



# RBC Asian Equity Fund

## Investment Objective

To provide long-term capital growth by investing primarily in equity securities of companies located or having a principal business interest in Asian 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	RBF170
Adv	Deferred Sales	CAD	RBF863
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF772
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF175

Inception Date	July 2002
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	68.3
Series A NAV \$	11.39
Series A MER %	2.00
Benchmark	MSCI AC Asia Pacific Total Return Net Index (CAD)

Income Distribution	Annually
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

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

Fund Category	Asia Pacific Equity
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Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
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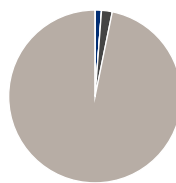
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## Notes

Fund's investment objective changed effective June 23, 2014.

## Portfolio Analysis as of September 30, 2017

### Asset Mix

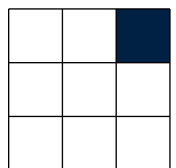


	% Assets
Cash	1.2
Fixed Income	0.0
Canadian Equity	0.0
US Equity	2.0
International Equity	96.8
Other	0.0

### Top 25 Holdings

	% Assets
Tencent Holdings Ltd	3.3
CSL Ltd	2.8
SoftBank Group Corp	2.6
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd ADR	2.4
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	2.1
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing	2.0
Ping An Insurance Group	2.0
Shinhan Financial Group Co Ltd	2.0
AIA Group Ltd	1.9
CP All PCL Shs Foreign Registered	1.6
SK Hynix Inc	1.6
Samsung Fire & Marine Insurance Co Ltd	1.6
HDFC Bank Ltd ADR	1.5
Catcher Technology Co Ltd	1.5
Largan Precision Co Ltd	1.4
Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group Inc	1.4
Korea Electric Power Corp	1.4
HDFC Bank Ltd	1.4
Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group Inc	1.3
Mizuho Financial Group Inc	1.3
Suzuki Motor Corp	1.3
MediaTek Inc	1.2
Yahoo Japan Corp	1.1
Bridgestone Corp	1.1
NetEase Inc ADR	1.1
Total % of Top 25 Holdings	43.0
Total Number of Stock Holdings	123
Total Number of Bond Holdings	0
Total Number of Other Holdings	1
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>124</b>

### Equity Style



Value Blend Growth

### Equity Statistics

P/B Ratio	2.1
P/E Ratio	16.9
Avg. Mkt Cap. \$B	23.6

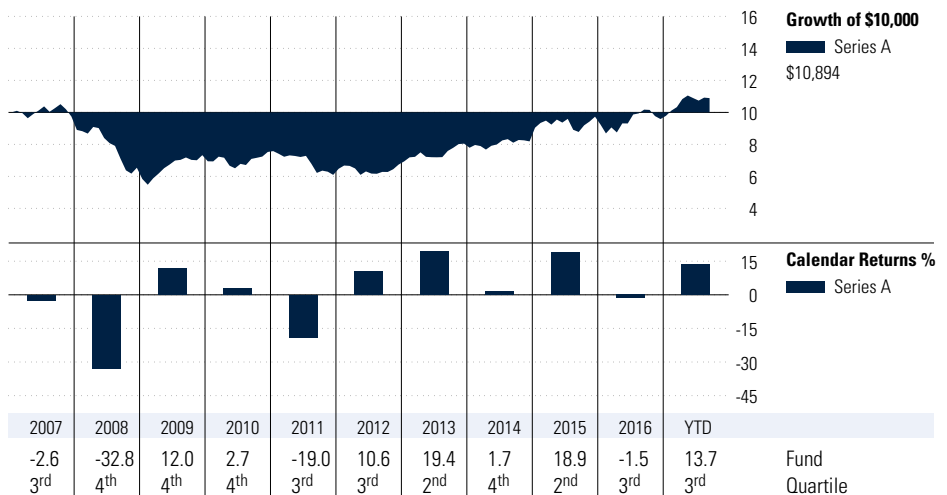
### Top 5 Sectors

	% Equity
Information Technology	24.3
Financials	21.4
Consumer Discretionary	13.6
Industrials	8.5
Consumer Staples	8.3

### Geographic Allocations

	% Assets
Japan	37.9
China	14.5
South Korea	10.4
Australia	8.9
India	7.3

## Performance Analysis as of September 30, 2017



1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.	Trailing Return %
-0.3	0.0	5.5	7.1	10.3	11.6	0.6	2.8	Fund
4 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	—	Quartile
55	55	55	54	38	35	30	—	No. of Funds in Category



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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Mayur Nallamala

#### RBC Investment Management (Asia) Limited

Mayur Nallamala is Senior Portfolio Manager and the Head of Asian Equities. He has been in the investment industry since 1998, and prior to joining the firm in 2013 was a portfolio manager at JP Morgan Asset Management in Hong Kong. He was responsible for Asia Pacific ex-Japan mandates managing assets on behalf of sovereign wealth, institutional and retail clients around the world. He spent his early career at Chase Futures & Options in London and at ABN AMRO in Hong Kong. Mayur holds a Bachelor of Science from the London School of Economics.

### Performance Analysis Cont'd as of September 30, 2017

Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Total Distributions	—	—	0.07	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.00	—	—	—	—
Interest	—	—	0.07	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.00	—	—	—	—
Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	3-2004	45.4	4-2006	22.6	5-2017	12.6	4-2013	3.7
Worst	11-2008	-39.4	2-2009	-15.5	7-2012	-9.9	7-2012	-1.2
Average		5.3		4.2		2.3		1.2
No. of Periods		171		147		123		63
Pct. Positive		68.4		66.7		56.9		85.7

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

### Quarterly Commentary as at September 30, 2017

Asian markets posted robust gains during the third quarter, following a strong first-half performance. Investor sentiment improved on rising earnings expectations for the region, as well as stabilizing economic indicators in China. The strongest-performing markets in Asia during the period were China, Hong Kong and Thailand. The Indian market, where valuations were arguably expensive at the start of the year, fared surprisingly well, even with relatively soft earnings.

In the portion of the Fund that excludes Japan, the Information Technology and Real Estate sectors outperformed, while the Industrials and Telecommunication Services sectors lagged the benchmark. In the Japanese equity segment, the Industrials and Consumer Discretionary sectors were the leading contributors to the Fund's performance, while the Financials sector held back returns relative to the benchmark.

The allocations to Japanese equities and to Asian

equities excluding Japan both had a positive impact on the Fund's performance. The Japanese segment contributed the most to returns.

Equity markets have so far shrugged off North Korea's development of nuclear weapons and related U.S. threats. However, economic indicators in the region and commodity prices have softened somewhat, and China's central bank may reduce monetary stimulus following an important Communist Party congress. Japan's economy has gathered strength in recent months, reflecting rising incomes and consumer spending on the back of a tighter labour market. Inflation pressure has picked up from a year ago but is still weaker than the Bank of Japan would like.

Japan held recent elections to take advantage of a streak of positive economic data and Prime Minister Abe's improved approval ratings after a cabinet reshuffle in July.



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Adjusted MER is provided for funds with management fee changes effective June 30, 2016. The Adjusted MER represents what the reported MER would have been had management fee changes been in effect throughout 2016.

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