

First State Regional China Fund

Objectives and investment strategy

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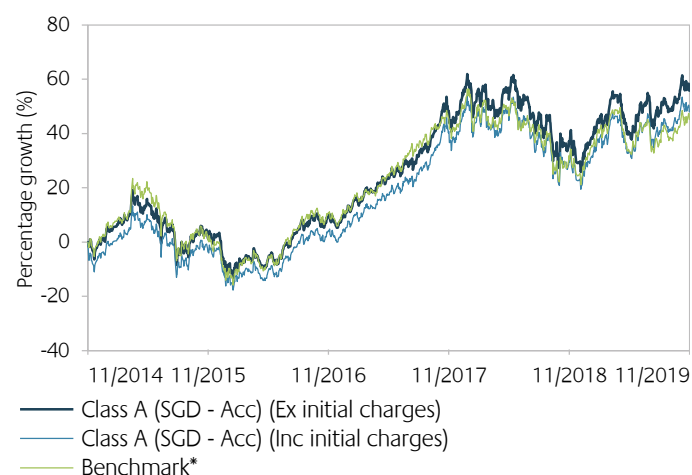
The Underlying Sub-Fund invests primarily (at least 70% of its net asset value) in equity securities or equity-related securities issued by companies with either assets in, or revenues derived from, the People's Republic of China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan and which are listed, traded or dealt in on regulated markets in the People's Republic of China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, the U.S., Singapore, Korea, Thailand and Malaysia or in a member state of the OECD.

Annualised performance in SGD (%)^

	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	10yrs	Since Inception
Class A (SGD - Acc) (Ex initial charges)	14.3	12.2	9.3	8.7	8.6
Class A (SGD - Acc) (Inc initial charges)	8.6	10.3	8.2	8.1	8.4
Benchmark*	10.6	9.3	7.7	6.5	4.6

Cumulative performance in SGD (%)^

	3mths	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	Since Inception
Class A (SGD - Acc) (Ex initial charges)	5.1	14.3	41.4	55.8	768.5
Class A (SGD - Acc) (Inc initial charges)	-0.2	8.6	34.4	48.0	725.1
Benchmark*	5.6	10.6	30.6	45.1	225.9



Source: Lipper, First State Investments. Single pricing basis with net income reinvested.

Fund information

Fund size	S\$478.7mn
Stock split history	1 for 1 stock split (2 Sep 1997)
Dealing	Monday to Friday (except public holidays)
Minimum initial investment	S\$1,000
Minimum subsequent investment	S\$100
Management fee	1.5%p.a.
Initial charge	5.0% (Cash / SRS) 1.5% (CPF - Ordinary Acct)
CPF classification	Higher Risk-Narrowly Focused (Country-Greater China)

Asset allocation (%)†

Share	%	%	%
Taiwan	22.8	Hong Kong	20.0
China A Shares	13.3	Red Chips	11.1
US Listed	4.7	Singapore	3.7
Liquidity			2.6

Sector	%	%	%
Info. Tech.	22.6	Industrials	16.5
Financials	11.5	Consumer Staples	9.6
Comms Services	5.9	Real Estate	4.5
Liquidity	2.6	Utilities	3.9
		Health Care	7.5
		Consumer Discret.	15.4

Top 10 company holdings (%)

Security name	Sector	%
Taiwan Semiconductor (TSMC)	(Info. Tech.)	8.1
Tencent Holdings Ltd.	(Comms Services)	5.9
AIA Group Limited	(Financials)	5.4
China Merchants Bank Co., Ltd. Class H	(Financials)	4.6
CSPC Pharmaceutical Gp Ltd.	(Health Care)	4.0
China Mengniu Dairy Co. Ltd.	(Consumer Staples)	3.9
ENN Energy Holdings Limited	(Utilities)	3.9
Advantech	(Info. Tech.)	3.4
Midea Group	(Consumer Discret.)	3.0
Shanghai International Airport	(Industrials)	2.9

Available share classes

Share Class	Inception Date	NAV Price	ISIN Code
Class A (Acc)	01 Nov 1993	S\$4.1907	SG9999000194

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Important Information

[^] The performance prior to 18 Oct 02 is in relation to the Fund before its conversion to a feeder fund.

^{*} MSCI Golden Dragon Index

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Benchmark*	11.0	11.0	6.7	6.6	5.2

Cumulative performance in USD (%)[△]

	3mths	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	Since Inception
Class A (SGD - Acc) (Ex initial charges)	6.6	14.7	48.1	48.5	910.8
Class A (SGD - Acc) (Inc initial charges)	1.2	9.0	40.7	41.1	860.3
Benchmark*	7.1	11.0	36.8	38.3	279.3



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