

# Principal Greater China Equity Fund - Class MYR

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Available under the EPF Members Investment Scheme.



## Fund Objective

Aims to achieve medium to long-term capital growth primarily through investment in a portfolio of equity securities with exposure to the Greater China region consisting of the People's Republic of China, Hong Kong SAR and Taiwan.

Currency: MYR ISIN Code: MYU1000CB001

Bloomberg Ticker: CIMGRCH MK

## Fund Information

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Base Currency US Dollar

Fund Inception 12 June 2007

Benchmark The Fund adheres to the benchmark of the Target Fund. The benchmark of the Target Fund is the MSCI Golden Dragon Index

Application Fee 5.50% of the NAV per unit

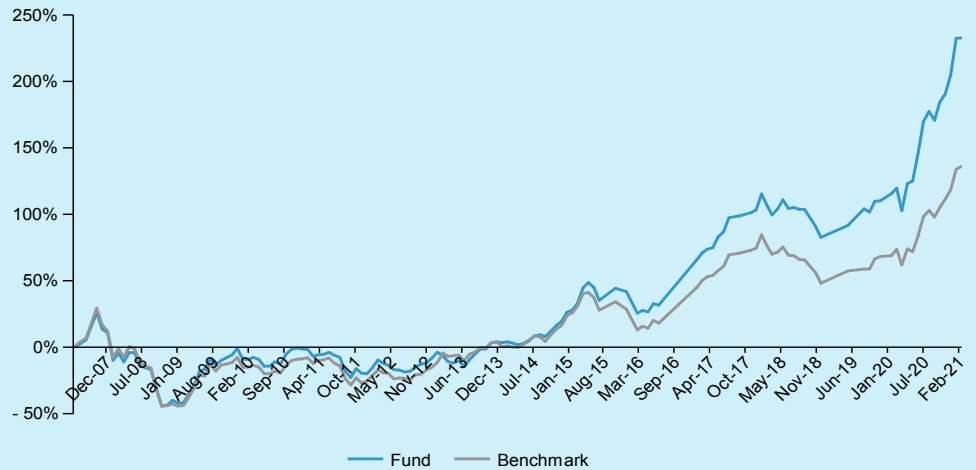
Management Fee 1.80% p.a. of the NAV

Trustee Fee 0.08% p.a. of the NAV

Fund Size MYR 1.66 billion (MYR)

NAV per unit MYR 1.4202 (As at 28 February 2021)

## 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	9.17	0.10	14.46	19.96	51.50	61.15	164.79	232.95
Benchmark	8.12	0.96	11.63	16.32	35.96	34.10	108.88	136.25

## Calendar Year Returns (%)

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Fund	36.08	22.62	-10.15	29.60	10.60	18.75
Benchmark	23.42	19.42	-15.06	26.64	7.11	10.65

## Most Recent Fund Distributions

	2020 Aug	2019 Nov
Gross (Sen/Unit)	9.92	2.45
Annualised Yield (%)	7.77	2.40

Note: June 2007 to February 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 \*

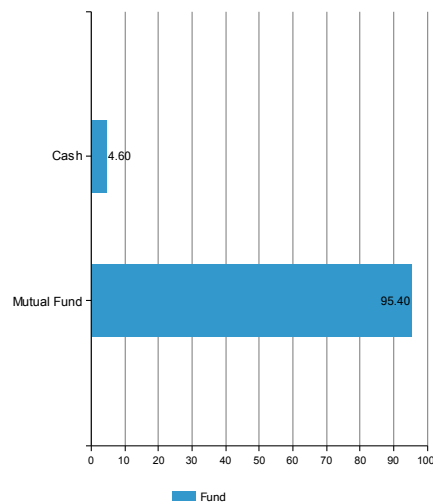
	Country	% of net assets
Taiwan Smc Mfg Co Ltd	Taiwan	8.50
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd	China	6.20
Tencent Holdings Ltd	China	4.60
MediaTek Inc	Taiwan	3.60
AIA Group Ltd	HK, China	3.00
China Pacific Ins Group	China	2.50
China Petroleum & Chemical Corp	China	2.50
Sands China Ltd	China	2.30
Great Wall Motor Co Ltd	China	1.90
Jiangxi Copper Co Ltd	China	1.90

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.

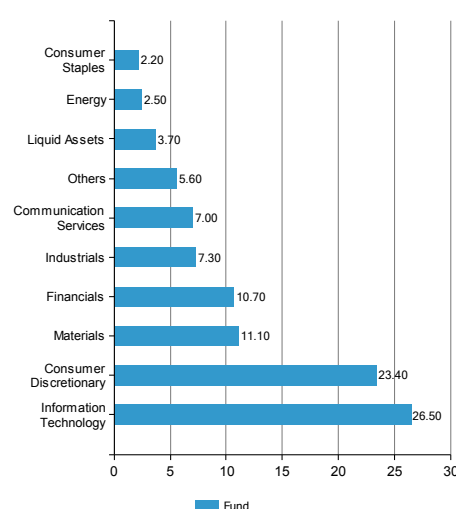
## Fund Risk Statistics

Beta	1.02
Information Ratio	1.62
Sharpe Ratio	0.74
3 years monthly data	

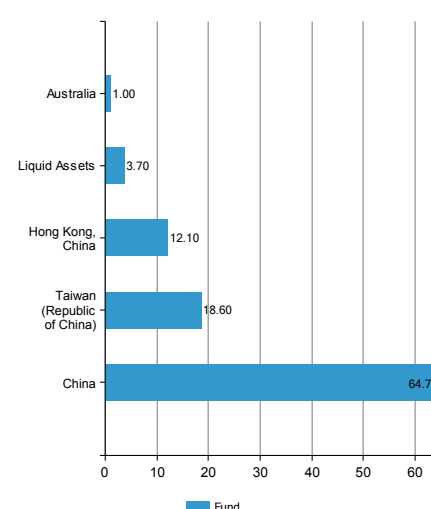
## Asset Allocation (%)



## 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 by 0.10% during the month of February 2021, underperforming the benchmark by 0.86ppt.

Sector and regional stock selection detracted from the fund's relative returns. At the sector level, stock selection was weakest in materials and IT. At the regional level, selection was weak in China. Sector allocation was a positive factor, largely due to the overweighting of materials.

Chinese equities fell just over 1% in February, amid weakness from internet stocks. Meanwhile, Hong Kong and Taiwan, where strong performance from information technology (IT) stocks supported gains, both rose over 4.5% and finished materially ahead of the index.

Economic growth in China is set to accelerate as the normalization of activity continues and the impact of stimulus measures, launched last year, feed through. Such economic growth is likely to be broad-based: sectors exposed to structural growth themes should continue to outperform, while the broad global economic recovery should support cyclical sectors. Across the strait in Taiwan, the economy appears to have enjoyed a sweet spot over the past few quarters, amid the US-China tariff war. The country's successful containment of Covid-19 has also supported the economy and stock market.

We continue to feel a balanced approach is warranted and, consequently, we have both growth and value ideas in the portfolio.

\*Based on the fund's portfolio returns as at 15 February 2021, the Volatility Factor (VF) for this fund is 17.450 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.

We recommend that you read and understand the contents of the Principal Greater China Equity Fund Prospectus Issue No.1 dated 17 April 2020 which has been duly registered with the Securities Commission Malaysia, before investing and that you keep the said Fund Prospectus for your record. Any issue of units to which the Fund Prospectus relates will only be made upon receipt of the completed application form referred to in and accompanying the Fund Prospectus subject to the terms and conditions therein. Investments in the Fund are exposed to currency risk and Fund manager's risk. You can obtain a copy of the Fund Prospectus from the head office of Principal Asset Management Berhad or from any of our approved distributors. 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 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 advised to read and understand the contents of the Unit Trust Loan Financing Risk Disclosure Statement before deciding to borrow to purchase units. 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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