

# FUND OBJECTIVE

To provide a steady income stream over medium to long-term period by investing primarily in bonds and fixed income securities.

FUND DETAILS				
Launch Date	16 January 2018	Domicile	Malaysia	
Currency	Ringgit Malaysia	Launch Price	RM1.0000	
Units in Circulation	1.13 million units (30 April 2019)	Fund Size	RM1.19 million (30 April 2019)	
Unit NAV	RM1.0507 (30 April 2019)	Dealing	Daily (as per Bursa Malaysia trading day)	
Fund Manager	Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad	Target Fund	Affin Hwang Select Bond Fund	
Benchmark	Maybank 12-Month Fixed Deposit Rate	Taxation	8% of annual investment income	
Risk Profile	<ul> <li>Suitable for investors:</li> <li>Have a medium to long term investment horizon</li> <li>Risk averse and conservative</li> </ul>	Fees	<ul> <li>Sun Life Malaysia does not impose any fund management charge on Sun Life Malaysia Select Bond Fund</li> <li>Up to 1.0% per annum fund management charge is applied on the Target Fund's NAV by Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad</li> </ul>	

# ASSET ALLOCATION Bonds Cash Money Market Instruments/Deposits Min 70%; Max 100% Remaining Balance Min 0%; Max 30%

SECTOR ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND		TOP HOLDINGS OF THE TARGET FUND				
Banks	26.0%	Bonds Issuer	Coupon	Maturity Date	%	
Real Estate	18.8%	PTT Exploration & Production	4.88%	18.06.49	2.9	
Others	11.4%	China Life Insurance Co. Ltd	4.00%	03.07.75	2.9	
Industrials	9.5%	Australia New Zealand Bank Gp	6.75%	15.06.49	2.2	
Financial Services	5.4%	BHP Billiton Finance USA Ltd	6.75%	19.10.75	2.1	
Government	5.4%	TF Varlik Kiralama AS	6.00%	28.06.19	1.8	
Oil & Gas	4.4%	Yinson Juniper Ltd	7.85%	05.10.49	1.8	
Basic Materials	4.2%	UBS Group AG	6.88%	16.03.49	1.5	
Insurance	3.9%	UBS AG	7.13%	19.02.49	1.5	
Cash & Cash Equivalents	10.9%	UBS AG	5.13%	15.05.24	1.5	
Total	100.0%	DBS Group Holdings Ltd	3.60%	07.09.49	1.5	



### PERFORMANCE RECORD

This fund feeds into Affin Hwang Select Bond Fund ("Target Fund") with the objective to provide a steady income stream over medium to long-term period by investing primarily in bonds and fixed income securities.

Table below shows the investment returns of Sun Life Malaysia Select Bond Fund versus its benchmark as at 30 April 2019:

%	YTD	1 <b>M</b>	3M	6M	1-Year	3-Year	Since Inception
Fund*	4.18	0.85	2.85	4.27	5.65	N/A	5.07
Benchmark	1.10	0.30	0.81	1.65	3.30	N/A	4.43

\* 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 US Federal Reserve (the Fed) followed the dovish script at its recent April/May meeting, as officials voted to keep interest rates unchanged amid concerns on slowing growth as well as inflation. Inflation reading for the coming months will be the key determinants of what the Fed will do next. Most recently, US-China trade talks are back in the news.
- A major index provider announced that it is considering excluding Malaysia from its global bond index, while Norway's sovereign wealth fund also announced it will cut Emerging Market debt exposure, including Malaysia. These announcements led to a sell-off of Malaysian fixed income, with the 10-year MGS spiking up to 3.95% from 3.78% following the news. The market, however, quickly rebounded supported by local investors. The 10-year GII yield was up by 6 bps, ending the month with yields at 3.87%.
- BNM decided to trim the overnight policy rate (OPR) by 25 bps to 3.00% at its Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) on 7 May 2019, which was in line with market expectations. The rate cut was delivered due to downside growth risks in the global and Malaysian economy. Following the rate cut, Malaysian government bonds yields edged lower by 1-2 bps.
- Malaysia's inflation rose 0.2% in March after decreasing 0.4% in the previous month and 0.7% in January, as fuel prices recorded a smaller decline. Thus far, the headline inflation rate had declined 0.3% year-on-year in 1Q 2019. The domestic bond market remains well-supported by ample liquidity and the lack of supply; especially in corporate bonds.
- **STRATEGY:** The fund took profit on bonds, such as Longfor and Prasarana, that have rallied given the strong performance of bonds over the month.
- The fund participated in several primary issuances such as Tencent and has reduced its duration to slightly below 4 years.
- The fund remains highly invested with an exposure of above 90% on the back of US Fed's no-more-rate-hike announcement as well as strong participation and demand in the primary market.

### Source : Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad Date : 30 April 2019

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