



## FUND FACTS

**Fund Size (NAV GBPM)**  
52.8

**Inception Date**  
November 3, 1992

**Domiciled**  
UK, UK - UCITS Fund

**Dealing Frequency**  
Daily

**Management Company**  
Baring Fund Managers Limited

**Investment Manager**  
Baring Asset Management Limited

**Share Classes**  
GBP  
(accumulating)

**Distribution Frequency**  
N/A

**Base Currency**  
GBP

**Benchmark<sup>2</sup>**  
MSCI Korea  
(Total Net Return) Index

## PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

**Eunice Hong**  
18 years of experience

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

**Julie Lee**  
16 years of experience

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1. The Trust invests primarily in securities of equities and equity-related securities of companies incorporated in, or exercising the predominant part of their economic activity in Korea, or quoted or traded on the stock exchanges in Korea.
2. The Trust is subject to risks, such as investment, equities and equity-related securities, liquidity, currency risks and the risks of investing in small and mid-capitalisation companies and convertible bonds.
3. The Trust's investments are concentrated in Korea and are subject to increased risks, including liquidity, currency, political and economic uncertainties, legal and taxation, settlement, custody, and volatility risk, and the risk of foreign exchange control and restrictions on capital transactions and payments under certain material adverse circumstances affecting Korea.
4. 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 derivatives may lead to a high risk of significant loss by the Trust.
5. 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 MSCI Korea (Total Net Return) Index over a rolling five year period by investing in equity and equity related securities in Korea.

### STRATEGY

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

| PERFORMANCE %        | Class A (Net) <sup>1</sup> Benchmark <sup>2</sup> |        | CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE % | Class A (Net) <sup>1</sup> Benchmark <sup>2</sup> |        |
|----------------------|---|--------|-----------------------------|---|--------|
|                      |   |        |                             |   |        |
| December 2024        | -6.14   | -5.93  | 2024                        | -12.73  | -20.09 |
| 3 Months             | -10.28  | -12.59 | 2023                        | 6.68  | 10.00  |
| Year to Date         | -12.73  | -20.09 | 2022                        | -24.43  | -20.50 |
| 1 Year               | -12.73  | -20.09 | 2021                        | 1.26  | -4.43  |
| 3 Years (Annualised) | -11.06  | -11.26 | 2020                        | 43.24   | 34.90  |
| 3 Years (Cumulative) | -29.65  | -30.12 |                             |   |        |
| 5 Years (Annualised) | 0.41  | -2.07  |                             |   |        |
| 5 Years (Cumulative) | 2.04  | -9.91  |                             |   |        |

### PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS.

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.

1. Performance based on Class A GBP Acc Share.
2. The benchmark is MSCI Korea (Total Net Return) Index from 31 October 2024 and is a target benchmark, previously Korea Composite Stock Price Index (KOSPI). The Trust performance includes dividend reinvestment and the KOSPI is a price return index that does not include reinvestment of dividends.

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

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

\*\*The investment objective was changed on 18 July 2022 and 31 October 2024. 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.

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

Barings manages USD421+ 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

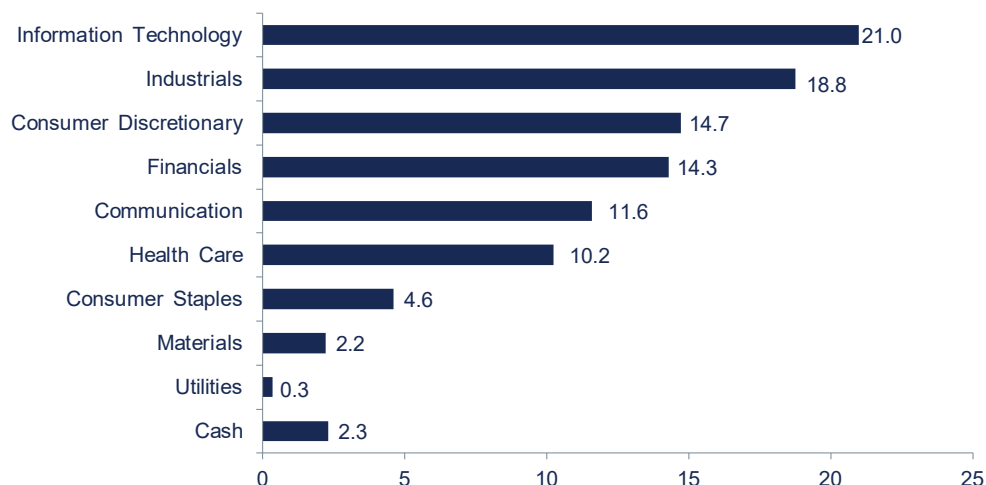
Equities investor base includes financial institutions, pensions, foundations and endowments and wholesale distributors

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

## BARINGS KOREA TRUST

|                             |       |
|-----------------------------|-------|
| Number Of Holdings          | 47    |
| Active Share (%)            | 43.10 |
| Off Benchmark (%)           | 11.00 |
| Tracking Error (%) (3Y Ann) | 6.06  |
| Information Ratio (3Y Ann)  | 0.26  |
| Standard Deviation (3Y Ann) | 21.17 |
| Alpha (3Y Ann)              | 0.64  |
| Beta (3Y Ann)               | 0.90  |
| Av. Market Cap (GBPb)       | 34.93 |

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



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

|  |      |
|--|------|
| SK HYNIX INC                           | 8.86 |
| SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO LTD             | 8.79 |
| HYUNDAI MOTOR CO                       | 4.64 |
| NAVER CORP                             | 4.57 |
| SAMSUNG BIOLOGICS CO LTD               | 4.30 |
| KB FINANCIAL GROUP INC                 | 4.01 |
| HD HYUNDAI HEAVY INDUSTRIES CO LTD     | 3.64 |
| HD HYUNDAI ELECTRIC CO LTD             | 3.52 |
| KIA MOTORS CORP                        | 3.48 |
| SAMSUNG FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE CO LTD | 3.11 |

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Key Facts Statement

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Interim Report

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

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| CLASS A FEE SCHEDULE                      |   | CLASS A ACTIVE IDS |              |            |          |
|---|---|--------------------|--------------|------------|----------|
| Investment Size                           | Fees  | Name               | ISIN         | Bloomberg  | Lipper   |
| Initial:<br>£1,000<br>Subsequent:<br>£500 | Initial: up to 5.00%<br>Annual Management<br>Fee: 1.50% | GBP ACC            | GB0000840719 | BRGKOTA LN | 60008957 |

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

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