

Client Update

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Investment objective

The Fund aims to achieve long-term capital growth. The Fund invests in equities in the Asia Pacific region (excluding Japan, including Australasia). The investment process will take account of sustainability themes and issues and requires positive engagement with companies in respect of these.

Cumulative performance (% in GBP) to 31 Jul 2010

Period	3 mths	6 mths	1 yr	3 yrs	5 yrs	10 yrs	Since Launch
Fund return	0.2	17.2	29.5	40.3	-	-	95.7
Benchmark return	-5.6	9.0	22.6	19.2	-	-	64.6
Sector return	-4.3	10.3	20.4	16.2	-	-	71.5
Quartile rank	1	1	1	1	-	-	1

Annual performance (% in GBP) to 31 Jul 2010

Period	12 mths to 31/07/10	12 mths to 31/07/09	12 mths to 31/07/08	12 mths to 31/07/07	12 mths to 31/07/06
Fund return	29.5	14.6	-5.5	38.3	-
Benchmark return	22.6	7.2	-9.3	38.4	-
Sector return	20.4	9.0	-11.1	44.3	-
Quartile rank	1	1	1	3	-

Manager's comments

- The Asia Pacific ex-Japan region rose over the month but underperformed global equity markets.
- Markets were driven higher by the return of risk appetite as concerns about sovereign creditworthiness subsided.
- Australia, Taiwan and Singapore outperformed, while China, India and the Philippines lagged.
- Performance was boosted by LG Corp (South Korea: Industrials) which benefited from the strong performance of its subsidiaries.
- Marico (India: Consumer Staples) lagged as it was viewed as fully valued.
- We bought SP Setia (Malaysia) because of the company's growing exposure to 'eco-housing.'
- We sold Bharti Airtel (India: Telecom Services) because of intensifying competitive pressures and concerns about its African venture.
- Asian consumer companies, perceived to be offering a defensive growth profile, have become a little too fashionable with investors.
- The fund has significant holdings in companies with exposure to clean energy and energy efficiency.

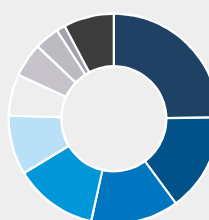
Fund information

Launch date	19/12/2005
Fund size (£m)	146
IMA sector	Asia Pacific ex Japan
Benchmark	MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex Japan Index
Number of holdings	54
Fund managers	David Gait / Millar Mathieson
ISAable fund	Yes
Minimum investment	£ 1,000 lump sum / £50 per month
Charges	Initial 4.0%; Annual 1.55%
Share type	Accumulation
Research rating	OBSR: A

Ten largest holdings

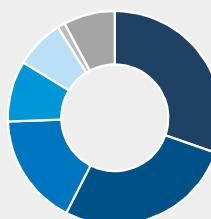
Stock name	%	Stock name	%
MTR Corp	4.6	Taiwan Semiconductor	3.5
LG Corp	4.4	Kasikornbank	3.2
Hong Kong & China Gas	4.0	SMRT Corporation	3.1
Manila Water Company	3.8	Marico	3.1
E.Sun Financial Holdings	3.7	Brambles	2.8

Sector breakdown



- Industrials: 24.8% (*8.6%)
- Financials: 15.1% (*35.2%)
- Consumer Staples: 13.5% (*6.3%)
- Information Technology: 12.9% (*13.4%)
- Utilities: 9.2% (*3.1%)
- Telecom Services: 6.4% (*5.4%)
- Energy: 5.2% (*7.5%)
- Health Care: 3.8% (*1.3%)
- Materials: 1.3% (*12.7%)
- Consumer Discretionary: 0.0% (*6.4%)
- Cash: 7.8% (*0.0%)

Regional breakdown



- Greater China: 30.3% (*38.4%)
- South East Asia: 27.2% (*12.8%)
- Indian Subcontinent: 17.0% (*8.2%)
- Korea: 9.2% (*14.2%)
- Australasia: 7.4% (*26.5%)
- Japan: 1.2% (*0.0%)
- Cash: 7.8% (*0.0%)

* Index Allocation

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Important Information / Risk Factors:

Past performance is not a guide to future performance, and investment markets and conditions can change rapidly. If your fund invests in equity markets, it will be more volatile than an investment in cash or fixed deposits. The value of your investment may go down as well as up. There is no guarantee you will get back the amount invested. If your fund invests in overseas markets, currency movements may affect both the income received and the capital value of your investment. If it invests in the shares of small companies, in emerging markets, or in a single country or sector, it may be less liquid and more volatile than a broadly diversified fund investing in developed equity markets. This fund should be considered a long-term investment. You should read the fund's Prospectus before investing, including in particular the sections on the risk factors applicable to any investment. The views expressed herein should not be relied upon when making investment decisions.

Statistical sources: All performance data as at 31 July 2010 : Source for fund - Lipper Ltd, net of fees, income reinvested net of tax; source for benchmark - RIMES, income reinvested net of tax. All other portfolio details and non performance information (top 10 holdings, fund size, sector and country breakdown): First State's own records. Any research or analysis used in the preparation of this document has been procured by First State for its own use and should not be relied upon by others. Since launch performance figures have been calculated from 31 December 2005.

Further details: First State Asia Pacific Sustainability Fund is a sub-fund of First State Investments ICVC, an open-ended investment company. Copies of the Prospectus and Simplified Prospectus for the First State Investments ICVC are available free of charge by writing to: Client Services, First State Investments (UK) Limited, 23 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh, EH2 1BB, by telephoning 0800 587 4141 between 8am and 5pm Monday to Friday or by printing the documents out from the website www.firststate.co.uk. Issued by First State Investments (UK) Limited, authorised and regulated by the Financial Services Authority. A member of IMA. Registered number: 2294743. Registered address: 3rd Floor, 30 Cannon Street, London EC4M 6YQ.

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