

FUND OBJECTIVE

The objective of the Fund is to grow the value of Unit Holders' investments over the medium to long-term in an equity fund that invests in the global titans market of the US, Europe and Japan with an exposure to the Malaysian equities market to balance any short-term volatilities.

FUND DETAILS				
Launch Date	20 May 2014	Domicile	Malaysia	
Currency	Ringgit Malaysia	Launch Price	RM1.0000	
Units in Circulation	24.21 million units (28 August 2020)	Fund Size	RM43.79 million (28 August 2020)	
Unit NAV	RM1.8088 (28 August 2020)	Dealing	Daily (as per Bursa Malaysia trading day)	
Fund Manager	Principal Asset Management Bhd	Target Fund	Principal Global Titans Fund	
Benchmark	42% S&P500 + 36% MSCI Europe + 12% MSCI Japan + 10% CIMB Bank 1-Month Fixed Deposit Rate	Taxation	8% of annual investment income	
Risk Profile	 Suitable for investors: Have a medium to long term investment horizon Target capital appreciation Do not require regular income Comfortable with higher volatility Willing to take higher risk for potential higher gains 	Fees	 Sun Life Malaysia does not impose any fund management charge on Sun Life Malaysia Global Titans Fund. Up to 1.5% of per annum fund management charge is applied on the target fund's NAV by Principal Asset Management Bhd. 	

ASSET ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND		
Mutual Fund	Cash	
88.97%	11.03%	



SECTOR ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND		
SPDRS&P 500 ETF	37.29%	
IShares Core MSCI Eur ETF EUR Dist	16.86%	
Principal GLB EUR EQ-INS ACC	9.60%	
JPM Europe Strategic Growth Fd	9.08%	
TOPIX ETF	8.11%	
Legg Mason GLB - US Large Cap	5.03%	
JPM Japan Yen Fund	3.00%	
Cash	11.03%	
Total	100.00%	

TOP HOLDINGS OF THE TARGET FUND		
Facebook Inc	6.61%	
Microsoft Corp	5.94%	
Apple Inc.	5.07%	
Toyota Motor Corp	3.40%	
Softbank	2.20%	
Sony Corporation	2.20%	
Amazon.com Inc	1.92%	
Keyence Corporation	1.70%	
Nintendo Co., Ltd.	1.50%	
Alphabet Inc.	1.45%	
Total	31.99%	

PERFORMANCE RECORD

This fund feeds into Principal Global Titans Fund ("target fund") with the objective to achieve medium to long-term capital gains by investing into the US, Europe and Japan equities while having some Malaysia equities exposure to counter the short-term volatility in the global equities markets.

Table below shows the investment returns of Sun Life Malaysia Global Titans Fund versus its benchmark as at 28 August 2020:

%	YTD	1M	6M	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	Since Inception
Fund*	5.71	3.12	10.65	12.15	19.87	41.41	80.88
Benchmark	3.35	3.68	10.51	11.06	19.50	45.28	82.49

^{*} 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.





FUND MANAGER'S COMMENTS

The Fund (Class MYR) increased by 3.12 during the month of August 2020, underperforming the benchmark by 56 basis points (bps). Year-to-date, the Fund increased by 5.71%, outperforming the benchmark by 236 bps.

Developed markets continued to rally on the recovery of economic activity and earnings. MSCI US and Europe increased by 7.5%, 4.9% and 8%, respectively. The number of new COVID infections in US continued to moderate in August. However, Europe started to see new infections rising across countries including France and Spain, which is controlled by better testing and the targeted measures such as tracing and travel restrictions implemented by the governments. The Dollar Index remained weak amid expectation that US interest rate will remain low for an extended period. Euro appreciated by 1.3% and Japanese Yen was flat.

Economic activity represented by PMI rebounded strongly for US, which is 53 in the expansion zone. Europe and Japan PMIs are also accelerating although Japan PMI is still in contraction zone. US labor market also continues to improve with unemployment rate falling to 8.4% in August. Despite rising new COVID infections in Europe, retail and travel activities have not been adversely impacted according to Google's mobility data. The next 12-months earnings forecasts are revised higher for all developed markets. Central banks will remain supportive in monetary policy. The Fed's shift in monetary policy strategy from flexible inflation targeting to average inflation targeting reaffirmed our belief that interest rates will stay low for longer. However, the passing of another fiscal stimulus package in US has been delayed, which may affect consumer activities as jobless people struggle with much less financial support. US valuation is becoming more expensive based on P/B-ROE. Europe and Japan valuations are more favorable.

We remain neutral on all developed markets with slightly higher exposure to equities than the benchmark weight as we expect global economic growth continue to improve. We think developed markets equities will continue to be supported by accommodative monetary policy and low interest rates. Within equities, we keep slightly higher weights in US and Europe and lower weight in Japan compared to benchmark weights. This is mainly due to Japan's lagging economic and earnings recovery.



RISKS

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Market risk	Market risk is the risk of negative movement that affects the price of all assets in a particular capital market. The factors influencing the performance of the markets include: • Economic and financial market conditions • Political change • Broad investor sentiment • Movements in interest rate and inflation • Currency risks Stock values fluctuate in response to the activities and performance of individual companies and general market or economic conditions. Such movements in the underlying values of the share of the investment portfolio will cause the NAV or prices of units to fall as well as rise. Market risk is mitigated through careful selection of securities and diversification through spreading of risk across a basket of assets and/or sectors.	
Security risk	Security risk applies to individual companies or securities. Examples include the possible effect on a company of losing a key executive or the unforeseen entry of a new competitor into the market. The risk is mitigated by the fund manager's periodic research and analysis on all the underlying securities held by the fund.	
Foreign Currency risk	This risk is associated with investments that are quoted and/or priced in foreign currency denomination. Malaysian based investors should be aware that if the RM appreciates against the currencies in which the portfolio of the investment is denominated, this will have an adverse effect on the NAV of the Fund and vice versa. Investors should note that any gains or losses arising from the movement of the foreign currencies against its home currency may therefore increase/decrease the capital gains of the investment. Nevertheless, investors should realise that currency risk is considered as one of the major risks to investments in foreign assets due to the volatile nature of the foreign exchange market. The risk is mitigated through a combination of fund's exposure into the U.S, European, Japanese and Malaysia equities.	
Credit risk	The risk of loss of principal or loss of a financial reward stemming from counterparty's failure to repay a loan or otherwise meet a contractual obligation. This risk is primarily applicable to the liquid assets of this fund. Credit risk is mitigated by fund manager's periodic reviews and analysis.	
Country risk	A fund investing in foreign countries may be affected by risks specific to the countries in which it invests. Such risks include changes in the country's economic fundamentals, social and political stability, currency movements and foreign investment policies. These factors may have an impact on the prices of the Fund's investment in that country and consequently may also affect the fund's NAV and its growth. To mitigate this risk, the fund manager will diversify securities investment that spread across various countries.	

Source: Principal Asset Management Bhd

Date : 28 August 2020

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