

Daiwa SB Investments (UK) Ltd.

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DAIWA SB INVESTMENTS UNVEILS JAPAN EQUITY UCITS FUND

London, [28 November 2013] - Daiwa SB Investments (DSBI), one of Japan's largest asset managers, has today announced the launch of its first Luxembourg domiciled SICAV.

The [Japan Equity Fundamental Active Fund](#) is managed out of Tokyo and led by Portfolio Manager Masashi Kamohara. The strategy has been in existence since 2003 on a segregated basis. Notably, the launch of this new UCITS fund now allows a broader range of investors, including pension funds, insurance companies, wealth managers and private banks to access the strategy. The Fundamental Active strategy has outperformed the market in nine out of the last ten years, a track record that will reassure investors of DSBI's proven investment ability.

The newly launched fund is designed to generate stable excess returns versus the Tokyo Stock Price Index (TOPIX), founded on intensive fundamental research and utilising DSBI's proprietary valuation and earnings momentum growth tools. The unconstrained investment style of the fund gives freedom to the portfolio manager to invest in both growth and value stocks. This agile rebalancing enables the fund to react to market fluctuations and seek opportunities to generate alpha in various market conditions while controlling volatility. Investors can choose between different share classes including GBP, USD and EUR, which are all hedged, and a JPY base currency.

Positive macro-economic scenario for investors

"With the election of Prime Minister (PM) Shinzo Abe last December, the Japanese electorate gave a clear mandate for change. Soon after this, PM Abe announced his 'Three-Arrows' strategy for reigniting the Japanese economy. Coupled with the change in the Governor of the Bank of Japan and the upper house election in July, PM Abe has further strengthened his position and is primed to start the next phase to kick start the economy in Japan with his growth strategy" says Mr Sunao Otsuka, London-based Managing Director of DSBI. "This positive macro-economic scenario offers investors a great opportunity to participate in the emerging investment opportunities and capitalise on the changing dynamic of the Japanese equity market at a historically significant time."

Steady outperformance: The historical performance of the investment strategy

in Yen	YTD 2013 %	2012 %	2011 %	2010 %	2009 %	2008 %
Fundamental Active	45.74	26.40	-17.81	3.09	15.78	-38.50
Benchmark (TOPIX Index with dividends)	41.41	20.86	-17.00	0.96	7.62	-40.62
Excess Return	4.33	5.54	-0.81	2.13	8.16	2.11

Source: DSBI, as at 31 October 2013. Performance is shown in JPY and is gross of fees. Inception date: October 2003. Minor discrepancies are due to rounding. Benchmark: TOPIX (with dividends)*

Trevor Langford, London-based Head and Director of Marketing at Daiwa SB Investments (UK) Ltd. adds: “For some time now we have seen increasing demand from investors to access our investment expertise through a pooled vehicle. We are now able to offer this tried and tested strategy as a Luxembourg domiciled SICAV. This will enable investors to access our Fundamental Active strategy which has delivered repeated and sustained returns over rolling periods since inception.”

Note to editors:

About Daiwa SB Investments

Founded in 1973 in Tokyo, Daiwa SB Investments is one of Japan’s largest and most prestigious asset managers. With 40 years specialising in investment management, Daiwa SB Investments has established a distinct investment philosophy and clear focus on generating stable returns through active management and extensive research. Its investment strategies range from large cap deep value approaches to small and micro-cap investments.

From its offices in Tokyo, London, New York, Singapore and Hong Kong, there are approximately 400 employees with the firm managing more than USD50 billion for retail and institutional investors. Daiwa SB Investments is majority-owned by the Japanese financial services providers Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group and Daiwa Securities Group, two of the largest financial services companies in Japan.

*Daiwa SB Investments Ltd is an asset management company located in Tokyo, and registered as a Financial Instruments Business Operator engaged in the Investment Management Business, Investment Advisory and Agency Business and Type II Financial Instruments Business.

The Japan Equity Fundamental Active strategy is designed to generate stable excess returns versus the Tokyo Stock Price Index (TOPIX) is founded on intensive fundamental research and utilises Daiwa SB Investments proprietary valuation and earnings momentum growth models. The TOPIX benchmark measures stock prices on the Tokyo Stock Exchange (TSE). The benchmark is market-cap weighted and lists all firms that are considered to be under the ‘first section’ on the TSE, which groups all of the large firms on the exchange into one pool.

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