

# Sun Life Malaysia Select Asia (ex Japan) Quantum Fund October 2017

#### **FUND OBJECTIVE**

A total return fund that seeks to capture the high growth of developing companies within the Asia (ex-Japan) region.

FUND DETAILS					
Launch Date	20 May 2014				
Domicile	Malaysia				
Currency	Ringgit Malaysia				
Launch Price	RM1.0000				
Units in Circulation	14.564 million units (31 October 2017)				
Fund Size	RM20.096 million (31 October 2017)				
Unit NAV	RM1.3799 (31 October 2017)				
Dealing	Daily (as per Bursa Malaysia trading day)				
Investment Manager of the Target Fund	Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad				
Target Fund	Affin Hwang Select Asia (ex Japan) Quantum Fund				
Benchmark	MSCI AC Asia (ex-Japan) Small Cap Index				
Risk Profile	Suitable for investors:  Have a medium to long term investment horizon  Are risk tolerance  Are seeking higher returns for their investments compared to the performance benchmark				
Fees	Management Fee: 1.500% p.a.				
Taxation	8% of annual investment income				

ASSET ALLOCATION			
Equity	Min - 75%; Max - 99.80%		
Cash	Remaining Balance		

WHERE THE TARGET FUND INVESTS							
Financials	31.7%	Basic Materials	3.8%				
Industrials	15.5%	Utilities	3.3%				
Technology	12.2%	Consumer Services	3.2%				
Oil & Gas	5.6%	Cash	15.3%				
Health Care	5.2%						
Consumer Goods	4.2%	Total	100.0%				

TOP HOLDINGS OF THE TARGET FUND	
CapitaLand Retail China Trust	6.0%
China Aviation Oil Sg Corp Ltd	5.6%
HRnetgroup Ltd	5.2%
MNRB Hldgs Bhd	3.9%
Integrated Micro-Electronics	3.5%
Manulife US REIT	3.5%
Accton Technology Corp	3.5%
Allianz Malaysia Bhd	3.5%
KMC KueiMeng International Inc	3.4%
Erasers Logistic & Indus Trust	3.4%

### PERFORMANCE RECORD

The Fund feeds into Affin Hwang Select Asia (ex Japan) Quantum Fund ("target fund") with the objective to achieve consistent capital appreciation over medium to long-term by investing mainly in growth companies in Asia (ex Japan) with market capitalization of not more than USD1.5 billion at the time of acquisition, subject to the flexibility of investing up to 25% of the Net Asset Value (NAV) of the Fund in companies in Asia (ex Japan) with market capitalization of not more than USD3.0 billion at the time of acquisition.

Table below shows the investment returns of Sun Life Malaysia Select Asia (ex Japan) Quantum Fund versus its benchmark as at 31 October 2017:

%	YTD	1M	3M	6M	1-Year	3-year	Since Inception
Fund*	14.9	1.9	-0.6	-2.9	12.6	38.4	38.0
Benchmark	17.8	4.9	4.3	6.5	19.6	39.2	41.5

\* 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

- Optimism surrounding the US tax reform plans boosted market sentiment, sending global financial markets higher in October.
- Regional equity markets trended higher as data out of China remained encouraging.
- China stocks were pushed to a 26-month high with stronger data, and the support
  of a cut in the Reserve Requirement Ratio.
- China's 19th Party Congress meeting took place with relatively little impact on the markets as it ended with little surprise for markets.
- The Korean equity market hit a record high after tensions with China eased.
- The anticipated robust demand for the Apple iPhone X continued to drive the Taiwan tech sector - leading the equity market to end higher in October.
- The Fund recorded a gain of 1.9% in the month of October, while its benchmark index rose 4.9% over the same period.
- STRATEGY: We expect global financial markets to continue on its upward climb as economic data flowing out of global economies remain supportive.
- Global growth continues to be on-track, with inflation being a non-threat.
- In the interim, we are holding higher optimism on the North Asian markets given the supportive fundamentals.
- We will be maintaining a healthy exposure into the tech related opportunities to capitalize on the stronger outlook.
- Concurrently, we will continue to hold selective exposure into beneficiaries of the reflation trade.

## Source: Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad

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