# **Barings Europe Select Trust**



### **FUND FACTS**

Fund Size (NAV GBPm) 624.2

> Inception Date 31 August 1984

**Domiciled** UK, UK-UCITS Fund

Dealing Frequency
Daily

Management Company
Baring Fund Managers
Limited

Investment Manager
Baring Asset Management
Limited

Share Classes
GBP/EUR/USD
(accumulating and distributing)

**Distribution Frequency** Semi-Annual

> Base Currency GBP

### Benchmark<sup>2</sup>

MSCI Europe ex UK Small Cap (Total Net Return) Index

# PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

Nicholas Williams 33 years of experience

Colin Riddles
29 years of experience

Rosemary Simmonds, CFA 16 years of experience

William Cuss, CA, CFA 9 years of experience

#### MARCH 2024 / FACTSHEET



- The Trust invests primarily in equities and equity-related securities of smaller companies incorporated in, or
  exercising the predominant part of their economic activity in Europe excluding the United Kingdom or quoted or
  traded on the stock exchanges in Europe excluding the United Kingdom.
- The Trust is subject to risks, such as investment, equities and equity-related securities, liquidity and currency
  risks and risks of investing in convertible bonds. Investment in small and mid-capitalisation companies is subject
  to greater risks than larger companies, which include higher liquidity, volatility, economic and organisational
  risks
- 3. The Trust's investments may be concentrated in European markets and the Trust may be subject to higher volatility risk and the sovereign debt risk of certain countries within the Eurozone. Investing in emerging markets may involve increased risks, including liquidity, currency/currency control, political and economic uncertainties, legal and taxation, settlement, custody and volatility risks.
- The Manager integrates environmental, social and governance (ESG) information into the investment process, which may affect the Fund's investment performance and, as such, may perform differently compared to similar collective investment schemes.
- 5. The Trust may invest in derivatives for efficient portfolio management (including hedging) purposes which may involve counterparty/credit, liquidity, valuation, volatility and over-the-counter transaction risks. Exposure to financial derivative instruments may lead to a high risk of significant loss by the Trust.
- 6. Investors may suffer substantial loss of their investments in the Trust.

### **OBJECTIVE\*\***

To provide a total return, including both capital growth and dividend income (after fees have been deducted), in excess of the EMIX Smaller European Companies Ex UK (Total Net Return) Index over a rolling five year period by investing in equity and equity related securities in Europe excluding the United Kingdom.

### STRATEGY

The Trust will seek to achieve its investment objective by investing at least 75% of its total assets directly and indirectly in equities and equity-related securities of smaller companies (i.e. bottom 30% of total market capitalization) incorporated in, or exercising the predominant part of their economic activity in Europe (ex UK) or quoted or traded on the stock exchanges in Europe (ex UK).

PERFORMANCE %	Class A (Net) <sup>1</sup>	Benchmark <sup>2</sup>	CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE %	Class A (Net)1	Benchmark <sup>2</sup>
March 2024	3.30	3.76	2023	5.92	10.16
3 Months	4.39	2.05	2022	-19.16	-17.72
Year to Date	4.39	2.05	2021	13.08	14.80
1 Year	4.93	6.17	2020	12.36	18.78
3 Years (Annualised)	-0.78	0.93	2019	19.86	20.63
3 Years (Cumulative)	-2.32	2.82			
5 Years (Annualised)	4.85	7.21			

# PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS.

26.74

Source: Morningstar/Barings. An investment entails a risk of loss. Performance is shown in GBP on a NAV per share basis, with gross income reinvested. If the investment return is denominated in currency other than USD/HKD, USD/HKD based investors are exposed to fluctuations in the exchange rate of the relevant currency against USD/HKD. Unless otherwise stated, all portfolio figures within this factsheet are as of the end of the month shown at the top of the front page.

41.63

1. Performance based on Class A GBP Inc Share.

5 Years (Cumulative)

The benchmark is MSCI Europe ex UK Small Cap (Total Net Return) Index from 31 July 2023. Previously EMIX
Smaller European Companies ex-UK (Total Net Return) Index from September 1, 2020, previously EMIX Smaller
European Companies ex-UK (Total Gross Return) Index.

\*Morningstar Rating as of previous month end, please refer to page 3 for additional detail.

\*\*The investment objective was changed on 18 July 2022. There is however no guarantee that this objective will be achieved over any time period. The Trust is not constrained by the benchmark and can make investments in securities that are not included in the benchmark.

The Trust name was changed as of 30 April 2018 from Baring Europe Select Trust to Barings Europe Select Trust.

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

Barings manages USD406+ billion of equities, fixed income, real estate, and alternative assets globally

We focus on building highconviction, 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

**BARINGS EUROPE** CHARACTERISTICS<sup>2,3</sup> **SELECT TRUST** Number of Holdings 100 Active Share (%) 78.73 Off Benchmark (%) 27.91 Tracking Error (%) (3Y Ann) 4.11 Information Ratio (3Y Ann) -0.03Standard Deviation (3Y Ann) 15.05 Alpha (3Y Ann) -0.07 Beta (Ex Ante) 0.94 Av. Market Cap (GBPb) 4.61

# TOP SECTOR WEIGHTING (% OF NAV)3



### TOP HOLDINGS (% OF NAV)3 Elis SA 1.97 Aalberts N.V. 1.79 Euronext 1.71 Rexel SA 1.69 Avolta AG 1.68 Banco de Sabadell SA 1.66 Royal Vopak 1.66 Wienerberger AG 1.65 Sopra Steria Group SA 1.61 CTS Eventim AG & Co. KGaA 1.57



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Interim Report



Annual Report

- 1. Source: Barings, assets as of 31 March 2024.
- 2. Risk statistics based on gross performance.
- 3. As of 31 March 2024.



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CLASS A FEE SCHEDULE		CLASS A ACTIVE IDS				
Investment Size	Fees	Name	ISIN	Bloomberg	Lipper	
Initial: £1,000/€5,000/ USD5,000 Subsequent: £500/€1,000/ USD2,500	Initial: up to 5.00% Annual Management Fee: 1.50%	GBP INC EUR ACC EUR INC USD ACC	GB0000796242 GB00B3NSX137 GB0030655780 GB00BF2H6H20	BAREUSI LN BAREUAC LN BAREUSE LN BARAUAC LN	60045046 68029215 60059868 68238304	

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Barings Europe Select Trust Class A GBP Inc Share was rated against the following numbers of EAA Fund Europe ex-UK Small/Mid-Cap Equity investments over the following time periods: 146 investments in the last three years, 128 investments in the last five years, and 64 investments in the last ten years. **Past performance is no guarantee of future results.** 

Morningstar Rating is for Class A GBP Inc Share only; other classes may have different performance characteristics.

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