

Principal Global Technology Fund - Class SGD Hedged

31 July 2021



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.

Currency: SGD ISIN Code: MYU1001FZ001

Bloomberg Ticker: CPGTSGH MK

Fund Information

Domicile	Malaysia
Base Currency	USD
Fund Inception	17 May 2018
Benchmark	The Fund adheres to the benchmark of the Target Fund for performance comparison.
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
Switching Fee	SGD35
Fund Size (SGD)	SGD 20.91 million
NAV per unit (As at 31 July 2021)	SGD 1.5275
Trustee	Deutsche Trustees Malaysia Berhad

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	16.59	0.76	8.66	14.23	37.75	112.33	N/A	106.96
Benchmark/Target Return	17.24	3.57	9.58	17.89	39.99	119.12	N/A	124.01

Calendar Year Returns (%)		2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Fund		52.60	35.48	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Benchmark		44.26	48.15	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Most Recent Fund Distributions		2020 Aug
Gross (Cent/Unit)		2.18
Annualised Yield (%)		1.41

Most Recent Unit Splits		2020 Sep
Ratio		1:3

Note: May 2018 to July 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 *

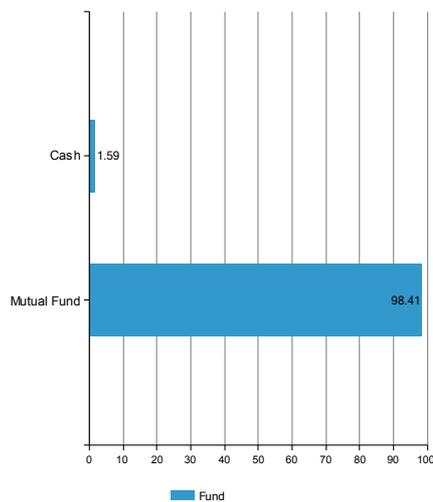
	Country	% of net assets
MICROSOFT CORP	United States	4.69
AMAZON.COM INC	United States	4.32
APPLE INC	United States	4.11
NVIDIA CORP	United States	2.96
PAYPAL HOLDINGS INC	United States	2.76
VISA INC	United States	2.74
SERVICENOW INC	United States	2.59
ALPHABET INC	United States	2.55
MASTERCARD INC	United States	2.37
WORKDAY INC	United States	2.07

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.

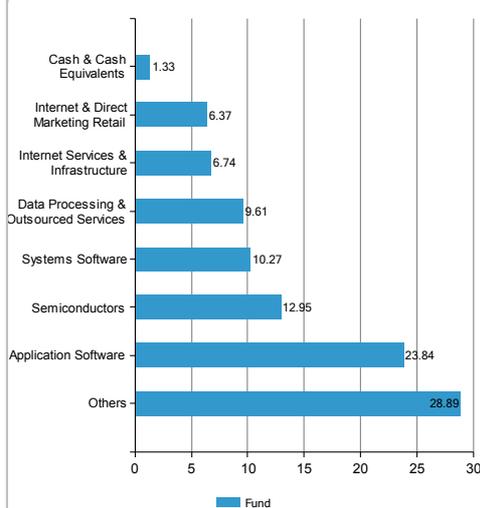
Fund Risk Statistics

Beta	1.00
Information Ratio	-0.07
Sharpe Ratio	1.25
3 years monthly data	

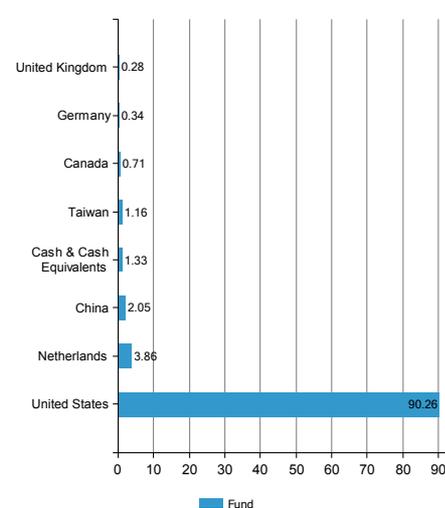
Asset Allocation (%)



Sector Allocation (%) *



Regional Allocation (%) *



* Of the target fund

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 rose 0.76 during the month, underperforming the benchmark by 2.81ppt.

Global equity markets overall edged up slightly during July 2021 on mixed underlying results. Though there were bright spots in certain regions, stock markets were largely dampened by concerns that the swiftly spreading Delta variant of the coronavirus would dent the economic recovery. Information technology (IT) stock returns were generally ahead of the broader market index averages, and they finished July in fourth place amongst the 11 major equity sectors. Within the benchmark MSCI World IT Index, 12 out of 13 industries traded higher, contrasting with a slightly negative result for semiconductor stocks following a robust rally in 2021's second quarter. Most notably, a selloff in Chinese technology stocks accelerated in July, as investors unnerved by China's widening crackdown on Internet companies and other industries sold down their holdings of many popular stocks.

We expect consumers to continue to embrace new commerce tools and to increasingly prefer digitally augmented experiences. Simply put, we believe that the pandemic crisis was still the beginning of our society's digital transformation—not the beginning, middle and end of it. If this proves true, we believe the fundamental growth we saw during the crisis for a subset of companies and themes will broaden and extend as the world re-opens further.

We have also been surprised by the aggressiveness with which China has sought to exert more control over its Big Tech names. Alibaba, a big position for the fund, has been most impacted as first the ANT Financial IPO was cancelled over business model concerns and then China indicated it would be investigating various Alibaba business practices. We are anticipating further actions against Tencent (held by the fund) and were surprised to see China take such an aggressive stance with Didi (new to the fund) following its successful IPO.

*Based on the fund's portfolio returns as at 15 July 2021, the Volatility Factor (VF) for this fund is 20.720 and is classified as "Very 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.

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 of additional units/distribution, the NAV per unit will be reduced from pre-unit split NAV/cum-distribution NAV to post-unit split NAV/ex-distribution NAV; and where a unit split is declared, the value of your investment will remain unchanged after the distribution of the additional units.

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

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