DWS International Growth Fund

Eligible for \$250,000 NAV purchase privileget

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Share Class: A I SGQAX C I SGQCX S I SCOBX INST I SGQIX R I SGQRX R6 I SGQTX



Objective

The fund seeks long-term growth of capital.

Strategy

The portfolio management team targets companies with sustainable growth attributes and superior scalable economics which extends into the category of market niche leaders in the small and mid-cap universe. We aim to provide clients with the best exposure to these type of growing companies outside of the U.S., including the Emerging Markets.

Expense ratio (as of latest prospectus)

| Class | Net | Gross | Contractual Waiver |
|-------|-------|-------|-----------------------|
| A | 1.20% | 1.20% | |
| С | 1.98% | 2.07% | 11/30/2023 |
| S | 0.92% | 0.92% | |
| INST | 0.91% | 0.91% | |
| R | 1.48% | 1.52% | 11/30/2023 |
| R6 | 0.83% | 0.96% | |
| | | | |

Class R6 shares have a voluntary waiver that may be discontinued at any time. Without a waiver, returns would have been lower and any rankings/ratings might have been less favorable.

Average annual total returns* (as of 12/31/22)

| Share class | YTD | 1-year | 3-year | 5-year | 10-year | Since inception | Inception date |
|---|----------------|---------------|--------|--------|---------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Share classes with no sale | s charge | | | | | | |
| S | -29.20% | -29.20% | -2.10% | 0.52% | 4.65% | 7.37% | 7/23/86 |
| INST | -29.20% | -29.20% | -2.11% | 0.55% | 4.67% | 3.74% | 8/26/08 |
| R | -29.60% | -29.60% | -2.68% | -0.05% | 4.09% | 6.80% | 11/3/03 |
| R6 | -29.14% | -29.14% | -2.03% | 0.62% | _ | 3.87% | 6/1/16 |
| MSCI All Country World Index ex USA ¹ | -16.00% | -16.00% | 0.07% | 0.88% | 3.80% | - | - |
| Unadjusted for sales charg | e (would be lo | wer if adjust | ed) | | | | |
| A | -29.41% | -29.41% | -2.39% | 0.22% | 4.36% | 7.07% | 6/18/01 |
| С | -29.95% | -29.95% | -3.16% | -0.54% | 3.57% | 6.25% | 6/18/01 |
| Adjusted for maximum sale | es charge | | | | | | |
| A (max 5.75% load) | -33.47% | -33.47% | -4.30% | -0.96% | 3.75% | 6.89% | 6/18/01 |
| C (max 1.00% CDSC) | -29.95% | -29.95% | -3.16% | -0.54% | 3.57% | 6.25% | 6/18/01 |

Historical total returns (as of 12/31/22)

| | 2022 | 2021 | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 |
|---|---------|-------|--------|--------|---------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| S | -29.20% | 8.19% | 22.49% | 31.61% | -16.87% | 25.45% | 0.29% | -1.67% | -1.65% | 26.16% |

Performance is historical and does not guarantee future results. Investment returns and principal fluctuate so your shares may be worth more or less when redeemed. Current performance may differ from the data shown. Please visit www.dws.com for the fund's most recent month-end performance. Performance includes reinvestment of all distributions. Index returns assume reinvestment of all distributions and do not reflect fees or expenses. It is not possible to invest directly in an index. Not all share classes are available to all investors. A minimum investment of \$1 million is required to open an account for Institutional shares.

- *This fund's performance prior to inception reflects that of Class S shares. Returns prior to inception reflect the original share class performance, adjusted for higher operating expenses and/or the maximum sales charge.
- [†] If you're investing \$250,000 or more, you may be eligible to purchase Class A shares of this fund without a sales charge. However, redemptions within 12 months may be subject to sales charges. See the prospectus for details.

Portfolio and risk statistics² (12/31/22)

| Fund inception date | 7/23/1986 |
|------------------------|----------------|
| Number of holdings | 86 |
| Total net assets | \$412 million |
| P/E ratio [§] | 19.98 |
| Average market cap§ | \$55.6 billion |

Portfolio management/industry experience

Sebastian P. Werner 15 years

Fund information

| Class | Symbol | CUSIP |
|-------|--------|-----------|
| A | SGQAX | 25156A775 |
| С | SGQCX | 25156A817 |
| S | SCOBX | 25156A833 |
| INST | SGQIX | 25156A700 |
| R | SGQRX | 25156A825 |
| R6 | SGQTX | 25156A643 |

Fund details (fund data as of 12/31/22)

| Fund inception date | 7/23/1986 | | |
|---------------------|---------------|--|--|
| Total net assets | \$412 millior | | |
| | | | |

Security type (12/31/22)

| Common stocks | | 96% |
|-------------------|------|-----|
| Cash equivalents | I 2% | |
| Other investments | I 1% | |
| Preferred stocks | I 1% | |

Geographic distribution (12/31/22)

| Germany | 14% |
|----------------|-----|
| France | 13% |
| Switzerland | 9% |
| Canada | 9% |
| Japan | 9% |
| United States | 8% |
| Netherlands | 8% |
| China | 5% |
| United Kingdom | 4% |
| Ireland | 4% |
| Singapore | 4% |
| Uruguay | 3% |
| Taiwan | 2% |
| Sweden | 2% |
| Hong Kong | 2% |
| Korea | 1% |
| Brazil | 1% |
| Denmark | 1% |
| Luxembourg | 1% |

Sector allocation (12/31/22)



| Top equity holdings (12/31/22) | |
|--------------------------------|------|
| DBS Group Holdings | 3.6% |
| Brookfield | 3.2% |
| TOTAL | 3.1% |
| Nestle | 3.0% |
| Lonza Group | 3.0% |
| Deutsche Boerse | 2.5% |
| Allianz | 2.3% |
| Globant | 2.3% |
| Rentokil Initial | 2.3% |
| Canadian National Railway | 2.2% |
| | |

Holdings-based data is subject to change.

War, terrorism, sanctions, economic uncertainty, trade disputes, public health crises and related geopolitical events have led and, in the future, may lead to significant disruptions in U.S. and world economies and markets, which may lead to increased market volatility and may have significant adverse effects on the fund and its investments.

Fund risk: Investing in foreign securities presents certain risks, such as currency fluctuations, political and economic changes, and market risks. Emerging markets tend to be more volatile and less liquid than the markets of more mature economies, and generally have less diverse and less mature economic structures and less stable political systems than those of developed countries. Stocks may decline in value. Small company stocks tend to be more volatile than medium-sized or large company stocks. Investing in derivatives entails special risks relating to liquidity, leverage and credit that may reduce returns and/or increase volatility. The fund may lend securities to approved institutions. Please read the prospectus for details.

Consider the investment objective, risks, charges and expenses carefully before investing. For a summary prospectus, or prospectus that contains this and other information, download one from www.dws.com or talk to your financial representative. Read the prospectus carefully before investing.

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¹ MSCI All Country World Index ex USA is a market-capitalization-weighted index including developed and emerging markets designed to provide a broad measure of stock performance throughout the world, except U.S.-based companies.

² Price-to-earnings ratio (P/E) is a stock's current price divided by the company's trailing 12-month earnings per share from continuous operations. Average market capitalization measures the size of the companies in which the fund invests. ⁵Source: Morningstar, Inc. as of 11/30/2022.