

# Changes to JPMorgan Funds – Asia Equity Fund (the ‘Sub-Fund’).

August 2017 | Changes to the Sub-Fund’s Name, Prospectus and Portfolio Managers from 29 September 2017

## 1 What is changing?

The investment objective and policy of the Sub-Fund will change so that the Sub-Fund invests primarily in a concentrated portfolio of growth biased companies in Asia (excluding Japan).

In connection with this, the Sub-Fund will be re-named JPMorgan Funds - Asia Growth Fund and the investor profile of the Sub-Fund will be updated.

## 2 Why are these changes being made?

The Investment Manager believes, and the Board concurs, that it is in the best interests of shareholders to change the investment objective and policy of the Sub-Fund so that the Sub-Fund invests primarily in a concentrated portfolio of growth biased companies in Asia (excluding Japan). The Sub-Fund will target equity securities of companies which are expected to grow at an above-average rate relative to the market.

Following an internal review of the investment capabilities in the Asia regional range, it was determined that a change of strategy should make the Sub-Fund a more competitive offering in this space, which could improve its ability to attract new investments.

## 3 Who will be managing the Sub-Fund?

From September 2017, the Sub-Fund will be managed by Joanna Kwok and Mark Davids. Joanna and Mark will manage the Sub-Fund under the JPMorgan Asia Growth Strategy, which employs a high conviction, concentrated, all-cap approach focused on bottom-up stock selection in quality growth companies.

## 4 How will the investment strategy of the Sub-Fund change?

In contrast with the existing strategy which also incorporates country allocation views, the new strategy focuses primarily on bottom-up stock selection<sup>2</sup>, leveraging our comprehensive research platform to identify high conviction ideas in quality growth companies<sup>3</sup> with sustainably high returns and growth prospects.

The new strategy also allows the portfolio management team flexibility in running a more concentrated portfolio, while staying within the current guidelines of approximately 40-60 holdings.

### Biographies of the portfolio managers

**Joanna Kwok**, *executive director*, is a portfolio manager within the Asia Pacific Regional team within the Emerging Markets and Asia Pacific (EMAP) Equities team based in Hong Kong. She joined the firm in 2002 as an analyst within the Hong Kong Bond team and took up her current role in 2005. Prior to joining the Firm, Joanna spent three years with PricewaterhouseCoopers in London where she qualified as a chartered accountant, and one year in Hong Kong as a senior associate in their banking and capital markets division. Joanna obtained a B.A. (Honours) in Natural Sciences from Downing College, Cambridge University.

In May 2017 Joanna was awarded the 2017 Fund Manager of the Year in the Long-Only Equity category by The Asset Triple A Asset Servicing. She was also named in the Top 20 Female Fund Managers by Citywire in 2016.<sup>1</sup>

**Mark Davids**, *managing director*, is a portfolio manager and the co-head of the Asia Pacific Regional team within the Emerging Markets and Asia Pacific (EMAP) Equities team based in Hong Kong. In October 2007, Mark relocated from London to Tokyo to head the behavioural finance investment desk in Japan, and relocated to Hong Kong in 2009 to expand the process into the Asia Pacific region. An employee since 1997, Mark started his career as a pan-European investment analyst and subsequently became a senior portfolio manager within J.P. Morgan Asset Management’s European Equities team. Prior to joining the firm, he worked at the European Commission. Mark obtained a B.A. (Joint Honours) in History and German from the University of Manchester and earned a M.Sc. in International Political Economy from the London School of Economics. He is a CFA Charterholder.

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<sup>2</sup> A selection which is based on the analysis of an individual company.

<sup>3</sup> Growth companies’ are companies whose equity securities are expected to grow at an above-average rate relative to the market.

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### 5 Are there any costs associated to these changes?

These changes will lead to approximately 30% turnover of assets. Transaction costs are estimated at 25-45 basis points (0.25% - 0.45% of the market value of the Sub-Fund) and will be borne by the Sub-Fund.

### 6 Will the risk profile of the Sub-Fund change?

No. There will be no change to the risk profile of the Sub-Fund. Additionally, the Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator (SRRI) in the Key Investor Information Document (KIID) will remain the same.

### 7 Will the Fund stay in the same Morningstar Category?

The Sub-Fund will stay in the same Morningstar category – Asia ex Japan and the benchmark will not change.

### 8 When will the changes be implemented?

The changes are expected to be implemented on 29 September 2017.

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