UNITED ASIA TOP-50 FUND

Prospectus



DIRECTORY

Managers

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DEFINITIONS

Unless the context otherwise requires, terms defined in the Deed have the same meaning when used in this Prospectus and the following expressions have the following meanings, subject to the definitions in the Deed.

Assets of the Fund	means all the assets (including cash and earnings on cash deposits) for the time being held or deemed to be held upon the trusts of the Deed (or if the context so requires, the part thereof) excluding any amount for the time being standing to the credit of the distribution account referred to in <u>Clause 16.4</u> of the Deed.
ATMs	Automated teller machines.
Authorised Investments	See <u>paragraph 5.6</u> of this Prospectus.
Authority	Monetary Authority of Singapore.
Business Day	A day (other than Saturday, Sunday or a gazetted public holiday) on which banks in Singapore are open for business or any other day as the Managers and the Trustee may agree in writing.
Code	Code on Collective Investment Schemes issued by the Authority, as amended from time to time. The latest version is available at www.mas.gov.sg.
CPF	Central Provident Fund.
CPF Investment Guidelines	The investment guidelines for CPFIS Included Funds issued by the CPF Board, as amended from time to time. The latest version is available at www.cpf.gov.sg.
CPFIS	CPF Investment Scheme.
CPFIS Included Fund	A collective investment scheme included by the CPF Board under the CPFIS.
CPFIS Regulations	The CPF (Investment Scheme) Regulations, the terms and conditions for CPF fund management companies included under the CPFIS and the CPF Investment Guidelines, as the same may be modified, amended, supplemented, re-enacted or re-constituted from time to time.
custodian	Includes any person or persons for the time being appointed as a custodian of the Fund or any of its assets.
Dealing Day	In connection with the issuance, cancellation, valuation and realisation of Units, generally every Business Day. The Managers may change the Dealing Day after consulting the Trustee, provided that the Managers give reasonable notice of such change to all Holders on terms approved by the Trustee.
	If on any day which would otherwise be a Dealing Day, the Recognised Stock Exchange or OTC Market on which investments of the Fund having in aggregate values amounting to at least 50% of the Value of the Assets of the Fund (as at the relevant Valuation Point) are quoted, listed or dealt in is not open for normal trading, the Managers may determine that that day shall not be a Dealing Day.
Dealing Deadline	The deadline set out in <u>paragraphs 9.3 and 11.1</u> or such other time as the Managers may determine subject to the provisions of the Deed.
Deed	See paragraph 1.3 of this Prospectus.
FATCA	The U.S. Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act, as amended from time to time.
FDIs or derivatives	Financial derivative instruments.
Fund	United Asia Top-50 Fund.
Gross Investment Amount	The amount paid by an investor for the purpose of investing in Units, before deduction of the applicable Subscription Fee.

Gross Realisation Proceeds	The amount payable to a Holder upon the realisation of its Units, before deduction of the applicable Realisation Charge.
Group Fund	A collective investment scheme the managers of which are the Managers or a corporation under their control or under common control with them or at least 50% of the share capital of which is held by a corporation which is a shareholder of the Managers and which shall approve the terms of any switch which may be made under the provisions of the Deed.
Holder	A unitholder of the Fund.
IGA	Intergovernmental agreement.
Managers	UOB Asset Management Ltd or any other person for the time being duly appointed as managers of the Fund. References to "we", "us" or "our" shall be construed accordingly to mean UOB Asset Management Ltd.
NAV	Net asset value.
Net Investment Amount	The amount paid by an investor for the purpose of investing in Units, after deduction of the applicable Subscription Fee.
Net Realisation Proceeds	The amount payable to a Holder upon the realisation of its Units, after deduction of the applicable Realisation Charge.
Register	The register of Holders of the Fund.
RSP	Regular savings plan.
SFA	Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore, as amended from time to time.
Singapore dollars / SGD / S\$	The lawful currency of Singapore.
SRS	Supplementary Retirement Scheme.
Trustee	State Street Trust (SG) Limited or any other person for the time being duly appointed as trustee of the Fund.
U.S.	United States of America.
Units	Units of the Fund.
Valuation Point	The close of business of the last relevant market in relation to a Dealing Day on which the value of the Assets of the Fund is to be determined or such other time as the Managers may determine with the prior approval of the Trustee who shall decide if a notice to notify the Holders of such determination by the

Managers is required.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The collective investment scheme offered in this Prospectus is constituted in Singapore and is an authorised scheme under the SFA. A copy of this Prospectus has been lodged with and registered by the Authority. The Authority assumes no responsibility for the contents of this Prospectus. Registration of this Prospectus by the Authority does not imply that the SFA or any other legal or regulatory requirements have been complied with. The Authority has not, in any way, considered the investment merits of the Fund.

We have taken all reasonable care to ensure that the information in this Prospectus is, to the best of our knowledge and belief, accurate and does not omit anything which would make any statement in this Prospectus misleading.

You should refer to the Deed in conjunction with this Prospectus. A copy of the Deed is available for inspection at our operating office during normal business hours (subject to such reasonable restrictions as we may impose). If you are in any doubt about the contents of this Prospectus or the Deed, you should seek independent professional advice.

Before investing, you should consider the usual risks of investing and participating in collective investment schemes, and the risks of investing in the Fund which are set out in this Prospectus. Your investments can be volatile and there is no assurance that the Fund will be able to attain its objective. The prices of Units as well as the income from them may go up as well as down to reflect changes in the value of the Fund. You should only invest if you can sustain losses on your investment. You should satisfy yourself that investing in the Fund is suitable based on your personal circumstances.

This Prospectus does not constitute an offer or solicitation to anyone in any jurisdiction in which such offer or solicitation is not authorised or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation, and may only be used in connection with the offering of the Units as contemplated herein.

You should seek independent professional advice to ascertain (a) the possible tax consequences, (b) the applicable legal requirements, (c) any foreign exchange restrictions or exchange control requirements and (d) any restrictions or requirements under the Central Provident Fund (Investment Schemes) Regulations and the terms and conditions in respect of the CPF Investment Scheme issued by the CPF Board, which you may encounter under the laws of the country of your citizenship, residence or domicile and which may be relevant to your subscription, holding or disposal of Units. We make no representation as to the tax status of the Fund. You should keep yourself informed of, and observe, all such laws and regulations in any relevant jurisdiction that may be applicable to you.

Units are offered on the basis of the information contained in this Prospectus and the documents referred to in this Prospectus. No person is authorised to give any information or make any representations concerning the Fund other than as contained in this Prospectus. Any investment made on the basis of information or representations not contained in or inconsistent with the information or representations in this Prospectus will be solely at your risk. This Prospectus may be updated from time to time to reflect material changes and you should check if a more recent Prospectus or supplement is available. Certain minor updates to the information in this Prospectus may be announced on our website at <u>uobam.com.sg</u> or any other website designated by us from time to time.

Units are not listed and you may only deal with Units through us or our authorised agents or distributors subject to the terms of the Deed.

Applications may be made in other jurisdictions to enable Units to be marketed freely in those jurisdictions.

Prohibition against U.S. investors

Units are being offered and sold outside the United States to persons that are not:

- (i) U.S. Persons (as defined in Regulation S promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933 of the U.S., as amended (the "U.S. Securities Act")) in reliance on Regulation S promulgated under the U.S. Securities Act; or
- (ii) "United States persons" (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and referred to herein as "U.S. Taxpayers"). Currently, the term "U.S. Taxpayer" includes: a U.S. citizen or resident alien of the United States (as defined for U.S. federal income tax purposes); any entity treated as a partnership or corporation for U.S. tax purposes that is created or organized in, or under the laws of, the United States or any state thereof (including the District of Columbia); any other partnership that may be treated as a U.S. Taxpayer under future U.S. Treasury Department regulations; any estate, the income of which is subject to U.S. income taxation regardless of source; and any trust over whose administration a court within the United States has primary

supervision and all substantial decisions of which are under the control of one or more U.S. fiduciaries. Persons who have lost their U.S. citizenship and who live outside the United States may nonetheless, in some circumstances, be treated as U.S. Taxpayers. Persons who are aliens as to the United States but who have spent 183 days or more in the United States in any of the last two years should check with their tax advisors as to whether they may be considered residents of the United States.

Units are not and may not be offered, made available, sold to or for the account of any U.S. Persons or U.S. Taxpayers. You may be required to declare that you are not a U.S. Taxpayer and that you are neither acquiring Units on behalf of U.S. Taxpayers nor acquiring Units with the intent to sell or transfer them to U.S. Taxpayers.

Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act and Common Reporting Standard ("CRS")

<u>FATCA</u>

FATCA was enacted in 2010 by the United States Congress as part of the U.S. Hiring Incentives to Restore Employment (HIRE) Act to target non-compliance with tax laws by U.S. Taxpayers using overseas accounts. Under FATCA, financial institutions outside of the U.S. are required to regularly submit information on financial accounts held by U.S. Taxpayers to the U.S. tax authorities. Failure to comply with FATCA may, amongst other things, subject the Fund to U.S. withholding tax on certain types of payments made to the Fund. Accordingly, it is intended that the Fund complies with FATCA.

For the purpose of complying with FATCA, we, the Trustee and/or other service providers of the Fund may be required to report and disclose information on certain investors in the Fund to the U.S. tax authorities and/or such Singapore authority as may be required under Singapore laws and regulations to be implemented as part of any IGA entered into between the U.S. and Singapore¹ in connection with FATCA and/or withhold certain payments to such investors.

<u>CRS</u>

CRS, endorsed by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and the Global Forum for Transparency and Exchange of Information for Tax Purposes, is an internationally agreed standard for the automatic exchange of information on financial accounts between jurisdictions with the objective of detecting and deterring tax evasion through the use of offshore bank accounts.

In Singapore, the Income Tax (International Tax Compliance Agreements) (Common Reporting Standard) Regulations 2016 require financial institutions such as us to conduct due diligence (including the collection, review and retention of financial account information) and report financial account information relating to specified persons from jurisdictions with which Singapore has a "competent authority agreement" ("CAA") to the Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore (IRAS). Such information may subsequently be exchanged with Singapore's CAA partners. Singapore may enter into further IGAs, or the relevant authorities may enact further legislation or impose further requirements, which will form part of the CRS.

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You are required to:

- (a) provide such information, documents and assistance in connection with the above or any other tax or other information reporting regime as we and/or the Trustee may require from time to time; and
- (b) notify us or any of our authorised agents or distributors in writing immediately if you are or become a U.S. Taxpayer, or are holding Units for the account of or benefit of a U.S. Taxpayer.

You are also deemed to have consented to us, the Trustee and/or other service providers to the Fund carrying out our/their obligations in reporting and disclosing information on you and your investments to the relevant authorities as described above or pursuant to any other tax or other information reporting regime.

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We may compulsorily realise all or any of your Units in any of the circumstances set out under paragraph 21.2 of this Prospectus.

You may direct your enquiries in relation to the Fund to us or our authorised agents or distributors.

¹ Pursuant to the IGA entered into between Singapore and the U.S. on 9 December 2014, Singapore-based financial institutions (such as us) will report information on financial accounts held by U.S. Taxpayers to the Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore (IRAS), which will in turn provide the information to the U.S. tax authorities.

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PROSPECTUS

1. BASIC INFORMATION

1.1 Fund details

This is a Prospectus for United Asia Top-50 Fund.

The Fund is an open-ended, stand-alone unit trust constituted in Singapore with no fixed maturity.

The Fund is denominated in SGD.

1.2 Date of registration and expiry of Prospectus

The Authority registered this Prospectus on 14 May 2018. It is valid up to 13 May 2019 and will expire on 14 May 2019.

1.3 Trust deed and supplemental deeds

(a) The Fund was constituted by way of a trust deed dated 28 September 1999, which has since been amended by the following deeds:

First Supplemental Deed	26 September 2000
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Second Supplemental Deed	25 September 2001
Third Supplemental Deed	26 September 2002
First Amendment Deed	1 July 2003
Second Amendment Deed	24 September 2004
Third Amendment Deed	7 October 2005
Fourth Amendment Deed	2 August 2006
Fifth Amendment Deed	29 June 2007
Sixth Amendment Deed	30 July 2007
Seventh Amendment Deed	28 July 2008
Eighth Amendment Deed	29 May 2009
Ninth Amendment Deed	21 July 2009
Tenth Amendment Deed	14 July 2010
Eleventh Amendment Deed	29 September 2011
Twelfth Amendment Deed	20 June 2013
First Supplemental Deed	23 April 2015
Supplemental Deed of Appointment and Retirement of Trustee	24 February 2017
Second Supplemental Deed	3 April 2017
Third Supplemental Deed	14 May 2018
Twelfth Amendment Deed First Supplemental Deed Supplemental Deed of Appointment and Retirement of Trustee Second Supplemental Deed	20 June 2013 23 April 2015 24 February 2017 3 April 2017

The trust deed dated 28 September 1999, as amended, shall be referred to as the "Deed".

- (b) The Deed is binding on each Holder and all persons claiming through such Holder as if each of them had been a party to the Deed.
- (c) You may inspect a copy of the Deed free of charge at our operating office during normal business hours, subject to such reasonable restrictions as we may impose. You may request for a copy at a charge not exceeding S\$25 per copy or such other amount as we and the Trustee may from time to time agree.

1.4 Accounts and reports

You may obtain copies of the latest semi-annual and annual reports, semi-annual and annual accounts, and the auditor's report on the annual accounts of the Fund, at our operating office during normal business hours (subject to such reasonable restrictions as we may impose).

2. THE MANAGERS, THEIR DIRECTORS AND KEY EXECUTIVES

2.1 <u>The Managers</u>

The Managers are UOB Asset Management Ltd ("UOBAM").

UOBAM is a wholly-owned subsidiary of United Overseas Bank Limited ("**UOB**"). Established in 1986, UOBAM has been managing collective investment schemes and discretionary funds in Singapore for over 30 years. UOBAM is licensed and regulated by the Authority. UOBAM has an extensive presence in Asia with regional business and investment offices in Malaysia, Thailand, Brunei, Taiwan and Japan. UOBAM has two joint ventures: Ping An UOB Fund Management Company Ltd and UOB-SM Asset Management Pte. Ltd. In addition, it also has a strategic alliance with UTI International (Singapore) Private Limited.

Through its network of offices, UOBAM offers global investment management expertise to institutions, corporations and individuals, through customised portfolio management services and unit trusts. As at 28 February 2018, UOBAM manages 55 unit trusts in Singapore. UOBAM is one of the largest unit trust managers in Singapore in terms of assets under management.

UOBAM's investments team conducts independent and rigorous fundamental research within a proven investment process and framework. In equities, UOBAM's team has acquired specialist skills in investment in global markets and major global sectors. It combines a disciplined research effort that aims to identify and invest in high performing businesses at the right price, with a systematic model portfolio construction process, to diversify sources of alpha to achieve more consistent performance over time. In fixed income, UOBAM's coverage spans a wide spectrum comprising G10 government bonds, developed market corporate bonds, Asia sovereigns and corporates, emerging market bonds and Singapore fixed income. In addition to independent research to uncover relative value opportunities, UOBAM adopts diversified investment strategies combined with active risk management to generate sustainable total return for its portfolios.

Since 1996, UOBAM has won a total of 176 awards in Singapore. These awards recognise UOBAM's investment performance across different markets and sectors.

As at 28 February 2018, UOBAM and its subsidiaries in the region have a staff strength of over 400 including about 42 investment professionals in Singapore.

We may delegate certain or all of our duties. Currently, we have delegated certain administration and valuation functions and certain transfer agency functions, in respect of the Fund, to the administrator, whose details are set out in <u>paragraph 3.3</u> below.

We maintain professional indemnity insurance coverage which complies with the requirements under applicable laws, regulations and guidelines, or as directed by the Authority.

See the Deed for details on our role and responsibilities as the managers of the Fund.

Our past performance is not necessarily indicative of our future performance.

2.2 Directors and key executives of the Managers

Lee Wai Fai, Director and Chairman

Mr Lee joined UOB in 1989 and is presently Group Chief Financial Officer with UOB. Mr Lee has previously held senior positions in the UOB group, including being head of international branches and regional banking subsidiaries, Deputy Chief Executive Officer of UOB Radanasin Bank Public Company Limited, Head of Finance as well as Head of Policy and Planning of UOB.

Mr Lee holds a Bachelor of Accountancy (Honours) degree from the National University of Singapore and a Master of Business Administration degree in Banking and Finance from the Nanyang Business School, Nanyang Technological University, and has more than 25 years of experience in the banking sector.

Thio Boon Kiat, Director and Chief Executive Officer

Mr Thio is a Chartered Financial Analyst charter holder and graduated with a Bachelor of Business Administration (First Class Honours) degree from the National University of Singapore. In 2004, he attended the Investment Management Program at Harvard Business School. In 2006, he also attended the Mastering Alternative Investments programme at Insead University.

Mr Thio has over 20 years of investment management experience. He joined UOBAM in 1994 from the Government of Singapore Investment Corporation (GIC), as a portfolio manager managing Singapore, and subsequently Asia Pacific and Global Equity portfolios. Over the years, he also headed the International Equities and Global Technology teams. In 2004, Mr Thio was appointed as Chief Investment Officer of UOBAM, a position he held until 2011 when he was promoted to his current appointment of Chief Executive Officer.

Mr Thio was recognised as "CEO of the Year in Asia" for two consecutive years by Asia Asset Management in its "Best of the Best Regional Awards 2015" and "Best of the Best Regional Awards 2014" for his outstanding contributions to UOBAM. He was also conferred the "**IBF Fellow**" title by the Institute of Banking and Finance in 2015.

Eric Tham Kah Jin, Director

Mr Tham joined UOB in 2004 and heads Group Commercial Banking which oversees the medium enterprise business. He is responsible for driving UOB group's expansion in the medium enterprise business in Singapore as well as Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, China, Hong Kong, Myanmar, Taiwan and Vietnam.

Mr Tham holds a Master of Business Administration degree in Accounting from Nanyang Technological University. He was conferred the title "Distinguished Financial Industry Certified Practitioner" by The Institute of Banking & Finance of Singapore in 2010 and recognised as a Fellow Chartered Accountant of Singapore by the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants (ISCA) in 2015. Mr Tham has more than 30 years of experience in the financial sector.

Peh Kian Heng, Director

Mr Peh Kian Heng joined the UOB group in 2008 and is presently the Head of Corporate Investment Unit. Prior to joining UOB, he was an investment strategist at OCBC and spent the most part of his career with the Monetary Authority of Singapore, where his last appointment was Head of Financial Sector Surveillance. He graduated with MA (Distinction) from the University of Warwick and BSocSci (2nd Upper Honours) from the National University of Singapore.

John J. Doyle III, Chief Investment Officer, Equities & Multi Assets

Mr Doyle joined UOBAM in April 2001 and was promoted to Chief Investment Officer in September 2011. Prior responsibilities include serving as Deputy Chief Investment Officer Equities, Head of International Equities and Head of Asian Equities. He continues to oversee the UOBAM's Equity research and investment processes as well as the Multi Asset investment processes. Mr Doyle had previously worked in senior research roles for Salomon Smith Barney (Singapore), UBS Securities (Singapore), and MeesPierson Securities (HK).

Mr Doyle has over 23 years of experience, having started his career with Scudder, Stevens & Clark (Boston). His work experience includes both detailed securities research and analysis as well as portfolio management. Mr Doyle graduated with a Bachelor of Arts (Economics) degree from the University of Vermont in 1988. The majority of his experience relates to conducting research and managing equity portfolios. At UOBAM, he is the designated person responsible for the investment management of the Fund.

3. THE TRUSTEE, CUSTODIAN AND ADMINISTRATOR

3.1 <u>The Trustee</u>

The Trustee of the Fund is State Street Trust (SG) Limited, a trust company approved by the Authority under Section 289(1) of the SFA to act as a trustee for collective investment schemes which are authorised under Section 286 of the SFA and constituted as unit trusts. The Trustee is regulated in Singapore by the Authority.

See the Deed for details on the Trustee's role and responsibilities.

3.2 <u>The custodian</u>

The Trustee has appointed State Street Bank and Trust Company ("**SSBT**"), a trust company organised under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and, in respect of such appointment, acting through its Singapore Branch, as the global master custodian of the Fund.

SSBT was founded in 1792 and is a wholly owned subsidiary of State Street Corporation. It is licensed and regulated by the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston. State Street Bank and Trust Company, Singapore Branch, holds a wholesale bank license issued by the Authority and is regulated by the Authority.

SSBT provides custodian services in over 100 markets by utilising its local market custody operations and through its network of sub-custodian banks. SSBT will appoint sub-custodians in those markets where the Fund invests where SSBT does not itself act as the local custodian. SSBT has processes for the initial selection, and ongoing monitoring of its sub-custodians, each of which is chosen based upon a range of factors including securities processing and local market expertise, and must satisfy specific operating requirements in terms of structure, communications, asset servicing and reporting capabilities. All sub-custodians appointed by SSBT must be licensed and regulated under applicable law to provide custodian and related asset administration services, and carry out relevant related or ancillary financial activities, in the relevant market jurisdiction. SSBT will typically seek to select local branches or affiliates of major global financial institutions that provide sub-custodian services in multiple markets, although unique market service requirements may result in the selection of an entity as sub-custodian that is more local in scope.

Other custodians may be appointed from time to time in respect of the Fund or any of its assets.

See paragraph 21.3 below for further details of the custodial arrangement in respect of the Assets of the Fund.

3.3 <u>The administrator</u>

The administrator of the Fund is State Street Bank and Trust Company, acting through its Singapore Branch, which has been appointed by the Managers to provide (i) certain administration and valuation services including accounting and net asset value calculation pursuant to an Administrative Services Agreement, and (ii) certain transfer agency services pursuant to a Transfer Agency and Services Agreement, to the Fund.

4. OTHER PARTIES

4.1 <u>The registrar</u>

State Street Bank and Trust Company, acting through its Singapore Branch, has been appointed by the Trustee as registrar of the Fund and will be responsible for keeping the Register. Any Holder may inspect the Register at 168 Robinson Road #33-01, Capital Tower, Singapore 068912 during normal business hours subject to such reasonable restrictions as the registrar may impose.

The Register is conclusive evidence of the number of Units held by a Holder. The entries in the Register shall prevail over the details appearing on any statement of holding, unless the Holder proves to the Trustee's and our satisfaction that the Register is incorrect.

4.2 <u>The auditors</u>

The auditors of the accounts of the Fund are PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.

5. INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS

5.1 Investment objective

The investment objective of the Fund is to achieve long-term capital appreciation by investing, directly or indirectly, in Authorised Investments issued by not more than 50 in total of the top corporations or any other entities either unincorporated or incorporated in, or whose principal operations are in, Asia, as may from time to time be determined by us. These companies can be listed in any of the stock exchanges of the world.

5.2 Investment focus

The majority of the companies in which the Fund will invest in will be those that are competitive, well managed and offer attractive growth prospects over a multi-year investment horizon. These companies will already be among the leaders in Asia and have the ambition and ability to use and profit from these success factors.

These companies will likely exhibit some or all of the following characteristics:

- (a) a focus on industry sectors that exhibit high growth globally (in both mature and developing economies);
- (b) the presence of a local or regional leadership with expansion and growth ambitions;
- (c) high quality professional management at both senior and mid-level;
- (d) a focus on maximizing value for shareholders, using techniques such as Economic Value Added (EVA) and corporate risk management;
- (e) a base in the more economically advanced / politically mature Asian countries; and
- (f) a focus on products or services with a high added-value competitive edge (such as technology), and the ability and desire to invest in the development of that that advantage.

These companies are likely to be found in Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong SAR and Singapore. However, there are others in Malaysia, India, Indonesia, the Philippines, China, Thailand and other Asian countries that also possess unique strengths and competitive edges which may be included for investment.

5.3 Investment approach

- (a) The Fund will invest in 2 categories of companies: those that are strong and competitive on a global or regional basis, or those that are strong within their domestic markets.
- (b) While the main focus will be on long term growth, we will only invest in companies where valuation levels can be justified.
- (c) Competitive edge will be defined in terms of:
 - (i) superior products and service;
 - (ii) developed business franchise;
 - (iii) superior distribution capability;
 - (iv) forward-looking management;
 - (v) shareholder value oriented management policy;
 - (vi) superior financial strength;
 - (vii) proven research and development capability; and
 - (viii) high entry barriers to competitors.

5.4 Distribution policy

We currently do not intend to make distributions for the Fund.

5.5 <u>Product suitability</u>

The Fund is only suitable for investors who:

(a) seek long term capital appreciation; and

(b) are comfortable with the risks of a fund which invests in not more than 50 top corporations or other entities in or whose principal operations are in Asia.

5.6 <u>Authorised Investments</u>

The authorised investments of the Fund (the "Authorised Investments") are as follows:

- (a) any investment which is of a kind in which trustees are for the time being authorised by any written law for the time being in force to invest in trust funds;
- (b) any Quoted Investment;
- (c) any investment in respect of which application for listing or for permission to deal has been made to a Recognised Stock Exchange and the subscription for or purchase of which is either conditional upon such listing or permission to deal being granted within a specified period not exceeding 12 weeks (or such other period as may be agreed between the Trustee and us) or in respect of which we are satisfied that the subscription or other transactions will be cancelled if the application is refused;
- (d) any investment which is a unit in any unit trust scheme or a participation in a mutual fund;
- (e) any Unquoted Investment;
- (f) for purposes of hedging and efficient portfolio management only, any derivative including but not limited to any swap, futures contract, forward contract, option, index futures, foreign exchange transaction and forward rate transaction (including but not limited to currency options) or any combination or variation of these derivatives; and
- (g) any investment which is not covered by <u>sub-paragraphs (a) to (f)</u> but is selected by us for the purpose of investment of the Assets of the Fund and approved by the Trustee,

provided always that if the Fund is a CPFIS Included Fund, the Authorised Investments shall not include any investment except such investment for the time being approved by the relevant authorities in Singapore for investment by members of the CPF Board pursuant to the CPFIS Regulations or for investment by the Fund to enable it to qualify as a CPFIS Included Fund.

See the Deed for the full meaning of the terms **Quoted Investment**, **Recognised Stock Exchange** and **Unquoted Investment**.

The Fund intends to use or invest in FDIs. Further information is set out in <u>paragraph 5.8</u> of this Prospectus.

- 5.7 <u>Investment restrictions</u>
 - (a) The investment guidelines and borrowing limits set out under Appendix 1 of the Code apply to the Fund.
 - (b) The CPF Investment Guidelines apply to the Fund.
 - (c) Currently, the Fund does not intend to carry out securities lending or repurchase transactions but may do so in the future in accordance with the provisions of the Code and/or the CPF Investment Guidelines. Accordingly, the Fund may at such time in the future become subject to the provisions on securities lending and repurchase transactions as set out in the Code and/or the CPF Investment Guidelines.

5.8 <u>Risk management procedures of the Managers relating to the use of FDIs</u>

- (a) The Fund may use or invest in FDIs for the purposes of hedging existing positions in a portfolio, efficient portfolio management or a combination of both purposes.
- (b) We will use the commitment approach to determine the Fund's global exposure to FDIs by converting its positions in the FDIs into equivalent positions in the FDIs' underlying assets. Such exposure will be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the Code. We will ensure that the global exposure of the Fund to FDIs or embedded FDIs will not exceed 100% of the Fund's NAV.

- (c) Below is a description of risk management and compliance procedures and controls adopted by us:
 - (i) We will implement various procedures and controls to manage the risk of the Fund's assets. Our decision to invest in any particular security or instrument on behalf of the Fund will be based on our judgment of the benefit of such transactions to the Fund and will be consistent with the Fund's investment objective in terms of risk and return.
 - (ii) Execution of trades. Prior to each trade, we will ensure that the intended trade will comply with the stated investment objective, focus, approach and restrictions (if any) of the Fund, and that best execution and fair allocation of trades are done. Our middle office department will conduct periodic checks to ensure compliance with the investment objective, focus, approach and restrictions (if any) of the Fund. If there is any non-compliance, our middle office department is empowered to instruct the relevant officers to rectify the same. Any non-compliance will be reported to higher management and monitored for rectification.
 - (iii) Liquidity. If there are any unexpectedly large realisations of Units, it is possible that the assets of the Fund may be forced to be liquidated at below their fair and expected value, especially in illiquid public exchanges or over-the-counter markets. We will ensure that a sufficient portion of the Fund will be in liquid assets such as cash and cash-equivalents to meet expected realisations, net of new subscriptions.
 - (iv) Counterparty exposure. The Fund may have credit exposure to counterparties by virtue of positions in FDIs and other financial instruments held by the Fund. To the extent that a counterparty defaults on its obligations and the Fund is delayed or prevented from exercising its rights with respect to the investments in its portfolio, it may experience a decline in the value of its assets and in its income stream and incur extra costs associated with the exercise of its financial rights. Subject to the provisions of the Code, we will restrict our dealings with counterparties to entities that have a minimum long-term issuer credit rating of above BB+ by Standard and Poor's, an individual rating of above C or viability ratings of above bbb by Fitch Inc., a baseline credit assessment of above a3 by Moody's Investors Service or an equivalent rating from any other reputable rating agency. If any approved counterparty fails this criterion subsequently, we will take steps to unwind the Fund's position with that counterparty as soon as practicable.
 - (v) Volatility. To the extent that the Fund has exposure to FDIs that allow a larger amount of exposure to a security for no or a smaller initial payment than the case where the investment is made directly into the underlying security, the value of the Fund's assets will have a higher degree of volatility. The Fund may use FDIs for hedging purposes to reduce the overall volatility of the value of its assets. At the same time, we will ensure that the global exposure of the Fund to FDIs and embedded FDIs will not exceed the NAV of the Fund, as stated in paragraph (b) above.
 - (vi) Valuation. The Fund may have exposure to over-the-counter FDIs that are difficult to value accurately, particularly if there are complex positions involved. We will ensure that independent means of verifying the fair value of such instruments are available, and will conduct such verification at an appropriate frequency.
- (d) We will ensure that the risk management and compliance procedures and controls adopted by us are adequate and have been implemented, and that we have the necessary expertise to control and manage the risks relating to the use of FDIs. We may modify the risk management and compliance procedures and controls as we deem fit and in the interests of the Fund, but subject always to the requirements under the Code.
- (e) The Fund may net its over-the-counter derivative positions with a counterparty through bilateral contracts for novation or other bilateral agreements with the counterparty, provided that such netting arrangements satisfy the relevant conditions described in the Code.
- (f) Where the Fund uses or invests in FDIs on commodities, all such transactions shall be settled in cash at all times.

6. INCLUSION UNDER THE CPF INVESTMENT SCHEME

6.1 The Fund is included under the CPFIS-Ordinary Account. However, we no longer accept any application for subscriptions, switches or RSP subscriptions into the Fund using CPF monies with effect from 1 April 2008. Accordingly, all provisions in this Prospectus relating to the use of CPF monies in respect of the Fund (including, without limitation, under paragraphs 9 and 10) do not apply with effect from 1 April 2008.

The Fund is classified by the CPF Board under the risk classification of "Higher Risk-Narrowly Focused-Regional-Asia".

6.2 The CPF interest rate for the CPF Ordinary Account is based on the 12-month fixed deposit and month-end savings rates of the major local banks. Under the Central Provident Fund Act, Chapter 36 of Singapore, the CPF Board pays a minimum interest of 2.5% per annum when this interest formula yields a lower rate.

From 1 January 2008, the new interest rate for the Special, Medisave and Retirement Accounts ("SMRA") will be pegged to the yield of 10-year Singapore government bond plus 1%. The minimum interest rate for the SMRA is 4.0% per annum and is reviewed annually.

In addition, from 1 January 2008, the CPF Board will pay an extra interest rate of 1% per annum on the first S\$60,000 of a CPF member's combined balances, including up to S\$20,000 in the CPF Ordinary Account. From 1 April 2008, the first S\$20,000 in both the CPF Ordinary and Special Accounts will not be allowed to be invested under the CPFIS. The S\$20,000 investment threshold under the CPF Special Account has been raised to S\$30,000 from 1 May 2009 and further raised to S\$40,000 from 1 July 2010. There is no change to the requirement for members to set aside S\$20,000 in the CPF Ordinary Account before they can invest their CPF Ordinary Account monies.

The applicable interest rates for each of the CPF accounts may be varied by the CPF Board from time to time.

Subscriptions using CPF monies are subject to the CPFIS regulations and conditions imposed by the CPF Board from time to time.

7. FEES AND CHARGES

7.1 The fees and charges payable by you and the Fund are as follows:

Payable by you		
Subscription Fee	For Units purchased with cash, SRS monies: Currently 5%, maximum 5%.	
Realisation Charge	Currently Nil.	
Switching fee ⁽¹⁾	Currently 1%; maximum 2%.	
Payable out of the Fund to the Manage	ers, the Trustee and other parties	
Management Fee	Currently 1.5% p.a.; maximum 1.75% p.a	
Trustee fee	Currently not more than 0.05% p.a.; maximum 0.175% p.a	
	(Subject always to a minimum of S\$15,000 p.a. or such other lower sum as may be agreed from time to time between the Trustee and us. Currently, the agreed minimum between the Trustee and us is S\$5,000 p.a)	
Valuation Fee	Currently 0.125% p.a.; maximum 0.2% p.a	
Registrar and transfer agent fee	Currently S\$15,000 p.a.; maximum S\$25,000 p.a	
Audit fee, custodian fee, transaction costs ⁽²⁾ and other fees and charges ⁽³⁾	Subject to agreement with the relevant parties. Each fee or charge may amount to or exceed 0.1% p.a., depending on the proportion that bears to the NAV of the Fund.	
	Based on the audited accounts and the average NAV of the Fund for the financial year ended 30 June 2017:	
	 Audit fee: less than 0.1%. Custodian fee: less than 0.1%. Transaction costs: 0.42%. Other fees and charges: 0.42%. 	

- ⁽¹⁾ If you switch your Units to units of another fund managed by us ("**New Fund**"), we will charge you the switching fee instead of the subscription fee for the New Fund. If the subscription fee for the New Fund is more than the switching fee, you are effectively receiving a discount on the New Fund's subscription fee.
- ⁽²⁾ Transaction costs (which do not include the transaction fees mentioned below) include all expenses relating to the purchase and sale of financial instruments.
- ⁽³⁾ Other fees and charges may include transaction fees payable to the custodian (the amount of which will depend on the number of transactions carried out and the place at which such transactions are effected), printing costs, professional fees, goods and services tax and other out-of-pocket expenses.
- 7.2 As required by the Code, all marketing, promotional and advertising expenses in relation to the Fund will not be paid from the Assets of the Fund.
- 7.3 Any Subscription Fee and Realisation Charge will be retained by us for our own benefit and will not form part of the Assets of the Fund. All or part of the Subscription Fee may also be paid to or retained by our authorised agents or distributors. We will also pay any other commission, remuneration or sum payable to such authorised agents or distributors in respect of the marketing of Units. Moreover, the authorised agents and distributors through whom you subscribe for Units may (depending on the specific nature of services provided) impose other fees and charges that are not disclosed in this Prospectus, and you should check with the relevant agent or distributor on such fees and charges, if any.
- 7.4 We may at any time differentiate between investors as to the amount of the Subscription Fee, Realisation Charge, switching fee and other charges (if any) payable to us upon the issue, realisation or switch of Units, or apply such discounts or waivers as we think fit (provided that such discounts will be borne by us and not by the Fund).

8. RISKS

- 8.1 <u>General risks</u>
 - (a) You should consider and satisfy yourself as to the risks of investing in the Fund.
 - (b) Generally, some of the risk factors you should consider are market risks, credit risks of issuers, foreign exchange risks, repatriation risks, political risks, liquidity risks and derivatives risks.
 - (c) You should be aware that the price of Units and the income accruing from them may fall or rise and you may not get back your original investment. There is no guarantee that the investment objective of the Fund will be achieved.
 - (d) Investment in the Fund is not meant to produce returns over the short term and you should not expect to obtain short-term gains from such investment.
 - (e) The general and specific risks described in this <u>paragraph 8</u> are not exhaustive and you should be aware that the Fund may be exposed to other risks of an exceptional nature from time to time.

8.2 Specific risks

(a) Market risk

You should consider and satisfy yourself as to the usual risks of investing and participating in publicly traded securities. Prices of securities may go up or down in response to changes in economic conditions, interest rates and the market's perception of securities which in turn may cause the value of Units to rise or fall.

Furthermore, some of the markets or exchanges on which the Fund may invest may prove to be illiquid or highly volatile from time to time and this may affect the price at which the Fund may liquidate its positions to meet realisation requests.

(b) Equity risk

The Fund invests in stocks and other equity securities which are subject to market risks that historically have resulted in greater price volatility than that experienced by bonds and other fixed income securities. This in turn may affect the value or volatility of the Fund.

(c) Foreign exchange risk

The Fund is denominated in SGD. Where the Fund makes investments which are denominated in foreign currencies, fluctuations of the exchange rates of other foreign currencies against the SGD may affect the value of the Units. In our management of the Fund, we may hedge the foreign currency exposure and may adopt an active currency management approach. However, the foreign currency exposure of the Fund may not be fully hedged depending on the circumstances of each case. Such circumstances include but are not limited to the outlook, hedging costs and market liquidity of the relevant currency.

(d) Political risk

The Fund's investments may be adversely affected by political instability as well as exchange controls, changes in taxation, foreign investment policies, restrictions on repatriation of investments and other restrictions and controls which may be imposed by the relevant authorities in the relevant countries.

(e) *Derivatives risk*

As the Fund may use or invest in FDIs, it will be subject to risks associated with such FDIs. FDIs include foreign exchange forward contracts and equity index future contracts. An investment in a FDI may require the deposit of an initial margin and additional deposit of margin on short notice if the market moves against the investment position. If the required margin is not provided in time, the investment may be liquidated at a loss. Therefore, it is essential that investments in FDIs are monitored closely. We have controls for investments in FDIs and have in place systems to monitor the FDI positions of the Fund. See <u>paragraph 5.8</u> for more information on our risk management procedures on the use of FDIs.

(f) Liquidity risk of investments

Investments by the Fund in some Asian and/or emerging markets often involve a greater degree of risk due to the nature of such markets which do not have fully developed services such as custodian and settlement services often taken for granted in more developed markets. There may be a greater degree of volatility in such markets because of the speculative element, significant retail participation and lack of liquidity which are inherent characteristics of these markets.

(g) Single country, sector and regional risk

While investments in single country, single sector or regional funds may present greater opportunities and potential for capital appreciation, such funds may be subject to higher risks as they may be less diversified than a global portfolio.

(h) *Exceptional market conditions risk*

Under certain market conditions such as during volatile markets or crisis situations or where trading on the relevant stock exchange is suspended, restricted or otherwise impaired, it may be difficult or impossible to liquidate or rebalance positions. During such times, the Fund may be unable to dispose of certain assets due to thin trading or lack of a market or buyers. Placing a stop-loss order may not necessarily limit the Fund's losses to intended amounts as market conditions may make it impossible to execute such order at the ideal price. In addition, such circumstances may force the Fund to dispose of assets at reduced prices, thereby adversely affecting the Fund's performance. Investments may also be difficult to value with any degree of accuracy or certainty. The dumping of securities in the market could further deflate prices. If the Fund incurs substantial trading losses, the need for liquidity could rise sharply at the same time that access to liquidity is impaired. Further, in a market downturn, the financial conditions of the Fund's counterparties could be weakened, thereby increasing the Fund's credit risk.

(i) Actions of institutional investors

The Fund may accept subscriptions from institutional investors and such subscriptions may constitute a large portion of the total investments in the Fund. While these institutional investors will not have any control over the investment decisions for the Fund, the actions of such investors may have a material effect on the Fund. For example, substantial realisations of Units by an institutional investor over a short period of time could necessitate the liquidation of the Fund's assets at a time and in a manner which does not provide

maximum economic advantage to the Fund and which could therefore adversely affect the value of the Fund's assets.

(j) *Counterparty risk*

The Fund is exposed to the risk that a counterparty may default on its obligations to perform under a particular contract. If a counterparty becomes bankrupt or insolvent, the Fund could experience delays in liquidating an investment and may therefore incur significant losses, including losses resulting from a decline in the value of the investment during the period in which the Fund seeks to enforce its rights. The Fund may also be unable to realise any gains on the investment during such period and may incur fees and expenses to enforce its rights. There is also a risk that counterparty contracts may be terminated earlier due to, for instance, bankruptcy, supervening illegality or change in the tax or accounting laws relative to those laws existing at the time the contracts were entered into.

(k) Broker risk

We may engage the services of third party securities brokers and dealers to acquire or dispose the investments of the Fund and to clear and settle its exchange traded securities trades. In selecting brokers and dealers and in negotiating any commission involved in our transactions with them, we consider, amongst other things, the range and quality of the professional services provided by such brokers and dealers and their credit standing and licensing or regulated status.

It is possible that the brokers or dealers engaged for the Fund may encounter financial difficulties that may impair the Fund's operational capabilities. If a broker or dealer fails or becomes insolvent, there is a risk that the Fund's orders may not be transmitted or executed and its outstanding trades made through the broker or dealer may not settle.

(1) Investment management risk

Investment performance depends on the portfolio management team and the team's investment strategies. If the investment strategies do not perform as expected, if opportunities to implement those strategies do not arise, or if the team does not implement its investment strategies successfully, an investment portfolio may underperform or suffer significant losses.

(m) Risk of using rating agencies and other third parties

Credit ratings of instruments invested into by the Fund represent our and/or rating agencies' opinion regarding the credit quality of the instrument or the institution and are not a guarantee of quality. Rating methodologies generally rely on historical data, which may not be predictive of future trends and adjustments to credit ratings in response to subsequent changes in circumstances may take time. When a debt security is rated, the downgrading of such debt security could decrease the value and liquidity of the security.

Where we rely on ratings issued by credit rating agencies, we have established a set of internal credit assessment standards and have put in place a credit assessment process to ensure that the Fund's investments are in line with these standards. Information on our credit assessment process will be made available to investors upon request.

We may rely, without independent investigation, upon pricing information and valuations furnished to the Fund by third parties, including pricing services and independent brokers/dealers. Their accuracy depends on these parties' methodology, due diligence and timely response to changing conditions. We will not be responsible for any failures by such parties in their valuations.

9. SUBSCRIPTION OF UNITS

9.1 How to subscribe and pay for Units

How to subscribe for Units:	You may apply for Units through the following channels:
	 authorised agents and distributors
	 ATMs (as and when available)
	designated websites
	• other sales channels made available by us
	You should include all required documents and subscription monies in full with your application, failing which your application may be rejected.
How to pay for Units:	• By cheque in favour of the payee set out in the relevant application form.
	• By telegraphic transfer to the account set out in the relevant application form or as may be prescribed by us. All bank charges will be borne by you.
	• <u>SRS monies</u> : You should check with your SRS operator bank if you can invest in the Fund using SRS monies. You must indicate that you are using SRS monies in the relevant application form, which also contains your instructions to your SRS operator bank to withdraw the relevant subscription monies from your SRS account.
	• <u>CPF monies (where applicable)</u> : Investments using CPF monies are at all times subject to the regulations and requirements imposed by the CPF Board.
	You must indicate that you are using CPF monies in the relevant application form, which also contains your instructions to your CPF agent bank or the CPF Board (as the case may be) to withdraw the relevant subscription monies from your CPF account.
	Units subscribed with CPF monies may not be held jointly.
Other salient terms:	• We may, acting in consultation with the Trustee and in the best interests of the Fund, accept or reject any application for Units at our absolute discretion.
	• Generally, Units will not be issued until the Trustee receives the relevant subscription monies in cleared funds in the relevant currency, although we may at our discretion issue Units before the Trustee receives full payment in cleared funds or, if required, conversion to the relevant currency.
	• We and our authorised agents and distributors may request for such information or documents as may be necessary to verify your identity or to comply with any applicable laws, regulations or guidelines (including anti-money laundering laws).

9.2 Minimum subscription amounts and minimum holding

Minimum initial subscription*	Minimum subsequent subscription*	Minimum holding
S\$1,000	S\$500	1,000 Units or such number of Units which at the issue price prevailing at the time of the initial purchase were or would have been purchased for S\$1,000 or its equivalent in such other currencies as we may decide.

* or its equivalent in such other currencies at the applicable rate of exchange as we may decide.

Our authorised agents and distributors may impose a higher minimum initial or subsequent subscription amount. Please check with the relevant authorised agent or distributor before submitting your subscription application.

9.3 <u>Issue of Units</u>

Dealing Deadline:	3 p.m. Singapore time on any Dealing Day.		
	For applications received and accepted by us or our authorised agents or distributors by the Dealing Deadline of a Dealing Day, Units will be issued at the issue price applicable to that Dealing Day.		
	For applications received and accepted after the Dealing Deadline or on a day which is not a Dealing Day, Units will be issued at the issue price applicable to the next Dealing Day.		
Pricing basis:	Units are issued on a forward pricing basis.		
Issue price:	The issue price per Unit shall be ascertained by:		
	 (a) dividing the NAV of the Fund as at the Valuation Point in relation to such Dealing Day on which such issue occurs by the number of Units then in issue and deemed to be in issue; and 		
	(b) truncating the resultant amount to 3 decimal places.		
	We may use another method of determination or adjustment or number of decimal places with the approval of the Trustee.		
	Any adjustments shall be retained by the Fund.		
Deduction of Subscription Fee:	A Subscription Fee may be deducted from the Gross Investment Amount and the Net Investment Amount will be applied towards your subscription of Units.		
Conversion of issue price:	Currently, we accept cash subscriptions and SRS subscriptions in SGD only.		
	If we decide to accept subscriptions in any other currency in the future, we will quote the issue price in such currency at the applicable rate of exchange determined by us.		
	Acceptance of subscriptions in currencies other than SGD is at our discretion and subject to such additional terms as we may impose from time to time.		
Confirmation of purchase:	A confirmation of your purchase will be sent to you within 5 Business Days for cash applications, and 11 Business Days for SRS and CPF applications, from the date of issue of Units.		
Other salient terms:	• We may, in consultation with the Trustee, make fixed price offers of Units from time to time in accordance with the provisions of the Deed.		
	• No certificates for Units will be issued.		
	• If in any issue of Units we have to arrange for delivery outside Singapore, the price at which such Units may be issued may at our discretion include (in addition to the issue price) a further amount sufficient to cover any additional stamp duty or taxes payable in the relevant country in respect of such issue or the remittance of money to Singapore.		
	• If you are resident outside Singapore, we will deduct from your Gross Investment Amount any expenses actually incurred by us over the amount of expenses which we would have incurred if you had been resident in Singapore.		
	• Subject to the prior approval of the Trustee, we may change the method of determining the issue price and the Trustee shall determine if the Holders should be informed of such change.		

9.4 <u>Numerical example of calculation of Units allotted</u>

S\$1,000.00	-	S\$50.00	=	S\$950.00
Gross Investment Amount		Subscription Fee (5%)*		Net Investment Amount
S\$950.00	÷	S\$1.000*	=	950.00**
Net Investment Amount		Issue price		Number of Units allotted

The number of Units you will receive with an investment of S\$1,000.00 will be calculated as follows:

* Based on an issue price of S\$1.000 and a Subscription Fee of 5%. This example is a hypothetical and is not indicative of any future issue price. The actual issue price will fluctuate according to the NAV of the Fund.

** The number of Units to be issued will be rounded down to 2 decimal places. We may use another method of adjustment or number of decimal places with the approval of the Trustee.

9.5 <u>Cancellation of subscription</u>

Subject to the provisions of the Deed and the terms and conditions for cancellation of subscription in the cancellation form provided together with the application form for Units, you may cancel your subscription for Units by giving written notice or by submitting the cancellation form (whichever is applicable) to us or our authorised agents or distributors within 7 calendar days². However, you will take the risk of any change in the price of your Units since the date of your subscription and pay any bank charges, administrative or other fees imposed by the relevant authorised agent or distributor.

Instead of cancelling your subscription, you may choose to realise your Units in accordance with <u>paragraph 11</u>, but you will not enjoy the benefits of cancellation under this paragraph (i.e. the Subscription Fee will not be refunded and a Realisation Charge (if any) may be imposed). Further, the Net Realisation Proceeds may be lower than the cancellation proceeds if any appreciation in the value of the Units is less than the aggregate of the Subscription Fee and Realisation Charge (if any) imposed.

See the terms and conditions for cancellation of subscriptions in the cancellation form before subscribing for Units.

10. REGULAR SAVINGS PLAN

Currently, RSPs are only offered and operated directly by our authorised agents and distributors. Please check for availability with the relevant authorised agent or distributor.

Salient terms relating to RSPs:

Minimum holding to invest in a RSP:	The minimum holding as set out in paragraph 9.2.	
Minimum investment sum:	S\$100 monthly or S\$500 quarterly.	
Method of payment:	 <u>Cash</u>: You must complete an Interbank GIRO form authorising periodic RSP payments and submit it together with the relevant application form as required by the authorised agent or distributor. <u>CPF monies</u>: You must complete a CPF standing instruction form and submit it together with the relevant application form as required by the authorised agent or distributor. 	
	 <u>SRS monies</u>: You must submit the relevant application form as required by the authorised agent or distributor. Before investing, you should check with your SRS operator bank on whether a RSP using SRS monies is available. 	

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or such longer period as we and the Trustee may agree or such other period as the Authority may prescribe. Where the last day of such time period falls on a Sunday or public holiday in Singapore, the time period shall be extended to the next calendar day that is not a Sunday or public holiday in Singapore.

When payment is debited:	Payment will be debited from the relevant account on:		
	• <u>for monthly RSP subscriptions</u> : the 25 th calendar day of each month;		
	• <u>for quarterly RSP subscriptions</u> : the 25 th calendar day of the last month of each calendar quarter.		
	If the 25 th calendar day is not a Business Day, payment will be debited on the next Business Day.		
Allotment of Units:	Your investment will be made on the same Business Day (or the next Dealing Day if that day is not a Dealing Day) after payment has been debited, with the allotment of Units made normally within 2 Business Days after the debit.		
Unsuccessful debits:	If a debit is unsuccessful, no investment will be made for that month or quarter (as the case may be).		
	After 2 consecutive unsuccessful debits, the RSP will be terminated.		
	You will not be notified of any unsuccessful debit or termination.		
Termination of RSP by you:	You may terminate your participation in any RSP without penalty by giving 30 days' prior written notice to the authorised agent or distributor from whom you applied for the RSP.		

The terms of RSPs offered by each authorised agent or distributor may vary from the above and may be subject to changes from time to time. You should contact the relevant authorised agent or distributor for details before applying.

We will not assume any liability for any losses attributable to your participation in any RSP.

11. REALISATION OF UNITS

11.1 How to realise Units

How to request for realisation:	You may request to realise your Units through the following channels:	
	• authorised agents and distributors through whom your Units were originally purchased	
	• ATMs (as and when available)	
	designated websites	
	• other channels made available by us	
Minimum realisation amount:	100 Units per request.	
	You may not realise part of your holding of Units if, as a result of the realisation, your holding would be less than the minimum holding set out in paragraph 9.2.	
Dealing Deadline:	3 p.m. Singapore time on any Dealing Day.	
	For requests received and accepted by us or our authorised agents or distributors by the Dealing Deadline of a Dealing Day, Units will be realised at the realisation price applicable to that Dealing Day.	
	For requests received and accepted after the Dealing Deadline or on a day that is not a Dealing Day, Units will be realised at the realisation price applicable to the next Dealing Day.	
Pricing basis:	Units are realised on a forward pricing basis.	

Realisation price:	The realisation price per Unit shall be ascertained by:				
	 (a) dividing the NAV of the Fund as at the Valuation Point in relation to the Dealing Day on which the realisation request is dealt with by the number of Units then in issue and deemed to be in issue; and 				
	(b) truncating the resultant amount to 3 decimal places.				
	We may use another method of determination or adjustment or number of decimal places with the approval of the Trustee.				
	Any adjustments shall be retained by the Fund.				
Deduction of Realisation Charge:	A Realisation Charge may be deducted from the Gross Realisation Proceeds, and the Net Realisation Proceeds will be paid to you.				
Conversion of realisation price:	We may convert the realisation price to any foreign currency at the applicable rate of exchange. The cost of the currency exchange, if any, will be borne by you.				
	Currently, we permit realisations in SGD and we will quote the realisation price in SGD.				
	If we decide to permit realisations in any other currency in the future, we will quote the realisation price in such currency at the applicable rate of exchange determined by us.				
When will Net Realisation Proceeds be paid to you:	Within 7 Business Days after the relevant Dealing Day, or such other period as may be permitted by the Authority. There may be delays in cases where the realisation of Units has been limited or suspended in accordance with paragraphs 11.3 or 14.				
	Proceeds will be paid by cheque or (where applicable) credited to your designated bank account, CPF account or SRS account.				
Other salient terms:	• You will bear all bank charges incurred for any telegraphic transfer of realisation proceeds to your designated bank account.				
	• If you are resident outside Singapore, we will deduct from your Gross Realisation Proceeds any expenses actually incurred by us over the amount of expenses which we would have incurred if you had been resident in Singapore.				
	• If we receive and accept a realisation request for Units before the Trustee receives your subscription monies for such Units, we may refuse to realise such Units until the next Dealing Day after the Dealing Day on which your subscription monies for such Units are received by the Trustee.				
	• Subject to the prior approval of the Trustee, we may change the method of determining the realisation price and the Trustee shall determine if the Holders should be informed of such change.				

11.2 <u>Numerical example of calculation of Net Realisation Proceeds</u>

The Net Realisation Proceeds payable to you on the realisation of 1,000 Units will be calculated as follows:

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	1,000 Units	х	S\$0.900*	=	S\$900.00
	Your realisation request		Realisation price		Gross Realisation Proceeds
	S\$900.00	-	S\$0.00	=	S\$900.00
	Gross Realisation Proceeds		Realisation Charge (0%)*		Net Realisation Proceeds

* Based on a realisation price of S\$0.900. There is currently no Realisation Charge payable for the Fund. This example is a hypothetical and is not indicative of any future realisation price. The actual realisation price will fluctuate according to the NAV of the Fund.

11.3 Limitation on realisation

We may, with the approval of the Trustee and subject to the provisions of the Deed, limit the total number of Units to be realised by the Holders or cancelled by us on any Dealing Day to 10% of the total number of Units of the Fund then in issue. Such limitation will be applied proportionately to all Holders who have validly requested realisations on such Dealing Day and to us.

Any Units which are not realised or cancelled will be realised or cancelled on the next Dealing Day, provided that if the number of Units to be realised or cancelled still exceeds such limit, we may continue to carry forward the realisation/cancellation requests in the same manner, until such time as the total number of Units to be realised or cancelled on a Dealing Day falls within such limit.

If realisation requests are so carried forward and you are affected, we will notify you within 7 Business Days. Realisation requests which have been carried forward from an earlier Dealing Day shall be dealt with in priority to later requests.

11.4 <u>Compulsory realisations</u>

We may compulsorily realise your holding of Units in certain circumstances. See paragraph 21.2 for further details.

12. SWITCHING OF UNITS

How to switch your Units:	You may request to switch your Units for units of any other Group Fund (the " new units ") by giving us or our authorised agents or distributors a switching request in the prescribed form.			
When switches are made:	Switches will only be made on a day (" Common Dealing Day ") which is both a Dealing Day for your Units and a dealing day for the new units.			
	For requests received and accepted by us or our authorised agents distributors by the Dealing Deadline of a Common Dealing Day, Units w be switched on that Common Dealing Day.			
	For requests received and accepted after the Dealing Deadline or on a day that is not a Common Dealing Day, Units will be switched on the nex Common Dealing Day.			
How switches are carried out:	A switch of Units will be effected as follows:			
	(a) your Units will be realised at the realisation price calculated under paragraph 11;			
	 (b) the net realisation proceeds shall then be used (after deducting any switching fee payable) to subscribe for new units at the prevailing issue price of such new units. For the purposes of the switch, we may waive in whole or in part the subscription fee for the new units and/or the Realisation Charge (if any). 			

Other salient terms:	• Switches will be at our discretion.
	• You may withdraw a switching request only with our consent.
	• Switching is subject to the CPFIS Regulations, the terms of the Deed and the constitutive documents of the Group Fund, including the provisions relating to the issue and realisation of Units.
	• Switches will not be allowed if it results in you holding Units below any applicable minimum holding.
	• Switches will not be allowed during any period where the realisation of Units has been limited or suspended in accordance with <u>paragraphs</u> <u>11.3 or 14</u> , or when the issue of new units is suspended.
	• Units purchased with cash, CPF monies or SRS monies (as the case may be) may only be switched to new units which may be purchased with the same payment method.
	• Neither we nor the Trustee shall have responsibility or liability to ensure that the provisions of the constitutive documents of the Group Fund relating to the issue, realisation or switching of units are complied with.

13. OBTAINING PRICES OF UNITS

You may obtain indicative prices of Units:

- from our authorised agents and distributors; or
- by calling our hotline at 1800 22 22 228 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily (Singapore time).

The actual prices quoted will generally be published 2 Business Days after the relevant Dealing Day in SGD. Prices may be published in local or foreign publications such as The Straits Times and The Business Times, and on our website at <u>uobam.com.sg</u> or any other website designated by us. Publication frequency depends on the policies of the relevant publisher.

Except for our own publications, we do not accept any responsibility for errors made by any publisher, whether in the published prices or for any non-publication or late publication of prices. We will not be liable in respect of any action taken or loss suffered by you arising from any publication by such publishers.

14. SUSPENSION OF DEALINGS

- 14.1 Subject to the provisions of the Code and the Deed, we may, with the Trustee's approval, suspend the issuance and realisation of Units during:
 - (a) any period when the Recognised Stock Exchange on which any investments forming part of the Assets of the Fund for the time being are listed or dealt in, is closed (otherwise than for ordinary holidays) or during which dealings are restricted or suspended;
 - (b) the existence of any state of affairs which, in the Trustee's and our opinion, constitutes an emergency as a result of which disposal of investments would not be reasonably practicable or might seriously prejudice the interest of the Holders as a whole and of the Fund;
 - (c) any breakdown in the means of communication normally employed in determining the Value of any Investment or when for any reason whatsoever the Value of any Investment cannot, in our opinion, be promptly and accurately ascertained (including any period when the fair value of a material portion of the Authorised Investments cannot be determined);
 - (d) any period when remittance of moneys which will or may be involved in the realisation of investments or payment for Investments cannot, in our opinion, be reasonably carried out at normal rates of exchange;
 - (e) any period when realisation of Units is suspended pursuant to <u>Clauses 12.5 and 12.7</u> of the Deed;

- (f) any period when the issue of Units is suspended pursuant to any order or direction of the relevant authority;
- (g) any 48-hour period (or such longer period as may be agreed between the Trustee and us) prior to the date of any meeting of Holders (or any adjourned meeting thereof);
- (h) any period when the Trustee's or our business operations in relation to the operations of the Fund are substantially interrupted or closed as a result of or arising from pestilence, acts of war, terrorism, insurrection, revolutions, civil unrest, riots, strikes or acts of God;
- (i) exceptional circumstances, where we have determined that such suspension is in the best interest of the Holders; or
- (j) such other circumstances as may be required under the provisions of the Code.
- 14.2 Subject to the provisions of the Code, we and/or the Trustee (as the case may be) may from time to time also suspend the issue and/or realisation of Units in certain situations as set out in the Deed.
- 14.3 Subject to the provisions of the Code, any such suspension will take effect upon our written declaration to the Trustee (or vice versa, as the case may be) and will end as soon as practicable when the condition giving rise to the suspension no longer exists and no other condition under which suspension is authorised under this <u>paragraph 14</u> or the applicable provisions of the Deed exists upon our (or, as the case may be, the Trustee's) written declaration of the same and in any event, within such period as may be prescribed by the Code. The period of suspension may be extended in accordance with the Code.

15. PERFORMANCE OF THE FUND

15.1 The past performance of the Fund and its benchmark as at 28 February 2018, and its expense ratio are set out below.

Inception Date: 22 November 1999	1 year (%)	3 years (%)	5 years (%)	10 years (%)	Since Inception (%)	Expense Ratio (%) ⁽³⁾
(NAV-NAV) ⁽¹⁾	14.18	4.56	5.88	-0.94	-0.19	
(NAV-NAV $^$) ⁽²⁾	8.47	2.79	4.80	-1.45	-0.47	2.31
Benchmark (in SGD): MSCI AC Far East Index	20.79	9.25	10.73	4.06	2.23	

Notes:

Source: Morningstar.

^ Taking into account the Subscription Fee.

- ⁽¹⁾ Calculated on a NAV-to-NAV basis as at 28 February 2018, with all dividends and distributions reinvested (net of reinvestment charges). Figures for one year show the percentage change, while figures for more than one year show the average annual compounded return.
- ⁽²⁾ Calculated on a NAV-to-NAV basis as at 28 February 2018, taking into account the Subscription Fee and Realisation Charge (if any), with all dividends and distributions reinvested (net of reinvestment charges). Figures for one year show the percentage change, while figures for more than one year show the average annual compounded return.
- ⁽³⁾ The expense ratio is calculated in accordance with the requirements in the Investment Management Association of Singapore's guidelines on the disclosure of expense ratios (the "**IMAS Guidelines**") and is based on the Fund's latest audited accounts for the financial year ended 30 June 2017. The following expenses (where applicable) as set out in the IMAS Guidelines (as may be updated from time to time), are excluded from the calculation of the expense ratio:
 - (a) brokerage and other transaction costs associated with the purchase and sales of investments (such as registrar charges and remittance fees);

- (b) interest expense;
- (c) foreign exchange gains and losses of the Fund, whether realised or unrealised;
- (d) front-end loads, back-end loads and other costs arising from the purchase or sale of a foreign unit trust or mutual fund;
- (e) tax deducted at source or arising from income received, including withholding tax; and
- (f) dividends and other distributions paid to Holders.

The past performance of the Fund is not necessarily indicative of its future performance.

15.2 <u>Turnover ratio</u>

The turnover ratio of the Fund for the financial year ended 30 June 2017 is 58.47%.

The turnover ratio is calculated based on the lesser of purchases or sales of the Fund's underlying investments expressed as a percentage of the daily average NAV of the Fund.

16. SOFT DOLLAR COMMISSIONS/ARRANGEMENTS

Subject to the provisions of the Code, we may from time to time receive or enter into soft dollar commissions/ arrangements in our management of the Fund. We will comply with applicable regulatory and industry standards on soft dollars. The soft dollar commissions/arrangements may include specific advice as to the advisability of dealing in, or the value of any investments, research and advisory services, economic and political analyses, portfolio analyses including valuation and performance measurements, market analyses, data and quotation services, computer hardware and software or any other information facilities to the extent that they are used to support the investment decision making process, the giving of advice, or the conduct of research or analysis, and custodial service in relation to the investments managed for clients.

Soft dollar commissions/arrangements will not include travel, accommodation, entertainment, general administrative goods and services, general office equipment or premises, membership fees, employees' salaries or direct money payment.

We will not accept or enter into soft dollar commissions/arrangements unless (a) such soft dollar commissions/ arrangements can reasonably be expected to assist us in the management of the Fund, (b) best execution is carried out for the transactions, and (c) no unnecessary trades are entered into in order to qualify for such soft dollar commissions/arrangements.

We do not, and are not entitled to, retain cash or commission rebates for our own account in respect of rebates earned when transacting in securities for account of the Fund.

17. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

17.1 Managers' conflicts of interest disclosures

We are of the view that there is no conflict of interest in our management of other funds and the Fund because of the following structures in place:

- (a) Investment decisions for each fund are made impartially. There are no preferred customers or funds and all accounts are treated equally.
- (b) All investment ideas are shared equally among fund managers.
- (c) We subscribe to the Code of Ethics and the Standards of Professional Conduct as prescribed by the Chartered Financial Analyst Institute ("CFA Institute") in the United States of America. The CFA Institute is the primary professional organisation for security analysts, investment managers and others who are involved in the investment decision-making process. All charter holders of the CFA Institute and candidates who are in pursuit of the charter, including those from Singapore, are expected to comply with CFA Institute standards. The Code of Ethics and the Standards of Professional Conduct are in place to ensure high ethical and professional standards of investment professionals as well as fair treatment of the investing public.

- (d) Despite the possible overlap in the scope of investments, none of the funds are identical to one another and investment decisions are made according to the individual risk-return characteristic of the relevant fund.
- (e) Most importantly, our usual fair and unbiased practice is to allocate investments proportionately between various funds which place the same orders simultaneously. However, if there are any potential conflicts of interests due to competing orders for the same securities, we will adopt an average pricing policy whereby orders that are partially fulfilled on a particular day will be allotted proportionately among the funds based on their respective initial order size and such quantity allotted will be at the average price of such investments on that particular day.

We shall conduct all transactions with or for the Fund on an arm's length basis.

Save as provided in the Deed, our associates may be engaged to provide banking, brokerage, financial or other services to the Fund or buy, hold and deal in any investments, enter into contracts or other arrangements with the Trustee or us and make profits or derive benefits from these activities. Such services to the Fund, where provided, and such activities with the Trustee or us, where entered into, will be on an arm's length basis.

We and our related entities, officers or employees may from time to time invest and deal in Units in the Fund for each of our respective individual accounts or (in our case and in the case of our related entities) for the account of another person (including, without limitation, our and our related entities' other clients).

In such an event, we will have regard to our obligations to the Fund and, in particular, our obligation to act in the best interests of the Fund and its Holders so far as practicable, having regard to applicable laws and our obligations to our other clients. If a conflict of interest does arise, we will endeavour to ensure that such conflict is resolved fairly.

Subject to the provisions of the Code, we may from time to time:

- (i) invest monies of the Fund in the securities of any of our related corporations (as defined in Section 4 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 of Singapore) (each, a "**related corporation**");
- (ii) invest monies of the Fund in other collective investment schemes managed by us or our related corporations; and
- (iii) deposit monies of the Fund in the ordinary course of business of the Fund with our related corporations which are banks licensed under the Banking Act, Chapter 19 of Singapore, finance companies licensed under the Finance Companies Act, Chapter 108 of Singapore, merchant banks approved as financial institutions under Section 28 of the Monetary Authority of Singapore Act, Chapter 186 of Singapore or any other deposit-taking institution licensed under an equivalent law in a foreign jurisdiction.

We will endeavour to ensure that such investments and deposits are made on normal commercial terms and are consistent with the investment objective, focus and approach of the Fund.

17.2 <u>Trustee's conflicts of interest disclosures</u>

The Trustee shall conduct all transactions with or for the Fund on an arm's length basis.

The Trustee, the registrar and the custodian may from time to time act as trustee, administrator, registrar or custodian or otherwise as may be required from time to time in relation to, or be otherwise involved in or with, other funds and clients which have similar investment objectives to those of the Fund. It is, therefore, possible that any of them may, in the course of business, have potential conflicts of interest with the Fund. Each will, at all times, have regard in such event to its obligations to the Fund and will endeavour to ensure that such conflicts are resolved fairly and taking into account Holders' interests.

The services of the Trustee provided to the Fund are not deemed to be exclusive and the Trustee shall be free to render similar services to others (including those that may compete with (or have a similar objective to) the business of the Fund) so long as its services hereunder are not impaired thereby and to retain for its own use and benefit all appropriate fees and benefits. Conflicts of interest will likely arise from the fact that State Street is engaged in a wide variety of businesses and will provide services to many clients with the same or different objectives. The Trustee and its related parties shall not be deemed to be affected with notice of or to be under any

duty to disclose to the Fund any fact or information which comes to the notice of the Trustee in the course of the Trustee rendering similar services to other parties or in the course of its business in any other capacity, otherwise than in the course of carrying out its duties under the Deed or as required by any applicable laws and regulations for the time being in force.

Save as provided in the Deed, the associates of the Trustee may be engaged to provide banking, brokerage, financial or other services to the Fund or buy, hold and deal in any investments, enter into contracts or other arrangements with the Trustee or the Managers and make profits or derive benefits from these activities. Such services to the Fund, where provided, and such activities with the Trustee or the Managers, where entered into, will be on an arm's length basis. In particular:

- (a) State Street Bank and Trust Company, acting through its Singapore Branch, a party related to the Trustee, has been appointed as custodian of the Fund. The custodian may also appoint related parties as sub-custodians. Cash will be placed with the custodian as banker or may, at the discretion of the Managers, be invested in certificates of deposit or banking instruments issued by a related party of the Trustee, including the custodian. Money may also be borrowed by the Fund from a State Street entity. In its capacities as custodian and banker, State Street will earn fees/interest for such services and may receive other benefits in connection with such services.
- (b) Where foreign exchange transactions, including but not limited to spot, forward or swap transactions (collectively "foreign exchange transactions"), are entered into for or on behalf of the Fund with an affiliate of the Trustee (a "State Street counterparty"), the State Street counterparty will enter into such transaction as principal counterparty and not as agent or fiduciary for the Trustee, the Managers or the Fund and such State Street counterparty shall be entitled to retain for its own use and benefit any benefit which it may derive from any such foreign exchange transactions or the holding of any cash in connection with such transactions. Foreign exchange transactions may also be entered into for or on behalf of the Fund with counterparties other than a State Street counterparty.

18. REPORTS

The financial year-end of the Fund is 30 June.

The reports and accounts of the Fund will be sent or made available to Holders by post or by such electronic means as may be permitted under the Code within the following periods or such other periods as may be permitted by the Authority:

Report/account		Availability
(a)	Annual report, annual audited accounts and the auditors' report on the annual accounts	Within 3 months of the end of the financial year.
(b)	Semi-annual report and semi-annual accounts	Within 2 months of the end of the period to which the report and accounts relate.

If such reports and accounts are sent or made available to Holders by electronic means, the Trustee will also make available or cause to be made available hardcopies of the reports and accounts to any Holder who requests for them within 2 weeks of such request (or such other period as may be permitted by the Authority). Holders may also at any time choose to receive hardcopies of all future accounts and reports at no cost to them by notifying the relevant authorised agent or distributor in writing.

19. QUERIES AND COMPLAINTS

If you have any enquiries about the Fund, you may contact us at:

Hotline No	:	1800 22 22 228
Operating hours	:	8 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily (Singapore time)
Fax No.	:	6532 3868
E-mail	:	uobam@uobgroup.com

20. OTHER MATERIAL INFORMATION

20.1 Market timing

The Fund is not designed and managed to support short-term investments. In this regard, we take a serious view of, and strongly discourage the practice of market timing (that is, investors conducting short-term buying or selling of Units to gain from inefficiencies in pricing) as such practices may cause an overall detriment to the long-term interests of other investors.

In addition, short-term trading in Units increases the total transaction costs of the Fund, such as trading commission and other costs which are absorbed by all other investors. Moreover, the widespread practice of market timing may cause large movements of cash in the Fund, which may disrupt the investment strategies to the detriment of longterm investors.

For the reasons set out above, we may implement internal measures to monitor and control the practice of market timing. If any internal measure to restrict the practice of market timing amounts to a significant change to the Fund (as provided in the Code), we will inform the relevant Holders of such internal measure not later than one month before its implementation. We intend to review our policy on market timing from time to time in a continuous effort to protect the long-term interests of investors in the Fund.

20.2 Information on investments

At the end of each quarter, you will receive a statement showing the value of your investments in the Fund. If you conduct any transaction(s) within a particular month, you will receive an additional statement at the end of that month.

20.3 <u>Indemnities</u>

We and the Trustee are entitled to be indemnified out of or have recourse to the assets of the Fund in accordance with the terms of the Deed. See the Deed for further details.

21. PROVISIONS OF THE DEED

Some of the provisions of the Deed are set out below. See the Deed for the full terms and conditions of the Fund.

21.1 Valuation

Except where otherwise expressly stated in the Deed and subject always to the provisions of the Code, the value of the Assets of the Fund or any part thereof or any Investment comprised or to be comprised therein which is:

- (a) a Quoted Investment, shall be calculated, as the case may be, by reference to the official closing price, the last known transacted price or the last transacted price (or, with the prior approval of the Trustee, the last bid price) as at the last official close on the relevant Recognised Stock Exchange or OTC Market (or at such other time as the Managers may from time to time after consultation with the Trustee determine). Where such Quoted Investment is listed, dealt or traded in more than one Recognised Stock Exchange or OTC Market, the Managers (or such person as the Managers may appoint for the purpose) may in their absolute discretion select any one of such Recognised Stock Exchange or OTC Market for the foregoing purposes and, if there is no such official closing price, last known transacted price or last transacted price, the value shall be calculated by reference to the last available prices quoted by responsible firms, corporations or associations on a Recognised Stock Exchange or an OTC Market at the time of calculation (or at such other time as the Managers may from time to time after consultation with the Trustee determine);
- (b) an Unquoted Investment, shall be calculated by reference to, where applicable: (i) the initial value thereof being the amount expended in the acquisition thereof; (ii) the price of the relevant Investment as quoted by a person, firm or institution making a market in that Investment, if any (and if there shall be more than one such market maker, then such market maker as the Managers may designate), as may be determined by the Managers to represent the fair value of such Investment; (iii) the sale prices of recent public or private transactions in the same or similar Investments, valuations of comparable companies or discounted cash flow analysis, as may be determined by the Managers to represent the fair value of such Investment. In the valuation of such Investment the Managers may take into account relevant factors including, without

limitation, significant recent events affecting the issuer such as pending mergers and acquisitions and restrictions as to saleability or transferability;

- (c) cash, deposits and similar assets shall be valued (by a person approved by the Trustee as qualified to value such cash, deposits and similar assets) at their face value (together with accrued interest) unless, in the opinion of the Managers (after consultation with the Trustee), any adjustment should be made to reflect the value thereof;
- (d) a unit or share in a unit trust scheme or mutual fund or collective investment scheme shall be valued at the latest published or available net asset value per unit or share, or if no net asset value per unit or share is published or available, then at their latest available realisation price; and
- (e) an Investment, other than as described above, shall be valued (by a person approved by the Trustee as qualified to value such an Investment) in such manner and at such time as the Managers after consultation with the Trustee shall from time to time determine,

Provided That if the quotations referred to in <u>paragraphs (a) to (e)</u> above are not available, or if the value of the Assets of the Fund or any part thereof or any Investment comprised or to be comprised therein determined in the manner described in <u>paragraphs (a) to (e)</u> above, is in the opinion of the Managers, not representative, then the value shall be such value as the Managers may with due care and in good faith consider in the circumstances to be fair and is approved by the Trustee. The Managers shall notify the Holders of such change if required by the Trustee. For the purposes of this proviso, the "**fair value**" shall be determined by the Managers in consultation with an approved stockbroker or an approved valuer and with the approval of the Trustee, in accordance with the Code. Where the fair value of a material portion of the Assets of the Fund cannot be determined, the Managers shall, subject to the provisions of the Code, suspend valuation and dealing in the Units.

See the Deed for more details on the valuation policy of the Fund.

21.2 <u>Compulsory realisations</u>

The Managers have the right (in consultation with the Trustee) to compulsorily realise any holdings of Units in the Fund held by:

- (a) any Holder:
 - (i) whose subscription for or holding of Units, in the opinion of the Managers, is or may be in breach of any applicable law or regulation in any jurisdiction; or
 - (ii) where such realisation is, in the opinion of the Managers, necessary or desirable for the compliance of the Managers or the Fund with any applicable law or regulation in any jurisdiction (including any regulatory exemption conditions); or
- (b) any Holder whose holdings, in the opinion of the Managers:
 - (i) may cause the Fund to lose its authorised or registered status with any regulatory authority in any jurisdiction; or
 - (ii) may cause the offer of the Units of the Fund, the Fund, this Prospectus, the Deed, the Managers or the Trustee to become subject to any authorisation, recognition, approval or registration requirements under any law or regulation in any other jurisdiction; or
- (c) any Holder whose holdings, in the opinion of the Managers:
 - (i) may cause a detrimental effect on the tax status of the Fund in any jurisdiction or on the tax status of the Holders of the Fund; or
 - (ii) may result in the Fund or other Holders of the Fund suffering any other legal or pecuniary or administrative disadvantage which the Fund or Holders might not otherwise have incurred or suffered; or

- (d) any Holder who fails any anti-money laundering, anti-terrorist financing or know-your-client checks, or where information and/or documentary evidence requested by the Managers and/or the Trustee for the purposes of any anti-money laundering, anti-terrorist financing or know-your-client checks cannot be obtained from the Holder (or the Holder has failed to provide the same) in a timely manner; or
- (e) any Holder, where information (including but not limited to information regarding tax status, identity or residency), self-certifications or documents as may be requested by the Managers and/or the Trustee pursuant to laws, regulations, guidelines, directives or contractual obligations with other jurisdictions' authorities (including, without limitation, the FATCA and/or any Singapore laws, regulations, guidelines and directives implemented as part of any IGA entered into between the U.S. and Singapore in connection with FATCA) cannot be obtained from the Holder, or the Holder has failed to provide the same, in a timely manner; or
- (f) any Holder who does not consent, or withdraws his consent, for the Managers or the Trustee to collect, use and/or disclose information or data relating to the Holder, where (in the opinion of the Managers or the Trustee) such information or data is necessary or desirable for the Managers, the Trustee, their respective related corporations and/or other service providers to perform their respective services and/or duties to or in respect of the Fund and/or the Holder.

Any compulsory realisation under this paragraph may be carried out by the Managers on any Dealing Day, with prior notice to the relevant Holder, and shall be carried out in accordance with, and at the realisation price determined under, the applicable provisions on realisations in the Deed.

If the Managers and/or the Trustee are required to account to any duly empowered fiscal authority of Singapore or elsewhere for any income or other taxes, charges or assessments whatsoever on the value of any Units held by a Holder, the Managers (in consultation with the Trustee) shall be entitled, at any time with prior notice to that Holder, to realise such number of Units held by that Holder as may be necessary to discharge the liability arising. The Managers and/or the Trustee (as the case may be) shall be entitled to apply the proceeds of such realisation in payment, reimbursement and/or set-off against the liability.

The Managers, the Trustee and their respective delegates, agents or associates shall not be liable for any loss (whether direct or consequential and including, without limitation, loss of profit or interest) or damage suffered by any Holder or any party arising out of or caused in whole or in part by any actions which are taken by the Managers, Trustee and/or any of their respective delegates, agents or associates under this <u>paragraph 21.2</u>.

21.3 <u>Custody of Investments</u>

- (a) Any Investments forming part of the Assets of the Fund shall, if in bearer form, be held by or on behalf of or deposited with the Trustee for the purpose of safe custody. Any Investment in registered form shall, as soon as reasonably practicable after receipt of the necessary documents by the Trustee, be registered in the name of the Trustee or its nominee and shall remain so registered until disposed of pursuant to the provisions of the Deed. The Trustee shall be entitled, if it considers that it is expedient to do so, to cause to be deposited in safe custody with any banker or agent of the Trustee the documents of title to any Investment held upon the trusts of the Deed. Subject as aforesaid the Trustee or its agents upon payment of a fee to be agreed upon shall retain the documents of title to all Investments held upon the trusts of the Deed in its possession in safe custody. Any expense of whatever nature incurred by the Trustee in effecting such registration or providing such safe custody shall be payable out of the Assets of the Fund. Notwithstanding the provisions of <u>Clause 23.1</u> of the Deed, the Trustee may, for the purpose of securing any borrowings made pursuant to <u>Clause 15.5</u> of the Deed, cause any Investment forming part of the Assets of the Fund to be deposited with or registered in the name of any banker or person approved by the Managers.
- (b) Acts performed by officer, agent or nominee of Trustee:

With regard to the provisions of the Deed which provides for (a) any act or matter to be done by the Trustee such act or matter may be performed on behalf of the Trustee by an officer of the Trustee or the agent or nominee of the Trustee and (b) the vesting of Authorised Investments, such provision shall be deemed also to relate to any nominee of the Trustee. The Trustee shall be entitled to procure:

(i) the Trustee; or

- (ii) any officer of the Trustee jointly with the Trustee; or
- (iii) any agent or nominee appointed by the Trustee; or
- (iv) any such agent or nominee and the Trustee; or
- (v) any custodian, co-custodian or sub-custodian (or in each case its nominee) appointed pursuant to this Clause; or
- (vi) any company operating a recognised clearing system (including its nominee) in respect of the Investments involved; or
- (vii) any broker, financial institution or other person (or in each case its nominee, its custodian or its custodian's nominee) with whom the sum is deposited in order to satisfy any requirement to deposit margin or security,

to take delivery of and retain and/or be registered as proprietor of any Investments or other property held upon the trusts of the Deed. Without prejudice to <u>Clause 23.1</u> of the Deed, the Trustee may from time to time appoint such person or persons (including any associate of the Trustee) as it thinks fit as custodian or joint custodian of the whole of or any part of the Assets of the Fund and may empower any such custodian or joint custodian to appoint, with the prior consent in writing of the Trustee, a sub-custodian. The fees and expenses of any such custodian, joint custodian or sub-custodian shall be paid out of the Assets of the Fund.

- (c) Notwithstanding anything in the Deed, the following provisions shall apply:
 - (i) the Trustee shall not incur any liability in respect of or be responsible for losses incurred through the insolvency of or any act or omission of any depository or clearing system with which Authorised Investments may be deposited or any broker, financial institution or other person with whom Authorised Investments are deposited in order to satisfy any margin requirement (each a "Depository"), except where (i) the Trustee is responsible for procuring the Depository and the Trustee has failed to exercise reasonable skill and care in the procurement of such Depository in respect of the Authorised Investments involved or (ii) the Trustee is in wilful default;
 - (ii) the Trustee shall not incur any liability in respect of or be responsible for losses incurred through the insolvency of or any act or omission of any nominee, custodian, joint custodian or sub-custodian appointed by the Trustee except where (i) the Trustee has failed to exercise reasonable skill and care in the selection, appointment and monitoring of such appointee (having regard to the market in which the relevant appointee is located) or (ii) the Trustee is in wilful default; and
 - (iii) the Trustee shall not incur any liability in respect of or be responsible for losses incurred through the insolvency of or any act or omission of any sub-custodian not appointed by it, except where the Trustee has failed to exercise reasonable skill and care in the procurement of such sub-custodian.

21.4 Saving clause as to indemnities

Any indemnity expressly given to the Trustee and/or the Managers in the Deed is in addition to and without prejudice to any indemnity allowed by law provided nevertheless that nothing in any of the provisions of the Deed shall in any case in which the Trustee and/or the Managers, as the case may be, have failed to show the degree of diligence and care required of them by the provisions of the Deed exempt them from or indemnify them against any liability for breach of trust or any liability which by virtue of any rule of law would otherwise attach to them in respect of any negligence, default, breach of duty or trust of which they may be guilty in relation to their duties.

21.5 <u>Termination of the Fund</u>

Below is a summary of the circumstances in which the Fund may be terminated:

- (a) The Fund may be terminated by the Trustee by notice in writing as hereinafter provided in any of the following events namely:
 - (i) if the Managers go into liquidation (other than voluntary liquidation for the purpose of reconstruction or amalgamation upon terms previously approved in writing by the Trustee) or if a receiver or a

judicial manager is appointed of the undertaking of the Managers or if any encumbrancer shall take possession of any of their assets or if they shall cease business;

- (ii) if on the expiration of 3 months after notifying the Managers that in the Trustee's opinion a change of Managers is desirable in the interests of the Holders the Trustee has not found another corporation ready to accept the office of Managers of the Fund and of which the Trustee and any relevant statutory authority shall approve Provided Always That if the Managers shall be dissatisfied with the circumstances in which the Trustee's power of termination under this paragraph on any occasion is exercised the matter shall be referred to arbitration in accordance with the provisions of the Arbitration Act (Chapter 10) of Singapore and such decision shall bind the Trustee and the Managers and all Holders;
- (iii) if it becomes illegal in Singapore to continue the Fund or if in the opinion of the Trustee it becomes impracticable or inadvisable to continue the Fund;
- (iv) if the Trustee is desirous of retiring and a new trustee has not been appointed in accordance with the provisions of the Deed within 3 months after the Managers have been notified of such desire; or
- (v) if the authorisation of the Fund is revoked or withdrawn by the relevant authority pursuant to section 288 of the SFA.
- (b) The Fund may be terminated by the Managers by notice in writing as hereafter provided if it becomes illegal in Singapore to continue the Fund, if authorisation of the Fund is revoked or withdrawn by the relevant authority pursuant to section 288 of the SFA or if in the opinion of the Managers and the Trustee it becomes impracticable or inadvisable to continue the Fund.
- (c) If for a continuous period of 3 years the value of the Assets of the Fund shall be less than \$5,000,000 the Managers may by notice in writing as hereafter provided terminate the Fund.
- (d) The party terminating the Fund shall give notice thereof to the Holders in the manner provided in the Deed and by such notice fix the date at which such termination is to take effect which date shall not be less than 3 months after the service of such notice. The Managers shall give not less than 7 days (or such other notice period as may be permitted by the relevant authority) prior notice of such termination to the relevant authority.
- (e) The Fund may at any time be terminated by extraordinary resolution of a meeting of the Holders of the Fund duly convened and held in accordance with the provisions contained in the Deed on meetings of Holders and such termination shall take effect from the date on which the said resolution is passed or such later date (if any) as the said resolution may specify.

See the Deed for other provisions relating to the termination of the Fund.

21.6 Voting

Subject to the relevant provisions of the Deed, the Managers may exercise or refrain from exercising any rights of voting conferred by any of the Assets of the Fund in what they may consider to be the best interests of the Holders.

However, notwithstanding the above, in respect of voting rights where the Managers may face conflicts of interests, the Managers shall cause such voting rights to be exercised in consultation with the Trustee.

The phrase "**rights of voting**" or the word "**vote**" used in this <u>paragraph 21.6</u> shall be deemed to include not only a vote at a meeting but any consent to or approval of any arrangement, scheme or resolution or any alteration in or abandonment of any rights attaching to any part of the Assets of the Fund and the right to requisition or join in a requisition to convene any meeting or to give notice of any resolution or to circulate any statement.

See the Deed for other provisions relating to voting.

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