

Nomura Asset Management U.K. Ltd.

Increased interest in Japan enables Nomura to reach US\$1bn in its UCITS fund.

As the focus of investor attention on the impact of the recent changes in Japan grows, Nomura has seen inflows into its Japan Strategic Value Fund enabling it to surpass \$1bn of AUM three and a half years since its launch, making it one of the biggest funds in the sector.

The election of Prime Minister Shinzo Abe and the nomination of new Bank of Japan Governor Haruhiko Kuroda have drawn investor attention back to Japan. Coupled with the decline of the Yen, conditions are now more favourable than they have been for a while.

The Japan Strategic Value Fund, managed entirely in a bottom-up manner, has seen inflows from a variety of European and Asian based investors. The fund has outperformed the TOPIX by 1.18% annualised since its inception in August 2009 whilst the underlying strategy, managed by the same team, which started in July 2000 and has outperformed TOPIX by 6.13% annualised since its inception.*

As one of the leading Asian-based managers, Nomura enjoys a good reputation for its capabilities in this area

Notes:

- 1) The Nomura Funds Ireland plc – Japan Strategic Value Fund was launched on 26th August 2009 (ISIN: IE00B3VTL690, Bloomberg: NOMIRL6 ID)
- 2) The fund management team is based in Tokyo and manages some \$3.1bn in total (including the UCITS fund)
- 3) The inception date of the strategy was 25th July 2000
- 4) The fund offers a variety of share classes (Yen, GBP and US\$ denominated) including hedged share classes
- 5) Nomura Asset Management manages some \$280bn of AUM overall (as at 31 December 2012)

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*Source: Nomura Asset Management U.K. Ltd. Returns presented in JPY, gross of fees as at 28th February 2013.

Strategy inception: July 2000. NAM complies with GIPS® compliance standards and has been verified by Ashland Partners & Company LLP.

The TOPIX reference index is presented on a dividend re-invested basis.

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