do Brasil	Brazil	2.5
Galp	Portugal	2.4
Petrobras	Brazil	2.4
OTP Bank	Hungary	2.4
MediaTek	Taiwan	1.8
Total		25.8
Number of Securities		81

## Sector Breakdown

	Fund (%)	Index	Relative Weight
Financials	25.9	22.3	3.6
Information Technology	20.8	22.1	-1.3
Consumer Discretionary	9.5	12.8	-3.3
Energy	8.3	5.1	3.2
Communication Services	6.8	8.8	-2.0
Industrials	6.6	6.8	-0.2
Materials	6.5	7.9	-1.4
Consumer Staples	6.4	6.0	0.4
Health Care	3.6	3.8	-0.2
Other	2.1	4.4	-2.3
Cash	3.4	0.0	3.4

## **Characteristics - Equity**

	Fund	Index
Active Share	79.8	
ROE (%)	15.3	11.9
P/E Ratio - Trailing 12 months (%)	8.3	13.7
P/E Ratio - Next 12 Months (%)	8.0	12.4
Dividend Yield (%)	5.4	2.9
EPS Growth - Next 12 months (%)	3.9	9.3
Price to Book Value Ratio	1.3	1.6

# **Fund Information**

Fund Objective†	The objective of the Sub-Fund is to seek capital growth over at least 5 years.
Asset Class	Emerging Markets Equity
Benchmark	MSCI Emerging Markets Index
IA Sector	IA Global Emerging Markets
Management Company	Lazard Fund Managers Ltd
Fund Managers	James Donald + Team
Fund Launch Date	06/09/1999
Share Class Launch Date	01/10/2007
Base Fund Currency	GBP
Class Currency	GBP
Туре	Accumulation

†There is no assurance that the Lazard Emerging Markets Fund's objectives or performance targets will be achieved.

#### Fees

Annual Management Fee	1.00%
Ongoing charges	1.04%
Max Subscription Fee	3.00%
Max Redemption Fee	2.00%
Minimum Investment Amount	500 GBP
Swing Pricing	Applicable

#### Glossary

Active Share measured as a percentage, active share is the degree of deviation in holdings between a portfolio and its benchmark. Active share of a portfolio is calculated as half the sum of the absolute active weights of all securities in a portfolio and its benchmark. For portfolios without shorts, the statistic ranges from 0% (index tracker) to 100% (no overlap with index). The higher the number, the more "active" the manager is.

Alpha represents the return of a portfolio that is attributable to the manager's investment decisions.

Beta measures a fund's sensitivity to movements in the overall market.

EPS represents the fiscal period earnings per share (EPS) for the period.

Information ratio represents the value added by the manager (excess return) divided by the tracking error.

The **Ongoing Charges** represent the ongoing costs to the fund from one year to the next which includes but is not limited to the fund's annual management fees, professional fees, audit fees, custody fees and custody transaction fees. It

Settlement	
Subscriptions Settlement	T+3
Redemptions Settlement	T+3
Dealing Frequency	You can buy or sell shares in the Fund on any day on which the stock exchange in London is open for business.
Cut-off Time (Subscriptions)	12:00 T-0 GB London
Cut-off Time (Redemptions)	12:00 T-0 GB London
Identifiers	
ISIN	GB00B24F1G74
Sedol	B24F1G7
Bloomberg	LAZEMIA LN
WKN	Α0Q9XB
Valoren	-

does not include any performance fee or portfolio transaction costs incurred buying or selling assets for the fund. The Ongoing charges may vary from year to year.

P/E Ratio/ Earnings Per Share (EPS).

Price to Book Value / Book Value per Share.

Return on Equity (ROE) calculated by taking earnings per share of the company and dividing it by the stock's book value.

The **Risk Rating** is calculated in line with Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities Regulations 2011 (the "UCITS Regulations").

Sharpe ratio measures return in excess of the risk free rate for every unit of risk taken.

Tracking error measures the volatility of the difference between a portfolio's performance and the benchmark.

Volatility is a measure of the fund's returns in relation to its historic average.

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