# Sun Life Malaysia Balanced Aggressive Fund May 2018

## **FUND OBJECTIVE**

To provide a mixed exposure into equities and bonds, with higher allocation into equities.

FUND DETAILS				
Launch Date	20 October 2008	Domicile	Malaysia	
Currency	Ringgit Malaysia	Launch Price	RM1.0000	
Units in Circulation	3.36 million units (31 May 2018)	Fund Size	RM6.75 million (31 May 2018)	
Unit NAV	RM2.0076 (31 May 2018)	Dealing	Daily (as per Bursa Malaysia trading day)	
Fund Manager	CIMB-Principal Asset Management Bhd	Benchmark	75% FBM100 + 25% 12 month FD	
Taxation	8% of annual investment income		The fund will feed into Sun Life Malaysia Growth Fund and Sun Life Malaysia Conservative Fund which applies the following fund management charges:  Sun Life Malaysia Growth Fund: 1.5% p.a.  Sun Life Malaysia Conservative Fund: 1.0% p.a.  There are no other fund management charges on this fund	
Risk Profile	Suitable for investors:  Want a portfolio with higher exposure in equities  Preference to higher equity exposure for potentially higher capital appreciation  Need to reduce risk by investing in diversified bond portfolio  Prefer investing in bonds to cushion fund volatility	Fees		

ASSET ALLOCATION				
Sun Life Malaysia Growth Fund	Sun Life Malaysia Conservative Fund			
74 02%	25 67%			

WHERE THE FUND INVESTS	HERE THE FUND INVESTS				
Sun Life Malaysia Growth Fund	Sun Life Malaysia Conservative Fund	Cash	Total		
74.02%	25.67%	0.31%	100.00%		





%	YTD	1M	3 <b>M</b>	6M	1-Year	3-Year	Since Inception
Fund*	-3.30	-3.81	-4.77	-1.00	2.14	7.86	102.42
Benchmark	-3.61	-5.22	-5.48	-0.29	-0.80	3.67	95.52

<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**

For the month of May 2018, the Fund decreased 3.81%.

In May-18, the MGS yield curve bear steepened with yields on the long-end of the curve widened by 9 to 16bps compared to the short-end of the yield curve, which only widened by 3 - 6bps. Notably, the 20-year yield curve moved up 16bps ahead of a new 20-year auction in June. Existing holders might be looking to switch out for better liquidity. During the month, the benchmark 3-, 5- 10-, 15- and 30-year MGS yields close at 3.64%, 3,84%, 4.20%, 4.60% and 4.93% respectively. Foreign investors reduced their holdings in Malaysian bonds by RM4.69bn in April, after an increase in prior month. YTD April-18, foreigners net sold RM1.29bn of Malaysian bonds. The decrease in foreign holdings in was mainly attributed to a decrease across short-term bills, MGII and MGS, with MGS outflow estimated at RM3.12bn. This is most likely due to 10y UST breaching 3% in the same month. As of April 2018, total foreign holdings in MGS waere marginally higher at RM162.80bn, representing about 44.3% of outstanding MGS. Prior to GE14, government bond auctions in May-18 were very well supported with yields already adjusted higher following higher UST. However, post GE14, market turned quit even for popular tenors such as 10-year and 5-year government bond auction. On fixed income strategy, the fund will remain invested in corporate bonds with strong fundamentals. The fund may increase exposure in benchmark government bond securities as valuation has turned fair/rewarding. The fund may also hold cash temporarily while waiting for new credit supply (where credit spreads are better) or buy from secondary market when liquidity and bid/ask spreads improve. Lastly, we expect Bank Negara Malaysia to hold policy rate unchanged at 3.25% for the rest of 2018.



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### **FUND MANAGER'S COMMENTS (CONTINUED)**

In May, the FBMKLCI succumbed to heavy foreign selling, falling 6.9% or 129 pts to a low of 1,719 pts before closing at 1,740 as investors repriced policy risk. The period after the 14th General Elections accounted for 5.7% of that fall. Year-to-date, the FBMKLCI has lost 3.1%. In May, foreigners net sold RM5.6bn, reversing year-to-date net foreign flows to –RM1.9bn. During the month, the Ringgit depreciated 1.4%, the 10Y MGS rose 5 bps to 4.18%, while Brent crude oil gained 3% to USD77 per barrel. The market sold off in May, rattled by headline news of a higher RM1 trillion national debt burden, concerns about the fiscal position and sovereign credit rating following the zero-rating of the GST, cancellation of mega infrastructure projects and the sanctity of toll roads concession agreements. Sentiment was further dampened by the weak first quarter corporate earnings season. Meanwhile, global trade tensions were back in focus, and there was fear of contagion from Italian politics. These were happening against a backdrop of Central Banks' plans to normalise monetary policies, leading to worries of possible policy missteps.In this risk-off period, we take a more defensive view for capital protection until we see more clarity in the government's austerity measures. We have sold into strength to raise cash for future deployment into quality names with reasonable risk/reward profiles during market retracements. We continue to prefer big cap companies with strong fundamentals in sectors such as Banks, Consumer, Technology and Industrials. We maintain our view that, despite the short term volatility, investors should position for the longer term, where risk premiums may potentially reduce as a result of better governance.

Source: CIMB-Principal Asset Management Bhd

Date : 31 May 2018

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