



ASIA PACIFIC FUND

JULY 2010

SUMMARY FUND OBJECTIVE

The investment objective of the Fund is to achieve long-term capital appreciation through investment primarily in equity securities in the Asia Pacific countries (excluding Japan). Structure: US-registered 1940 Act closed-ended investment company. The Fund is managed by Baring Asset Management (Asia) Limited. (Please refer to the Prospectus for the full investment objective and policy.)

FUND INFORMATION ¹

Fund Manager	Khiem Do
Fund Type	Closed-Ended Investment Company (non UCITS)
Fund Size (Mn)	US\$111.97
Launch Date	May 1987
NAV Price	US\$10.8
Mid-Price	US\$9.8
Discount to NAV	8.78%
Listing	New York SE
Min Investment	N/A
Min Subsequent Inv	N/A
Management Charges	1% on the first US\$100mn and 0.7% thereafter
Performance Fee	None
Year end	31st March
ISIN	US0449011065
Bloomberg Code	APB
Lipper ID	2500
Benchmark Index	MSCI AC Asia Ex-Japan Index (since 1st April 2010)
Morningstar Rating	★★★

MANAGER'S COMMENTS

Performance Summary

Sentiment turned strongly positive in the month of July, boosted by stronger-than-expected corporate earnings results in the US, together with the better-than-expected outcome of the stress tests of European banks and the perception that the Chinese government will not tighten policies further. Within Asia, Taiwan and Singapore led, while India and Philippines lagged. Among sectors, Materials and Industrials led, while Energy and Utilities lagged.

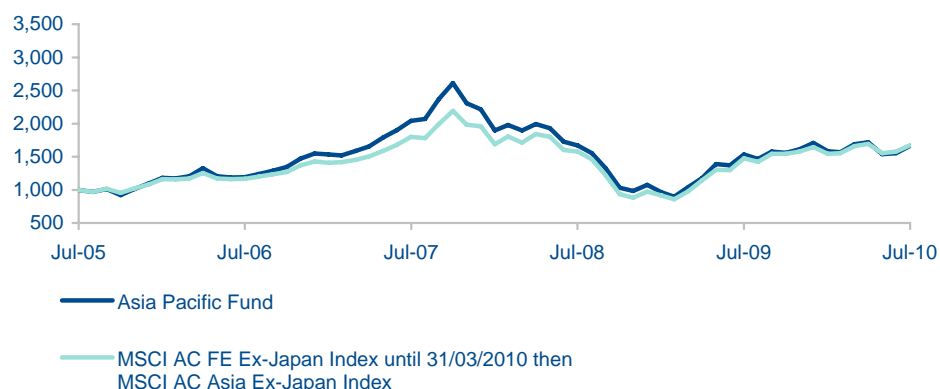
Strategy / Portfolio Positioning

Relative to its benchmark index, the Fund's NAV out-performed. Key highlights of the Fund's portfolio transactions include reductions in Taiwan and India, in favour of Sri Lanka, Korea and Philippines. Within sectors, the Fund added to Telecoms and Health Care, sourced from a reduction in Consumer Discretionary and Financials. Net, net, the Fund retained a quality and defensive growth bias, but more moderate.

Market Outlook

In the second half of the year, given the clash between macro uncertainties versus the still relatively cheap valuation of Asian equities, it appears that the latter is likely to continue to range trade. Until their valuation becomes too expensive or the global growth cycle appears to be heading towards a new recession, we are likely to retain the current moderate pro-growth strategy in the portfolio, favouring long-term growth themes versus shorter-duration cyclical trades.

HISTORIC PERFORMANCE ² (CASH VALUE OF US\$1000)



Past performance is not a guide to future performance. The chart shown above should be viewed in conjunction with the rolling 12 month performance table below.

CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (US\$) ²

% Change	Fund	Index
2009	+58.8	+69.4
2008	-51.5	-50.4
2007	+43.0	+36.9
2006	+41.7	+32.2
2005	+19.2	+21.8

ROLLING 12 MONTH PERFORMANCE (US\$) ²

% Change	Fund
31 July 2009 - 31 July 2010	+8.7
31 July 2008 - 31 July 2009	-8.1
31 July 2007 - 31 July 2008	-18.2
31 July 2006 - 31 July 2007	+71.4
31 July 2005 - 31 July 2006	+19.0

PERFORMANCE (US\$) ²

% Change	Fund	Index
1 month	+7.4	+6.6
3 months	-3.0	-1.1
YTD	-2.3	+1.9
1 year	+8.7	+13.7

ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE (US\$) ²

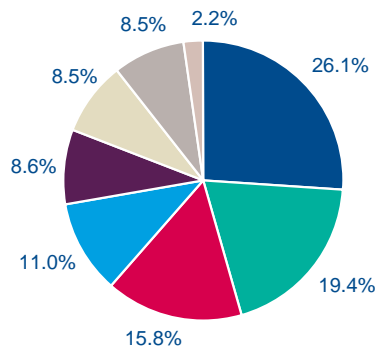
% Change	Fund	Index
3 years annualised	-6.5	-2.4
5 years annualised	+10.8	+10.9
10 years annualised	+8.5	+8.1
SI annualised	+9.5	+9.4

Ratings are subject to change.

Index return source: MSCI

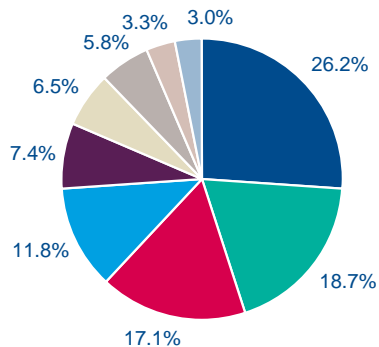
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COUNTRY BREAKDOWN ¹



- China = 26.1%
- Korea = 19.4%
- Small ASEAN = 15.8%
- Taiwan = 11.0%
- Hong Kong = 8.6%
- Singapore = 8.5%
- India = 8.5%
- Cash = 2.2%

SECTOR BREAKDOWN ¹



- Financials = 26.2%
- Industrials = 18.7%
- Information Technology = 17.1%
- Consumer Discretionary = 11.8%
- Others* = 7.4%
- Materials = 6.5%
- Energy = 5.8%
- Telecommunication Services = 3.3%
- Consumer Staples = 3.0%

*Including a cash weight of 2.2%

TOP 10 HOLDINGS ¹

	(%)
Samsung Electronics	4.2
China Construction Bank	2.7
Largan Precision	2.4
Hyundai Mobis	2.3
Belle International Holdings	2.1
Hon Hai Precision	2.0
Sun Hung Kai Properties	2.0
China Mobile	1.9
Hyundai Heavy Industries	1.8
China Merchant Holdings	1.8

NOTES

¹ Unless otherwise stated, all fund portfolio figures within this factsheet are as at the end of the month shown at the top of page one. Source: Barings.

² Performance figures are shown in US Dollars on a NAV per share basis. Source: Morningstar. © Morningstar, Inc. All rights reserved.

In view of the growing importance of the Indian economy and stock market in Asia and as part of the Fund's investment portfolio, the Fund has adopted as its reference index as of April 1, 2010, the MSCI All Countries Asia ex Japan Index, which includes India. Prior to this the fund was shown against MSCI AC FE Free Ex-Japan Index Total Gross Return.

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