the **DC funds**

Asia Pacific (ex Japan) Equities **passive** as at 31 December 2018

fund objective

To provide long-term capital growth in excess of UK price inflation by investing predominantly in Asia Pacific (ex Japan) listed shares. The fund aims to perform in line with the benchmark as closely as possible.

fund facts	top 10 holdings	
Launch date:		%
1 March 2018	1. Samsung Electronics	7.02
Fund size:	2. AIA Group Ltd	4.33
£3.50m	3. Commonwealth Bank of Australia	3.97
Price per share: 189.70p	4. BHP Group	3.42
	5. Westpac Banking Corp	2.67
Charges:	6. CSL	2.60
Inv Mgmt Charges: 0.00% Additional Charges: 0.00%	7. Australia & New Zealand Banking Group	2.21
Current underlying fund(s): L&G Asia Pacific (Ex Japan) Equity Index Fund	8. National Australia Bank	2.04
	9. Hong Kong Exchanges & Clearing	1.55
	10.DBS Group Holdings	1.37
	Total	31.18

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	%
Australia	40.73
Korea	27.67
Hong Kong	22.52
Singapore	7.47
New Zealand	1.61
Total	100.00



Benchmark:

FTSE Developed Asia Pacific ex Japan Index

fund performance

	31 Dec 2017 - 31 Dec 2018 %	31 Dec 2016 - 31 Dec 2017 %	31 Dec 2015 - 31 Dec 2016 %	31 Dec 2014 - 31 Dec 2015 %	31 Dec 2013 - 31 Dec 2014 %
Fund	-9.08%	20.93%	30.45%	-2.97%	2.57%
Benchmark	-8.72%	21.09%	29.73%	-2.75%	2.75%
Relative Performance	-0.36%	-0.16%	0.72%	-0.22%	-0.18%

Rolling time period	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 year p.a.	5 year p.a.	Since launch
Fund	-7.24%	-6.96%	-9.08%	12.77%	7.38%	4.81%
Benchmark	-7.57%	-7.28%	-8.72%	12.77%	7.46%	4.27%
Relative Performance	0.33%	0.32%	-0.36%	0.00%	-0.08%	0.55%

Past performance isn't a guide to future performance. The figures are shown in sterling and have been calculated using actual returns since the introduction of the current DC fund range.

Source: Morningstar, FIL Life Insurance Ltd. Single priced (i.e. no bid/offer spread), gross income reinvested and gross of fees. Indicative prices have been used if a portfolio valuation fell on a non-trading day. The fund was launched on 1st March 2018, but links to an underlying fund which has been existence for a number of years. Before 1st March 2018, performance is simulated based on data provided by Legal and General, the underlying fund provider. Thereafter, returns are produced by Fidelity on a monthly basis.



market commentary

Equities in the Asia Pacific ex Japan region declined during the fourth quarter, against the backdrop of investor concerns over China-US trade issues and a weakening global economy. There were also concerns about the pace of interest rate increases in the US. Chinese equities fell the most, on worries that the economy may be headed for a downturn. Data showed that the manufacturing sector contracted in December for the first time in more than two years. South Korean equities were weighed down by cyclicals, while defensive utilities were among the best performers. Thai equities also declined given the lack of a strong catalyst in a vulnerable global market environment. Indonesia's large current-account deficit put pressure on the rupiah, which also hampered corporate performance. Meanwhile, the normalisation of the US monetary policy led to capital outflows from emerging markets such as Indonesia.

risk rating

Very Low Low/Medium Medium Medium/High High Very High All investments carry a level of risk. You need to decide how much of each type of risk you're prepared to take. The table below gives an overview of some of the risks associated with this fund.

risk type	description of risk	level of risk for this fund
Capital Risk	This is the risk that the value of your investments will fall. The younger you are, the less worried you might be about capital risk, because your investments have time to recover their value before your retire.	High
Inflation Risk	This is the risk that the value of your investments will grow more slowly than prices rise. Inflation can be a problem for pension savings invested in cash funds particularly if the interest you're earning is less than the rate of inflation.	Med
Pension Conversion Risk	The price of an annuity changes on a regular basis. This means that the amount of income you can secure with the same amount of money will change. Pension conversion risk is the risk that the amount of income you can buy drops before you retire, because your money is invested differently to annuity funds. That's why putting more of your DC pension pot into bonds to try to match annuity prices as you get closer to retirement age can help protect against this risk.	High

About the factsheet

It is important to remember that the price of units can go down as well as up. There's no guarantee that you'll get back the amount that goes into your DC pension pot. Changes in rates of currency exchange, particularly where overseas securities are held, could also affect the value of your investment.

All funds are provided through FIL Life Insurance Ltd and may invest in securities issued by or hold deposits with HSBC Holdings plc and associated companies.

The Trustee can change the underlying managers or funds at any time without member consent or prior notification.

Valuation time: Business days at 5:00pm (UK time)

Dealing Process: The cut off time for switch instructions is 2:00pm each business day.

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You can find more Scheme information at: www.futurefocus.staff.hsbc.co.uk

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