

Principal Asia Pacific Dynamic Income Fund (formerly known as CIMB-Principal Asia Pacific Dynamic Income Fund)-Class SGD

31 May 2021

3-year
Fund Volatility
15.13
High
Lipper Analytics
15 May 2021

Fund Objective

The investment objective of the Fund is to aim to provide regular income by investing primarily in the Asia Pacific ex Japan region and at the same time to achieve capital appreciation over the medium to long term.

Currency: SGD ISIN Code: MYU1001DP007

Bloomberg Ticker: CPASSGD MK

Fund Information

Domicile	Malaysia
Base Currency	U.S Dollar
Fund Inception	30 September 2015
Benchmark	8% p.a.
Application Fee	Up to 5.00% of the NAV
Management Fee	Up to 1.50% p.a. of the NAV
Trustee Fee	Up to 0.05% p.a. of the NAV
Total Fund Size (USD)	USD 1.35 billion
NAV per unit (As at 31 May 2021)	SGD 0.9226
Trustee	HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad
Custodian	The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Ltd and assets held through HSBC Nominees (Tempatan) Sdn Bhd (in Malaysia) and HSBC Institutional trust Services (Asia) Limited (outside Malaysia)

Fund Performance



Past performance does not guarantee future results. Asset allocation and diversification do not ensure a profit or protect against a loss.

Cumulative Performance (%)

	YTD	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	Since Inception
Fund	6.30	-0.30	2.58	12.13	42.96	30.95	83.55	83.90
Benchmark/Target Return	3.26	0.64	1.94	3.92	8.00	25.97	46.93	54.73

Calendar Year Returns (%)

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Fund	20.74	16.52	-11.08	30.79	4.81	N/A
Benchmark	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	N/A

Most Recent Fund Distributions

	2021 Apr	2021 Jan	2020 Sep	2020 Jul	2020 Apr	2020 Jan
Gross (Cent/Unit)	0.68	0.72	1.24	0.75	0.64	1.27
Annualised Yield (%)	2.96	3.00	3.52	2.36	2.28	3.76

Most Recent Unit Splits

Ratio	2020 Dec
	3:4

Note: September 2015 to May 2021.

Performance data represents the combined income & capital return as a result of holding units in the fund for the specified length of time, based on bid to bid prices. Earnings are assumed to be reinvested.

Annualised yield is calculated as the most recent monthly dividend distribution multiplied by the Fund's dividend frequency and divided by the latest NAV.

Source : Lipper

Top 10 Holdings

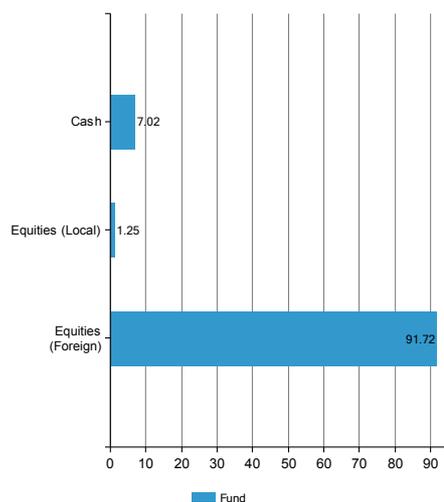
	Country	% of net assets
Tencent Hldg Ltd	HK, China	6.04
Taiwan Semiconductor Manuf	Taiwan	5.91
Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd	South Korea	5.63
LG Chem Ltd	South Korea	3.86
Techtronic Industries Co	HK, China	3.17
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd	Cayman Islands	3.11
Volkswagen AG	Germany	3.03
DBS Group Hldg Ltd	Singapore	2.91
AlA Group Ltd	HK, China	2.91
Kingboard Laminates Hldg Ltd	HK, China	2.73

The holdings listed do not constitute a recommendation to purchase or sell a particular security. Cash and/or derivative positions that are not part of the core investment strategy will not be reflected in the top holdings list.

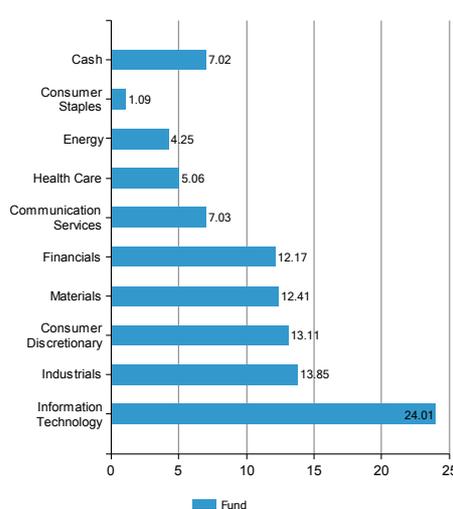
Fund Risk Statistics

Beta	0.31
Information Ratio	0.19
Sharpe Ratio	0.62
3 years monthly data	

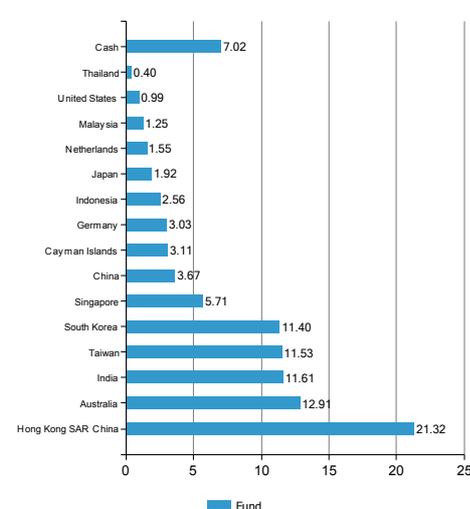
Asset Allocation (%)



Sector Allocation (%)



Regional Allocation (%)



Source: Factset. Fund holdings and allocations shown are unaudited and may not be representative of current or future investments. Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding and/or inclusion or exclusion of cash will not be reflected in the top holdings list.

Fund Manager's Report

The Fund was down 0.30% in SGD terms in May, underperforming the absolute return benchmark by 94bps. YTD, the Fund is up 6.30%, outperforming the absolute return benchmark by 304bps.

MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex Japan Index gained 1.2% in USD terms in May. This was led by India and the Philippines while Malaysia and Taiwan lagged, as the number of new Covid-19 cases peaked in India but surged in Malaysia and Taiwan. Commodities prices surged in the first half of May before China attempted to cool commodities prices. Crude oil advanced another 3.1% during the month as demand improved. Rising Covid-19 infections in Asia has been a headwind for the Asian markets as we saw the resurgence of new cases such as in Malaysia, Singapore and Taiwan. Due to the various movement restrictions to combat the rising infections, most of Asian PMIs in May recorded some deterioration. However, we believe that countries are now better prepared to deal with the resurgence of Covid-19 cases and some countries are stepping up on vaccination program, hence the impact of current restrictions will not be as significant as a year before. Global inflation has risen due to higher input prices from raw materials and energy, as well as cost pressures arising from the shortage of component parts. Eurozone inflation rose to 2%YoY in May and US inflation surged 4.2%YoY in April. While we maintain our view that the rise in inflation is transitory, we need to keep an eye on signs of sustained inflationary pressures. Volatility in equities market will ensue when inflation concerns and tapering expectations build. Other risks that could derail the positive fundamental outlook are slower take-up of vaccines or any sharp surge in Covid cases leading to slower than expected economic recovery and stronger than expected USD. Fund flows are more likely to move to Asia since it is under-owned and based on our estimates, Asia is attractively valued at a 25% discount to global averages based on P/B to ROE basis. We are therefore positive on Asian equities over a 12-month horizon. As we expect a broadening out of economic recovery, we have diversified to industrials, materials and communication services.

*Based on the fund's portfolio returns as at 15 May 2021, the Volatility Factor (VF) for this fund is 15.130 and is classified as "High" (source: FIMM). The VF means there is a possibility for the fund in generating an upside return or downside return around this VF. The Volatility Class (VC) is assigned by FIMM based on quintile ranks of VF for qualified funds. VF is subject to monthly revision and VC will be revised every six months. The fund's portfolio may have changed since this date and there is no guarantee that the fund will continue to have the same VF or VC in the future. Presently, only funds launched in the market for at least 36 months will display the VF and its VC.

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