Quarterly Fund Flyer

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Lead portfolio manager	Approx. no. of stocks	Benchmark	Maximum cash	Minimum market cap
Richard Jones	40 - 50	MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Index	10%	>US\$1.5bn

Minimum initial investment	S\$1,000
Minimum subsequent Investment	S\$100
Share class	Class A (SGD - Acc)
Inception date	10 Oct 1984
ISIN code	SG9999000210

Initial charge	5.0% (Cash / SRS) 0.0% (CPF - Ordinary Acct)
Management fee	1.5% p.a.
NAV/share	\$\$3.5054

Source: First Sentier Investors, as at 31 December 2020

Why invest in the FSSA Asian Growth Fund?

An opportunity to tap into the wealth of the Asia Pacific region

- There are 4.5 billion people living in Asia approximately 60% of the world's total
- Asia is the main contributor to global growth since major advanced economies still recovering from the global financial crisis
- Rising incomes and increased levels of urbanisation have helped to boost consumption and create domestic champions, while increased R&D spending and a focus on innovation have created globally competitive leaders

Asia Pacific - the world's growth engine



2. Technology upgrade and 5G uplift

- Mediatek is a quality Taiwanese fabless semiconductor company
- Had a challenging few years but has since stabilised due to investments in "growth" areas such as IoT (Amazon Echo, WiFl devices), ASIC (customised chips) and power switches (power chips found in all electronic/ IoT devices)
- Backing the management Rick Tsai (ex-TSMC) is now the sole CEO; former CEO MK Tsai remains as chairman
- A strong balance sheet and rising dividend provide additional margins of safety

Signs of a turnaround



Source: FactSet, Company Reports and FSSA Investment Managers, as at 30 June 2020

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3. Leading pan-Asian retailing group taking market share

- Dairy Farm is a high quality business and part of the Jardine Group, with family ownership/long-term stewardship (130-yr history) with around 10 thousand stores across 11 countries along with professional management
- HK/Macau growth remains strong, particularly health & beauty,
 7-Eleven, IKEA and Maxim's. Indonesia, as well as newer markets such as Vietnam, Cambodia and the Philippines have the potential to become future growth drivers
- Supermarkets facing threats from greater competition and e-commerce; but multi-year transformation in progress. New CEO, lan McLeod, was appointed in 2017 and has overseen a significant shift in personnel and culture

Supermarkets facing headwinds, but other businesses have grown strongly



Source: FactSet, Company Reports and FSSA Investment Managers, as at 30 June 2020

Annualised performance in SGD (%)

	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
Fund (Ex initial charges)	15.4	8.5	8.1	6.8	7.6
Fund (Inc initial charges)	9.7	6.6	7.0	6.2	7.4
Benchmark*	23.2	8.1	12.3	7.1	N/A

Source: Lipper, First Sentier Investors, as at 31 December 2020. Since inception: 10 October 1984. Single pricing basis with net income reinvested. The performance prior to 18 October 2002 is in relation to the Fund before its conversion to a feeder fund.
*Inception - 1 November 2005: MSCI All Country Far East ex Japan Index. From 2 November 2005: MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Index

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