



# Stewart Investors Asia Pacific Leaders Sustainability Fund<sup>5</sup>

## Fund objective

The fund aims to achieve capital growth over the long term (at least five years).

## Fund strategy

The fund invests in a diversified portfolio of equity or equity-related securities of companies with large and mid – capitalisation that are incorporated or listed, or where a majority of their economic activities take place, in the Asia Pacific region (excluding Japan) and invests in quality companies that are positioned to contribute to, or benefit from the sustainable development of the countries in which they operate.

The manager invests with capital preservation in mind, meaning it defines risk as losing client money, rather than deviation from a benchmark index. The manager's focus on quality companies rather than investing according to a benchmark index may lag in very strong liquidity-driven or momentum-led markets and may perform well when due recognition is given to companies with quality management teams, good long-term growth prospects and sound balance sheets.

## Overall rating

All share classes are rated Green and are providing value to investors.

## Performance

We have assessed performance considering absolute return, relative return and the performance in negative markets for each share class, in conjunction with the investment objective and proposition of the fund.

All share classes are rated Green for performance.

The Class B (Acc) USD share class is not subjected to the tests as it has not reached the appropriate maturity in order to test the investment objective of the fund over the minimum recommended investment term.

## Quality of service

All share classes are rated Green for Quality of service. Please see page 5, section 4 Quality of service for further information.

## Classes of units

All share classes are rated Green for Class of units. Please see page 7, section 6 Costs and charges for further information.

## AFM costs

All share classes are rated Green for AFM costs. Please see page 7, section 6 Costs and charges for further information.

## Economies of scale

All share classes are rated Green for Economies of scale. Please see page 7, section 6 Costs and charges for further information.

## Comparable market rates

We have compared the ongoing charge figure (OCF) that is made up of an annual management charge (AMC) and the additional expenses (AE) of each share class against a relevant peer group and all of their OCFs are below the median.

The median is defined as the mid-point of our peers who we are assessing our OCF against.

Based on our assessment each share class is rated Green for comparable market rates.

## Comparable services

Based on our assessment when compared to similar funds and share classes managed by First Sentier Investors globally the share classes are rated Amber for comparable services.

The revenue earned after all deductions on the fund are slightly higher than the identified comparable funds that we assessed the fund against. We believe that the results are reasonable due to the features of these share classes and services provided by the fund and share classes to investors.

We will continue to monitor these share classes on an ongoing basis.

The fund has the following share classes:

Share class	Launch date	AUM £	AMC %	OCF %	Overall rating	Performance	Quality of service	Classes of units	AFM costs	Economies of scale	Comparable market rates	Comparable services
Class A (Acc) GBP	01-Dec-03	330,829,305	1.45	1.50	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●
Class A (Inc) GBP	25-Nov-09	1,997,356	1.45	1.65	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●
Class B (Acc) GBP	01-Dec-03	4,882,881,568	0.80	0.84	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●
Class B (Inc) GBP	19-Nov-09	1,176,367,393	0.80	0.85	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●
Class B (Acc) USD	27-Jul-23	289,166,726	0.80	0.83	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●

5 Please note the fund changed its name from Stewart Investors Asia Pacific Leaders Sustainability Fund to the Stewart Investors Asia Pacific Leaders Fund as of 2 December 2024.