# BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG

Semi-Annual Report as at 31 October 2011 for the Fund

iShares Dow Jones Asia Pacific Select Dividend 30 (DE)



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## **Notice**

The funds named in this report are governed by German law. Fund units are bought on the basis of the currently valid prospectus and management regulations, supplemented by the most recent annual report concerned and also by the semi-annual report if such a report later than the last annual report exists.

The financial statements were drawn up in German and translated into English.

Only the German version is legally binding.

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Fax: +49 (0) 89 42729 – 5958, info@iShares.de. The sales prospectuses of the Irish subfunds as well as the annual and semi-annual reports are available free of charge from Commerzbank AG, Jürgen-Ponto-Platz 1, D-60301 Frankfurt/Main.

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# Report of the Management Board

Dear Investors.

BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG is able to look back on a very successful fiscal year. Private and institutional investors value the benefits provided by the reasonable pricing, liquidity and transparency of iShares ETFs. BlackRock conducts all its global business in exchange traded index funds (ETFs) under the iShares brand.

As at 31 October 2011 the volume of assets under management for the 64 iShares funds currently managed in Germany was EUR 27.57 billion, making BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG the fifth-largest retail fund company in Germany (source: BVI - Bundesverband Investment und Asset Management e.V.). This semi-annual report provides detailed information about the performance of our index funds.

Our ETF product range includes 164 iShares funds approved in Germany, providing investors with easy and diversified access to a large number of worldwide markets and asset classes. More than a third of these exchange-traded index funds are both issued and managed in Germany. The code (DE) in the fund name identifies them as such. In November 2010, iShares listed the world's first European high-yield ETF on the Deutsche Börse. Six additional iShares ETFs have been listed on the Deutsche Börse since February 2011. These include currency-hedged products on the Japanese and global equity markets and on the S&P 500 and ETFs on the Indian and Russian equity markets which are based on a new, transparent and fully hedged swap-based model, as well as an additional index fund on the US equity market. In addition, since July 2011, we have offered on the Deutsche Börse two further sustainability ETFs as well as iShares Barclays Capital Emerging Markets Local Govt Bond, which physically invests in government bonds from eight emerging markets in the respective local currencies.

The crowning achievement of the financial year was winning numerous national and international awards. Among other awards, iShares was awarded the Golden Bull from €uro Finanzen as "ETF House of the Year 2011" and won readers' choice prizes as "Best ETF Provider" and "Best ETF Bond Provider" at the portfolio ETF Awards. In addition, iShares won first place in the "Product Range" and "Service" categories at the 2011 EXtra ETF Awards.

ETFs have flourished since their launch ten years ago in Germany and Europe. On 11 April 2000, iShares DJ Euro STOXX 50 (now: iShares EURO STOXX 50) and iShares DJ STOXX 50 (now: iShares STOXX Europe 50) were the first exchange-traded index funds to be listed on the Deutsche Börse. This listing of the first ETFs has been instrumental in making a lasting change to the European investment landscape. ETFs have provided investors with new avenues in portfolio management, particularly through their high level of liquidity, efficiency and transparency.

As a provider from the outset, iShares retains its outstanding positioning in the European ETF market. We are continuing to invest in excellent service and products that meet the needs of our customers. We adjusted our STOXX-sector product range on 31 March 2011 by transferring our previous swap-based products to existing fully replicating products. This merger makes iShares the only ETF issuer that offers a competitive UCITS III-compliant and fully replicating STOXX sector product range. We intend to develop our market leadership further through the continuous and innovative extension of our product range. Among the strategic competitive advantages of iShares ETFs are high market liquidity, narrow bid/ask spreads and a high level of precision in index replication.

Please visit our website www.iShares.de or call us on +49 (0) 89 42729 - 5858 for further information.

We would like to thank you for your trust and we are looking forward to continuing to work together in partnership.

Your BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG Directors

Dirk Klee Michael Krautzberger

# iShares Dow Jones Asia Pacific Select Dividend 30 (DE)

# Composition of the Index

|  | Index       |
|--|-------------|
| Securities   | weight in % |
| SP AusNet Registered Shares o.N.                         | 8.14        |
| Telecom Corp. of New Zeal. Ltd Registered Shares o.N.    | 7.71        |
| Telstra Corp. Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.                | 6.79        |
| StarHub Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.                      | 4.63        |
| National Australia Bank Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.      | 4.17        |
| MAp Group Reg. Stapled Securities o.N.                   | 4.15        |
| Westpac Banking Corp. Registered Shares o.N.             | 3.90        |
| Metcash Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.                      | 3.72        |
| Sky City Entertainment Grp Ltd Registered Shares o.N.    | 3.71        |
| Commonwealth Bank of Australia Registered Shares o.N.    | 3.54        |
| VTech Holdings Ltd. Reg.Shs (BL 100) DL -,05             | 3.54        |
| Eisai Co. Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.                    | 3.29        |
| Ono Pharmaceutical Co. Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.       | 3.16        |
| David Jones Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.                  | 3.11        |
| Australia & N. Z. Bkg Grp Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.    | 3.11        |
| Amcor Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.                        | 2.90        |
| Singapore Post Ltd. Registered Shares SD-,05             | 2.85        |
| Tonengeneral Sekiyu Co. Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.      | 2.83        |
| S'pore Telecommunications Ltd. Registered Shares SD -,15 | 2.81        |
| Power Assets Holdings Ltd. Registered Shares HD 1        | 2.79        |
| UGL Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.                          | 2.41        |
| CLP Holdings Ltd. Registered Shares HD 5                 | 2.38        |
| Brambles Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.                     | 2.32        |
| SATS Ltd. Registered Shares SD -,10                      | 2.28        |
| SMRT Corporation Ltd Registered Shares SD -,10           | 2.24        |
| Suncorp Group Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.                | 2.20        |
| Keppel Land Ltd. Registered Shares SD -,50               | 2.05        |
| Yue Yuen Indust.(Hldgs) Ltd. Registered Shares HD -,25   | 1.44        |
| Billabong International Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.      | 1.25        |
| ESPRIT Holdings Ltd. Registered Shares HD -,10           | 0.59        |

# Fund Management Activity Report

In the period under review no index changes were published by the index provider.

# Semi-Annual Report for iShares Dow Jones Asia Pacific Select Dividend 30 (DE) as at the reporting date of 31 October 2011

Detailed summary of assets pursuant to Article 7(2) InvRBV

|                                     | Market value   | % of   |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|--------|
|                                     | in EUR         | fund   |
|                                     |                | assets |
|                                     |                |        |
| Equity                              | 117,913,454.34 | 97.95  |
| -Australia                          | 60,977,385.07  | 50.65  |
| -Bermuda                            | 6,569,638.80   | 5.46   |
| -Hong Kong (Hisiangkang, Xianggang) | 6,090,472.83   | 5.06   |
| -Japan                              | 10,931,315.91  | 9.08   |
| -New Zealand                        | 13,462,936.55  | 11.19  |
| -Singapore                          | 19,881,705.18  | 16.51  |
| Bank accounts                       | 25,938,034.09  | 21.55  |
| Other assets                        | 11,801,614.91  | 9.80   |
| Other liabilities                   | -35,277,560.90 | -29.30 |
| Fund assets                         | 120,375,542.44 | 100.00 |

## Statement of Net Assets as at 31 October 2011

| Designation of class of security | ISIN | Market Units or   | Balance    | Purchases/ | Sales/         | Price Market value | e % of |
|----------------------------------|------|-------------------|------------|------------|----------------|--------------------|--------|
|                                  |      | shares or         | 31/10/2011 | Additions  | Disposals      | in EUF             | R fund |
|                                  |      | currency in 1,000 |            | in the reg | porting period |                    | assets |

## Securities

## **Exchange-traded securities**

| Equity   |              |       |            |           |         |     |           |              |      |
|--|--------------|-------|------------|-----------|---------|-----|-----------|--------------|------|
| Amcor Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.                        | AU000000AMC4 | units | 640,750    | 300,406   | 13,871  | AUD | 7.020     | 3,421,362.29 | 2.84 |
| Australia & N. Z. Bkg Grp Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.    | AU000000ANZ3 | units | 222,460    | 104,296   | 4,815   | AUD | 21.680    | 3,668,466.42 | 3.05 |
| Billabong International Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.      | AU000000BBG6 | units | 451,954    | 211,892   | 9,784   | AUD | 4.280     | 1,471,334.24 | 1.22 |
| Brambles Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.                     | AU000000BXB1 | units | 542,198    | 254,203   | 11,737  | AUD | 6.620     | 2,730,167.16 | 2.27 |
| CLP Holdings Ltd. Registered Shares HD 5                 | HK0002007356 | units | 436,000    | 204,000   | 10,000  | HKD | 69.550    | 2,799,826.42 | 2.33 |
| Commonwealth Bank of Australia Registered Shares o.N.    | AU000000CBA7 | units | 111,525    | 52,284    | 2,414   | AUD | 49.270    | 4,179,536.59 | 3.47 |
| David Jones Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.                  | AU000000DJS0 | units | 1,423,024  | 667,170   | 30,806  | AUD | 3.390     | 3,669,317.23 | 3.05 |
| Eisai Co. Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.                    | JP3160400002 | units | 135,200    | 63,600    | 2,900   | JPY | 3,120.000 | 3,878,500.78 | 3.22 |
| ESPRIT Holdings Ltd. Registered Shares HD -,10           | BMG3122U1457 | units | 663,700    | 311,200   | 14,400  | HKD | 11.400    | 698,592.88   | 0.58 |
| Keppel Corp. Ltd. Registered Subd. Shares SD-,25         | SG1U68934629 | units | 444,000    | 208,000   | 10,400  | SGD | 9.490     | 2,413,471.95 | 2.00 |
| MAP Group Reg. Stapled Securities o.N.                   | AU000000MAP6 | units | 1,887,755  | 885,052   | 40,867  | AUD | 3.410     | 4,896,360.04 | 4.07 |
| Metcash Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.                      | AU000000MTS0 | units | 1,382,956  | 648,382   | 29,939  | AUD | 4.170     | 4,386,496.17 | 3.64 |
| National Australia Bank Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.      | AU000000NAB4 | units | 251,256    | 117,797   | 5,439   | AUD | 25.700    | 4,911,599.00 | 4.08 |
| Ono Pharmaceutical Co. Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.       | JP3197600004 | units | 98,400     | 46,100    | 2,100   | JPY | 4,110.000 | 3,718,514.83 | 3.09 |
| Power Assets Holdings Ltd. Registered Shares HD 1        | HK0006000050 | units | 600,500    | 281,500   | 13,000  | HKD | 59.350    | 3,290,646.41 | 2.73 |
| SATS Ltd. Registered Shares SD -,10                      | SG1I52882764 | units | 1,910,000  | 897,000   | 41,000  | SGD | 2.460     | 2,691,296.50 | 2.24 |
| Singapore Post Ltd. Registered Shares SD-,05             | SG1N89910219 | units | 5,723,000  | 2,683,000 | 124,000 | SGD | 1.025     | 3,360,010.88 | 2.79 |
| Sky City Entertainment Grp Ltd Registered Shares o.N.    | NZSKCE0001S2 | units | 2,123,314  | 995,494   | 45,966  | NZD | 3.540     | 4,376,310.19 | 3.64 |
| SMRT Corporation Ltd Registered Shares SD -,10           | SG1I86884935 | units | 2,503,000  | 1,175,000 | 54,000  | SGD | 1.840     | 2,637,981.50 | 2.19 |
| SP AusNet Registered Units o.N.                          | AU000000SPN6 | units | 12,687,362 | 5,948,354 | 274,662 | AUD | 0.995     | 9,602,133.71 | 7.98 |
| S'pore Telecommunications Ltd. Registered Shares SD -,15 | SG1T75931496 | units | 1,814,000  | 851,000   | 39,000  | SGD | 3.190     | 3,314,523.01 | 2.75 |
| StarHub Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.                      | SG1V12936232 | units | 3,383,000  | 1,586,000 | 73,000  | SGD | 2.820     | 5,464,421.34 | 4.54 |
| Suncorp Group Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.                | AU000000SUN6 | units | 396,712    | 185,992   | 8,588   | AUD | 8.590     | 2,592,040.83 | 2.15 |
| Telecom Corp. of New Zeal. Ltd Registered Shares o.N.    | NZTELE0001S4 | units | 6,156,503  | 2,886,416 | 133,279 | NZD | 2.535     | 9,086,626.36 | 7.55 |
| Telstra Corp. Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.                | AU000000TLS2 | units | 3,394,963  | 1,591,695 | 73,495  | AUD | 3.100     | 8,005,161.10 | 6.65 |
| Tonengeneral Sekiyu Co. Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.      | JP3428600005 | units | 407,000    | 191,000   | 10,000  | JPY | 891.000   | 3,334,300.30 | 2.77 |
| UGL Ltd. Registered Shares o.N.                          | AU000000UGL5 | units | 281,891    | 132,159   | 6,102   | AUD | 13.250    | 2,840,994.71 | 2.36 |
| VTech Holdings Ltd. Reg.Shs (BL 100) DL -,05             | BMG9400S1329 | units | 616,000    | 288,800   | 13,300  | HKD | 73.450    | 4,177,534.02 | 3.47 |
|  |              |       |            |           |         |     |           |              |      |

| Yue Yuen Indust.(Hidgs) Ltd. Registered Shares HD -,25 BMG988031446 units 822,500 386,000 18,000 HKD 22.300  Total equities 117,91                | 4,602,415.58<br>1,693,511.90<br>3,454.34<br>3,454.34<br>,454.34 | 3.82<br>1.41<br>97.95<br>97.95<br>97.95 |
|---|---|---|
| Bank Accounts, Unsecuritised Money Market Instruments, Money Market Funds   |   |   |
| Bank accounts   |   |   |
| EUR balances at:  |   |   |
| Custodian Bank         EUR         25,883,398.98         %         100.000         2  | 5,883,398.98  | 21.50                                   |
| Credit in non-EU/EEA currencies   |   |   |
| StateStreet Bank         AUD         71,828.33         %         100.000  | 54,634.77   | 0.05                                    |
| StateStreet Bank         SGD         0.48         %         100.000           StateStreet Bank         USD         0.10         %         100.000 | 0.27<br>0.07  | 0.00                                    |
|   | 8,034.09  | 21.55                                   |
| Total Bank Accounts, Unsecuritised Money Market Instruments, Money Market Funds 25,938  | ,034.09   | 21.55                                   |
| Other assets  |   |   |
| Dividend claims EUR 177,283.72  | 177,283.72  | 0.15                                    |
|   | 1,624,331.19  | 9.65                                    |
| Total other assets 11,801   | ,614.91   | 9.80                                    |
| Other liabilities   |   |   |
| Management fee EUR -17,701.95   | -17,701.95  | -0.01                                   |
|   | 5,259,858.95  | -29.29                                  |
| Total other liabilities -35,277   | ,560.90   | -29.30                                  |

| Fund assets   | EUR   | 120,375,542.44 | 100.00 <sup>9)</sup> |
|---|-------|----------------|----------------------|
| Unit value  | EUR   | 26.06          |                      |
| Units in circulation                                    | units | 4,619,251      |                      |
| Value of investments as a proportion of fund assets (%) |       | 97.95          |                      |
| Value of derivatives as a proportion of fund assets (%) |       | 0.00           |                      |

**Security Prices and Market Prices** 

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The closing prices on the respective Valuation Dates are used to value Asia-Pacific securities. Securities in the Investment Fund as at the reporting date Were valued without exception on the basis of prices traded on the stock exchange. No valuation models were used.

Money in bank accounts and existing receivables are valued at their current nominal value. Existing liabilities are reported at the amounts payable.

| Exchange rates as a | at 31/10/2011 |
|---------------------|---------------|
|---------------------|---------------|

Rounding of percentages during the calculation may result in slight rounding differences.

| Australian dollar  | (AUD) | 1.31470   | = 1 (EUR) |
|--------------------|-------|-----------|-----------|
| Hong Kong dollar   | (HKD) | 10.83060  | = 1 (EUR) |
| Japanese yen       | (JPY) | 108.75955 | = 1 (EUR) |
| New Zealand dollar | (NZD) | 1.71755   | = 1 (EUR) |
| Singapore dollar   | (SGD) | 1.74585   | = 1 (EUR) |
| US dollar          | (USD) | 1.39480   | = 1 (EUR) |

# Profit-and-Loss Account (incl. Income Adjustment) for the period from 1 May 2011 to 31 October 2011

## I. Income

| III. Ordinary net income                                | <del></del> |             | EUR | 3,380,756.43 |
|---|-------------|-------------|-----|--------------|
| Total expenses  |             |             | EUR | -160,199.14  |
| of which, Custodian fees                                | EUR         | -7,488.05   |     |              |
| 3. Other expenses                                       |             |             | EUR | -7,488.05    |
| of which, fixed management fee                          | EUR         | -152,590.46 |     |              |
| 2. Management fee                                       |             |             | EUR | -152,590.46  |
| Interest from borrowing                                 |             |             | EUR | -120.63      |
| II. Expenses  |             |             |     |              |
| Total income  | _           |             | EUR | 3,540,955.57 |
| Deduction of foreign withholding tax                    |             |             | EUR | -126,066.92  |
| Interest from domestic liquidity investments            |             |             | EUR | 4,267.94     |
| Dividends from foreign issuers (before withholding tax) |             |             | EUR | 3,662,754.55 |

## IV. Disposals

| 1. Realised gains      | EUR | 1,149,967.33  |
|------------------------|-----|---------------|
| 2. Realised losses     | EUR | -1,249,466.97 |
| Gain/loss on disposals | EUR | -99,499.64    |
| V. Annual results      | EUR | 3,281,256.79  |

## **Change in Fund Assets**

|  |            |                                |     | 2011           |
|--|------------|--------------------------------|-----|----------------|
| I. Value of fund assets at start of financial year   |            |                                | EUR | 65,538,802.75  |
| 1. Distribution for previous year/tax deduction for the previous year                                  |            |                                | EUR | -1,113,171.36  |
| Interim distributions  |            |                                | EUR | -640,529.12    |
| 3. Inflow/Outflow of funds (net)   |            |                                | EUR | 52,822,265.33  |
| <ul><li>a) Proceeds received from sales of units</li><li>b) Payments for redemption of units</li></ul> | EUR<br>EUR | 55,343,742.60<br>-2,521,477.27 |     |                |
|  |            |                                |     |                |
| 4. Income adjustment/Cost compensation   |            |                                | EUR | -1,230,609.69  |
| 5. Ordinary net income   |            |                                | EUR | 3,380,756.43   |
| 6. Realised gains  |            |                                | EUR | 1,149,967.33   |
| 7. Realised losses   |            |                                | EUR | -1,249,466.97  |
| 8. Net change in unrealised gains/losses   |            |                                | EUR | 1,717,527.74   |
| II. Value of fund assets at end of financial year  |            |                                | EUR | 120,375,542.44 |

BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG

Munich, 31 October 2011

Dr. Dirk Klee Michael Krautzberger

## Special Notice for Business Investors

Adjustment of equity gains due to the ECR ruling in the case STEKO Industriemontage GmbH

In the case STEKO Industriemontage GmbH (C-377/07), the European Court of Justice (ECR) decided that the regulation in the KStG (Capital Gains Tax Act) for the transition from

the corporate tax imputation procedure to the half-income procedure in 2001 was in violation of European law. The prohibition on corporations claiming a reduction in profits connected with shareholdings in foreign companies under Section 8b Para. 3 KStG for tax purposes had been valid under Section 34 KStG since 2001, while the prohibition on the reduction in profits connected with shareholdings in domestic companies did not become valid until 2002. In the opinion of the ECR this is in violation of the freedom of movement of capital.

The transitional regulations of the KStG applied accordingly to fund investments under the Gesetz über Kapitalanlagegesellschaften (German Capital Investment Companies Act) (Sections 40 and 40a in conjunction with Section 43 Para. 14 KAGG). This decision could be of particular significance for the purposes of taking into account reductions in profits when calculating equity gains in accordance with Section 40a KAGG (Investment Companies Act). In its judgement of 28 October 2009 (Az. I R 27/08), the German federal tax court (Bundesfinanzhof; BHF) ruled that the STEKO case would in principle have an effect on fund investments. The BMF circular of 1 February 2011, "Application of the BFH ruling of 28 October 2009 – I R 27/08 on equity gains ("STEKO case")" states that the tax authorities have established what they view as the permissible conditions under which equity gains can be adjusted on the basis of the STEKO case.

We recommend that investors holding units in operating assets consult a tax advisor regarding possible actions based on the STEKO case.

# Management Company and Custodian Bank

#### Management Company.

BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG Max-Joseph-Strasse 6 80333 Munich, Germany Share capital as at 30/09/2011 EUR 5 million Liable equity as at 30/09/2011 EUR 7 million

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