

# **Principal Global Technology Fund - Class AUD-Hedged**



## **Fund Objective**

The Fund aims to provide capital appreciation through investments in one collective investment scheme, which invests primarily in a diversified portfolio of technology related companies. The Fund will invest 95% of its NAV in the Franklin Technology Fund Class I (USD), which is an institutional share class denominated in USD (Target Fund). The Target Fund invests at least two thirds of its net invested assets in equity securities of US and non US companies expected to benefit from the development, advancement, and use of technology and communication services and equipment.

## **Lipper Score**

Total Return

Consistent Return





### **Morningstar Rating**

#### Sustainability



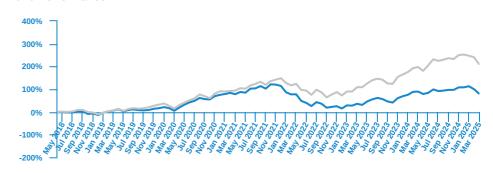




#### **Fund Information**

ISIN Code	MYU1003FX002
Lipper ID	68490905
Bloomberg Ticker	CPGTAUH MK
Domicile	Malaysia
Currency	AUD
Base Currency	USD
Fund Inception	17 May 2018
Benchmark	The Fund adheres to the benchmark of the Target Fund for performance comparison. The benchmark of the Target Fund is MSCI World Information Technology Index
Application Fee	Up to 5.50% of the NAV per unit
Management Fee	Up to 1.80% per annum of the NAV of the Class
Trustee Fee	Up to 0.06% per annum of the NAV of the Fund
Fund Size (AUD)	AUD 43.96 million
Fund Unit	38.17 million units
NAV per unit (As at 31 Mar 2025)	AUD 1.1517
Initial Offering Perio Initial Offering Perio	

# **Fund Performance**



Fund Benchmark

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

Cumulative Performance (%)								
	YTD	1M	3M	6M	1Y	3Y	5Y	Since Inception
Fund	-13.24	-9.84	-13.24	-8.35	-4.74	1.71	72.12	80.76
Benchmark	-11.89	-8.88	-11.89	-7.79	4.38	39.13	170.10	210.99

Calendar Year Returns (%)	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Fund	23.04	47.05	-46.32	22.37	50.47	35.10
Benchmark	33.11	53.66	-30.60	30.15	44.26	48.15

Most Recent Fund Distributions	2024 Sep	2022 Sep	2021 Sep	2020 Aug
Gross (cent/unit)	7.45	3.84	3.75	4.27
Annualised Yield (%)	5.88	4.77	2.39	2.78

Most Recent Unit Splits			2020 Sep
Ratio			1:3

Note: May 2018 to March 2025.

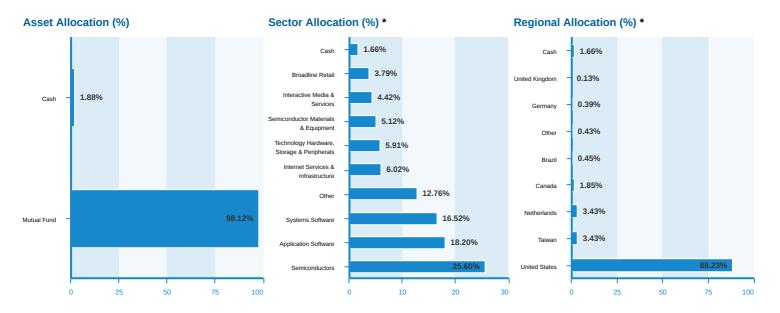
Performance data represents the combined income & capital return as a result of holding units in the fund for the specified length of time, based on bid to bid prices. Earnings are assumed to be reinvested.

Top Holdings *	Country	% of Net Assets
NVIDIA Corporation	United States	8.66
Microsoft Corporation	United States	8.28
Broadcom Inc	United States	5.94
Apple Inc	United States	4.47
Amazon.com Inc	United States	3.79
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing	Taiwan	3.43
ServiceNow Inc	United States	2.73
Synopsys Inc	United States	2.71
Mastercard Inc	United States	2.30
Salesforce Inc	United States	2.29

Fund Risk Statistics				
Beta	1.10			
Information Ratio	-0.36			
Sharpe Ratio -0.0				
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(3 years monthly data)

The holdings listed do not constitute a recommendation to purchase or sell a particular security. Any repeated issuer shown means same issuer with different coupon rate and/or maturity date. Cash and/or derivative positions that are not part of the core investment strategy will not be reflected in the top



<sup>\*</sup> Of the target fund

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 declined 9.84% during the month, underperformed the benchmark by 0.96%

After starting 2025 on a strong note, global equities collectively declined during the rest of the first quarter (1Q25) due to investor concerns about US economic growth, President Donald Trump's trade policy and a broadening trade war. On the economic front, global manufacturing activity expanded in March for the third consecutive month, and flash reports for March showed that global services activity continued to grow in several regions during the quarter.

The information technology (IT) sector posted negative returns in January, February and March and finished 1Q25 in last place among the 11 major equity sectors globally, with most of the overall losses occurring in March. Semiconductor stocks suffered the brunt of the selloff, and while all five other IT-related industries were also out of favor with many investors, there was some resilience in IT services as the group declined modestly compared to the rest.

We expect equity market volatility to persist in the near-term but remain positive on secular growth in the IT sector in the longer term. The market is contending with heightened macroeconomic and policy uncertainty, exacerbated by the introduction of the Trump administration's global trade policy framework on 2 April.

We recommend that you read and understand the contents of the Principal Global Technology Fund Information Memorandum No.2 dated 31 December 2019, which have been deposited with Securities Commission Malaysia before investing and that you keep the said Information Memorandum for your record. Any issue of units to which the Information Memorandum relates will only be made upon receipt of the completed application form referred to in and accompanying the Information Memorandum, subject to the terms and conditions therein. The principal risks are returns not guaranteed, market risk, inflation risk, and loan financing risk. The specific risks of the Fund are Fund manager risk, country risk and currency risk. You can obtain a copy of the Information Memorandum from the head office of Principal Asset Management Berhad or from any of our approved distributors. We suggest that you consider these fees and charges carefully prior to making an investment. Unit prices and income distributions, if any, may fall or rise. Past performance is not reflective of future performance and income distributions are not guaranteed. Product Highlight Sheet ("PHS") is available and that investors have the right to request for a PHS; and the PHS and any other product disclosure document should be read and understood before making any investment decision. There are fees and charges involved in investing in the funds. We suggest that you consider these fees and charges carefully prior to making an investment. Unit prices and income distributions, if any, may fall or rise. Past performance is not reflective of future performance and income distributions are not guaranteed. You are also advised to read and understand the contents of the Financing for Investment in Unit Trust Risk Disclosure Statement/Unit Trust Loan Financing Risk Disclosure Statement before deciding to borrow to purchase units. All performance figures have been extracted from Lipper. Where a unit split/distribution is declared, investors are advised that following the issue

Carefully consider a fund's objective, risks, charges and expenses.

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