

# First State Bridge

## Monthly Fund Factsheet

#### 31 March 2015

### **Objectives and investment strategy**

To invest all or substantially all of its assets in the First State Asian Equity Plus Fund (for equities) and the First State Asian Quality Bond Fund (for fixed income), both Dublin-domiciled funds.

## Annualised performance in SGD (%)

	1yr	<b>3</b> yrs	5yrs	10yrs	Since incept.
Fund (Ex initial charges)	18.4	9.8	7.4	7.0	8.2
Fund (Inc initial charges)	13.6	8.3	6.6	6.6	7.8
Benchmark*	15.2	8.2	6.7	7.2	7.4

## Cumulative performance in SGD (%)

	3mths	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	Since incept.
Fund (Ex initial charges)	6.5	18.4	32.4	43.1	150.4
Fund (Inc initial charges)	2.3	13.6	27.1	37.4	140.4
Benchmark*	5.6	15.2	26.8	38.1	130.3



Source: Lipper, First State Investments. Single pricing basis with net income reinvested.

## Available share classes

Share class	Inception date	NAV price	Distribution frequency <sup>#</sup>	ISIN code
Class A	14 Jul 2003	S\$1.6493	Semi-annually	SG9999002067

## **Fund information**

Fund size	S\$1,273.0mn
Dealing	Monday to Friday (except public holidays)
Minimum initial investment	S\$1,000
Minimum subsequent investment	S\$100
Management fee	1.25%p.a.
Initial charge	4.0% (Cash / SRS) 3.0% (CPF - Ordinary / Special Acct)
CPF Classification	Medium to High Risk-Narrowly Focused (Regional)

## Asset allocation (%)\*

Equity	%		%		%
India	11.2	Taiwan	6.9	Hong Kong	6.0
Singapore	5.2	South Korea	5.1	China	4.8
Australia	3.5	Philippines	2.4	Japan	2.2
Thailand	0.9	Others	0.9	Liquidity	1.8

Fixed income	%		%		%
China	16.9	Hong Kong	9.9	South Korea	6.4
Singapore	4.0	Indonesia	3.6	Malaysia	2.2
Thailand	2.1	India	1.9	Liquidity	2.4

Credit ratio	ng* %		%		%
BBB	54.0 A	4	29.3	AA	11.1
AAA	0.7 L	iquidity	4.8		

## Top 10 holdings (%)

Security name	Sector	%
Taiwan Semiconductor (TSMC)	(Info. Tech.)	2.2
CK Hutchison Holding	(Financials)	2.2
OCBC	(Financials)	1.4
Housing Development Finance	(Financials)	1.4
Dabur India	(Consumer Staples)	1.3
LG Household & Healthcare	(Consumer Staples)	1.3
Delta Electronics	(Info. Tech.)	1.3
CSL	(Health Care)	1.3
Link REIT	(Financials)	1.3
Advantech	(Info. Tech.)	1.2



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First State Investments offers a range of product solutions to institutional and retail investors globally across a diverse range of asset classes, including Australian equities, worldwide equities, Asia Pacific and Global Emerging Markets equities, global resources, global property securities, global listed infrastructure securities, global fixed income and credit, emerging markets debt, short-term investments, unlisted Infrastructure investments and multi-asset solutions.

Our approach to investment is driven by a commitment to providing the best possible outcomes over the long term for our investors. To achieve this, we ensure our interests are aligned with our investors and uphold a culture of always acting in our clients' best interests.



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#### Important information

- Semi-annual distributions were made in April and October in 2013. With effect from 2014, First State Investments (Singapore) ("FSIS") intends to make semi-annual distributions on 28 February and 31 August each year. Distribution will be made on 29 February should that be the last business day in the month of February in that year. The distributions will be made out of the income, capital gains and/or capital of the Fund. Investors should note that the intention to make the semi-annual distributions is not guaranteed by FSIS or its distributors and FSIS may in future review the distribution policy depending on prevailing market conditions.
- \* Customised benchmark calculated by First State Investments comprising 50% MSCI Asia Pacific ex Japan Index (Unhedged) and 50% JP Morgan Asia Credit Investment Grade Index (Hedged to SGD). There has been a change in the data source for the JP Morgan Asia Credit Investment Grade Index which was computed internally by the Manager based on the index in USD as the SGD hedged version of the index was not available when the Sub-Fund was launched. With effect from 1 November 2012, the benchmark data for the JP Morgan Asia Credit Investment Grade Index (Hedged to SGD) will be sourced directly from the index compiler JP Morgan.
- <sup>+</sup> Allocation percentage is rounded to the nearest one decimal place and the total allocation percentage may not add up to 100%.
- \*Refers to investments of the underlying fund, First State Asian Quality Bond Fund. Where available, the credit rating assigned by one of the 3 major external rating agencies (S&P, Moody's or Fitch) will be used. An internal rating assigned by First State Investments will be used where the security is not externally rated.

Except for the benchmark index, performance stated for relevant indices are quoted in the respective local currency unless otherwise specified.

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