



## FUND FACTS

**NAV (\$m)**  
62.9

**Inception Date**  
December 4, 1981

**Domiciled**  
Ireland, UCITS Fund

**Dealing Frequency**  
Daily

**Management Company**  
Baring International Fund  
Managers (Ireland) Limited

**Investment Manager**  
Baring Asset Management  
Limited

**Share Classes**  
USD/EUR/GBP/AUD

**Distribution Frequency**  
Annual

**Base Currency**  
USD

**Benchmark<sup>1</sup>**  
MSCI Australia

**SFDR Classification**  
Article 8

## PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

**Richard Holroyd, CFA**  
10 years of experience

**Piers Aldred, CFA**  
23 years of experience

**SooHai Lim, CFA**  
26 years of experience

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### KEY RISK

During exceptional market conditions there may be insufficient buyers and sellers to allow the Fund to buy and sell investments, which could affect the Fund's ability to meet investors' redemption requests. Losses may occur if an organisation through which we buy an asset fails to meet its obligations. Custody of assets involves a risk of loss if a custodian becomes insolvent or breaches duties of care. Fund investments in derivatives are sensitive to changes in the value of the underlying asset on which they are based and their use may result in losses greater than the amount originally invested. Fund investments in overseas assets may lose value due to movements in foreign exchange rates. Fund investments in equities may be subject to significant fluctuations in value. The Fund can hold smaller company shares which can be more difficult to buy and sell and more volatile than those of larger companies. Region specific funds have a narrower focus than those which invest broadly across markets and are therefore more risky. Further information on the Fund's risks can be found in the offering (constitutional) documents.

### OBJECTIVE

The investment objective of the Fund is to achieve long-term capital growth in the value of assets by investing in Australia.

### STRATEGY & MARKETING OPPORTUNITY

Identify investment opportunities through a differentiated and innovative investment process using fundamental, bottom-up analysis

- Best of both worlds: Australia is linked to the growth trend in emerging markets with the level of corporate governance in developed markets.
- An all-cap Australian equity fund with a long track record since 1981, primarily investing in a wide spectrum of Australian companies ranging from global leaders in their respective industries to emerging domestic growth powerhouses.

| FUND PERFORMANCE (%) | Class A USD Inc (Gross of Fees) | Class A USD Inc (Net of Fees) | Benchmark <sup>1</sup> |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| Year to Date         | 5.88                            | 4.38                          | 6.26                   |
| 1 Year               | 27.99                           | 25.82                         | 29.09                  |
| 3 Years              | 3.36                            | 1.60                          | 4.33                   |
| 5 Years              | 8.15                            | 6.31                          | 7.10                   |
| 10 Years             | 5.65                            | 3.80                          | 5.30                   |
| Since Inception      | 10.18                           | 8.17                          | 9.30                   |

| ROLLING 12 MONTH PERFORMANCE (%) | Class A USD Inc (Gross of Fees) | Class A USD Inc (Net of Fees) | Benchmark <sup>1</sup> |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| 09/30/2023 - 09/30/2024          | 29.60                           | 27.40                         | 31.63                  |
| 09/30/2022 - 09/30/2023          | 11.78                           | 9.88                          | 15.24                  |
| 09/30/2021 - 09/30/2022          | -12.81                          | -14.29                        | -16.37                 |
| 09/30/2020 - 09/30/2021          | 30.89                           | 28.67                         | 31.69                  |
| 09/30/2019 - 09/30/2020          | -1.75                           | -3.42                         | -7.72                  |

**PAST PERFORMANCE DOES NOT PREDICT FUTURE RETURNS.** An investment entails a risk of loss. Returns for periods greater than one year are annualized. If you are investing in a different currency to the base currency of the fund, your returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. The Benchmark is used for risk management and performance comparison purposes. The investment manager has complete discretion in making investments and is not constrained by the Benchmark

Source: Morningstar/Barings: Performance figures are shown in USD on a NAV per unit basis, with gross income reinvested.

1. The benchmark is currently MSCI Australia (Total Net Return) Index. Prior to this, the benchmark has been Australia All Ordinaries to February 28, 2002, followed by ASX300 to March 31, 2009, then MSCI Australia 10/40 (Total Gross Return) Index from April 1, 2009 to September 30, 2019.

\*Morningstar Rating as of previous month end, please refer to page three for additional detail.

## EQUITY PLATFORM<sup>1</sup>

Barings manages \$431+ billion of equities, fixed income, real estate and alternative assets globally

We focus on building high-conviction, research-driven equity solutions for our clients. We have a long history of being early investors in new and established markets

- Global Equities
- Emerging Markets Equities
- Small-Cap Equities

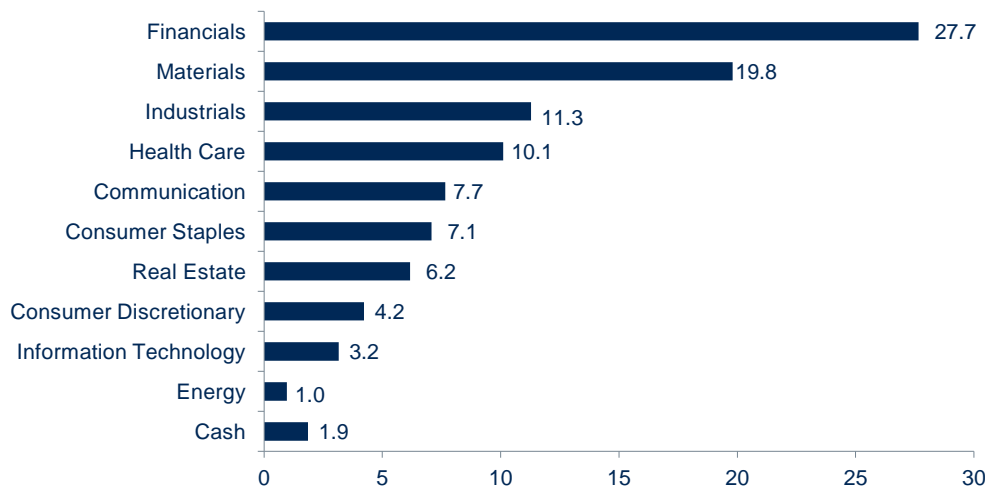
Equities investor base includes financial institutions, pensions, foundations and endowments and wholesale distributors

## CHARACTERISTICS<sup>2,3,4</sup>

## BARINGS AUSTRALIA FUND

|                             |       |
|-----------------------------|-------|
| Number Of Holdings          | 32    |
| Active Share (%)            | 47.35 |
| Off Benchmark (%)           | 16.66 |
| Tracking Error (%) (3Y Ann) | 4.10  |
| Information Ratio (3Y Ann)  | -0.29 |
| Standard Deviation (3Y Ann) | 21.09 |
| Alpha (3Y Ann)              | -0.73 |
| Beta (3Y Ann)               | 0.93  |
| Av. Market Cap (USDb)       | 53.88 |

## TOP SECTOR WEIGHTING (% OF MV)<sup>3</sup>



## TOP HOLDINGS (% OF MV)<sup>3</sup>

|                                |      |
|--------------------------------|------|
| BHP GROUP LTD                  | 9.65 |
| MACQUARIE GROUP LTD            | 6.86 |
| GOODMAN GROUP                  | 6.17 |
| CSL LTD                        | 5.97 |
| COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA | 5.17 |
| RIO TINTO LTD                  | 5.11 |
| NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD    | 4.13 |
| TREASURY WINE ESTATES LTD      | 3.82 |
| INSURANCE AUSTRALIA GROUP LTD  | 3.69 |
| WOOLWORTHS LTD                 | 3.26 |

1. Barings assets as of September 30, 2024.
2. Risk statistics based on gross performance.
3. As of October 31, 2024.
4. Refer to glossary on our website for definitions of terms. Characteristics are subject to change.

## FEE SCHEDULE

|                 | Min Investment                   | Management Fee (p.a.)         | OCF <sup>1</sup> |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Class A USD INC | Initial—\$5K<br>Subsequent—\$500 | Initial—5.00%<br>Annual—1.25% | 1.71%            |

Be aware of currency risk. If you are buying this product in a different currency to your local currency you will receive payments in a different currency, so the final return you will get will depend on the exchange rates between the two currencies.

1. The OCF represents annual charges and other payments taken from the Fund, including the Management Fee. The OCF excludes the costs of buying and selling assets for the Fund. The OCF is based on ex-post expenses for the year ended 04/30/2024 and may vary from year to year.

## CLASS A ACTIVE SHARE CLASSES

| Name    | ISIN         | Bloomberg  | Lipper   |
|---------|--------------|------------|----------|
| AUD INC | IE00B3YQ9180 | BRGAUAA ID | 68028808 |
| USD INC | IE0000829451 | BRGAUSI ID | 60000678 |
| EUR INC | IE0004866665 | BRGAUSE ID | 60022203 |
| GBP INC | IE00B45XQ142 | BRGAUSA ID | 68035315 |

\*Please refer to prospectus for additional currency class information.

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Barings Australia Fund A USD Inc share class was rated against the numbers of EAA Fund Australia & New Zealand Equity investments over the following time periods: 28 investments in the last three years, 27 investments in the last five years, and 24 investments in the last ten years. **Past performance is no guarantee of future results.**

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