

# Principal Global Technology Fund - Class USD

31 October 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.

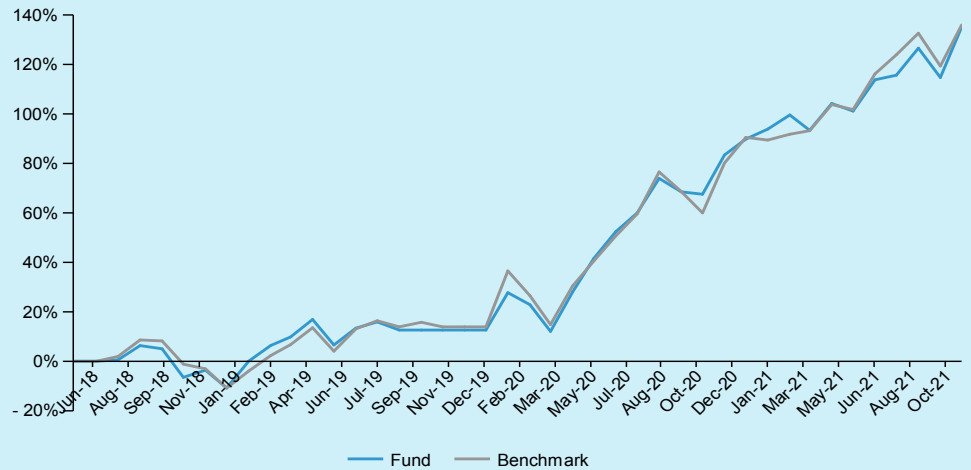
**Currency:** USD  
**ISIN Code:** MYU1002GG007

**Bloomberg Ticker:** CPGTUSD MK

## Fund Information

<b>Domicile</b>	Malaysia
<b>Base Currency</b>	USD
<b>Fund Inception</b>	17 May 2018
<b>Benchmark</b>	The Fund adheres to the benchmark of the Target Fund for performance comparison.
<b>Application Fee</b>	Up to 5.50% of the NAV per unit
<b>Management Fee</b>	Up to 1.80% per annum of the NAV of the Class
<b>Trustee Fee</b>	Up to 0.06% per annum of the NAV of the Fund
<b>Switching Fee</b>	USD35
<b>Fund Size (USD)</b>	USD 39.88 million
<b>NAV per unit (As at 31 October 2021)</b>	USD 1.4876
<b>Trustee</b>	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	27.77	9.52	9.06	18.75	44.78	159.42	N/A	135.27
Benchmark/Target Return	23.55	7.55	5.37	15.47	47.11	138.20	N/A	136.05

Calendar Year Returns (%)		2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Fund		54.78	37.51	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		2021 Sep	2020 Aug
Gross (Cent/Unit)		3.49	4.55
Annualised Yield (%)		2.37	2.84

Most Recent Unit Splits		2020 Sep
Ratio		1:2

Note: May 2018 to October 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 \*

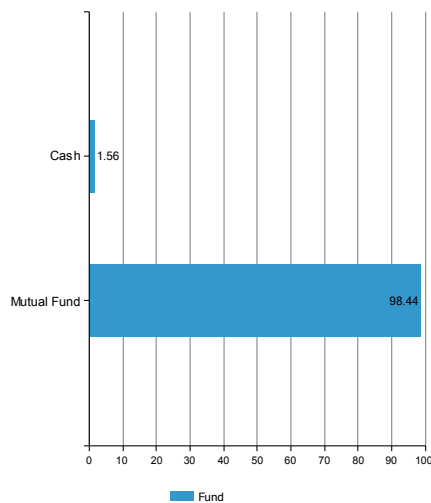
	Country	% of net assets
MICROSOFT CORP	United States	5.10
AMAZON.COM INC	United States	3.91
APPLE INC	United States	3.77
NVIDIA CORP	United States	3.46
SERVICENOW INC	United States	2.75
CLOUDFLARE INC	United States	2.54
ALPHABET INC	United States	2.50
SALESFORCE.COM INC	United States	2.40
WORKDAY INC	United States	2.28
BILL.COM HOLDINGS INC	United States	2.23

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.

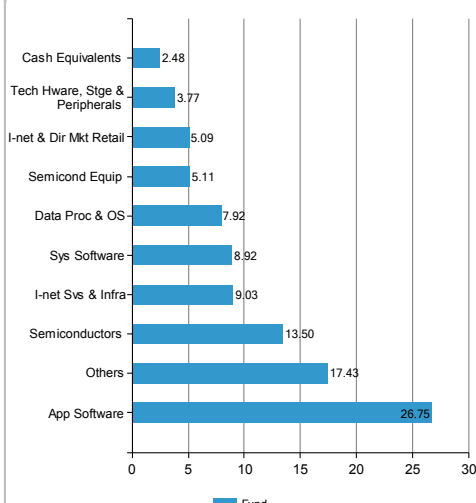
## Fund Risk Statistics

<b>Beta</b>	0.90
<b>Information Ratio</b>	0.36
<b>Sharpe Ratio</b>	1.57
3 years monthly data	

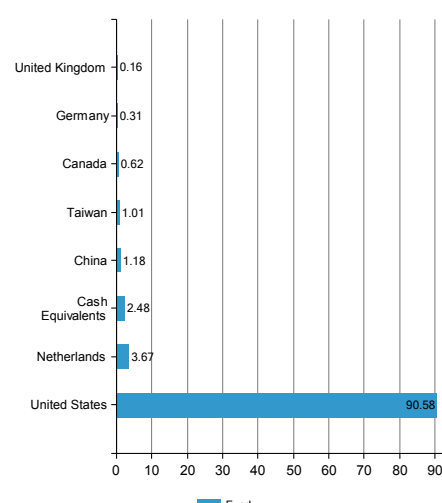
## Asset Allocation (%)



## 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 9.52% during the month, outperforming the benchmark by 1.97ppt.

Global equity markets rose during October 2021, with widespread gains stemming mostly from regional cues. Stocks also appeared to be underpinned by a sustained "buy the dip" mentality, with many investors perceiving markets as oversold, at least in the near term, following September's pullback. According to MSCI indices in US-dollar terms, developed stock markets overall rose ahead of a global index, while the robust collective gain of frontier markets trailed it and emerging markets as a group advanced more modestly. In terms of investment style, global growth stocks surged and outperformed global value equities. The information technology (IT) sector rallied broadly and outperformed eight out of 10 other major sectors while lagging consumer discretionary and energy shares. Within IT, the biggest rallies occurred in semiconductor-related companies, internet services and infrastructure, and application/systems software makers. The overall gain for communication services sector stocks was muted by comparison as the group posted sub-par results and finished the month in last place.

Recent interactions with investors and clients convince us that the market is attempting to gauge the durability of sector growth in this increasingly post-crisis world. Discussions with sector participants and technology buyers give us confidence that our thesis is on track. Specifically, we believe that COVID-19 accelerated the Digital Transformation (DT) opportunity, and that growth will be robust for the businesses we own for many years as businesses and their customers seek to build upon the new digital skills they acquired during the crisis.

Given the dynamics mentioned above, we do not anticipate that the world will return to the pre-pandemic norms. Instead, we expect businesses to operationalise and scale what worked during the crisis, abandon what did not, and continue to iterate. We expect consumers to continue to embrace new commerce tools and to increasingly prefer digitally augmented experiences. Simply put, we believe that the crisis was 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.

\*Based on the fund's portfolio returns as at 15 October 2021, the Volatility Factor (VF) for this fund is 19.290 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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