

# Baillie Gifford™

## Baillie Gifford Emerging Markets Equities Fund

### First Quarter 2024

#### About Baillie Gifford

<b>Philosophy</b>	Long-term investment horizon A growth bias Bottom-up portfolio construction High active share
<b>Partnership</b>	100% owned by 57 partners with average 21 years' service Ownership aligns our interests with those of our clients Enables us to take a thoughtful, long-term view in all that we do Stability, quality and consistency

#### Portfolio Summary

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.

#### Fund Facts

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

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

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

Active Share is 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.

\*\*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.

#### Emerging Markets Team

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

\*Partner

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## Fund Performance as of March 31, 2024



Gross Expense Ratio	
Share Class – K	0.83%
Share Class – Institutional	0.91%
Net Expense Ratio	
Share Class – K	0.83%
Share Class – Institutional	0.91%

Benchmark: MSCI Emerging Markets Index

*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 [bailliegifford.com/usmutualfunds](http://bailliegifford.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.

## Stock Level Attribution

Quarter to March 31, 2024

### Top Five Contributors

Asset Name	Contribution (%)
TSMC	0.83
SK Hynix	0.47
Jio Financial Services Limited	0.33
Reliance Industries	0.32
First Quantum Minerals	0.30

### Bottom Five Contributors

Asset Name	Contribution (%)
Silergy	-0.54
B3	-0.30
HDFC Bank	-0.29
Petrobras	-0.29
Accton Technology	-0.25

One Year to March 31, 2024

### Top Five Contributors

Asset Name	Contribution (%)
Petrobras	2.37
SK Hynix	1.24
TSMC	1.02
Reliance Industries	0.72
Grupo Financiero Banorte	0.35

### Bottom Five Contributors

Asset Name	Contribution (%)
First Quantum Minerals	-1.14
SEA Limited	-0.67
Samsung SDI	-0.57
Silergy	-0.46
Ping An Insurance	-0.45

Five Years to March 31, 2024

### Top Five Contributors

Asset Name	Contribution (%)
Petrobras	5.59
MercadoLibre	2.73
TSMC	2.45
Mediatek	2.19
Reliance Industries	1.62

### Bottom Five Contributors

Asset Name	Contribution (%)
Sberbank	-2.23
CNOOC	-1.77
Harbour Energy	-1.40
Ping An Insurance	-1.25
Banco Bradesco	-1.18

Source: Revolution, MSCI, Baillie Gifford Emerging Markets Equities Fund relative to MSCI Emerging Markets Index.

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*All attribution figures are calculated gross of fees, relative to the Index from stock level up, based on closing prices. Attribution is shown relative to the benchmark therefore not all stocks shown are held in the portfolio. See the List of Holdings section of this report for the stocks held.*

## Market environment

At the turn of the year, we talked to the future resilience of Emerging Markets (EM) being underpinned by creeping global de-dollarisation. In other words, less reliance on the United States dollar (US\$) - for reasons related to trade reorientation, trade barriers, geopolitics and more - should be a positive for many key EMs. In truth, EM countries have already been significantly reducing their reliance on foreign funding in the last two decades or so anyway. Since 2005, local currency debt as a share of government debt for 25 EM countries (according to a Bank of International Settlements study) has increased by 10 percentage points on average, to 95%. Accounting for the skews caused by the size of China and India, it's still 85%.

From a top-down perspective, perhaps the biggest thing that equity investors are missing is that most EM countries, unlike most Developed Market (DM) countries, have been running orthodox economic policies and that central banks moved pre-emptively and aggressively ahead of the United States (US) Federal Reserve, achieving a level of credibility that perhaps they have not previously enjoyed. This is starting to become pronounced in EM bond markets, how long before EM equity markets take notice?

In the late 90s, EM policy interest rates were around 10%. This was 2.5x DM levels (universe measured on a market cap weighted basis). Until late 2023, the margin between the two didn't really differ drastically, but recently this picture has changed. EM policy rates have fallen below DMs for the first time this millennium. To borrow in Emerging Markets is cheaper than it is in Developed Markets. Of course, we can always question the value of anchoring on the EM/DM dichotomy, but even with this due caveat, the point feels significant. The absolute bull case for EM need not rest on the broken record of equity market valuations, nor relative gross domestic product (GDP) growth, but a perception of relative safety can comfortably be added to the list.

## Performance

The benchmark rose slightly over the first quarter of 2024 and the Fund outperformed. As had been the case for the latter part of 2023, share prices showed a greater connection to company fundamentals, which is pleasing and ultimately what we expect to be the case over the long term. Though in a year with so many elections, this is unlikely to remain the case for the whole of 2024. As you will remember, the Fund is split between structural and cyclical growth stocks

and this diversification continues to be rewarded. Given the ongoing enthusiasm for the artificial intelligence (AI) theme and semiconductor foundry TSMC's strong guidance at its most recent quarterly results, it is no surprise that it was a top contributor this quarter.

India has also performed strongly over the last 15 months or so. We agree that it is perhaps the best long-term story in EM, but valuations, especially in the mid-cap space, are now at nosebleed levels and we remain happier in the large-capitalization stocks where valuations remain sensible. To prove the point, the conglomerate Reliance Industries, a long-term holding in the Fund, was again amongst the contributors to performance. Perhaps a more novel contributor this quarter was, JIO Financial Services ("JFS"), which was spun out of Reliance last year. As things stand, JFS is probably best described as a 'conceptual financial services conglomerate'. Nonetheless it has two incredibly powerful advantages: the data from approximately 470 million JIO mobile 'phone subscribers and Reliance's ~ 18,700 retail stores.

In terms of the detractors to performance, two companies stand out, the first of which is Petrobras, the oil and gas company. Petrobras has been one of the top contributors to performance over the last two calendar years. This has been driven by relatively stable oil prices, strong operational performance, prodigious cashflow generation, debt repayment, dividend distributions and an unusually long period of government non-interference. However, in early March there was disappointment that the dividend announced for the fourth quarter of 2023 was only in line with minimum policy (i.e. just under US\$ 3 billion) which should be viewed in the context of solid operational fundamentals (nearly US\$ 6 billion of free cash flow generated in the quarter) and a healthy balance sheet. Another detractor for the quarter is the financial services company HDFC Bank. In its pre-merger guise Housing Development Finance Company ("HDFC") has been a long standing holding in the Fund. However, since the merger in July last year, we have been disappointed by the short-term post-merger indigestion and fear that this is the tip of the iceberg.

## Notable transactions

During the quarter, we purchased three new holdings for the Fund – Natura & Co Holdings, PB Fintech and Nu Holdings. Natura is a Brazilian sustainable cosmetics company and an interesting turnaround story. Given the complexity of the

current restructuring there is scope for a remarkable improvement in results, whereas the risk of disappointment seems to be embedded in the valuation.

We sold three holdings due to waning conviction – Minth Group, HDFC Bank and Samsung SDI.

For Samsung SDI, we sold the holding following recent research into how the battery market is evolving. While the business continues to grow strongly, so does the rest of the industry, and we believe that supply growth is likely to outpace demand over the next five years.

### Market Outlook

We are not perma-bulls for the asset class, but we do think the top-down factors outlined in Market Environment are growing in relevance. However, as far as equity markets go, it's the developed majors such the United Kingdom, the US and Germany that are at or near all-time highs. The same can't be said for most Emerging Markets, aside from perhaps India and Taiwan.

One country looking to boost its stock market is South Korea with its "Corporate Value-up Programme". While the initiative is to be applauded, it is unlikely to produce much in the way of change in the Fund as the companies most likely to benefit from the programme are the low-growth, low-quality companies that we typically look to avoid. Nonetheless, we will continue to monitor developments and see if the proposals gain traction.

The AI story clearly continues to have legs. While the leading-edge chip design and software are undoubtedly US-centric, the picks and shovels of AI are made in EM countries. The main AI exposures in the Fund are predominantly in the Taiwanese and South Korean semiconductor companies – TSMC, Samsung Electronics and SK Hynix. That being said, if AI delivers on its promise, every single technology device will have to be re-engineered and upgraded to include or provide access to AI. This could be an extended cycle in technology. The race for ever faster and more efficient chips looks set to run and run.

Other areas of discussion and conversations with clients obviously include China. While we have long term concerns on the trajectory of US-China relations, in the medium term we are feeling increasingly contrarian in the face of the overwhelmingly negative sentiment which has brought valuations of some

great growth businesses down to almost fire sale levels. However, this is to some extent known, so what could be the catalyst for an improved performance in share prices going forward? One possible answer is a change in Chinese government policy. Chinese President Xi Jinping fired the head of China's securities regulator during the quarter and since then, the government has made clear that 'responsible' state-owned and private companies alike should support their share prices either through dividends or share buy-backs. Not surprisingly, fourth-quarter company results have been awash with higher dividends and bigger buy backs than anticipated. If the China markets cease to be the one way bet of the last twelve months, what may happen to China's household savings which reached US\$19.83 trillion in February?

Transactions from 01 January 2024 to 31 March 2024.

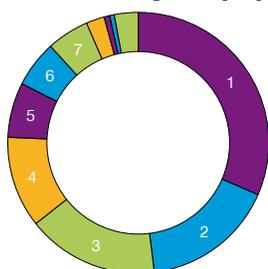
### New Purchases

Stock Name	Transaction Rationale
Natura & Co.	Natura is a company we know well having initially invested for clients during its initial public offering (IPO). It sells sustainable beauty and cosmetics products in Brazil and continues to be controlled by its founders who remain large shareholders. Over the past few years, Natura engaged in value destructive mergers and acquisitions (M&A) including the purchases of both Avon International and The Body Shop, along with Aesop which was successful. It financed these acquisitions with debt. Recently, the cost of that debt rose in Brazil and forced Natura to re-evaluate. It has now sold The Body Shop, and Aesop, leaving it with a strong balance sheet. Management seem committed to improving the core operating performance of the Brazilian, and to a lesser extent Mexican businesses. We believe the core of the business to be worth more, and possibly significantly more, than the valuation of the company today. As the complexity of these sales subside, we expect the business to re-rate higher.
Nu Holdings	Nu is a Brazilian "challenger bank" that aims to reshape the Latin American financial system and promote financial inclusion. Existing customers are poorly served by a financial system that leaves large numbers unserved and where banks have been able to earn higher returns than in many markets, a consequence of historically volatile economic conditions and a degree of regulatory capture. Nu has acquired tens of millions of customers by providing a simple but desirable product (a credit card) with enhanced customer experience and a lower cost. It has a distinctive and long-term culture, a durable cost advantage over incumbents, and a highly motivated and thoughtful leadership team. We have therefore taken a holding.
PB Fintech	We have recently invested in PB Fintech, which runs Policybazaar, the leading insurance aggregator in India. They are a force for positive change in the growing Indian insurance market, by offering a better and cheaper customer experience. Their approach increases trust, prices risk more efficiently, and ultimately should be far more cost-effective than the traditional model of door-to-door insurance sales. While near-term there's uncertainty around the pace at which insurance shifts online in the country, we are optimistic about the ultimate value of, and returns from, this business.

### Complete Sales

Stock Name	Transaction Rationale
HDFC Bank	In July 2023, HDFC Bank merged with HDFC Corp, the leading provider of home loans in India, which had been a long-standing holding in the portfolio. The rationale for the merger included the opportunity for significant cross-selling to customers across different parts of the group, a reduction in funding costs and a steady improvement in financial returns. We have become increasingly concerned about the risks around the deal, including cultural differences across different parts of the bank, managing the complexities of such a large transaction, a tougher competitive environment, particularly for bank deposits, and the likelihood that HDFC Bank relaxes its credit quality standards in the quest for higher yield. We feel the risks for this investment are skewed to the downside given still lofty expectations. We sold the holding.
Minth Group	We are increasingly concerned that the auto industry is facing a significant shift towards a phase of price deflation, with likely impact on the supply chain. Minth's returns appear to have structurally fallen over recent years and our engagement with management suggests that this may be more structural than we had expected. As a result of these fundamental shifts in the growth outlook we have decided to sell the holding.
Samsung SDI	We have sold the holding in Samsung SDI, following recent research into how the battery market is evolving. While Samsung SDI's battery business has continued to grow strongly, so has much of the rest of the industry, and we believe that supply growth is likely to outpace demand over the next five years. This calls into question the earnings growth potential for the company, though we will continue to monitor the broader industry and their own progress from here

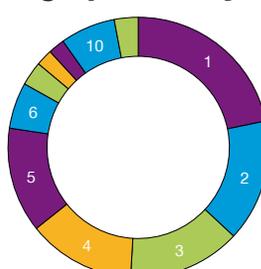
**Sector Analysis (%)**



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

Total 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.

**Geographic Analysis (%)**



1	China	21.75
2	Taiwan	15.18
3	South Korea	14.01
4	India	13.36
5	Brazil	13.07
6	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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**Top Ten Holdings**

Holdings	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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**Portfolio Characteristics**

Number of holdings	69
Number of countries	19
Number of sectors	10
Number of industries	29
Active Share	70%*
Annual Turnover	19%**

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

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Voting Activity

Votes Cast in Favour	Votes Cast Against	Votes Abstained/Withheld
Companies 15	Companies 2	Companies 1
Resolutions 135	Resolutions 7	Resolutions 1

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Michelle participated in the Saudi Arabia Ministry of Economy and Planning Corporate Sustainability Working Group

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We joined others from the Asian Corporate Governance Association in a group meeting with the Chair of Samsung Electronics

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We undertook research into sustainable data centres and opportunities for solutions providers

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Company Engagement

Engagement Type	Company
Environmental	Brilliance China Automotive Holdings Limited, Hyundai Motor Company, PTT Exploration and Production Public Company Limited, Petroleo Brasileiro S.A. - Petrobras, Sea Limited
Social	Hyundai Motor Company, PTT Exploration and Production Public Company Limited, Petroleo Brasileiro S.A. - Petrobras
Governance	Brilliance China Automotive Holdings Limited, China Merchants Bank Co., Ltd., Credicorp Ltd., Hyundai Motor Company, Li Ning Company Limited, Natura &Co Holding S.A., PT Bank Rakyat Indonesia (Persero) Tbk, PTT Exploration and Production Public Company Limited, Petroleo Brasileiro S.A. - Petrobras, Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd., Sea Limited
Strategy	Brilliance China Automotive Holdings Limited, Credicorp Ltd., Hyundai Motor Company, PTT Exploration and Production Public Company Limited, Petroleo Brasileiro S.A. - Petrobras, Silergy Corp.

Votes Cast in Favour

Companies	Voting Rationale
Anker Innovations 'A', Banco Bradesco Pn ADR, Bank Rakyat Indonesia, Cemex ADR, Credicorp, FEMSA ADR, HDFC Bank, HDFC Life Insurance Co Ltd, Hyundai Motor Co, KGHM Polska Miedz, Midea Group 'A', NAVER Corp, SK Hynix Inc, Samsung Electronics, Samsung SDI Co Ltd	We voted in favour of routine proposals at the aforementioned meeting(s).

Votes Cast Against

Company	Meeting Details	Resolution(s)	Voting Rationale
Bank Rakyat Indonesia	AGM 03/01/24	3	We opposed the remuneration for the board as independent directors and commissioners receive incentive-based pay which we believe could compromise their objectivity.
Bank Rakyat Indonesia	AGM 03/01/24	7	We opposed the changes to the composition of the company's management due to lack of disclosure of the changes.
Cemex ADR	Annual 03/22/24	5D, 5F, 7B, 8A	We opposed four resolutions relating to the election of two independent directors to the board and board committees. These directors both have long tenures which we believe could act to compromise their independence.
Cemex ADR	Annual 03/22/24	5G	We opposed the election of an independent director to the board because they serve on seven additional public boards, and we are concerned that he is overcommitted and does not have sufficient time to effectively discharge his duties at CEMEX.

Votes Abstained

Company	Meeting Details	Resolution(s)	Voting Rationale
KGHM Polska Miedz	EGM 02/13/24	5	We abstained on the changes to the composition of the supervisory board due to a lack of disclosure.

Votes Withheld

We did not withhold on any resolutions during the period.

Asset Name	Fund %
TSMC	11.94
Samsung Electronics	6.84
Petrobras	4.56
Reliance Industries	4.30
SK Hynix	3.77
MercadoLibre	3.63
Tencent	3.20
Alibaba	2.53
Bank Rakyat Indonesia	2.06
Grupo Financiero Banorte	2.05
Hyundai Motor Company	2.01
MediaTek	1.96
Tata Consultancy Services	1.95
Jio Financial Services Limited	1.68
Kweichow Moutai	1.65
FEMSA	1.56
Naspers	1.52
First Quantum Minerals	1.49
Accton Technology	1.29
Tech Mahindra	1.28
B3	1.24
PTT Exploration and Production	1.16
Baidu.com	1.15
Cemex	1.12
Ping An Insurance	1.12
China Merchants Bank	1.12
Nu Holdings	1.11
Coupang	1.06
Natura & Co.	1.03
Midea	1.01
Walmex	1.01
Shenzhou International	1.00
HDFC Life Insurance	0.99
Delhivery	0.97
UltraTech Cement	0.96
Haier Smart Home	0.93
Copa Holdings	0.92
Credicorp	0.91
Silergy	0.89
Zijin Mining	0.88
Lundin Mining	0.87
Anker Innovations	0.85
Sea Limited	0.85
JD.com	0.80
Tencent Music Entertainment Group	0.77
Banco Bradesco	0.76

Asset Name	Fund %
Fabrinet	0.76
Raizen	0.74
KE Holdings	0.70
Brilliance China Automotive	0.66
Allegro.eu	0.60
Valeura Energy	0.56
Ping An Bank	0.56
Kuaishou Technology	0.52
SCB X	0.52
FirstRand	0.52
Luckin Coffee	0.50
PB Fintech	0.49
KGHM Polska Miedz	0.46
BeiGene	0.41
Axis Bank	0.38
WNS Global Services	0.36
Saudi Tadawul Group	0.36
NAVER Corp	0.33
Kaspi.kz	0.33
Li Ning	0.23
Zai Lab	0.15
Lufax Holding	0.14
Mobile World Investment Corporation	0.05
Norilsk Nickel	0.00
Sberbank	0.00
Moscow Exchange	0.00
Cash	2.96
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00</b>

Total 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.

As at March 2022, three Russian holdings have been valued at zero by our Fair Value Pricing Committee due to the ongoing issues in the Russian market: Moscow Exchange, Norilsk Nickel, Sberbank.

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Valuation Risk.

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