

# Aberdeen Standard SICAV I - Emerging Markets Smaller Companies Fund

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X Acc GBP

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## Objective

The Fund aims to achieve a combination of growth and income by investing in smaller capitalisation companies in Emerging Market countries, which adhere to the abrdn Emerging Markets Smaller Companies Promoting ESG Equity Investment Approach. The Fund aims to outperform the MSCI Emerging Markets Small Cap Index (USD) benchmark before charges.

## Portfolio securities

- The Fund invests at least 70% of its assets in smaller capitalisation equities and equity related securities of companies listed, incorporated or domiciled in Emerging Market countries or having significant operations and/or exposure to Emerging Market countries.
- The Fund may invest up to 20% of its net assets directly or indirectly in Mainland China securities, including through QFI regime, Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect or Shenzhen Hong Kong Stock Connect programme or by any other available means.
- For the purpose of this Fund, smaller capitalisation companies are defined as companies with a market capitalisation, as at the date of investment, of under US\$5 billion.
- All equity and equity-related securities will follow abrdn's "Emerging Markets Smaller Companies Promoting ESG Equity Investment Approach".
- This approach utilises abrdn's equity investment process, which enables portfolio managers to qualitatively identify and avoid ESG laggards. To complement this research, the abrdn ESG House Score is used to quantitatively identify and exclude those companies exposed to the highest ESG risks. Additionally, abrdn apply a set of company exclusions which are related to the UN Global Compact, Controversial Weapons, Tobacco Manufacturing and Thermal Coal. More detail on this overall process is captured within abrdn's Promoting ESG Equity Investment Approach, which is published at [www.abrdn.com](http://www.abrdn.com) under "Sustainable Investing".
- Financial derivative instruments, money-market instruments and cash may not adhere to this approach.

## 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) (%)	-2.66	-9.44	-10.55	-7.29	9.15	4.01	n/a
Benchmark (%)	-1.98	-2.03	-3.81	2.80	11.67	6.89	n/a

## Discrete annual returns - year to 31/5

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Fund (net) (%)	-7.29	44.08	-2.62	-4.79	-1.72	29.10	-5.14	4.14	-12.17	n/a
Benchmark (%)	2.80	52.26	-11.04	-9.60	10.87	34.60	-14.63	18.02	-7.21	n/a

Performance Data: Share Class X Acc GBP

Benchmark history: Benchmark – MSCI Emerging Markets Small Cap Index (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.

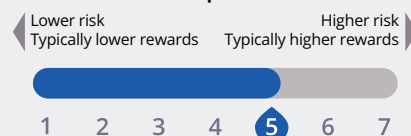
**Past performance does not predict future returns.**



## Key facts

Fund manager(s)	Global Emerging Markets Equity Team
Fund launch date	26 March 2007
Share class launch date	03 December 2012
Management company	Aberdeen Standard Investments Luxembourg S.A.
Fund size	USD 281.8m
Number of holdings	58
Benchmark	MSCI Emerging Markets Small Cap Index (GBP)
Fund historic yield <sup>1</sup>	0.40%
Entry charge (up to) <sup>2</sup>	0.00%
Annual management charge	1.15%
Ongoing charge figure <sup>3</sup>	1.42%
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	B7C4L50
ISIN	LU0837974368
Bloomberg	AGEMR2A LX
Citicode	GWRS
Reuters	LP68185091
Valoren	20140904
WKN	A1J6GG
Domicile	Luxembourg

## 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

- The value of investments and the income from them can fall and investors may get back less than the amount invested.
- 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.
- 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 Fund is actively managed.
- Through the application of the Promoting ESG Equity Investment Approach, the Fund targets a meaningfully lower carbon intensity than the benchmark.
- Engagement with external company management teams is used to evaluate the ownership structures, governance and management quality of those companies in order to inform portfolio construction.
- The benchmark is also used as a reference point for portfolio construction and as a basis for setting risk constraints, but does not incorporate any sustainable criteria.
- In order to achieve its objective, the Fund will take positions whose weightings diverge from the benchmark and may invest in securities which are not included in the benchmark. The investments of the Fund may deviate significantly from the components of and their respective 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.

## Top Ten Holdings

Pacific Basin Shipping Ltd	3.9
FPT Corp	3.9
Hansol Chemical Co Ltd	3.1
Multiplan Empreendimentos Imobiliarios SA	3.0
TOTVS SA	2.9
Mphasis Ltd	2.8
Samsung Engineering Co Ltd	2.7
Prestige Estates Projects Ltd	2.6
ASM International NV	2.6
Piramal Enterprises Ltd	2.6
<b>Assets in top ten holdings</b>	<b>30.1</b>

## Sector (%)

Information Technology	28.5
Industrials	13.6
Consumer Discretionary	12.8
Financials	10.7
Health Care	9.4
Real Estate	9.2
Consumer Staples	5.4
Materials	5.1
Other	1.8
Cash	3.6

## Country (%)

India	19.5
Taiwan, Republic of China	15.7
Korea (South)	11.7
Brazil	9.9
China	9.9
Viet Nam	6.0
Mexico	5.6
Hong Kong	3.8
Other	14.4
Cash	3.6

Source : abrdn 31/05/2022

Figures may not always sum to 100 due to rounding.

- (d) The shares of small and mid-cap companies may be less liquid and more volatile than those of larger companies.
- (e) 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.
- (f) 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.
- (g) Applying ESG and sustainability criteria in the investment process may result in the exclusion of securities within the funds benchmark or universe of potential investments. The interpretation of ESG and sustainability criteria is subjective meaning that the fund may invest in companies which similar funds do not (and thus perform differently) and which do not align with the personal views of any individual investor.
- (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

Beta <sup>^</sup>	0.93
Fund Volatility <sup>^</sup>	21.69
Information Ratio <sup>^</sup>	-0.15
R-Squared <sup>^</sup>	0.92
Sharpe Ratio <sup>^</sup>	0.40
Tracking Error <sup>^</sup>	6.44

Source : abrdn. <sup>^</sup> Three year annualised.

## Derivative usage

- The Fund may utilise financial derivative instruments for hedging and/or investment purposes, or to manage foreign exchange risks. The use of derivatives for hedging and/or investment purposes is expected to be very limited, mainly in those cases where there are significant inflows into the Fund so that cash can be invested while the Fund's investments in equity and equity related securities is maintained.

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<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 1.15% 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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