



# RBC Emerging Markets Dividend Fund

## Investment Objective

To provide long-term total returns consisting of dividend income and capital growth. The fund invests primarily in equity securities of companies located or active in emerging markets with above average dividend yields.

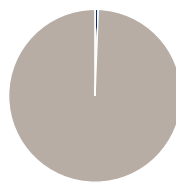
The Fund invests in dividend-paying companies that also possess desirable quality characteristics and are trading at attractive valuations. The investment team utilizes a proprietary screen to identify stock ideas, and then utilizes in-depth company-level research and a corporate governance checklist to drive the investment decision.

## Fund Details

Series	Currency	Fund Code
0	CAD	RBF286
Inception Date		June 2013
Total Fund Assets \$Mil		1,151.1
Benchmark		MSCI Emerging Markets Total Return Net Index (\$C)

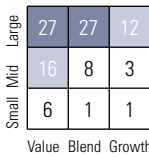
## Portfolio Analysis as of April 30, 2019

### Asset Mix



	% Assets
Cash	0.6
Fixed Income	0.0
Canadian Equity	0.0
US Equity	0.0
International Equity	99.4
Other	0.0

### Equity Style



Weight %
● > 50
● 25 - 50
● 10 - 25
○ 0 - 10

### Equity Statistics

P/B Ratio	1.3
P/E Ratio	9.8
P/FCF	4.3
P/S	0.9
Avg. Mkt Cap. \$B	25.5
Dividend Yield	2.9

### Top 5 Equity Sectors

	% Equity
Financials	27.4
Information Technology	18.0
Consumer Discretionary	14.3
Industrials	8.7
Energy	8.3
% in Top 5 Equity Sectors	76.6

### Risk Measures

	Fund	Benchmark
3 Year Std Dev	11.3	10.8
5 Year Std Dev	12.4	12.3

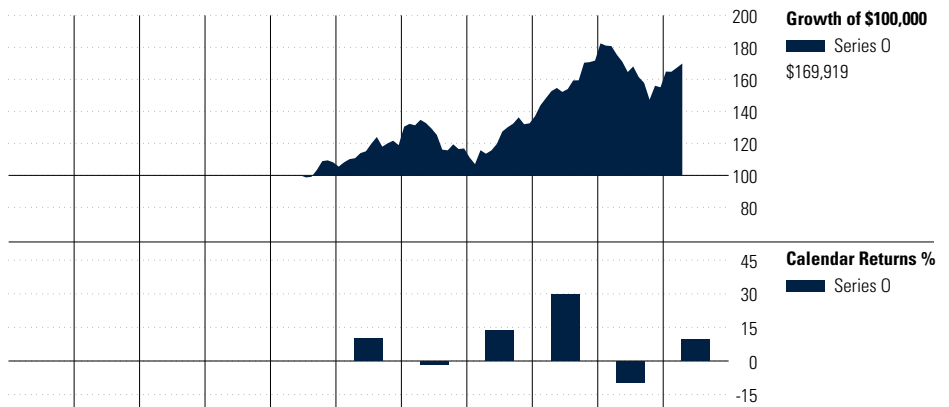
### Geographic Allocations

	% Assets
China	27.6
South Korea	11.6
Taiwan	10.3
South Africa	8.2
Brazil	7.3

### Top 10 Holdings

	% Assets
Naspers Ltd Class N	5.3
Samsung Electronics Co Ltd	4.2
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd ADR	4.0
China Construction Bank Corp Class H	3.9
Industrial and Comm Bank of China Ltd	3.9
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing	3.4
Ping An Insurance (Group) Co of China H	2.8
China Overseas Land & Investment Ltd	2.0
PLA Admin Industrial S de RL CV Sr	1.8
Aurobindo Pharma Ltd	1.6
Total % of Top 10 Holdings	32.9
Total Number of Stock Holdings	97
Total Number of Bond Holdings	0
Total Number of Other Holdings	1
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>98</b>

## Performance Analysis as of April 30, 2019



	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	YTD	Fund	Benchmark
Growth of \$100,000	—	—	—	—	—	10.0	-1.7	13.4	29.6	-9.7	9.6	169.919	10.5
Calendar Returns %	—	—	—	—	—	6.6	2.0	7.3	28.3	-6.9	9.6	10.5	10.5
Trailing Return %	1.6	3.1	15.4	-3.1	14.4	8.9	—	9.0	2.8	5.7	16.5	-0.4	13.9
	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.						
	2.8	5.7	16.5	-0.4	13.9	8.4	—	—					



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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Laurence Bensafi

#### RBC Global Asset Management (UK) Limited

Laurence Bensafi is Deputy Head, Emerging Markets Equities. Prior to joining the firm in 2013, Laurence was responsible for managing global emerging markets income funds and developing quantitative stock selection and environmental analysis models. Laurence is a CFA charterholder and a graduate of Toulouse University (France), where she obtained a Magistère d'Économiste Statisticien & D.E.S.S. Statistique et Économétrie.

### Performance Analysis Cont'd as of April 30, 2019

Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Total Distributions	0.04	0.71	0.55	0.32	0.36	0.42	0.12	—	—	—	—
Interest	0.04	0.36	0.31	0.32	0.30	0.31	0.12	—	—	—	—
Dividends	—	—	0.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	0.35	0.24	—	0.06	0.11	—	—	—	—	—
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	4-2017	34.4	2-2019	15.5	7-2018	11.2	—	—
Worst	2-2016	-19.1	6-2016	6.2	10-2018	6.2	—	—
Average		10.0		10.3		8.9		—
No. of Periods		59		35		11		—
Pct. Positive		67.8		100.0		100.0		—

\* Distributions are characterized into income type at year-end.

### Quarterly Commentary as at March 31, 2019

Emerging Markets equities posted a strong recovery in Q1 2019, following a challenging 2018.

China continues to be a key driver of performance, with the CSI 300 index of stocks listed in Shanghai and Shenzhen up over +30% over the quarter. Colombia was another top performer, posting a strong recovery from last year. Turkey was one of the few markets in EM to finish the quarter in negative territory. After a strong recovery in January, Turkey's equity and currency markets weakened as concerns resurfaced relating to president Erdogan's unorthodox approach to managing the economy. At the sector level, all sectors delivered a positive return over the quarter.

The biggest contributor to relative returns was our holding PLA Administradora Industrial/Terrafina as the share price of the Mexican real estate investment company strengthened alongside a broader recovery in EM equities. Sany Heavy also

contributed as its share price rallied after it guided for a net profit increase of approximately 200% for 2018. Luxury Kweichow Moutai Spirits brand was a contributor as it continued to deliver strong results on the back of demand from a growing Chinese middle class.

A holding in Shimao Property Holdings was the biggest detractor from relative returns. The Chinese property sector has been weak due to concerns that the property market in China may be slowing. We sold our position in Shimao. China Resources Power's share price weakened on the back of its announcement to cut its dividend for 2018 and adjust its dividend policy which could result in a lower-than-expected payout ratio in future. As the largest underweight in the portfolio, Tencent detracted as its shares recovered after last year's challenging regulatory environment for online gaming in China.



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