Sun Life Malaysia **Global Sustainable Fund**

May 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	10.47 million units (31 May 2023)	Fund Size	RM10.36 million (31 May 2023)	
Unit NAV	RM0.9899 (31 May 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: 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	 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 100.66% -0.66%

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SECTOR ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND		
Information Technology	29.22%	
Health Care	25.30%	
Industrials	16.13%	
Financials	10.91%	
Utilities	7.45%	
Consumer Staples	3.60%	
Materials	3.24%	
Communication Services	2.90%	
Cash & Others	1.25%	
Total	100.00%	

TOP HOLDINGS OF THE TARGET FUND	
Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc.	3.89%
NextEra Energy, Inc.	3.87%
ASML Holding NV	3.84%
Johnson Controls International plc	3.83%
Novo Nordisk A/S Class B	3.74%

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 31 May 2023:

%	YTD	1 M	3M	6M	1-Year	3-Years	Since Inception
Fund*	9.92	1.53	6.02	7.61	5.19	N/A	-1.01
Benchmark	11.87	2.11	5.69	6.32	4.37	N/A	-0.26

* 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 main theme over May was the continued outperformance of Technology (sector advanced +10%) and the FANG+ index (+17% in May and +61% YTD) as the market was taken by surprise by the massive increase in growth expectations at NVIDIA as a result of the surge in AI related spending the company is already seeing leading to a huge rotation into perceived AI winners.

Impact focus of the month: Over the month, the team have been working towards publishing the next impact report for the strategy. In bringing together the report, the team have again focussed on engaging with companies to report better impact data that more accurately reflects the real world impact of their products and operations. The report will also represent a step forward in the team's thinking with regards to true impact. Depending on the company and the quality of its reporting, and nature of operations, input, activity or output data may be available and the team seek to report the best data (company performance indicators "CPIs") that reflects a 'proxy' for the ultimate impact it is having. In the 2022 Impact Report, whilst the team have stopped at the company reported data level (input, activity, output) for formal reporting purposes, frameworks have been provided to support a better understanding of how this can be taken one step further to consider genuine real world impact.

The top contributors to performance were ASML (+13%), Adobe (+11%) and TSMC (+11%) all holdings that are perceived by the market to be AI winners to varying extents. Within semiconductors for example NVIDIA has received most of the attention but there will be many other beneficiaries. NVIDIA is a fabless chip design company and it outsources chip manufacturing to TSMC to build their AI chips. TSMC had excess capacity due to the semiconductor downturn but NVIDIA's rush orders are absorbing TSMC's excess capacity which will lead to operating leverage for TSMC and further benefit the most well positioned companies, such as ASML, within their value chain.

The primary detractors to performance were not holding NVIDIA (+37%) and the team's holding in Thermo Fisher (-8%). Across the life sciences industry a number of peers to Thermo Fisher have been expressing growing concerns over macroeconomic headwinds and the pulling back of customers in biotech on capital expenditure. However, the structural growth underpinning life sciences spending over the long term has not changed and the team remain very constructive on the space, whilst Thermo Fisher's position has actually strengthened substantially relative to peers.

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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.

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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	 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: 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; and iii) 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 : 31 May 2023

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