



Only for offer to Qualified Investors (art. 10 para 3 CISA)

May 2025

As at 30/05/2025

Fund Data

Investment Policy

The fund is managed by Nomura Asset Management based in Tokyo. The focus of the fund is on so called "quality growth"- high-yield, well-positioned Japanese large companies with high equity returns and good growth prospects. The investment universe comprises around 450 securities traded on the Tokyo stock exchange, from which 40 to 60 securities are filtered out. The fund is actively managed.

Fund Management's Comment

For detailed comments on the fund and its corresponding markets please see the annual report.

Morningstar Style-Box™



Morningstar Category™

Japan Large-Cap Equity

Ratings

(As at: 30/04/2025)

Morningstar Overall Rating™:

Lipper Leaders:

Performance

Performance (in %) - Share Class JPY FC(JPY)



Period	Fund
01/2016 - 05/2016	2.7
05/2016 - 05/2017	10.0
05/2017 - 05/2018	14.9
05/2018 - 05/2019	-13.1
05/2019 - 05/2020	11.5
05/2020 - 05/2021	33.1
05/2021 - 05/2022	-2.9
05/2022 - 05/2023	14.6
05/2023 - 05/2024	29.5
05/2024 - 05/2025	-1.8

Fund

Past performance is no indication of current or future performance, and the performance data do not take account of the commissions and costs incurred on the issue and redemption of units.

Cumulative performance (in %) - share class JPY FC(JPY)

	1 m	1 y	3 y	5 y	s. Inception	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2021	2022	2023	2024
JPY	5.3	-1.8	45.8	88.5	137.0	-0.4	13.4	13.5	12.2	-11.6	30.4	15.7
EUR	4.9	2.6	22.7	37.7	91.2	0.6	7.0	6.6	9.2	-18.3	17.0	*****

The information regarding this product is based on JPY. For this reason, the performance in Euros of this product may rise or fall on the basis of currency fluctuations.

Further Characteristics (3 years) / VAR (1 year) - share class JPY FC(JPY)

Volatility	13.51%	Maximum Drawdown	-8.90%	VAR (99%/10 days)	22.94%
Sharpe Ratio	0.93	Information Ratio	--	Correlation Coefficient	--
Alpha	--	Beta	--	Tracking Error	--

Portfolio Analysis

Breakdown by Sector (Equities)	(in % of fund volume)
Portfolio Breakdown according to MSCI	
Industrials	25.2
Consumer Discretionary	19.5
Information Technology	16.6
Financials	10.4
Communication Services	6.2
Consumer Staples	5.7
Health Care	4.8
Real Estate	4.5
Materials	3.4
Utilities	2.3

Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.

Breakdown by Currency	(in % of fund volume)
Japanese yen	99.9
Euro	0.1

Principal Holdings (Equities)	(in % of fund volume)
Sony Group Corp (Consumer Discretionary)	6.7
Marubeni Corp (Industrials)	4.7
Nippon Telegraph & Telephone Corp (Communicat	3.7
Mitsubishi Estate Co Ltd (Real Estate)	3.3
Tokio Marine Holdings Inc (Financials)	3.3
Hitachi Ltd (Industrials)	3.2
Toyota Motor Corp (Consumer Discretionary)	3.2
Shin-Etsu Chemical Co Ltd (Materials)	3.2
Fujitsu Ltd (Information Technology)	2.7
Toyota Tsusho Corp (Industrials)	2.7
Total	36.7

Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.

Asset Allocation	(in % of fund volume)
Equities	98.6
Cash and other assets	1.4

Incl. forward exchange transactions, negative and positive figures reflect expected currency developments.



Portfolio Analysis

Market Capitalization		(in % of fund volume)
> 10 Bn.	<div></div>	68.5
> 5 Bn. < 10 Bn.	<div></div>	13.3
> 1 Bn. < 5 Bn.	<div></div>	15.2
< 1 Bn.	<div></div>	1.7

Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions. The calculation is based on Euro.

Key Figures regarding the Fund's Assets												
Number of Shares			63	Dividend Yield (in %)			2.4	Ø Market Cap			7,889,665.9 Mio. JPY	
Cumulative performance (in %)												
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JPY FC(JPY)	5.3	-1.8	45.8	88.5	137.0	-0.4	13.4	13.5	12.2	-11.6	30.4	15.7
JPY MFC(JPY)	5.3	-1.5	47.1	--	75.2	-0.2	13.7	--	12.6	-11.3	30.8	16.1

DWS Invest Nomura Japan Growth



Equity Funds - Asia

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Portfolio Manager	Mario Giesler	Assets	16,924.6 Mio. JPY
Portfolio Manager since	31/07/2023	Fund Currency	JPY
Portfolio Management Company	Nomura Asset Management Europe KVG mbH	Launch Date	20/05/2015
Portfolio Management Location	Germany	Fiscal Year End	31/12/2025
Management Company	DWS Investment S.A.	Investor profile	Risk-tolerant
Legal Structure	SICAV	Fund Domicile	Luxembourg
Custodian	State Street Bank International GmbH, Zweign. Luxe		

Share Classes

Share Class	Cur.	ISIN Code	Swiss Sec. No.	Earnings	Front-end Load ¹ up to	Redemption Price	Management Fee p.a.	Running costs / TER p.a.	plus performance-related fee p.a.	Minimum Investment Amount
JPY FC	JPY	LU1342482384	31360056	Accumulation	0.00%	23,698.06	0.750%	0.86% (1)	--	250,000,000
JPY MFC	JPY	LU2206602224	57057805	Accumulation	0.00%	17,522.38	0.500%	0.56% (1)	--	--

(1) The Total Expense Ratio (TER) generally includes all expense items charged to the Fund apart from transaction costs and performance fees. If the Fund invests portions of its assets in target funds, the costs of the respective target funds will also be taken into account. The Fund incurred the total expenses listed here in its last financial year, which ended on 31/12/2024. They are subject to change from year to year.

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Note

¹ Based on the gross investment.
Because of its composition or the techniques used by its managers, the fund features a high level of volatility. In other words, unit prices may fluctuate significantly in either direction within short periods of time.
The rankings and ratings relating to German market.

Fund Management's Comment: DWS Invest Nomura Japan Growth Equity Funds - Asia



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Data in relation to the fund or the leading unit class.

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Performance Review

The Tokyo Stock Price Index (TOPIX) ended 5.03% higher in May 2025, to close the month at 2,801.57. The Japanese equity market advanced in May. At the beginning of the month, the equity market posted further gains as the yen weakened against the US dollar after the Bank of Japan (BOJ) kept its key policy interest rate unchanged, indicating just how cautious the BOJ remains in terms of the interest rate normalization process. Major companies announced capital-related policies, such as share-buyback programs, during their quarterly earnings and these were also welcomed by the market. The TOPIX index recently advanced for 13 straight business days (April 22-May 13), the longest uninterrupted rise since 2009. Reports of an agreement between the US and China to back down on the additional tariffs they had imposed on each other, along with progress in tariff related negotiations between the US and other major trading partners, underpinned this relief rally. Although market momentum faltered mid-month due partly to profit taking activity, the market resumed its upturn again following President Trump's announcement that he would postpone imposing additional tariffs on the EU until July 9th. The market remained firm towards the end of the month due the strong quarterly business results from major US semi-conductor companies. The Japanese equity market advanced by more than 5% during May. Among the 33 sectors of the Tokyo Stock Exchange, 29 sectors advanced, including Non-ferrous Metals, as major companies within the sector announced solid business projections. Meanwhile, four sectors fell, including the Electric Power & Gas sector, in which major electric companies projected a decline in earnings for the second term in a row.

Performance Attribution

The value of the fund (FC share class in Yen) appreciated by 5.26% in May 2025, outperforming the reference index (TOPIX Total Return Index). The main reason for the outperformance was the overweight position in the Machinery sector, which outperformed the reference index. The five stocks that made the largest positive contributions in May were Mitsui E&S, Marubeni, Cyberagent, Micronics Japan, and Isetan Mitsukoshi Holdings. The five stocks that had the largest negative impact on the portfolio returns were Lion, Jeol, Omron, Murata Manufacturing, and Chugai Pharmaceutical.

Current Positioning

In terms of major trades, we added to the position in the Other Financing Business sector. We believe stocks in this sector will be able to improve their return on equity (ROE) over the medium term through enhancements made to business portfolio management. Companies in this sector are increasingly focused on capital efficiency, as well as their efforts to strengthen shareholder returns. Meanwhile, we sold shares of a company in the Electric Appliance sector due to concerns over intensified competition and a deteriorating business environment for electronic components. Uncertainty stemming from potential external changes to the company's business environment are also a cause for concern, and we believe there is a greater risk of a slowdown in earnings growth.

Outlook

Although Japan's economy has continued to grow at a moderate pace, the growth rate is starting to show signs of slowing down, and we remain wary of the effects brought on by the economic policies of the Trump Administration, including the additional tariffs. Real gross domestic product (GDP) growth in the January-March quarter was -0.7% (annualised, quarter-on-quarter), falling below market expectations. In addition to the negative effects of a decline in exports and a substantial increase in imports, private consumption was sluggish due to a decline in real employee income amid continued inflation. The core consumer price index (CPI) inflation rate (ex. Fresh food and energy) for April rose by 3.5% (yoy) (March: +3.2%) due to rising prices of food items other than fresh food. Meanwhile, The Bank of Japan (BOJ) published its Outlook Report, in which it revised down its official forecasts for prices and economic growth. However, BOJ Governor Ueda also went on to assert that there were reservations about the accuracy of their projections. After assessing the impact that US economic and trade policies might have on Japan's corporate earnings and wage growth, we expect the BOJ to consider raising key interest rates again during or after Spring 2026. Our forecast for Japan's real gross domestic product (GDP) growth for 2025 is 0.8% (yoy).

Opportunities

In accordance with the investment policy.

Risks

- The fund invests its assets in selected regions or sectors. This increases the risk that the fund may be negatively influenced by the economic and political conditions in the respective regions or sectors.
- The fund invests in bonds, the value of which depends on whether the issuer is able to afford its payments. The deterioration of credit quality (ability and willingness to repay) may have an adverse affect on the value of the bond.
- Due to its composition/the techniques used by the Fund management, the investment fund has significantly elevated volatility, i.e. the share price may be subject to significant fluctuations up or down within short periods of time. The share value may fall below the purchase price at which the customer acquired the share at any time.

Investor profile: Risk-tolerant

The Fund is intended for the risk-tolerant investor who, in seeking investments that offer targeted opportunities to maximize returns, can tolerate the unavoidable, and occasionally substantial, fluctuations in the values of speculative investments. The high risks from volatility, as well as high credit risks, make it probable that the fund will lose value from time to time, and expectations of high returns and tolerance of risk are offset by the possibility of incurring significant losses of capital invested.

Please note that the information from Morningstar and Lipper Leaders relates to the previous month.

Morningstar Overall Rating™

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Lipper Leaders Rating System - Ratings from 1 (lowest) to 5 (highest)

First digit = Total Return; second digit = Consistent Return; third digit = Preservation; fourth digit = Expense

General information

When the custodian sets the price on the last trading day of the month there can be a difference of up to ten hours between the times at which the fund price and the benchmark are calculated. In the event of strong market movements during this period, this may result in the over- or understatement of the Fund's performance relative to the benchmark at the end of the month (this is referred to as the "pricing effect").

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General Risk Warnings

Any investment in units of a collective investment scheme entails or is associated with equity market, bond market, exchange rate, interest rate, credit, volatility and political risks. Each of these risks may appear in connection with other risks. A brief description of some of these risk factors is provided below.

Prospective investors should have previous experience with the financial instruments that are in use in the specified investment policy. Investors should fully understand the risks associated with investments in fund units and only make investment decisions after consulting with their legal, tax, financial or other advisors in regards to (i) the suitability of an investment in units in view of their personal tax and financial position and/or other circumstances; (ii) the information contained in this prospectus; (iii) the investment policy of the collective investment scheme; and (iv) the risks associated with the investment under the planned investment policy presented by the collective investment scheme .

Please note that investments in collective investment schemes entail both opportunities on the upside and risks on the downside. Units of collective investment schemes are securities and as such their value fluctuates with the rise and fall in the value of the underlying assets. The value of the units may accordingly rise above or fall below the purchase price. No guarantee therefore is given that the objectives of the investment policy will be achieved.

Alpha

A measure of the difference between the risk-adjusted return on an investment and a benchmark. The alpha measures the part of the performance that cannot be explained by market movements or market risk, but rather is derived from the selection of securities within the market. Alpha is a way of measuring the active contribution to performance made by the portfolio manager. It is also a good yardstick to use when comparing several funds. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Average dividend yield

Measures the average dividend amount, based on the current share price. This figure is calculated based on the shares (including ADRs/GDRs - > Depositary receipts) and REITs contained in a fund.

Average market capitalization

Measures the average market capitalization of the shares, REITs and ADRs/GDRs (depositary receipts) contained in a fund. The market capitalization represents the total market value of a company as determined by multiplying the number of shares issued by the current share price.

Beta factor

A measure of sensitivity - given as the average percentage change in the price of a fund when the market (benchmark) rises or falls by 1%. A value over (under) 1 means that on average the fund exhibits more (less) volatility than the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Correlation coefficient

Describes the degree to which two values (fund versus benchmark) move in the same direction. The value of the correlation coefficient is between -1 and +1. A correlation of +1 means that the fund generally moves in the same direction as the benchmark, while -1 indicates that the fund generally moves in the opposite direction. A correlation of 0 means that there is no relation between the price movements of the fund and the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Coupon

The coupon is the portfolio's average weighted coupon.

Duration (in years/in months)

A measure of the sensitivity of an investment to changes in interest rates. Duration, which was developed by Frederick Macaulay, is the average period for which invested capital is committed. Because of the interest payable over time on the invested capital, duration is shorter than -> maturity. This version of duration is used in DWS Top Reporting and refers to invested assets (without "Cash and other holdings").

Information ratio

The information ratio measures the difference between the annualized average return of the fund and that of the benchmark, divided by the Tracking error. The higher this value is, the more the investor compensated for the risk in the fund. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Maximum drawdown

The maximum drawdown is the largest percentage drop in value in a given period of time. It measures the amount the fund falls from its highest point to its lowest point in the selected timeframe. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Modified duration (in years/in months)

Serves as a measure of interest-rate sensitivity. Modified duration indicates the percentage change in price of a bond (in a portfolio) when the market interest rate changes by 1%. In order to calculate the percentage change in the bond price, the modified duration of the bond is multiplied by the percentage change in the interest rate. This figure helps investors assess the risks and opportunities of a bond at a glance.

Sharpe ratio

A measure of risk developed by William F. Sharpe, defined as the excess return on an investment over that of a risk-free investment in relation to the risk of the investment. The higher the Sharpe ratio, the higher the return the investor receives for the risk the investment carries (expressed in volatility). The Sharpe ratio can be used to compare multiple funds. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Tracking error

The tracking error is the standard deviation of the yield differential between a fund and its benchmark. This makes it a measure of how well the fund manager tracks the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

VaR (Value at Risk)

A measure of risk that indicates the maximum fund losses with a given probability for a given period of time (holding period). VaR is calculated on the basis of the daily prices of the individual securities contained in the portfolio for a year.

Weighted Average Life

The weighted average life of the times of the principal repayments of a liability, i.e. a bond. Refers to invested fund assets (without "Cash and other holdings").

Yield

The yield is the annual return on a capital investment, measured as the actual interest earned (effective yield) on the capital invested. It is based on the fund's income (e.g., interest, dividends, realized capital gains) and change in the price of the assets held in the fund. The yield of a fund is

derived from the invested assets (without "Cash and other holdings") and is presented as a "gross" figure, i.e., before the deduction of total expenses/fee.

Volatility

Volatility expresses the degree to which the yield on an investment (the price performance of a fund, for example) varies from a mean value in a specific period of time. This makes it a measure of fund risk. The greater the variation from the mean, the higher the volatility. Knowing the volatility allows investors to assess how uncertain the return potential of an investment is. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.