

Sun Life Malaysia Asia Pacific Dynamic Income Fund March 2020

FUND OBJECTIVE

The Fund aims to provide regular income by investing primarily in the Asia Pacific ex Japan region and at the same time aims to achieve capital appreciation over the medium to long-term.

| FUND DETAILS | | | | | | |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Launch Date | 13 February 2015 | Domicile | Malaysia | | | |
| Currency | Ringgit Malaysia | Launch Price | RM1.0000 | | | |
| Units in Circulation | 108.26 million units (31 March 2020) | Fund Size | RM126.50 million (31 March 2020) | | | |
| Unit NAV | RM1.1684 (31 March 2020) | Dealing | Daily (as per Bursa Malaysia trading day) | | | |
| Fund Manager | Principal Asset Management Bhd | Target Fund | Principal Asia Pacific Dynamic Income Fund | | | |
| Benchmark | Target return of 8% p.a. | Taxation | 8% of annual investment income | | | |
| Risk Profile | Suitable for investors: Have a medium to long-term investment horizon Want a well-diversified portfolio of Asia Pacific ex Japan region Willing to take moderate risk for potentially moderate capital return over the long-term | Fees | Sun Life Malaysia does not impose any fund management charge on Sun Life Malaysia Asia Pacific Dynamic Incompression. 1.8% pa of fund management charge is applied on the target fund's NAV by Principal Assembled. | | | |

| ASSET ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------|--|--|--|
| Equities (Foreign) | Cash | | | |
| 89.38% | 10.62% | | | |



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| SECTOR ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------|--|--|--|
| Information Technology | 18.51% | | | |
| Real Estate | 17.33% | | | |
| Materials | 11.22% | | | |
| Consumer Discretionary | 10.48% | | | |
| Communication Services | 10.30% | | | |
| Industrials | 8.52% | | | |
| Financials | 6.15% | | | |
| Energy | 2.90% | | | |
| Health Care | 2.42% | | | |
| Utilities | 1.54% | | | |
| Cash | 10.62% | | | |
| Total | 100.0% | | | |

| TOP HOLDINGS OF THE TARGET FUND | | | | |
|--------------------------------------------|--------|--|--|--|
| Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd (South Korea) | 6.58% | | | |
| Tencent Hldg Ltd (Hong Kong) | 6.13% | | | |
| Alibaba Group Holding Ltd (Cayman Island) | 5.40% | | | |
| Link REIT (Hong Kong) | 4.03% | | | |
| Taiwan Semiconducter Manuf (Taiwan) | 4.02% | | | |
| Keppel DC REIT (Singapore) | 2.91% | | | |
| China Resources Land Ltd (Hong Kong) | 2.84% | | | |
| Mapletree Commercial Trust (Singapore) | 2.56% | | | |
| CSL Ltd (Australia) | 2.42% | | | |
| Reliance Industries Ltd (India) | 2.33% | | | |
| Total | 39.22% | | | |

PERFORMANCE RECORD

This fund feeds into Principal Asia Pacific Dynamic Income Fund ("target fund") with the objective to provide regular income by investing primarily in the Asia Pacific ex Japan region and at the same time aims to achieve capital appreciation over the medium to long-term.

Table below shows the investment returns of Sun Life Malaysia Asia Pacific Dynamic Income Fund versus its benchmark as at 31 March 2020:

| % | YTD | 1M | 6 M | 1-Year | 3-Year | 5-Year | Since Inception |
|-----------|--------|--------|------------|--------|--------|--------|--------------------|
| Fund* | -16.45 | -12.81 | -12.06 | -11.09 | 0.38 | 15.57 | 16.84 |
| Benchmark | 1.94 | 0.64 | 3.92 | 8.00 | 25.97 | 46.93 | 48.83 |

^{*} Calculation of past performance is based on NAV-to-NAV

Notice: Past performance of the fund is not an indication of its future performance which may differ. The fund performance is not guaranteed.



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FUND MANAGER'S COMMENTS

The Fund was down 12.81% in MYR terms in Mar, underperforming the absolute return benchmark by 1345 bps. Sector wise, Financials, Industrials and Real Estate were the main drags.

The outlook for Asia has deteriorated significantly over the past month as the Covid-19 outbreak progressed from a Chinacentric event to a global pandemic. With major countries across the world now in almost total shutdown, and some still relatively early in moving up the infection curve, we expect post-outbreak recoveries to be more labored and patchy. Asia, along with the world, is likely to see the deepest recession in modern history. We currently expect the global lockdown to last 3 months, with a gradual return to normalcy in 4Q2020. We expect Asian earnings decline of -5% for 2020. Given near-term uncertainties, we are rating Asian Equities neutral pending more visibility on the duration and severity of the crisis. Longer-term investors would do well to ride out the near-term volatility with a view that equities would be the most attractive asset class once economic activity resumes. Historically low interest rates would be the norm for an extended period of time, with central banks providing balance sheet support for risk assets. Equity valuations are becoming attractive relative to historical levels and earnings growth in 2021 will be attractive compared to yields on other asset classes like bonds. APDI will adopt a barbell strategy by having large cap, high quality defensive growth stocks and an emphasis on high dividend paying companies with relatively visible earnings stream. We have reduced exposure to companies which present relatively higher risk to the downside should the virus pandemic persist for longer-thanexpected. On a country basis, we prefer China and Singapore at the expense of South Asia as they are likely to emerge earlier from the crisis, and have fiscal and monetary stimuli in place to cushion the recession. Our current focus is on companies that will benefit from the new way of living after Covid-19 and companies with potential to gain share at the expense of weaker competitors as the economic recovery takes hold. We also prefer beneficiaries of super-low interest rates which would likely persist for a long time after the pandemic. Hence we have increased exposure to selective Reits and Chinese internet stocks. Our least preferred sectors are financials and utilities.

Source: Principal Asset Management Bhd

Date : 31 March 2020

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