# **Betashares Martin Currie Emerging** Markets Fund (managed fund)







**ASX: EMMG** 

29 November 2024

## **Objective**

EMMG invests in an actively managed, high-conviction portfolio of emerging market shares and aims to outperform the MSCI Emerging Markets Index, expressed in Australian dollars (Benchmark), over rolling fiveyear periods. EMMG is managed by Martin Currie, a leading equities manager and member of the Franklin

## **Benefits**



#### Exposure to world's fastest-growing markets

Emerging markets have been leading the world in growth due to improving demographics, a rising middle class, urbanisation, disruptive technologies and social reform.



#### Global technology exposure

Emerging markets are at the forefront of the global tech revolution and include world-leading companies such as Samsung, Tencent and Alibaba.



#### **Active stock selection**

Investors benefit from a high-conviction portfolio construction approach by experienced, awardwinning investment manager Martin Currie.

#### **Performance**

PERIOD	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth	1 yr	3 yr (p.a.)	5 yr (p.a.)	10 yr (p.a.)	Inception (p.a.)
FUND	-3.54%	1.91%	9.31%	12.52%	-3.36%	2.06%	-	4.41%
MSCI Emerging Markets (AUD)	-3.07%	2.35%	6.28%	13.85%	1.56%	3.98%	5.99%	5.34%

## Calendar year performance

PERIOD	YTD	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
FUND	10.83%	5.48%	-20.96%	1.35%	13.52%	-	-	-
MSCI Emerging Markets (AUD)	12.76%	9.15%	-14.33%	3.44%	7.77%	18.61%	-5.10%	27.09%

Value of \$100 invested since inception



Source: Betashares, Bloomberg. Past performance is not indicative of future performance. Fund returns are calculated in A\$ using net asset value per unit at the start and end of the specified period and do not reflect the brokerage or bid-ask spread that investors may incur when buying and selling units on the ASX. Returns are after fund management costs, assume reinvestment of any

### **Fund information**

Betashares Funds can be bought or sold during the trading day on the ASX, and trade like shares.

ASX CODE EMMG **BLOOMBERG CODE** EMMG AU IRESS CODE EMMG.AXW **IRESS INAV CODE** EMMGINAV.ETF **DISTRIBUTIONS** ANNUALLY MGT FFF\* 100% PA **FUND INCEPTION 29 MAY 19** 



#### MARTIN CURRIE

Martin Currie is an active equity specialist manager headquartered in Edinburgh, Scotland. Founded in 1881, with a significant presence in Australia through Martin Currie Australia, dating back to 1954. Martin Currie believes a stockfocused approach, driven by in-depth fundamental research and skilled portfolio construction, is the best way to exploit market inefficiencies and generate consistent outperformance. They achieve this through a highly disciplined research process that scrutinises and identifies those companies that meet their rigorous selection criteria. Martin Currie's investment strategies are underpinned by the auality of its in-depth fundamental research and skilled portfolio construction, undertaken by its deeply resourced and hiahly experienced team of investment professionals. Martin Currie's approach to active ownership is at the heart of its active management proposition, and its highly differentiated approach to the analysis of Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) factors. is embedded in every part of the investment process to ensure they make better long-term decisions.

## Categorisation

**EMERGING MARKETS** 

**ACTIVELY MANAGED** 

CAPITAL APPRECIATION

+ 61 2 9290 6888 (ex Aust)

<sup>\*</sup>Other costs apply, Please refer to the PDS.

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### Sector allocation



The target asset allocation is reviewed, and may be adjusted, annually.

## **Country allocation**



## Top 10 exposures

COMPANY	
Alibaba Group	
HDFC Bank	
ICICI Bank	
Mediatek	
Meituan	
Reliance	
Samsung Electronics	
SK Hynix	
Taiwan Semiconductor	

## **Distribution**

12 mth distribution yield (%) 0.5%

Yield is calculated by summing the prior 12-month per unit distributions divided by the closing NAV per unit at the end of the relevant period. Yield will vary and may be lower at time of investment. Past performance is not indicative of future performance.

## **Monthly commentary**

What happened in the market?

Tencent Holdings

Emerging markets were down in November, most significantly in Asia. India was the only major emerging market economy which saw positive equity moves this past month. In China, there was some profit-taking due to expectations of further stimulus details being announced which disappointed market participants. Additionally, following the election on 5 November of Donald Trump as the next US president, concerns grew around the expectation of further tariffs which would impact trade with China and other international trading partners, as well as a deceleration in the Federal Reserve's interest rate cut plans. From an emerging market perspective, the easing US and global interest rate environment has been supportive of equities in recent months. From a sector perspective, the only positive sector was Communication Services, with Materials and Utilities lagging the overall market the most. The portfolio performed in line with the market.

What happened in the Fund?

The Fund was down 3.54% for the month of November. Within the Fund, our underweight to Industrials, Materials and Utilities was beneficial for portfolio performance as these sectors struggled. As a result, they positively contributed to our strategy's performance in November. Software services companies were strong in November, with EPAM and Globant among the top contributors and Tata Consultancy Services also positively contributing to relative performance. HDFC Bank was also a strong contributor, continuing its positive momentum since publishing quarterly earnings in the latter half of October.

On the other side, Information Technology was the most detractive sector from relative portfolio performance during November, owing largely to our Korean holdings SK Hynix and Samsung Electronics. These were some of the more detractive names for overall portfolio performance along with some incremental losses among Chinese Financial and Consumer Discretionary names, driven by concerns around Chinese stimulus and anticipated trade tariffs. Samsung Electronics underperformed in November despite positive news in late October. Overall semiconductor market sentiment and concerns over supply/demand dynamics were the likely drivers for underperformance in both Samsung and SK Hynix.

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