

Japanese Equities Fund



31 December 2018

The fund aims to provide long term growth and is designed for investors who are looking for exposure to the Japanese equity market. The fund invests predominantly in the shares of companies listed on the Japanese stock markets and it is actively managed. Please note that the Japanese equity exposure in this fund is currently managed by Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, one of Japan's leading domestic equity managers.

Past performance is not a guide to future returns and future returns are not guaranteed. The price of assets and the income from them may go down as well as up and cannot be guaranteed; an investor may receive back less than their original investment. The fund may use derivatives to reduce risk or cost, or to generate additional capital or income at low risk. Usage of derivatives is monitored to ensure that the fund is not exposed to excessive or unintended risks. The value of assets held within the fund may rise and fall as a result of exchange rate fluctuations.

SICAV Fund

Equity Fund

Monthly

Fund Manager	Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Asset Management
Launch Date	1 Dec 2000
Morningstar Rating	***
Fund Currency	JPY
Benchmark	MSCI Japan Index

Current Fund Size	¥21281.9m
Information Ratio	-0.29
Tracking Error	4.10
Volatility	14.92%

This document is intended for use by individuals who are familiar with investment terminology. To help you understand this fund and for a full explanation of specific risks and the overall risk profile of this fund and the shareclasses within it, please refer to the Key Investor Information Documents and Prospectus which are available on our website – www.standardlifeinvestments.com.

Aberdeen Standard Investments has not considered the suitability of investment against your individual needs and risk tolerance. If you are in any doubt as to whether this fund is suitable for you, you should seek advice. An adviser is likely to charge for advice. We are unable to provide investment advice.

Fund Information *

Composition by Sector

	Fund %
Consumer Discretionary	23.7
Industrials	22.7
Consumer Staples	12.0
Health Care	10.7
Information Technology	9.8
Financials	7.0
Communication Services	5.0
Materials	3.9
Real Estate	3.7
Energy	1.9
Cash and Other	-0.4

Top Ten Holdings

Stocks	Fund %
Toyota	5.0
Sony	4.2
Mitsubishi	3.0
Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group	2.7
Mitsubishi UFJ Financial	2.6
Recruit	2.3
Softbank	2.2
Seven & I	2.1
Daiwa House	2.0
Asahi Breweries	2.0
Assets in top ten holdings	28.1

Fund Performance *

100

Price Indexed 150 140 130 120 110

Performance has been calculated over the stated period on the share price performance basis, based on the institutional shareclass and net of fees. For your relevant charges please contact your Aberdeen Standard Investments Sales Representative.

Source: Aberdeen Standard Investments (Fund) and Thomson Reuters DataStream (Benchmark)

Cumulative Performance

Japanese Equities

Source: Aberdeen Standard Investments (Fund) and Thomson Reuters DataStream (Benchmark)

MSCI Japan Index

	YTD (%)	1 month (%)	3 months (%)	6 months (%)	1 year (%)
Retail Fund Performance	-19.2	-10.7	-20.5	-16.0	-19.2
Institutional Fund Performance	-19.0	-10.7	-20.4	-15.8	-19.0
MSCI Japan Index	-14.9	-9.8	-17.1	-11.8	-14.9

	3 years (%)	5 years (%)	Since launch (%)
Retail Fund Performance	-6.6	5.3	0.5
Institutional Fund Performance	-4.9	8.9	16.1
MSCI Japan Index	1.9	23.4	46.4

Note: Past Performance is not a guide to future performance. The price of shares and the income from them may go down as well as up and cannot be guaranteed; an investor may receive back less than their original investment.

For full details of the fund's objective, policy, investment and borrowing powers and details of the risks investors need to be aware of, please refer to the prospectus.

The fund does not have an index-tracking objective.

Definitions

Information Ratio - the active return of a portfolio divided by the tracking error.

Tracking Error - the standard deviation of the difference between portfolio and index returns ex-post 3yr.

Volatility - the annualised standard deviation of monthly total returns over the last 36 months.

Cash and Other - may include bank and building society deposits, other money market instruments such as Certificates of Deposits (CDs), Floating Rate Notes (FRNs) including Asset Backed Securities (ABSs), Money Market Funds and allowances for tax, dividends and interest due if appropriate.

Other Fund Information

		Retail Acc	Retail Dist	Institutional Acc	Institutional Dist	Currency
Bloomberg		STAJPEA LX	-	STAJPED LX	•	JPY
ISIN		LU0137295142	-	LU0137295654	-	JPY
WKN		AOMRS4	-	A0MRS5	-	JPY
Domicile	Luxembourg					
Custodian Name	The Bank of Ne	w York Mellon SA/NV,	Luxembourg Branch,	2-4 Rue Eugene Ruppert, L	-2453 Luxembourg,	
	Grand Duchy of	Luxembourg				
Auditor Name	KPMG Luxembo	urg, 39, Avenue John	F. Kennedy, L-1855 L	uxembourg,		
	Grand Duchy of	Luxembourg				
		Interim	Annual			
Reporting Dates		30 Jun	31 Dec			
Settlement Time		T+3				
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