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# Product Highlights Sheet

## CIMB-Principal Asian Equity Fund

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### The Manager

Principal Asset Management Berhad (*formerly known as CIMB-Principal Asset Management Berhad*) ("Principal Malaysia) holds a Capital Markets Services License for fund management and dealing in securities restricted to unit trusts under the Capital Markets and Services Act 2007 and specializes in managing and operating unit trusts for investors, both institutional and retail. Principal Malaysia's responsibilities include managing investment portfolios by providing fund management services to insurance companies, pension funds, unit trust companies, corporations and government institutions in Malaysia. In addition, Principal Malaysia is an approved private retirement scheme provider in Malaysia. Principal Malaysia originally commenced its operations as a unit trust company in November 1995.

**This Product Highlights Sheet only highlights the key features and risks of this unlisted capital market product. We recommend that you read this Product Highlights Sheet together with the Master Prospectus dated 30 June 2017 and its supplementary (if any). You are advised to request, read and understand the Master Prospectus before deciding to invest.**

## Brief Information on CIMB-Principal Asian Equity Fund

CIMB-Principal Asian Equity Fund is an equity fund issued by Principal Malaysia. The Fund aims to seek capital growth by investing primarily in equities and equity related instruments in the Asia ex Japan.

This is neither a capital protected nor capital guaranteed fund.

### Product Suitability

The recommended investment timeframe for this Fund is five (5) years or more. This Fund is suitable for investors who:

- have a long-term investment horizon;
- want a well-diversified portfolio of Asian regional equities;
- can accept that investment returns may fluctuate significantly over the short-term and may even be negative; and/or
- seek capital appreciation over the long-term.

### Key Product Features

<b>Fund Category/Type</b>	Equity / Growth.
<b>Benchmark</b>	MSCI All Country Asia ex Japan Index for performance comparison purpose only.
<b>Investment policy and principal investment strategy</b>	<p>The Fund aims to achieve capital growth by investing primarily in equity securities of companies domiciled in, listed in, and/or have significant operations in Asia ex Japan. Under normal market conditions, the Fund will invest primarily in common stocks. The Fund may seek investment opportunities in other types of transferable securities including fixed income securities as well as CIS that is in line with the objective of the Fund, subject to the requirement of the SC Guidelines.</p> <p>The asset allocation strategy for this Fund is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ between 70% to 99.5% (both inclusive) of the Fund's NAV in equity securities in Asia ex-Japan;</li><li>▪ up to 28% of the Fund's NAV in other permissible investments; and</li><li>▪ at least 0.5% of the Fund's NAV in liquid assets.</li></ul>
<b>Launch date</b>	1 March 2006.
<b>Financial year-end</b>	30 June.
<b>Distribution policy</b>	We have the discretion to distribute part or all of the Fund's distributable income.
<b>Manager</b>	Principal Asset Management Berhad ( <i>formerly known as CIMB-Principal Asset Management Berhad</i> ).
<b>Sub-Manager</b>	Principal Asset Management (S) Pte. Ltd ( <i>formerly known as CIMB-Principal Asset Management (S) Pte. Ltd</i> ).
<b>Trustee</b>	Universal Trustee (Malaysia) Berhad.
<b>Solicitors</b>	Soon Gan Dion & Partners.

### Key Risks

General risks of investing in a unit trust fund	
<b>Returns not guaranteed</b>	The investment of the fund is subject to market fluctuations and its inherent risk. There is <b>NO GUARANTEE</b> on the investment returns, nor any assurance that the fund's investment objective will be achieved.
<b>General market environment risk</b>	Refers to the possibility that an investment will lose value because of a general decline in financial markets, due to economic, political and/or other factors, which will result in a decline in the fund's NAV.
<b>Inflation risk</b>	This is the risk that investors' investment in the unit trust fund may not grow or generate income at a rate that keeps pace with inflation. This would reduce investors' purchasing power even though the value of the investment in monetary terms has increased.
<b>Manager's risk</b>	This risk refers to the day-to-day management of the fund by the manager which will impact the performance of the fund, e.g. investment decisions undertaken by the manager as a result of an incorrect view of the market may adversely affect the performance of the fund.
<b>Loan financing risk</b>	This risk occurs when investors finance their investment. The inherent risk of investing with borrowed money includes investors being unable to service the loan repayments.

Specific risks of the Fund	
<b>Stock specific risk</b>	Prices of a particular stock may fluctuate in response to the circumstances affecting individual companies such as adverse financial performance, news of a possible merger or loss of key personnel of a company. Any adverse price movements of such stock will adversely affect the fund's NAV.
<b>Country risk</b>	Investments of the Fund in any countries may be affected by changes in the economic and political climate, restriction on currency repatriation or other developments in the law or regulations of the countries in which the Fund invests in. For example, deteriorating economic condition of such countries may adversely affect the Fund's NAV.
<b>Currency risk</b>	As the investments of the Fund may be denominated in currencies other than the base currency, any fluctuation in the exchange rate between the base currency and the currencies in which the investments are denominated may have an impact on the value of these investments. Any gains or losses arising from the fluctuation in the exchange rate may further increase or decrease the returns of the investment.
<b>Risk of investing in emerging markets</b>	Investment in emerging markets generally involves a higher degree of risk due to the greater possibility of political or economic instability and societal tensions. As such, you should be aware that investments in emerging markets may be subject to higher price volatility and therefore will tend to have higher investment risk that will affect the Fund's growth.
<b>Liquidity risk</b>	Liquidity risk refers to the ease of liquidating an asset depending on the asset's volume traded in the market. If the Fund holds assets that are illiquid, or are difficult to dispose of, the value of the Fund will be negatively affected when it has to sell such assets at unfavourable prices.
<b>Risks associated with investment in warrants</b>	There are inherent risks associated with investment in warrants. The value of warrants are influenced by the current market price of the underlying security, the exercise price of the contract, the time to expiration of the contract and the estimate of the future volatility of the underlying security's price over the life of the contract. Like securities, we will undertake fundamental research and analysis on these instruments with an aim to mitigate its risks.

**Note:** Please take note that if your investments are made through an IUTA via a nominee system of ownership, you would not be deemed to be a Unit holder under the Deed and as a result, you may not exercise all the rights ordinarily conferred to a Unit holder (e.g. the right to call for Unit holders' meetings and the right to vote at a Unit holders' meeting).

## Fees & Charges

<b>Application Fee</b>	Up to 6.50% of the NAV per unit.
<b>Withdrawal Fee</b>	Nil.
<b>Switching Fee</b>	Switching is treated as a withdrawal from the Fund and an investment into another Principal Malaysia's fund, you will be charged a Switching Fee equal to the difference (if any) between the Application Fees of these two (2) funds. In addition, we may impose a RM100 administrative fee for every switch made out of the Fund.
<b>Transfer Fee</b>	A maximum of RM50.00 may be charged for each transfer.
<b>Management Fee</b>	Up to 1.85% per annum of the NAV of the Fund.
<b>Trustee Fee</b>	Up to 0.035% per annum of the NAV of the Fund.
<b>Other charges payable directly by you when purchasing or withdrawing the units</b>	Any applicable bank charges and other bank fees incurred as a result of an investment or withdrawal will be borne by you.
<b>Expenses directly related to the Fund</b>	Only expenses that are directly related to the Fund can be charged to the Fund. Examples of relevant expenses are audit fee and tax agent's fee.

**Note:** All fees and charges are subject to any applicable taxes and/or duties as may be imposed by the government or other authorities (if any) from time to time. As a result of changes in any rule, regulation, directive, notice and/or law issued by the government or relevant authority, there may be additional cost to the fees, expenses, charges and/or taxes payable to and/or by the Fund or you as disclosed in the Product Highlights Sheet.

Despite the maximum Application Fee disclosed above, you may negotiate with us or our Distributors for lower fee or charges. However, you should note that we or our Distributors may, for any reason at any time, where applicable, accept or reject your request and without having to assign any reason, either generally (for all investors) or specifically (for any particular investor or a group of investors) without prior notice to you. If you invest via EPF-MIS (where available), you may be charged an Application Fee of up to 3.00% of the NAV per unit, or such other rate as may be determined by the EPF.

We may, for any reason at any time, where applicable, waive or reduce the amount of any fees (except the Trustee Fee) or other charges payable by you in respect of the Fund, either generally (for all investors) or specifically (for any particular investor or a group of investors) and for any period or periods of time at our absolute discretion.

## Transaction Information

<b>Minimum initial investment<sup>#</sup></b>	<b>Non-RSP</b>	: RM500 or such other amount as we may decide from time to time.
	<b>RSP</b>	: RM500 or such other amount as we may decide from time to time.
<b>Minimum additional investment</b>	<b>Non-RSP</b>	: RM200 or such other amount as we may decide from time to time.
	<b>RSP</b>	: RM200 or such other amount as we may decide from time to time.
<b>Minimum withdrawal</b>	400 units or such other amount as we may decide from time to time.	
<b>Minimum balance</b>	500 units or such other amount as we may decide from time to time.	
<b>Switching</b>	<p>Switching will be conducted based on the value of your investment in the Fund. The minimum amount for a switch is subject to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ for switching out of the Fund: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ the minimum withdrawal applicable to the Fund;</li> <li>○ the minimum balance required for the Fund, unless you are withdrawing from the Fund in entirety; and</li> <li>○ the Withdrawal Fee of the Fund (if any).</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ for switching into the Fund: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ the minimum initial investment amount or the minimum additional investment amount (as the case may be) applicable to the Fund; and</li> <li>○ the Switching Fee applicable for the proposed switch (if any).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<b>Transfer</b>	Transfer of unit holdings is allowed but this is subject to conditions stipulated in the Deed. However, we may refuse to register any transfer of unit at our absolute discretion.	
<b>Cooling-off period</b>	<p>Six (6) Business Days from the date the complete application is received and accepted by us or the Distributors from the first time investor. However, Principal Malaysia's staff and person(s) registered to deal in unit trust of Principal Malaysia or any Distributors are not entitled to the cooling-off right.</p> <p>In addition, if you have invested via the EPF-MIS (where available), your cooling-off right is subject to EPF's terms and conditions.</p>	

<sup>#</sup>The minimum initial investment for the EPF-MIS (where available) shall be RM1,000 (or such other amount as may be determined by EPF) or as per the amount stated under the minimum initial investment column, whichever is higher. Please note that there may be changes to the status of the eligibility of the Fund under the EPF-MIS from time to time. Please refer to our website at <http://www.principal.com.my> or <http://www.kwsp.gov.my> for updated information.

**Note:** You may request for a lower amount or number of units when purchasing units (or additional units) or withdrawing units, which will be at our sole and absolute discretion. However, you should note that we may, for any reason at any time, where applicable, accept or reject your request to lower the amount or number of units and without having to assign any reason, either generally (for all investors) or specifically (for any particular investor or a group of investors) without prior notice to you. We may also, for any reason at any time, where applicable, reduce the minimum balance, either generally (for all investors) or specifically (for any particular investor or a group of investors) without prior notice to you. For increase in the amount or units for minimum withdrawal and minimum balance, we will require concurrence from the Trustee and you will be notified of such changes before implementation.

**YOU SHOULD NOT MAKE PAYMENT IN CASH TO A UNIT TRUST CONSULTANT OR ISSUE A CHEQUE IN THE NAME OF A UNIT TRUST CONSULTANT.**

## Valuations

We will value the Fund for a Business Day on the next Business Day (T+1) by 4:00 p.m. This is to cater for the currency translation of the foreign securities/instruments to the Funds' base currency. Currently, the currency translation is based on the bid exchange rate quoted by Bloomberg or Reuters at UK time 4:00 p.m. on the same day (Malaysian time 11:00 p.m. or 12:00 a.m.), or such other time as stipulated in the IMS. The NAV per unit for a Business Day is available on our website at <http://www.principal.com.my> after 5:30 p.m. on the following Business Day (T+1).

Please refer to the "Unit Pricing" section of the Master Prospectus for more information.

## Avenues to Exit This Investment

To exit from this investment, you may withdraw from the Fund, switch out of the Fund or transfer your unit holdings to other investors.

You may withdraw your investment at the NAV per unit of the Business Day.

Withdrawals can be made from the Fund by completing a withdrawal form and sending it to the relevant Distributor or our head office. There is no restriction on the frequency of withdrawals. The amount that you will receive is calculated by the withdrawal value less the Withdrawal Fee, if any. You will be paid in RM within ten (10) calendar days, upon receipt of the complete withdrawal request. You will have to bear the applicable bank fees and charges, if any.

For more information on the withdrawals, switching, transfer facility and cooling-off period, please refer to the “Transaction Information” chapter of the Master Prospectus. For more information on the fees and charges incur when you exit from this investment, please refer to “Fees, Charges and Expenses” chapter of the Master Prospectus.

## Fund Performance

### Average total return of the Fund

FYE: 30 June 2019 in %	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year	Since inception
Fund	0.83	10.02	8.96	7.11	4.29
Benchmark	(0.68)	9.92	7.70	7.14	3.86

Note: All performance figures have been extracted from Lipper.

### Annual total return of the Fund

FYE: 30 June, in %	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Fund	0.83	3.83	27.21	(8.12)	25.51	23.93	13.92	(15.39)	3.61	4.87
Benchmark	(0.68)	1.15	32.21	(8.35)	19.06	15.65	5.76	(11.09)	14.69	9.96

Note: All performance figures have been extracted from Lipper.

The Fund recorded a slight gain of 0.83% and outperformed the benchmark by 1.51% during the financial year under review.

### Basis of calculation and assumptions made in calculating the returns

Percentage growth	=	$\frac{\text{NAV on that day} - \text{NAV of previous day}}{\text{NAV of previous day}}$	Average total return	=	$\frac{\text{Total returns of the years under review}}{\text{Number of years under review}}$
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### Portfolio Turnover Ratio (“PTR”)

FYE: 30 June	2019	2018	2017
Fund	0.95	0.76	1.28

The PTR has risen slightly from 0.76 times to 0.95 times due to the volatility of the underlying markets which has given us the opportunity to switch from better performing stocks during the financial year under review.

### Distribution

FYE: 30 June	2019	2018	2017
Fund	Gross distribution per unit (Sen)	N/A	N/A
	Net distribution per unit (Sen)	N/A	N/A

No distribution was declared for the financial year ended 30 June 2019.

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

## Contact for Further Information / Complaint

(i) You may contact our Customer Care Centre at (03) 7718 3000. Our Customer Care Centre is available between 8:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. (Malaysian time) on Mondays to Thursdays and between 8:45 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. (Malaysian time) on Fridays (except on Selangor public holidays) or you can e-mail us at [service@principal.com.my](mailto:service@principal.com.my).

(ii) Alternatively, you may also contact:

- (a) Securities Industry Dispute Resolution Center (SIDREC):
- via phone to : 03-2282 2280
  - via fax to : 03-2282 3855
  - via e-mail to : [info@sidrec.com.my](mailto:info@sidrec.com.my)

- via letter to : Securities Industry Dispute Resolution Center (SIDREC)  
Unit A-9-1, Level 9, Tower A, Menara UOA Bangsar  
No.5, Jalan Bangsar Utama 1,  
59000 Kuala Lumpur
  
- (b) SC's Consumer & Investor Office:
  - via phone to Aduan Hotline at : 03-6204 8999
  - via fax to : 03-6204 8991
  - via e-mail to : [aduan@seccom.com.my](mailto:aduan@seccom.com.my)
  - via online complaint form available at [www.sc.com.my](http://www.sc.com.my)
  - via letter to : Consumer & Investor Office  
Securities Commission Malaysia  
No 3 Persiaran Bukit Kiara, Bukit Kiara  
50490 Kuala Lumpur
  
- (c) Federation of Investment Managers Malaysia's Complaints Bureau:
  - via phone to : 03-2092 3800
  - via fax to : 03-2093 2700
  - via e-mail to : [complaints@fimm.com.my](mailto:complaints@fimm.com.my)
  - via online complaint form available at [www.fimm.com.my](http://www.fimm.com.my)
  - via letter to : Legal, Secretarial & Regulatory Affairs  
Federation of Investment Managers Malaysia  
19-06-1, 6th Floor Wisma Tune  
No. 19, Lorong Dungun Damansara Heights  
50490 Kuala Lumpur

## Appendix: Glossary

Application Fee	- Preliminary charge on each investment.
Business Day	- Mondays to Fridays when Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad is open for trading, and/or banks in Kuala Lumpur and/or Selangor are open for business. <b>Note:</b> We may declare certain Business Days to be a non-Business Day for the Fund, if the Fund's investment in foreign markets (if any) which are closed for business or suspended is at least 50% of the Fund's NAV. This information will be communicated to you via our website at <a href="http://www.principal.com.my">http://www.principal.com.my</a> . Alternatively, you may contact our Customer Care Centre at 603-7718 3000.
CIS	- Refers to collective investment schemes as defined under the SC Guidelines.
Deed	- The principal deed and any supplemental deed in respect of the Fund made between us, the Trustee and the Unit holders of the Fund, agreeing to be bound by the provisions of the Deed.
Distributors	- Any relevant persons and bodies appointed by Principal Malaysia from time to time who are responsible for selling units of the Fund, including Principal Distributors and IUTAs.
EPF	- Employees' Provident Fund.
EPF-MIS	- Employees' Provident Fund Members Investment Scheme.
Fund or AEF	- CIMB-Principal Asian Equity Fund.
IMS	- Investment Management Standards issued by the Federation of Investment Managers Malaysia.
IUTAs	- Institutional Unit Trust Scheme Advisers.
Management Fee	- A percentage of the NAV of the Fund that is paid to the Manager for managing the portfolio of the Fund.
Master Prospectus	- Refers to the disclosure document issued by us describing the details of the Fund.
MSCI	- Morgan Stanley Capital International.
NAV	- Net Asset Value.
NAV of the Fund	- The NAV of the Fund is the value of all Fund's assets less the value of all the Fund's liabilities, at the point of valuation. For the purpose of computing the annual Management Fee (if any) and annual Trustee Fee (if any), the NAV of the Fund should be inclusive of the Management Fee and Trustee Fee for the relevant day.
NAV per unit	- The NAV of the Fund divided by the number of units in circulation, at the valuation point.
Principal Distributors	- Refers to the unit trust scheme consultants of Principal Malaysia (authorized Principal Malaysia distributors).
Principal Malaysia or the Manager	- Principal Asset Management Berhad (formerly known as CIMB-Principal Asset Management Berhad).
Product Highlights Sheet	- Refers to the disclosure document issued by the Manager that contains clear and concise information of the salient features of the Fund.
RM, or MYR	- Malaysian Ringgit.

RSP	- Regular Savings Plan.
SC	- Securities Commission Malaysia.
SC Guidelines	- SC Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds as may be amended and/or updated from time to time.
Sub-Manager	- A fund management company / asset management company that is appointed by the Manager to assume all or part of the investment function role of the Manager.
Switching Fee	- A charge that may be levied when switching is done from one (1) fund to another.
Transfer Fee	- A nominal fee levied for each transfer of units from one (1) Unit holder to another.
Trustee Fee	- A percentage of the NAV of the Fund that is paid to the Trustee for its services rendered as trustee for the Fund.
UK	- United Kingdom.
Unit holder	- The registered holder for the time being of a unit of the Fund including persons jointly so registered.
Withdrawal Fee	- A charge levied upon withdrawal under certain terms and conditions (if applicable).

**Note:** Unless the context otherwise requires,

- words importing the singular number should include the plural number and vice versa;
- reference to any rules, regulations, guidelines, standards, directives, notices, legislation or statutes in this Product Highlights Sheet shall be reference to those rules, regulations, guidelines, standards, directives, notices or, legislations, statutes for the time being in force, as may be amended, varied, modified, updated, superseded and/or re-enacted, from time to time;
- time, day or date disclosed in this Product Highlights Sheet shall be a reference to that time, day or date in Malaysia; and
- reference to “days” in this Product Highlights Sheet will be taken to mean calendar days.

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