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# PRODUCT KEY FACTS

BNP Paribas Funds China Equity February 2020

- This statement provides you with key information about this product.
- This statement is a part of the offering document and should be read in conjunction with the Prospectus, Hong Kong Covering Document and Information for Hong Kong Investors.
- You should not invest in this product based on this statement alone.

Quick facts			
Management Company:	BNP PARIBAS ASSET MANAGEMENT Luxembourg		
Fund Manager:	Internal and/or external delegation to one or more portfolio managers as described in the "General Information" section of the Prospectus and the "Management and Sub-Delegation" section of the Hong Kong Covering Document and Information for Hong Kong Investors		
Custodian:	BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch		
Ongoing charges over a year#:	Classic		2.20%
Base currency:	USD	Dealing frequency:	Daily
Financial year end of this sub-fund:	31 December	Dividend policy:	Capitalisation shares – No dividend distribution (income, if any, will be reinvested)
			Distribution shares - Dividend, if declared, will be paid Distributions may be paid out of capital which may result in an immediate reduction of the sub- fund's net asset value per share
		Min. investment:	None

# The ongoing charges figure is calculated based on expenses for the year ended at 31 December 2019. This figure may vary from year to year. The ongoing charge is calculated by adding all direct fees, indirect fees and external fees of the sub-fund and then divided by the average net assets. Direct fees refer to charges and payment directly borne by the sub-fund such as operating costs, remuneration and payment to key operators and service providers. Indirect fees refer to the ongoing charges of the underlying funds which the sub-fund invests. External fees refer to any remuneration of the management company or other party that derives from fee-sharing arrangement.

# What is this product?

This sub-fund is a fund constituted in the form of a mutual fund. It is incorporated under Luxembourg law and regulated by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier (CSSF).

# **Objective and Investment Strategy**

#### Objective

To increase the value of its assets over the medium term by investing primarily in Chinese (including Hong Kong and Taiwan) equities.

#### Strategy

At all times, this sub-fund invests at least 75% of its assets in equities and/or equity equivalent securities (such as participation rights which refer to equity instruments like bonus right and/or subscription rights (which may result from a corporate action) ) issued by companies that have their registered offices or conduct the majority of their business activities in China, Hong Kong or Taiwan.

The remaining portion, namely a maximum of 25% of its assets, may be invested in any other securities, money market instruments or cash, provided that investments in debt securities of any kind do not exceed 15% of its assets, and up to 10% of its assets may be invested in collective investment schemes.

In respect of the above investments limits, the sub-fund's overall exposure (via both direct and indirect investments) to mainland China securities may reach up to 70% of its assets by investments in "China A-Shares" via the Renminbi Qualified Foreign Institutional Investor program (the "RQFII") and/or Stock Connect.

The respective maximum exposure of the aforementioned means are as follows:

- RQFII: up to 30%
- Stock Connect: up to 70%
- Indirect Investments primarily P-Notes: up to 10%

To further elaborate, the investment manager will select investments for the sub-fund which offer quality growth, strong management, and cash flow predictability. Their focused strategy is exemplified by a more concentrated portfolio (typically 40-60 holdings) with larger stock bets and consistent sector views..

The Investment Manager applies also BNP PARIBAS ASSET MANAGEMENT's Sustainable Investment Policy, which takes into account Environmental, Social and Governance criteria in the investments of the sub-fund.

The sub-fund may invest in sovereign debt securities but it does not contemplate to invest more than 10% of its net asset value in securities issued by or guaranteed by any single country (including its government, a public or local authority of that country) with a credit rating below investment grade and/or unrated.

# **Use of Derivatives/Investment in Derivatives**

The sub-fund's net derivative exposure may be up to 50% of the sub-fund's NAV.

# What are the key risks?

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

#### **Geographical Concentration Risk**

The sub-fund's investments are concentrated in China, Hong Kong or Taiwan. This may result in greater
volatility than funds which comprise broad-based global investments. The sub-fund may be more
susceptible to adverse fluctuations in value resulting from adverse condition in China, Hong Kong or
Taiwan and the sub-fund's value may be adversely affected.

#### Risk related to Investments in China

Part of the sub-fund's investments is concentrated in China, which may result in a greater risk of loss than investing in more developed markets due to greater political, tax, economic, foreign exchange, liquidity, regulatory, accounting and reporting risk. Generally, there is greater market volatility, greater currency fluctuation, lower trading volume, greater political and economic instability, greater settlement risk, greater risk of market shut down, more governmental limitations on foreign investment and more governmental control of currency conversion and future movements in exchange rate than those typically found in developed markets. The value of the sub-fund may be more volatile and may be adversely affected.

#### Risks related to RQFII investments

- The RQFII Regulations are relatively new. The application and interpretation of such investment regulations are untested and there is no certainty as to how they will be applied as the PRC authorities and regulators have been given wide discretion in such investment regulations. There is no precedent or certainty as to how such discretion may be exercised now or in the future.
- The Investment Manager of the sub-fund has been granted a RQFII investment quota (the "RQFII Quota")
  through which they may invest directly in China domestic securities. The sub-fund may not have exclusive
  use of the entire RQFII quota granted to the Investment Manager. There can be no assurance that RQFII
  quota can be obtained to fully satisfy subscription requests in the sub-fund.
- Repatriations by RQFII in respect of the sub-fund are currently conducted daily and are not subject to repatriation restrictions. There is no assurance that PRC rules and regulations will not change or that repatriation restrictions will not be imposed in the future. Any restrictions on repatriation of the invested capital and net profits may impact on the sub-fund's ability to meet redemption requests from the Shareholders.
- In the event of bankruptcy or liquidation of the PRC custodian, the sub-fund may face difficulty or encounter delays in recovering such debt, or may not be able to recover it in full or at all, in which case the sub-fund will suffer losses. There is also a risk that the sub-fund may suffer significant losses from the default, bankruptcy or disqualification of the PRC brokers in performing their obligation (including execution or settlement of any transaction or transfer of monies or securities).

#### **Risks related to Stock Connect**

- Stock Connect is novel in nature, and will be subject to regulations promulgated by regulatory authorities and implementation rules made by the stock exchanges in the PRC and Hong Kong from time to time. The regulations are untested and there is no certainty as to how they will be applied.
- Stock Connect is subject to quota limitations which may restrict the sub-fund's ability to invest in China A-Shares through Stock Connect on a timely basis, and the sub-fund may not be able to effectively pursue its investment strategies.
- Under the Northbound trading link of the Stock Connect, investors will be able to trade certain eligible stocks listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange market and the Shenzhen Stock Exchange market. It is expected that the list of eligible securities will be subject to review. If a stock is recalled from the scope of eligible securities for trading via Stock Connect, the stock can only be sold and cannot be bought. This may affect the investment portfolio or strategies of investors.
- New regulations may be issued from time to time in connection with operations, legal enforcement and
  cross-border trades under the Stock Connect. The sub-fund may be adversely affected retrospectively as
  a result of such changes.
- Where a suspension in the trading through Stock Connect is effected, the sub-fund's ability to access the Mainland China market via the Stock Connect will be adversely affected.

#### Changes in PRC taxation risk

• Investment in the sub-fund may involve risks due to fiscal measures that the Chinese government could impose on foreign investors. The sub-fund does not make a provision in respect of PRC withholding tax on capital gains derived from direct equity investments in PRC enterprises. In case of any shortfall between the provisions and the actual tax liabilities, which will be debited from the sub-fund's assets, the sub-fund's asset value will be adversely affected. Existing and subsequent investors will be disadvantaged as they will bear for a disproportionately higher amount of tax liabilities as compared to the liability at the time of investment in the sub-fund.

#### Access products risk

• The sub-fund may invest in access products. Access products may not be listed and are subject to the terms and conditions imposed by their issuer. Investment in access products can be illiquid as there is no active market in access products and may be exposed to the credit risk of the issuer of the access products. Investment through access products may incur costs which may in turn lead to a dilution of performance of the sub-fund. Fluctuation in the exchange rate between the denomination currency of the underlying shares and the access products will also affect the value of the access products. The sub-fund's value may be adversely affected.

#### **Emerging Market Risk**

• The sub-fund invests in China which is one of the emerging markets. Investing in emerging markets is likely to be subject to a higher than average volatility, less liquidity and greater sensitivity than investing in more developed markets due to, among other factors, greater uncertainty, greater political, tax, economic, social, foreign exchange, liquidity and regulatory risks. The price fluctuations of the investments are often amplified in the short term and the value of investments of the sub-fund may go down.

#### **Risk linked to Equity Market**

• Investments in equity include significant fluctuations in prices, negative information about the issuer or market. Moreover, these fluctuations are often amplified in the short term and may have a negative impact on the performance of the overall portfolio at a given time. There is no guarantee that investors will see an appreciation in value. The value of investments of the sub-fund may go down and it is possible that investors will not recover their initial investment.

#### Risk associated with investments in financial derivative instruments

• Risk associated with financial derivative instruments include counterparty/credit risk, liquidity risk, valuation risk, volatility risk and over-the-counter transaction risk. The leverage element/component of a financial derivative instrument can result in a loss significantly greater than the amount invested in the financial derivative instruments by the sub-fund. Exposure to financial derivative instruments may lead to a high risk of significant loss by the sub-fund.

#### Liquidity Risk

• Investments made by the sub-fund may become illiquid. It may not be possible to sell or buy these investments quickly enough to prevent or minimize a loss in the sub-fund.

#### **Currency Exchange Risk**

• The sub-fund may hold assets denominated in currencies that differ from the base currency, and may be affected by exchange rate fluctuations between the base currency and the other currencies and by changes in exchange rate controls. A depreciation of the denomination currency will lead to a depreciation in the exchange value of the security. When the manager is willing to hedge the currency exchange risk of a transaction, there is no guarantee that such operation will be completely effective and the sub-fund's value may be adversely affected.

#### **Operational & Custody Risk**

Some markets are less regulated than most of the international markets; hence, the services related to
custody and liquidation for the sub-fund on such markets could be more risky. In the event of a
custodian default, the sub-fund may suffer a delay in recovering its assets, pending the resolution of the
relevant default or bankruptcy proceedings.

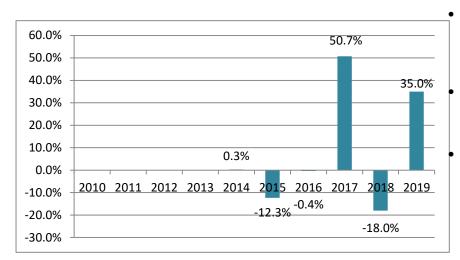
#### Risk in connection with Dividend Payment

• The Management Company may at its discretion pay dividends out of the capital of the sub-fund. Payment of dividends out of capital 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 sub-fund's capital may result in an immediate reduction of the net asset value per share. The Management Company may amend the dividend policy subject to the SFC's prior approval and by giving not less than one month's notice to investors.

#### **Investment Risk**

When investing in a fund, there is a risk that the final outcome may deviate from the initial expectations.
 The sub-fund's investment portfolio may fall in value and therefore may suffer losses. In addition, there is no guarantee of principal repayment.

# 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 dividend reinvested.
- Classic Capitalisation, being a share class with the same reference currency as the subfund with the longest track record among all share classes and not restricted to certain types of clients, is selected as the representative share class.
- These figures show by how much the Classic Capitalisation share class increased or decreased in value during the calendar year being shown. Performance data has been calculated in USD including ongoing charges and excluding subscription fee and redemption fee you might have to pay.
- Where no past performance is shown there was insufficient data available in that year to provide performance.
- BNP Paribas Funds China Equity launch date: 21 May 2013
- Classic Capitalisation share class launch date: 21 May 2013

# Is there any guarantee?

This sub-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 sub-fund.

Fee	What you pay
Subscription fee	Up to 3% of the net asset value of the relevant share class subscribed
(Entry cost)	2 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5
Switching fee	Up to 1.5% of the net asset value of the relevant share class
(Conversion fee)	converted
Redemption fee	Nil
(Exit cost)	

## Ongoing fees payable by the sub-fund

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

	Annual rate (as a % of the net asset value of the
	relevant share category)
Management fee	"Classic" categories – Up to 1.75%
Custodian fee	Included in Other costs
Performance fee	Not applicable
Administration fee	Included in Other costs
Other costs	Up to 0.40% for all share categories
(Other costs cover the general asset custody expenses payable to the custodian and the daily administration expenses)	

### Other fees

You may have to pay other fees when dealing in the shares of the sub-fund.

# **Additional Information**

- You generally buy and redeem shares at the sub-fund's next determined subscription price and redemption price through your authorised distributor after the transaction servicing agent receives your request via your authorised distributors in good order on or before 6 pm (Hong Kong time) on a Hong Kong business day. Investors should note that different distributors may have different dealing cut-off which may be earlier than the time specified in this document. Investors should check with the relevant authorised distributors accordingly.
- The net asset value of this sub-fund is calculated and the price of shares published daily on the website at <a href="http://www.bnpparibas-am.hk">http://www.bnpparibas-am.hk</a>.
- Investors may obtain the past performance information of other share classes offered to Hong Kong investors from the website at <a href="http://www.bnpparibas-am.hk">http://www.bnpparibas-am.hk</a>.
- The compositions of the dividends for the last 12 months are available from the Hong Kong representative on request and also on the website at <a href="http://www.bnpparibas-am.hk">http://www.bnpparibas-am.hk</a>.
- Investors may obtain information on the intermediaries from our hotline (852) 2533 0088.

# **Important**

If you are in doubt, you should seek professional advice.

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