

Sun Life Malaysia Islamic Strategic Aggressive Fund September 2019

FUND OBJECTIVE

To achieve capital growth by investing in a portfolio of Shariah-compliant collective investment schemes that invests primarily in Shariah-compliant equities.

FUND DETAILS							
Launch Date	1 December 2017	Domicile	Malaysia				
Currency	Ringgit Malaysia	Launch Price	RM1.0000				
Units in Circulation	1.34 million units (30 September 2019)	Fund Size	RM1.23 million (30 September 2019)				
Unit NAV	RM0.9200 (30 September 2019)	Dealing	Daily (as per Bursa Malaysia trading day)				
Fund Manager	Principal Asset Management Bhd	Target Fund	Principal Islamic Aggressive Wholesale Fund-of Funds				
Benchmark	MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Islamic Index	Taxation	8% of annual investment income				
Risk Profile	Suitable for investors: Have a long-term investment horizon Have a high risk profile and seek for potentially higher but more volatile investment return Want a portfolio of investments that adhere to Shariah principles	Fees	 Sun Life Malaysia does not impose any fund management charge on Sun Life Malays Islamic Strategic Aggressive Fund. Up to 1.8% of per annum fur management charge is applied on the target fund's NAV to Principal Asset Management Berhad. 				
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SECTOR ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND			
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Cash	5.96%		
Total	100.00%		

TOP HOLDINGS OF THE TARGET FUND			
CIMB Islamic Asia Pac Equity Fund	38.01%		
CIMB Islamic Equity Aggressive Fund	28.40%		
CIMB Islamic DALI Equity	27.63%		
Total	94.04%		



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PERFORMANCE RECORD

This fund feeds into Principal Islamic Aggressive Wholesale Fund-of-Funds ("target fund") with the objective to achieve capital growth by investing in a portfolio of Shariah-compliant collective investment schemes that invest primarily in Shariah-compliant equities.

Table below shows the investment returns of Sun Life Malaysia Islamic Strategic Aggressive Fund versus its benchmark as at 30 September 2019:

%	YTD	1M	3M	6M	1-Year	3-Year	Since Inception
Fund*	6.79	0.46	-1.55	0.94	-4.39	N/A	-8.00
Benchmark	7.23	1.75	-3.20	-4.35	-5.63	N/A	-9.90

^{*} 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

In September, the Fund rose 0.46%, underperforming the Benchmark by 1.29%. Malaysia and China contributed the most to the outperformance while India was the main detractor. Year-to-date, the Fund rose +6.79%, underperforming the Benchmark by 0.44%.

Regional equities rose in September as US and China toned down their trade war rhetoric. Korea and Taiwan posted the highest returns on the back of Apple's new iPhone launch and reports of improvement in semiconductor demand amongst large datacentres. The Indian equity market also outperformed after the government announced a surprise fiscal stimulus which involved sizeable corporate tax cuts. With economic growth elusive in both developed and developing countries, central banks continue to embark on monetary policy easing as observed with the US Fed cutting interest rates, China reducing its Reserve Requirement Ratio (RRR) and ECB announcing a bond-buying program this month.

With capital preservation in mind, we continue to diversify the portfolio into off-benchmark names. New ideas will be differentiated in terms of business exposures to the existing stocks in the portfolio to provide resilience. We maintain NEUTRAL on Malaysia while await policy clarity post Budget 2020 announcement. With expectation of further OPR cuts over the next 18 months, we continue to like the dividend investment theme, favouring high dividend yielders with earnings resilience. We also look to accumulate selective growth stocks on weakness within the utilities, telecommunication, oil and gas and construction sectors. Our thematic opportunistic trade in the glove and technology sectors has performed well, we are cognizant of diminishing returns and will look to sell into strength.

Source: Principal Asset Management Bhd

Date : 30 September 2019

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