

# RS Emerging Markets Fund\*

(Class A) (GBEMX)

Fourth Quarter 2011

All data as of December 31, 2011

## Fund Facts

### Objective

- Long-term capital appreciation.

### Investment Strategy

- The Fund invests at least 80% of its net assets in a diversified portfolio of equity securities issued by companies in emerging markets.
- The Fund uses a bottom-up, stock-driven approach to country and asset allocation, with the objective to select stocks that can sustain an above-average growth rate and trade at a reasonable price.

### Investment Team

RS Emerging Markets Fund is co-managed by the RS International Team which includes Timothy Campbell, Richard E. Sneller, and William Sutcliffe. The RS International Team is sub-advised by Baillie Gifford Overseas LTD and consists of 21 seasoned investment professionals who, on average, have over 13 years of investment experience.

### Share Class: Ticker Symbol

A: GBEMX B: REMBX C: REMGX K: REMKX  
Y: RSENX

### Fees and Expenses

Share Class	Gross Expenses <sup>2</sup>	Net Expenses
A	1.57%	N/A
B	2.46%	N/A
C	2.32%	N/A
K	1.93%	N/A
Y	1.20%	N/A

### Role in Portfolio

- Core Holding - Emerging Markets Exposure

### Risk Factors

As with all mutual funds, the value of an investment in the Fund could decline, so you could lose money. International investing involves special risks, which include changes in currency rates, foreign taxation and differences in auditing standards and securities regulations, political uncertainty and greater volatility. The value of a debt security is affected by changes in interest rates and is subject to any credit risk of the issuer or guarantor of the security. These risks are even greater when investing in emerging markets.

## Performance

Performance (Average Annual Total Returns)	Fourth Quarter 2011	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since Inception (5/1/97)
<b>RS Emerging Markets Fund, Class A</b>							
without sales charge	7.97%	-20.98%	-20.98%	21.69%	2.78%	14.71%	8.68%
with sales charge (max 4.75%)	2.82%	-24.72%	-24.72%	19.72%	1.78%	14.16%	8.32%
<b>MSCI Emerging Markets Free Index<sup>1</sup></b>	4.45%	-18.17%	-18.17%	20.42%	2.70%	14.20%	6.68%
<b>Lipper Emerging Markets Fund Objective Average<sup>1</sup></b>	3.98%	-20.33%	-20.33%	18.38%	0.35%	12.93%	N/A

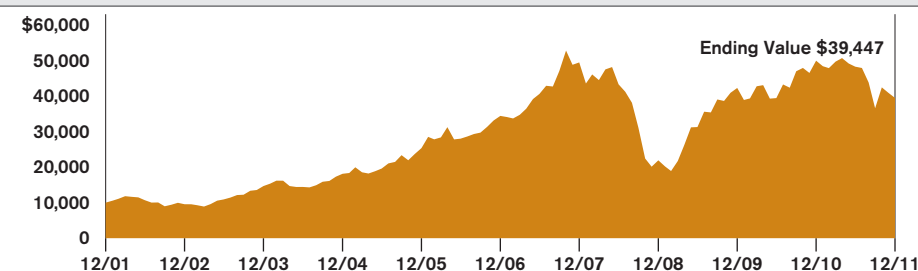
Performance returns for periods of less than one year are not annualized.

Performance quoted represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. The Fund is the successor to The Guardian Baillie Gifford Emerging Markets Fund; performance shown includes performance of the predecessor fund for periods prior to 10/9/2006. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate, so shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please keep in mind that any high double-digit returns are highly unusual and cannot be sustained. The Fund's total gross annual operating expense ratio as of the most current prospectus for the Class A Shares is 1.57%. The performance quoted "with maximum sales charge" reflects the current maximum sales charge of 4.75%. Current performance may be lower or higher than performance data quoted. Performance current to the most recent month-end is available by contacting RS Investments at 800-766-3863 and is frequently updated on our Web site: [www.RSinvestments.com](http://www.RSinvestments.com).

Please read the prospectus carefully for more information on sales charges as they do not apply in all cases and if applied are reduced for larger purchases. Any sales charges are in addition to the Fund's fees and expenses as detailed in the Fund's most current prospectus. Fees and expenses are factored into the net asset value of your shares and any performance numbers we release. Total return figures reflect an expense limitation in effect during the periods shown. Without such limitation, the performance shown would have been lower. Performance results assume the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. The return figures shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder may pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares.

### Growth of a \$10,000 Investment (Class A shares without sales charge)

12/31/01 - 12/31/11



This illustration is based on an initial investment of \$10,000 in Class A shares made on 12/31/01. The illustration represents those of Class A shares without the imposition of any sales charges. If sales charges were included, returns would be lower. Please keep in mind that high, double-digit and/or triple-digit returns are highly unusual and cannot be sustained. Results are hypothetical.

Performance for other share classes will vary.

### Calendar-Year Total Return (%)

Class A

1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
-28.97	-69.91	-23.88	1.68	-4.50	53.53	25.53	39.83	35.79	43.72
2008	2009	2010	2011						
-55.70	92.96	18.15	-20.98						

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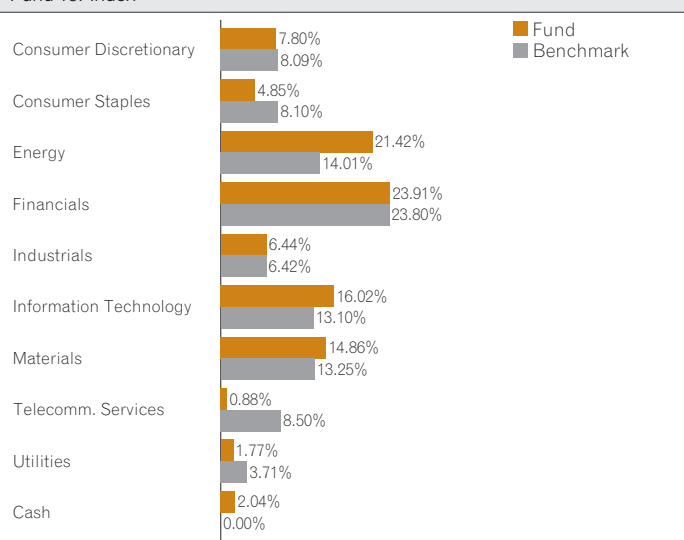
Returns represent those of Class A shares at net asset value, without the imposition of any sales charges but with dividends and capital gains reinvested from each time period. If sales charges were included, returns would be lower. Performance for other share classes will vary. This information is provided to assist you in assessing the risks of investing in the Fund and to demonstrate how the Fund's performance varies from year to year.

## Portfolio Information

Top Ten Holdings <sup>3</sup>	
Samsung Electronics	4.45%
Dragon Oil (LON)	3.37%
Vale ON ADR 1:1	3.10%
Tullow Oil	2.94%
China Shenhua EN.CO.'H'	2.77%
Taiwan Semicon. Mnfg.	2.62%
Gulf Keystone PTL.(DI)	2.24%
Hon Hai Precen. Ind.	2.18%
China Life Insurance (Taiwan)	2.08%
Hyundai Glovis	1.89%
<b>Total</b>	<b>27.64%</b>

## Sector Allocation<sup>4</sup>

Fund vs. Index<sup>†</sup>

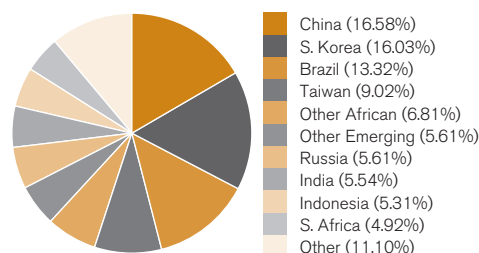


† MSCI Emerging Markets Free Index

Fund Data vs Benchmark		
	Fund	MSCI Emerging Markets Free Index
Weighted Average Market Capitalization	\$30,535(mil)	\$33,834(mil)
Alpha <sup>†*</sup>	-0.49	—
Beta <sup>†*</sup>	1.11	1.00
R <sup>2</sup> <sup>†*</sup>	0.98	1.00
Information Ratio <sup>†*</sup>	0.24	—
Sharpe Ratio <sup>†*</sup>	0.75	0.79
Portfolio Turnover Ratio - Most Recent Annual	44	—
Number of Positions	80	—
Assets	\$1,576,076,659	—

<sup>†</sup>Risk characteristics are relative to the MSCI Emerging Markets Free Index as of 12/31/11, and for the three-year period where appropriate. Please see below for more information on data measurement explanations.

## Geographic Allocation



**1** The Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) Emerging Markets Free Index total return data is provided by Morgan Stanley Capital International. The MSCI Emerging Markets Free Index is a market capitalization-weighted index composed of companies representative of the market structure of 22 emerging market countries in Europe, Latin America, and the Pacific Basin; it excludes closed markets and those shares in otherwise free markets which may not be purchased by foreigners. The MSCI Emerging Markets Free Index is an unmanaged index that is not available for direct investment. There are no expenses associated with the index, but there are expenses associated with the Fund. The Lipper Emerging Markets Fund Objective Average includes all funds in the group in existence in the Lipper database for the periods, and does not reflect any deductions for sales charges.

**2** An expense limitation with respect to the Fund's Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses is imposed pursuant to a written agreement in effect through April 30, 2012, to limit the Fund's Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses to 1.65% for Class A shares, 2.52% for Class B shares, 2.45% for Class C shares, and 1.96% for Class K shares.

**3** Portfolio holdings are subject to change and should not be considered a recommendation to buy or sell individual securities.

**4** The Fund's holdings are allocated to each sector based on their GICS classification. If a holdings is not classified by GICS, it is assigned a GICS designation by RS Investments. Cash includes short-term investments and net other assets and liabilities.

\* Alpha (annualized) is a statistical measurement used to quantify the value added or subtracted by a portfolio manager. Specifically, alpha measures the portfolio's actual return against the portfolio's expected return given the risk of the portfolio as defined by its beta.

\* Beta is a statistical measurement of a portfolio's relative sensitivity to the benchmark, which acts as a proxy for market risk. The beta between a portfolio and its benchmark is the amount of units the portfolio will move when the benchmark moves one unit.

\* R<sup>2</sup> is a statistical measurement that shows the percentage of a portfolio's movements that can be explained by the movement in the benchmark. The numerical value of a portfolio's R<sup>2</sup> is always between 0 and 1. An R<sup>2</sup> of 1 (or 100%) means that there is perfect correlation in the movement between the portfolio and the benchmark.

\* Information Ratio is a measure of the value added per unit of active risk by a manager over the benchmark. The Information Ratio is calculated by dividing the annualized excess return over a benchmark by the annualized standard deviation of excess return.

\* Sharpe Ratio is a statistical measurement of the risk-adjusted performance of the portfolio. The ratio is calculated by dividing a portfolio's excess return over the risk-free rate (generally a 3-month T-bill) by the standard deviation of its excess returns. This approximates a portfolio's reward per unit of risk.

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