

# Legal & General Asian Income Trust

Unit Trust (UCITS compliant) F-Class GBP

## FUND AIM

The objective of this fund is to provide income, with some potential for growth. The fund will invest in a broad spread of company shares from all economic sectors. The company shares the fund invests in will be from Asia (excluding Japan), the rest of the Pacific region and Australasia.

## RISK AND REWARD PROFILE



The synthetic risk and reward indicator (SRRI) is based on the historic volatility of the fund's value and it may change in the future.

The fund is in category 5 because it invests in company shares which are sensitive to variations in the stock market. The value of company shares can change substantially over short periods of time.

For more information, please refer to the Key Risks section on page 3.

## WHO IS THIS FUND FOR?

- This fund is designed for investors looking for Income with some potential for growth from an investment in company shares from the Asian Pacific and Australasian regions.
- Although investors can take their money out at any time, this fund may not be appropriate for those who plan to withdraw their money within five years.
- This fund is not designed for investors who cannot afford more than a minimal loss of their investment.
- If you do not understand this document we recommend you seek additional information to help you decide if this fund is right for you.

## FUND FACTS

Fund size <b>£399.0m</b>	Base currency <b>GBP</b>	IA Sector <b>IA Asia Pacific ex Japan</b>
Launch date <b>16 Aug 1985</b>	Domicile <b>UK</b>	Historical yield <b>4.10%</b>

## COSTS

Initial charge <b>0.00%</b>	Ongoing charge <b>1.08%</b>
Price basis <b>Dual</b>	Bid / Offer spread <b>0.50%</b>

For detail on price basis methodologies please refer to the 'Guide to Investing With Us' found on our website. [↗](#)

## PERFORMANCE (%)



	1 month	6 months	1 year	3 years	5 years
■ Fund	-1.60	-0.92	5.20	32.96	37.31
■ IA Sector	-2.02	1.74	14.00	43.69	52.65
Quartile ranking	2	4	4	4	4

## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

12 months to 31 December	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Fund	13.74	35.35	-9.18	7.37	3.73
IA Sector	24.64	26.59	-2.99	9.45	1.94
Quartile ranking	4	1	4	3	2

Performance for the F Inc unit class in GBP, launched on 20 December 2012. Source: Lipper. Performance assumes all fund charges have been taken and that all income generated by the investments, after deduction of tax, remains in the fund.

**Past performance is not a guide to future returns. The value of your investment and any income taken from it is not guaranteed and may go up and down.**

## FUND SNAPSHOT

- Invests in companies listed throughout Asia- including Australia, but excluding Japan. The goal is to provide an attractive income along with long-term capital growth
- Asian economies continue to offer some of the highest growth rates in the world
- With some companies the world's leaders in their industries, exposure to them can provide access to exciting growth sectors

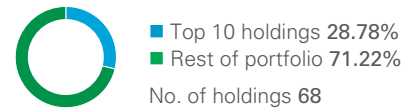
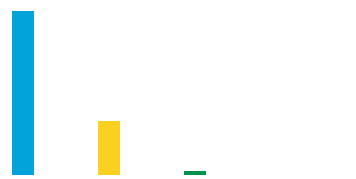


## PORTFOLIO BREAKDOWN

All data source LGIM unless otherwise stated. Totals may not sum due to rounding.

### COUNTRY (%)











 Australia	31.7
 China	17.8
 Singapore	11.8
 Taiwan	9.0
 Hong Kong	8.3
 Korea	6.1
 India	5.5
 New Zealand	3.9
 Thailand	3.2
 Other	2.8













### TOP 10 HOLDINGS (%)

Taiwan Semiconductor Manu	3.8
China Construction Bank	3.7
Transurban Group	3.4
Qantas Airways	3.3
DBS Group Holdings	3.0
United Overseas Bank	2.5
Bank Of China	2.4
Coal India	2.3
Rio Tinto	2.3
Orica	2.2

### TOP SECTOR OVER/UNDERWEIGHTS (%)

	Fund	Relative	
Telecommunications	11.1	7.7	
Industrials	16.2	6.5	
Consumer Services	11.5	3.8	
Basic Materials	8.3	1.4	
Utilities	3.4	0.5	
Oil & Gas	4.9	-0.1	
Financials	32.0	-2.2	
Health Care	0.0	-3.8	
Consumer Goods	5.7	-6.8	
Technology	7.1	-7.1	

### TOP 5 STOCK OVER/UNDERWEIGHTS (%)

	Fund	Relative	
Qantas Airways	3.3	3.2	
Transurban Group	3.4	3.1	
DBS Group Holdings	3.0	2.3	
Coal India	2.3	2.2	
Costa Group Holdin	2.2	2.2	
Alibaba Group Hold	0.0	-1.7	
AIA Group Ltd	0.0	-1.7	
Commonwealth Bank	0.0	-1.8	
Samsung Electronic	0.0	-3.5	
Tencent Holdings	0.0	-5.0	

## FUND MANAGER COMMENTARY

Asia Pacific ex Japan equities were not spared from the global selloff in February, falling 1.6% over the month. At a country level, Korea and China were the worst performers, both down 3.8%. This was led by sharp falls in Samsung Electronics and Tencent. There were also significant sell-offs in the Chinese cyclicals, particularly in property and insurers, as the state-backed funds held back from providing support to the market. India also performed poorly, falling 3.2% as investors digested the impact of a large scale fraud at a state owned bank.

Taiwan performed better than the broader region, gaining 0.2%, as the Apple supply chain fared better than other technology names given they had already been sold off after the launch of the iPhone X. Australia was also a relative outperformer, falling 0.4%, as it had not participated in the global rally in January. ASEAN also performed relatively well given the region lagged the market in 2017. Elsewhere, it was a better month for Hong Kong and Singapore.

In respect of performance, the net midday return of L&G Asian Income fund was broadly in line with the index of -1.6%. However, this represented good outperformance relative to the peer group. Looking at attribution drivers, country allocation was a big positive, led by our overweight in Australia. Meanwhile, we also saw good stock selection in India. Conversely, our China and New Zealand exposure disappointed.



### PAUL HILSLEY

Paul joined LGIM in 2006 and is lead Fund Manager for the Asian Income portfolios. He began his investment career in 1991 at Phillips and Drew Fund Management, now called UBS Global Asset Management, and developed broad experience across UK, Europe, Japan and, predominantly, Asia ex Japan, over subsequent years. At LGIM Paul launched the Legal & General Asian Income Trust and in 2013 formed the Global Income Team, which forms the core of the firm's equity income expertise. He read Engineering, Economics and Management at Lincoln College, Oxford University and is an Associate of the Society of Investment Professionals.

**KEY RISKS**

- The fund could lose money if any institution providing services such as acting as counterparty to derivatives or other instruments, becomes unwilling or unable to meet its obligations to the fund.
- Derivatives are highly sensitive to changes in the value of the asset on which they are based and can increase the size of losses and gains.
- The fund may have underlying investments that are valued in currencies that are different from sterling (British pounds). Any such investments will be impacted by exchange rate fluctuations and this may affect the value of your investment and any income from it. Currency hedging techniques may be applied to reduce the impact of exchange rate fluctuations but may not entirely eliminate it.
- We may take some or all of the ongoing charges from the fund’s capital rather than the fund’s income. This increases the amount of income, but it reduces the growth potential and may lead to a fall in the value of the fund.

For more information, please refer to the key investor information document on our website [↗](#)

**LATEST DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION**

For distributing unit classes, the latest payments are shown below. Please note that these payments are not guaranteed, are at the discretion of the manager and may be paid out of capital.

Type	Ex-div date	Pay date	Pence per unit
Interim	11 Dec 17	10 Feb 18	2.74p
Final	11 Sep 17	10 Nov 17	9.93p
Interim	10 Jun 17	10 Aug 17	5.73p
Interim	10 Mar 17	10 May 17	3.71p



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**DEALING INFORMATION**

Valuation frequency	Daily, 12pm (UK time)
Dealing frequency	Daily
Settlement period	T+4

**CODES**

<b>ISIN</b>	F Acc	GB00B828X209
	F Inc	GB00B8B2YL90
<b>SEDOL</b>	F Acc	B828X20
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