# Lazard Emerging Markets Equity Fund

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A sub-fund of Lazard Global Active Funds PLC, an Irish UCITS investment fund company

October 2024 Fact Sheet

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#### Morningstar Rating<sup>1</sup> ★★★

(Overall Rank out of 703 Funds).

Morningstar Rating based on risk-adjusted returns as of 31 October 2024 for the Share Class. Ratings and performance characteristics for other share classes may vary.

# **Fund Description**

Lazard's Emerging Markets Equity Fund aims to outperform the MSCI Emerging Markets Index with lower than index levels of volatility. The Fund typically invests in equity securities of companies located in countries included in the MSCI Emerging Markets Index with over \$300 million in market cap, and which are of sufficient liquidity, though we generally focus on those names greater than \$3 billion. Companies not domiciled in the emerging markets but that derive more than 50% of their net assets and/or sales from emerging-market countries are also included in our initial universe.

# **Share Class**

| NAV |  | \$1.31 |
|-----|--|--------|
|     |  |        |

# Fund AUM

| Class Currency     | \$217.02m |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Base Fund Currency | \$217.02m |

# Risk Rating



#### Key Risks Related to the Fund

There is no capital guarantee or protection of the value of the Fund. The value of your investment and the income from it can go down as well as up and you may not get back the amount you originally invested.

This Fund will invest in the securities of emerging markets. These markets may be less developed than others and so there is a greater risk that the Fund may experience greater volatility, delays in buying, selling and claiming ownership of its investments. Emerging markets may also have less developed political, economic and legal systems and there is a higher risk that the Fund may not get back its money.

#### Key Risks Related to the Share Class

The returns from your investment may be affected by changes in the exchange rate between the Fund's base currency, the currency of the Fund's investments, your share class and your home currency.

See "Risk Factors" in the UCITS' Prospectus and Fund Supplement for more information about risks.

# Performance Data

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results

# Rolling Year Performance (%)\*

(Annualised Return\* in USD % p.a.)

#### 12 Months ended 30 September

|                                      | 2024 | 2023 | 2022  | 2021 | 2020  | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 |
|--------------------------------------|------|------|-------|------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Lazard Emerging Markets Equity Fund  | 29.1 | 25.9 | -26.1 | 30.6 | -10.7 | 0.0  | -8.1 | -    | -    | -    |
| MSCI Emerging Markets Index          | 26.1 | 11.7 | -28.1 | 18.2 | 10.5  | -2.0 | -0.8 | -    | -    | -    |
| MStar Global Emerging Markets Equity | 23.7 | 12.1 | -30.1 | 19.5 | 8.1   | -1.2 | -3.6 | -    | -    | -    |
| Quartile                             | 1    | 1    | 1     | 1    | 4     | 2    | 4    | -    | -    | -    |

#### Fund Performance (%)\*

(Annualised Return\* in USD % p.a.)

### Periods ended October 2024

|                                      |      |     |      |      |      | Cumulativ | е    |      | Annualise | d    |
|--------------------------------------|------|-----|------|------|------|-----------|------|------|-----------|------|
|                                      | 1M   | 3M  | YTD  | 1Y   | 3Y   | 5Y        | S.I. | 3Y   | 5Y        | S.I. |
| Lazard Emerging Markets Equity Fund  | -5.3 | 1.9 | 11.6 | 24.6 | 13.7 | 27.9      | 30.8 | 4.4  | 5.1       | 3.6  |
| MSCI Emerging Markets Index          | -4.4 | 3.6 | 11.7 | 25.3 | -4.2 | 21.3      | 39.2 | -1.4 | 3.9       | 4.5  |
| MStar Global Emerging Markets Equity | -4.2 | 3.4 | 9.9  | 23.2 | -8.0 | 15.6      | 28.0 | -2.8 | 2.9       | 3.3  |
| Quartile                             | 4    | 4   | 2    | 2    | 1    | 1         | 3    | 1    | 1         | 3    |

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Morningstar, NAV to NAV Price, Net Income Reinvested, Net of Fees. The maximum initial subscription fee chargeable to the investor is 3% (i.e. USD 30 for an investment of USD 1,000). Performance data for periods less than 1 year is illustrated on a cumulative growth basis. UK investors may be liable to taxation on the income from the fund, depending upon their personal circumstances. The effect of taxation would have been to reduce the returns stated. The returns from your investment may be affected by changes in the exchange rate.



# \$100 Invested Since Inception



Source: Morningstar, Cumulative Growth, NAV to NAV Price, Net of fees, Net Income Reinvested to 31 October 2024 in USD.

# Market Cap Breakdown



# Regional Breakdown

|                        | Fund (%) | Index | Relative<br>Weight |
|------------------------|----------|-------|--------------------|
| Emerging Asia          | 60.6     | 80.5  | -19.9              |
| Emerging Latin America | 15.9     | 7.4   | 8.5                |
| Emerging Africa        | 9.7      | 3.2   | 6.5                |
| Emerging Europe        | 6.5      | 2.2   | 4.3                |
| United Kingdom         | 1.5      | 0.0   | 1.5                |
| Continental Europe     | 1.0      | 0.0   | 1.0                |
| Asia ex Japan          | 0.8      | 0.0   | 0.8                |
| North America          | 0.8      | 0.0   | 0.8                |
| Emerging\Middle East   | 0.0      | 6.6   | -6.6               |
| Cash                   | 3.3      | 0.0   | 3.3                |

# Technical Statistics<sup>‡</sup>

| Fund  | Index                                |
|-------|--------------------------------------|
| 5.84  | -                                    |
| 0.92  | -                                    |
| 0.97  | -                                    |
| 0.03  | -0.30                                |
| 5.97  | -                                    |
| 17.21 | 17.57                                |
|       | 5.84<br>0.92<br>0.97<br>0.03<br>5.97 |

‡Source: Morningstar. Technical statistics calculated three years to 31 October 2024. For the calculation of Sharpe ratio, the 3-month Libor rate has been used as the reference interest rate.

# Top 10 Holdings

| Stock                   | Country      | Fund (%) |
|-------------------------|--------------|----------|
| TSMC                    | Taiwan       | 4.9      |
| China Construction Bank | China        | 3.2      |
| Alibaba                 | China        | 2.2      |
| ASE Technology          | Taiwan       | 2.1      |
| OTP Bank                | Hungary      | 2.1      |
| KB Financial            | Korea        | 2.0      |
| SK hynix                | Korea        | 2.0      |
| BB Seguridade           | Brazil       | 2.0      |
| Lenovo                  | China        | 2.0      |
| Nedbank                 | South Africa | 2.0      |
| Total                   |              | 24.5     |
| Number of Securities    |              | 79       |

# Sector Breakdown

|                        | Fund (%) | Index | Relative<br>Weight |
|------------------------|----------|-------|--------------------|
| Financials             | 28.0     | 23.2  | 4.8                |
| Information Technology | 17.8     | 23.7  | -5.9               |
| Consumer Discretionary | 11.5     | 13.5  | -2.0               |
| Communication Services | 9.4      | 9.0   | 0.4                |
| Consumer Staples       | 7.6      | 5.0   | 2.6                |
| Industrials            | 6.5      | 6.7   | -0.2               |
| Materials              | 5.6      | 6.5   | -0.9               |
| Energy                 | 5.0      | 4.6   | 0.4                |
| Health Care            | 3.8      | 3.5   | 0.3                |
| Other                  | 1.7      | 4.4   | -2.7               |
| Cash                   | 3.3      | 0.0   | 3.3                |

# Characteristics - Equity

|                                    | Fund | Index |
|------------------------------------|------|-------|
| Active Share                       | 80.6 |       |
| ROE (%)                            | 14.7 | 11.6  |
| EPS Growth - Next 12 months (%)    | 11.3 | 22.5  |
| P/E Ratio - Trailing 12 months (%) | 9.3  | 15.6  |
| P/E Ratio - Next 12 Months (%)     | 8.3  | 12.5  |
| Dividend Yield (%)                 | 4.5  | 2.6   |
| Price to Book Value Ratio          | 1.4  | 1.8   |
|                                    |      |       |

# **Fund Information**

| Fund Objective†         | To achieve long-term capital appreciation through investment in a diversified portfolio of global equities with an emerging markets bias quoted or traded on the Regulated Markets for the Fund as set out in Appendix I, and in accordance with the restrictions set out in Appendix III to the Prospectus. |
|-------------------------|--|
| Asset Class             | Emerging Markets Equity  |
| Benchmark               | MSCI Emerging Markets Index  |
| Morningstar Category    | Global Emerging Markets Equity   |
| Management Company      | Lazard Fund Managers (Ireland) Ltd   |
| Fund Managers           | James Donald & Team  |
| Fund Launch Date        | 23/03/2007   |
| Share Class Launch Date | 30/03/2017   |
| Base Fund Currency      | USD  |
| Class Currency          | USD  |
| Туре                    | Accumulation   |
| SFDR Category           | Article 8  |

<sup>†</sup>There is no assurance that the Lazard Emerging Markets Equity Fund's objectives or performance targets will be achieved.

#### Fees

| Annual Management Fee     | 1.00%       |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Ongoing charges           | 1.09%       |
| Max Subscription Fee      | 3.00%       |
| Max Redemption Fee        | 2.00%       |
| Minimum Investment Amount | 250 000 USD |
| Swing Pricing             | Applicable  |

| Settlement                   |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| Subscriptions Settlement     | T+3   |
| Redemptions Settlement       | T+3   |
| Dealing Frequency            | You can buy and sell shares in the Fund on any day on which the stock exchanges in London and New York are open for business. |
| Cut-off Time (Subscriptions) | 15:00 T-0 IE Dublin   |
| Cut-off Time (Redemptions)   | 15:00 T-0 IE Dublin   |
| Identifiers                  |   |
| ISIN                         | IE00BYQ4FT75  |
| Sedol                        | BYQ4FT7   |
| Bloomberg                    | LAZEAAU ID  |
| WKN                          | A2DRZN  |
| Valoren                      | 36261099  |

# Glossary

Active Share measured as a percentage, active share is the degree of deviation in holdings between a portfolio and its benchmark. Active share of a portfolio is calculated as half the sum of the absolute active weights of all securities in a portfolio and its benchmark. For portfolios without shorts, the statistic ranges from 0% (index tracker) to 100% (no overlap with index). The higher the number, the more "active" the manager is.

Alpha represents the return of a portfolio that is attributable to the manager's investment decisions.

Beta measures a fund's sensitivity to movements in the overall market.

EPS represents the fiscal period earnings per share (EPS) for the period.

**Information ratio** represents the value added by the manager (excess return) divided by the tracking error.

The **Ongoing Charges** represent the ongoing costs to the fund from one year to the next which includes but is not limited to the fund's annual management fees, professional fees, audit fees, custody fees and custody transaction fees. It

does not include any performance fee or portfolio transaction costs incurred buying or selling assets for the fund. The Ongoing charges may vary from year to year.

P/E Ratio/ Earnings Per Share (EPS).

Price to Book Value / Book Value per Share.

Return on Equity (ROE) calculated by taking earnings per share of the company and dividing it by the stock's book value.

The **Risk Rating** is calculated in line with PRIIPs Regulation 2014 (the "PRIIPs Regulations")

**Sharpe ratio** measures return in excess of the risk free rate for every unit of risk taken.

**Tracking error** measures the volatility of the difference between a portfolio's performance and the benchmark.

Volatility is a measure of the fund's returns in relation to its historic average.

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