

Fund Highlights

- ▶ The fund offers investors access to the potentially exciting investment long-term investment opportunities that exist within Brazil, Russia, India and China "BRIC" stock markets
- ▶ It is managed on a total return basis without benchmark constraints
- ▶ It is managed on an active fundamental basis by a small group of decision makers who are backed by over 200 emerging markets investment professionals located in 14 countries

Investment Aim

The sub-fund seeks long-term returns from capital growth and income by investing primarily in a concentrated portfolio of investments in equity and equity equivalent securities of companies which have their registered office in, and with an official listing on a major stock exchange or other Regulated Market in Brazil, Russia, India and China (including Hong Kong SAR) ("BRIC") as well as those companies with significant operations or carrying out a greater part of their business activities in these countries. Please refer to the Prospectus for the full Investment Objective of this fund.

Risk Disclosure

It is important to remember that the value of investments can go down as well as up and you may not get back the amount originally invested. Where overseas investments are held the rate of currency exchange may cause the value of such investments to go down as well as up. Investments in emerging markets are by their nature higher risk and potentially more volatile than those inherent in established markets. For a full list of risks, please refer to the prospectus and Key Investor Information Document.

Fund Statistics (30/12/2011)

Fund size in millions (USD)	1,248.40
Portfolio Turnover *	89.00 %
Volatility **	N/A
Tracking Error **	N/A
Information Ratio **	N/A

'Volatility' measures the relative rate at which the price of a security moves up and down.

'Tracking error' measures the volatility of the difference between a portfolio's performance and the benchmark.

'Information ratio' represents the value added of the manager (excess return) divided by the tracking error

* Source: HSBC, calculation uses the lesser of sales and purchases over the past year.

** Source: HSBC, based on monthly returns over the past three years where available.

Fund Manager - Nick Timberlake

Head of Global Emerging Markets Equity

Nick Timberlake is Head of Global Emerging Markets Equities for HSBC and has been working in the industry since 1992. Prior to joining HSBC in 2005 Nick was employed by F&C Asset Management as a Senior GEM Portfolio Manager. He has an MA Degree in Geography and Economics from the University of Dundee and qualified as an associate of the Institute of Investment Management.



Performance in USD (% Change) *

Rolling time period	31/12/2010 - 31/12/2011	31/12/2009 - 31/12/2010	31/12/2008 - 31/12/2009	31/12/2007 - 31/12/2008	31/12/2006 - 31/12/2007
HSBC GIF BRIC EQUITY A	-28.4	12.4	109.0	-63.1	47.6

Rolling time period	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years	Inception	2011	2010	2009	2008
Fund	-5.7	0.3	-28.8	-28.4	68.1	21.9	-28.4	12.4	109.0	-63.1
Morningstar mean	-2.8	2.2	-23.3	-24.4	60.5		-24.4	10.7	91.8	-58.9
Quartile rank	4	4	4	4	1		4	1	2	3

* The above performance figures refer to the past and are not a reliable indicator of future returns. The value of investments and any income from them, can go down as well as up. The above performance figures are calculated in USD, and changes in the rate of currency exchange may affect the value of your investment.

Source: Morningstar, bid to bid, gross income reinvested. Performance information is up to 30/12/2011. The performance figures reflect any performance fees that were accrued by the fund prior to 22/01/2010 when performance fees ceased to be accrued. Morningstar Sector used Offshore and International Funds, BRIC Equity. With effect from 05 November 2010, the Morningstar sector changed from Eq BRIC to BRIC Equity. Any performance shown after this date will be for the new sector. Benchmark source: Datastream. Please note the inception figure relates to a time when the HGIF BRIC Freestyle Fund was the only fund in the sector. Please note quartile rank is a term widely used in financial services to denote performance of a fund within its sector. For example a ranking of 1 denotes a Fund in the top 25% of its peer group sector, with a ranking of 4 denoting a fund in the bottom 25% of its peer group sector.

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Fund details

- ▶ **Annual charge** 1.50%
- ▶ **Maximum initial charge** 5.54%
- ▶ **Dealing** daily by 10:00am (CET)
- ▶ **Valuation** daily at 5:00pm (CET)
- ▶ **Minimum initial investment (USD)** 5,000 *
- ▶ **Financial year end** 31st March
- ▶ **Benchmark** 25% MSCI Brazil + 25% MSCI China + 25% MSCI Russia + 25% MSCI India
- ▶ **Management Company** HSBC Investment Funds (Luxembourg) S.A.
- ▶ **Investment Advisor** HSBC Global Asset Management (UK) Limited
- ▶ **Dividends** annual (July)
- ▶ **Regular savings scheme** not available
- ▶ **Start date** 01/12/2004
- ▶ **Launch price** (in USD) 10
- ▶ **ISIN code** LU0449509016
- ▶ **Total number of holdings** 115

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Top 10 holdings (30/12/2011)

Stock	Weight	Industry Sector
1 Gazprom	5.29%	Oil & Gas Producers
2 Lukoil Oil Co	4.88%	Oil & Gas Producers
3 China Mobile (HK) Ltd	4.43%	Mobile Telecommunications
4 Gazprom	4.18%	Oil & Gas Producers
5 Sberbank of Russia	4.12%	Banks
6 Industrial and Commercial Bank o	3.99%	Banks
7 Cairn Energy Plc	2.64%	Oil & Gas Producers
8 China Construction Bank	2.49%	Banks
9 OAO Rosneft Oil Co	2.43%	Oil & Gas Producers
10 China Petroleum and Chemical Cor	2.28%	Oil & Gas Producers
	36.74%	

Portfolio composition (30/12/2011)

Country	Fund
China	32.13%
Russia	30.65%
Brazil	20.04%
India	13.32%
United Kingdom	2.64%
Hong Kong	0.15%
Cash	1.07%
	100.00%

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