### **Baillie Gifford**

# **Baillie Gifford Emerging Markets Equities Fund First Quarter 2024**

#### **Fund Objective**

The Baillie Gifford Emerging Markets Equities Fund seeks capital appreciation.

#### **Fund Facts**

K Class Ticker	BGKEX
Insitutional Class Ticker	BGEGX
Launch Date	April 04, 2003
Size	\$4,889.9m
Benchmark	MSCI Emerging Markets Index
Current Number of Stocks	72
Active Share	70%*
Annual Turnover	19%**
Style	Growth
Stocks (guideline range)	60-100

Launch date refers to the longest running share class of the fund. This is earlier than the K and Institutional share class launch date.

#### **Emerging Markets Team**

Name	Years' Experience
Andrew Stobart	33
Mike Gush*	21
Ben Durrant	12

#### \*Partner

#### Fund Performance as of March 31, 2024

Benchmark: MSCI Emerging Markets Index



#### **Investment Proposition**

We invest with a long-term (5 year) perspective, and have a strong preference for growth. We are looking for significant upside in each stock that we invest in. The process is driven by rigorous, fundamental analysis undertaken by our dedicated Emerging Markets Team. The Team draws on this analysis, as well as insights gleaned from discussion with all of Baillie Gifford's global investors, to produce a portfolio that typically holds 60-100 stocks.

#### **Top Ten Holdings**

Но	dings	Fund %
1	TSMC	11.94
2	Samsung Electronics	6.84
3	Petrobras	4.56
4	Reliance Industries	4.30
5	SK Hynix	3.77
6	MercadoLibre	3.63
7	Tencent	3.20
8	Alibaba	2.53
9	Bank Rakyat Indonesia	2.06
10	Grupo Financiero Banorte	2.05
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It should not be assumed that recommendations/transactions made in the future will be profitable or will equal performance of the securities mentioned. A full list of holdings is available on request. The composition of the Fund's holdings is subject to change. Percentages are based on securities at market value.

	Gross Exp	ense Ratio
Share Class - K		0.83%
Share Class – Institutional		0.91%
	Net Exp	ense Ratio
Share Class - K		0.83%
Share Class - Institu	ıtional	0.91%

The performance data quoted represents past performance and is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. For the most recent month-end performance please visit the Fund's website at ballliegifford.com/usmutualfunds.

The Baillie Gifford Fund's performance shown assumes reinvestment of dividend and capital gain distributions and is net of management fees and expenses. From time to time, certain fees and/or expenses have been voluntarily or contractually waived or reimbursed, which has resulted in higher returns. Without these waivers or reimbursements, the returns would have been lower. Voluntary waivers or reimbursements may be applied or discontinued at any time without notice. Only the Board of Trustees may modify or terminate contractual fee waivers or expense reimbursements. All fees are described in the Fund's prospectus.

Returns are based on the above noted share class from April 28, 2017. Prior to that date returns are calculated based on the oldest share class of the Fund adjusted to reflect the current share class fees where these fees are higher. \*Not annualized.

Expense Ratios: All mutual funds have expense ratios which represent what shareholders pay for operating expenses and management fees. Expense ratios are expressed as an annualized percentage of a fund's average net assets paid out in expenses. Expense ratio information is as of the Fund's current prospectus, as revised and supplemented from time to time.

The MSCI Emerging Markets Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index that is designed to measure equity market performance in the global emerging markets. This unmanaged index does not reflect fees and expenses and is not available for direct investment. The Fund is more concentrated than the MSCI Emerging Markets Index.

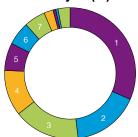
Source: Baillie Gifford & Co, Bank of New York Mellon, MSCI. Share Class launch date: April 28, 2017. NAV returns in US dollars.

<sup>\*</sup>Relative to MSCI Emerging Markets Index. Source: Baillie Gifford & Co, MSCI.

<sup>\*\*</sup>The Turnover figure presented is based on internal calculation methods and differs to the financial statements which are calculated in accordance with the requirements of N-1A.

#### **Baillie Gifford Emerging Markets Equities Fund**

#### Sector Analysis (%)



1	Information Technology	31.52
2	Consumer Discretionary	16.52
3	Financials	16.33
4	Energy	11.31
5	Communication Services	6.82
6	Materials	5.78
7	Consumer Staples	5.25
8	Industrials	2.26
9	Real Estate	0.70
10	Health Care	0.56
11	Cash	2.96

Figures may not sum due to rounding. The composition of the Fund's holdings is subject to change. Percentages are based on securities at market value.

#### **Fund Characteristics**

	Fund	MSCI Emerging Markets Index
Market Cap (weighted average)	\$168.88bn	\$128.26bn
Price/Book	2.07	1.67
Price/Sales (12 months forward)	1.61	1.36
Earnings Growth (5 year historic)	7.96%	5.04%
Return on Equity	16.39%	13.58%
Delivered Beta (trailing 3 years)	1.18	N/A
Standard Deviation (trailing 3 years)	21.11%	17.51%

Source: Baillie Gifford & Co, Factset, MSCI.

Beta is in comparison to MSCI Emerging Markets Index.

#### **Definitions**

**Active Share** – A measure of the Fund's overlap with the benchmark. An active share of 100 indicates no overlap with the benchmark and an active share of zero indicates a portfolio that tracks the benchmark.

**Annual Turnover** – Turnover is calculated as the smaller figure of either purchases or sales for the month and dividing it by an average fund market value. Annual Turnover is calculated as the sum of the monthly turnover figures for the 12 month period.

Market Cap – The weighted average size of companies represented in the portfolio, denoted by market capitalization.

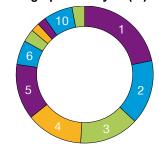
Price/Book – The weighted average ratio of current share price to last reported company book value per share. This represents a measure of valuation levels Price/Sales – The weighted average ratio of current share price divided by the 12 month forward sales per share. This represents a measure of valuation levels. Earnings Growth – The weighted average growth in earnings per share of current portfolio holdings delivered over the past 5 years, expressed in % per annum. This represents a measure of delivered profits growth for the current holdings in the portfolio or benchmark.

**Return on Equity** – The weighted average ratio of 12 month forward earnings per share divided by the last reported book value per share. This represents a forward-looking measure of profitability, based on the current holdings of the portfolio or benchmark.

Beta – Beta is a measure of systematic risk, denoting the sensitivity of a fund to the direction of the market. Measures of beta that are significantly higher (lower) than 1.0 indicate a greater (lesser) degree of sensitivity to market direction.

Standard Deviation – A measure of the volatility of absolute returns. It is a measure of the dispersion of a set of absolute returns from its mean.

#### Geographic Analysis (%)



1	China	21.75
2	Taiwan	15.18
3 4	South Korea	14.01
	India	13.36
5	Brazil	13.07
6 7	Mexico	5.74
7	Thailand	2.99
8	Indonesia	2.06
9	South Africa	2.03
10	Others	6.84
11	Cash	2.96

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#### Important Information and Fund Risks

All information is sourced from Baillie Gifford & Co unless otherwise stated. All amounts are in US dollars unless otherwise stated.

As with all mutual funds, the value of an investment in the Fund could decline, so you could lose money. The most significant risks of an investment in the Baillie Gifford Emerging Markets Equities Fund are Investment Style Risk, Growth Stock Risk, Long-Term Investment Strategy Risk, Market Disruption and Geopolitical Risk, Government and Regulatory Risk and Emerging Markets Risk. The Fund is managed on a bottom-up basis and stock selection is likely to be the main driver of investment returns. Returns are unlikely to track the movements of the benchmark. The prices of growth stocks can be based largely on expectations of future earnings and can decline significantly in reaction to negative news. The Fund is managed on a long-term outlook, meaning that the Fund managers look for investments that they think will make returns over a number of years, rather than over shorter time periods. The value of investments could be adversely affected by events such as war, public health crises and changes in economic and political conditions in the US and elsewhere. This could prevent the Fund from implementing its investment strategies and increase exposure to other risks. Governmental and regulatory authorities in the US and elsewhere have intervened in markets and may do so again in the future. The effects of these actions can be uncertain and could restrict the Fund in implementing its investment strategies. Some non-US markets have had little regulation which could increase risk of loss due to fraud or market failures. Governmental and regulatory authorities may adopt or change laws that could adversely impact the Fund. The Fund focuses on investments in emerging markets, meaning it may offer less diversification and be more volatile than other funds. Investing in emerging markets can involve additional market, credit, currency, liquidity, legal or political risks than investing in more developed markets. Other Fund risks include: Asia Risk, China Risk, Conflicts of Interest Risk, Currency Risk, Equity Securities Risk, Environmental, Social and Governance Risk, Focused Investment Risk, Frontier Markets Risk, Geographic Focus Risk, Information Technology Risk, Initial Public Offering Risk, Large-Capitalization Securities Risk, Liquidity Risk, Market Risk, Non-U.S. Investment Risk, Service Provider Risk, Settlement Risk, Small-and Medium-Capitalization Securities Risk, Underlying Funds Risk and Valuation Risk.

For more information about these and other risks of an investment in the Fund, see "Principal Investment Risks" and "Additional Investment Strategies" in the prospectus. There can be no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objective.

Investors should consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses carefully before investing. This information and other information about the Fund can be found in the prospectus and summary prospectus. For a prospectus and summary prospectus, please visit our website at bailliegifford.com/usmutualfunds. Please carefully read the Fund's prospectus and related documents before investing.

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