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# **Emerging Markets Fund**

## **Portfolio Manager**

#### Performance review as of March 31, 2023

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Class	CUSIP	Ticker
Class S	782493746	REMSX
Class A	782494603	REMAX
Class C	782493431	REMCX
Class M	78250G388	RMMTX
Class R6	78250F869	REGRX
Class Y	782493654	REMEX

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	Quarterly	Year to date	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
Emerging Markets Fund – Class S <sup>†,(a)</sup>	5.04%	5.04%	-12.17%	7.45%	-2.82%	0.99%	5.19%
Annual Total Operating Expenses: 1.52%			Ann	ual Net Op	erating Exp	enses: 1.19	%

The Emerging Markets Fund is reported gross of advisory and administrative fees prior to April 1, 1995.

### Annual returns

-	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
	-1.45%	-2.67%	-15.51%	11.46%	35.45%	-16.72%	19.09%	9.85%	0.82%	-22.60%

Performance information is historical and does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal

value will fluctuate so that redeemed shares may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current

Net asset value (Class S)<sup>§</sup>: \$15.00

Total net assets (all classes)<sup>§</sup>:

Market value (fund level)<sup>§</sup>:

\$822.82M

\$866.58M

Fund inception date: 01/29/1993

#### Investment strategy

The Emerging Markets Fund seeks to provide long-term capital growth. The Fund emphasizes non-U.S. equity securities in emerging or developing countries. The Fund utilizes active country/active stock selection, and has a higher level of volatility than the International Developed Markets Fund. Nothing contained in this material is intended to constitute legal, tax, securities or investment advice, nor an opinion regarding the appropriateness of any investment. The general information contained in this publication should not be acted upon without obtaining specific legal, tax and investment advice from a licensed р

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Fund facts - class level	Hana Financial
3 year Sharpe ratio <sup>§, **</sup> : 0.46	United Microele
3 year Standard deviation <sup>§, **</sup> : 18.02	Ping An Insurar
3 year Alpha <sup>s, **</sup> : -0.40	Taiwan Semico
3 year Beta <sup>\$, **</sup> : 0.82	Reliance Indust
3 year R-squared <sup>§, **</sup> : 65.01	SK Hynix, Inc.
<sup>5</sup> Data as of 03/31/2023 ** See key terms on page two. Calculations are based upon the	<sup>1</sup> Data as of 02/2 <sup>2</sup> The top ten ho investment vehi Diversification a

C Fund's benchmark as stated in the prospectus.

performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. The most recent month-end performance for Russell Investments mutual funds is available by visiting: https://russellinvestments.com/us/funds/performance-prices.

## Growth of \$10,000 - Class S shares (since inception through March 31, 2023)



# Top ten holdings<sup>1, 2</sup> Subject to change

Holding	Country	Weight
Taiwan Semiconductor	Taiwan	4.7%
Tencent Holdings, Ltd.	China	3.3%
Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd.	Rep. of Korea	3.0%
Alibaba Group Holding, Ltd.	China	2.5%
Hana Financial Group Inc.	Rep. of Korea	1.4%
United Microelectronics Corp.	Taiwan	1.3%
Ping An Insurance	China	1.2%
Taiwan Semiconductor (ADR)	Taiwan	1.1%
Reliance Industries, Ltd.	India	1.1%
SK Hynix, Inc.	Rep. of Korea	1.1%

# **Regional allocation**<sup>1, 2</sup>

Region		
Asia		

Asia	76.4%
Latin America	10.7%
Middle East	4.3%
Europe	3.5%
Africa	3.1%
North America	1.9%
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<sup>1</sup> Data as of 02/28/2023

<sup>2</sup> Due to rounding, totals may not equal to 100%.

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icles in which the Fund invests its cash.

Diversification and strategic asset allocation do not assure profit or protect against loss in declining markets.

Mutual Fund investing involves risk, principal loss is possible.

Fund objectives, risks, charges and expenses should be carefully considered before investing. A summary prospectus, if available, or a prospectus containing this and other important information can be obtained by calling 800-787-7354 or by visiting https://russellinvestments.com. Please read a prospectus carefully before investing.

Weight

<sup>28/2023</sup> 

# Emerging Markets Fund (continued)

# Target allocation of fund assets

The percentages below represent the target allocation of the Fund's assets to each money manager's strategy and Russell Investment Management, LLC (RIM) strategy. This does not include liquidity reserves managed directly by Russell Investments, which may constitute 5% or more of Fund assets at any given time. Russell Investment Management, LLC (RIM) may change a Fund's asset allocation at any time, including not allocating Fund assets to one or more money manager strategies.

	Role	Target allocation	Year assigned	
Axiom International Investors LLC ‡	Growth	14.0%	2018	
Barrow, Hanley, Mewhinney & Strauss, LLC‡	Value	10.0%	2023	
Consilium Investment Management, LLC‡	Market-Oriented	2.5%	2015	
Neuberger Berman Investment Advisors, LLC‡	Growth	15.5%	2019	
Numeric Investors LLC‡	Market-Oriented	18.0%	2013	
Oaktree Capital Management, L.P.‡	Market-Oriented	17.0%	2014	
Russell Investment Management, LLC (RIM)*	Positioning Strategies and Cash	23.0%	2015	
Russen investment Management, LLC (KIM)	Reserves	23.0%0	2015	

Money managers listed are current as of March 31, 2023. Subject to the Fund's Board approval, Russell Investment Management, LLC has the right to engage or terminate a money manager at any time and without a shareholder vote, based on an exemptive order from the Securities and Exchange Commission. Russell Investment Management, LLC (RIM) may change a Fund's asset allocation at any time, including not allocating Fund assets to one or more money manager strategies. Although all of the Fund's money managers are listed, RIM may not have allocated assets to the strategies employed by one or more of these money managers. Investments in the Funds are not deposits with or other liabilities of any of the money managers and are subject to investment risk, including loss of income and principal invested and possible delays in payment of redemption proceeds. The money managers do not guarantee the performance of any Fund or any particular rate of return.

While the investment styles employed by the money managers are intended to be complementary, they may not in fact be complementary. A multimanager approach could result in more exposure to certain types of securities and higher portfolio turnover.

Non-U.S. markets, which may include developed, emerging, and frontier markets, entail different risks than those typically associated with U.S. markets, including currency fluctuations, political and economic instability, accounting changes and foreign taxation. Non-U.S. securities may be less liquid and more volatile than U.S. securities. The risks associated with non-U.S. securities may be amplified for emerging markets securities. Because frontier markets are generally subject to a greater risk of loss than investments in developed or traditional emerging markets.

<sup>†</sup> The Net Annual Operating Expense Ratio may be less than the Total Operating Expense Ratio and represents the actual expenses expected to be borne by shareholders after application of: (a) a contractual transfer agency fee or advisory fee waiver through February 29, 2024; These contractual agreements may not be terminated during the relevant periods except at the Board of Trustee's discretion. Details of these agreements are in the current prospectus. Absent these reductions, the fund's return would have been lower.

\*RIM manages Fund assets not allocated to money manager strategies and utilizes guantitative and/or rules-based processes and gualitative analysis to assess Fund characteristics and invest in securities and instruments which provide the desired exposures. This includes the Fund's positioning strategy, which is used to seek excess return and manage portfolio risks by targeting specific exposures, and the active tax management strategy that is implemented across the entire fund. These strategies are used in conjunction with allocations to third-party managers to fully reflect Russell Investments' strategic and dynamic views with integrated liquidity and risk management.

<sup>‡</sup> This money manager is a non-discretionary manager. Russell Investment Management Company (RIM) manages this portion of the fund's assets based upon a model portfolio provided by the money manager.

The Fund offers other classes of shares with higher fees and expenses. These other classes may charge up to a 0.75% distribution fee and a 0.25% shareholder servicing fee which will result in a higher expense ratio and lower performance than that shown above. For a full description of other available classes, please see the prospectus.

#### **KEY TERMS:**

Alpha - shows how a Fund did relative to what would have been expected given the Fund's Beta and the performance of the Fund's benchmark. For example, an alpha of 1.4 means that the Fund outperformed its estimated return by 1.4%.

Beta - a measure of the Fund's sensitivity to market changes using the Fund's benchmark as an approximation of the market; beta greater than 1 is more volatile than the market; beta less than 1 is less volatile than the market.

Standard deviation - defines how widely returns varied from a daily average over a given period of time. A higher standard deviation means a more volatile Fund. For example, a Fund with a standard deviation of 6 and an average annual return of 10% saw annualized monthly returns fall within 6 percentage points of that average (or between 4% and 16%) two-thirds of the time.

Sharpe ratio - a calculation that reflects the reward per each unit of risk in a portfolio. The higher the ratio, the better the Fund's risk-adjusted return.

R-squared - a statistic that indicates how much a Fund's fluctuations were attributable to movements in the Fund's benchmark.

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