# Investec Emerging Markets Blended Debt Fund

# Investec Asset Management

'l' shares, GBP

## As at end August 2019

#### Objectives and investment policy summary

The Fund aims to provide income and long-term capital growth.

The Fund invests primarily in bonds (contracts to repay borrowed money which typically pay interest at fixed times) issued by governments, institutions or companies in emerging markets (countries that are in economic terms less developed than the major Western countries). These bonds are issued in either the currency of the country in which they are issued or in hard currencies (globally traded major currencies). The Fund also has the flexibility to invest outside of the aforementioned asset classes and region.

The Fund uses a currency hedging strategy that aims to reduce the impact of exchange rate movements between US dollars (USD) and the currency that the Fund's investments are valued in, sterling (GBP).

Derivatives (financial contracts whose value is linked to the price of an underlying asset) may be used for investment purposes (i.e. in order to achieve the Fund's investment objectives) or for efficient portfolio management purposes e.g. with the aim of either managing the Fund risks or reducing the costs of managing the Fund.

The index used in the performance section is deemed to be a good representation of the Fund's investable universe and is widely used, independently calculated and readily available. Fund performance can also be compared to the IA sector average. Many funds sold in the UK are grouped into sectors by the Investment Association (the trade body that represents UK investment managers), to facilitate comparison between funds with broadly similar characteristics.

#### Monthly and annual average returns (%)

	1 month	1 year	3 years annualised	5 years annualised	Since launch annualised*
Fund - I Acc GBP	-1.9	12.6	4.7	6.4	4.1
Comparative index	-0.9	15.0	4.8	7.7	5.6
Sector	-2.0	14.2	4.1	4.8	3.2
Fund/Sector rank	28/60	39/60	19/50	14/41	11/32

\*Since launch date 01.10.12

09-14

- Fund - Sector 07-15

05-16

03-17

01-18

11-18

08-19

#### Calendar year performance (%)

	YTD	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Fund - I Acc GBP	11.3	-4.0	4.1	29.9	-4.3	4.7
Comparative index	11.2	-1.4	2.5	31.3	-1.7	6.5
Sector	11.1	-3.7	5.3	23.3	-5.8	2.6
Fund/Sector rank	28/60	33/57	32/54	14/49	23/43	17/40

Rolling 12 month performance (%)

	31.08.18 -31.08.19	31.08.17 -31.08.18	31.08.16 -31.08.17		31.08.14 31.08.15
Fund - I Acc GBP	12.6	-8.0	10.8	28.2	-7.0
Comparative index	15.0	-8.4	9.3	31.6	-4.6
Sector	14.2	-8.6	8.0	23.3	-9.2
Fund/Sector rank	39/60	32/56	11/51	16/47	21/42
Performance (%)	Risk s	statistics			
				3 years	5 years
50 7	Annua	lised alpha (%	%)	-0.4	-1.2
25 -	Beta			1.1	1.0
	Annua	lised informa	tion ratio	-0.1	-0.5
<b>*</b>	Annua	lised tracking	error (%)	2.3	3 2.5
-25 _					

Performance data source: © Morningstar, dates to 31.08.19, NAV based, (net of fees, excluding initial charges), total return (net of UK basic rate tax), in Sterling. The performance quoted is of actual performance post share class launch date, 27.02.14 and simulated performance pre share class launch date. The simulated performance is based on oldest share class since fund launch adjusted to reflect the fees of the share class being simulated.

Investors must read the Key Investor Information Document and Prospectus prior to investing

## Key facts

Portfolio manager: Peter Eerdmans, Grant Webster, Mike Hugman Fund size: GBP 141.3m Fund launch date: 01.10.12 I Acc GBP share class launch date: 27.02.14 Domicile: United Kingdom Sector: IA Global Emerging Markets Bond Comparative index: 50% JPMorgan GBI-EM Global Diversified, 30% JPMorgan EBMI Global Diversified GBP Hedged, 20% JPMorgan CEMBI Broad Diversified GBP Hedged (pre 01/06/2018: 50% JPM GBI-EM Global Diversified, 30% JPM EMBI Global Diversified, 20% JPM CEMBI Broad Diversified; pre 01/06/2013: 50%/40%/10%; pre 01/04/2012: 50%/50%/0% respectively) 'I' share class dealing currency: GBP Risk and reward profile (KIID SRRI): 4 out of 7

#### 'l' Acc Share class charges Maximum initial charge: 0.00% Ongoing charge: 0.89%

#### Other information

Pricing: 12 noon (forward pricing) Minimum investment: £1,000,000 lump sum

#### 'I' Acc GBP ISIN: GB00BJFLDK12 Sedol: BJFLDK1 Distribution Payment dates: 31 Oct,31 Jan,30 Apr,31 Jul

'l' Inc-2 GBP ISIN: GB00B7PWB404 Sedol: B7PWB40 Yield: 5.12% (4.23%)\*

10.7

9.4

Distribution Payment Dates: 31 Oct,31 Jan,30 Apr,31 Jul

\*Yield if charges had been taken from income. See yield explanation on page 4.

Annualised volatility (%)

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## Ton holdings (%)

Top holdings (%)	
China Development Bank Corp 3.48 Jan 08 29	2.5
Croatia Government International 6 Jan 26 24	2.1
Thailand Government Bond 2.125 Dec 17 26	2.1
Brazil Notas do Tesouro Nacional 10 Jan 01 21	1.8
RSA 8.875 Feb 28 35	1.8
Qatar Government International 4 Mar 14 29	1.7
Brazil Notas Do Tesouro Nacional 10 Jan 01 23	1.7
Brazil Letras Do Tesouro Nacio Jan 01 20	1.6
Russian Federal Bond - OFZ 7.95 Oct 07 26	1.6
Hungary Government Bond 3 Oct 27 27	1.5
Total	18.4
Number of bond holdings:	177

Credit breakdown (%)*	
AAA	0.3
AA	4.8
A	9.1
BBB	34.7
BB	25.3
В	17.4
CCC	1.8
Cash and near cash	6.6
Total	100.0
Average credit rating	BBB

\*Bond ratings are Investec approximations.

Maturity profile (%)	
0 - 1 year	14
1 - 3 years	8
3 - 5 years	10
5 - 10 years	38
10 - 20 years	14
20 years +	12
Total	100
Average maturity (years)	
Yield to maturity (%)	4

Geographic allocation (%)		Currency positions (%)			Sector analysis (%)
Brazil Russian Federation	12.0 7.6		Duration contrib.	%NAV	
Indonesia	6.6	Pound Sterling	0.0	50.1	Emerging Market Lo
Egypt	4.7	Polish Zloty	0.0	7.4	Currency Debt
Mexico	4.7	Brazilian Real	0.4	7.0	Emerging Market Ha Currency Debt
South Africa	4.3	Thai Baht	0.3	6.6	High Yield Corporate
China*	4.0	Russian Ruble	0.3	6.5	Investment Grade C
Thailand	3.8	US Dollar	3.0	5.7	Emerging Market Inc
Hungary	3.5	Colombian Peso	0.1	5.1	Linked
Qatar	3.1	South Korean Won	0.0	-5.0	Inv Grade Sovereigr
Serbia	3.1	Indonesian Rupiah	0.4	4.2	Developed Market F
Romania	2.8	Euro	0.0	-3.7	Emerging Market IR
Croatia	2.6	Egyptian Pound	0.0	3.1	High Yield Cds
Czech Republic	2.3	New Taiwan Dollar	0.0	-3.0	FX
Ghana	2.2	Mexican Peso	0.2	3.0	Cash
Turkey	2.2	Chinese Renminbi	0.2	2.6	Total
Oman Ukraine	2.1 2.0	Chinese Offshore Renminbi	0.0	-2.5	
Ecuador	2.0 1.9	Philippine Peso	0.0	2.5	
Colombia	1.9	Czech Koruna	0.2	2.5	
Other	1.0	South African Rand	0.4	2.1	
Cash and near cash	6.6	Other	0.6	5.8	
Total	100.0	Total	6.1	100.0	

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	Duration contrib.	%NAV
Emerging Market Local Currency Debt	3.1	51.3
Emerging Market Hard Currency Debt	2.5	30.9
High Yield Corporate	0.3	5.7
Investment Grade Corporate	0.4	5.5
Emerging Market Index Linked	0.0	0.3
Inv Grade Sovereign Cds	0.0	0.1
Developed Market Future	-0.2	-
Emerging Market IRS	0.0	-0.1
High Yield Cds	0.0	-0.2
FX	0.0	-2.3
Cash	0.0	8.8
Total	6.1	100.0

\* Offshore and/or Mainland

The portfolio may change significantly over a short period of time. This is not a buy or sell recommendation for any particular security. Figures may not always sum to 100 due to rounding.

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#### General risks

The value of these investments, and any income generated from them, will be affected by changes in interest rates, general market conditions and other political, social and economic developments, as well as by specific matters relating to the assets in which they invest. Past performance should not be taken as a guide to the future. The Fund's objectives will not necessarily be achieved and there is no guarantee that these investments will make profits; losses may be made. This Fund may not be appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money within the short to medium term.

#### Specific fund risks

Charges from capital: For Inc-2 and Inc-3 shares classes, expenses are charged to the capital account rather than to income, so capital will be reduced. This could constrain future capital and income growth. Income may be taxable.

Currency exchange: Changes in the relative values of different currencies may adversely affect the value of investments and any related income.

**Default:** There is a risk that the issuers of fixed income investments (e.g. bonds) may not be able to meet interest payments nor repay the money they have borrowed. The worse the credit quality of the issuer, the greater the risk of default and therefore investment loss.

Derivatives: The use of derivatives may increase overall risk by magnifying the effect of both gains and losses leading to large changes in value and potentially large financial loss. A counterparty to a derivative transaction may fail to meet its obligations which may also lead to a financial loss.

Emerging market: These markets carry a higher risk of financial loss than more developed markets as they may have less developed legal, political, economic or other systems.

Government securities exposure: The Fund may invest more than 35% of its assets in securities issued or guaranteed by a permitted sovereign entity, as defined in the definitions section of the Fund's prospectus.

Interest rate: The value of fixed income investments (e.g. bonds) tends to decrease when interest rates rise.

#### Important information

We recommend that you seek independent financial advice to ensure this Fund is suitable for your investment needs.

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#### **Glossary summary**

Alpha: Jensen's alpha is a risk adjusted measure of a fund's performance relative to its performance comparison benchmark.

Beta: A measure of the volatility of a fund relative to its performance comparison index, i.e. how sensitive the fund is to movements in the market. A figure greater than 1 indicates that the fund will tend to outperform in a rising market and under perform in a falling one, i.e. is more volatile than the market. The reverse applies to a Beta of less than 1.

**Credit rating:** A score awarded by an independent rating agency to indicate the financial strength of the issuer of a bond, and the potential for a default on interest and principal payments. The top credit rating is 'AAA'. The lowest rating to be considered 'investment grade' is 'BBB'. Below 'BBB', bonds are termed 'sub investment grade' or 'high yield'. Average credit ratings are based on the individual bond ratings issued by the ratings agencies. For each bond, the ratings issued by each agency are combined to form a single rating based on the methodology that most closely matches the performance comparison index (PCI), otherwise median is typically used where there is no PCI. The portfolio rating is the weighted average of the above bond ratings.

### **Distribution types**

Accumulation (Acc): An accumulation share will not make income payments to shareholders but will instead accrue the income daily in the net asset value of the share

Accumulation (AcC): An accumulation share will not make income payments to shareholders but will instead accrue the income daily in the net asset value of the share class. Income (Inc): An income share will distribute all or part of the income accruing in that share class. Income 2 (Inc-2): These distribute the income accruing in the share class and charge all their expenses to capital. This maximises the income available for distribution – although it also reduces capital by an equivalent extent which could constrain future capital and income growth. This can be inefficient from a tax perspective in those countries where income tax rates are higher than those on capital gains.

Income-3 (Inc-3): These share classes are similar to Inc-2 share classes in that they charge all their expenses to capital in order to maximise the amount of distributable income. Additionally, Inc-3 share classes aim to provide a consistent distribution rate which is based on the investment manager's expectation of the long term underlying yield. To achieve this they may make distributions from capital or carry over excess income from one calendar year to the next. As the income rate is based on a forecast, there is a risk that future income generated by the fund is overestimated leading to distributions being taken from capital which could also constrain future capital and income growth.

Duration: This is a measure of risk for funds which invest in bonds as it predicts the sensitivity of the value of a fund's portfolio given changes in interest rates. The higher the value the greater the volatility of the fund's performance resulting from changes to interest rates. The Modified duration is shown.

OEIC: Open Ended Investment Company. Investec Funds Series iv; incorporated in England and Wales, the UCITS umbrella of which this sub-fund is a part of.

Information ratio: A measure of a portfolio manager's skill against a performance comparison index. The over or underperformance of the fund relative to its performance comparison index is divided by the tracking error. In this way, we arrive at the value, per unit of extra risk assumed, that the manager's decisions have added to what the market would have delivered anyway. The higher the Information Ratio the better.

KIID SRRI: The Synthetic Risk Reward Indicator (SRRI) which appears in the Key Investor Information Document (KIID). A number on a scale of 1 to 7 based on how much the value of a fund has fluctuated over the past 5 years (or an estimate if the fund has a shorter track record). A rating of 1 represents the lower end of the risk scale with potentially lower rewards available whilst a rating of 7 reflects higher risk but potentially higher rewards.

Maturity profile: The average life of each bond in a fund's portfolio, weighted by value.

Ongoing charge: This figure includes the annual management fee and administrative costs but excludes any performance fee or portfolio transaction costs (except in the case of an entry or exit charge paid by a fund when buying or selling units in another fund). Ongoing charges may vary from year to year.

NAV: The Net Asset Value (NAV) represents the value of the assets of a fund less its liabilities.

Sector: A peer group of funds managed to a similar investment policy. Not every fund will have a relevant sector, but for those that do, a full list of the funds included in the sector can be obtained from us on request.

Tracking error: A measure of how much a fund's returns deviate from those of its performance comparison index. The lower the number the closer the fund's historic performance has followed that of its performance comparison index.

Volatility: The amount by which the performance of a fund fluctuates over a given period.

YTD: Year to date.

#### Yields

Vield: The Yield reflects the amounts that may be distributed over the next 12 months as a percentage of the Fund's net asset value per share, as at the date shown, based on a snapshot of the portfolio on that day. Where there is a yield number in brackets, it is calculated in the same way, however, as the charges of the share class are deducted from capital rather than income, it shows the level of yield had these charges been deducted from income. Yields do not include any preliminary charge and investors may be subject to tax on their distributions. The effect of taking expenses from capital is to increase income whilst reducing capital to an equivalent extent and may constrain future capital and income growth.

For an explanation of other statistical terms, please see www.investecassetmanagement.com/glossary

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