

# PRODUCT HIGHLIGHTS SHEET

## for

# **Affin Hwang Select Opportunity Fund**

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This Product Highlights Sheet only highlights the key features and risks of this Fund. Investors are advised to request, read and understand the Prospectus of the Fund before deciding to invest.

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## **AFFIN HWANG SELECT OPPORTUNITY FUND**

## **BRIEF INFORMATION ON THE PRODUCT**

## 1. What is this product about?

Affin Hwang Select Opportunity Fund is an open-ended equity fund, issued and managed in-house by the Manager.

The Fund's investment objective is to achieve consistent capital appreciation over medium to long-term by investing mainly in listed Malaysian companies with good growth prospects.

#### **PRODUCT SUITABILITY**

### 2. Who is this product suitable for?

The Fund is designed for retail investors who are risk tolerant and seek higher returns for their investments over medium to long-term horizon.

## **KEY PRODUCT FEATURES**

## 3. What am I investing in?

Launch date	7 September 2001
Tenure	This Fund is an open-ended fund where it does not have a fixed maturity date and may only be terminated in accordance with the terms of the Prospectus and the provisions of the Deed.
Investment strategy	The Fund will focus on achieving its objective by investing in a diversified portfolio consisting a minimum 70% of the Fund's NAV in equities and a maximum 30% of the Fund's NAV in debentures, money market instruments and/or deposits.  As the Fund holds a domestic focus, we will maintain a minimum 70% of the Fund's investment into the domestic market, and hold a flexibility to invest up to 30% of its NAV in investments listed/issued in foreign markets.  While the Fund's core investments will remain in equities, the Fund holds the option to invest into fixed income instruments such as debentures, money market instruments and deposits.  To achieve its objective, the Fund will also have the flexibility to hold exposure in warrants as well as collective investment schemes that have similar investment objective to the
	Foreign Investments  The Fund may invest up to 30% of its NAV in investments listed or issued in foreign markets. The decision to invest into foreign markets will be opportunistically driven where we would seek out investments that could provide a potential to enhance the returns of the Fund. The Fund will invest only into countries where the regulatory authorities are ordinary or associate members of the International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO).  Derivatives  The intention of hedging is to protect the value of the asset from any adverse price movements. While these hedging transactions would protect the Fund against potential losses, trades for hedging purposes would also limit the returns that the Fund may have



	potentially received from foreign exchange gains would foreign currency exposure.  Temporary Defensive Position  We hold the option to take temporary defensive positions the Fund's principal strategy and asset allocation to protect the conditions that may impact financial markets. To manage the Fund's focus and hold a higher exposure into lower rimarket instruments and/or deposits.	nat may be inconsistent with the e Fund against adverse market ne risk of the Fund, we may shift
Asset allocation	Asset Class	% of the Fund's NAV
	Equities	Minimum of 70%
	Debentures, money market instruments and/or deposits	Maximum of 30%
Distribution policy	The Fund endeavours to distribute income, if any, on a amount of income available for distribution may fluctuate	
Minimum initial investment*	MYR 1,000	
Minimum additional investment*	MYR 100	
Minimum units held*	500 Units	

Note: Please refer to the Fund's Prospectus for further details of the Fund.

## 4. Who am I investing with?

Relevant parties' information:

The Manager	Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad
The Trustee	HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad
Trustee's Delegate (Custody Services)	The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited (as Custodian) and assets held through HSBC Nominees (Tempatan) Sdn Bhd (Local custodian)  The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited (Foreign custodian)

## 5. What are the possible outcomes of my investment?

This is an equity fund that invests predominantly in domestic equities, with the ability to access foreign equity investment opportunities. The Fund's exposure into foreign equities will be capped at 30% of the Fund's NAV.

The performance of the Fund would be dependent on the domestic equity market, and to a certain extent, the foreign equity markets that are investable by the Fund. The Fund's performance is reliant on the Manager's expertise in managing the Fund to meet its objective.

The Fund's investment into equities would, to a great extent, be linked to the price movements of the domestic and/or foreign equity markets. If the equities that are investable by the Fund performs well, the Fund's performance may reflect the same. However, should the equities that are investable by the Fund perform poorly, the Fund's performance may also be impacted negatively.

The Fund endeavours to distribute income, if any, on an annual basis.

<sup>\*</sup> At our discretion, we may reduce the minimum initial investment amount, minimum additional investment amount and minimum holding of Units.



Please note that the Fund does not guarantee your investment capital nor the returns from the Fund.

#### **KEY RISKS**

#### 6. What are the key risks associated with this product?

#### General risks

- **Market risk** This risk refers to the possibility that an investment will lose value because of a general decline in financial markets, due to economic, political and/or other factors, which will result in a decline in the Fund's NAV.
- Fund management risk This risk refers to the day-to-day management of the Fund by the Manager which will impact the performance of the Fund. For example, investment decisions undertaken by the Manager as a result of an 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, fraudulent, dishonesty, or weaknesses in operational process and systems, may adversely affect the performance of the Fund.
- Performance risk There is no guarantee in relation to the investment returns or on the distribution to Unit Holders.
- Inflation risk This is a risk that your investment in the Fund may not grow or generate income at a rate that keeps pace with inflation. This would reduce your purchasing power even though the value of the investment in monetary terms has increased.
- Liquidity risk Liquidity risk refers to two scenarios. The first is where an investment cannot be sold due to unavailability of a buyer for that investment. The second scenario exists where the investment, by its nature, is thinly traded. This will have the effect of causing the investment to be sold below its fair value which would adversely affect the NAV of the Fund.
- Operational risk This risk refers to the possibility of a breakdown in the Manager's internal controls and policies. The breakdown may be a result of human error, system failure or may be fraud where employees of the Manager collude with one another. This risk may cause monetary loss and/or inconvenience to you.
- Loan financing risk This risk occurs when you take a loan or financing to finance your investment. The inherent risk of investing with borrowed money includes you being unable to service the loan repayments. In the event Units are used as collateral, you may be required to top-up your existing instalment if the prices of Units fall below a certain level due to market conditions. Failing which, the Units may be sold at a lower NAV per unit as compared to the NAV per unit at the point of purchase towards settling the loan.

#### Specific risks

- Stock specific risk Prices of a particular stock may fluctuate in response to the circumstances affecting individual companies such as adverse financial performance, news of a possible merger or loss of key personnel of a company. Any adverse price movements of such stock will adversely affect the Fund's NAV.
- Credit and default risk Credit risk relates to the creditworthiness of the issuers of the debentures or money market instruments (hereinafter referred as "investment") and their expected ability to make timely payment of interest and/or principal. Default risk relates to the risk of an issuer of the investment either defaulting on payments or failing to make payments in a timely manner which will in turn adversely affect the value of the investment. This could adversely affect the value of the Fund. Default risk relates to the risk of an issuer of the investment either defaulting on payments or failing to make payments in a timely manner which will in turn adversely affect the value of the investment. This could adversely affect the value of the Fund.
- Interest rate risk This risk refers to the impact of interest rate changes on the valuation of debentures or money market instruments (hereinafter referred as "investment"). When interest rates rise, the investment prices generally decline and this may lower the market value of the investment. The reverse may apply when interest rates fall.
- Warrants investment risk The value of the warrants will depend on the pricing of the underlying security whereby the growth and performance prospect of the underlying security would consequentially affect the value of the warrants. In addition, the value of the warrants may decrease exponentially as the warrants approach its' maturity date and the potential gains from a favourable price movement of the underlying may be offset by aggressive time decay.
- Country risk Investments of the Fund in any countries may be affected by changes in the economic and political climate, restriction on currency repatriation or other developments in the law or regulations of the countries in which the Fund invests.
- Currency risk As the investments of the Fund may be denominated in currencies other than the base currency, any



fluctuation in the exchange rate between the base currency and the currencies in which the investments are denominated may have an impact on the value of these investments. You should note that any gains or losses arising from the fluctuation in the exchange rate may further increase or decrease the returns of the investment.

• Regulatory risk - The investments of the Fund would be exposed to changes in the laws and regulations in the countries the Fund is invested in. These regulatory changes pose a risk to the Fund as it may materially impact the investments of the Fund.

Note: Please refer to the Fund's Prospectus for further details on the general and specific risks.

It is important to note that events affecting the investments cannot always be foreseen. Therefore, it is not possible to protect investments against all risks. You are recommended to read the whole Prospectus to assess the risks associated with the Fund. If necessary, you should consult your professional adviser(s) for a better understanding of the risks.

#### **FUND PERFORMANCE**

**Average Total Return** 

	1 Year (1/8/20 – 31/7/21)	3 Years (1/8/18 – 31/7/21)	5 Years (1/8/16 – 31/7/21)	Since Commencement (28/9/01 – 31/7/21)	
Fund	13.09%	3.13%	5.53%	12.06%	
Benchmark	-5.09%	(4.90%)	-1.09%	5.06%	

Source: Bloomberg/Morningstar

## **Annual Total Return**

Financial Year End	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Fund	13.09%	-1.27%	-1.74%	-3.08%	23.13%	7.13%	-4.49%	12.75%	25.59%	8.23%
Benchmark	-5.09%	-1.40%	-8.10%	1.84%	8.08%	-2.47%	-8.55%	4.69%	9.94%	5.09%

Source: Bloomberg/Morningstar

For the period under review i.e. 1 August 2020 to 31 July 2021, the Fund registered a return of -13.09% compared to the benchmark return of -5.09%. Since commencement, the Fund registered a total return of 692.19%, outperforming the benchmark total return of 166.59%.

## Basic of calculation and assumption made in calculating the returns

The performance figures are a comparison of the growth/decline in NAV for the stipulated period taking into account all the distribution payable (if any) during the stipulated period.

Capital return = NAV per Unit end / NAV per Unit begin - 1

Income return = Income distribution per Unit / NAV per Unit ex-date
Total return = (1 + Capital return) X (1 + income return) - 1

Income Distribution

Financial Year End	2021	2020	2019	2018
Gross distribution per Unit (sen)	5.00	Nil	2.00	5.00
Net distribution per Unit (sen)	5.00	Nil	2.00	5.00

Distribution will be made in the form of cash as well as Units in lieu of cash, if any.

Portfolio Turnover Ratio (PTR)

Financial Year End	2021	2020	2019	2018
PTR (times)	1.27	1.74	0.86	1.32

The decrease in the Fund's PTR for the financial year was due to lower portfolio activities.

PAST PERFORMANCE OF THE FUND IS NOT AN INDICATION OF ITS FUTURE PERFORMANCE.



#### **FEES & CHARGES**

#### 7. What are the fees and charges involved?

There are fees and charges involved and you are advised to consider them before contributing to the Fund.

#### What will I be charged by the Manager?

Sales charge	Up to 5.50% of the NAV per Unit of the Fund.
	Investors may negotiate for a lower charge.
	The Sales Charge for investors purchasing Units through the EMIS shall be limited to a maximum charge of 3% of the NAV per Unit or as determined by the EPF.
Repurchase charge	There will be no Repurchase Charge levied on the repurchase of Units for the Fund.
Switching fee	There will be no switching fee levied on any switching transactions.
Transfer fee	A MYR 5.00 transfer fee will be levied for each transfer of Units.

#### What are the key ongoing fees charged to the Fund?

Management fee	Up to 1.50% per annum of the NAV of the Fund.
Trustee fee	Up to 0.07% per annum of the NAV of the Fund, subject to a minimum of MYR 18,000 per annum (excluding foreign custodian fees and charges).

Note: Please refer to the Prospectus for further explanation and illustration on the Fund's fees, charges and expenses.

ALL FEES AND CHARGES PAYABLE BY YOU ARE SUBJECT TO ALL APPLICABLE TAXES AND / OR DUTIES AS MAY BE IMPOSED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND / OR THE RELEVANT AUTHORITIES FROM TIME TO TIME.

#### **VALUATIONS AND EXITING FROM INVESTMENT**

## 8. How often are valuations available?

The Fund will be valued on every Business Day and you may obtain the NAV and NAV per Unit of the Fund from our website at www.affinhwangam.com, our customer service via our toll free number 1-800-88-7080 or email to customercare@affinhwangam.com.

#### 9. How can I exit from this investment and what are the risks and costs involved?

You may request to redeem your investments in the Fund at any point in time by completing the repurchase application form and returning it to us on any Business Day between 8.45 a.m. and 3.30 p.m. Payments will be made to you within 10 days from the day the repurchase request is received by us and provided that all documentations are completed and verifiable.

If you invest through the EMIS, we will remit the repurchase proceeds to EPF by crediting back into your EPF account. If you are above the age of fifty five (55) years old and invest through the EMIS, we will remit the repurchase proceeds to you directly.

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

## 10. Who should I contact for further information or to lodge a complaint?

1. For internal dispute resolution, you may contact our customer service personnel:

(a) via phone to : 03 – 2116 6000 (b) via fax to : 03 – 2116 6100 (c) via toll free no. : 1-800-88-7080



(d) via email to : customercare@affinhwangam.com
(e) via letter : Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad

Ground Floor, Menara Boustead

69, Jalan Raja Chulan 50200 Kuala Lumpur

Complaints should be made in writing with the following information:

(a) particulars of the complainant which include name, correspondence address, contact number, e-mail address (if any) and other relevant information;

- (b) circumstances of the non-compliance or improper conduct;
- (c) parties alleged to be involved in the improper conduct; and
- (d) other supporting documentary evidence (if any).
- If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal dispute resolution process, please refer your dispute to the Securities Industries Dispute Resolution Centre (SIDREC):

(a) via phone to : 03-2282 2280 (b) via fax to : 03-2282-3855 (c) via email to : info@sidrec.com.my

(d) via letter to : Securities Industry Dispute Resolution Center (SIDREC)

Unit A-9-1 Level 9, Tower A, Menara UOA Bangsar, No. 5, Jalan Bangsar Utama 1

59000 Kuala Lumpur

3. You can also direct your complaint to the SC even if you have initiated a dispute resolution process with SIDREC. To make a complaint, please contact the SC's Investor Affairs & Complaints Department:

(a) via phone to the Aduan Hotline at : 03-62048999 (b) via fax to : 03-62048999

(c) via e-mail to : aduan@seccom.com.my

(d) via online complaint form available at www.sc.com.my

(e) via letter to : Investor Affairs & Complaints Department

Securities Commission Malaysia, No 3 Persiaran Bukit

Kiara, Bukit Kiara, 50490 Kuala Lumpur

4. Federal of Investment Managers Malaysia (FIMM)'s Complaints Bureau:

(a) via phone to : 03 – 20923800 (b) via fax to : 03 – 20932700

(c) via e-mail to : complaints@fimm.com.my

(d) via online complaint form available at : www.fimm.com.my

(e) via letter to : Legal, Secretarial & Regulatory Affairs

Federal of Investment Managers Malaysia

19-06-1, 6th Floor Wisma Tune, No. 19, Lorong Dungun

Damansara Heights,50490 Kuala Lumpur

## **APPENDIX: GLOSSARY**

Bursa Malaysia	Means the stock exchange operated by Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad including such other name as it may be amended from time to time.
Business Day	Means a day on which Bursa Malaysia is open for trading.
Deed	Refers to the deed dated 13 August 2001, first supplemental deed dated 18 June 2007, second supplemental deed dated 15 October 2008, third supplemental deed dated 18 January 2012, fourth supplemental deed dated 27 June 2014 and fifth supplemental deed dated 28 April 2017 entered into between the Manager and the Trustee.
deposit(s)	Has the same meaning as the definition of "deposit" in the Financial Services Act 2013. For the avoidance of doubt, it shall exclude structured deposit.
EMIS	Means EPF Members' Investment Scheme.
EPF	Means Employees Provident Fund.
the Fund	Refers to Affin Hwang Select Opportunity Fund.
long-term	Means a period of 5 years and above.



the Manager, we, us, our	Refers to Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad.
medium to long-term	Means a period between three (3) to five (5) years.
MYR	Means Ringgit Malaysia.
Net Asset Value or NAV	Means the value of the Fund's assets less the value of the Fund's liabilities at a particular valuation point except that, for the purpose of computing the annual management fee and the annual trustee fee, the NAV of the Fund should be inclusive (that is, before any deduction) of the management fee and the trustee fee for the relevant day.
NAV per Unit	Means the NAV of the Fund at a particular valuation point divided by the total number of Units in Circulation of the Fund in circulation at that valuation point.
Prospectus	Means the prospectus of the Fund and includes any supplementary or replacement thereof, as the case may be.
Repurchase Charge	Means a fee imposed pursuant to a repurchase request.
Sales Charge	Means a fee imposed pursuant to a purchase request.
sc	Means Securities Commission Malaysia.
Trustee	Refers to HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad.
Unit(s)	Means a measurement of the right or interest of a Unit Holder in the Fund.
Units in Circulation	Means Units created and fully paid and which have not been cancelled. It is also the total number of Units issued at a particular valuation point.
Unit Holder(s), investor(s), you	Means the person / corporation registered as the holder of a Unit or Units including persons jointly registered.

## Note:

Reference to "day(s)" in the Prospectus will be taken to mean calendar day(s) unless otherwise stated.