



# RBC Emerging Markets Equity Class

## Investment Objective

To provide long-term capital growth. The fund invests its assets primarily in equity securities of companies located or active in emerging markets either directly or indirectly through investment in other mutual funds managed by RBC GAM or an affiliate.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	CAD	RBF3013
A	No Load	USD	RBF3045
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF3213
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF3413
Adv	Low Load	USD	RBF3445

Inception Date	December 2011
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	280.6
Series A NAV \$	19.74
Series A MER %	2.25
Benchmark	MSCI Emerging Markets Total Return Net Index (\$C)

Income Distribution	Annually
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

Sales Status	Open
Min. Investment \$	500
Subsequent Investment \$	25

Fund Category	Emerging Markets Equity
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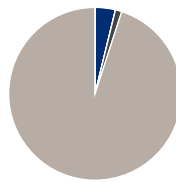
Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
Web Site	www.rbcgam.com

## Notes

Performance Analysis is in CAD and for CAD series A fund (RBF3013).

## Portfolio Analysis as of April 30, 2019

### Asset Mix

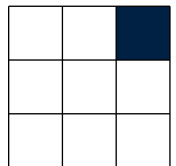


	% Assets
Cash	3.8
Fixed Income	0.0
Canadian Equity	0.0
US Equity	1.2
International Equity	95.0
Other	0.0

### Top 10 Holdings

	% Assets
Naspers Ltd Class N	6.6
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing	5.2
AIA Group Ltd	5.0
Housing Development Finance Corp Ltd	4.7
Tata Consultancy Services Ltd	4.0
Unilever PLC	3.7
Ping An Insurance (Group) Co of China H	3.6
Antofagasta PLC	2.9
SM Investments Corp	2.8
Fomento Economico Mexicano SAB de CV	2.7
ADR	
Total % of Top 10 Holdings	41.2
Total Number of Stock Holdings	51
Total Number of Bond Holdings	0
Total Number of Other Holdings	1
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>52</b>

### Equity Style



Value Blend Growth

### Equity Statistics

P/B Ratio	2.2
P/E Ratio	15.9
Avg. Mkt Cap. \$B	40.4

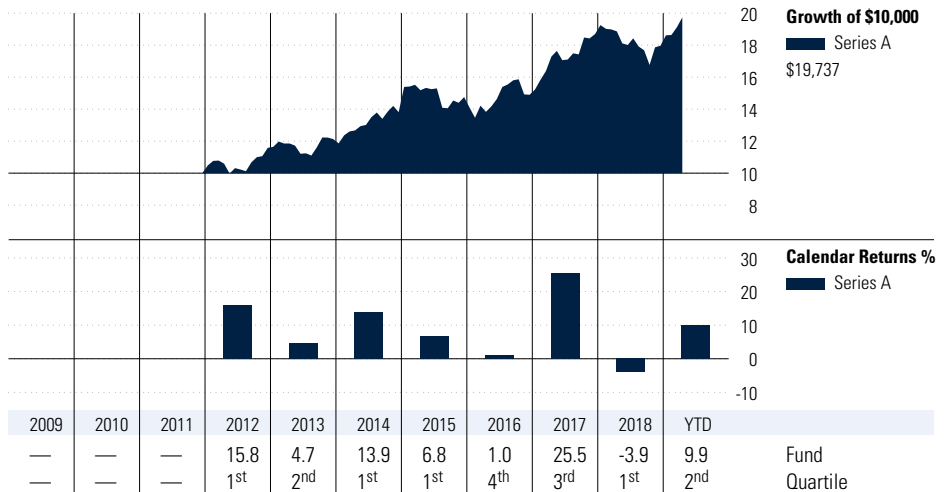
### Top 5 Sectors

	% Equity
Financials	32.9
Consumer Staples	16.0
Consumer Discretionary	14.4
Information Technology	13.2
Communication Services	8.3

### Geographic Allocations

	% Assets
China	14.2
Taiwan	12.5
India	12.3
South Africa	11.1
South Korea	8.6

## Performance Analysis as of April 30, 2019



	1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.	Trailing Return %
	3.3	6.0	17.8	4.6	12.6	9.3	—	9.7	Fund
	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	—	—	Quartile
	341	340	331	282	170	131	58	—	No. of Funds in Category



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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Philippe Langham

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

Philippe is Head of Emerging Markets Equities & Senior Portfolio Manager. He has worked in the investment industry since 1992 and joined the firm in 2009 to establish and lead the team that manages the emerging markets equity strategies. Prior to RBC, Philippe was Head of Global Emerging Markets with Société Générale Asset Management S.A. Philippe holds a Bachelor's degree in Economics from the University of Manchester and is a qualified Chartered Accountant.

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

Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Total Distributions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	1-2015	29.7	5-2015	15.4	5-2017	12.1	—	—
Worst	2-2016	-12.7	2-2016	4.0	10-2018	6.5	—	—
Average		9.4		9.3		9.6		—
No. of Periods		77		53		29		—
Pct. Positive		85.7		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 Softbank. Softbank's share price strengthened after the company announced a USD5.5bn share buyback which will be funded by proceeds from Softbank's recent sale of 37% of its domestic telecommunications business. Asian insurer AIA Group's share price appreciated

alongside a broader recovery in Asia equity markets and was also bolstered by the strong value of new business growth led by China. Chilean copper miner Antofagasta also contributed after reporting strong Q4 results and benefitting from a recovery in copper prices.

The biggest detractor from relative returns was Alibaba as the company's share price rebounded strongly amid a broader recovery in China, and China tech in particular. We have sold out of Alibaba as we have concerns regarding its corporate governance and accounting practices. Hero MotoCorp also detracted as the company reported mixed quarterly results on the back of increased competitive intensity and GST implementation and liquidity tightening. HDFC detracted after its share price declined alongside broader weakness in India equity markets amid uncertainty relating to the upcoming presidential elections.



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