

Product Key Facts
Franklin Templeton Investment Funds –
Templeton Emerging Markets Smaller Companies Fund

Issuer: Franklin Templeton Investments (Asia) Limited

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- **This statement provides you with key information about this product.**
- **This statement is a part of the offering document.**
- **You should not invest in this product based on this statement alone.**

Quick facts

Management company: Franklin Templeton International Services S.à r.l.

Investment manager(s): Templeton Asset Management Ltd., Singapore (internal delegation) and Franklin Templeton International Services S.à r.l.

Depository: J.P. Morgan Bank Luxembourg S.A.

Base currency: USD

Financial year end of this Fund: 30 June

Dealing frequency: Every Hong Kong Business Day

Minimum Investment: USD 1,000 [initial] and USD 500 [subsequent purchases] or equivalent

Ongoing charges over a year[#]:

Class A (acc) EUR: 2.50%

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[#]The ongoing charges figures are based on the semi-annual financial statements for the period ended 31 December 2020. These figures may vary from year to year.

Dividend policy: Dividends, if declared, will be reinvested unless indicated by you in the application form to be paid out. Subject to any legal and regulatory requirements, the Fund may at its discretion pay dividends out of the capital or out of gross income of the Fund while charging / paying all or part of the Fund's fees and expenses to / out of the capital of the Fund, which results in an increase in distributable income for the payment of dividends by the Fund and therefore, the Fund may effectively pay dividends out of capital. The Fund may amend such distribution policy subject to the SFC's prior approval and by giving not less than one month's prior notice to investors. Any distributions involving payment of dividends out of the Fund's capital or payment of dividends effectively out of the Fund's capital (as the case may be) may result in an immediate reduction of the net asset value per share.

What is this product?

This is a fund constituted in the form of a mutual fund. It is domiciled in Luxembourg and its home regulator is Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier.

Investment Objective and Policy

Templeton Emerging Markets Smaller Companies Fund (the "Fund") aims to increase the value of its investments over the medium to long term.

The Fund invests primarily (that is, at least two-thirds of the Fund's net assets) in:

- *equity securities as well as depository receipts of small cap companies registered in, or performing a substantial part of their business in, or holding a substantial part of their participations in, emerging markets. For the purpose of the Fund's investment objective, emerging market small cap companies are normally those having a market capitalisation at the time of the initial purchase within the range of the market capitalisations of companies included in the MSCI Emerging Markets Small Cap Index*

(Index). Once a security qualifies for initial purchase, it continues to qualify for additional purchases as long as it is held by the Fund

In exceptional market circumstances (such as extreme volatility) and on a temporary basis only, 100% of the Fund's net assets may be invested in liquid assets, with due regard to the principle of risk spreading.

The Fund can invest on an ancillary basis in:

- participatory notes
- debt securities (including lower-quality or unrated securities) of emerging market countries
- transferable securities of issuers located in developed countries
- China A-Shares (through Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect, Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect, qualified foreign institutional investor (QFII) portfolios, UCIs and any permissible means available to the Fund under prevailing laws and regulations) and China B-Shares (limited to 20% of the Fund's net assets in aggregate)
- units of Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities ("UCITS") and other Undertakings for Collective Investment ("UCIs") (up to 10% of its net assets)

The investment team uses global research expertise with a focus on identifying companies in emerging markets that it believes to be overlooked by other investors and to offer an opportunity for increased value over the long term.

The expected level of exposure that could be subject to securities lending transactions amounts to 5% of the Fund's net assets.

Use of derivatives / investment in derivatives

The Fund's net derivative exposure may be up to 50% of the Fund's net asset value.

What are the key risks?

Investment involves risks. Please refer to the offering document for details including the risk factors.

- **Market risk:** The market values of securities owned by the Fund will tend to go up or down, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably, due to factors affecting individual issuers, particular industries or sectors within securities markets, or because of general market conditions. During a general downturn in the securities markets, multiple asset classes (including different sectors of the same asset class) may decline in value at the same time. Similarly, when markets perform well, there can be no assurance that securities held by the Fund will participate in the advance. Because the securities the Fund holds fluctuate in price in this manner, the Fund's value may go down as well as up and investors may be adversely affected.
- **Equity risk:** Equity and equity-linked securities are subject to significant price movements due to various economic, political, market and issuer-specific factors. Such changes may adversely affect the value of equities regardless of issuer-specific performance. Additionally, different industries, financial markets and securities can react differently to these changes. Such fluctuations of the Fund's value are often exacerbated in the short-term. Financial markets trends (including feared or actual failures in the banking system) may also cause large fluctuations in the prices of such securities. As a result, the Fund may be adversely affected.
- **Depository receipts risk:** Depository receipts are certificates issued typically by a bank or a trust company that give their holders the right to receive securities issued by a foreign or domestic company. Depository receipts do not eliminate currency, economic and taxation risks relating to the underlying shares, which may adversely affect the Fund.
- **Emerging markets risk:** The Fund may invest in, or be exposed to, emerging markets, which may involve increased risks and special considerations not typically associated with investment in more developed markets. The risks of investing in emerging markets, which can adversely affect and/or result in a substantial loss to the Fund, may include: liquidity risks, currency risks/control, political and economic uncertainties, legal and taxation risks, settlement risks, custody risk and the likelihood of a high degree of volatility.
- **Frontier markets risk:** Investments in frontier markets involve risks similar to investments in emerging markets but to a greater extent since frontier markets are even smaller, less developed, and less accessible than other emerging markets.

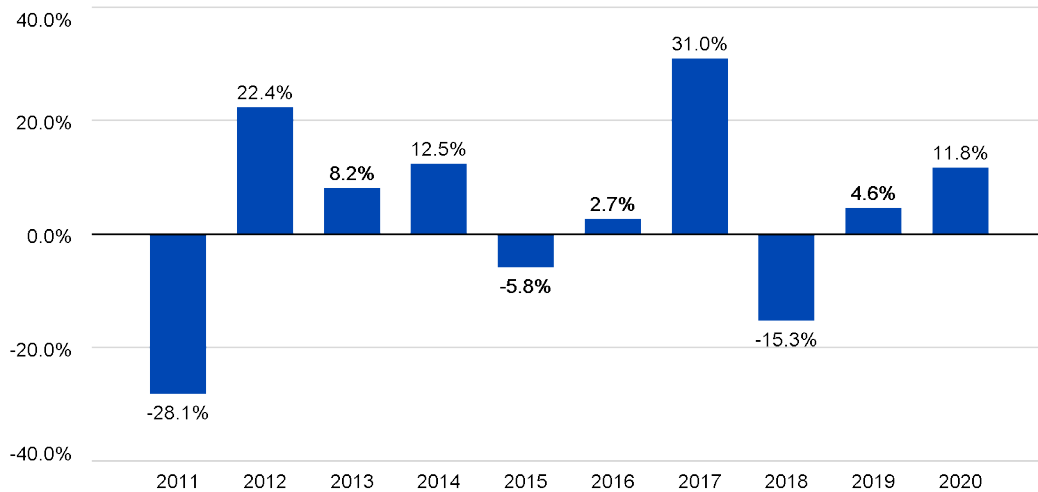
Frontier markets may also experience greater political and economic instability and may have less transparency, less ethical practices, and weaker corporate governance compared to other emerging markets. Such markets are also more likely to have investment and repatriation restrictions, exchange controls and less developed custodial and settlement systems than other emerging markets. As a result, the Fund/investors may be adversely impacted.

- **Concentration risk:** The Fund seeks to maintain a portfolio with holdings in a relatively limited number of issuers. By being less diversified, the Fund may be more volatile than broadly diversified funds, or may be exposed to greater risk since underperformance of one or a few positions will have a greater impact on the Fund's assets. The Fund may be adversely affected as a result of such greater volatility or risk.
- **Foreign currency risk:** The Fund will typically invest to a significant degree in securities that are denominated in currencies other than the base currency of the Fund, exposing its investments to changes in foreign exchange rates and the possibility of exchange control regulations. Changes in currency exchange rates may adversely affect the value of the Fund, and also may affect the income earned by the Fund and gains and losses realized by the Fund. Furthermore, the total return for a share class that is denominated in a different currency (the "alternative currency") from the base currency of the Fund may be affected, either positively or negatively, by changes in the exchange rate between the Fund's base currency and the alternative currency.
- **Liquidity risk:** The Fund may not be able to easily sell securities due to adverse market conditions or reduced value or creditworthiness of issuers in which it invests. The inability of the Fund to sell securities or positions may also impede the ability of the Fund to meet redemption requests in a timely manner. Certain securities may also be illiquid due to limited trading markets or contractual restrictions on their resale. Reduced liquidity due to these factors may have an adverse impact on the net asset value of the Fund.
- **Smaller and midsize companies risk:** Stocks of smaller- and mid-sized companies tend to be less liquid and more volatile to adverse economic developments than larger, more recognized companies, particularly if such companies are in emerging markets, which results in higher risk for the Fund. The value and performance of the Fund may be adversely affected as a result.
- **Counterparty risk:** The Fund may be exposed to risks arising from the solvency of its counterparties and the Fund/investors may be adversely impacted.
- **Participatory notes risk:** The Fund may use participatory notes to obtain exposure to an equity investment, including common stocks and warrants, in a local market where direct ownership is not allowed. By investing in participatory notes, the Fund may be exposed not only to movements in the value of the underlying equity, but also to the risk of counterparty default, which may in the event of counterparty default result in a substantial loss to the Fund.
- **Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect and Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect risk:** The relevant rules and regulations on Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect and Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect are subject to change which may have potential retrospective effect. The Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect and Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect is subject to quota limitations. Where a suspension in the trading through the programme is effected, the Fund's ability to invest in China A shares or access the PRC market through the programme will be adversely affected. In such event, the Fund's ability to achieve its investment objective could be negatively affected.
- **Chinese market risk:** The Fund is subject to the risks of the Chinese market and the value of the Fund may be susceptible to adverse economic, political, policy, foreign exchange, liquidity, tax, legal or regulatory events affecting the Chinese market. The value and performance of the Fund may be adversely affected as a result.
- **China QFII risk:** The Fund's ability to make the relevant investments or to fully implement or pursue its investment objective and strategy is subject to the applicable laws, rules and regulations (including restrictions on investments and repatriation of principal and profits) in the PRC, which are subject to change and such change may have potential retrospective effect. The Fund may suffer substantial losses if the approval of the QFII is being revoked/terminated or otherwise invalidated as the Fund

may be prohibited from trading of relevant securities and repatriation of the fund's monies, or if any of the key operators or parties (including QFII custodian/brokers) is bankrupt/in default and/or is disqualified from performing its obligations (including execution or settlement of any transaction or transfer of monies or securities).

- **Chinese short swing profit rule risk:** *Under PRC laws, rules and regulations, the "short swing profit rule" may require the Fund to give up or return any profits made from purchases and sales in respect of China Connect securities of a particular PRC listed company if (a) the Fund's shareholding in such PRC listed company exceeds the threshold prescribed by the relevant China Connect Authority from time to time and (b) the corresponding sale transaction occurs within the six months after a purchase transaction, or vice versa. The Fund's assets may be frozen under PRC civil procedures to the extent of claims made by the PRC listed company. The inability to sell such assets and any obligations to return profits may adversely affect the performance of the Fund.*
- **Dividend policy risk:** *The Fund's dividend policy allows for payment of dividends out of capital or effectively out of capital. Where this is done, it amounts to a return or withdrawal of part of an investor's original investment or from any capital gains attributable to that original investment. Any distributions involving payment of dividends out of the Fund's capital or payment of dividends effectively out of the Fund's capital (as the case may be) may result in an immediate reduction of the net asset value per share.*
- **Securities lending risk:** *Securities lending transactions may involve the risk that the borrower may fail to return the securities lent out in a timely manner and the value of the collateral may fall below the value of the securities lent out, which may result in a substantial loss to the Fund.*
- **Derivative instruments risk:** *Derivative instruments involve cost, may be volatile, and may involve a leverage effect. A small market movement may give rise to a proportionately larger impact, which may cause substantial loss to the Fund. Other risks include counterparty/credit risk, liquidity risk, valuation risk, volatility risk and over-the-counter transaction risk. In adverse situations, the Fund's use of derivative instruments may become ineffective and the Fund may suffer significant losses.*

How has the Fund performed?



- Past performance information is not indicative of future performance. Investors may not get back the full amount invested.
- The computation basis of the performance is based on the calendar year end, NAV-to-NAV, with dividends reinvested.
- These figures show by how much class A (acc) USD increased or decreased in value during the calendar year being shown. Class A (acc) USD is the share class available in Hong Kong with the longest history in the Fund. Performance data has been calculated in USD, including ongoing charges and excluding subscription fee and redemption fee you might have to pay.
- Fund launch date: 18 October 2007
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- Effective 25 February 2021, MSCI Emerging Markets Small Cap Index was added as the benchmark of the Fund to adhere to European disclosure rules regarding the use of benchmark.

Is there any guarantee?

This Fund does not have any guarantees. You may not get back the full amount of money you invest.

What are the fees and charges?
Charges which may be payable by you

You may have to pay the following fees when dealing in the shares of the Fund.

	Class A
Subscription fee (Initial sales charge)	Up to 5.00% of the subscription amount
Switching fee (Switching charge)*	1.00% of the value of the shares being switched
Redemption fee (Redemption charge)	N/A

Ongoing fees payable by the Fund

The following expenses will be paid out of the Fund. They affect you because they reduce the return you get on your investments.

	Annual rate (as a % of the Fund's net asset value)
	Class A**
Management fee (Investment management fee)*	1.60%
Depositary fee	Up to 0.140%
Performance fee	N/A
Administration fee	N/A
Maintenance charge*	0.50%
Servicing charge	N/A
Registrar and Transfer, Corporate, Domiciliary and Administrative Agent fee + Additional fixed amount per Shareholder account at each Class level	Up to 0.2175% Up to USD 30 per annum

*The current fee level may be increased up to the maximum level permitted by the constitutive document of the Fund by giving one month's prior notice to the shareholders.

** The Annual Management Fees as defined in the Explanatory Memorandum comprise of the Management Fee (Investment Management Fee) and the Maintenance Charge.

Other fees

You may have to pay other fees and charges when dealing in the shares of the Fund.

Additional Information

- You generally buy and redeem shares at the Fund's next determined net asset value (NAV) after the Hong Kong Representative, Franklin Templeton Investments (Asia) Limited, receives your request in good order on or before 4:00 p.m. (Hong Kong time) being the dealing cut-off time. Certain intermediaries may impose an earlier dealing cut-off time.
- The net asset value of this Fund is calculated and the price of shares is published on each business day. Information about prices is available online at www.franklintempleton.com.hk.
- The compositions of the dividends (i.e. the relative amounts paid out of (i) net distributable income and (ii) capital) for the last 12 months are made available by the Hong Kong Representative on request and are also available online at www.franklintempleton.com.hk.

- *Investors may obtain the past performance information of other share classes offered to Hong Kong investors from the Hong Kong Representative's website at www.franklintempleton.com.hk.*
- *Investors may obtain information on the intermediaries by calling the Hong Kong Representative at (852) 2877-7733 or visiting the Hong Kong Representative's website at www.franklintempleton.com.hk.*
- *The website mentioned above has not been reviewed by the Securities and Futures Commission ("SFC").*

Important

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