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# BGF Japan Small & MidCap Opportunities Fund Class D2 Hedged Euro

## BlackRock Global Funds

Unless otherwise stated, Performance, Portfolio Breakdowns and Net Asset information as at: 31-Dec-2024. All other data as at 13-Jan-2025.

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## **FUND OVERVIEW**

- The Fund aims to maximise the return on your investment through a combination of capital growth and income on the Fund's assets and invest in a manner consistent with the principles of environmental, social and governance (ESG) investing.
- The Fund invests at least 70% of its total assets in the equity securities (e.g. shares) of small and mid capitalisation companies domiciled in, or the main business of which is in, Japan.
- Small and mid capitalisation companies are considered companies which, at the time of purchase, form the bottom 30% by market capitalisation of Japanese stock markets. Market capitalisation is the share price of the company multiplied by the number of shares issued.

## **RISK INDICATOR**

Potentially Lower Rewards

## Lower Risk

## Higher Risk

Potentially Higher Rewards



**CAPITAL AT RISK:** The value of investments and the income from them can fall as well as rise and are not guaranteed. Investors may not get back the amount originally invested.

#### **KEY RISKS:**

- Shares in smaller companies typically trade in less volume and experience greater price \_ variations than larger companies.
- Investment risk is concentrated in specific sectors, countries, currencies or companies. This means the Fund is more sensitive to any localised economic, market, political, sustainability-related or regulatory events.
- The value of equities and equity-related securities can be affected by daily stock market movements. Other influential factors include political, economic news, company earnings and significant corporate events.
- The Fund seeks to exclude companies engaging in certain activities inconsistent with ESG criteria. Such ESG screening may reduce the potential investment universe and this may adversely affect the value of the Fund's investments compared to a fund without such screening.
- Counterparty Risk: The insolvency of any institutions providing services such as safekeeping of assets or acting as counterparty to derivatives or other instruments, may expose the Fund to financial loss.
- Liquidity Risk: Lower liquidity means there are insufficient buyers or sellers to allow the Fund to sell or buy investments readily.



#### **KEY FACTS**

| RETFACIS   |
|--|
| Constraint <sup>11</sup> : S&P Japan Mid Small Cap Index |
| Asset Class : Equity                                     |
| Fund Launch Date: 13-May-1987                            |
| Share Class Launch Date : 27-Sept-2012                   |
| Fund Base Currency : JPY                                 |
| Share Class Currency : EUR                               |
| Use of Income : Accumulating                             |
| Net Assets of Fund (M): 27,072.37 JPY                    |
| Morningstar Category : Other Equity                      |
| SFDR Classification : Article 8                          |
| Domicile : Luxembourg                                    |
| ISIN: LU0827883280                                       |
| Management Company : BlackRock<br>(Luxembourg) S.A.      |
| FEES AND CHARGES   |
| Annual Management Fee: 0.75%                             |
| Ongoing Charge: 1.09%                                    |
| Performance Fee: 0.00%                                   |
| DEALING INFORMATION                                      |
| Dealing Frequency : Daily, forward pricing basis         |
| Settlement : Trade Date + 3 days                         |
| PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS                                |
| Price to Book Ratio : 1.22x                              |
| Price to Earnings Ratio : 14.63x                         |

Standard Deviation (3y): 11.21

#### 3y Beta: 1.13

Number of Holdings: 93

**PORTFOLIO MANAGER(S)** 

Hiroki Takayama

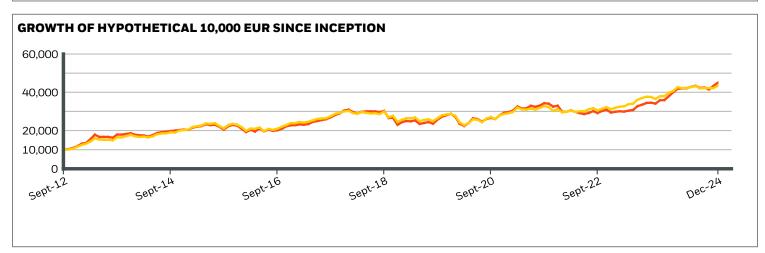




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**CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE** 40 30 20 10 % 0 -10 -20 -30 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 Share Class 9.58 0.94 34.09 -24.48 25.11 2.08 12.28 -10.79 22.18 25.27 0.02 8.76 Constraint<sup>+1</sup> 13.40 3.65 25.65 -18.12 16.83 -0.21 21.99 14.35



| C | CUMULATIVE & ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE |                |      |      |       |       |                     |      |                    |  |
|---|-------------------------------------|----------------|------|------|-------|-------|---------------------|------|--------------------|--|
|   |                                     | CUMULATIVE (%) |      |      |       |       | ANNUALISED (% p.a.) |      |                    |  |
|   |                                     | 1m             | 3m   | 6m   | YTD   | ly    | Зу                  | 5у   | Since<br>Inception |  |
|   | Share Class                         | 4.00           | 5.98 | 5.03 | 25.27 | 25.27 | 10.94               | 9.37 | 13.06              |  |
|   | Constraint <sup>+1</sup>            | 2.93           | 2.82 | 1.56 | 14.35 | 14.35 | 11.66               | 8.65 | 12.65              |  |

The figures shown relate to past performance. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of current or future performance and should not be the sole factor of consideration when selecting a product or strategy. Share Class and Benchmark performance displayed in EUR, hedged share class benchmark performance is displayed in JPY. Performance is shown on a Net Asset Value (NAV) basis, with gross income reinvested where applicable. The return of your investment may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations if your investment is made in a currency other than that used in the past performance calculation. **Source:** BlackRock

Share Class Constraint<sup>11</sup>

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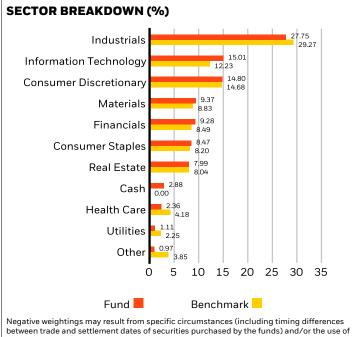
t<sup>†1</sup> S&P Japan Mid Small Cap Index

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# BlackRock

## TOP 10 HOLDINGS (%)

| NIPPON SODA CO LTD               | 2.00%  |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| NANKAI ELECTRIC RAILWAY CO LTD   | 1.95%  |
| HASEKO CORPORATION               | 1.91%  |
| SOJITZ CORP                      | 1.86%  |
| OBAYASHI CORPORATION             | 1.85%  |
| DAIWABO HOLDINGS CO LTD          | 1.84%  |
| FUKUOKA FINANCIAL GROUP INC      | 1.76%  |
| MITSUBISHI LOGISTICS CORPORATION | 1.74%  |
| 77 BANK LTD/THE                  | 1.62%  |
| SUNDRUG CO LTD                   | 1.57%  |
| Total of Portfolio               | 18.10% |
| Holdings subject to change       |        |



between trade and settlement dates of securities purchased by the funds) and/or the use of certain financial instruments, including derivatives, which may be used to gain or reduce market exposure and/or risk management. Allocations are subject to change

## **MARKET CAPITALISATION (%)** 2.65 Large Cap ->\$10bn 0.76 33.29 Mid Cap - \$2-\$10bn 61.22 61.18 Small Cap -<\$2bn 38.02 2.88 Cash and Derivatives 0.00 Ō 15 30 45 60 75 Fund 📕 Benchmark Allocations are subject to change. Source: BlackRock

#### GLOSSARY

**SFDR Classification: Article 8:** Products that promote environmental or social characteristics and promote good governance practices. **Article 9:** Products that have sustainable investments as an objective and follow good governance practices. **Other:** Products that do not meet the criteria to be classified as Article 8 or 9.

**Price to Earnings:** A valuation ratio of a company's current share price compared to its per-share earnings in the current forecast year, calculated as current share price divided by current earnings per share.

#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

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