

# Principal Greater China Equity Fund - Class SGD-Hedged



### **Fund Objective**

The Fund 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 Peoples Republic of China, Hong Kong SAR and Taiwan. The Fund is a feeder Fund which invests at least 95% of its NAV in the Schroder ISF Greater China (Target Fund), a fund of the Schroder International Selection Fund. The Target Fund aims to provide capital growth in excess of the MSCI Golden Dragon (Net TR) index after fees have been deducted over a three to five year period.

### **Lipper Score**

**Total Return** 



## **Morningstar Rating**

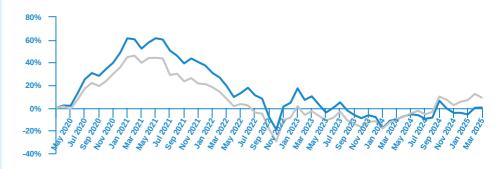


#### Sustainability



| Fund Information                                   | n   |
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| ISIN Code  | MYU1001GL009  |
| Lipper ID  | 68604904  |
| Bloomberg Ticker                                   | CIMGCSH MK  |
| Domicile   | Malaysia  |
| Currency   | SGD   |
| Base Currency                                      | USD   |
| Fund Inception                                     | 20 Apr 2020   |
| Benchmark  | The Fund adheres to the benchmark of<br>the Target Fund. The benchmark of the<br>Target Fund is the MSCI Golden<br>Dragon Index |
| Application<br>Fee                                 | 5.50% of the NAV per unit   |
| Management<br>Fee                                  | 1.80% p.a. of the NAV   |
| Trustee Fee  | 0.03% p.a. of the NAV   |
| Fund Size<br>(SGD)                                 | SGD 9.1 million   |
| Fund Unit  | 9.56 million units  |
| NAV per unit<br>(As at 31 Mar 2025)                | SGD 0.9516  |
| Initial Offering Period<br>Initial Offering Period |   |
|  |   |

#### **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<br>Inception |
| Fund                       | 4.93 | 0.24  | 4.93 | -5.56 | 11.71 | -15.86 | N/A | 0.39               |
| Benchmark                  | 3.26 | -3.10 | 3.26 | -1.03 | 21.41 | 0.84   | N/A | 8.92               |

| Calendar Year Returns (%) | 2024  | 2023   | 2022   | 2021   | 2020 | 2019 |
|---------------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|------|------|
| Fund                      | 4.05  | -12.02 | -23.89 | -7.70  | N/A  | N/A  |
| Benchmark                 | 19.44 | -3.45  | -24.38 | -11.02 | N/A  | N/A  |

| Most Recent Fund Distributions |  |  | 2021 Mar |
|--------------------------------|--|--|----------|
| Gross (cent/unit)              |  |  | 4.84     |
| Annualised Yield (%)           |  |  | 2.96     |

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.

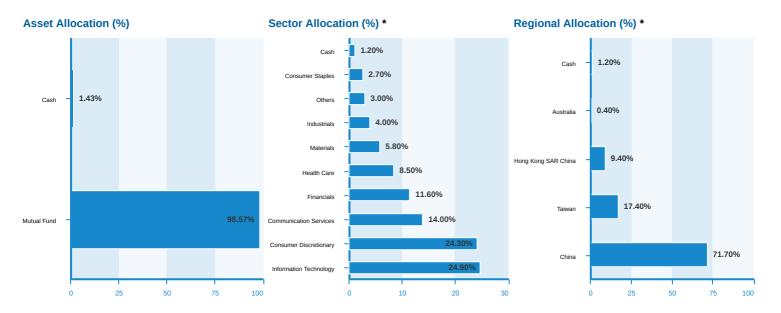
Annualised yield is calculated as the most recent monthly dividend distribution multiplied by the Fund's dividend frequency and divided by the latest NAV. Source : Lipper

| Top Holdings *                               | Country                | % of Net<br>Assets |
|--|------------------------|--------------------|
| Tencent Holdings Ltd                         | China                  | 9.80               |
| Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing           | Taiwan                 | 8.00               |
| Alibaba Group Holding Ltd                    | China                  | 7.00               |
| AIA Group Ltd                                | Hong Kong<br>SAR China | 4.60               |
| Meituan                                      | China                  | 3.40               |
| MediaTek Inc                                 | Taiwan                 | 2.50               |
| NetEase Inc                                  | China                  | 2.30               |
| Hong Kong Exchanges & Clearing               | Hong Kong<br>SAR China | 2.30               |
| Shenzhou International Group Holdings<br>Ltd | Hong Kong<br>SAR China | 2.20               |
| Zijin Mining Group Co Ltd                    | China                  | 2.10               |

| Fund Risk Statistics |       |  |  |  |
|----------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| Beta                 | 1.12  |  |  |  |
| Information Ratio    | -0.26 |  |  |  |
| Sharpe Ratio         | -0.10 |  |  |  |

(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 holdings list.



<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**

During the month, the fund rose 0.24%, outperformed the benchmark by 3.34%.

China's markets performed strongly over the first quarter of 2025, despite investor concerns over looming trade tariffs on imported goods into the US. The market benefited from optimism about China's AI capabilities following the initial release of DeepSeek's lower-cost open-source AI model in January. The announcement towards the end of the quarter of a number of stimulus measures aimed at supporting domestic consumption also boosted share prices. Meanwhile Hong Kong's market rose only modestly, and Taiwan was weak, as the market continued to fall on concerns about slowing global AI capex spending and tariff risks.

Looking ahead, geopolitical dynamics remain challenging. Volatility in China's markets will likely stay elevated as they continue to wax and wane with the evolution of US-China tensions, especially the development of tariff. Macroeconomic data could also weaken in the coming quarters due to the impact of trade tariffs, and that may hurt sentiment.

We recommend that you read and understand the contents of the Principal Greater China Equity Fund Prospectus Issue No.3 dated 3 July 2023 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 of the additional units.

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

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