

#### **FUND FACTS**

NAV (£m) 130.8

Inception Date April 22, 1985

**Domiciled** UK, UK-UCITS Fund

Dealing Frequency
Daily

Management Company
Baring Fund Managers Limited

Investment Manager
Baring Asset Management
Limited

Share Classes GBP/USD

Distribution Frequency
Annual

Base Currency GBP

Benchmark<sup>1\*</sup> MSCI AC Asia ex-Japan

PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

SooHai Lim, CFA 24 years of experience

**Eunice Hong** 15 years of experience

Kuldeep Khanapurkar, CFA 15 years of experience

#### MARCH 2022 / FACTSHEET

## OVERALL MORNINGSTAR RATINGTM\*

#### **OBJECTIVE**

The investment objective of the Trust is to achieve capital growth by investing in the Asia Pacific region excluding Japan.

#### **STRATEGY**

Identify investment opportunities through a differentiated and innovative investment process using fundamental, bottom-up analysis.

#### **MARKET OPPORTUNITY**

- Sustainable Growth the region is fundamentally attractive underpinned by secular growth in consumption and technological innovation.
- Rising competitiveness of Asian brands and companies gives potential investment advantages of Asia to be exploited.
- Dedicated investment team with long term track record and proven ability to add value through stock selection.

| FUND PERFORMANCE (%) | Class A GBP Acc<br>(Gross of Fees) | Class A GBP Acc<br>(Net of Fees) | Benchmark <sup>1*</sup> |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| March 2022           | -3.29                              | -3.42                            | -0.91                   |
| 3 Months             | -13.03                             | -13.40                           | -5.35                   |
| Year to Date         | -13.03                             | -13.40                           | -5.35                   |
| 1 Year               | -13.81                             | -15.26                           | -10.55                  |
| 3 Years              | 12.76                              | 10.86                            | 4.94                    |
| 5 Years              | 10.98                              | 9.08                             | 5.87                    |
| 10 Years             | 12.04                              | 10.06                            | 8.08                    |
| Since Inception      | 11.84                              | 9.83                             | 9.56                    |

| ROLLING 12 MONTH PERFORMANCE (%) | Class A GBP Acc<br>(Gross of Fees) | Class A GBP Acc<br>(Net of Fees) | Benchmark <sup>1*</sup> |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 03/31/2021 - 03/31/2022          | -13.81                             | -15.26                           | -10.55                  |
| 03/31/2020 - 03/31/2021          | 71.88                              | 68.98                            | 41.62                   |
| 03/31/2019 - 03/31/2020          | -3.21                              | -4.85                            | -8.76                   |
| 03/31/2018 - 03/31/2019          | -4.47                              | -6.11                            | 2.33                    |
| 03/31/2017 - 03/31/2018          | 22.93                              | 20.73                            | 12.45                   |

PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS. An investment entails a risk of loss. Returns for periods greater than one year are annualized.

Source: Morningstar/Barings: Performance figures are shown in GBP on a NAV per unit basis, with gross income reinvested.

1. The benchmark is MSCI All Country Asia ex Japan (Total Net Return) Index. Previously MSCI All Country Far East ex Japan (Total Gross Return) Index until August 1, 2010, then MSCI All Country Asia ex Japan (Total Gross Return) Index until August 31, 2020.

\*Morningstar Rating as of previous month end, please refer to page 3 for additional detail.

#### **FEE SCHEDULE**

|                 | Min Investment                        | Management Fee (p.a.)             | Ongoing Charges <sup>2</sup> |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Class A GBP ACC | Initial - £1,000<br>Subsequent - £500 | Initial - 5.00%<br>Annual - 1.50% | 0.92%                        |

<sup>2.</sup> The OCF represents annual charges and other payments taken from the Fund, including the Management Fee. The OCF excludes the costs of buying and selling assets for the Fund. The OCF is based on ex-post expenses for the year ended August 31, 2021 and may vary from year to year.



#### **EQUITY PLATFORM**<sup>1</sup>

Barings manages \$391+ billion of equities, fixed income, real estate, and alternative assets globally

We focus on building highconviction, research-driven equity solutions for our clients. We have a long history of being early investors in new and established markets.

- Global Equities
- · Emerging Markets Equities
- Small-Cap Equities

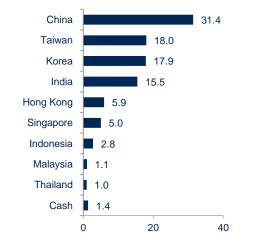
Equities investor base includes financial institutions, pensions, foundations and endowments and wholesale distributors

| CHARACTERISTICS 2,3,4       | BARINGS EASTERN TRUST |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Number of Holdings          | 56                    |
| Active Share (%)            | 65.23                 |
| Off Benchmark (%)           | 11.71                 |
| Tracking Error (%) (3Y Ann) | 7.53                  |
| Information Ratio (3Y Ann)  | 1.04                  |
| Standard Deviation (3Y Ann) | 17.40                 |
| Alpha (3Y Ann)              | 6.75                  |
| Beta (Ex Ante)              | 1.05                  |
| Av. Market Cap (GBPb)       | 117.72                |

#### TOP SECTOR WEIGHTING (% OF NAV)3 Information Technology **Financials** Consumer Discretionary Communication Services Industrials Materials 6.9 5.0 Energy Consumer Staples 4.7 Real Estate Health Care Other Cash 0 5 10 15 20 25 30 35

#### TOP HOLDINGS (% OF NAV)3 Taiwan Semiconductor 9.57 Manufacturing Co. (TSMC) Samsung Electronics 5.34 **Tencent** 5.22 Reliance Industries 4.95 SK hynix Inc. 3.53 AIA 3.13 **HDFC Bank** 2.92 Kweichow Moutai 2.42 Alibaba Group Holding Ltd 2.35 Hong Kong Exchanges & 2.29 Clearing

### TOP COUNTRY WEIGHTING (% OF NAV)3



- 1. Barings assets as of December 31, 2021.
- 2. Risk statistics based on gross performance.
- 3. As of March 31, 2022.
- 4. Refer to glossary on our website for definitions of terms. Characteristics are subject to change.



| CLASS A ACTIVE SHARE CLASSES |              |            |          |
|------------------------------|--------------|------------|----------|
| Name                         | ISIN         | Bloomberg  | Lipper   |
| USD ACC                      | GB0033521955 | BRGEATU LN | 60087509 |
| GBP ACC                      | GB0000799923 | BRGEATA LN | 60008949 |
| GBP INC                      | GB00B2PSLG53 | BRGETBS LN | 68040060 |

<sup>\*</sup>Please refer to prospectus for additional currency class information.

#### **Key Risks:**

- Regional Funds have a narrower focus than those which invest broadly across markets and are therefore considered to be more risky.
- Emerging markets or less developed countries may face more political, economic or structural challenges than developed countries. Coupled with less developed regulation, this means your money is at greater risk.
- Derivative instruments can make a profit or a loss and there is no guarantee that a financial derivative contract will achieve its intended outcome.
   The use of derivatives can increase the amount by which the Fund's value rises and falls and could expose the Fund to losses that are significantly greater than the cost of the derivative as a relatively small movement may have a larger impact on derivatives than the underlying assets.
- Changes in exchange rates between the currency of the Fund and the currencies in which the assets of the Fund are valued can have the effect of increasing or decreasing the value of the Fund and any income generated

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Barings Eastern A GBP Acc share class was rated against the numbers of EAA Fund Asia ex-Japan Equity investments over the following time periods: 826 investments in the last three years, 659 investments in the last five years, and 374 investments in the last ten years. **Past performance is no guarantee of future results.** 

Morningstar Rating is for the A share class only; other classes may have different performance characteristics.

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