

## **Monthly Factsheet**

28 February 2022

# SVS BambuBlack Asia Ex-Japan All-Cap Fund

## Fund Overview

- Objective: aims to achieve long-term capital growth through investment in the markets of the Asia and Pacific region, excluding Japan but including Australasia.
- Flexible and unconstrained approach focusing on company fundamentals and thematic stock selection

### Performance Overview



B Acc Share Class   ISIN: GB00B5448K84				
KEY FACTS				
Asset Class	Equity			
IA Sector	Asia Pacific Ex-Japan			
Benchmark	MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex-Japan			
Currency	GBP			
Fund Size (£m)	£42.7m			
Launch Date	30 October 2009			
No. of Holdings	70			
Domicile	United Kingdom			
Structure	OEIC			
Bloomberg Ticker	SWORGBALN			
SEDOL	B5448K8			

#### Source: Bloomberg period ending 28 February 2022

Returns quoted denote performance from 30 October 2009 – 28 February 2022. Returns quoted are net of fees on the B Acc Institutional share class. Prior to June 2011, the fund uses the track record of the A Acc Institutional share class. The index refers to MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex Japan Index in GBP.

BennBridge Ltd is the investment manager to the Fund. See disclaimer for further details.

#### Return History - Cumulative

	1m	3m	6m	ıyr	3yr	5yr	10yr	Since inception <sup>2</sup>
Fund	-2.82%	-10.95%	-10.26%	-6.26%	39.13%	65.29%	168.86%	246.48%
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	-1.13%	-4.63%	-7.26%	-8.45%	21.46%	34.38%	104.76%	160.17%

## Calendar Year Performance

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	YTD
Fund	10.22%	21.42%	40.56%	-13.04%	15.29%	33.94%	6.18%	-10.13%
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	-3.85%	27.40%	25.43%	-8.32%	14.56%	18.66%	-2.00%	-4.17%

Source: Landy Tech, MSCI period ending 28 February 2022

1. The Fund's performance comparator is the MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex Japan Index in GBP. This benchmark has been chosen as this best reflects the asset allocation of the fund. Past performance is not indicative of future results. Returns quoted are net of fees on the B Acc Institutional share class. Prior to June 2011, the fund uses the track record of the A Acc Institutional share class.

2. Inception of the fund was 30 October 2009.

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# Portfolio

## Top 10 Positions

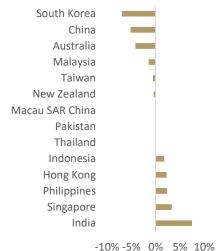
Position	Fund
TSMC	4.6%
AIA Group Ltd	2.9%
ICICI Bank Ltd	2.2%
Infosys	2.2%
Techtronic Industries Co. Ltd.	2.1%
JD.com Inc	2.1%
Housing Development Finance	2.0%
Chailease Holding Company	2.0%
China Merchants Bank	1.9%
SCG Packaging PCL	1.9%

## Geographic Exposure

Country	Fund
Australia	11.3%
China	25.4%
Hong Kong	8.2%
India	19.4%
Indonesia	3.3%
Philippines	3.1%
Singapore	6.0%
South Korea	4.9%
Taiwan	15.1%
Thailand	1.9%

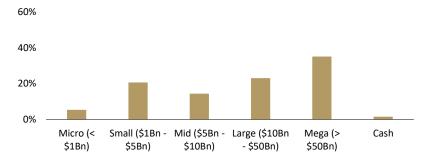
## Relative Exposure

(Benchmark: MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex-Japan)



### Market Cap Breakdown

\$ billion	Fund
Micro (< \$1Bn)	5.3%
Small (\$1Bn - \$5Bn)	20.6%
Mid (\$5Bn - \$10Bn)	14.4%
Large (\$10Bn - \$50Bn)	23.1%
Mega (> \$50Bn)	35.1%
Cash	1.5%



Return

-0.44%

-0.25%

-0.24%

-0.23%

-0.23%

# Attribution

## Stock

Top contributors	Return	Top detractors
Shenzhen Dynanonic	0.21%	Telix Pharmaceuticals
Calix Ltd	0.20%	Meituan Dianping
Aier Eye Hospital Group	0.19%	Tencent Holdings Ltd
Beijing Geoenviron	0.17%	TSMC
China Mengniu Dairy	0.15%	Converge ICT

Source: Landy Tech, MSCI, period ending 28 February 2022 **Past performance is no guide to future returns** 

Communication Services-0.53%Consumer Discretionary-0.76%Consumer Staples0.26%Energy-0.03%Financials-0.68%Health Care-0.50%Industrials-0.22%Information Technology-0.36%Materials0.21%Real Estate-0.09%	Sector	Return
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Materials 0.21%	Industrials	-0.22%
	Information Technology	-0.36%
Real Estate -0.09%	Materials	0.21%
	Real Estate	-0.09%
Utilities -0.08%	Utilities	-0.08%





# February 2022 Commentary

#### Overview

The Fund closed the month -2.82% against the benchmark return of -1.13%. Markets in Asia continued to be volatile, and macro driven as investors responded to monetary tightening in the US and the Russian invasion of Ukraine. Ukraine is the 'breadbasket of Europe' supplying most of the sunflower oil globally and is also a major supplier of corn. Commodities prices jumped on the news of the Russian invasion with many seeing significant increases. Value sectors continued to perform well, however towards the end of the month there were signs that quality companies with positive fundamentals were coming back into favour.

#### Performance

Major contributors included Aier Eye Hospital, Beijing Geoenviron and Calix. Aier Eye Hospital is China's leading ophthalmology provider with over 440 hospitals across 24 provinces. Aier has developed a mature model for tiered chain operations, while expanding rapidly it has aligned its interests with those of hospital heads via partnership/CEO responsibility systems and started a virtuous cycle of talent development through integrating medical learning and research. Over the last few months Aier has been sold down along with other Chinese healthcare companies but fundamentally the company looks attractive, and management have been purchasing shares in the open market. GeoEnviron is a leading Chinese waste recycler, dealing with hazardous waste in the medical sector to metal, plastic and rubber recycling. They pre-announced strong results for 2021, guiding for net profit growth in the range of 31-45%. The founder also increased his stake to 19.79%<sup>1</sup>. Australian listed carbon capture enabler Calix held an upbeat post result meeting as they continued to make good progress with their decarbonisation technology and added several new customers.

Detractors this month included Telix and Converge, both top contributors to performance last year, and Domino's Pizza. Telix gained approval for their prostate cancer imaging agent Illuccix from several regulators including the FDA in the US. It is not uncommon for profit taking post approval and before commercialisation is achieved. The sell down was exacerbated by the general sell down in healthcare globally. Telix replaced Sydney Airport as part of the S&P/ASX 200 Index. We spoke with the CEO in January and remain positive. Philippine listed broadband provider Converge has been impacted by the potential sell down by Warburg Pincus who own a 15.9% stake. The lock up expired on 8 Oct 2021. Structurally we see a long runway for growth, with fixed broadband penetration in the Philippines at only 20%. Management guidance is for 2022 revenue to growth at 50%<sup>2</sup>. Domino's missed 1H22 consensus earnings expectations in Asia and Europe as countries started relaxing COVID restrictions and large comps from lockdown periods proved difficult to cycle. As the corporate store network matures, profitability should improve in Japan and Asia as there is relatively low store density.

#### Outlook

Markets are likely to remain volatile which is no surprise with the macro issues we are all grappling with. There could be supply chain issues and inflation in soft commodities due to the war in Ukraine. However, Asia should be less impacted as most companies have no exposure to Russia. Valuations have come back to the long-term average, with the MSCI Asia ex Japan index trading on a prospective PE of 12.5x. Considering recent events, we would like to send our thoughts and prayers to all those affected by the conflict between the Ukraine and Russia. .

Yours,

The team at BambuBlack

<sup>1</sup> Bloomberg, as at 28 February 2022

<sup>2</sup> UBS "Philippine Telecom Sector – 2022 Outlook" report, 6th January 2022

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### Share Class Information

Share Class	ISIN	SEDOL	Annual charge	Ongoing charge	Minimum Investment	Additional Investment
B Acc	GB00B5448K84	B5448K8	0.65%	0.84%	£250,000	£500

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