# **Sun Life Malaysia Islamic Global Sustainable Fund**

July 2022



## **FUND OBJECTIVE**

To achieve long-term capital growth.

FUND DETAILS					
Launch Date	01 June 2022	Domicile	Malaysia		
Currency	Ringgit Malaysia	Launch Price	RM1.0000		
Units in Circulation	3,099 units (29 July 2022)	Fund Size	RM3,355 (29 July 2022)		
Unit NAV	RM1.0859 (29 July 2022)	Dealing	Daily (as per Bursa Malaysia trading day)		
Fund Manager	Nomura Asset Management Malaysia Sdn Bhd	Target Fund	Nomura Global Shariah Sustainable Equity MYR Class A Fund		
Benchmark	Dow Jones Islamic Market Developed Markets Index	Taxation	8% of annual investment income		
Risk Profile	Suitable for investors:  are seeking long term capital growth;  want a portfolio of Shariah compliant investments that provides positive impact on the sustainable development of society;  want to have portfolio with global exposure; and  are prepared to accept moderate level of volatility.	Fees	<ul> <li>Sun Life Malaysia does not impose any fund management charge on Sun Life Malaysia Islamic Global Sustainable Fund.</li> <li>Up to 1.6% p.a. fund management charge is applied on the target fund's NAV by Nomura Asset Management Malaysia Sdn Bhd.</li> </ul>		

ASSET ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND		
Equity Fund	Cash and Others	
98.59%	1.41%	

SECTOR ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND			
Information Technology	40.21%		
Health Care	20.16%		
Industrials	16.71%		
Consumer Discretionary	5.95%		
Communication Services	4.88%		
Materials	4.29%		
Consumer Staples	3.95%		
Utilities	2.45%		

TOP HOLDINGS OF THE TARGET FUND		
Microsoft Corp	5.96%	
Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc	5.02%	
Mastercard Inc	4.93%	
Alphabet Inc. CI A	4.88%	
Johnson Controls International	4.68%	

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### PERFORMANCE RECORD

This fund feeds into Nomura Global Shariah Sustainable Equity MYR Class A Fund ("target fund") with the objective to achieve long-term capital growth.

Table below shows the investment returns of Sun Life Malaysia Islamic Global Sustainable Fund versus its benchmark as at 29 July 2022:

%	YTD	1M	3M	6M	1-Year	3-Years	Since Inception
Fund*	8.59	8.59	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	8.59
Benchmark	11.08	11.08	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	11.08

<sup>\*</sup> 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**

Earnings season so far has been much stronger than expected, especially with mega cap tech, and the market took the comments from the Federal Reserve as supportive for risk assets despite the further 75bps rate hike. By region, Asia Pacific positive contribution through both selection and allocation was more than offset by all other regions. By sectors, underweighting Consumer Discretionary and overweighting Healthcare have largely contributed to the underperformance. Allocation was the primary driver of the underperformance as Consumer Discretionary recovered very strongly and Healthcare lagged as investors rotated out of the sector. Selection was strong in Utilities and Materials however this was offset by weaker selection in Consumer Discretionary.

By individual stock, the top contributors to the performance are Adyen and Tesla. Adyen with quality business continued to rally stronger than the market as broad market sentiment recovered. Despite Shanghai lockdown within its quarter, Tesla executed well with great earnings beat and guided for greater outputs with factories production recovering in Shanghai and ramping up in Berlin and Texas. On the other hand, the greatest detractor to the performance are Becton Dickinson and Tractor Supply. Becton Dickinson underperformance was due to the sector rotation. Lastly, not holding AMZN also largely contributed the underperformance where its outlook surprised the market with better cash flow generation.

Impact Focus of the Month: The team have been engaging with our Electric Vehicle ("EV") manufacturer holding in order to improve the Total Impact of the business. We believe the company to have extremely high environmental impact through leading the transition to EVs but it is our opinion that the impact on other stakeholders could be improved and it is therefore our responsibility to engage with the company to push for better practices. We engaged with the company on a range of issues including the allegations of taking actions to squash unionization discussion, discrimination in the workplace and recent legal cases in relation to crashes when the vehicles have been in auto pilot mode. We are further continuing discussions with a shareholder group to explore how we can better work with other stakeholders to push for improved practices in relation to policies around collective bargaining in particular.

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Compliance

Status



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. For example, investment decisions undertaken by Nomura as a result of 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.	
Country risk	The investment of the target fund may be affected by risk specific to the country in 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 in which the target fund invest in.	
Reclassification of Shariah Compliance	Shariah-compliant securities and instruments held by the target fund are subject to periodic review by the SAC of the SC, SAC of BNM, the Shariah boards of the relevant Islamic indices or the Shariah Adviser. These securities may be reclassified as non-compliant during such reviews and the target fund may need to take the necessary steps to dispose of such security or instrument,	

upon the advice of the Shariah Adviser. Consequently, the target fund may realise some losses in

the disposal of the same or there may be opportunity loss for the target fund as the target fund

may not be permitted to retain excess capital gains derived from such disposal.

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## **RISKS (CONTINUED)**

As the Base Currency is denominated in USD and the currency denomination of the Classes may be denominated in other than USD, the Classes not denominated in USD are also exposed to currency risk. Any fluctuation in the exchange rates between USD and the currency denomination of the Class (other than Classes denominated in USD) will affect the Unit Holder's investments in those Classes (other than Classes denominated in USD). The impact of the exchange rate movement between the Base Currency and the currency denomination of the Class (other than Classes denominated in USD) may result in a depreciation of the Unit Holder's holdings as expressed in the Base Currency.

### **Currency Risk**

In order to manage currency risk, Nomura may employ currency hedging strategies to fully or partially hedge the foreign currency exposure of the target fund's investments and/or the Classes not denominated in USD. Currency hedging may reduce the effect of the exchange rate movement for the Class being hedged but it does not entirely eliminate currency risk between the Class and the Base Currency. The unhedged portion of the Class will still be affected by the exchange rate movements and it may cause fluctuation of NAV of the Class. You should note that if the exchange rate moves favourably, the Class will not benefit from any upside in currency movement due to the hedging strategy. In addition, hedging is subject to a minimum size of entering into a hedging contract and the cost of hedging will be borne by the hedged class and may affect returns of the hedged class.

## **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. If the financial institution which the target fund places deposits with defaults in payment or become insolvent, the target fund may also suffer capital losses with regards to the capital invested and interest foregone, causing the performance of the target fund to be adversely affected This could affect the value of the target fund as up to 20% of the NAV of the target fund will be invested in Islamic deposits, Islamic money market instruments and/or held in cash.

Source : Nomura Asset Management Malaysia Sdn Bhd

Date : 29 July 2022

#### Disclaimer:

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