

# Product Key Facts Franklin Templeton Investment Funds – Templeton European Small-Mid Cap Fund

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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): Franklin Templeton Institutional, LLC,

United States of America (internal delegation) **Depositary:** J.P. Morgan Bank Luxembourg S.A.

Base currency: EUR

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: 1.91% Class A (acc) USD: 1.91%

\*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 European Small-Mid Cap Fund (the "Fund") aims to increase the value of its investments over the medium to long term. The Fund invests principally (that is, at least two-thirds of the Fund's net assets) in:

• equity and equity-related securities (including warrants and convertible securities) issued by small and mid-sized European companies (from €100 million to €8 billion in market capitalisation at the time of purchase) incorporated or having principal business activities in European countries.

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 investment team uses in-depth research to create a concentrated portfolio of securities that aims to mitigate risk while generating attractive returns over time. The percentage invested in different industries will change over time, based on which industries seem to be offering the best opportunities.

### 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.
- 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.
- Warrants risk: Warrants are more volatile than the securities to which the warrants are linked, exposing the Fund to greater risk. The Fund may be adversely affected as a result.
- Convertible securities risk: The Fund may invest in convertible securities which are a hybrid between debt and equity, permitting holders to convert into shares of the issuer at a specified future date. Convertibles are exposed to equity movement and greater volatility than straight bond investments. Investments in convertible securities are subject to the same interest rate risk, credit risk, liquidity risk and prepayment risk associated with comparable straight bond investments. The value and performance of the Fund may be adversely affected as a result.
- Europe and Eurozone risk: The Fund may invest in the Eurozone. Mounting sovereign debt burdens (e.g. any sovereigns within the Eurozone, which default on their debts, may be forced to restructure their debts and faced difficulties in obtaining credit or refinancing) and slowing economic growth among European countries, combined with uncertainties in European financial markets, including feared or actual failures in the banking system and the possible break-up of the Eurozone and Euro currency, may adversely affect interest rates and the prices of securities across Europe and potentially other markets as well. These events may increase volatility, liquidity and currency risks associated with investments in Europe. The aforesaid economic and financial difficulties in Europe may spread across Europe and as a result, a single or several European countries may exit the Eurozone or a sovereign within the Eurozone may default on its debts. In any event of the break-up of the Eurozone or Euro currency, the Fund may be exposed to additional operational or performance risks. While the European

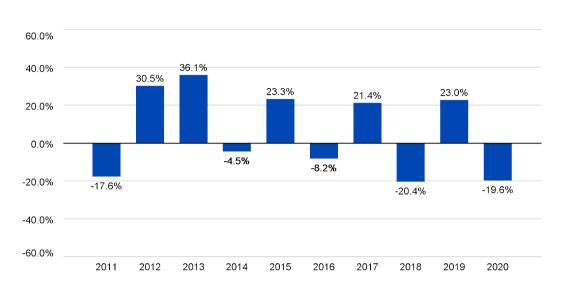


governments, the European Central Bank, and other authorities are taking measures (e.g. undertaking economic reforms and imposing austerity measures on citizens) to address the current fiscal conditions, these measures may not have the desired effect and therefore the future stability and growth of Europe is uncertain. The performance and value of the Fund may be adversely affected should there be any adverse credit events (e.g. downgrade of the sovereign credit rating or default or bankruptcy of any Eurozone countries).

- 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.
- **Growth stocks risk:** Growth stocks can be more volatile and may be more expensive, relative to earnings, than the market in general. The Fund may be adversely affected by the greater volatility of investments in such stocks.
- Concentration risk: By being concentrated in one region (i.e., Europe), the Fund could suffer greater volatility compared to
  funds that follow a more diversified policy. The value of the Fund may be more susceptible to adverse economic, political,
  policy, foreign exchange, liquidity, tax, legal or regulatory events affecting Europe and the Fund/investors may be adversely
  impacted.
- **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.
- Counterparty risk: The Fund may be exposed to risks arising from the solvency of its counterparties and the Fund/investors may be adversely impacted.
- 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) EUR increased or decreased in value during the calendar year being shown.

  Class A (acc) EUR is the share class available in Hong Kong with the longest history in the Fund. Performance data has been calculated in EUR, including ongoing charges and excluding subscription fee and redemption fee you might have to pay.
- Fund launch date: 3 December 2001
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- Effective 25 February 2021, MSCI Europe Small-Mid Cap Index-NR 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)*	1.00%
Depositary fee	Up to 0.140%
Performance fee	NIA
Administration fee	NIA
Maintenance charge*	0.50%
Servicing charge	NIA
Registrar and Transfer, Corporate, Domiciliary and Administrative Agent fee +	Up to 0.2175%
Additional fixed amount per Shareholder account at each Class level	Up to USD 30 per annum

<sup>\*</sup>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.

#### 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.

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



- 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**

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

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