

# Investment-Linked Fund Performance Report May 2022

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# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The FBMKLCI Index closed lower in the month of May 2022 by -1.9% MoM to close at 1,570.10 points. The weak market sentiment was due to below-than-expected quarter earnings results by the corporates. The volatility also mirrored that of global markets for the month as market sentiment continued to be weighed down by concerns over inflation and worries that rate hike by the central bank could tip the economy into a recession.

Malaysia Government Securities ("MGS") retracted some losses across the curve after a month of selling-off in Apr'22. Brent crude oil prices surged higher to USD122.84/barrel (end-Apr'22: USD109.34/barrel) after European Union escalated the oil ban on Russia amidst Russia-Ukraine conflict. Meanwhile, Ringgit remained elevated against the Dollar at MYR4.377/USD (end-Apr'22: MYR4.355/USD).

On the local economic data, 1Q'22 real GDP grew better than expected at 5.0% YoY (4Q'21: +3.6% YoY), beat the market consensus of +4.0% YoY. The growth was largely contributed by the stronger services sector and moderating manufacturing sector, while the contraction was seen in mining sector and construction sector.

For equity market, in short term, we expect the market will take advantage on the rising commodity prices, borders reopening, and better corporate earnings. For the longer run, we believe the local equity market will improve supported by better domestic activities locally and foreign support. However, we are still cautious on the increasing market volatility and external uncertainties.

For fixed income, BNM is anticipated to tune monetary stance to slight hawkish in 2022 when the COVID-19 pandemic is nearing to the end. The external risk factors such as Russia-Ukraine tension and the fluctuation in crude oil prices will continue to weigh on the local market, but we believe corporate bond space still provides attractive yields. As such, we will keep looking to buy on dips of corporate bonds if the opportunity arises.

Based on table below, on monthly basis, Asiapac Fund, Dividend Fund, Equity Fund, Jati Fund and Titan Fund managed to outperformed the respective benchmarks.

Policyholders are encouraged to focus into regular premium given the current risk and volatile period of the economic and market condition. Risk adverse investors should focus into income fund due to its less volatile as compared to equity related funds.

# Performance Table: Funds vs Benchmarks

	Asia	oac Fund	Balan	ced Fund	Divide	nd Fund	Equit	ty Fund	Global \	akin Fund	Incor	ne Fund	Jati	Fund	Titan	Fund
	Fund	Benchmark	Fund	Benchmark	Fund	Benchmark	Fund	Benchmark	Fund	Benchmark	Fund	Benchmark	Fund	Benchmark	Fund	Benchmark
Monthly (%)	0.19%	-1.19%	-0.17%	0.14%	-1.48%	-1.90%	-1.40%	-1.90%	-3.28%	1.03%	1.09%	2.17%	-2.53%	-4.26%	-0.51%	-1.31%
3 Months (%)	3.41%	-0.02%	-1.22%	-2.15%	-0.64%	-2.37%	-0.44%	-2.37%	-4.76%	-2.80%	-1.95%	-2.01%	-2.25%	-5.02%	0.69%	-7.47%
6 Months (%)	6.97%	4.28%	1.59%	1.05%	3.36%	3.71%	4.32%	3.71%	-15.75%	-3.49%	-1.20%	-1.76%	1.67%	-5.10%	-6.18%	-15.36%
12 Months (%)	-5.37%	-13.44%	2.19%	-0.72%	3.03%	-0.85%	3.74%	-0.85%	-6.49%	-2.83%	0.13%	-1.07%	-0.94%	-9.89%	9.68%	0.28%

Source: MCIS Insurance Berhad

# AsiaPac Fund Monthly Report (May 2022)

# **Investment Objective**

To achieve steady income stream with potential growth in the Asia Pacific Region over medium to long term. The aim of the Fund is to outperform the S&P Ethical Pan Asia Select Dividend Opportunities Index over periods of five or more years.

# **Investment Strategy**

To invest in Principal S&P Asia Pacific Ethical Dividend Exchange Traded Fund (ETF), managed by Principal Asset Management Berhad where the ETF is listed on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

The ETF focuses on top 40 ethical and high yielding stocks in the Asia Pacific Region excluding India, Taiwan, Japan, New Zealand and Philippines. The fund provides country diversification across the industry that is traded in US Dollar.

#### **Risks**

The Fund is considered low risk given the exposure to only one underlying securities with no attempt to select stocks individually or to take defensive positions in declining markets. Risk is managed at the management level, where the asset allocation of the fund to be reviewed on regular basis, and adjusted to commensurate with the Investment Team view on the relative attractiveness of each asset class.

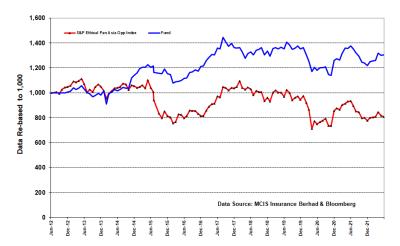
The following factors can potentially affect the value of the Fund; economic and political developments in related countries, foreign exchange fluctuation, illiquid and inefficient securities in the Emerging Markets, and the financial performance of the underlying companies.

The target market is for investors who are seeking regional exposure from investment and at the same time, seeking for medium to long term capital appreciation with moderate market risk.

# **Fund Performance**

For the month ended May 2022, the fund had outperformed the benchmark by 138bps MoM (month-on-month). The fund had outperformed the benchmark since inception.

AsiaPac Fund Performance Since Inception



# **Top Ten Holdings**

Principal S&P Asia Pacific Ethical Dividend Exchange Traded Fund (ETF)

# **Fund Information**

NAV (31.05.22) RM0.6517
Fund Size RM73.67 million
Inception Date 15-July-2012
Fund Management 0.85% p.a.

Fee

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Fund Manager Exceptional MCIS Insurance Berhad (MCIS Life) Refer to your Policy Document

Circumstances

**Asset Allocation Ranges** 

Asset Class	Min	Max	Current Actual
ETF	80%	100%	94%
Cash	0%	20%	6%

# **Performance Table**

Period	Fund	Index*
1 month (%)	0.19%	-1.19%
3 months (%)	3.41%	-0.02%
6 months (%)	6.97%	4.28%
12 months (%)	-5.37%	-13.44%
2 years (% pa)	5.11%	3.94%
3 years (% pa)	-1.23%	-5.86%
5 years (% pa)	-0.84%	-3.59%
Since Inception (% pa)	2.71%	-2.13%

Notice: Past performance is not indicative of future performance, and the performance of the Fund is not guaranteed.

The Fund returns are calculated by MCIS Life and based on the value of the NAV and for periods greater than 12-months are annualised numbers. Actual returns of the Fund are on a net basis (gross of tax and net of fees) and based on the performance of the Fund, and not the returns earned on the actual premiums/ contributions paid for the product.

<sup>\*</sup> Index is S&P Ethical Pan Asia Select Dividend Opportunities sourced from Bloomberg.

# Balanced Fund Monthly Report (May 2022)

# **Investment Objective**

The objective of the Balanced Fund is to provide security and income, while maintaining and potentially increasing the value of capital over the medium to long-term, through exposure across a range of asset classes. The Fund aims to outperform the performance benchmark over periods of three or more years.

#### **Investment Strategy**

To invest in Malaysian equities and fixed income securities, including government bonds and corporate debt securities. The asset allocation is reviewed on a regular basis, and is adjusted commensurate with our view on the relative attractiveness of each asset class.

#### **Risks**

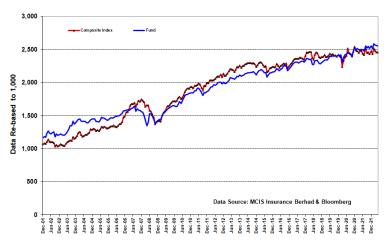
The Fund is considered medium risk given the mixed exposure of equity securities, fixed income and cash. The following factors can potentially affect the value of the Fund; consumer sentiment, financial performance of the underlying companies, industry and economy development, social and political factors, and the liquidity of the underlying assets. Additionally, levels of interest rates, and credit downgrades of defaults can affect the value of fixed income securities

The target market is clients wanting the surety of insurance protection, with an element of potential upside investment exposure.

#### **Fund Performance**

For the month ended May 2022, the fund had underperformed the benchmark by 31bps MoM (month-on-month). The underperformance was mainly driven by higher exposure of underperforming securities in the portfolio compared to benchmark.

# **Balanced Fund Performance Since Inception**



#### **Top Ten Holdings**

Malayan Banking Berhad (Equity)
CIMB Bank Berhad (Equity)
Sabah Development Bank Berhad (Bond)
Public Bank Berhad (Bond)
Point Zone (M) Sdn Berhad (Bond)
Malayan Banking Berhad (Bond)
Telekosang Hydro One Sdn Bhd (Bond)
Edra Solar Sdn Bhd (Bond)
Projek Lebuhraya Utara-Selatan (Bond)
Northern Gateway Infrastructure Sdn Bhd (Bond)

# **Fund Information**

NAV (31.05.22) RM1.2762
Fund Size RM8.92 million
Inception Date 15-Oct-01
Fund Management 1.25% p.a.

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# **Asset Allocation Ranges**

Asset Class	Min	Max	Current Actual
Malaysian Equity	40%	60%	47%
Fixed Income	40%	60%	46%
Cash	0%	20%	7%

#### **Performance Table**

Period	Fund	Index*
1 month (%)	-0.17%	0.14%
3 months (%)	-1.22%	-2.15%
6 months (%)	1.59%	1.05%
12 months (%)	2.19%	-0.72%
2 years (% pa)	2.61%	1.48%
3 years (% pa)	2.62%	0.74%
5 years (% pa)	2.05%	0.81%
Since Inception (% pa)	4.64%	4.44%

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\* The benchmark index is a composite of 50% FBMKLCI Index and 50% of Markit iBoxx ALBI Malaysia TR Index (Since June '16). Prior to that, the index used was HSBC Malaysia All Bond Index for the fixed income portion. Benchmark return is calculated on re-based basis. The source is from the subscription of Markit Indices.

# Dividend Fund Monthly Report (May 2022)

# **Investment Objective**

To achieve steady income stream with potential for capital growth over medium to long term by focusing mostly on high dividend yielding stocks and money market instruments. The aim of the Fund is to outperform the FBMKLCI Index over periods of five or more years.

# **Investment Strategy**

To invest in a broad selection of companies listed on the Malaysian Stock Exchange. Using a relative value methodology, the fund focuses on undervalued stocks relative to fundamental value, with the aim of achieving an income stream, together with some degree of long-term capital gains.

#### **Risks**

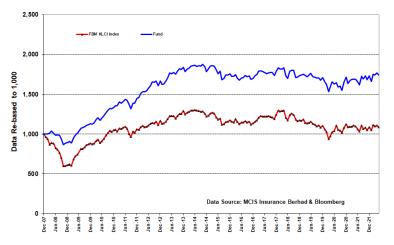
The Fund is considered high risk given the exposure to equity securities. The following factors can potentially affect the value of the Fund; consumer sentiment, financial performance of the underlying companies, the performance of the industry and economy, and the share market in general, social and political factors, and the liquidity of the underlying assets.

The target market is clients wanting the surety of insurance protection, with an element of potential upside investment exposure.

#### **Fund Performance**

For the month ended May 2022, the fund had outperformed the benchmark by 42bps MoM (month-on-month). The outperformance was mainly driven by higher exposure of outperforming securities in the portfolio compared to benchmark.

#### **Dividend Fund Performance Since Inception**



#### **Top Ten Holdings**

Public Bank Berhad
Malayan Banking Berhad
Petronas Gas Berhad
Petronas Chemicals Group Berhad
CIMB Bank Berhad
Sime Darby Plantation Berhad
Tenaga Nasional Berhad
Maxis Berhad
IOI Corporation Berhad
DiGi.Com Berhad

## **Fund Information**

NAV (31.05.22) RM0.8262 Fund Size RM30.08 million Inception Date 21-Jan-08 Fund Management 1.5% p.a.

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Fund Manager MCIS Insurance Berhad (MCIS Life)

Exceptional Circumstances

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**Asset Allocation Ranges** 

Asset Class	Min	Max	Current Actual
Malaysian Equity	80%	100%	95%
Cash	0%	20%	5%

# **Performance Table**

Period	Fund	Index*
1 month (%)	-1.48%	-1.90%
3 months (%)	-0.64%	-2.37%
6 months (%)	3.36%	3.71%
12 months (%)	3.03%	-0.85%
2 years (% pa)	2.56%	3.23%
3 years (% pa)	-0.08%	-1.66%
5 years (% pa)	-0.53%	-2.32%
Since Inception (% pa)	3.91%	0.58%
Yield #	3.54%	4.39%

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<sup>\*</sup> Index is FBMKLCI sourced from Bloomberg.

<sup>#</sup> Yield data is sourced from Bloomberg, and MCIS Life.

# Equity Fund Monthly Report (May 2022)

# **Investment Objective**

The objective of the Equity Fund is to achieve capital growth over the medium to long term by focusing on high quality equities listed on the FBMKLCI Index. The aim of the Equity Fund is to outperform the Index over periods of five or more years.

# **Investment Strategy**

To invest in a broad selection of companies listed on the Malaysian Stock Exchange. Using a relative value methodology, the fund focuses on the stocks whose shares appear undervalued relative to fundamental value, with the aim of achieving long term growth in capital value.

#### **Risks**

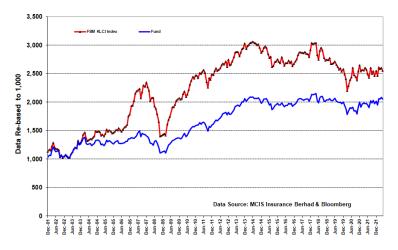
The Fund is considered high risk given the exposure to equity securities. The following factors can potentially affect the value of the Fund; consumer sentiment, financial performance of the underlying companies, the performance of the industry and economy, and the share market in general, social and political factors, and the liquidity of the underlying assets.

The target market is clients wanting the surety of insurance protection, with an element of potential upside investment exposure.

#### **Fund Performance**

For the month ended May 2022, the fund had outperformed the benchmark by 50bps MoM (month-on-month). The outperformance was mainly driven by higher exposure of outperforming securities in the portfolio compared to benchmark.

# **Equity Fund Performance Since Inception**



# **Top Ten Holdings**

Malayan Banking Berhad
CIMB Bank Berhad
Public Bank Berhad
IOI Corporation Berhad
Sime Darby Plantation Berhad
Petronas Chemicals Group Berhad
Tenaga Nasional Berhad
Telekom Malaysia Berhad
Petronas Gas Berhad
Maxis Berhad

# **Fund Information**

 NAV (31.05.22)
 RM1.0273

 Fund Size
 RM10.31 million

Inception Date 15-Oct-01 Fund Management 1.40% p.a.

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Circumstances

**Asset Allocation Ranges** 

Asset Class	Min	Max	Current Actual
Malaysian Equity	80%	100%	94%
Cash	0%	20%	6%

#### **Performance Table**

Period	Fund	Index*
1 month (%)	-1.40%	-1.90%
3 months (%)	-0.44%	-2.37%
6 months (%)	4.32%	3.71%
12 months (%)	3.74%	-0.85%
2 years (% pa)	3.94%	3.23%
3 years (% pa)	0.24%	-1.66%
5 years (% pa)	-0.05%	-2.32%
Since Inception (% pa)	3.55%	4.64%
Yield #	3.80%	4.39%

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<sup>\*</sup> Index is FBMKLCI sourced from Bloomberg. # Yield data is sourced from Bloomberg, and MCIS Life.

# Global Yakin Fund Monthly Report (May 2022)

# **Investment Objective**

The fund aims for capital appreciation in the long term by investing in an international portfolio of Shariah-compliant equities and equity-related securities of companies with good growth potential.

# **Investment Strategy**

The Fund is to feed into abrdn Islamic World Equity Fund ("AIWEF") (formerly known as Aberdeen Standard Islamic World Equity Fund) which managed by abrdn Islamic Malaysia Sdn Bhd (formerly known as Aberdeen Standard Investments (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd). The Fund invests in shariah approved securities across the globe.

The Fund seeks to achieve its objective by investing in an international portfolio of Shariah-compliant equities and equity-related securities of companies with good growth potential. The countries that the Fund will invest in will include, but not limited to Canada, United States of America, United Kingdom, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland, Japan, Australia, China, Hong Kong, Korea, Singapore, Taiwan, Brazil and Mexico.

#### **Risks**

The Fund is considered low risk given the exposure to only one underlying securities with no attempt to select stocks individually or to take defensive positions in declining markets. Risk is managed at the management level, where the asset allocation of the fund to be reviewed on regular basis, and adjusted to commensurate with the Investment Team view on the relative attractiveness of each asset class.

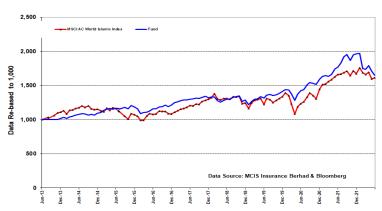
The following factors can potentially affect the value of the Fund; economic and political developments in related countries, foreign exchange fluctuation, illiquid and inefficient securities in the Emerging Markets, and the financial performance of the underlying companies.

The Fund is suitable for investors who seek capital appreciation over a long-term investment horizon and who are willing to accept high level of risk.

## **Fund Performance**

For the month ended May 2022, the fund had underperformed the benchmark by 431bps MoM (month-on-month). The underperformance was mainly due to underperforming of the underlying securities compared to the benchmark index.





# **Top Ten Holdings**

abrdn Islamic World Equity Fund (AIWEF)

#### **Fund Information**

NAV (31.05.22) RM0.8260
Fund Size RM99.06 million
Inception Date 8-July-2013
Fund Management 0.85% p.a.

Fee

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Fund Manager MCIS Insurance Berhad (MCIS Life)

Exceptional Circumstances

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**Asset Allocation Ranges** 

Asset Class	Min	Max	Current Actual
AIWEF	80%	100%	96%
Cash	0%	20%	4%

#### **Performance Table**

Period	Fund	Index*
1 month (%)	-3.28%	1.03%
3 months (%)	-4.76%	-2.80%
6 months (%)	-15.75%	-3.49%
12 months (%)	-6.49%	-2.83%
2 years (% pa)	7.72%	14.40%
3 years (% pa)	7.95%	9.74%
5 years (% pa)	4.91%	7.58%
Since Inception (% pa)	5.79%	5.52%

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<sup>\*</sup> Index is MSCI AC World Islamic sourced from Bloomberg.

# Income Fund Monthly Report (May 2022)

# **Investment Objective**

The objective of the Income Fund is to provide investors with security of income by investing in a mix of fixed income and fixed deposit securities. The aim of the Fund is to outperform the Markit iBoxx ALBI Malaysia TR Index.

# **Investment Strategy**

To invest into underlying asset classes as per the Asset Allocation Ranges. The asset allocation is reviewed on a regular basis, and is adjusted commensurate with our view on the relative attractiveness of each asset class. The Fund invests in cash and fixed income securities including government bonds and corporate debt securities.

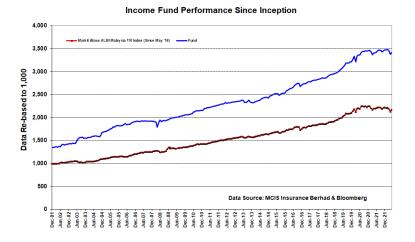
#### **Risks**

The Fund is considered lower risk given the exposure to cash and fixed income securities. The following factors can potentially affect the value of the Fund; consumer sentiment, financial performance of the underlying companies, the performance of the industry and economy, and the share market in general, social and political factors, and the liquidity of the underlying assets. Additionally, levels of interest rates, and credit downgrades or defaults can affect the value of fixed income securities.

The target market is clients wanting the surety of insurance protection, with an element of potential upside investment exposure.

#### **Fund Performance**

For the month ended May 2022, the fund had underperformed the benchmark by 108bps MoM (month-on-month). The underperformance was due to underperforming of the fixed income securities compared to the benchmark index.



# **Top Ten Holdings**

Malaysian Government Securities Leader Energy Sdn Berhad Cello Capital Berhad Telekosang Hydro One Sdn Bhd Edra Solar Sdn Bhd Sabah Development Bank Berhad Swirl Assets Berhad UiTM Solar Power Sdn Berhad Malayan Banking Berhad SAJ Capital Sdn Bhd

#### **Fund Information**

NAV (31.05.22) RM1.7078
Fund Size RM45.05 million
Inception Date 15-Oct-01
Fund Management 0.5% p.a.

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Circumstances

**Asset Allocation Ranges** 

Asset Class	Min	Max	Current Actual
Fixed Income	75%	100%	92%
Cash	0%	25%	8%

# **Performance Table**

Period	Fund	Index*
1 month (%)	1.09%	2.17%
3 months (%)	-1.95%	-2.01%
6 months (%)	-1.20%	-1.76%
12 months (%)	0.13%	-1.07%
2 years (% pa)	0.79%	-0.65%
3 years (% pa)	3.62%	2.79%
5 years (% pa)	4.18%	3.70%
Since Inception (% pa)	6.12%	3.83%

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\* The benchmark index is Markit iBoxx ALBI Malaysia TR Index (Since June '16). Prior to that, the index used was HSBC Malaysia All Bond Index. Benchmark return is calculated on rebased basis. The source is from the subscription of Markit Indices.

# Jati Fund Monthly Report (May 2022)

# **Investment Objective**

The Jati Fund is invested in accordance with Shariah principles in Shariah sanctioned equities, money market instruments, and fixed income investments. The aim is to provide security and income, while maintaining and potentially increasing the value of capital over the medium to long-term. The Jati Fund is not a takaful product.

# **Investment Strategy**

To invest in a broad selection of Shariah approved securities listed on the Malaysian Stock Exchange. Using a relative value methodology, it looks to buy stocks whose shares appear undervalued relative to fundamental value, with the aim of achieving an income stream, together with some degree of long-term capital gains.

#### **Risks**

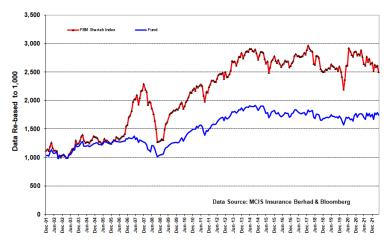
The Fund is considered high risk given the exposure to equity securities. The following factors can potentially affect the value of the Fund; consumer sentiment, financial performance of the underlying companies, the performance of the industry and economy, and the share market in general, social and political factors, and the liquidity of the underlying assets.

The target market is clients wanting the surety of insurance protection, with an element of potential upside investment exposure.

### **Fund Performance**

For the month ended May 2022, the fund had outperformed the benchmark by 173bps MoM (month-on-month). The outperformance was mainly driven by higher exposure of outperforming securities in the portfolio compared to benchmark.

#### Jati Fund Performance Since Inception



# **Top Ten Holdings**

Sime Darby Plantation Berhad Petronas Gas Berhad IOI Corporation Berhad Telekom Malaysia Berhad Tenaga Nasional Berhad Kuala Lumpur Kepong Berhad Axiata Group Berhad Maxis Berhad MISC Berhad Sime Darby Berhad

# **Fund Information**

NAV (31.05.22) RM0.8705 Fund Size RM20.46 million

Inception Date 15-Oct-01 Fund Management 1.35% p.a.

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Fund Manager

MCIS Insurance Berhad (MCIS Life)

Exceptional Circumstances

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**Asset Allocation Ranges** 

Asset Class	Min	Max	Current Actual
Malaysian Equity	80%	100%	92%
Cash	0%	20%	8%

# **Performance Table**

Period	Fund	Index*
1 month (%)	-2.53%	-4.26%
3 months (%)	-2.25%	-5.02%
6 months (%)	1.67%	-5.10%
12 months (%)	-0.94%	-9.89%
2 years (% pa)	1.09%	-2.17%
3 years (% pa)	0.56%	-0.82%
5 years (% pa)	-0.81%	-2.11%
Since Inception (% pa)	2.72%	4.53%
Yield #	3.38%	3.97%

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# Titan Fund Monthly Report (May 2022)

# **Investment Objective**

The Fund invests in MyETF Dow Jones U.S. Titans 50 ("MyETF-US50") which aims to provide investment results that closely correspond to the performance of the Dow Jones Islamic Market U.S. Titans 50 Index.

# **Investment Strategy**

MyETFDJ50 is managed by i-VCAP Management Sdn Bhd and it invests into 50 largest Shariah compliant companies listed in the U.S. MyETFDJ50 is a passively managed fund.

#### **Risks**

The Fund is considered low risk given the exposure to only one underlying securities with no attempt to select stocks individually or to take defensive positions in declining markets. Risk is managed at the management level, where the asset allocation of the fund to be reviewed on regular basis, and adjusted to commensurate with the Investment Team view on the relative attractiveness of each asset class.

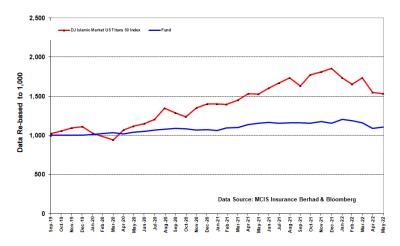
The following factors can potentially affect the value of the Fund; economic and political developments in related countries, foreign exchange fluctuation, illiquid and inefficient securities in the Emerging Markets, and the financial performance of the underlying companies.

The Fund is suitable for investors who are seeking for diversification and investment opportunities in Shariah-compliant equities in the U.S. market and seeking liquid financial instruments with an index tracking feature.

#### **Fund Performance**

For the month ended May 2022, the fund had outperformed the benchmark by 80bps MoM (month-on-month).

#### Titan Fund Performance Since Inception



# **Top Ten Holdings**

MyETF Dow Jones U.S. Titans 50 (MyETF-US50)

# **Fund Information**

NAV (31.05.22) RM0.7098

Fund Size RM122.64 million Inception Date 17-Sept-2019 Fund Management 0.85% p.a.

Fee

Pricing Daily

Price Quote Major Newspaper, or

http://www.mcis.my

Fund Manager

MCIS Insurance Berhad (MCIS Life) Refer to your Policy Document

Exceptional Circumstances

Asset Allocation Ranges

Asset Class	Min	Max	Current Actual
MyETFDJ50	80%	100%	94%
Cash	0%	20%	6%

#### **Performance Table**

Period	Fund	Index*
1 month (%)	-0.51%	-1.31%
3 months (%)	0.69%	-7.47%
6 months (%)	-6.18%	-15.36%
12 months (%)	9.68%	0.28%
2 years (% pa)	22.19%	16.95%
3 years (% pa)	n/a	n/a
5 years (% pa)	n/a	n/a
Since Inception (% pa)	13.59%	16.73%

Notice: Past performance is not indicative of future performance, and the performance of the Fund is not guaranteed.

The Fund returns are calculated by MCIS Life and based on the value of the NAV and for periods greater than 12-months are annualised numbers. Actual returns of the Fund are on a net basis (gross of tax and net of fees) and based on the performance of the Fund, and not the returns earned on the actual premiums/ contributions paid for the product.

<sup>\*</sup> Index Dow Jones Islamic Market U.S. Titans 50 Index sourced from Bloomberg.

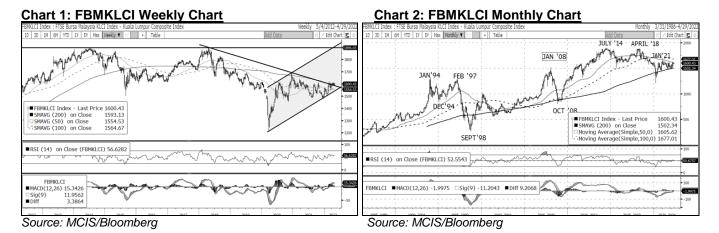
# **Equity Market Review and Outlook**

#### **Market Review**

The FBMKLCI Index closed lower in the month of May 2022 by -1.9% MoM to close at 1,570.10 points. The weak market sentiment was due to below-than-expected quarter earnings results by the corporates. The volatility also mirrored that of global markets for the month as market sentiment continued to be weighed down by concerns over inflation and worries that rate hike by the central bank could tip the economy into a recession. The average daily value traded on the Malaysian stock exchange was up 7% MoM to MYR2.5bil, while the average daily trading volume rose 2% MoM to 3.3bil units.

During the month, local retailers were the largest net buyers of MYR508.8mil of local equities (MYR171.7mil in April '22). Meanwhile, foreign investors bought at slower pace a total of MYR77.2mil of local equities (MYR826mil in April '22). This lowered the cumulative net foreign outflows since 2010 to MYR28.7bil. Local institutional investors continued as net sellers of MYR586.1mil worth of equities (MYR997.6mil net sell in April '22).

Global equity market performances were mix in the month of May 2022. Most of the indices were relatively negative, except for the US markets that were relatively closed flat, due to the concern over further acceleration in global inflation, tightening monetary policy and COVID-19 restrictions in China. It was also dampened by the increase in crude oil price, after the European Union leaders agreed to cut 90% of oil imports from Russia due the ongoing war in Ukraine. In the US, Dow Jones Industrial index closed by -0.04% MoM and the broader S&P 500 index closed by 0.01% MoM. Meanwhile in Europe, Bloomberg European 500 index closed -1.4% MoM. In Asia, the performance was mixed with the MSCI Asia APEX 50 ex-Japan closed 0.9% MoM during the month.



# Market Outlook & Strategy

Traditionally, FBMKLCI index's performance tends to be mixed in June, with an average monthly return of -0.2%/0.5% over the past 10 years/44 years. We expect the market to be supportive by its attractive valuations at current levels of 1.56x as it is now below its 25-year historical average of P/B (1.81x) and 16.2x PER compared to the 22-year historical average of PER (17.0x).

Technically, the FBMKLCI Index was relatively volatile in May when it experienced a sell down early in the month before regaining some ground at the end of May. The index is still trading below the 200-week EMA and it has a slight downside bias. The EMA is likely to act as resistance in the near term, followed by the strong resistance at 1,618-1,625 points. Support is seen at the 1,520 level, followed by 1,500. A break below the said levels is negative for the short term. Overall, the index ought to remain within a range of 1,480-1,610 points for June.

For short term, we expect the market will take advantage on the rising commodity prices, borders reopening, and better corporate earnings. For the longer run, we believe the local equity market will improve supported by better domestic activities locally and foreign support. However, we are still cautious on the increasing market volatility and external uncertainties.

# **Fixed Income Review and Outlook**

#### **Market Review**

Malaysia Government Securities ("MGS") retracted some losses across the curve after a month of selling-off in Apr'22. Brent crude oil prices surged higher to USD122.84/barrel (end-Apr'22: USD109.34/barrel) after European Union escalated the oil ban on Russia amidst Russia-Ukraine conflict. Meanwhile, Ringgit remained elevated against the Dollar at MYR4.377/USD (end-Apr'22: MYR4.355/USD).

On the local economic data, 1Q'22 real GDP grew better than expected at 5.0% YoY (4Q'21: +3.6% YoY), beat the market consensus of +4.0% YoY. The growth was largely contributed by the stronger services sector and moderating manufacturing sector, while the contraction was seen in mining sector and construction sector. Domestic demand (DD) improved further by +4.4% YoY, but slightly overshadowed by net external demand (NED) (1Q'22: -26.5% YoY) arising from wider growth gap between exports (E) and imports (I) of goods & services.

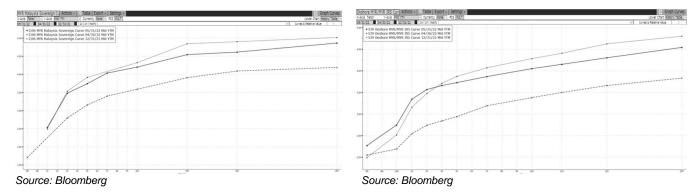
Inflation on the other hand crept slightly higher to +2.3% YoY in Apr'22 (Mar'22: +2.2% YoY), mainly attributable to the diminishing base effect of transport costs. Despite of the rising global crude oil prices, the local subsidy on RON95 fuel and diesel fuel, electricity tariff freeze and food price ceilings kept inflation in check. Inflation of Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages ("FNAB") continued to creep higher to +4.1% YoY (Mar'22: +4.0% YoY), reflecting the rising global food prices as well as the higher fertilizer and feed meal costs.

Malaysia external reserve declined to USD111.4b as at mid-May'22 (mid-Apr'22: USD112.5b), driven by the portfolio outflow and strong Imports demand. The reserve is sufficient to cover 5.6 months of retained imports and 1.1 times short-term external debt.

The auctions unveiled in May'22 is as follow;

Government Auctions		Auction Amount + Private Placement	Bid-cover	Avg Yield
Issue	Issue Date	(RM million)	(times)	(%)
30year Re-Issuance of GII(Mat II 05)	13/5/2022	3,000.00	2.57	5.36
10year Re-Issuance of MGS(Mat GS 7/)	24/5/2022	4,500.00	2.60	4.29
3year Re-Issuance of GII(Mat II 10)	31/5/2022	5,000.00	3.63	3.54

Source: Bank Negara Malaysia



The 10-year US Treasury yield spiked higher to 3.15% before easing back to 2.85% at end-May'22 (end-Apr'22: 2.94%). Given the rising inflationary pressure, the US Fed is signalling for more aggressive monetary policy and reduction of its balance sheet over the next few months.

# Market Outlook & Strategy

BNM is anticipated to tune monetary stance to hawkish in 2022 when the COVID-19 pandemic is nearing to the end. The external risk factors such as Russia-Ukraine tension and the fluctuation in crude oil prices will continue to weigh on the local market, but we believe corporate bond space still provides attractive yields. As such, we will keep looking to buy on dips of corporate bonds if the opportunity arises.