# FIDELITY ASIAN VALUES PLC

#### **31 DECEMBER 2020**

### Investment Objective

To achieve long-term capital growth through investment principally in the stockmarkets of the Asian Region (excluding Japan).

## **Investment Trust Facts**

Launch date: Portfolio manager: Appointed to trust:	13.06.96 Nitin Bajaj 01.04.15
Years at Fidelity:	17
Total Net Assets (TNA):	£ 319m
Ordinary shares in Issue:	73,189,834
Share price:	415.00p
NAV:	436.10p
Discount:	4.84%
Gross Market Gearing:	7.4%
Net Market Gearing:	0.0%

# Performance Comparator

Market Index:

MSCI All Country Asia ex Japan Small Cap (N) Index

The same index is used in the positioning tables on this factsheet. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. The value of investments can go down as well as up and you may get back less than you invested.

# Cumulative performance in GBP (%)



Performance is shown for the last five years (or since launch for funds launched within that period).

# Portfolio Manager Commentary

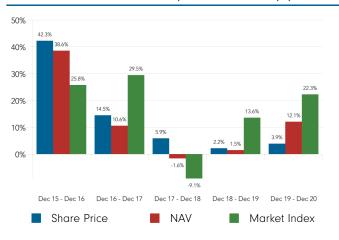
The Trust's NAV posted 12.1% returns during the 12-month period ended 31 December 2020, underperforming its reference index which rose 22.3%. The Trust's share price rose 3.9% over the year but lagged the reference index.

The underperformance was mainly because of the Trust's small cap and value approach at a time when growth style outperformed. However of late investors appear to be rotating out of growth stocks and into value names that are expected to benefit from an economic recovery. Stock selection proved unrewarding, particularly in South Korea, Indonesia and Taiwan, and in financials and industrials sectors. Conversely, selection of stocks in Singapore and Australia and real estate and consumer discretionary proved rewarding.

The current situation is expected to reverse in favour of small-cap value stocks, but it will be difficult to predict the catalyst and the timing of this reversal. However, the market environment is offering an unprecedented opportunity to invest in high quality value companies in the Asian smaller companies space that are available at attractive valuations.

Overall, the Trust was overweight in consumer discretionary, financials and utilities sectors, and it was underweight in real estate, information technology and industrials. At a country level, the Trust continued to be overweight China, Australia and Indonesia and underweight mainly in Taiwan, South Korea and Malaysia.

# Performance for 12 month periods in GBP (%)



# Performance to 31.12.20 in GBP (%)

	1m	3m	YTD	1yr	3yr	5yr	Since 13.06.96*
Share Price Cumulative Growth	4.4	22.3	3.9	3.9	12.5	83.2	411.8
NAV Cumulative Growth	2.6	16.0	12.1	12.1	11.9	71.4	419.1
Index Cumulative Growth	3.9	13.2	22.3	22.3	26.4	105.7	275.6
Share Price Annualised Growth	-	-	-	3.9	4.0	12.9	6.9
NAV Annualised Growth	-	-	-	12.1	3.8	11.4	6.9
Index Annualised Growth	-	-	-	22.3	8.1	15.5	5.5

Basis: bid-bid with income reinvested, in GBP, net of fees.

Market indices are sourced from RIMES and other data is sourced from third-party providers such as Morningstar.

# Key Risks

The value of investments can go down as well as up and you may not get back the amount invested. Overseas investments may be more volatile than established markets. The shares in the investment trust are listed on the London Stock Exchange and their price is affected by supply and demand. The investment trust can gain additional exposure to the market, known as gearing, potentially increasing volatility.



<sup>\*</sup>Performance commencement date.

# Equity Exposure % Total Net Assets (% TNA)

	Exposure (% TNA)
Gross Market Exposure	107.4
Net Equity	97.0
Other	0.0
Uninvested Cash	3.0

Notes on Portfolio Construction and a description of how data is calculated and presented are on page 3. Definitions of the terms used in the Equity Exposure table are in the Glossary.

# Sector/Industry Exposure (% TNA)

GICS Sector	Net	Index	Relative
Consumer Discretionary	22.0	12.0	9.9
Information Technology	14.8	20.8	-6.0
Financials	14.6	8.0	6.6
Industrials	11.6	15.0	-3.4
Materials	9.2	10.4	-1.2
Health Care	7.0	10.1	-3.1
Consumer Staples	6.2	4.7	1.5
Utilities	4.1	2.4	1.6
Real Estate	3.1	10.6	-7.5
Energy	1.8	1.7	0.1
Communication Services	1.2	4.2	-3.0
Total Sector Exposure	95.6	100.0	

1.4

97.0

0.0

100.0

# Market Capitalisation Exposure (% TNA)

GBP	Net	Index	Relative
>10bn	16.2	0.0	16.2
5-10bn	3.6	0.4	3.2
1-5bn	19.9	49.7	-29.8
0-1bn	55.6	45.8	9.8
Total Market Cap Exposure	95.2	95.9	
Other Index / Unclassified	1.8	4.1	
Total Equity Exposure	97.0	100.0	

# Country Exposure (% TNA)

Country

India

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India

China

	Net	Index	Relative
India	21.5	17.6	3.8
China	20.1	13.1	7.0
Korea (South)	11.3	21.2	-10.0
Indonesia	8.4	2.3	6.1
Taiwan	8.3	24.1	-15.8
Hong Kong	7.3	6.4	0.9
Australia	7.0	0.0	7.0
USA	2.9	0.0	2.9
Singapore	2.4	5.6	-3.2
Philippines	2.3	1.0	1.3
Others	5.5	8.5	-3.0
Total Country Exposure	97.0	99.9	
Other Index / Unclassified	0.0	0.1	
Total Equity Exposure	97.0	100.0	

Net

2.9

2.6

2.5

2.1

Index

0.0

0.0

0.1

0.0

Relative

2.9

2.6

2.4

2.1

2.0 1.9 1.9 1.7 1.6 1.5

# Top Net Long Positions (% TNA)

Other Index / Unclassified

**Total Equity Exposure** 

	GICS Sector
AXIS BK LTD	Financials
HDFC BANK LTD	Financials
GRANULES INDIA LTD	Health Care
CHINA YONGDA AUTO SVC HLDG	Consumer Discretionary
TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MFG CO	Information Technology
POWER GRID CORP OF INDIA LTD	Utilities
ARWANA CITRAMULIA TBK PT	Industrials
SK HYNIX INC	Information Technology
FUFENG GROUP LTD	Materials
SHRIRAM TRANSPORT FIN CO LTD	Financials

Taiwan	2.0	0.0
India	1.9	0.0
Indonesia	1.9	0.0
Korea (South)	1.7	0.0
China	1.6	0.1
India	1.5	0.0

# Top Overweight Positions (% TNA)

	Net	Index	Relative
AXIS BK LTD	2.9	0.0	2.9
HDFC BANK LTD	2.6	0.0	2.6
GRANULES INDIA LTD	2.5	0.1	2.4
CHINA YONGDA AUTO SVC HLDG	2.1	0.0	2.1
TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MFG CO	2.0	0.0	2.0
POWER GRID CORP OF INDIA LTD	1.9	0.0	1.9
ARWANA CITRAMULIA TBK PT	1.9	0.0	1.9
SK HYNIX INC	1.7	0.0	1.7
FUFENG GROUP LTD	1.6	0.1	1.6
SHRIRAM TRANSPORT FIN CO LTD	1.5	0.0	1.5

# Net Long Positions Concentration (% TNA)

	Fund	Index
Top 10	20.9	3.8
Top 20	34.0	6.8
Top 50	60.9	14.0

# Top Underweight Positions (% TNA)

	Net	Index	Relative
Short Position - name withheld	-0.5	0.0	-0.5
Mapletree industrial reit	0.0	0.4	-0.4
MAN WAH HLDGS LTD	0.0	0.4	-0.4
21VIANET GROUP INC	0.0	0.4	-0.4
SINO-AMERICAN SILICON PRDS	0.0	0.4	-0.4
HYUNDAI MERCHANT MARINE CO	0.0	0.4	-0.4
VITASOY INTL HLDGS LTD	0.0	0.4	-0.4
PARADE TECHNOLOGIES LTD	0.0	0.4	-0.4
Short Position - name withheld	-0.3	0.0	-0.3
MACRONIX INTL CO LTD	0.0	0.3	-0.3

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### Approach and Style

Nitin Bajaj aims to generate outperformance mainly through stock selection within the Asia Pacific ex Japan universe. He prefers investing in smaller companies because they tend to be less well researched, which leads to greater valuation anomalies. His fundamental analysis involves the evaluation of various factors including, but not limited to, stock valuation, financial strength, cash flows, company's competitive advantages, business prospects and earnings potential. His style is tilted towards value and he has a two to three year investment horizon.

# Administrative & Dealing Information

Financial Year End:
Reference currency:
Company domicile:
Company legal structure:
Capital guarantee:
ISIN:
SEDOL:
Bloomberg:
Distribution frequency:

Charges made to income or capital: Other Ongoing Costs (including

AMC/excluding Portfolio transaction costs): Portfolio Transaction Costs:

Annual Management Charge:

Last VMF adjustment (+/- 0.2%) applied at month end:

\*Variable element of fee all charged to capital

31st July UK Sterling (GBP) United Kingdom Investment Trust No GB0003322319 0332231 FAS LN Annual Income\*

0.98% 0.41%

0.70% (net assets)+/-0.20% (based on performance relative to the Market Index)

-0.20%

# **Independent Assessment**

Information in this section is the latest available at date of publication. Further details can be found in the Glossary section of this factsheet. As some ratings agencies may use past performance to produce their assessments, these are not a reliable indicator of future results.



# Portfolio Construction - Explained

This factsheet contains information about the composition of the fund at a particular point in time. It aims to help you understand how the fund manager is positioned to achieve the fund's objectives.

The Equity Exposure table provides an overall view of the fund. Net Equity represents - in percentage terms - how much of the fund is invested in the market, netting off long and short positions. The higher the figure, the more the fund will take part in any market rises (or falls). It is important to note that Net Equity can be greater than 100% (for example if the manager is using derivative contracts) and when it is, the portfolio may be described as geared.

The exposure and positioning tables on page 2 break the fund down into a number of different views, each providing a different perspective on the fund's investments.

# How data is calculated and presented

Portfolio composition data has been calculated and presented according to several general principles, which are listed below.

- **Aggregation**: all investments, including derivatives, linked to a particular issuing company have been combined to form a total percentage holding for each company. The aggregate holding is referred to in this factsheet as a position. Where a company is listed in two separate countries, each listing may be classified as a separate issuing company. Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs) and derivatives on ETFs are treated as individual securities ie not aggregated.
- **Categorisation**: for investments that have underlying securities we use the attributes of the underlying issuing company or common share to determine the appropriate sector, market capitalisation band and geographic area.
- **Derivatives:** all derivatives are included on an exposure basis and, where necessary, are delta-adjusted. Delta-adjusting expresses derivatives in terms of the equivalent number of shares that would be needed to generate the same return.
- "Basket" securities: securities that represent a number of company shares like index futures or options are allocated to categories (such as country) whenever possible. Otherwise they are included in the "Other Index / Unclassified" category.

## Glossary / Additional Notes

#### **Equity Exposure notes**

#### **GROSS MARKET EXPOSURE**

Gross Market Exposure is the total of long exposures, plus the total of short exposures, and less the total of exposures hedging the portfolio, expressed as a percentage of shareholders' funds (Total Net Assets).

#### **NET EQUITY**

The net positive exposure to the market with short and hedge positions subtracted from long positions.

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#### OTHER

The value of any non-equity investments (excluding cash funds) expressed as a percentage of TNA.

#### UNINVESTED CASH

This is 100% minus the fund's Net Equity exposure and minus Other. This leaves any residual cash exposure that is not invested in shares or via derivatives.

#### **Investment Trust Facts**

#### NAV

The total value of a company's assets less the total value of its liabilities is its net asset value (NAV). For valuation purposes it is common to divide net assets by the number of shares in issue to give the net assets per share. NAV calculations can include or exclude current financial year income. For the purposes of this factsheet, they are valued with assets including income and costs and with debt valued at the market.

#### **PREMIUM**

If the share price of an investment company is higher than the net asset value (NAV) per share, the company is said to be trading at a premium. The premium is shown as a percentage of the NAV.

#### DISCOUNT

If the share price of an investment company is lower than the net asset value (NAV) per share, the company is said to be trading at a discount. The discount is shown as a percentage of the NAV.

#### **GFARING**

Gearing is the Market Exposure figure (either gross or net) expressed in excess of Total Net Assets. It represents the additional exposure to the market above Shareholders' Funds.

#### FAIR VALUE

The fair value of investments is initially taken to be their cost and is subsequently measured as follows: Listed investments are valued at bid prices, or last market prices, depending on the convention of the exchange on which they are listed; and

Unlisted investments are investments which are not quoted, or are not frequently traded, are stated at the Directors' best estimate of fair value and take account of the cost of the investment, recent arm's length transactions in the same or similar investments and financial performance of the investment since purchase.

# General notes

## TOTAL NET ASSETS (TNA)

The Company's total assets minus its total liabilities - also known as Shareholders' Funds. It represents the amount by which a company is financed through common and preferred shares.

#### INDFX

The index used in the positioning tables on page 2 is the index defined in the Performance Comparator section on page 1.

### TOP NET LONG POSITIONS

Those companies in which the largest percentages of the trust's total net assets are effectively invested. Positions in other funds – including ETFs (Exchange Traded Funds) - can appear in this table, but index derivatives form part of an "Other Index / Unclassified" category which will not appear.

## TOP OVERWEIGHT & UNDERWEIGHT POSITIONS

Those positions which have the largest active weight relative to the index. Positions in other funds - including ETFs (Exchange Traded Funds) - can appear in this table, but index derivatives form part of an "Other Index / Unclassified" category which will not appear. In the underweight table, any short position names have been withheld in line with Fidelity's disclosure policy.

## NET LONG POSITIONS CONCENTRATION

Illustrates the weight of the top 10, 20 and 50 positions in the trust and the weight of the top 10, 20 and 50 positions in the index. It does not attempt to show the coincidence of security ownership between fund and index. The sector/industry classification used (i.e. GICS, ICB, TOPIX and IPD) varies by fund. Full descriptions can be found below.

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#### ONGOING COSTS (KID)

These include Portfolio transaction costs (the costs of us buying and selling underlying investments) and Other ongoing costs (the costs that we take each year for managing the investment).

These are based on the methodology prescribed by EU Regulation (PRIIPS) and differ from other presentations of costs such as the Ongoing Charge Figure (OCF) in the Company's Annual Report & Accounts.

#### PORTFOLIO TRANSACTION COSTS

These are costs incurred when trading underlying investments.

#### SECTOR INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION

GICS: Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS) was developed by Standard & Poor's and MSCI Barra. GICS consists of 11 sectors, 24 industry groups, 68 industries and 157 sub-industries.

More information is available at http://www.standardandpoors.com/indices/gics/en/us

ICB: The Industry Classification Benchmark (ICB) is an industry classification developed by Dow Jones and FTSE. It is used to segregate markets into sectors within the macroeconomy. The ICB uses a system of 10 industries, partitioned into 20 supersectors, which are further divided into 41 sectors, which then contain 114 subsectors.

More information is available at http://www.icbenchmark.com/

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