

# Asian Equity Fund

As at end March 2024



**Ratings\***

Morningstar: ★★ ★

**Risk profile**

**Lower risk**

Potentially lower rewards

**Higher risk**

Potentially higher rewards



**Key facts**

Fund manager: Greg Kuhnert, Charlie Linton  
Fund size: USD 701.1m  
Fund launch date: 06.01.84  
Domicile: Luxembourg  
Sector: Morningstar Asia ex-Japan Equity  
Benchmark: MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Net Return (Far East ex Japan pre 01/03/2008)  
Pricing: 16:00 New York Time (forward pricing)  
Ninety One ESG Classification\*: ESG Integration  
Ongoing Charge (I Acc USD): 1.01%

**Objective and investment policy summary**

The Fund aims to provide long-term capital growth primarily through investment in equities of companies established and listed on a recognised exchange in Asia, excluding Japan. The Fund will invest primarily in the markets of Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, Taiwan, South Korea, the Philippines, Indonesia, China and India, but may also invest in the region's other markets such as Australia and New Zealand.

**Calendar year performance (%)**

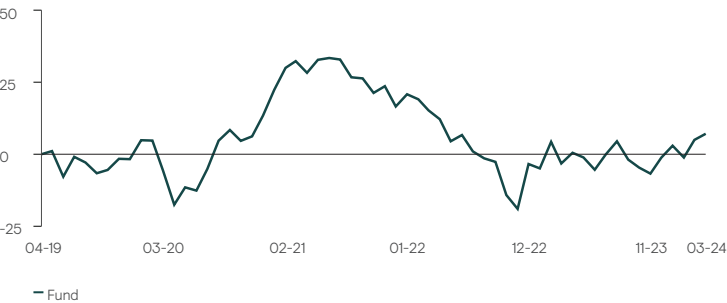
	YTD	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Fund - I Acc USD	4.0	8.3	-21.3	-1.3	16.7	21.0	-17.4	50.2	4.0	-9.8	6.7
Benchmark USD	2.4	6.0	-19.7	-4.7	25.0	18.2	-14.4	41.7	5.4	-9.2	4.8

**Monthly and annual average returns (%)**

Class	1 month	1 year	3 years	5 years	Perf. start or 10 years	Perf. start date	Yield (%) <sup>§</sup>	Adjusted yield (%) <sup>§§</sup>	Income payment dates	ISIN	CUSIP	Bloomberg
I Acc USD	2.0	6.6	-5.8	1.4	4.3	03/31/2014	-	-	-	LU0345776172	L54481772	GUIASIA LX
A Acc USD	2.0	5.6	-6.7	0.4	3.4	03/31/2014	-	-	-	LU0345775950	L54481780	GUIASAA LX
A Inc USD	1.9	5.6	-6.7	0.4	3.4	03/31/2014	0.55	-	Annually	LU0345776255	L54481806	GUIASFI LX
C Acc USD	1.9	4.8	-7.4	-0.3	-0.8	10/31/2017	-	-	-	LU1705591698	L46288541	INVAECU LX
C Inc USD	1.9	4.8	-7.4	-0.3	2.6	03/31/2014	0.00	-	Annually	LU0345776339	L54481798	GUIASCI LX
Benchmark USD	2.5	4.0	-6.8	1.9	4.2	03/31/2014	-	-	-	-	-	-

Past performance should not be taken as a guide to the future and there is no guarantee that this investment will make profits; losses may be made. If the currency of this share class differs from your domestic currency, your returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. Performance is net of fees. The Fund does not track an index, any index shown is for illustrative purposes only. Refer to page 2 for performance data source

**Performance (%)**



**Risk statistics - I Acc USD**

	3 years	5 years
Annualised alpha (%)	1.1	-0.4
Beta	1.0	1.0
Annualised information ratio	0.2	-0.1
Annualised tracking error (%)	4.8	5.7
Annualised volatility (%)	19.8	20.3

**Glossary**

For an explanation of statistical terms, please see: [www.ninetyone.com/glossary](http://www.ninetyone.com/glossary)

\*The overall rating for a fund, often called the 'star rating', is a third party rating derived from a quantitative methodology that rates funds based on an enhanced Morningstar™ Risk-Adjusted Return measure. 'Star ratings' run from 1 star (lowest) to 5 stars (highest) and are reviewed at the end of every calendar month. The various funds are ranked by their Morningstar™ Risk-Adjusted Return scores and relevant stars are assigned. It is important to note that individual shareclasses of each fund are evaluated separately and their ratings may differ depending on the launch date, fees and expenses relevant to the share class. In order to achieve a rating the share class of a fund must have a minimum three-year performance track record.

For a further explanation, please visit <https://www.morningstar.com/company/morningstar-ratings-faq>

<sup>§</sup>The Yield reflects distributions declared over the past 12 months as a percentage of the mid-market share price, as at the date shown.

<sup>§§</sup>The Adjusted yield is calculated in the same way, however, as the charges of the share class are deducted from capital rather than income, it shows the level of yield had these charges been deducted from income. The effect of taking expenses from capital is to increase the income payable whilst reducing capital to an equivalent extent and may constrain future capital and income growth. Both yields do not include any preliminary charge and investors may be subject to tax on their distributions. The yield information has been calculated as at 03.31.24.

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### Top holdings (%)

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd	9.9
Samsung Electronics Co Ltd	6.9
Tencent Holdings Ltd	4.7
Reliance Industries Ltd	3.0
Varun Beverages Ltd	2.5
NetEase Inc	2.5
AIA Group Ltd	2.5
SK Hynix Inc	2.3
Larsen & Toubro Ltd	2.3
Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd	2.1
<b>Number of equity holdings:</b>	<b>67</b>

### Sector analysis (%)

	Fund	Index
Information Technology	27.4	27.4
Financials	17.6	20.2
Consumer Discretionary	13.8	13.5
Communication Services	10.2	9.1
Industrials	8.6	7.7
Energy	5.6	4.0
Consumer Staples	5.0	4.4
Materials	4.6	4.7
Utilities	2.7	2.7
Health Care	2.0	3.6
Other	1.5	2.6
Cash	1.0	0.0

### Geographic allocation (%)

	Fund	Index
China**	30.0	29.2
India	19.1	20.6
Taiwan	16.3	20.5
South Korea	14.5	14.9
Hong Kong	5.5	4.9
Indonesia	3.2	2.2
Thailand	2.5	1.8
Australia	2.4	
United States	2.4	
Malaysia	1.5	1.6
United Kingdom	1.3	
Other	0.3	4.3
Cash	1.0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

\*\* Offshore and/or Mainland

The portfolio may change significantly over a short space of time.

\*\*Funds that practice active stewardship whilst considering ESG risks and opportunities. For further information, please see [www.ninetyone.com/ESG-explained](http://www.ninetyone.com/ESG-explained)

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The value of this investment, and any income generated from it, will be affected by changes in interest rates, general market conditions and other political, social and economic developments, as well as by specific matters relating to the assets in which they invest. The Fund's objectives will not necessarily be achieved and there is no guarantee that this investment will make a profit; losses may be made there is risk of loss of principal. This Fund may not be appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money within the short to medium term. If the currency of the share class you invest in differs from your domestic currency, your returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. For Inc-2 and Inc-3 shares classes, expenses are charged to the capital account rather than to income, so capital will be reduced. This could constrain future capital and income growth. Income may be taxable.

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**Currency exchange:** Changes in the relative values of different currencies may adversely affect the value of investments and any related income.

**Derivatives:** The use of derivatives is not intended to increase the overall level of risk. However, the use of derivatives may still lead to large changes in value and includes the potential for large financial loss. A counterparty to a derivative transaction may fail to meet its obligations which may also lead to a financial loss.

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