

Sun Life Malaysia Global Sustainable Fund

April 2023



FUND OBJECTIVE

To achieve long term capital growth through investment in a relatively concentrated, actively managed portfolio of global equity securities issued by companies with a high overall positive impact on society.

FUND DETAILS

Launch Date	21 July 2021	Domicile	Malaysia
Currency	Ringgit Malaysia	Launch Price	RM1.0000
Units in Circulation	10.21 million units (28 April 2023)	Fund Size	RM9.95 million (28 April 2023)
Unit NAV	RM0.9750 (28 April 2023)	Dealing	Daily (as per Bursa Malaysia trading day)
Fund Manager	Nomura Asset Management Malaysia Sdn Bhd	Target Fund	Nomura Global Sustainable Equity Fund
Benchmark	MSCI All Country World Index	Taxation	8% of annual investment income
Risk Profile	Suitable for investors: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ are seeking long term capital growth;▪ want a portfolio of investments that provides positive impact on the sustainable development of society;▪ want to have portfolio with global exposure; or▪ are prepared to accept moderate level of volatility.	Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Sun Life Malaysia does not impose any fund management charge on Sun Life Malaysia Global Sustainable Fund.▪ Up to 1.6% p.a. fund management charge is applied on the target fund's NAV by Nomura Asset Management Malaysia Sdn Bhd.

ASSET ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND

Equity Fund	Cash and Others
99.26%	0.74%

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SECTOR ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND

Information Technology	27.83%
Health Care	24.12%
Industrials	16.48%
Financials	10.81%
Utilities	7.40%
Consumer Staples	3.85%
Materials	3.50%
Communication Services	3.20%
Cash & Others	2.81%
Total	100.00%

TOP HOLDINGS OF THE TARGET FUND

Mastercard Incorporated Class A	4.11%
Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc.	3.99%
Novo Nordisk A/S Class B	3.81%
NextEra Energy, Inc.	3.78%
Johnson Controls International plc	3.63%

PERFORMANCE RECORD

This fund feeds into Nomura Global Sustainable Equity Fund ("target fund") with the objective to achieve long-term capital growth through investment in a relatively concentrated, actively managed portfolio of global equity securities issued by companies with a high overall positive impact on society.

Table below shows the investment returns of Sun Life Malaysia Global Sustainable Fund versus its benchmark as at 28 April 2023:

%	YTD	1M	3M	6M	1-Year	3-Years	Since Inception
Fund*	8.26	2.75	6.67	7.28	1.59	N/A	-2.50
Benchmark	9.56	2.38	5.64	5.38	2.67	N/A	-2.32

* 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

Markets traded within a relatively narrow range through April as investors continued to digest the impact of the stress events within the banking sector before rallying somewhat into the end of the month on strong earnings across mega capitalisation technology stock. Sector allocation was a small positive contributor over the month as a result of the recovery in the performance of the Healthcare sector and the underperformance of Consumer Discretionary sector. Selection was the primary driver of outperformance and was positive across Financials and Materials sectors but negative for the Technology sector's holdings in the Target Fund.

Impact focus of the month: The team initiated a position in Paychex (PAYX), the second largest payroll and human resource outsourcing solutions company in the United States of America. The company focuses on small businesses – clients have an average employee headcount of 15-20 people – and has a client base of 730,000 companies with broad diversification geographically as well as by industry type. Small businesses do not have the resources to spend on payroll, which is in itself is a form of access to financial services, and this also makes Paychex services very sticky. The outsourcing frees up founders and management to focus on the core business and lowers barriers to entry for these small businesses to launch and compete. The team track Payroll & Professional Employer Organisation (PEO) client base as a proxy for the number of Small and Medium Businesses supported by PAYX solutions.

The top contributors to performance were DSM (+11%) and Becton Dickinson (+7%) in addition to not holding Tesla (-21%). DSM (now DSM-Fermentis) has underperformed materially and the team believe this has been in part due to the overhang of its merger with Fermentis, which has experienced multiple delays, but this finally completed in April supporting a rebound in the stock price. Becton Dickinson benefitted from a significant rotation back into healthcare, most notably into MedTech, over the month. The greatest detractors were Cisco (-9%) and ASML (-7%). Cisco underperformed as investors have grown more concerned, following the earnings reports of peers, that IT spending has weakened whilst ASML has lagged following very strong performance in the first quarter of 2023 and has also been dragged down by nervousness around the capital expenditure intentions of its primary customers.

RISKS

All investment carries some form of risks. The potential key risks include but are not limited to the following:

Returns not guaranteed	The investment of the fund is subject to market fluctuations and its inherent risk. There is NO GUARANTEE on the investment returns, nor any assurance that the target fund's investment objective will be achieved.
Market risk	The value of an investment will decrease or increase due to changes in market factors i.e. economic, political or other events that impact large portions of the market. Market risk cannot be eliminated, hence the target fund's investment portfolio may be prone to changing market conditions that may result in uncertainties and fluctuations in the value of the underlying of the target fund's investment portfolio, causing the NAV or prices of units to fluctuate.
Inflation risk	This is the risk that your investment in the target fund may not grow or generate income at a rate that keeps pace with inflation. This would reduce your purchasing power even though the nominal value of the investment in monetary terms has increased.
Manager's risk	This risk refers to the day-to-day management of the target fund by Nomura which will impact the performance of the target fund, e.g. investment decisions undertaken by Nomura as a result of an incorrect view of the market or any non-compliance with internal policies, investment mandate, the deed, relevant law or guidelines due to factors such as human error or weakness in operational process and systems may adversely affect the performance of the target fund. In order to mitigate this risk, the implementation of internal controls and a structured investment process and operational procedures has been put in place by Nomura.
Concentration risk	As the target fund invests at least 80% of its NAV in the master fund, it is subject to concentration risk as the performance of the target fund would be dependent on the performance of the master fund.
Country risk	The investment of the target fund may be affected by risk specific to the country which it invests in. Such risks include changes in the country's economic, social and political environment. The value of the assets of the target fund may also be affected by uncertainties such as currency repatriation restrictions or other developments in the law or regulations of the country which the target fund invests in, i.e. Ireland, the domicile country of the master fund.

RISKS (CONTINUED)

Default risk	Default risk relates to the risk that an issuer of a money market instrument either defaulting on payments or failing to make payments in a timely manner which will in turn adversely affect the value of the money market instruments. This could affect the value of the target fund as up to 20% of the NAV of the target fund will be invested in liquid assets which include but are not limited to deposits and money market instruments.
Investment manager of the master fund risk	<p>The target fund will invest in the master fund managed by a foreign asset management company. This risk refers to the risk associated with the investment manager, which include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">i) The risk of non-adherence to the investment objective, strategy and policies of the master fund;ii) The risk of direct or indirect losses resulting from inadequate or failed operational and administrative processes and systems by the investment manager; andiii) The risk that the master fund may underperform its benchmark due to poor investment decisions by the investment manager.

Source : Nomura Asset Management Malaysia Sdn Bhd
Date : 28 April 2023

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