Equity Funds - Emerging Markets



March 2024

As at 28/03/2024

### Fund Data

### **Investment Policy**

The sub-fund invests primarily in equities issued by issuers having their registered office in Brazil or issuers having their registered office abroad but their principal business activity in Brazil.

### Fund Management's Comment

Global risk assets exhibited impressive resilience in March, in the face of higher-thanexpected inflation and reduced prospects for rate cuts. BOJ's exit from zero interest rate policy failed to boost the yen, as the US Dollar rallied during the second half of the month, reflecting strong US economic data and growing doubts about the first Fed rate cut in June. Commodities enjoyed a strong month, with gold leading the way, even though iron ore plunged to \$100/ton, weighed down by China's economic prospects. Chinese equities traded sideways, tempered by worries over debt excesses. demographics, overcapacity, and geopolitical tensions with the US. Brazil fell -1.81%, as a surprising decision by Petrobras not to pay extraordinary dividends heightened concerns about government and regulatory risks, including credit origination at public banks, power distribution concessions and Vale CEO election process. Not coincidentally, President Lula's approval rating fell to 47% from 52% in December. BCB cut the Selic rate another 50bps, while the Q4 earnings season was predictably disappointing. On the positive front, tax collection was strong allowing the zero fiscal anchor to hold for now.

### Morningstar Style-Box™

Market Capitalization



Investment Style

### Morningstar Category™

Brazil Equity

Ratings (As at: 29/02/2024) Morningstar Overall Rating™: ÅÅÅÅ

Lipper Leaders:



#### Performance Performance (in %) - Share Class LC(EUR) Period Fund Benchmark 180 03/2014 - 03/2015 -134 -6.0 160 03/2015 - 03/2016 -16.5 -15.6 03/2016 - 03/2017 41.3 50.4 140 03/2017 - 03/2018 8.3 7.1 120 03/2018 - 03/2019 27.8 6.5 03/2019 - 03/2020 -26.3 -37.5 100 03/2020 - 03/2021 33.5 80 03/2021 - 03/2022 29.7 26.8 03/2022 - 03/2023 -20.0 -194 60 28/03/2024 03/2023 - 03/2024 24.2 28.4 29/03/2019 30/09/2021 29/12/2022 Fund Benchmark: MSCI Brazil 10/40 Net TR in EUR (RI)

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 LC(EUR)												
	1 m	1 y	3 y	5 y s	. Inception	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2020	2021	2022	2023
EUR	0.7	24.2	28.9	43.3	64.6	-5.3	8.8	7.5	-14.9	-10.7	15.9	23.1
BM IN EUR	-0.7	28.4	31.2	9.4	27.5	-5.0	9.5	1.8	-26.2	-13.1	16.3	27.5

Further Characteristics (3 years) / VAR (1 year) - share class LC(EUR)									
Volatility	28.81%	Maximum Drawdown	-26.81%	VAR (99%/10 days)	9.82%				
Sharpe Ratio	0.25	Information Ratio	-0.15	Correlation Coefficient	0.97				
Alpha	-1.29%	Beta	1.02	Tracking Error	7.30%				

Portfolio Analysis			
Breakdown by Sector (Equities)	(in % of fund volume)	Principal Holdings (Equities)	(in % of fund volume)
Portfolio Breakdown according to M	ISCI	Itau Unibanco Holding SA (Financial	s) 8.0
Financials	31.2	Banco do Brasil SA (Financials)	6.4
Industrials	16.4	,	
Materials	11.6	Vale SA (Materials)	5.8
Energy	9.7	Localiza Rent a Car SA (Industrials)	5.4
Utilities	9.3	Rumo SA (Industrials)	5.3
Health Care	6.1	Petroleo Brasileiro SA (Energy)	5.2
Real Estate	5.1	B3 SA - Brasil Bolsa Balcao (Financi	als) 4.9
Consumer Discretionary	2.7	Centrais Eletricas Brasileiras SA (Ut	ilities) 4.8
Consumer Staples	2.7	Suzano SA (Materials)	4.5
Information Technology	2.7	Banco Bradesco SA (Financials)	4.5
Other Sectors	0.9	Total	54.8
Gross weighting, not adjusted for de	erivative positions.	Gross weighting, not adjusted for de	rivative positions.
Breakdown by Currency	(in % of fund volume)	Asset Allocation	(in % of fund volume)

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Brasilian real	86.9	Equities	98.4
United States dollar	■ 13.2	Cash and other assets	1.6
Euro	-0.1		

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

Note: The key terms are explained in the glossary.

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Portfolio Analysis	
Market Capitalization	(in % of fund volume)
> 10 Bn. > 5 Bn. < 10 Bn. > 1 Bn. < 5 Bn. < 1 Bn.	54.5 18.8 16.1 9.0

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

Key Figures regardi	ng the Fund's	Assets										
Number of Shares			37	Dividend '	Yield (in %)			3.8	Ø Market Cap		15,4	49.6 Mio. EUR
Cumulative performa	Cumulative performance (in %)											
	1 m	1 y	3 y	5 y	s. Inception	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2020	2021	2022	2023
FC(EUR)	0.8	25.4	32.5	50.1	90.6	-5.0	9.8	8.5	-14.1	-9.8	16.9	24.3
FC50(EUR)	0.9	26.2	34.9		62.0	-4.9	10.5		-13.6	-9.3	17.6	25.1
IC(EUR)	0.9	25.9	34.2	53.9	117.6	-4.9	10.3	9.0	-13.4	-9.4	17.4	24.8
LC(EUR)	0.7	24.2	28.9	43.3	64.6	-5.3	8.8	7.5	-14.9	-10.7	15.9	23.1
NC(EUR)	0.7	23.4	26.4	38.7	52.6	-5.4	8.1	6.8	-15.5	-11.2	15.1	22.3
TFC(EUR)	0.8	25.4	32.5	50.1	100.2	-5.0	9.8	8.5	-14.1	-9.8	16.9	24.3
USD IC(USD)	0.4	24.8	23.4		19.6	-7.5	7.3		-5.8	-16.5	10.2	30.2
USD LC(USD)	0.3	23.1	18.6		13.4	-7.9	5.9		-6.6	-17.7	8.8	28.5
USD TFC(USD)	0.4	24.4	22.3		19.9	-7.6	6.9		-4.6	-16.8	9.9	29.8

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Fund Data			
Portfolio Manager	Itau USA AM Inc. NY	Assets	108.7 Mio. EUR
Portfolio Manager since	15/05/2020	Fund Currency	EUR
Portfolio Management Company	Itau USA AM Inc. NY	Launch Date	01/10/2012
Portfolio Management Location	United States	Fiscal Year End	31/12/2024
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 (	Class	es								
Share Class	Cur.	ISIN Code	Swiss Sec. No.	Earnings	Front-end Load <sup>1</sup> up to	Redemption Price	Management Fee	Running costs / TER	plus performance- related fee	Minimum Invest- ment Amount
FC	EUR	LU0616857586	19761165	Accumulation	0.00%	190.58	0.850%	1.03% (1)		2,000,000
FC50	EUR	LU1987882872	48071771	Accumulation	0.00%	161.96	0.300%	0.40% (1)		50,000,000
IC	EUR	LU1573968200	35904930	Accumulation	0.00%	217.57	0.500%	0.58% (1)		10,000,000
LC	EUR	LU0616856935	19561316	Accumulation	5.00%	164.64	1.750%	1.93% (1)		
NC	EUR	LU0616857313	19719439	Accumulation	3.00%	152.57	2.200%	2.59% (1)		
TFC	EUR	LU1663839865	39498661	Accumulation	0.00%	200.19	0.850%	1.03% (1)		
USD IC	USD	LU2079148784	51384167	Accumulation	0.00%	119.64	0.500%	0.58% (1)		10,000,000
USD LC	USD	LU2079148867	22752888	Accumulation	5.00%	113.38	1.750%	1.93% (1)		
USD TFC	USD	LU2034325691	49563483	Accumulation	0.00%	119.92	0.750%	0.91% (1)		
(1) The Total	Expense	Ratio (TER) gene	erally includes a	all expense items of	charged to the Fund apa	rt from transaction costs and performa	ance fees. If the Fund i	nvests portions of its	assets in	

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Based on the gross investment.



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### Opportunities

In accordance with the investment policy.

- The fund invests in equities. Equities are subject to strong price fluctuations and thus also to the risk of price decreases.
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  The fund invests in emerging markets. Investing in assets from the emerging markets generally entails a greater risk (potentially including considerable legal, economic and political risks) than investing in assets from the markets of established countries.
  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

#### 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 substaintial, 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

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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.

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Past performance is not necessarily a guide to future returns.

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### 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

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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.