

# Sun Life Malaysia Islamic Global Sustainable Fund

August 2025



## FUND OBJECTIVE

To achieve long-term capital growth.

## INVESTMENT STRATEGY & APPROACH

Please refer to the Yearly Fund Fact Sheets at <https://www.sunlifemalaysia.com/insurance-and-takaful/investment-linked-fund/yearly-fund-fact-sheet/> for more information on the Investment Strategy and Approach of the target fund.

## FUND DETAILS

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| Launch Date           | 01 June 2022                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Domicile                              | Malaysia                                                                                                                                                 |
| Currency              | Ringgit Malaysia                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Launch Price                          | RM1.0000                                                                                                                                                 |
| Units in Circulation  | 8.22 million units<br>(29 August 2025)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Fund Size                             | RM 12.02 million<br>(29 August 2025)                                                                                                                     |
| Unit NAV              | RM 1.4627<br>(29 August 2025)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Target Fund                           | Nomura Global Shariah<br>Sustainable Equity Fund - MYR<br>Class A                                                                                        |
| Fund Manager          | Nomura Asset Management<br>Malaysia Sdn Bhd                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Taxation                              | 8% of annual investment income                                                                                                                           |
| Performance Benchmark | Dow Jones Islamic Market<br>Developed Markets Index                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Frequency and Basis of Unit Valuation | The unit price is determined daily based on value of the holdings in the target fund, net of expenses, divided by the total number of units in that fund |
| Target Market         | Suitable for investors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ are seeking long term capital growth;</li><li>▪ want a portfolio of Shariah compliant investments that provides positive impact on the sustainable development of society</li><li>▪ want to have portfolio with global exposure; and</li><li>▪ are prepared to accept moderate level of volatility</li></ul> | Fund Management Charges               | Sun Life Malaysia does not impose any fund management charge on Sun Life Malaysia Islamic Global Sustainable Fund                                        |

## ASSET ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Shariah-compliant equities and Shariah-compliant equity related securities | Islamic money market instruments, placement of Islamic deposit and / or held in cash |
| Minimum 70% of Net Asset Value (NAV)                                       | Maximum 30% of NAV                                                                   |

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## SECTOR ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND

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|------------------------|--------|
| Information Technology | 36.57% |
| Industrials            | 22.92% |
| Health Care            | 21.15% |
| Communication Services | 7.93%  |
| Financials             | 7.37%  |
| Consumer Discretionary | 0.74%  |
| Cash & Others          | 3.32%  |

## TOP HOLDINGS OF THE TARGET FUND

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|------------------------------|-------|
| Nvidia Corp                  | 9.66% |
| Microsoft Corp               | 8.98% |
| Alphabet Inc-Cl A            | 7.93% |
| Mastercard Inc - A           | 4.91% |
| Johnson Controls Internation | 4.33% |

## PERFORMANCE RECORD

This fund feeds into Nomura Global Shariah Sustainable Equity Fund - MYR Class A ("target fund") with the objective to achieve long-term capital growth.

Table below shows the investment returns of Sun Life Malaysia Islamic Global Sustainable Fund versus its benchmark as at 29 August 2025:

| %                | YTD  | 1M   | 3M   | 6M   | 1-Year | 3-Years | Since Inception |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|--------|---------|-----------------|
| <b>Fund*</b>     | 2.27 | 0.36 | 6.87 | 1.60 | 2.39   | 42.13   | 46.27           |
| <b>Benchmark</b> | 4.09 | 1.09 | 8.86 | 4.12 | 9.24   | 54.79   | 64.09           |

\* Calculation of past performance is based on NAV-to-NAV

Table below shows the historical performance of the underlying collective investment schemes (CIS) for the calendar year returns:

|                    |              |              |             |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| (%)                | 2024         | 2023         | 2022        |
| <b>Target Fund</b> | <b>16.15</b> | <b>31.18</b> | <b>0.09</b> |

Source: Refinitiv Lipper

## FUND MANAGER'S COMMENT

Post major earnings season, positive global equity market performance persisted which was well supported by US Fed Chairman Jerome Powell's statements in the Jackson Hole meeting suggesting more flexibility in rate decision-making according to the latest monthly economic data. This was reflected in implied futures expecting 2 rate cuts by 2025. While we observed Trump's stronger influence on US Federal Reserve Board and indirectly the FOMC decision making, we view no change in our investment decision outcome from the standalone event and would continuously access our strategy's diversification to better embrace potential higher market volatility. In France, Prime Minister Francois Bayrou negatively surprised the market with vote of confidence ahead of the annual budget which we would view as near-term market turbulence as what we've observed in France's snap election 2024. Aside from macro updates, US software companies' especially those related to data infrastructure reported major beats and raise which strongly support the AI growth opportunities. US retail companies reported decent earnings suggesting little sign of consumer spending weakness amidst the back-to-school season while acknowledging the rise in inflation. In August, MYR Class A delivered +0.33% underperformed DJIDEV index by 76bps attributing to mainly negative allocations.

By region, other regions caught up to NA market performance after a few months of outperformance in NA market. NA market outperformance from strong selection was more than offset by selection in APAC market and allocation in both NA and EU markets. By sector, positive selection in Communication Services and allocation in Healthcare were more than offset by allocations in IT and Industrials.

The top contributors to the relative performance were Alphabet and Abbvie. In the first half of 2025, Alphabet has been overwhelmed concerns around DoJ and AI which we think the strong quarterly earnings result managed to brush away some of the external concerns and attract more investors interests around its strong existing business growth and undemanding valuations. On the flipside within Communication Services, underweight in Meta contributed positively. Abbvie delivered another strong positive quarterly earnings beat supported by better Skyrizi and Rinvoq drug performance and guidance raise excluding the increased impacts from acquired IPR&D and milestone expenses. On the other hand, the bottom contributors to the relative performance were Hitachi and Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing. Lack of strong earnings beat and raise left investors to be less excited about the growth outlook and reflected in Hitachi's underperformance.

### Impact Focus of the Month:

Edwards Lifesciences, a California-based company that was founded in 1958 by Miles Edwards who invented the first artificial heart valve, has become a strong force in cardiology medtech and has developed the leading position in the TAVR market. A device that tackles aortic stenosis without requiring open heart surgery. From a sustainability perspective, we think the group has a particularly strong impact on improving health outcomes through its commercial business, but we are also encouraged by its philanthropic efforts with Every Heartbeat Matters, the group's corporate charity, on track to impact 2.5mn underserved patients by the end of 2025. From a financial perspective, Edwards Lifesciences is quite differentiated in medtech for balancing strong margins (>25% EBIT margin) with a strong willingness to reinvest in R&D. Over time that combination has resulted in strong ROIC and shareholder returns, which sets it apart from many healthcare peers.

## RISKS

All investment carries some form of risks. The potential key risks include but are not limited to the following:

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| <b>Returns not guaranteed</b>                        | 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.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Market risk</b>                                   | 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.                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Inflation risk</b>                                | 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.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Manager's risk</b>                                | This risk refers to the day-to-day management of the target fund by Nomura which will impact the performance of the target fund. For example, investment decisions undertaken by Nomura as a result of 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.                    |
| <b>Country risk</b>                                  | The investment of the target fund may be affected by risk specific to the country in 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 in which the target fund invest in.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Reclassification of Shariah Compliance Status</b> | Shariah-compliant securities and instruments held by the target fund are subject to periodic review by the SAC of the SC, SAC of BNM, the Shariah boards of the relevant Islamic indices or the Shariah Adviser. These securities may be reclassified as non-compliant during such reviews and the target fund may need to take the necessary steps to dispose of such security or instrument, upon the advice of the Shariah Adviser. Consequently, the target fund may realise some losses in the disposal of the same or there may be opportunity loss for the target fund as the target fund may not be permitted to retain excess capital gains derived from such disposal. |

RISKS (CONTINUED)

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| Currency Risk | <p>As the Base Currency is denominated in USD and the currency denomination of the Classes may be denominated in other than USD, the Classes not denominated in USD are also exposed to currency risk. Any fluctuation in the exchange rates between USD and the currency denomination of the Class (other than Classes denominated in USD) will affect the Unit Holder's investments in those Classes (other than Classes denominated in USD). The impact of the exchange rate movement between the Base Currency and the currency denomination of the Class (other than Classes denominated in USD) may result in a depreciation of the Unit Holder's holdings as expressed in the Base Currency.</p> <p>In order to manage currency risk, Nomura may employ currency hedging strategies to fully or partially hedge the foreign currency exposure of the target fund's investments and/or the Classes not denominated in USD. Currency hedging may reduce the effect of the exchange rate movement for the Class being hedged but it does not entirely eliminate currency risk between the Class and the Base Currency. The unhedged portion of the Class will still be affected by the exchange rate movements and it may cause fluctuation of NAV of the Class. You should note that if the exchange rate moves favourably, the Class will not benefit from any upside in currency movement due to the hedging strategy. In addition, hedging is subject to a minimum size of entering into a hedging contract and the cost of hedging will be borne by the hedged class and may affect returns of the hedged class.</p> |
| Default Risk  | <p>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. If the financial institution which the target fund places deposits with defaults in payment or become insolvent, the target fund may also suffer capital losses with regards to the capital invested and interest foregone, causing the performance of the target fund to be adversely affected This could affect the value of the target fund as up to 20% of the NAV of the target fund will be invested in Islamic deposits, Islamic money market instruments and/or held in cash.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

Source : Nomura Asset Management Malaysia Sdn Bhd  
Date : 29 August 2025

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