# Minimum Disclosure Document & General Investor Report 31 August 2024



# Ashmore SICAV Emerging Markets Frontier Equity Fund (SICAV FEF)

Share class: USD Inst

#### **FOUITIES**

#### Fund objective and strategy

SICAV FEF is an actively managed open ended daily dealing UCITS V Luxembourg registered fund. The Fund seeks to maximise capital appreciation by investing primarily in frontier market equity and equity related securities. The Fund invests in the wider frontier markets universe. The structured investment process is primarily bottom up and fundamentally driven with top down analysis an additional source of performance and risk control. The result is a high conviction stock portfolio of best ideas. While the Fund references the benchmark for performance comparison, it can differ from the benchmark's composition and also hold assets which are not part of the benchmark. The fund has adhered to its policy objective.

#### Fund facts Information at 31.08.2024.

Fund size	Fund inception date	Share Class inception date	Unit Price	Number of units	Benchmark
USD 140.9 million	17 July 2012	17 July 2012	\$232.91	437586	MSCI FM + Select EM*

#### **Performance**

Past Performance (actual or simulated) does not predict future returns.

Net returns %	1 month	YTD	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
Fund	4.50	25.85	25.95	6.16	7.71	3.63	8.19
Benchmark	2.28	8.54	10.90	0.48	3.44	1.32	5.56
Excess	2.21	17.31	15.05	5.68	4.27	2.31	2.63

Where net performance figures are displayed, Index returns are for illustrative purposes only. Index performance returns do not reflect any management fees, transaction costs or expenses. Where gross performance figures are displayed periods greater than one year are annualised and dividends reinvested or distributed depending on Shareclass. The value of an investment in the Fund may fall as well as rise and investors may not get back the amount originally invested. Changes in rates of exchange between currencies may cause the value of investments to decrease or increase.

#### Calendar year performance

Net returns %	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Fund	10.01	-15.77	24.13	-4.45	13.82	-18.46	28.47
Benchmark	7.10	-15.31	16.84	-1.52	17.99	-16.41	31.86
Excess	2.91	-0.46	7.29	-2.93	-4.17	-2.05	-3.39

<sup>\*</sup>The benchmark was changed to the MSCI Frontier + Select Emerging Markets Countries Capped Index Net TR effective 01/01/2020. Prior to this, the benchmark was the MSCI Frontier Markets Index Net TR from inception. For more details on the index, please see Important Information section.

#### **Positioning**

Top 10 country exposure %	Fund	Benchmark	Active
Vietnam	18.3	12.9	5.4
Philippines	15.0	7.8	7.1
United Arab Emirates	13.3	15.2	-1.9
Kazakhstan	8.4	4.8	3.6
Romania	7.9	6.5	1.4
Saudi Arabia	5.6	-	5.6
Kuwait	5.0	9.9	-4.9
Qatar	4.6	10.8	-6.2
Slovenia	2.4	2.9	-0.6
Pakistan	2.1	1.9	0.2
Total number of countries	20	29	

Sector exposure %	Fund	Benchmark	Active
Financials	43.1	49.0	-5.9
Real Estate	12.6	10.5	2.0
Industrials	8.9	7.8	1.1
Consumer Discretionary	8.8	2.2	6.6
Energy	7.8	5.9	1.9
Information Technology	5.4	0.2	5.2
Health Care	3.2	2.9	0.3
Materials	1.8	6.2	-4.4
Communication Services	0.7	7.3	-6.6
Utilities	0.7	3.8	-3.1
Total	93.7	100.0	

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Luxembourg

Daily Dealing Fund

Annual Management Charge

1.50%

Distributions

\$1,000,000

See Distribution statistics

**Minimum initial investment** 

**Subscriptions + Redemptions** 

#### Registered for sale

For registered countries, please visit www.ashmoregroup.com

#### **Dealing cut off times**

1pm (13:00 CET) for same day trades

#### Fund Classification Luxembourg SICAV

#### Investment manager

Ashmore Investment Management Limited

#### Administrator

Northern Trust Luxembourg

### Management company

Ashmore Investment Management (Ireland) Limited



Top 10 issuers %	Country	Fund	Benchmark	Active
Kaspi.KZ JSC	Kazakhstan	5.2	3.1	2.0
Banca Transilvania SA	Romania	4.9	1.9	3.1
DigiPlus Interactive Corp	Philippines	4.4	-	4.4
BDO Unibank Inc	Philippines	3.4	1.1	2.3
Emaar Properties PJSC	United Arab Emirates	3.2	2.5	0.8
National Bank of Kuwait SAKP	Kuwait	3.2	4.0	-0.8
FPT Corp	Vietnam	3.1	-	3.1
OMV Petrom SA	Romania	3.0	1.3	1.7
Halyk Savings Bank of Kazakhstan JSC	Kazakhstan	2.6	0.6	2.0
IDICO Corp JSC	Vietnam	2.6	0.2	2.4
Total number of holdings		56	267	

Fund statistics	Fund
Median market cap	\$6.3bn
Dividend Yield	3.3%
Standard Deviation	13.3%
Cash and equivalents	4.6%
Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF)	1.83%

Distribution statistics	Fund
Distribution Frequency	Annual
Last distribution date	29/12/2023
Cents per Unit	3.34

Asset allocation %	Jun-24	Aug-24	Quarter to date changes
Equity	95.7	96.1	0.4
Cash/Cash Management	4.3	4.6	0.4

#### **Risk Reward Profile**

We have classified this product as class 4 out of 7, which is a medium risk class. The Share Class is suitable for Institutional Investors who (i) have experience investing in volatile products, debt instruments and/or emerging markets, (ii) have a medium to long-term investment horizon (iii) have sufficient resources to be able to bear the loss of their entire capital when investing in the Share Class and can afford to set aside capital and (iv) are looking for an investment with a risk indicator of 4 which corresponds to a medium risk. The need of the institutional investor to be able to bear the loss of their entire investment is due to several risks, including market and credit risk, which can significantly impact your return on investment. Please refer to the "Risk Factors" section of the Fund's Prospectus. As a result of these risks, Investors are strongly advised to seek independent professional advice on the implications of investing in the Fund.

1. All performance statistics shown over rolling 3 years (or 1 year where 3 years of data is not yet available). 2. Top 10 positions are presented at issuer level and do not include derivatives apart from total return swaps and p-notes. 3. For investments in Ashmore managed funds (where applicable), allocation and holdings information is shown on a "look through" basis. 4. Fund statistics based on trailing 12 month actual figures. 5. Hedged benchmarks are used where applicable. 6. Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) as at 30.06.24. 7.A dash (-) represents zero holding. 0.0 and 0.00 represents a fractional holding. Sources are Ashmore or administrator where appropriate and fund statistics (dividend yield) Source: Bloomberg Finance L.P, data based on Bloomberg consensus estimates.

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Ashmore SICAV Emerging Markets Frontier Equity Fund (SICAV FEF) has been approved for distribution in South Africa under s.65 of the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act 2002 as a foreign collective investment scheme in securities.

**Risk Warning:** Emerging Markets (EM) carry risks as well as rewards. The Fund invests in EM, which may be more volatile than more mature markets. The value of your investment could go down as well as up. In extreme circumstances, this could result in a total loss of your investment. EM may suffer from liquidity problems; changes in rates of exchange between currencies may cause the value of your investment to decrease or increase; operational risks of investing are higher than in more developed markets. Neither past experience nor the current situation are necessarily accurate guides to the future. For a full description of these and further risks, you should refer to the latest full prospectus.

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#### **Marketing Communications**

- 1. Important Information: You should obtain appropriate independent professional advice and a copy of the current UCITS Key Investor Information Document (KIID) and full prospectus prior to making a decision to invest. Subscriptions will only be received and shares issued based on the current KIID/KID and full prospectus.
- 2. Copies of the material contracts are available for inspection, and copies of the Articles of Incorporation of the Fund, the current Prospectus, the KIIDs/KIDs of the Fund, the Country Supplement, the Privacy Notice, the latest periodical reports (which form an integral part of this Prospectus), the Available Share Classes Document, as well as the Fund's policies for the exercise of the voting rights, may be obtained in English, free of charge during normal office hours at the registered office of the Fund or from the Fund's local agents, as required by applicable laws and may also be obtained on <a href="https://www.ashmoregroup.com">www.ashmoregroup.com</a>. The KIIDs/KIDs of the fund are available in English and/or in the accepted language of the countries where the fund is registered. The investor complaints handling policy of the Fund, is available in English here.
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- 6. Ashmore Investment Management (Ireland) Limited acting as Management Company and Principal Sales Agent may decide to terminate the arrangements made for the marketing of this fund in accordance with Article 93a of Directive 2009/65/EC and Article 32a of Directive 2011/61/EU with regard to cross-border distribution of collective investment undertakings.
- 7. Where the 'Fund inception date' and the 'Shareclass inception date' differ, a new share class has been launched. (Source: Ashmore & JP Morgan). Where the 'Shareclass inception date' differs from the inception date of performance the figures will reflect the inception date of performance.

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Collective Investment Schemes in Securities (CIS) should be considered as medium to long-term investments. The value may go up as well as down and past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. CISs are traded at the ruling price and can engage in scrip lending and borrowing. The collective investment scheme may borrow up to 10% of the market value of the portfolio to bridge insufficient liquidity. A schedule of fees, charges and maximum commissions is available on request from the Manager. There is no guarantee in respect of capital or returns in a portfolio. A CIS may be closed to new investors in order for it to be managed more efficiently in accordance with its mandate. CIS prices are calculated on a net asset basis, which is the total value of all the assets in the portfolio including any income accruals and less any permissible deductions (brokerage, STT, VAT, auditor's fees, bank charges, trustee and custodian fees and the annual management fee) from the portfolio divided by the number of participatory interests (units) in issue. Forward pricing is used. The Fund's Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) reflects the percentage of the average Net Asset Value (NAV) of the portfolio that was incurred as charges, levies and fees related to the management of the portfolio. A higher OCF does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low OCF imply a good return. The current OCF cannot be regarded as an indication of future OCF. This figure may vary from year to year and excludes portfolio transaction costs. The Fund's annual report for each financial year will include detail on the exact charges made.

For more information on charges, please refer to the Fund's Prospectus which is available at www.ashmoregroup.com.

Ashmore reports a funds Ongoing Charges figure as opposed to a funds TER (Total Expense Ratio). While the OCF and TER are very similar, the OCF is a more representative figure of the associated costs and charges of a given fund. The TER excludes any performance fees or one-off charges, whereas the OCF includes them. Therefore, the OCF is a more accurate measure of what it actually costs to invest in a fund.

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Performance has been calculated using net NAV to NAV numbers with income reinvested. The performance for each period shown reflects the return for investors who have been fully invested for that period. Individual investor performance may differ as a result of initial fees, the actual investment date, the date of reinvestments and dividend withholding tax. Full performance calculations are available from the manager on request.

For any additional information such as fund prices, brochures and application forms please go to www.ashmoregroup.com.

#### Glossarv Summarv:

- Annual Management Charge: the management fee payable to the Investment Manager
- Annualised performance: Annualised performance shows longer term performance rescaled to a 1-year period. Annualised performance is the average return per year over the period. Actual annual figures are available to the investor on request.
- Accumulation Shares: Shares providing for the net income earned to be retained in the net asset value of the Share and representing such number of Shares in the capital of the Fund as is
  equal to a Share issued at subscription and increased by the amount of retained net income proportionately equal to that paid on Distribution Shares in respect of each intervening accounting
  period.
- Cash: means ancillary liquid assets as referred to in Article 41(2) of the Law of 2010, which are bank deposits at sight (such as cash held in a current account with a bank accessible at any time), but excludes any cash held as collateral in relation to financial derivatives.
- CET: Central European Time
- Dividend Yield: The weighted average dividend yield of all the underlying equity in the Fund. The dividend yield of each company is the dividends per share divided by the price.
- Excess: Denoted the outperformance of the fund over the benchmark.
- Emerging Market: means any Sovereign included by the International Monetary Fund in its list of Emerging and Developing Economies, any country which is considered a low-income, lower-middle-income, or upper-middle-income economy by the World Bank, any country which is included in an Emerging Market Index, any EM Supra-National and any other Sovereign which the Investment Manager determines qualifies as an Emerging Market.
- Institutional Class Shares: Classes of Shares which are only available for subscription and holding by Institutional Investors.
- NAV: The net asset value represents the assets of a Fund less its liabilities.

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