

# Sun Life Malaysia Islamic Asia Pacific Equity Fund February 2017

#### FUND OBJECTIVE

Aims to achieve long-term capital appreciation and income while complying with Shariah investment criteria, through investments in the emerging and developed markets of Asia Pacific ex Japan region.

FUND DETAILS						
Launch Date	13 February 2015					
Domicile	Malaysia					
Currency	Ringgit Malaysia					
Launch Price	RM1.0000					
Units in Circulation	2.181 million units (28 February 2017)					
Fund Size	RM2.270 million (28 February 2017)					
Unit NAV	RM1.0407 (28 February 2017)					
Dealing	Daily (as per Bursa Malaysia trading day)					
Fund Manager	CIMB-Principal Asset Management Bhd					
Target Fund	CIMB Islamic Asia Pacific Equity Fund					
Benchmark	Dow Jones Islamic Market Asia Pacific ex Japan Index					
Risk Profile	<ul> <li>Suitable for investors:</li> <li>Have a long-term investment horizon</li> <li>Want a portfolio of investments that adhere to Syariah principles</li> <li>Want a well-diversified portfolio of Asia Pacific ex Japan regional equities</li> <li>Seek capital appreciation over long-term</li> </ul>					
Fees	<ul> <li>Sun Life Malaysia does not impose any fund management charge on Sun Life Malaysia Asia Pacific Dynamic Income Fund.</li> <li>1.8% of pa fund management charge is applied on the target fund's NAV by CIMB-Principal.</li> </ul>					
Taxation	8% of annual investment income					

## ASSET ALLOCATION

SK Hynix inc. (S.Korea)

Link REIT (Hong Kong)

Dabur India Ltd (India)

MTR Corp Ltd (Hong Kong)

China Shenhua Energy Co. Ltd (China)

ASSET ALLOCATION									
Minimum 70% - 98%	Liquid Assets	Min 2%							
Max 30%									
WHERE THE FUND INVESTS									
26.13%	Basic Material	6.66%							
13.18%	Mutual Fund	1.72%							
10.54%	Health Care	1.59%							
10.35%	Trading / Services	1.26%							
8.16%	Utilities	0.85%							
8.05%	Cash	11.51%							
TOP HOLDINGS OF THE TARGET FUND									
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd (Cayman Island)									
Tencent Hldg Ltd (Hong Kong)									
Singapore Telecommunications (S'pore)									
Maruti Suzuki India Ltd (India)									
China Petroleum & Chemical (China)									
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# PERFORMANCE RECORD

This fund feeds into CIMB Islamic Asia Pacific Equity Fund ("target fund") with the objective to achieve long-term capital appreciation and income while complying with Shariah investment criteria, through investments in the emerging and developed markets of Asia Pacific ex Japan region.

Table below shows the investment returns of Sun Life Malaysia Islamic Asia Pacific Equity Fund versus its benchmark as at 28 February 2017:

%	YTD	1 <b>M</b>	3M	6M	1- Year	3- year	Since Inception
Fund*	3.81	0.57	3.12	4.34	12.79	N/A	4.07
Benchmark	7.88	2.50	6.56	11.26	25.76	N/A	20.65

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**

In February 2017, the Fund increased 0.57%, underperforming the benchmark by 193 basis points. We were overweight in India, Indonesia and Philippines and underweight in Korea and Taiwan. Sector-wise, we were overweight in Oil & Gas and Telecommunications and underweight in Technology and Utilities.

Asia Ex Japan equity markets continued to rally in February, buoyed by reflation of global economies, low inflation, falling bond yields and signs that Trump's trade policies may be more benign or further delayed than expected. While we expect the US Dollar to continue strengthening through the year, and that the Fed would raise rates 2-3 times this year, we continue to see Asia corporate profitability improving on the back of global reflationary trend. As such, we are looking for Asia's corporate earnings to grow 10% year on year, a substantial recovery from the negative growth of the past 2 years. Valuations are fair. Downside would be limited by (1) global central banks' proactive and aggressive policies to limit financial risks; (2) bottoming of inflation and price stability for the commodity complex; and (3) a rebound in earnings growth.

The portfolios are targeting to be fully invested, and expect to be buyers of the market on dips. The sectors we are increasing exposure to are Industrials, Materials and Technology. Given our expectations on inflation and the interest rate cycles, we are reducing exposure to Utilities and Telecoms. Country-wise, we continue to favour India and Indonesia for their structural growth prospects, while staying cautious on Philippines.

Source: CIMB-Principal Asset Management Bhd

#### Disclaimer:

3.15%

2.94%

2.82%

2.44%

2.33%

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