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the DC funds

Asia Pacific (ex Japan) Equities passive as at 31 March 2019

fund objective

To provide long-term capital growth in excess of UK price inflation by investing predominantly in Asia Pacific (ex Japan) listed shares. The fund aims to perform in line with the benchmark as closely as possible.

top 10 holdings

Fund size: £4.64m	
Price per share: 203.30p	
Charges: Inv Mgmt Charge Additional Charg	

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		%
1.	Samsung Electronics	7.26
2.	AIA Group Ltd	4.75
3.	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	3.48
4.	BHP Group	3.18
5.	Westpac Banking Corp	2.49
6.	CSL	2.46
7.	Australia & New Zealand Banking Group	2.08
8.	National Australia Bank	1.94
9.	Hong Kong Exchanges & Clearing	1.72
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	%
Australia	39.77
Korea	26.83
Hong Kong	24.15
Singapore	7.61
New Zealand	1.64
Total	100.00



Benchmark:

FTSE Developed Asia Pacific ex Japan Index

fund performance

	31 Mar 2018 -	31 Mar 2017 -	31 Mar 2016 -	31 Mar 2015 -	31 Mar 2014 -
	31 Mar 2019	31 Mar 2018	31 Mar 2017	31 Mar 2016	31 Mar 2015
	%	%	%	%	%
Fund	4.31%	1.58%	37.44%	-6.32%	11.17%
Benchmark	4.27%	1.71%	37.25%	-5.46%	10.48%
Relative Performance	0.04%	-0.13%	0.19%	-0.86%	0.69%

Rolling time period	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 year p.a.	5 year p.a.	Since launch
Fund	7.17%	-0.59%	4.31%	13.35%	8.69%	5.82%
Benchmark	7.13%	-0.98%	4.27%	13.33%	8.74%	6.03%
Relative Performance	0.04%	0.39%	0.04%	0.02%	-0.05%	-0.21%

Past performance isn't a guide to future performance. The figures are shown in sterling and have been calculated using actual returns since the introduction of the current DC fund range.

Source: Morningstar, FIL Life Insurance Ltd. Single priced (i.e. no bid/offer spread), gross income reinvested and gross of fees. Indicative prices have been used if a portfolio valuation fell on a non-trading day. The fund was launched on 1st March 2018, but links to an underlying fund which has been existence for a number of years. Before 1st March 2018, performance is simulated based on data provided by Legal and General, the underlying fund provider. Thereafter, returns are produced by Fidelity on a monthly basis.



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market commentary

Equities in the Asia Pacific ex Japan region advanced during the quarter. Optimism around progress in US-China trade talks, and a pause in interest rate hikes by the US Federal Reserve (Fed) boosted investors' risk appetite. Chinese equities reported one of their best quarters, driven by optimism among domestic retail investors. Investor confidence further strengthened on hopes that fresh stimulus measures are likely to aid the economy. Buying activity by foreign institutional investors aided South Korean, Taiwanese and Indian equities. An appreciation of the Indian rupee against the US dollar further boosted sentiment towards Indian markets. Gains in communication services companies and commodity related stocks buoyed Australian equities. At a regional level, the consumer discretionary and information technology (IT) sectors were among the notable gainers.

risk rating

■ Very Low ■ Low ■ Low/Medium ■ Medium ■ Medium/High ■ High ■ Very High
All investments carry a level of risk. You need to decide how much of each type of risk
you're prepared to take. The table below gives an overview of some of the risks associated with this fund.

risk type	description of risk	level of risk for this fund
Capital Risk	This is the risk that the value of your investments will fall. The younger you are, the less worried you might be about capital risk, because your investments have time to recover their value before your retire.	High
Inflation Risk	This is the risk that the value of your investments will grow more slowly than prices rise. Inflation can be a problem for pension savings invested in cash funds particularly if the interest you're earning is less than the rate of inflation.	Med
Pension Conversion Risk	The price of an annuity changes on a regular basis. This means that the amount of income you can secure with the same amount of money will change. Pension conversion risk is the risk that the amount of income you can buy drops before you retire, because your money is invested differently to annuity funds. That's why putting more of your DC pension pot into bonds to try to match annuity prices as you get closer to retirement age can help protect against this risk.	High

About the factsheet

It is important to remember that the price of units can go down as well as up. There's no guarantee that you'll get back the amount that goes into your DC pension pot. Changes in rates of currency exchange, particularly where overseas securities are held, could also affect the value of your investment.

All funds are provided through FIL Life Insurance Ltd and may invest in securities issued by or hold deposits with HSBC Holdings plc and associated companies.

The Trustee can change the underlying managers or funds at any time without member consent or prior notification.

Valuation time: Business days at 5:00pm (UK time)

Dealing Process: The cut off time for switch instructions is 2:00pm each business day.

Contact us

You can find more Scheme information at: www.futurefocus.staff.hsbc.co.uk

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Charges

HSBC pays the investment management charges – not you. However, there may be costs within some of the funds and these will be reflected in the unit price. These nominal costs are variable and are likely to be between nil and 0.2% a year.

