

# INTERIM REPORT

## TA ASIA ABSOLUTE ALPHA FUND

For the 6 month ended  
31 October 2021



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# TA Asia Absolute Alpha Fund

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## Key Performance Data

6 months  
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### PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION (% OF NAV)

Quoted Equity	82.63
Cash (Net of Liabilities)	17.37
<b>Total Investment</b>	<b>100.00</b>

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#### USD Class

Total Net Asset Value (USD'000)	27,176
Units In Circulation (Units '000)	38,416
Net Asset Value Per Unit (USD)	0.7074

#### MYR Class

Total Net Asset Value (USD'000)	77,527
Units In Circulation (Units '000)	469,906
Net Asset Value Per Unit (MYR)	0.6831

#### AUD Hedged Class

Total Net Asset Value (USD'000)	16,608
Units In Circulation (Units '000)	33,211
Net Asset Value Per Unit (AUD)	0.6634

#### SGD Hedged Class

Total Net Asset Value (USD'000)	17,720
Units In Circulation (Units '000)	34,720
Net Asset Value Per Unit (SGD)	0.6866

#### GBP Hedged Class

Total Net Asset Value (USD'000)	4,925
Units In Circulation (Units '000)	5,218
Net Asset Value Per Unit (GBP)	0.6849

#### MYR Hedged Class

Total Net Asset Value (USD'000)	370,012
Units In Circulation (Units '000)	2,177,581
Net Asset Value Per Unit (MYR)	0.7035

#### RMB Hedged Class

Total Net Asset Value (USD'000)	10,369
Units In Circulation (Units '000)	92,245
Net Asset Value Per Unit (RMB)	0.7201

Management Expense Ratio (MER) (%)	0.94
Portfolio Turnover Ratio (PTR) (times)	0.97

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## UNIT PRICES

### USD Class

NAV Per Unit (USD)	0.7074
Highest NAV Per Unit for the Period (USD)	0.7460
Lowest NAV Per Unit for the Period (USD)	0.6538

### MYR Class

NAV Per Unit (MYR)	0.6831
Highest NAV Per Unit for the Period (MYR)	0.7343
Lowest NAV Per Unit for the Period (MYR)	0.6290

### AUD Hedged Class

NAV Per Unit (AUD)	0.6634
Highest NAV Per Unit for the Period (AUD)	0.7041
Lowest NAV Per Unit for the Period (AUD)	0.6260

### SGD Hedged Class

NAV Per Unit (SGD)	0.6866
Highest NAV Per Unit for the Period (SGD)	0.7252
Lowest NAV Per Unit for the Period (SGD)	0.6396

### GBP Hedged Class

NAV Per Unit (GBP)	0.6849
Highest NAV Per Unit for the Period (GBP)	0.7222
Lowest NAV Per Unit for the Period (GBP)	0.6371

### MYR Hedged Class

NAV Per Unit (MYR)	0.7035
Highest NAV Per Unit for the Period (MYR)	0.7404
Lowest NAV Per Unit for the Period (MYR)	0.6485

### RMB Hedged Class

NAV Per Unit (RMB)	0.7201
Highest NAV Per Unit for the Period (RMB)	0.7544
Lowest NAV Per Unit for the Period (RMB)	0.6596

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## TOTAL RETURN (%)

### USD Class

Capital Return	0.20
Income Return	-
Total Return of Fund	0.20
Total Return of the Benchmark	3.96

### MYR Class

Capital Return	1.47
Income Return	-
Total Return of Fund	1.47
Total Return of the Benchmark	3.96

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## **TOTAL RETURN (%)**

### **AUD Hedged Class**

Capital Return	-1.54
Income Return	-
Total Return of Fund	-1.54
Total Return of the Benchmark	3.96

### **SGD Hedged Class**

Capital Return	-0.42
Income Return	-
Total Return of Fund	-0.42
Total Return of the Benchmark	3.96

### **GBP Hedged Class**

Capital Return	-0.68
Income Return	-
Total Return of Fund	-0.68
Total Return of the Benchmark	3.96

### **MYR Hedged Class**

Capital Return	0.90
Income Return	-
Total Return of Fund	0.90
Total Return of the Benchmark	3.96

### **RMB Hedged Class**

Capital Return	1.29
Income Return	-
Total Return of Fund	1.29
Total Return of the Benchmark	3.96

## **AVERAGE TOTAL RETURN (%)**

	<b>Fund</b>	<b>Benchmark</b>
<b>USD Class</b>		
1 Year (31/10/2020 - 31/10/2021)	25.63	8.00
Since Inception (12/05/2020 to 31/10/2021)	31.43	7.99
<b>MYR Class</b>		
1 Year (31/10/2020 - 31/10/2021)	25.25	8.00
Since Inception (12/05/2020 to 31/10/2021)	28.57	7.99
<b>AUD Hedged Class</b>		
1 Year (31/10/2020 - 31/10/2021)	22.89	8.00
Since Inception (12/05/2020 to 31/10/2021)	26.04	7.99
<b>SGD Hedged Class</b>		
1 Year (31/10/2020 - 31/10/2021)	24.03	8.00
Since Inception (12/05/2020 to 31/10/2021)	28.90	7.99

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## AVERAGE TOTAL RETURN (%)

	Fund	Benchmark
<b>GBP Hedged Class</b>		
1 Year (31/10/2020 - 31/10/2021)	24.53	8.00
Since Inception (12/05/2020 to 31/10/2021)	28.69	7.99
<b>MYR Hedged Class</b>		
1 Year (31/10/2020 - 31/10/2021)	26.12	8.00
Since Inception (12/05/2020 to 31/10/2021)	31.00	7.99
<b>RMB Hedged Class</b>		
1 Year (31/10/2020 - 31/10/2021)	28.16	8.00
Since Inception (12/05/2020 to 31/10/2021)	33.00	7.99

## ANNUAL TOTAL RETURN (%)

	Fund	Benchmark
<b>USD Class</b>		
31/10/2020 - 31/10/2021	25.63	8.00
Since Inception (12/05/2020 to 31/10/2020)	19.00	3.68
<b>MYR Class</b>		
31/10/2020 - 31/10/2021	25.25	8.00
Since Inception (12/05/2020 to 31/10/2020)	15.56	3.68
<b>AUD Hedged Class</b>		
31/10/2020 - 31/10/2021	22.89	8.00
Since Inception (12/05/2020 to 31/10/2020)	14.38	3.68
<b>SGD Hedged Class</b>		
31/10/2020 - 31/10/2021	24.03	8.00
Since Inception (12/05/2020 to 31/10/2020)	17.14	3.68
<b>GBP Hedged Class</b>		
31/10/2020 - 31/10/2021	24.53	8.00
Since Inception (12/05/2020 to 31/10/2020)	16.38	3.68
<b>MYR Hedged Class</b>		
31/10/2020 - 31/10/2021	26.12	8.00
Since Inception (12/05/2020 to 31/10/2020)	17.96	3.68
<b>RMB Hedged Class</b>		
31/10/2020 - 31/10/2021	28.16	8.00
Since Inception (12/05/2020 to 31/10/2020)	18.70	3.68

Source: Lipper for Investment Management

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Unit prices and investment returns may go down, as well as up.

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## Manager's Report

### TA Asia Absolute Alpha Fund (TAAAAF)

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<b>Fund Category/Type</b>	Equity / Income and Growth
<b>Fund Objective</b>	<p>The Fund aims to generate long term positive return, which includes both capital appreciation and income.</p> <p><i>Any material change to the investment objective of the Fund would require Unit Holders' approval.</i></p>
<b>Performance Benchmark</b>	<p>The performance of this Fund cannot be compared directly with any specific publicly available benchmark. However, the Fund has a target return of 8% per annum.</p> <p><i>Note: This is not a guaranteed return and is only measurement of the Fund's performance. The Fund may not achieve the target return in a particular financial year but targets to achieve this over Medium to Long Term.</i></p>
<b>Base Currency</b>	United States Dollar (USD)
<b>Fund's Distribution Policy</b>	The Fund intends to distribute income, if any, on a quarterly basis.
<b>Fund's Performance and Investment Strategies Employed</b>	<p>The Fund was managed within its investment objective for the interim financial period under review.</p> <p><b><u>USD Class</u></b></p> <p>The USD Class of the Fund was managed within its investment objective for the financial period under review and met its objective to generate long term positive returns. For the financial period under review, the USD Class of the Fund posted total returns of 0.20%, underperforming its target return of 3.96%.</p> <p><b><u>MYR Class</u></b></p> <p>The MYR Class of the Fund was managed within its investment objective for the financial period under review and met its objective to generate long term positive returns. For the financial period under review, the MYR Class of the Fund posted total returns of 1.47%, underperforming its target return of 3.96%.</p> <p><b><u>AUD Hedged Class</u></b></p> <p>The AUD Hedged Class of the Fund was managed within its investment objective for the financial period under review and met its objective to generate long term positive returns. For the</p>

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financial period under review, the AUD Hedged Class of the Fund posted total returns of -1.54%, underperforming its target return of 3.96%.

## **SGD Hedged Class**

The SGD Hedged Class of the Fund was managed within its investment objective for the financial period under review and met its objective to generate long term positive returns. For the financial period under review, the SGD Hedged Class of the Fund posted total returns of -0.42%, underperforming its target return of 3.96%.

## **GBP Hedged Class**

The GBP Hedged Class of the Fund was managed within its investment objective for the financial period under review and met its objective to generate long term positive returns. For the financial period under review, the GBP Hedged Class of the Fund posted total returns of -0.68%, underperforming its target return of 3.96%.

## **MYR Hedged Class**

The MYR Hedged Class of the Fund was managed within its investment objective for the financial period under review and met its objective to generate long term positive returns. For the financial period under review, the MYR Hedged Class of the Fund posted total returns of 0.90%, underperforming its target return of 3.96%.

## **RMB Hedged Class**

The RMB Hedged Class of the Fund was managed within its investment objective for the financial period under review and met its objective to generate long term positive returns. For the financial period under review, the RMB Hedged Class of the Fund posted total returns of 1.29%, underperforming its target return of 3.96%.

## **Analysis of Fund's Performance**

**31/10/21    30/04/21    % Change**

### **USD Class**

NAV/unit (USD)	0.7074	0.7060	0.20
Total NAV (USD'000)	27,176	22,158	22.65

### **MYR Class**

NAV/unit (RM)	0.6831	0.6732	1.47
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Total NAV (USD'000)	77,527	58,356	32.85
<b>AUD Hedged Class</b>			
NAV/unit (AUD)	0.6634	0.6738	-1.54
Total NAV (USD'000)	16,608	14,052	18.19
<b>SGD Hedged Class</b>			
NAV/unit (SGD)	0.6866	0.6895	-0.42
Total NAV (USD'000)	17,720	14,422	22.87
<b>GBP Hedged Class</b>			
NAV/unit (GBP)	0.6849	0.6896	-0.68
Total NAV (USD'000)	4,925	4,288	14.86
<b>MYR Hedged Class</b>			
NAV/unit (RM)	0.7035	0.6972	0.90
Total NAV (USD'000)	370,012	287,597	28.66
<b>RMB Hedged Class</b>			
NAV/unit (RMB)	0.7201	0.7109	1.29
Total NAV (USD'000)	10,369	10,990	-5.65
	<b>Income Distribution (%)</b>	<b>Capital Return # (%)</b>	<b>Total Return (%)</b>
<b>USD Class</b>	-	0.20	0.20
<b>MYR Class</b>	-	1.47	1.47
<b>AUD Hedged Class</b>	-	-1.54	-1.54

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<b>SGD Hedged Class</b>	-	-0.42	-0.42
<b>GBP Hedged Class</b>	-	-0.68	-0.68
<b>MYR Hedged Class</b>	-	0.90	0.90
<b>RMB Hedged Class</b>	-	1.29	1.29

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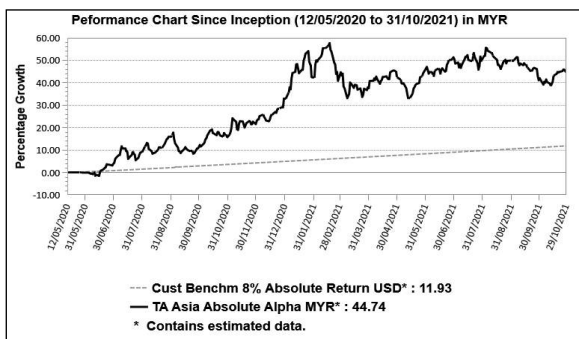
- ❖ Equity
- ❖ Cash & cash equivalents

## Performance Chart

### USD Class



### MYR Class



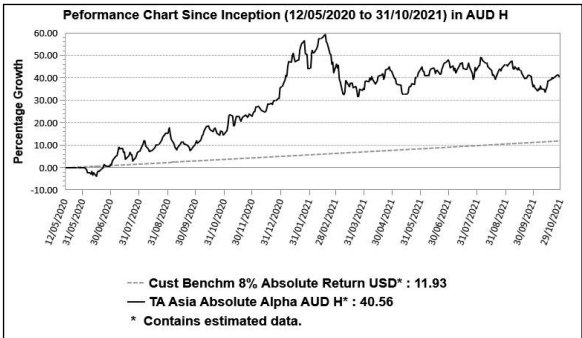
Source: Lipper Investment Management

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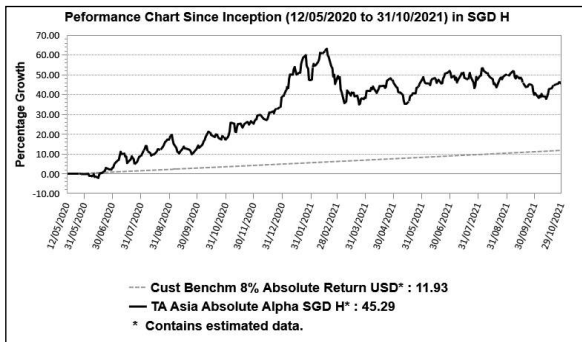
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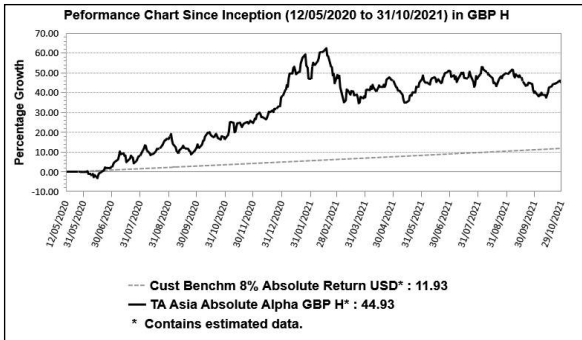
## AUD Hedged Class



## SGD Hedged Class



## GBP Hedged Class

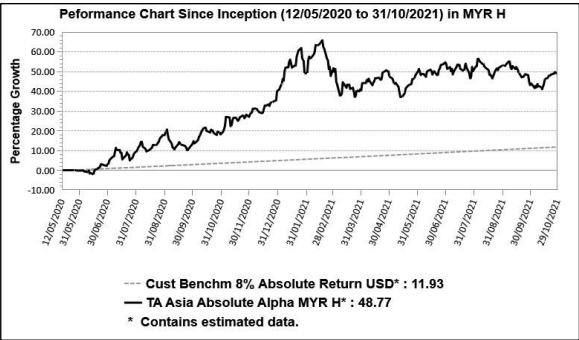


Source: Lipper Investment Management  
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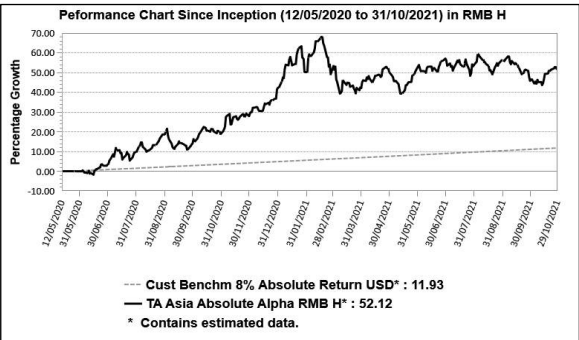
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## MYR Hedged Class



## RMB Hedged Class



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### Distribution/Unit Split

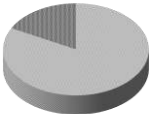
None were declared for the interim period under review ended 31 October 2021.

### Asset Allocation

31/10/21

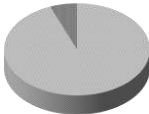
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Cash (Net of Liabilities) 17.37%



Quoted Equity 82.63%

Cash (Net of Liabilities) 6.00%



Quoted Equity 94.00%

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	<p>The Fund continues to seek strong risk-adjusted returns across market conditions by taking a flexible and unconstrained approach to investing in a concentrated portfolio of stocks.</p> <p>Asset allocation during the financial period under review was primarily in quoted equity with the remainder in liquid assets.</p>	
Top Investment	<b>As at 31/10/21</b>	<b>% NAV</b>
	Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd (Taiwan)	5.15
	Broadcom Inc (United States)	4.68
	Reliance INDS – Spon GDR (United Kingdom)	4.47
	PTT Explo & Prod – Foreign (Thailand)	4.45
	ASML Holdings NV (Netherlands)	4.32
	<b>As at 30/04/21</b>	<b>% NAV</b>
	Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd (Taiwan)	6.10
	Tencent Holdings Ltd (Hong Kong)	5.59
	GlobalWafers Co Ltd (Taiwan)	4.53
	SEA Ltd (United States)	4.40
	Bilibili Inc – SP ADR (China)	4.31

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## Market Review

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The last six months have been a volatile period for Asian equities with the MSCI Asia ex Japan index ending with a negative return of 8.2%. The volatility in the markets were driven by a confluence of factors in China. Chinese equities sold off in July 2021 regulatory crackdown on Didi and the Education sector as investors tried to decipher the implications of the new "Common Prosperity" policy regime in China. Evergrande debt default further led to concerns about the balance sheet surrounding the Chinese property sector which led to a further sell down in property as well as financial stocks. September saw a sharp rise in commodity prices and power shortages translated to concerns around slowdown in Chinese economy due to supply-side pressures.

Over the 6-month reporting period, India, Indonesia, and Philippines were the best performing markets. All 3 countries exhibited strong growth rebound and momentum after being hit by a debilitating COVID wave over the summer. Conversely, China was the worst performing market. By sectors, Energy and Utilities were the best performing sectors on the back of sharp increases in oil and gas prices while Real Estate and Communication Services were the worst performing sectors.

*(Source: Fullerton Fund Management Company Limited)*

## Economic Outlook

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We retain a positive view on Asia's economic fundamentals heading into the last quarter of 2021. While Growth recovery has been uneven till now, the divergence should start to narrow with non-tradable sectors benefitting from the much-awaited economic re-opening. Headline inflationary pressure reflects supply side factors (such as commodity prices) as demand pull inflation remains tepid. Core inflation thus stays benign and manageable. Further, expansionary fiscal policy remains the key policy support. Most Asian central banks also remain accommodative with low rates, easy liquidity conditions and bond buying. Improved access to vaccine and faster inoculation rate should see more Asian economies close the vaccination gap versus Developed Markets peers and help narrow their growth differential.

Specifically for China, the growth momentum has slowed in the third quarter of 2021 as consumption and services recovery have been hampered by the Coronavirus Disease of 2021 ("COVID-19") induced 'start-stop' lockdown cycles. A slowdown in the real estate sector has weighed on growth as well. Growth drivers into the year-end for China are likely to be firstly, manufacturing Fixed-Asset Investment ("FAI"); secondly, infrastructure FAI via increased pace of local government special bonds disbursement; and third, services sector and consumption sequential recovery if the COVID-19 'start-stop' can be avoided.

The fiscal policy stance remains pro-active, targeting faster local government bond issuance and a speed up of fund deployment to kick start actual infrastructure projects to support growth into late 2021 or early 2022 under the 'cross cyclical' framework. Monetary policy also continues to be a combination of stabilising credit growth to keep pace with nominal Gross Domestic Product ("GDP"), keeping regulatory oversight and stable policy rates to maintain growth, while reducing financial risks and overall macro leverage. The People's

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Bank of China ("PBoC") is likely to continue its existing strategy of stepping in with modest short term liquidity provisions to avoid short-end funding stress.

*(Source: Fullerton Fund Management Company Limited)*

## Market Outlook And Investment Strategy

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We have a cautious view on Asian Equities as we believe that a confluence of COVID-19 resurgence, consumption slowdown, energy crunch and regulatory challenges in China and waning earnings momentum will impact both earnings growth as well as valuations.

Specifically, earnings momentum for Asian equities have peaked due to slowing demand and rising raw material prices due to supply shortages. Regulatory headwinds in China will also impact the growth and profitability profile for the large Internet companies.

Conversely, Net-Zero remains an enduring theme for Asia with companies across both the renewable and Electric Vehicle ("EV") value chain exhibiting strong prospects. In addition, Association of South East Asian Nations ("ASEAN") countries and India, which were hit hard by COVID-19 earlier this year, are showing large falls in infection rates and reporting strong recoveries in growth indicators.

With COVID-19 becoming endemic and vaccination rates reaching a critical threshold, we believe that normalization of economic activity including travel will pick up over the next six months notwithstanding risks on new COVID-19 variants.

While both the monetary and fiscal policy environment remains supportive for now, incrementally, policy bias remains towards tightening as inflation prints globally continue to surprise on the upside.

Valuations have pulled back from recent highs but remain almost one standard deviation ("SD") above the 5-year and 10-year means even after adjusting for lower bond yields. Thus, valuations are still not in the "attractive" zone.

Key risks to our view would be the emergence of regulatory clarity in China coupled with bigger-than-expected policy responses.

*(Source: Fullerton Fund Management Company Limited)*

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## Size Of Unitholdings

- As At 31 October 2021

### USD Class

Size of Holdings (units)	No. of Unitholders	% of Unitholders	No. of Units Held ('000)	% of Unit Held
5,000 and below	1	10.00%	2	0.01%
5,001-10,000	-	-	-	-
10,001-50,000	1	10.00%	23	0.06%
50,001-500,000	2	20.00%	507	1.32%
500,001 and above	6	60.00%	37,884	98.61%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>38,416</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### MYR Class

Size of Holdings (units)	No. of Unitholders	% of Unitholders	No. of Units Held ('000)	% of Unit Held
5,000 and below	60	38.22%	169	0.04%
5,001-10,000	18	11.46%	157	0.03%
10,001-50,000	43	27.39%	1,105	0.24%
50,001-500,000	28	17.83%	4,008	0.85%
500,001 and above	8	5.10%	464,467	98.84%
<b>Total</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>469,906</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### AUD Hedged Class

Size of Holdings (units)	No. of Unitholders	% of Unitholders	No. of Units Held ('000)	% of Unit Held
5,000 and below	1	11.11%	2	0.01%
5,001-10,000	-	-	-	-
10,001-50,000	1	11.11%	47	0.14%
50,001-500,000	1	11.11%	66	0.20%
500,001 and above	6	66.67%	33,096	99.65%
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>33,211</b>	<b>100.00%</b>



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## SGD Hedged Class

Size of Holdings (units)	No. of Unitholders	% of Unitholders	No. of Units Held ('000)	% of Unit Held
5,000 and below	1	11.11%	2	0.01%
5,001-10,000	-	-	-	-
10,001-50,000	1	11.11%	14	0.04%
50,001-500,000	2	22.22%	380	1.09%
500,001 and above	5	55.56%	34,324	98.86%
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>34,720</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

## GBP Hedged Class

Size of Holdings (units)	No. of Unitholders	% of Unitholders	No. of Units Held ('000)	% of Unit Held
5,000 and below	1	14.28%	2	0.04%
5,001-10,000	-	-	-	-
10,001-50,000	-	-	-	-
50,001-500,000	3	42.86%	594	11.39%
500,001 and above	3	42.86%	4,622	88.57%
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>5,218</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

## MYR Hedged Class

Size of Holdings (units)	No. of Unitholders	% of Unitholders	No. of Units Held ('000)	% of Unit Held
5,000 and below	67	28.63%	176	0.01%
5,001-10,000	31	13.25%	222	0.01%
10,001-50,000	67	28.63%	1,666	0.08%
50,001-500,000	54	23.08%	8,633	0.40%
500,001 and above	15	6.41%	2,166,884	99.50%
<b>Total</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>2,177,581</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

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## RMB Hedged Class

Size of Holdings (units)	No. of Unitholders	% of Unitholders	No. of Units Held ('000)	% of Unit Held
5,000 and below	1	14.29%	2	0.00%
5,001-10,000	-	-	-	-
10,001-50,000	-	-	-	-
50,001-500,000	1	14.29%	288	0.31%
500,001 and above	5	71.42%	91,955	99.69%
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>92,245</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

## Soft Commission

The Manager retains soft commissions received from brokers only if the goods and services are of demonstrable benefits to the unitholders as allowed under the Securities Commission's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds. The soft commission received include research and advisory services which are used to support the investment decision making process and are of demonstrable benefit to Unitholders of the Fund.

## Other Matter

Effective 4 January 2021.

The First Supplementary Prospectus dated 4 January 2021 must be read together with the Prospectus dated 12 May 2020 in respect of the TA Asia Absolute Alpha Fund, which is available at our website at [www.tainvest.com.my](http://www.tainvest.com.my).

Refer to the amendment in respect of the First Supplementary Prospectus for your reference.

- The information relating to the redemption of Units of the Fund has been amended.
- The information relating to board of directors of TAIM has been updated.
- A new section "9.9 – Approvals and Conditions" has been inserted to the Prospectus.
- The information relating to the business centre of TAIM has been updated.

# TA Asia Absolute Alpha Fund

(For the 6 months ended 31 October 2021)

## TRUSTEE'S REPORT

### TO THE UNITHOLDERS OF TA ASIA ABSOLUTE ALPHA FUND

We, **CIMB Commerce Trustee Berhad** being the trustee for **TA Asia Absolute Alpha Fund** ("the Fund"), are of the opinion that **TA Investment Management Berhad** ("the Manager"), acting in the capacity as the Manager of the Fund, has fulfilled its duties in the following manner for the financial period ended 31 October 2021.

- (a) The Fund has been managed in accordance with the limitations imposed on the investment powers of the Manager under the Deed, the Securities Commission Malaysia's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds, the Capital Markets and Services Act 2007 (as amended from time to time) and other applicable laws;
- (b) Valuation and pricing for the Fund has been carried out in accordance with the Deed and relevant regulatory requirements; and
- (c) Creation and cancellation of units have been carried out in accordance with the Deed and relevant regulatory requirements.

For and on behalf of  
**CIMB Commerce Trustee Berhad**

**Ezreen Eliza Zulkiplee**  
Authorised Signatory

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia  
24 December 2021

# TA Asia Absolute Alpha Fund

(For the 6 months ended 31 October 2021)

## STATEMENT BY THE MANAGER

We, CHOO SWEE KEE and MOHAMMED A'REEFF BIN ABDUL KHALID, being two of the directors of TA INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT BERHAD, do hereby state that, in the opinion of the Manager, the accompanying unaudited financial statements set out on pages 20 to 40, are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of TA ASIA ABSOLUTE ALPHA FUND as at 31 October 2021 and of its unaudited financial performance and unaudited cash flows for the financial period ended on that date in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards.

On behalf of the Manager,

CHOO SWEE KEE

MOHAMMED A'REEFF BIN ABDUL KHALID

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia  
24 December 2021

# TA Asia Absolute Alpha Fund

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## UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2021

		01.05.2021 to 31.10.2021 USD
	Note	
<b>INCOME</b>		
Interest income		142
Dividend income		4,073,958
Net gain on:		
- financial assets at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL")	6	3,951,464
		<u>8,025,564</u>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Manager's fee	3	4,371,095
Trustee's fee	4	97,136
Auditors' remuneration		1,140
Tax agent's fee		390
Brokerage fee		1,848,059
Administrative fees and expenses		110,725
		<u>6,428,545</u>
Net income before tax		1,597,019
Less: Income tax expense	5	(598,636)
Net income after tax, representing total comprehensive income for the period		<u>998,383</u>
Net income after tax is made up of the following:		
Net realised loss		(11,351,284)
Net unrealised income		12,349,667
		<u>998,383</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

# TA Asia Absolute Alpha Fund

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## UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2021

	Note	31.10.2021 USD	30.04.2021 USD
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Investments	6	433,231,322	387,088,147
Derivative financial asstes	7	1,305,490	-
Amount due from the Manager	8	5,859,322	16,728,131
Amount due from brokers		-	3,038,315
Dividend receivable		98,787	-
Cash at banks		86,604,608	39,411,343
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>527,099,529</b>	<b>446,265,936</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Amount due to the Manager	8	2,741,667	9,445,018
Amount due to Trustee		16,012	13,604
Derivative financial liabilities		-	1,178,182
Distribution payable		-	23,762,145
Other payables and accruals		5,107	3,297
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>2,762,786</b>	<b>34,402,246</b>
<b>NET ASSET VALUE ("NAV")</b>			
Unitholder's capital	9 (a)	111,474,670	365,559,568
Retained earnings		47,302,505	46,304,122
<b>NAV ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS</b>		<b>158,777,175</b>	<b>411,863,690</b>
<b>TOTAL NAV AND LIABILITIES</b>		<b>161,539,961</b>	<b>446,265,936</b>
<b>REPRESENTED BY:</b>			
<b>NET ASSET VALUE OF OUTSTANDING UNITS</b>			
USD Class		27,176,210	22,158,453
MYR Class		77,526,658	58,356,284
AUD Hedged Class		16,608,190	14,051,724
SGD Hedged Class		17,719,562	14,422,473
GBP Hedged Class		4,925,478	4,287,950
MYR Hedged Class		370,012,105	287,596,925
RMB Hedged Class		10,368,540	10,989,881
<b>NET ASSET VALUE ("NAV") OF THE FUND</b>		<b>524,336,743</b>	<b>411,863,690</b>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

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## UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (CONT.) AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2021

	31.10.2021	30.04.2021	
	Units	Units	
NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION			
USD Class	38,416,468	31,383,806	
MYR Class	469,905,828	354,390,128	
AUD Hedged Class	33,210,675	27,052,556	
SGD Hedged Class	34,719,890	27,853,909	
GBP Hedged Class	5,218,452	4,505,632	
MYR Hedged Class	2,177,580,502	1,686,418,859	
RMB Hedged Class	92,245,047	100,126,390	
	31.10.2021	30.04.2021	
	USD	USD	
NAV PER UNIT IN USD			
USD Class	0.7074	0.7060	
MYR Class	0.1650	0.1647	
AUD Hedged Class	0.5001	0.5194	
SGD Hedged Class	0.5103	0.5178	
GBP Hedged Class	0.9438	0.9517	
MYR Hedged Class	0.1699	0.1705	
RMB Hedged Class	0.1124	0.1098	
	31.10.2021	30.04.2021	
NAV PER UNIT IN RESPECTIVE CURRENCIES			
USD Class	USD	0.7074	0.7060
MYR Class	MYR	0.6831	0.6732
AUD Hedged Class	AUD	0.6634	0.6738
SGD Hedged Class	SGD	0.6866	0.6895
GBP Hedged Class	GBP	0.6849	0.6896
MYR Hedged Class	MYR	0.7035	0.6972
RMB Hedged Class	CNY	0.7201	0.7109

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

# TA Asia Absolute Alpha Fund

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## UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSET VALUE ("NAV") FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2021

All financial assets not measured at amortised cost or fair value through other

	Unitholders' capital USD	Retained earnings Note 9(b) and (c) USD	Total NAV USD
Creation of units	262,297,142	-	262,297,142
Reinvestment of units	23,501,426	-	23,501,426
Cancellation of units	(174,323,898)	-	(174,323,898)
At 31 October 2021	<u>111,474,670</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>111,474,670</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the financial statements.



# TA Asia Absolute Alpha Fund

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## UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2021

**01.05.2021  
to  
31.10.2021  
USD**

### CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING AND INVESTING ACTIVITIES

Proceeds from sales of investments	453,670,350
Purchases of investments	(495,307,418)
Interest received	142
Dividend received	3,975,171
Management fee paid	(4,263,272)
Trustee's fee paid	(94,728)
Payments for other fees and expenses	<u>(2,557,140)</u>
Net cash used in operating and investing activities	<u>(44,576,895)</u>

### CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES

Cash received from units created	273,165,951
Cash paid for units cancelled	(181,135,072)
Cash distribution paid	<u>(260,719)</u>
Net cash generated from financing activities	<u>91,770,160</u>

### NET INCREASE IN CASH AND

CASH EQUIVALENTS	47,193,265
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### CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD

39,411,343

### CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD

86,604,608

### CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS COMPRISE:

Cash at banks	86,604,608
Deposit with financial institutions	-
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>86,604,608</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

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## NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2021

### 1. THE FUND, THE MANAGER AND THEIR PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

TA Asia Absolute Alpha Fund ("the Fund") was constituted pursuant to the execution of a Deed of Trust ("the Deed") dated 29 January 2020 between the Manager, TA Investment Management Berhad, and the Trustee, CIMB Commerce Trustee Berhad.

The principal activity of the Fund is to invest in "Permitted Investments" as defined under Clause 6 of the Deed, which include collective investment schemes, money market instruments, deposits and derivatives instruments. The Fund commenced its operations on 12 May 2020 and will continue its operations until terminated by the Manager or the Trustee as provided under Clause 11 of the Deed.

The Manager, TA Investment Management Berhad, a company incorporated in Malaysia, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of TA Securities Holdings Berhad. Its ultimate holding company is TA Enterprise Berhad. The Manager's principal activities are the establishment and management of unit trust funds and fund management. The Manager is licensed to carry out dealing in securities and fund management activities under the Capital Markets and Services Act 2007.

### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 2.1 Basis of Preparation

##### (a) Statement of Compliance

The financial statements of the Fund have been prepared in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS") and International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), collectively known as the "Standards".

The following are accounting standards, amendments and interpretations of the MFRS framework that have been issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board ("MASB") but have not been adopted by the Fund:

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTD.)

### 2.1 Basis of Preparation (contd.)

#### (a) Statement of Compliance (contd.)

***MFRSs, interpretations and amendments effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 June 2020***

- Amendments to MFRS 3, *Business Combinations – Definition of a Business*
- Amendments to MFRS 101, *Presentation of Financial Statements* and MFRS 108, *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors – Definition of Material*
- Amendments to MFRS 9, *Financial Instruments*, MFRS 139, *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement* and MFRS 7, *Financial Instruments: Disclosures – Interest Rate Benchmark Reform*

***MFRSs, interpretations and amendments effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 June 2020***

- Amendments to MFRS 16, *Leases – Covid-19-Related Rent Concessions*

***MFRSs, interpretations and amendments effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2021***

- MFRS 17, *Insurance Contracts*

***MFRSs, interpretations and amendments effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022***

- Amendments to MFRS 1, *First-time Adoption of Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards (Annual Improvements to MFRS Standards 2018–2020)*
- Amendments to MFRS 3, *Business Combinations – Reference to the Conceptual Framework*
- Amendments to MFRS 9, *Financial Instruments (Annual Improvements to MFRS Standards 2018–2020)*
- Amendments to Illustrative Examples accompanying MFRS 16, *Leases (Annual Improvements to MFRS Standards 2018–2020)*
- Amendments to MFRS 101, *Presentation of Financial Statements – Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current*
- Amendments to MFRS 116, *Property, Plant and Equipment – Proceeds before Intended Use*
- Amendments to MFRS 137, *Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets – Onerous Contracts – Cost of Fulfilling a Contract*
- Amendments to MFRS 141, *Agriculture (Annual Improvements to MFRS Standards 2018–2020)*

***MFRSs, interpretations and amendments effective for annual periods beginning on or after a date yet to be confirmed***

- Amendments to MFRS 10, *Consolidated Financial Statements* and MFRS 128, *Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures – Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture*

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTD.)

### 2.1 Basis of Preparation (contd.)

#### (a) Statement of Compliance (contd.)

The Fund plans to apply the abovementioned accounting standards, amendments and interpretations:

- from the annual period beginning on 1 May 2021 for those amendments that are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 June 2020, 1 January 2021 and 1 April 2021 except for amendments to MFRS 3, MFRS 4 and MFRS 16 which are not applicable to the Fund.
- from the annual period beginning on 1 May 2022 for those amendments that are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022, except for amendments to MFRS 1, MFRS 3, MFRS 16, MFRS 116 and MFRS 141 which are not applicable to the Fund.
- from the annual period beginning on 1 May 2023 for the accounting standard and amendments that are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023, except for MFRS 17 which is not applicable to the Fund.

The Fund does not plan to apply MFRS 17, *Insurance Contracts* that is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2021 as it is not applicable to the Fund.

The initial application of the abovementioned accounting standards, amendments or interpretations is not expected to have any material impact to the financial statements of the Fund.

#### (b) Basis of measurement

The financial statements of the Fund have been prepared on the historical cost basis, unless otherwise indicated in Note 2.2.

#### (c) Functional and presentation currency

The financial statements are presented in Ringgit Malaysia ("RM"), which is the Fund's functional currency.

### 2.2 Significant Accounting Policies

#### (a) Financial Assets

Financial assets are recognised in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Fund becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTD.)

### 2.2 Significant Accounting Policies (Contd.)

#### (a) Financial Assets (Contd.)

When financial assets are recognised initially, they are measured at fair value, plus, in the case of financial assets not at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL"), directly attributable transaction costs.

A financial asset is derecognised when the asset is disposed and the contractual right to receive cash flows from the asset has expired. On derecognition of a financial asset, the difference between the carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received is recognised in profit or loss.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the financial statement when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

The Fund determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition, and the categories include financial assets at FVTPL and loans and receivables.

##### (i) Financial assets at FVTPL

All financial assets not measured at amortised cost or fair value through other comprehensive income are measured at fair value through profit or loss. This includes derivative financial assets (except for a derivative that is designated and effective hedging instrument). On initial recognition, the Fund may irrevocably designate a financial asset that otherwise meets the requirements to be measured at amortised cost or at fair value through other comprehensive income as at fair value through profit or loss if doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch that would otherwise arise.

##### (ii) Loans and receivables

Financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market are classified as loans and receivables. The Fund includes short-term receivables in this classification.

Subsequent to initial recognition, financial assets categorised as loans and receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when such financial assets are derecognised or impaired, and through the amortisation process.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTD.)

### 2.2 Significant Accounting Policies (Contd.)

#### (b) Impairment of Financial Assets

The Fund assesses at each reporting date whether there is any objective evidence that a financial asset is impaired.

##### Receivables and other financial assets carried at amortised cost

To determine whether there is objective evidence that an impairment loss on financial assets has been incurred, the Fund considers factors such as the probability of insolvency or significant financial difficulties of the receivable and default or significant delay in payments.

If any such evidence exists, the amount of impairment loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate. The impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

The carrying amount of the financial asset is reduced by the impairment loss directly for all financial assets with the exception of receivables, where the carrying amount is reduced through the use of an allowance account. When a receivable becomes uncollectible, it is written off against the allowance account.

If in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is reversed to the extent that the carrying amount of the asset does not exceed its amortised cost at the reversal date. The amount of reversal is recognised in profit or loss.

#### (c) Classification of Realised and Unrealised Gains and Losses

Unrealised gains and losses comprise changes in the fair value of financial instruments for the period and from reversal of prior period's unrealised gains and losses for financial instruments which were realised (i.e. sold, redeemed or matured) during the financial period.

Realised gains and losses on disposals of financial instruments classified as part of 'at FVTPL' are calculated using weighted average method. They represent the difference between an instrument's initial carrying amount and disposal amount.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTD.)

### 2.2 Significant Accounting Policies (Contd.)

#### (d) Financial Liabilities

Financial liabilities are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into and the definitions of a financial liability.

Financial liabilities, within the scope of MFRS 139, Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement are recognised in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Fund becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

The Fund's financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is extinguished. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognised, and through the amortisation process.

#### (e) Foreign Currency

##### (i) Functional and presentation currency

The financial statements of the Fund are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Fund operates ("the functional currency"). The financial statements are presented in USD, which is also the Fund's functional currency.

##### (ii) Foreign currency transactions

Transactions in foreign currencies are measured in the functional currency of the Fund and are recorded on initial recognition in the functional currency at exchange rates approximating those ruling at the transaction dates. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the reporting date. Non-monetary items denominated in foreign currencies measured at fair value are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was determined.

Exchange differences arising on the settlement of monetary items or on translating monetary items at the reporting date are recognised in profit or loss. Exchange differences arising on the translation of non-monetary items carried at fair value are included in profit or loss for the period except for the differences arising on the translation of non-monetary items in respect of which gains and losses are recognised directly in other comprehensive income or equity. Exchange differences arising from such non-monetary items are also recognised directly in other comprehensive income or equity.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTD.)

### 2.2 Significant Accounting Policies (Contd.)

#### (f) Unitholders' Capital

The unitholders' capital of the Fund is classified as an equity instrument.

Distribution equalisation represents the average distributable amount included in the creation and cancellation prices of units. This amount is either refunded to unitholders by way of distribution and/or adjusted accordingly when units are cancelled.

#### (g) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at banks and short-term deposits with financial institution that are readily convertible to known amount of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

#### (h) Income Recognition

Income is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Fund and the income can be reliably measured. Income is measured at the fair value of consideration received or receivable.

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest rate method.

#### (i) Income Tax

Current tax assets or liabilities position as at reporting date are measured at the net amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the tax authorities. The tax rates and tax laws used to compute the tax expense for the financial period are those that are enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

Current taxes are recognised in profit or loss except to the extent that the tax relates to items recognised outside profit or loss, either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Deferred tax is provided for, using the liability method, on taxable temporary differences at the reporting date between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. In principle, deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences and deferred tax assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences.



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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTD.)

### 2.2 Significant Accounting Policies (Contd.)

#### (j) Segment Reporting

For management purposes, the Fund is managed by one main segments, namely quoted or listed equities and equity related instruments. The operating results are regularly reviewed by the Investment Manager and Investment Committee. The Investment Committee assumes the role of chief operating decision maker, for performance assessment purposes and to make decisions about resources allocated to the segment.

#### (k) Significant Accounting Estimates and Judgments

The preparation of the Fund's financial statements requires the Manager to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities at the reporting date. However, uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that could require a material adjustment to the carrying amount of the asset or liability in the future.

There are no key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

## 3. MANAGER'S FEE

The Manager's fee is computed on a daily basis at 1.80% of the NAV of the Fund, calculated and accrued on a daily basis, as agreed by the Trustee and the Manager.

## 4. TRUSTEE'S FEE

Trustee's fee is computed on a daily basis at 0.04% per annum of the NAV of the Fund, subject to minimum of RM12,000 per annum excluding foreign custodian fees and charges.

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## 5. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

Income tax is calculated at the Malaysian statutory tax rate of 24% of the estimated assessable profit for the financial period.

The tax charges for the financial period is in relation to the taxable income earned by the Fund after deducting tax allowable expenses. In accordance with Schedule 6 of the Income Tax Act 1967, interest income earned by the Fund is exempted from Malaysian tax.

A reconciliation of income tax expense applicable to net income before tax at the statutory income tax rate to income tax expense at the effective income tax rate of the Fund is as follows:

	<b>01.05.2021 to 31.10.2021 USD</b>
Net income before tax	<u>1,597,019</u>
Taxation at Malaysian statutory rate of 24%	383,285
Effects of interest and other income not subject to tax	(3,233,605)
Effects of expenses not deductible for tax purposes	3,558,419
Effects of tax withheld on income from other countries	<u>(109,463)</u>
Income tax expense for the financial period	<u>598,636</u>

## 6. INVESTMENTS

	<b>31.10.2021 USD</b>	<b>30.04.2021 USD</b>
Financial assets at FVTPL:		
Quoted equity outside Malaysia	<u>433,231,322</u>	<u>387,088,147</u>
		<b>01.05.2021 to 31.10.2021 USD</b>
Net gain on financial assets at FVTPL comprises:		
Net realised loss on disposals		(8,398,203)
Net unrealised gain on changes in fair value		9,865,995
Net unrealised gain on forex contracts		<u>2,483,672</u>
		<u>3,951,464</u>

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## 6. INVESTMENTS (CONTD.)

Financial assets at FVTPL as at 31 October 2021 are as detailed below:

### Quoted equity outside Malaysia

	Quantity Unit	Cost USD	Fair Value USD	% of NAV %
<b>China</b>				
Goertek Inc	388,296	2,801,559	2,639,090	0.50
Yunnan Energy New Material Ltd - A	173,342	5,496,391	7,894,101	1.51
China Merchants Bank	603,500	5,503,945	5,083,386	0.97
East Money Info - A	1,703,874	6,629,038	8,750,569	1.67
BYD Company Ltd	296,000	9,254,107	11,281,478	2.15
Ganfeng Lithium Co Ltd	497,000	7,642,933	9,317,831	1.78
Sungrow Power Supply Co Ltd	565,943	7,304,482	14,497,202	2.76
Contemporary Amperex Technology Co Ltd	117,504	10,057,882	11,724,813	2.24
	4,345,459	54,690,337	71,188,470	13.58
<b>Hong Kong</b>				
AIA Group Ltd	932,400	11,619,850	10,525,607	2.01
Hong Kong Exchange & Clear	122,100	6,968,076	7,386,781	1.41
Techtronic Industries Co Ltd	436,500	7,010,238	8,980,049	1.71
	1,491,000	25,598,164	26,892,437	5.13
<b>India</b>				
HDFC Bank Ltd ADR	168,506	13,052,263	12,117,266	2.31
ICICI Bank Ltd - SP ADR	779,077	14,347,272	16,477,479	3.14
Infosys Ltd - SP ADR	223,671	5,143,779	4,983,390	0.95
	1,171,254	32,543,314	33,578,135	6.40
<b>Indonesia</b>				
Bank Rakyat Indonesia Perser	65,421,400	19,069,937	19,610,228	3.74
Telekom Indonesia Persero TBK PT	37,075,600	9,930,948	9,936,780	1.90
	102,497,000	29,000,885	29,547,008	5.64
<b>Japan</b>				
Hoya Corporation	84,000	13,565,029	12,320,973	2.35
Keyence Corporation	25,200	15,817,383	15,140,984	2.89
	109,200	29,382,412	27,461,957	5.24
<b>United Kingdom</b>				
Reliance INDS - Spon GDR	344,714	23,858,840	23,440,552	4.47

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## 6. INVESTMENTS (CONTD.)

	Quantity Unit	Cost USD	Fair Value USD	% of NAV %
<b><i>Netherlands</i></b>				
Airbus SE	113,382	15,353,966	14,611,665	2.79
ASML Holdings NV	27,836	15,334,940	22,627,328	4.32
	141,218	30,688,906	37,238,993	7.11
<b><i>Singapore</i></b>				
DBS Group Holdings Ltd	433,400	9,617,953	10,157,270	1.94
<b><i>South Korea</i></b>				
Kakaobank Corporation	46,907	2,409,933	2,530,656	0.48
<b><i>Taiwan</i></b>				
GlobalWafers Co Ltd	622,000	15,034,199	16,970,648	3.24
Feng Tay Enterprise Co Ltd	463,000	3,496,071	3,590,287	0.68
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd	1,275,000	23,147,259	27,005,775	5.15
Vanguard International Semiconductor Co Ltd	1,940,000	8,045,314	10,063,847	1.92
Unimicron Technology Corp	1,116,000	5,848,132	7,612,236	1.45
	5,416,000	55,570,975	65,242,793	12.44
<b><i>Thailand</i></b>				
PTT Explo & Prod - Foreign	6,590,700	23,565,881	23,309,658	4.45
<b><i>United States</i></b>				
Aptiv PLC	32,885	5,488,592	5,685,488	1.08
Advanced Micro Devices	68,566	5,951,898	8,243,690	1.57
Broadcom Inc	46,179	21,698,195	24,551,989	4.68
Caterpillar Inc	24,835	5,336,766	5,066,588	0.97
Nvidia Corp Ltd	71,863	10,127,418	18,373,213	3.50
SEA Ltd	60,315	14,071,048	20,722,425	3.95
	304,643	62,673,917	82,643,393	15.75
<b>Total quoted equity outside Malaysia</b>	122,891,495	379,601,517	433,231,322	82.63
<b>EXCESS OF FAIR VALUE OVER COST</b>			<b>53,629,805</b>	

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## 7. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL ASSETS

As at the date of statement of financial position, there is 28 forward currency contracts outstanding. The notional principal amount of the outstanding forward currency contracts amounted to USD415,266,000. The forward currency contracts entered into during the financial year were for hedging against the currency exposure arising from the creation and cancellation of units denominated in foreign currency. As the Fund has not adopted hedge accounting during the financial year, the change in the fair value of the forward currency contract is recognised immediately in the statement of comprehensive income.

## 8. AMOUNT DUE FROM/(TO) THE MANAGER

Amount due from the Manager relates to amount receivable from the Manager arising from creation of units and rebate of Manager's fee at the end of the financial period. Amount due to the Manager relates to amount payable to the Manager arising from cancellation of units of and accruals for Manager's fee at the end of the financial period. The normal credit term for creation/cancellation of units is 10 days, the normal credit term for Manager's fee is 30 days and the rebate of Manager's fee is receivable on a monthly basis.

## 9. NET ASSET VALUE ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

	Note	31.10.2021 USD	30.04.2021 USD
Unitholders' capital	(a)	477,034,238	365,559,568
Retained earnings			
- Realised reserve	(b)	(3,431,799)	7,919,485
- Unrealised reserve	(c)	50,734,304	38,384,637
		<u>524,336,743</u>	<u>411,863,690</u>

### (a) Unitholders' capital

	31.10.2021 USD	30.04.2021 USD
At beginning of the financial period/year	365,559,568	-
Creation of units	262,297,142	750,733,937
Reinvestment of units	23,501,426	-
Cancellation of units	(174,323,898)	(385,174,369)
At end of the financial period/year	<u>477,034,238</u>	<u>365,559,568</u>

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## 9. NET ASSET VALUE ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS (Contd.)

### (b) Realised reserve

	31.10.2021 USD	30.04.2021 USD
At beginning of the financial period/year	7,919,485	-
Net realised (loss)/income for the financial period/year	(11,351,284)	31,681,630
Distribution	-	(23,762,145)
At end of the financial period/year	<u>(3,431,799)</u>	<u>7,919,485</u>

### (c) Unrealised reserve

	31.10.2021 USD	30.04.2021 USD
At beginning of the financial period/year	38,384,637	-
Net unrealised income for the financial period/year	12,349,667	38,384,637
At end of the financial period/year	<u>50,734,304</u>	<u>38,384,637</u>

### (d) Units in circulation

	Units on 30.04.2021	Creation of units	Reinvestment of units	Cancellation of units	Units on 31.10.2021
USD Class	31,383,806	17,008,901	1,722,568	(11,698,807)	38,416,468
MYR Class	354,390,128	269,845,800	21,116,176	(175,446,276)	469,905,828
AUD Hedged Class	27,052,556	13,481,647	1,584,617	(8,908,145)	33,210,675
SGD Hedged Class	27,853,909	10,995,999	1,621,454	(5,751,472)	34,719,890
GBP Hedged Class	4,505,632	1,168,740	267,357	(723,277)	5,218,452
MYR Hedged Class	1,686,418,859	1,120,359,192	96,777,450	(725,974,999)	2,177,580,502
RMB Hedged Class	100,126,390	17,384,156	5,697,903	(30,963,402)	92,245,047

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## 10 TRANSACTIONS WITH DEALER

Details of the transactions with dealer during the financial period are as follow:

Name of broker	Value of trade USD	Percentage to total value of trade	Brokerage fee and other fees	Percentage to total fees
		%	USD	
Morgan Stanley	203,558,650	21.50	186,013	10.06
Citigroup	175,069,697	18.49	352,731	19.08
Credit Suisse	125,000,868	13.20	280,890	15.20
Goldman Sachs International	118,635,103	12.53	301,502	16.31
UBS Ltd	102,647,731	10.84	96,208	5.21
Jefferies International Ltd	42,919,924	4.53	129,121	6.99
Macquarie Securities	35,824,743	3.78	144,367	7.81
Daiwa Capital Market Europ Ltd	21,677,630	2.29	52,933	2.86
Credit Lyonnais Sec (Spore)	17,809,313	1.88	47,239	2.56
Others	103,716,627	10.96	257,255	13.92
	946,860,286	100.00	1,848,259	100.00

## 11 MANAGEMENT EXPENSE AND PORTFOLIO TURNOVER RATIOS

### (a) Management Expense Ratio

The management expense ratio for the financial period ended 31 October 2021 is 0.94%. This ratio represents total management expenses expressed as an annualised percentage of the Fund's average NAV, calculated on a daily basis.

### (b) Portfolio Turnover Ratio

The portfolio turnover ratio for the financial period ended 31 October 2021 is 0.97 times. This ratio represents the average of the total acquisitions and disposals of the Fund for the financial period over the average NAV of the Fund for the financial period calculated on a daily basis.

## 12 SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Manager and Investment Committee of the Fund are responsible for allocating resources available to the Fund in accordance with the overall investment strategies as set out in the Investment Guidelines of the Fund. The Fund is organised into one main segment, which invest in quoted or listed equities and equity related instruments.

The investment objective is to provide long-term capital growth by investing primarily in quoted or listing equities and equity related instruments. There have been no changes in reportable segment in the current financial period.

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## 13. FINANCIAL RISKS AND MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Fund maintains investment portfolio in a variety of listed and unlisted financial instruments as dictated by its Deed and investment management strategy.

The Fund is exposed to a variety of risks including market risk (which includes interest rate risk and currency risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. Whilst these are the most important types of financial risks inherent in each type of financial instruments, the Manager and the Trustee would like to highlight that this list does not purport to constitute an exhaustive list of all the risks inherent in an investment in the Fund.

The Fund's objectives in managing risks are the creation and protection of unitholders' value. Risks are inherent in the Fund's activities, but they are managed through a process of ongoing identification, measurement and monitoring of risks. Financial risk management is also carried out through sound internal control systems and adherence to the investments restrictions as stipulated in the Trust Deed, the Securities Commission's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds and the Capital Markets and Services Act, 2007.

### **(a) Market Risk**

Market risk arises when the value of securities fluctuate in response to the activities of individual companies, and general market or economic conditions. The market risk is managed through portfolio diversification and asset allocation whereby the securities exposure will be reduced in the event of anticipated market conditions.

### **(b) Interest Rate Risk**

The risk refers to the exposure of the Fund's assets to movements in interest rates. In this regards, the Fund's exposure to the interest rate risk is mainly confined to deposit placement with financial institution.

Interest rate is a general economic indicator that will have an impact on the management of the fund regardless of whether it is a based fund or otherwise. The reason for this is because a high level of interest rates will inevitably effect corporate profits and this will have an impact on the value of equity and the demand for fixed income securities.

### **(c) Currency Risk**

As the investments of the Fund may be denominated in currencies different from the Class currency, fluctuations of the exchange rates of foreign currencies against the USD may affect the value of the units of the Fund. To mitigate this risk, the Manager may from time to time employ currency hedging techniques to manage the impact of the exchange rate fluctuations on the Fund and/or for the purpose of efficient portfolio management.



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## 13. FINANCIAL RISKS AND MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTD.)

### (d) Credit Risk

Credit risk refers to the ability of issuers and counterparties to honour obligations to make timely payments on interest and principal and proceeds from realisation of investments. This is managed by the internal policy of setting a ceiling or limit to the exposure and also the constant process of credit evaluation to mitigate such risks to an acceptable level.

### (e) Liquidity Risk

The Fund maintains sufficient level of liquid assets, after consultation with the Trustee, to meet anticipated payments and cancellation of units by unitholders. Liquid assets comprise cash, deposit with licensed institution and other instruments, which are capable of being converted into cash within 7 business days. The Fund's policy is to always maintain a prudent level of liquid assets so as to reduce the liquidity risk.

## 14. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

The current period's figures and comparative figures are presented as follow:

- The Statement of Fund Financial Position and its relevant notes are as at 31 October 2021 and 30 April 2021, respectively.
- The Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Net Asset Value and Statement of Cash Flows and its relevant notes are for the period from 1 May 2021 to 31 October 2021.

## 15. UNAUDITED ACCOUNT

The financial accounts for the six months ended 31 October 2021 are unaudited.

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## Corporate Information

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<b>Investment Committee Members</b>	Choo Swee Kee (Non-Independent) Kaladher A/L Govindan (Non-Independent) Dato' Tay Kian Chuan (Independent) Ngiam Kee Tong (Independent)
<b>Trustee of the Fund</b>	CIMB Commerce Trustee Berhad Level 13, Menara CIMB Jalan Stesen Sentral 2 Kuala Lumpur Sentral 50470 Kuala Lumpur
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<b>Secretaries</b>	Chuah Wen Pin (MAICSA 7014581) Tan Kit Yee (MAICSA 7061042)

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