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# Principal Conservative Bond Fund

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**THIS IS A REPLACEMENT PROSPECTUS. THIS PROSPECTUS IS ISSUED TO REPLACE AND/OR SUPERSEDE THE PROSPECTUS ISSUE NO. 2 FOR THE PRINCIPAL CONSERVATIVE BOND FUND DATED 10 MARCH 2020.**

This Prospectus Issue No. 3 for the Principal Conservative Bond Fund is dated 25 May 2023.

This Fund was constituted on 11 July 2017.

**INVESTORS ARE ADVISED TO READ AND UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS OF THE PROSPECTUS. IF IN DOUBT, PLEASE CONSULT A PROFESSIONAL ADVISER.**

**FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING CERTAIN RISK FACTORS WHICH SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BY PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS, SEE “RISK FACTORS” COMMENCING ON PAGE 3.**

**THIS FUND IS A MULTI-CLASS FUND AND IS ALLOWED TO ESTABLISH NEW CLASS(ES) FROM TIME TO TIME AS MAY BE DETERMINED BY THE MANAGER.**

# ABOUT THIS DOCUMENT

This is a Prospectus which introduces you to Principal Malaysia and the Fund. This Prospectus outlines in general the information you need to know to make an informed decision as to whether the Fund best suits your financial needs.

If you have any questions about the information in this Prospectus or would like to know more about investing in the Principal Malaysia family of unit trust funds, please contact Principal Malaysia Customer Care Centre under the “Corporate Directory” section during business hours between 8:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. (Malaysian time) from Mondays to Fridays.

Unless otherwise indicated, any reference in this Prospectus to any rules, regulations, guidelines, standards, directives, notices, legislations or statutes shall be reference to those rules, regulations, guidelines, standards, directives, notices, legislations or statutes for the time being in force, as may be amended, varied, modified, updated, superseded and/or re-enacted from time to time.

Any reference to a time, day or date in this Prospectus shall be a reference to that time, day or date in Malaysia, unless otherwise stated. Reference to “days” in this Prospectus will be taken to mean calendar days unless otherwise stated.

Please note that all references to currency amounts and NAV per unit in this Prospectus are in MYR unless otherwise indicated.

## PROSPECTUS DETAILS

<b>Issue No.</b>	<b>3</b>
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## RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENTS

This Prospectus has been reviewed and approved by the directors of Principal Malaysia and they collectively and individually accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information. Having made all reasonable enquiries, they confirm to the best of their knowledge and belief, that there are no false or misleading statements, or omission of other facts which would make any statement in this Prospectus false or misleading.

## STATEMENTS OF DISCLAIMER

The Securities Commission Malaysia has authorised the Fund and a copy of this Prospectus has been registered with the Securities Commission Malaysia.

The authorisation of the Fund, and registration of this Prospectus, should not be taken to indicate that the Securities Commission Malaysia recommends the Fund or assumes responsibility for the correctness of any statement made, opinion expressed or report contained in this Prospectus.

The Securities Commission Malaysia is not liable for any non-disclosure on the part of Principal Malaysia who is responsible for the Fund and takes no responsibility for the contents in this Prospectus. The Securities Commission Malaysia makes no representation on the accuracy or completeness of this Prospectus, and expressly disclaims any liability whatsoever arising from, or in reliance upon, the whole or any part of its contents.

**YOU SHOULD RELY ON YOUR OWN EVALUATION TO ASSESS THE MERITS AND RISKS OF THE INVESTMENT. IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO MAKE YOUR OWN EVALUATION, YOU ARE ADVISED TO CONSULT PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS.**

## ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

You should note that you may seek recourse under the *Capital Markets and Services Act 2007* for breaches of securities laws including any statement in the Prospectus that is false, misleading, or from which there is a material omission; or for any misleading or deceptive act in relation to the Prospectus or the conduct of any other person in relation to the Fund.

# DEFINITIONS

Except where the context otherwise requires, the following definitions shall apply throughout this Prospectus:

Application Fee	- Preliminary charge on each investment.
Asset-Backed Securities	- Refers to corporate bonds or sukuk that are issued pursuant to a securitisation transaction. Such Asset-Backed Securities shall exclude any corporate bonds or sukuk with convertible or exchangeable features.
Business Day	- Mondays to Fridays when Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad is open for trading, and/or banks in Kuala Lumpur and/or Selangor are open for business.
CIMB Group	- CIMB Group Sdn. Bhd.
CIS	- Collective investment schemes.
Class	- Any class of units representing similar interest in the assets of the Fund.
Class A and Class C	- The Class issued by the Fund denominated in MYR and differentiated mainly by its Management Fee.
CMSA	- Capital Markets and Services Act 2007.
Deed	- The principal deed and all supplemental deeds in respect of the Fund made between us and the Trustee, in which the Unit holders of the Fund agree to be bound by the provisions of the Deed.
Deposits	- As per the definition of “deposit” in the Financial Services Act 2013 and “Islamic deposit” in the Islamic Financial Services Act 2013. <b>Note:</b> To exclude structured deposits.
Distributor	- Any relevant persons and bodies appointed by Principal Malaysia from time to time, who are responsible for selling units of the Fund including Principal Distributors and IUTAs.
Eligible Market	- An exchange, government securities market or an OTC market that is regulated by a regulatory authority of that jurisdiction, that is open to the public or to a substantial number of market participants, and on which financial instruments are regularly traded.
EPF	- Employees Provident Fund.
EPF-MIS	- EPF Members Investment Scheme.
Fund or CBF	- Principal Conservative Bond Fund.
GUTF	- Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds issued by the SC.
IUTAs	- Refers to Institutional Unit Trust Scheme Advisers, a corporation registered with Federation of Investment Managers Malaysia and authorised to market and distribute unit trust schemes of another party.
LPD	- Latest Practicable Date i.e, 31 March 2023, in which all information provided herein, shall remain current and relevant as at such date.
Management Fee	- A percentage of the NAV of the Class that is paid to us for managing the portfolio of the Fund.
MARC	- Malaysian Rating Corporation Berhad.
MCR	- Multi-class ratio, being the apportionment of the NAV of each Class over the Fund's NAV based on the size of each Class. The MCR is calculated by dividing the NAV of the respective Class by the NAV of the Fund before income and expenses for the day, save and except those expenses that are related to the specific Class only. The apportionment is expressed as a ratio and calculated as a percentage.
medium to long term	- Refers to a period of three (3) years or more.
MYR	- Malaysian Ringgit.
NAV	- Net Asset Value.
NAV of the Fund	- The value of all the Fund's assets less the value of all the Fund's liabilities, at the point of valuation. For the purpose of computing the annual Management Fee (if any) and annual Trustee Fee (if any), the NAV of the Fund should be inclusive of the Management Fee and Trustee Fee for the relevant day. The NAV of a Class is the NAV of the Fund attributable to a Class at the same valuation point.
NAV per unit	- The NAV attributable to a Class divided by the number of units in circulation for that Class, at the valuation point.
OTC	- Over-the-counter.
PFG	- Principal Financial Group Inc...
Principal Distributors	- Refers to the authorised unit trust scheme consultants registered with Principal Malaysia.
Principal Malaysia or the Manager	- Principal Asset Management Berhad.
Prospectus	- Refers to this disclosure document issued by us describing the details of the Fund.
RAM	- RAM Rating Services Berhad.

RSP	- Regular Savings Plan.
SC	- Securities Commission Malaysia.
Special Resolution	- A resolution passed by a majority of not less than $\frac{3}{4}$ of Unit holders of the Fund or a Class, as the case may be voting at a meeting of Unit holders. For the purpose of terminating or winding up the Fund or a Class, a Special Resolution is passed by a majority in number representing at least $\frac{3}{4}$ of the value of the units held by Unit holders of the Fund or a Class, as the case may be, voting at the meeting.
Switching Fee	- A charge that may be levied when switching is done from one (1) fund or class to another.
Transfer Fee	- A nominal fee levied for each transfer of units from one (1) Unit holder to another.
Transferable Securities	- Refers to: (a) equities and other securities equivalent to equities; and (b) bonds and other forms of securitised debt; but do not include money market instruments or any security the title to which can be transferred only with the consent of a third party.
Trustee	- HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad.
Trustee Fee	- A percentage of the NAV of the Fund that is paid to the Trustee for its services rendered as trustee for the Fund.
UK	- United Kingdom.
Unit holder	- The registered holder for the time being of a unit of the Fund including persons jointly so registered.
USA	- United States of America.
Withdrawal Fee	- A charge levied upon withdrawal under certain terms and conditions (if applicable).

**Note:** Unless the context otherwise requires, words importing the singular number should include the plural number and vice versa

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**Note:** You may refer to our website for an updated information on our details.

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# 1. FUND INFORMATION

## 1.1. PRINCIPAL CONSERVATIVE BOND FUND

<b>Fund Category/Type</b>	: Debt Securities/ Income.
<b>Investment Objective</b>	: The Fund aims to provide regular income through diversified investments in Malaysian bonds. <i>We will require your approval if there is any material change to the Fund's investment objective.</i>
<b>Benchmark</b>	: 10% TR BPAM Government (1 – 3 years) all bond index + 10% TR BPAM Government (3 – 7 years) all bond index + 5% TR BPAM Quasi Government (1 - 3 years) all bond index + 5% TR BPAM Quasi Government (3-7 years) all bond index + 10% TR BPAM Corporate (1 - 3 years) all bond index + 60% TR BPAM Corporate (3 - 7 years) all bond index. <b>Note:</b> <i>The Fund's benchmark is for performance comparison purpose only. The benchmark of the Fund is customised as such to align it closer to the structure of the portfolio. You are cautioned that the risk profile of the Fund is higher than the benchmark. Information on the benchmark can be obtained from <a href="http://www.bpam.com.my">www.bpam.com.my</a>.</i>
<b>Distribution Policy</b>	: The distribution policy of each of the Class(es) may differ. Please refer to the Annexure of the respective Class for more information. You may also refer to page 14 for information on the distribution payment.

### Base Currency & Classes

The base currency of the Fund is MYR.

Please note that the Fund is established as a multi-class fund where the Deed allows for the establishment of more than one (1) Class with similar interests in the assets of the Fund. You should note that the Fund is allowed to establish new Class(es) from time to time without your prior consent.

Under the Deed, Unit holders of each Class shall have the same rights and obligations except for additional reporting available for Unit holders of Class C. Each Class may be different in terms of currency denomination, fees and charges, and hence, will have its respective NAV per unit, denominated in its respective currency taking into account the aforementioned features. Although the Fund has multiple Classes, Unit holders should note that the assets of the Fund are pooled for investment purpose.

Currently, the Classes below are available for sale. Please refer to the Annexure for further details on the Classes. You should note that we have the discretion to decide on the offering of other Classes for sale in the future and a supplemental or replacement prospectus will be issued. This information will be communicated to you via our website at [www.principal.com.my](http://www.principal.com.my). When in doubt, you should consult professional advisers for a better understanding of the multi-class structure before investing in the Fund.

Name of Class	Launch Date
Class A	8 August 2017
Class C	8 August 2017

### Investment Policy and Principal Investment Strategy

The Fund will be managed with the aim of achieving regular income through investments in a diversified portfolio of Malaysian bonds. The Fund will invest at least 97% of its NAV in Government bonds and corporate bonds, out of which the Fund will invest between 20% to 50% (both inclusive) of its NAV in Government bonds and between 50% to 80% (both inclusive) of its NAV in corporate bonds. For Government bonds, the Fund may invest up to 30% of its NAV in Government Agency bonds. In addition, the Fund may invest up to 10% of its NAV in Asset-Backed Securities. The Fund's investment in bonds will be restricted to bonds rated at least a minimum credit rating of "A3" by RAM or its equivalent rating by MARC. The Fund will also invest up to 3% of its NAV in liquid assets.

For diversification purpose, the Fund intends to invest in a variety of short-term (less than 1 year), short to medium term (1 - 3 years), medium to long term (3 - 5 years) and long term (more than 5 years) bonds, in which the Fund aims to maintain an overall portfolio duration ranging from 2.5 to 4.5 years. The Fund will also adopt a more conservative single issuer limit for different type of bonds. The value of the Fund's investment in unsecured corporate bonds rated AAA and AA by RAM or its equivalent rating by MARC issued by any single issuer must not exceed 4% of the Fund's NAV whilst the value of the Fund's investment in unsecured corporate bonds rated A by RAM or its equivalent rating by MARC issued by any single issuer must not exceed 1% of the Fund's NAV. In addition, the value of the Fund's investment in secured corporate bonds of the respective rating is four (4) times of the limit of the unsecured corporate bonds limit as above. Also, the value of the Fund's investment in subordinated corporate bonds of the respective rating is half of the limit of the unsecured corporate bonds limit as above.

The asset allocation strategy for the Fund is as follows:

- At least 97% of the Fund's NAV will be invested in Government bonds and corporate bonds, out of which:
  - Between 20% to 50% (both inclusive) of the Fund's NAV will be invested in Government bonds, out of which up to 30% of the Fund's NAV can be invested in Government Agency bonds;
  - Between 50% to 80% (both inclusive) of its NAV will be invested in corporate bonds;
  - Up to 10% of the Fund's NAV may be invested in Asset-Backed Securities; and
- Up to 3% of the Fund's NAV will be invested in liquid assets.

For bond investments, we formulate an interest rate outlook by considering factors such as the inflation rate, monetary policies and economic growth. We will adopt an active trading strategy with frequency that will depend on the market conditions and the market outlook. With an interest rate outlook and yield curve analysis, we identify the weighting of the investment tenure and credit for the Fund. In the unlikely event of a credit rating downgrade, we reserve the right to deal with the instrument in the best interest of the Unit holders. As an active fund manager, we have in place tolerance limits to cater to such situations. We can for example, continue to hold the downgraded instrument if the immediate disposal of the instrument would not be in the best interest of the Unit holders.

As part of risk management strategy, the Fund is constructed and managed within pre-determined guidelines. Essentially, we employ an active asset allocation strategy depending upon the market expectations and at the same time monitor the debt instruments portfolio according to three (3) parameters: tenure, credit ratings and sector. The duration of the debt instruments portfolio (i.e. the sensitivity of the portfolio to interest rate changes) is also monitored and modified according to our interest rate outlook. The Fund adopts a liquidity risk management framework which sets out the governance standards, methodology and process for the oversight and management of liquidity risk. The framework outlines the responsibilities to assess and monitor liquidity risk of the Fund, and to ensure appropriate measures are taken to mitigate the risk. The liquidity risk management framework that we have put in place is as follows:

- Regular review by the designated fund manager on the Fund's investment portfolio including its liquidity level.
- Periodic assessments are carried out on the Fund's liquidity profile (under both normal and stress market conditions) and on the concentration of Unit holders. These assessments allow the Fund to be proactively managed to mitigate liquidity concerns that may arise in the ordinary course of portfolio management as well as in relation to the Fund's ability to meet Unit holders' withdrawal requests.
- Suspension of withdrawal requests due to exceptional circumstances. During the suspension period, withdrawal requests will not be accepted and in the event we have earlier accepted the withdrawal requests prior to the suspension is declared, the withdrawal requests will be dealt on the next Business Day once the suspension is lifted. The action to suspend withdrawal requests from Unit holders shall be exercised only as a last resort by the Manager.

*Note: Please refer to Section 3.11 for more information.*

If the Fund is an EPF-MIS approved fund, the investments made by the Fund will be subject to the EPF's requirements. Please note that there may be changes to the status of the eligibility of the Fund under the EPF-MIS from time to time. Please refer to our website at [www.principal.com.my](http://www.principal.com.my) or [www.kwsp.gov.my](http://www.kwsp.gov.my) for updated information.

## **1.2. PERMITTED INVESTMENTS**

Subject to the Deed, the investment policy for the Fund and the requirements of the SC and any other regulatory body, we have the absolute discretion as to how the assets of the Fund are to be invested. Under the Deed and provided always that there are no inconsistencies with the objective of the Fund, the Fund can invest in a wider range of securities, including but not limited to the following:

- Debt Securities and money market instruments traded in or under the rules of an Eligible Market;
- Deposits; and
- Any other form of investments as may be permitted by the SC from time to time that is in line with the Fund's objectives.

The formulation of the investment policies and strategies of the Fund is based on the objective of the Fund after taking into consideration the regulatory requirements outlined in the GUTF, with such exemptions or variations (if any) as permitted by the SC.

## **1.3. INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS AND LIMITS**

The Fund is subject to the following investment restrictions and limits:

### **Investment spread limits**

- the value of the Fund's investments in debt securities issued by any single issuer must not exceed 20% of the Fund's NAV;
- the value of the Fund's placement in deposits with any single institution must not exceed 20% of the Fund's NAV;
- the aggregate value of the Fund's investments in transferable securities (debt securities), money market instruments and deposits issued by or placed with, as the case may be, any single issuer/institution must not exceed 25% of the Fund's NAV; and
- the value of the Fund's investment in debt securities issued by any group of companies must not exceed 30% of the Fund's NAV.



### **Investment concentration limits**

- the Fund's investments in debt securities must not exceed 20% of the total debt securities issued by any single issuer; and
- the Fund's investments in money market instruments must not exceed 10% of the instruments issued by any single issuer. This limit does not apply to money market instruments that do not have a pre-determined issue size.

Please note that the above restrictions and limits do not apply to securities or instruments issued or guaranteed by the Malaysian government or Bank Negara Malaysia. In respect of any restrictions and limits, the GUTF provides that any breach of the restrictions and limits due to appreciation or depreciation of the Fund's investments, repurchase of units or payment made out of the Fund, or change in capital of a corporation in which the Fund has invested in, or downgrade in or cessation of a credit rating need not be reported to the SC but we must rectify as soon as practicable within three (3) months from the date breach unless stated otherwise in the GUTF. However, the three-month period may be extended if it is in the best interest of Unit holders and Trustee's consent is obtained. Such extension must be subject to at least a monthly review by the Trustee.

## **1.4. APPROVALS AND CONDITIONS**

There is no exemption and/or variation to the GUTF for this Fund.

## **1.5. FINANCING**

The Fund may not obtain cash financing or borrow other assets in connection with its activities. However, the Fund may obtain financing for the purpose of meeting withdrawal requests for units and for short term bridging requirements, subject to the requirements of GUTF.

## **1.6. SECURITIES LENDING**

The Fund may participate in the lending of securities within the meaning of the Guidelines on Securities Borrowing and Lending issued by the SC when we find it appropriate to do so with a view of generating additional income for the Fund with an acceptable degree of risk.

The lending of securities is permitted under the Deed and must comply with the above-mentioned as well as with the relevant rules and directives issued by Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad, Bursa Malaysia Depository Sdn. Bhd. and Bursa Malaysia Securities Clearing Sdn. Bhd.

## **1.7. RISK FACTORS**

### **1.7.1. GENERAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN A UNIT TRUST FUND**

Any investment carries with it an element of risk. Therefore, prior to making an investment, you should consider the following risk factors in addition to the other information set out in this Prospectus.

#### **Returns and capital not guaranteed**

The investment of the fund is subject to market fluctuations and its inherent risk. There is **NO GUARANTEE** on the investment which includes your investment capital and returns, nor any assurance that the fund's objective will be achieved. You should also note that the fund is neither a capital guaranteed fund nor a capital protected fund. However, we reduce this risk by ensuring diligent management of the assets of the fund based on a structured investment process.

#### **Market risk**

This risk refers to the possibility that an investment will lose value because of a general decline in financial markets, due to economic, political and/or other factors, which will result in a decline in the fund's NAV.

#### **Inflation risk**

This is the risk that your investment in the fund may not grow or generate income at a rate that keeps pace with inflation. This would reduce your purchasing power even though the value of the investment in monetary terms has increased.

#### **Manager risk**

This risk refers to the day-to-day management of the fund by the manager which will impact the performance of the fund. For example, investment decisions undertaken by the manager, as a result of an incorrect view of the market or any non-compliance with internal policies, investment mandate, the deed, relevant law or guidelines due to factors such as human error or weaknesses in operational process and systems, may adversely affect the performance of the fund.

#### **Financing risk**

This risk occurs when you obtain financing to finance your investment. The inherent risk of investing with money obtained from financing includes you being unable to service the financing payments. In the event units are used as collateral and if the prices of units fall below a certain level due to market conditions, you may be required to pay an additional amount on top of your existing instalment. If you fail to do so within the time prescribed, your units may be sold at an unfavourable price and the proceeds thereof will be used towards the settlement of your financing.

**Liquidity risk**

Liquidity risk refers to the ease of liquidating an asset without causing market dislocation. This depends on the supply and demand as well as the asset's volume or amount traded in the market. If the fund holds assets that are illiquid or difficult to dispose, the value of the fund and consequently the value of unit holders' investment in the fund may be negatively affected.

**1.7.2. SPECIFIC RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO OF THE FUND**

There are specific risks associated with the investment portfolio of the Fund, which include but are not limited, to the following:

**Credit and default risk**

The Fund will be exposed to a certain degree of credit and default risk of issuers or counterparties when the Fund invests in debt securities, money market instruments and/or places in Deposits. Credit risk relates to the creditworthiness of the securities issuers or counterparties and their expected ability to make timely payment of interest and/or principal. Any adverse situations faced by the issuer or counterparties may impact the value as well as liquidity of the investments. In the case of rated debt securities, this may lead to a credit downgrade. Default risk relates to the risk that the securities issuer or counterparties either defaulting on payments or failing to make payments in a timely manner which will in turn adversely affect the value of the investments. This could adversely affect the value of the Fund. We aim to mitigate this risk by performing bottom-up and top-down credit research and analysis to determine the creditworthiness of the issuers or counterparties, and impose investment limits on exposures to issuers or counterparties with different credit profiles as a precautionary step to limit any loss that may arise directly or indirectly as a result of a defaulted exposure.

**Interest rate risk**

Interest rate risk refers to the impact of interest rate changes on the valuation of debt securities and money market instruments. When interest rates rise, debt securities and money market instruments prices generally decline and this may lower the market value of the Fund's investment in debt securities and money market instruments. In managing the debt securities, we take into account the coupon rate and time to maturity of the debt securities with an aim to mitigate the interest rate risk. As for money market instruments, the typical tenor of these instruments are less than 12-month maturity and unlike debt securities, any change to interest rate will only have a minor impact to the prices of these instruments.

**The above summary of risks does not purport to be an exhaustive list of all the risk factors relating to investments in the Fund and are not set out in any particular order of priority. You should be aware that an investment in a unit trust fund may be exposed to other risks from time to time. If in doubt, you should consult professional advisers for a better understanding of the risks.**

## 2. FEES, CHARGES AND EXPENSES

### 2.1. CHARGES

The following describes the charges that you may **directly** incur when you buy or withdraw units of the Classes.

#### 2.1.1. Application Fee

When applying for units of the Class, you may be charged an Application Fee based on the NAV per unit of the respective Class. Please refer to the Annexure of the respective Class for further information. If you invest via EPF-MIS (where available), you may be charged an Application Fee of up to 3.00% of the NAV per unit, or such other rate as may be determined by the EPF.

Below is an illustration on how the Application Fee is calculated:-

	Class ABC (Denominated in MYR)	Class XYZ (Denominated in MYR)
Investment amount	MYR 10,000.00	MYR 10,000.00
NAV per unit	MYR 1.0000	MYR 1.0000
Application Fee (NAV per unit)	2.00%	0.00%
Units issued to Unit holder = $\frac{\text{Investment amount}}{\text{NAV per unit}}$	= $\frac{\text{MYR 10,000.00}}{\text{MYR 1.0000}}$ = 10,000 units	= $\frac{\text{MYR 10,000.00}}{\text{MYR 1.0000}}$ = 10,000 units
Application Fee per unit = NAV per unit x Application Fee (%)	= MYR 1.0000 x 2.00% = MYR 0.02	= MYR 1.0000 x 0.00% = MYR 0.00
Total Application Fee = Units issued to Unit holder x NAV per unit x Application Fee (%)	= 10,000 units x MYR 0.02 = MYR 200.00	= 10,000 units x MYR 0.00 = MYR 0.00

**Note:** Please note that the above example is for illustration purpose only. Please refer to the Annexure of the respective Class for the Application Fee applicable to the Class. The Application Fee imposed will be rounded to two (2) decimal places.

#### 2.1.2. Withdrawal Fee

NIL

#### 2.1.3. Switching Fee

Switching is treated as a withdrawal from a Class and an investment into another Class or Principal Malaysia's fund (or its class(es)). As such, you may be charged a Switching Fee equal to the difference (if any) between the Application Fee of the Class and the Application Fee of the other Class or Principal Malaysia's fund (or its class(es)). Switching Fee will not be charged if the Class or Principal Malaysia's fund (or its class) to be switched into has a lower Application Fee. In addition, you may be charged administrative fee for each switch. Please refer to the Annexure of the respective Class for further information.

#### 2.1.4. Transfer Fee

You may be charged Transfer Fee for each transfer. Please refer to the Annexure of the respective Class for further information.

## 2.2. FEES AND EXPENSES

All fees and expenses of the Fund will generally be apportioned to each Class currently available for sale based on the MCR except for those that are related to the specific Class only, such as, the costs and/or benefits from currency hedging of the respective Class(es) and the costs of Unit holders meeting held in relation to the respective Class. If in doubt, you should consult professional advisers for better understanding.

The following describes the fees that you may **indirectly** incur when you invest in a Class.

### 2.2.1. Management Fee

Please note that the Management Fee is charged to the respective Class at the Class level, based on the NAV of the Class. Please refer to the Annexure of the respective Class for further information. The Management Fee shall be accrued daily and paid monthly.

*Below is an illustration on how the Management Fee is calculated, assuming Management Fee of 1.00% per annum and MYR 150 million each for both Class ABC and Class XYZ:-*

	Class ABC (Denominated in MYR) (MYR)	Class XYZ (Denominated in MYR) (MYR)
Management Fee	1.00% per annum	0.25% per annum
NAV of the class	MYR 150 million	MYR 150 million
Management Fee for the day = NAV of the class x Management Fee rate for the class (%) / 365 days	= MYR 150 million x 1.00% / 365 = MYR 4,109.59	= MYR 150 million x 0.25% / 365 = MYR 1,027.40

**Note:** In the event of a leap year, the computation will be based on 366 calendar days.

### 2.2.2. Trustee Fee

Please note that the Trustee Fee (including local custodian fee but excluding foreign sub-custodian fees and charges) charged to the Fund is based on the NAV of the Fund. The Trustee Fee shall be accrued daily and paid monthly.

The Trustee Fee is 0.025% per annum for the Fund.

*Below is an illustration on how the Trustee Fee is calculated, assuming the NAV of the Fund is MYR 150 million:-*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Trustee Fee for the day} &= \text{NAV of the Fund} \times \text{annual Trustee Fee rate for the Fund (\%)} / 365 \text{ days} \\
 &= \text{MYR 150 million} \times 0.025\% \text{ per annum} / 365 \text{ days} \\
 &= \text{MYR 102.74}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Note:** In the event of a leap year, the computation will be based on 366 calendar days.

### 2.2.3. Other Expenses

The Deed also provides for payment of other expenses. The major expenses recoverable directly from the Fund include:

- expenses incurred in the sale, purchase, insurance, custody and any other dealings of investments including commissions/fees paid to brokers;
- costs involved with external specialists approved by the Trustee in investigating and evaluating any proposed investment;
- (where the foreign custodial function is delegated by the Trustee), charges and/or fees paid to the sub-custodian for taking into custody any foreign assets of the Fund;
- expenses incurred in preparation and audit of the taxation returns and accounts of the Fund, including the printing of, purchasing of stationery and postage for the annual and interim (if any) reports;
- remuneration and out of pocket expenses of the person(s) or members of a committee undertaking the oversight function of the Fund unless we decide to bear the same;
- taxes and other duties imposed by the government and other authorities, and bank fees;
- the fees and other expenses properly incurred by the auditor of the Fund and tax agent;
- fees incurred for the fund valuation and accounting of the Fund performed by a fund valuation agent;
- costs incurred in modifying the Deed otherwise than for the benefit of the Manager or the Trustee;
- costs incurred for any meetings of Unit holders (other than those convened for our benefit or the Trustee's); and
- all costs and/or expenses associated with the distributions declared pursuant to this Deed and the payment of such distribution including without limitation fees, costs and/or expenses for the revalidation or reissuance of any distribution cheque or distribution warrant or telegraphic transfer.

Expenses not authorised by the Deed must be paid by us or the Trustee out of our own funds if incurred for our own benefit.

**2.2.4.** We and the Trustee are required to ensure that any fees or charges payable are reasonable and in accordance with the Deed which stipulates the maximum rate (in percentage terms) that can be charged. Should the Fund invest into units of other CIS that are managed by us or our related corporation, we will ensure that all initial charges are waived and there is no double charging of management fees. All expenses of the Fund will generally be apportioned to each Class currently available for sale based on the MCR except for the Management Fee and those that is related to the specific Class only, such as, the cost of Unit holders meeting held in relation to the respective Class. If in doubt, you should consult professional advisers for better understanding.

Subject always to the provisions of the Deed and GUTF, we reserve our sole and absolute discretion without providing any reason whatsoever and at any time to amend, vary, waive and/or reduce the fees and charges (except for the Trustee Fee), whether payable by the Fund or Class, payable by you to the Fund or payable by any other investors to the Fund.

We may for any reason and at any time, waive or reduce: (a) any fees (except for the Trustee Fee); (b) other charges payable by you to the Fund; and/or (c) transactional values including but not limited to the units or amount, for any Unit holder and/or investments made via any distribution channels or platform.

### **2.3. REBATES AND SOFT COMMISSIONS**

We and the Trustee will not retain any form of rebate from, or otherwise share in any commission with, any broker or dealer in consideration for directing dealings in the investments of the Fund. Accordingly, any rebates or shared will be directed to the account of the Fund.

We may retain goods and services (soft commission) provided by any broker or dealer if the following conditions are met:

- (a) the soft commission brings direct benefit or advantage to the management of the Fund and may include research and advisory related services;
- (b) any dealings with the broker or dealer is executed on terms which are the most favourable for the Fund; and
- (c) the availability of soft commissions is not the sole or primary purpose to perform or arrange transactions with brokers or dealer, and we will not enter into unnecessary trades in order to achieve a sufficient volume of transactions to qualify for soft commissions.

**There are fees and charges involved and you are advised to consider them before investing in the Fund.**

**All fees and charges payable by you and/or the Fund are subject to any applicable taxes and/or duties as may be imposed by the government or other authorities (if any) from time to time. As a result of changes in any rule, regulation, directive, notice and/or law issued by the government or relevant authority, there may be additional cost to the fees, expenses, charges and/or taxes payable to and/or by the Fund and/or you as disclosed or illustrated in this Prospectus.**

**We have the discretion to amend the amount, rate and/or terms and conditions for the above-mentioned fees, charges, expenses, and/or transaction information from time to time, subject to the requirements stipulated in the Deed and/or GUTF. Where necessary, we will notify the Trustee, communicate to you and/or seek your approval on the amendments to the fees, charges and/or transaction information.**

# 3. TRANSACTION INFORMATION

## 3.1. VALUATION OF INVESTMENTS PERMITTED BY THE FUND

We will carry out the valuation of the Fund in a fair manner in accordance with applicable law and guidelines. The valuation bases for the investment permitted by the Fund are as below:

- **Unlisted securities**  
The value of any unlisted MYR-denominated debt securities shall be calculated on a daily basis using prices quoted by a bond pricing agency (BPA) registered with the SC. Where such prices are not available or where we are of the view that the price quoted by the BPA for a specific debt securities differs from the market price by more than twenty (20) basis points, we may use the market price by reference to the last available quote provided such quote was obtained within the previous thirty (30) days and we record the basis for using a non-BPA price, obtain necessary internal approvals to use the non-BPA price and keep an audit trail of all decisions and basis for adopting the market yield.
- **Money market instruments**  
Investments in money market instruments such as negotiable instrument of deposits and commercial papers shall be valued by reference to the quotes provided by independent and reputable pricing source(s), which is deemed fair value, includes but not limited to BPA registered with the SC. Where the quotes are provided by financial institutions, the valuation of the money market instruments will be based on the average of bid and offer prices quoted by three (3) independent and reputable financial institutions of similar standing at the close of trading. The valuation method is verified by the auditor of the Fund and approved by the Trustee.
- **Deposits**  
The value of Deposits shall be determined each day by reference to the principal value of such Deposits and the accrued income thereon for the relevant period.
- **Listed securities**  
The value of any permitted investments, which are quoted on an exchange, shall be calculated daily by reference to the last exchange closing prices of such exchange. If the last transacted price does not represent the fair value of the securities, then the securities should be valued at fair price as determined in good faith by us, based on the methods or bases approved by the Trustee after appropriate technical consultation, such as the mean of bid and offer prices at the close of trading. Suspended securities will be valued at their last done price unless there is conclusive evidence to show that the value has gone below the suspended price or where the quotation of the securities has been suspended for a period exceeding fourteen (14) days or such shorter period as agreed by the Trustee, then the securities should be valued at fair value as determined in good faith by us based on the methods or bases approved by the Trustee after appropriate technical consultation.

## 3.2. UNIT PRICING

We adopt a single pricing method for any transactions (i.e. applications, withdrawals, switches and/or transfers) based on forward prices. This means that we will process your transactions request based on the NAV per unit at the next valuation point after we receive the completed relevant transaction application from you.

If the transactions are made by 4:00 p.m. on a Business Day, we will process the transactions using the NAV per unit for that Business Day. For transactions made after 4:00 p.m. on a Business Day, we will process the transactions using the NAV per unit on the next Business Day.

We will carry out the valuation for the Classes for a Business Day at the end of that Business Day (T). The unit price for a Business Day is available on our website at [www.principal.com.my](http://www.principal.com.my) after 10:00 a.m. on the following Business Day (T+1).

### **Illustration:**

#### For any transaction request received by us by 4:00 p.m. on a Business Day

At the end of Business Day on 5 September 2022, your units will be calculated based on the NAV per unit on 5 September 2022, which will be calculated on 6 September 2022. The NAV per unit will be available on our website on 6 September 2022.

#### For any transaction request received by us after 4:00 p.m. on a Business Day

At the end of Business Day on 5 September 2022, your units will be calculated based on the NAV per unit on 6 September 2022, which will be calculated on 7 September 2022. The NAV per unit will be available on our website on 7 September 2022.

The Fund must be valued at least once every Business Day. The method of determining the NAV per unit of the Class is calculated as follows:

$$\text{NAV per unit of the Class} = \frac{\text{NAV of the Class}}{\text{Number of units in issue of the Class}}$$

The NAV of the Fund is the sum of the value of all investments and cash held by the Fund (calculated in accordance with the Deed) including income derived by the Fund which has not been distributed to you, less all amounts owing or payable in respect of the Fund which also includes any provisions that may be made by us and the Trustee. For example, a provision may be made for possible future losses on an investment which cannot be fairly determined.

The valuation of the Fund is in the base currency i.e. MYR. The NAV per unit of each Class will be the NAV of the Fund attributable to each Class divided by the number of units in circulation of that Class, at the same valuation point.

### 3.2.1. Multi-class Ratio (MCR)

MCR is the apportionment of the NAV of each Class over the Fund's NAV based on the size of each Class. The MCR is calculated by dividing the NAV (in MYR) of the respective Class by the NAV of the Fund before income and expenses for the day. The apportionment is expressed as a ratio and calculated as a percentage.

Below is an illustration on computation of the NAV of the Fund:

	Fund (MYR)	Class ABC (Denominated in MYR) (MYR)	Class XYZ (Denominated in MYR) (MYR)
NAV of the Fund before income and expenses	185,942,897.00	12,600,000.00	173,342,897.00
% MCR	100%	<sup>(1)</sup> 6.78%	<sup>(1)</sup> 93.22%
Add: Income	30,000.00	<sup>(2)</sup> 2,032.88	<sup>(2)</sup> 27,967.12
Less: Expenses	(10,000.00)	<sup>(2)</sup> (677.63)	<sup>(2)</sup> (9,322.37)
NAV of the Fund before Management Fee and Trustee Fee	185,962,897.00	12,601,355.25	173,361,541.75
Less: Management Fee	(1,532.65)	1.00% p.a. (345.24)	0.25% p.a. (1,187.41)
Less: Trustee Fee	(127.37)	0.025% p.a. (8.63)	(118.74)
NAV of the Fund	185,961,236.98	12,601,001.38	173,360,235.60
Units in circulation (units)	200,000,000 units	30,000,000 units	170,000,000 units
<b>NAV per unit</b>		<b>0.4200</b>	<b>1.0197</b>

	Fund (MYR)	Class ABC (Denominated in MYR) (MYR)	Class XYZ (Denominated in MYR) (MYRD)
NAV of the Fund before creation of units for the day	185,961,236.98	12,601,001.38	173,360,235.60
<sup>(3)</sup> Net subscription amount	2,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Closing NAV	187,961,236.98	13,601,001.38	174,360,235.60
Units in circulation	203,361,632.97 units	32,380,952.38 units	170,980,680.59 units
<b>NAV per unit</b>		<b>0.4200</b>	<b>1.0197</b>

**Note:**

<sup>(1)</sup> MCR computation

	Class ABC (Denominated in MYR) (MYR)	Class XYZ (Denominated in MYR) (MYR)
$\frac{\text{NAV of the Class} \times 100}{\text{NAV of the Fund before income and expenses}}$	$\frac{12,600,000.00 \times 100}{185,942,897.00}$	$\frac{173,342,897.00 \times 100}{185,942,897.00}$
	= 6.78%	= 93.22%

<sup>(2)</sup> Apportionment based on MCR:

	(MYR)	Class ABC (Denominated in MYR) (MYR)	Class XYZ (Denominated in MYR) (MYR)
Add: Income	30,000.00	MCR x Income = Income for Class ABC = 6.78% x MYR 30,000.00 = MYR 2,032.88	MCR x Income = Income for Class XYZ = 93.22% x MYR 30,000.00 = MYR 27,967.12
Less: Expenses	(10,000.00)	MCR x Expenses = Expenses for Class ABC = 6.78% x MYR 10,000 = MYR 677.63	MCR x Expenses = Expenses for Class XYZ = 93.22% x MYR 10,000 = MYR 9,322.37

<sup>(3)</sup> Net subscription amount

	Class ABC (Denominated in MYR) (MYR)	Class XYZ (Denominated in MYR) (MYR)
Net subscription amount	MYR 1,000,000.00	MYR 1,000,000.00
NAV per unit	MYR 0.4200	MYR 1.0197
Number of units	2,380,952.38 units	980,680.59 units
Net subscription amount	MYR 1,000,000.00	MYR 1,000,000.00

**Note:** Please note that the above is for illustration purpose only. NAV per unit is truncated to four (4) decimal places.

### 3.2.2. Calculation of investment amount and units entitlement

The calculation below is for illustration only and does not represent the actual percentage or amount that you may incur for in each Class. Please refer to the Annexure of the respective Class for the actual percentage or amount of charges.

#### Illustrations:

#### Calculation of number of units received, Application Fee and total amount payable by you

NAV per unit of Class ABC denominated in MYR = MYR1.0000 (truncated to 4 decimal places)  
 Application Fee charged by IUTA = 2.00%  
 You wish to invest MYR10,000 in the Fund through an IUTA.

#### Calculation of number of units that you will receive\*

= Investment amount / NAV per unit of Class ABC  
 = MYR10,000.00 / MYR1.0000  
 = 10,000.00 units

#### Calculation of Application Fee that you will incur (payable in addition to the amount invested)

= NAV per unit of Class ABC x number of units received x Application Fee rate  
 = MYR1.0000 x 10,000.00 units x 2.00%  
 = MYR200.00

#### Calculation of total amount that you will have to pay

= Investment amount + Application Fee paid  
 = MYR10,000.00 + MYR200.00  
 = MYR10,200.00

\* The number of units you will receive will be rounded to two (2) decimal places

#### Calculation of investment value

Assuming you have 40,000 units in Class ABC of the Fund and the NAV per unit of Class ABC for the day (which will be made known on the following Business Day) is MYR1.0240 (truncated to 4 decimal places).

#### Calculation of investment value

= Number of units x NAV per unit of Class ABC  
 = 40,000 units x MYR1.0240  
 = MYR40,960.00



### **Calculation of withdrawal value and amount payable to you**

Assuming you request for a 10,000 units withdrawal from your investment. Your withdrawal request is received by us by 4:00 p.m. on a Business Day. The NAV per unit for that Business Day (which will be made known on the following Business Day) is MYR1.0240 (truncated to 4 decimal places).

#### Calculation of amount payable to you

= Number of units withdrawn x NAV per unit of Class ABC  
= 10,000 units x MYR1.0240  
= MYR10,240.00

\* There is no Withdrawal Penalty for Class ABC of the Fund. Hence, the amount payable to you is the withdrawal value.

### **3.3. INCORRECT PRICING**

We shall take immediate remedial action to rectify any incorrect valuation and/or pricing of the Class. Where such error has occurred, we shall reimburse the money in the following manner:

- (a) in the event of over valuation and/or pricing, we shall reimburse:
  - i. the Class for any withdrawal of units; and/or
  - ii. you, if you have purchase units of the Fund at a higher price; or
- (b) in the event of under valuation and/or pricing, we shall reimburse:
  - i. the Class for any subscription of units; and/or
  - ii. you, if you have withdrawn units of the Class at a lower price.

Notwithstanding the above, unless the Trustee otherwise directs, we shall make the reimbursement, only where an incorrect pricing:

- (i) is equal to or more than 0.50% of the NAV per unit; and
- (ii) results in a sum total of MYR10.00 (or in the case of a foreign currency Class, 10.00 denominated in the foreign currency denomination of the Class) or more to be reimbursed to a Unit holder for each sale or withdrawal transaction.

We shall have the right to amend, vary or revise the abovesaid limits or threshold from time to time, subject to any regulatory or governing body's requirements.

### **3.4. INVESTING**

#### **3.4.1. Who can invest?**

You are eligible to invest in the Fund if you are:

- an individual who is at least eighteen (18) years of age and you are not an undischarged bankrupt. As an individual investor, you may also opt to invest in joint names (i.e. as a joint Unit holder and both applicants must be at least eighteen (18) years of age).
- an institution including a company, corporation, co-operative, trust or pension fund.

Notwithstanding the above, we have the right to reject an application on reasonable grounds.

Further, if we are aware a USA person (i.e. someone who has a USA address (permanent or mailing) or contact number) or USA entity (i.e. a corporation, trust, partnership or other entity created or organised in or under the laws of the United States or any state thereof or any estate or trust the income of which is subject to United States Federal Income Tax regardless of source) holding units in the Fund, we will issue a notice to that Unit holder requiring him/her to, within thirty (30) days, either withdraw the units or transfer the units to a non-USA person or non-USA entity.

We also have the right to withdraw all units held by you in the event we are of the opinion that such withdrawal is necessary to ensure that we comply with any relevant laws, regulations and guidelines. We will first notify you before making any such compulsory withdrawal of your units.

#### **3.4.2. How to invest?**

You may invest through any of our Distributors or Principal Malaysia's office after completing the relevant application and attaching a copy of your identity card, passport or any other identification document (where applicable). We may request for additional supporting document(s) or information from you. Your application should indicate clearly the amount you wish to invest in the Fund. We may introduce other mode of investment from time to time, subject to the approval of the relevant authorities.

You may make a payment:

- by crossed cheque, banker's draft or cashier's order (made payable as advised by us or our Distributors as the case may be). You will have to bear the applicable bank fees and charges, if any;
- directly from your bank account held with us or our Distributors, where applicable; or

- by such other mode of payment that we and/or the relevant authorities may approve from time to time. Any charges, fees and expenses incurred in facilitating such mode of payment shall be borne by you. Such mode of payment is subject to further limit(s), restriction(s) and/or terms and conditions that we and/or the relevant authorities may impose from time to time.

### 3.4.3. Regular Savings Plan

RSP may be made available for certain Class. Please refer to the Annexure of the respective Class for further information. Where available, the RSP allows you to make regular monthly investments, directly from your account held with a bank approved by us or our Distributors. We will process the monthly investments made via the RSP will be processed when we receive your application and/or monthly contribution. You can also arrange a standing instruction with our Distributors to invest a pre-determined amount in the Class each month. You may cancel your RSP at any time by providing written instructions to us or our Distributor to cancel your standing instruction.

### 3.4.4. Can the units be registered in the name of more than one (1) Unit holder?

We may register units in the name of more than one (1) Unit holder but we have the discretion not to allow registration of more than two (2) joint Unit holders. All applicants must be at least eighteen (18) years of age.

In the event of the demise of a joint Unit holder, whether Muslim or non-Muslim, only the surviving joint Unit holder will be recognized as the rightful owner. His/her units will be dealt with in accordance with the Deed and applicable laws and regulations.

### 3.4.5. Who is distributing this Fund?

The Fund may be distributed via the following channels:

- Principal Malaysia's offices;
- Principal Distributor;
- IUTAs; and
- such other channels as we may decide from time to time.

You may invest into the Fund via us or any of our Distributors. Please refer to the "Distributors of the Fund" chapter for further details. Please note that we have the discretion in determining the Distributors of the Fund, including its appointment and/or termination from time to time. You may contact our Customer Care Centre under the "Corporate Directory" section or refer to our website at [www.principal.com.my](http://www.principal.com.my) for more information.

**You should not make payment in cash to any individual agent or employee of Principal Malaysia or issue a cheque in the name of any individual agent or employee of Principal Malaysia when purchasing units of a fund.**

- 3.4.6. Please take note that if your investments are made through an IUTA via a nominee system of ownership, you would not be deemed as a Unit holder under the Deed and as a result, you may not exercise all the rights ordinarily conferred to a Unit holder (e.g. the right to call for Unit holders' meetings and the right to vote at a Unit holders' meeting).

## 3.5. MINIMUM INVESTMENTS

The minimum initial and additional investment for each Class may differ and may be determined by us from time to time. Please refer to the Annexure of the respective Class for further information.

### 3.5.1. Processing an application

If we receive and accepted a complete application by 4:00 p.m. on a Business Day, we will process it using the NAV per unit for that Business Day. If we receive and accepted the application after 4:00 p.m. on a Business Day, we will process it using the NAV per unit for the next Business Day (T+1). We will only process the completed applications with all the necessary and required information and/or documentations. The number of units you receive will be rounded to two (2) decimal places.

## 3.6. MINIMUM WITHDRAWALS

The minimum withdrawal amount for each Class may differ and may be determined by us from time to time, unless you are withdrawing your entire investment. Please refer to the Annexure of the respective Class for further information. You may withdraw by completing a withdrawal application and submit it to the relevant Distributor or Principal Malaysia's offices. There is no restriction on the frequency of withdrawals. We will transfer the withdrawal proceeds to the bank account or foreign currency bank account, as the case may be, in our records. If the Fund is an EPF-MIS approved fund and you have invested via EPF-MIS, your withdrawal proceeds will be paid to EPF.

### **3.6.1. Processing a withdrawal**

If we receive a complete withdrawal request by 4:00 p.m. on a Business Day, we will process it using the NAV per unit for that Business Day. If we receive the withdrawal request after 4:00 p.m. on a Business Day, we will process it using the NAV per unit for the next Business Day (T+1). The amount that you will receive is calculated by the withdrawal value less the Withdrawal Fee, if any. You will be paid in MYR within seven (7) Business Days upon our receipt of the complete withdrawal request. You will have to bear the applicable bank fees and charges, if any.

### **3.7. MINIMUM BALANCE**

The minimum balance that must be maintained in your account for each Class may differ and may be determined by us from time to time. Please refer to the Annexure of the respective Class for further information. If the balance (i.e. number of units) of an investment drops below the minimum balance units, further investment will be required until the balance of the investment is restored to at least the stipulated minimum balance. Otherwise, we have the discretion to switch your units to another Class with lower minimum balance which may subject to higher fees or we can withdraw your entire investment and forward the proceeds to you.

### **3.8. COOLING-OFF PERIOD**

For first time individual investor investing with us, you have six (6) Business Days after your initial investment (i.e. from the date the complete application is received and accepted by us or any of our Distributors) to reconsider its appropriateness and suitability for your investment needs. Within this period, you may withdraw your investment at the same NAV per unit when the units were purchased or prevailing NAV per unit at the point of cooling-off (whichever is lower) ("Refund Amount"). We will pay the Refund Amount including Application Fee (if any) to you in MYR within seven (7) Business Days from the date we receive the complete documentations. Please note that the cooling-off right is only given to first time investor investing with us or our Distributors. However, Principal Malaysia's staff and person(s) registered with a body approved by the SC to deal in unit trust funds are not entitled to the cooling-off right.

In addition, if you have invested via the EPF-MIS (where available), your cooling-off right is subject to EPF's terms and conditions.

### **3.9. SWITCHING**

We process a switching between the Classes of the Fund or between a Class and other Principal Malaysia's funds (or its classes), which should be denominated in the same currency. You may contact our Customer Care Centre under the "Corporate Directory" section for more information on the availability of switching. Please refer to the Annexure of the respective Class for further information.

To switch, simply complete a switch application form and send to our Distributor or Principal Malaysia's offices. Currently, there is no restriction on the frequency of switches. However, we have the discretion to allow or to reject any switching into (or out of) the Fund or Class and other Principal Malaysia's funds (or its classes).

#### **3.9.1. Processing a switch**

We process a switch as a withdrawal from one fund or class and an investment into another fund or class within Principal Malaysia. If we receive a complete switch request by 4:00 p.m. on a Business Day, we will process the switch-out using the NAV per unit for that Business Day. If we receive the request after 4:00 p.m. on a Business Day, the switch out will be processed using the NAV per unit for the next Business Day (T+1).

However, you should note that switch-in may be processed at a later Business Day, generally within one (1) to four (4) Business Days.

### **3.10. TRANSFER FACILITY**

You may transfer your units to another investor subject to such terms and conditions as may be stipulated in the Deed. However, we may refuse to register any transfer of unit at our absolute discretion. You may be subjected to Transfer Fee for each transfer. Please refer to the Annexure of the respective Class for further information.

### 3.11. TEMPORARY SUSPENSION

Subject to the requirements in the GUTF and/or the Deed, we and/or the Trustee may temporarily suspend the dealing in units of the Fund when there is good and sufficient reason to do so.

To avoid suspension of the Fund, the Fund will hold adequate liquid assets and if the liquid assets are insufficient to meet redemption requests, we will either liquidate the investments of the Fund or seek temporary financing, considering which is in the best interests of Unit Holders. Before carrying out any suspension of the Fund after we have taken all considerations under liquidity risk management framework, we will ensure that we have exhausted all possible avenues to avoid a suspension of the Fund, and only as a last resort, and in consultation with the Trustee and having considered the interests of the Unit Holders, suspend the sale (if applicable) and repurchase of Units where it is impractical for us to calculate the NAV of the Fund when material portion of asset of the Fund is affected due to but not limited to the following:

- (i) the closure of a securities exchange or trading restrictions in the securities exchange; or
- (ii) an emergency or other state of affairs; or
- (iii) the declaration of a moratorium in a country where that Fund has assets; or
- (iv) for the purpose of conversion of any currency, a closure or restrictions on trading in the relevant foreign market exchange; or
- (v) the realisation of the assets of the Fund not being able to be effected at prices which would be realised if the assets of the Fund were realised in an orderly fashion over a reasonable period in a stable market.

Please note that during the suspension period, there will be no NAV per unit available and hence, we will not accept any transactions for the applications, withdrawals, switches and/or transfers of units. If we have earlier accepted your request for applications, withdrawals, switches and/or transfers of units before the suspension is declared, please note that your request will only be processed on the next Business Day after the cessation of suspension of the Fund. You will be notified of the suspension and when the suspension is lifted.

### 3.12. DISTRIBUTION PAYMENT

Depending on the distribution policy of the respective Class, distribution (if any) will be made at the end of each distribution period to the Class(es) according to its distribution policy. Each unit of the Class will receive the same distribution for a distribution period regardless of when those units were purchased. The distribution amount you will receive is calculated by multiplying the total number of units held by you in the Class with the distribution amount in cent per unit. On the distribution date, the NAV per unit will adjust accordingly. For more information on the distribution policy of each Class, please see Annexure of the respective Class.

All distributions (if any) will be automatically reinvested into additional units in the Class at the NAV per unit on the distribution date (the number of units will be rounded to two (2) decimal places), unless written instructions to the contrary are communicated to us, in which you should have first furnished us with details of your valid and active bank account, that all distribution payment shall be paid into (the cost and expense will be borne by you). No Application Fee is payable for the reinvestment.

If units are issued as a result of the reinvestment of a distribution or other circumstance after you have withdrawn your investment from the Class, those additional units will then be withdrawn and the proceeds will be paid to you.

**Note:** Please note that for Class(es) that provide distribution, we have the right to make provisions for reserves in respect of distribution of the Class. If the income available is too small or insignificant, any distribution may not be of benefit to you as the total cost to be incurred in any such distribution may be higher than the amount for distribution. We have the discretion to decide on the amount to be distributed to you. We also have the discretion to make income distribution on an ad-hoc basis, taking into consideration the level of its realised income and/or realised gains, as well as the performance of the Fund.

### 3.13. UNCLAIMED MONEYS

Any moneys payable to you which remain unclaimed after twelve (12) months as prescribed by the Unclaimed Moneys Act 1965 ("UMA"), will be surrendered to the Registrar of Unclaimed Moneys by us in accordance with the requirements of the UMA. Thereafter, all claims need to be made by you with the Registrar of Unclaimed Moneys.

For income distribution payout to you by cheque, if any, which remains unclaimed for six (6) months will be reinvested into the Class within thirty (30) Business Days after the expiry of the cheque's validity period based on the prevailing NAV per unit on the day of the reinvestment provided that you still hold units of the Class. As for income distribution payout to you by bank transfer, if any, which remained unsuccessful and unclaimed for six (6) months, it will be reinvested into the Class within thirty (30) Business Days after the six (6) months period based on the prevailing NAV per unit on the day of the reinvestment in circumstances where you still hold units of the Class. No Application Fee is payable for the reinvestment. In the event that you no longer hold any unit in the Class, the distribution money would be subject to the same treatment mentioned in the above paragraph as prescribed by the UMA.

**Unit prices and distributions payable, if any, may go down as well as up.**

**We have the discretion to amend the amount, rate and/or terms and conditions of the transaction information herein, subject to the requirements stipulated in the Deed. Where necessary, we will notify the Trustee and communicate to you on the amendments to the transaction information.**

## 4. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### 4.1. FINANCIAL YEAR-END

28 February (29 February in the event of a leap year).

### 4.2. INFORMATION ON YOUR INVESTMENT

We will send you the following:

- Your Principal Malaysia investor account number;
- Confirmation on all your transactions and distributions (if any);
- Confirmation on any changes to your personal details (e.g. your address) if you have written to us to make the changes;
- Quarterly statement showing details of your transactions and distributions (if any); and
- Interim and audited annual report showing snapshots of the Fund and details of the portfolio for the respective period reported. Both the interim report and the audited annual report will be sent to you within two (2) months of the end of the period reported.

**Note:** The Unit holders of Class C may request for additional reports subject to payment of an administration fee. However, we also have the discretion to waive the administration fee. You should note that we may, for any reason at any time, at our discretion, accept or reject your request and without having to assign any reason and prior notice to you.

**The Fund's printed annual report is available upon request.**

In the case of joint Unit holders, all correspondences and payments will be made and sent to the first registered Unit holder.

Please take note that if you have invested through an IUTA via a nominee system of ownership, you would not be deemed as a Unit holder under the Deed. As such, you may obtain the above-mentioned information from that IUTA.

You may obtain up-to-date fund information and NAV per unit from our monthly fund fact sheets and our website at [www.principal.com.my](http://www.principal.com.my).

If you have any questions about the information in this Prospectus or would like to know more about investing in the Principal Malaysia family of unit trust funds, please contact our Customer Care Centre under the "Corporate Directory" section during our business hour between 8:45 am and 5:45 pm (Malaysian time), from Mondays to Fridays) or you may email us at [service@principal.com.my](mailto:service@principal.com.my).

If you wish to write-in, please address your letter to:

**Principal Asset Management Berhad**  
**Customer Care Centre**  
Ground Floor Bangunan CIMB  
Jalan Semantan  
Damansara Heights  
50490 Kuala Lumpur, MALAYSIA

### 4.3. DEED

The Fund is governed by the Deed dated 11 July 2017, as amended by the first supplemental deed dated 17 December 2019, second supplemental deed dated 23 December 2022 and third supplemental deed dated 23 March 2023 including any supplemental deed (s) as may be issued from time to time.

### 4.4. DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION

You may inspect the following documents or copies thereof in relation to the Fund (upon request) at our principal place of business and/or the business address of the Trustee (where applicable) without charge:

- The Deed;
- Current Prospectus and supplementary or replacement prospectus, if any;
- The latest annual and interim reports of the Fund, which includes the audited financial statements of the Fund (where available) for the current financial year and for the last three (3) financials years or if less than three (3) years, from the date of launch of the Fund;
- Material contracts or documents disclosed in this Prospectus;
- The audited financial statements of the Manager and the Fund (where applicable) for the current financial year and for the last three (3) financials years or if less than three (3) years, from the date of incorporation or commencement;

- Any report, letter or other document, valuation and statement by any expert, any part of which is extracted or referred to in this Prospectus;
- Writ and relevant cause papers for all material litigation and arbitration disclosed in this Prospectus; and
- Consent given by experts disclosed in this Prospectus, if any.

#### **4.5. CONSENT**

Ernst & Young Tax Consultants Sdn. Bhd. and HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad have given their written consent to act in their respective capacity. They have also given their consent for the inclusion of their names, statements and/or reports in this Prospectus in the form and context in which it appears and have not subsequently withdrawn their consent to the inclusion of their names, statements and/or reports in the form and context in which it appears in this Prospectus.

#### **4.6. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

We (including our directors) will at all times act in your best interests and will not conduct ourselves in any manner that will result in a conflict of interest or potential conflict of interest. In the unlikely event that any conflict of interest arises, such conflict shall be resolved such that the Fund is not disadvantaged. In the unlikely event that we face conflicts in respect of our duties as the manager to the Fund and to other Principal Malaysia's funds that we manage, we are obliged to act in the best interests of our investors and will seek to resolve any conflicts fairly and in accordance with the Deed.

We shall not act as principal in the sale and purchase of any securities or investments to and from the Fund. We shall not make any investment for the Fund in any securities, properties or assets in which we or our officer has financial interest in or from which we or our officer derives a benefit, unless with the prior approval of the Trustee. We (including our directors) who hold substantial shareholdings or directorships in public companies shall refrain from any decision making relating to that particular investment of the Fund.

The Fund may maintain Deposits with CIMB Bank Berhad, CIMB Islamic Bank Berhad and CIMB Investment Bank Berhad. We may enter into transactions with other companies within the CIMB Group and the PFG provided that the transactions are effected at market prices and are conducted at arm's lengths.

We generally discourage cross trades and prohibit any transactions between client(s) accounts and fund accounts. Any cross trade activity require prior approval with the relevant supporting justification(s) to ensure the trades are executed in the best interest of both funds and such transactions were executed at arm's length. Cross trades will be reported to the person(s) or members of a committee undertaking the oversight function of the Fund to ensure compliance to the relevant regulatory requirements.

The Distributors may be our related party. We will ensure that any arrangement made with the Distributors will be at arm's length.

##### **Trustee**

As for the trustee and service provider for the Fund, there may be related party transactions involving or in connection with the Fund in the following events:

- (1) where the Fund invests in instrument(s) offered by the related party of the Trustee (e.g. placement of monies, transferable securities, FX transaction, etc);
- (2) where the Fund is being distributed by the related party of the Trustee;
- (3) where the assets of the Fund are being custodised by the related party of the Trustee both as sub-custodian and/or global custodian of the Fund (i.e. Trustee's delegate); and
- (4) where the Fund obtains financing as permitted under the GUTF, from the related party of the Trustee.

The Trustee has in place policies and procedures to deal with any conflict of interest situation. The Trustee will not make improper use of its position as the owner of the Fund's assets to gain, directly or indirectly, any advantage or cause detriment to the interests of Unit holders. Any related party transaction is to be made on terms which are best available to the Fund and which are not less favourable to the Fund than an arms-length transaction between independent parties.

Subject to any local regulations, the Trustee and/or its related group of companies may deal with each other, the Fund or any Unit holder or enter into any contract or transaction with each other, the Fund or any Unit holder or retain for its own benefit any profits or benefits derived from any such contract or transaction or act in the same or similar capacity in relation to any other scheme.

#### **4.7. INTERESTS IN THE FUND**

Subject to any legal requirement, we or any of our related corporation, or any of our officers or directors, may invest in the Fund. Our directors will receive no payments from the Fund other than distributions that they may receive as a result of investment in the Fund. No fees other than the ones set out in this Prospectus have been paid to any promoter of the Fund, or the Trustee (either to become a trustee or for other services in connection with the Fund), or us for any purpose.

#### **4.8. EMPLOYEES' SECURITIES DEALINGS**

We have in place a policy contained in our Personal Account Dealing Policy, which regulates its employees' securities dealings. All of our employees are required to declare their securities trading annually to ensure that there is no potential conflict of interest between the employees' securities trading and the execution of the employees' duties to us and our customers.



# 5. THE MANAGER

## 5.1. ABOUT PRINCIPAL ASSET MANAGEMENT BERHAD

Principal Malaysia was incorporated on 13 June 1994 and is a joint venture between PFG and CIMB Group. Principal Malaysia has experience operating unit trust funds since 1994.

The primary roles, duties and responsibilities of Principal Malaysia as the Manager of the Fund include:

- maintaining a register of Unit holders;
- implementing the appropriate investment strategies to achieve the Fund's investment objectives;
- ensuring that the Fund has sufficient holdings in liquid assets;
- arranging for the sale and withdrawal of units;
- calculating the amount of income to be distributed to Unit holders, if any; and
- maintaining proper records of the Fund.

As at LPD, there is no litigation or arbitration proceeding current, pending or threatened against or initiated by Principal Malaysia nor are there any facts likely to give rise to any proceedings, which might materially affect the business/financial position of Principal Malaysia.

5.1.1. The name and designation of each of the directors can be found in our website at [www.principal.com.my/en/about-us/leadership](http://www.principal.com.my/en/about-us/leadership).

### 5.1.2. Designated Person Responsible for Fund Management Function

<b>Name:</b>	Patrick Chang Chian Ping
<b>Designation:</b>	Chief Investment Officer, Malaysia & Chief Investment Officer, Equities, ASEAN Region
<b>Experience:</b>	He was appointed as the Chief Investment Officer on 22 February 2016. He comes with an extensive 20 years of experience in asset management and is backed by numerous ASEAN awards from Malaysian pension funds in 2013 and 2015. He was previously the Head of ASEAN equities at BNP Paribas Investment Partners, Malaysia where he was overseeing ASEAN equities for both Malaysian and offshore clients from 2012. Prior to that, he served as Senior Vice President for CIMB-Principal Asset Management Berhad where he specialised in Malaysia, ASEAN and Asia specialist funds. He also worked as a portfolio manager at Riggs and Co International Private Banking in London specialising in managing global ETF portfolios.
<b>Qualifications:</b>	MSc Finance from City University Business School and BSc Accounting and Financial Analysis from University of Warwick, UK.

**Note:** For more information and/or updated information, please refer to our website at [www.principal.com.my](http://www.principal.com.my).

# 6. THE TRUSTEE

## 6.1. ABOUT HSBC (MALAYSIA) TRUSTEE BERHAD

**HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad** is a company incorporated in Malaysia since 1937 and is registered as a trust company under the Trust Companies Act 1949, with its registered address at Level 19, Menara IQ, Lingkaran TRX, 55188 Tun Razak Exchange, Kuala Lumpur. Since 1993, the Trustee has acquired experience in the administration of unit trusts and has been appointed as trustee for unit trust funds, exchange-traded funds, wholesale funds and funds under private retirement scheme.

### 6.1.1. Roles, Duties and Responsibilities of the Trustee

The Trustee's main functions are to act as trustee and custodian of the assets of the Fund and to safeguard the interests of Unit holders. In performing these functions, the Trustee has to exercise all due care, diligence and vigilance and is required to act in accordance with the provisions of the Deed, the CMSA and the GUTF. Apart from being the legal owner of the Fund's assets, the Trustee is also responsible for ensuring that the Manager performs its duties and obligations in accordance with the provisions of the Deed, the CMSA and the GUTF. In respect of moneys paid by an investor for the application of units, the Trustee's responsibility arises when the moneys are received in the relevant account of the Trustee and in respect of withdrawal, the Trustee's responsibility is discharged once it has paid the withdrawal amount to the Manager.

The Trustee has in place anti-money laundering and anti-terrorism financing policies and procedures across the HSBC Group, which may exceed local regulations. Subject to any local regulations, the Trustee shall not be liable for any loss resulting from compliance of such policies, except in the case of negligence, wilful default or fraud of the Trustee.

The Trustee is not liable for doing or failing to do any act for the purpose of complying with law, regulation or court orders.

The Trustee shall be entitled to process, transfer, release and disclose from time to time any information relating to the Fund, Manager and Unit holders for purposes of performing its duties and obligations in accordance to the Deed, the CMSA, the GUTF and any other legal and/or regulatory obligations such as conducting financial crime risk management, to the Trustee's parent company, subsidiaries, associate companies, affiliates, delegates, service providers, agents and any governing or regulatory authority, whether within or outside Malaysia (who may also subsequently process, transfer, release and disclose such information for any of the above mentioned purposes) on the basis that the recipients shall continue to maintain the confidentiality of information disclosed, as required by law, regulation or directive, or in relation to any legal action, or to any court, regulatory agency, government body or authority.

### 6.1.2. Trustee's Delegate

The Trustee has appointed the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Ltd as the custodian of both the local and foreign assets of the Fund. For quoted and unquoted local investments of the Fund, the assets are held through HSBC Bank Malaysia Berhad and/or HSBC Nominees (Tempatan) Sdn Bhd. The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Ltd is a wholly owned subsidiary of HSBC Holdings Plc, the holding company of the HSBC Group. The custodian's comprehensive custody and clearing services cover traditional settlement processing and safekeeping as well as corporate related services including cash and security reporting, income collection and corporate events processing. All investments are registered in the name of the Trustee or to the order of the Trustee. The custodian acts only in accordance with instructions from the Trustee.

The Trustee shall be responsible for the acts and omissions of its delegate as though they were its own acts and omissions.

However, the Trustee is not liable for the acts, omissions or failure of any third party depository such as central securities depositories, or clearing and/or settlement systems and/or authorised depository institutions, where the law or regulation of the relevant jurisdiction requires the Trustee to deal or hold any asset of the Fund through such third parties.

#### Particulars of the Trustee's Delegate

For foreign asset:

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited  
6/F, Tower 1,  
HSBC Centre,  
1 Sham Mong Road, Hong Kong.  
Telephone No: (852)2288 1111

For local asset:

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited (As Custodian) and assets held through HSBC Nominees (Tempatan) Sdn Bhd (Registration No: 199301004117 (258854-D))  
Level 21, Menara IQ  
Lingkaran TRX  
55188 Tun Razak Exchange  
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia  
Telephone No: (603)2075 3000      Fax No: (603)8894 2588

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited (As Custodian) and assets held through HSBC Bank Malaysia Berhad  
(Registration No.: 198401015221(127776-V))  
Level 21, Menara IQ  
Lingkaran TRX  
55188 Tun Razak Exchange  
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia  
Telephone No: (603)2075 3000 Fax No: (603) 8894 2588

#### **6.1.3. Trustee's Disclosure of Material Litigation**

As at the LPD, the Trustee is not engaged in any material litigation and arbitration, including those pending or threatened, and is not aware of any facts likely to give rise to any proceedings which might materially affect the business/financial position of the Trustee.

#### **6.1.4. Trustee's Statement of Responsibility**

The Trustee has confirmed its willingness to assume the position as trustee of the Fund and all the obligations in accordance with the Deed, and all relevant laws. The Trustee shall be entitled to be indemnified out of the Fund against all losses, damages or expenses incurred by the Trustee in performing any of its duties or exercising any of its powers under the Deed. The right to indemnity shall not extend to loss occasioned by breach of trust, wilful default, negligence, fraud or failure to show the degree of care and diligence required of the Trustee having regard to the provisions of the Deed.

# 7. SALIENT TERMS OF THE DEED

Money invested by you in the Fund will purchase a number of units, which represents your interest in the Fund. Each unit held in a Class represents an equal undivided beneficial interest in the assets of that Class. However, the unit does not give you an interest in any particular part of the Class or a right to participate in the management or operation of the Fund (other than through Unit holders' meetings).

You will be recognised as a registered Unit holder in the Class on the Business Day your details are entered onto the register of Unit holders.

## 7.1. RIGHTS, LIABILITIES AND LIMITATION OF UNIT HOLDERS

### 7.1.1. Rights

As a Unit holder, you have the right, among others, to:

- (i) inspect the register, free of charge, at any time at our registered office, and obtain such information pertaining to its units as permitted under the Deed and the GUTF;
- (ii) receive the distribution of the Fund (if any), participate in any increase in the capital value of the units and to other rights and privileges as set out in the Fund's Deed;
- (iii) call for Unit holders' meetings;
- (iv) vote for the removal of the Trustee or the Manager through a Special Resolution;
- (v) receive annual reports, interim reports or any other reports of the Fund; and
- (vi) exercise the cooling-off right.

We may, upon request from a Unit Holder of Class C, send a copy of the additional report of the Fund (in addition to that required under Clause 14(9), (11) and (12) and Clause 20(7) of the Deed) after the request is received and upon payment of a reasonable sum as may be determined by us. We shall have the sole and absolute right to reject a Unit Holder of Class C's request to such additional report of the Fund without having to assign any reason or give prior notice.

Unit holders' rights may be varied by changes to the Deed, the GUTF or judicial decisions or interpretation.

### 7.1.2. Liabilities

- (i) Your liability is limited to the purchase price per unit and the Application Fee paid or agreed to be paid for a unit. You need not indemnify the Trustee or us if there is a deficiency in the assets of the Fund to meet the claim of any creditor of the Trustee or ours in respect of the Class. The Unit holders of one Class will not be liable for any liabilities of the other Classes.
- (ii) Subject to our indemnity to the Trustee as provided in the Deed, the recourse of the Trustee, ours and any creditor is limited to the assets of the Fund.

### 7.1.3. Limitations

You cannot:

- (i) interfere with any rights or powers of ours and/or Trustee's under the Deed;
- (ii) exercise a right in respect of an asset of the Fund or lodge a caveat or other notice affecting the asset of the Fund or otherwise claim any interest in the asset of the Fund; or
- (iii) require the asset of the Fund to be transferred to you.

*For full details of the rights of a registered Unit holder of the Fund, please refer to the Deed.*

## 7.2. MAXIMUM FEES AND CHARGES AND EXPENSES PERMITTED BY THE DEED

This table describes the maximum charges permitted by the Deed and payable directly by you.

Charges	Descriptions
(1) Application Fee	Up to 7.00% is charged on the NAV per unit.
(2) Withdrawal Fee	Up to 5.00% of the NAV per unit.
(3) Switching Fee	A fee not exceeding 7.00% of the NAV per unit. An administrative fee (if any) in relation to switching may be charged as set out in the Prospectus.

This table describes the maximum fees permitted by the Deed and payable indirectly by you.

Fees	Descriptions
(1) Management Fee	Up to 3.00% per annum, calculated daily on the NAV.
(2) Trustee Fee	Up to 0.025% per annum, calculated daily on the NAV (including local custodian fees and charges but excluding foreign sub-custodian fees and charges).

A lower fee and/or charges than what is stated in the Deed may be charged, all current fees and/or charges are disclosed in the Prospectus.

Any increase of the fees and/or charges above that stated in the current Prospectus may be made provided that a supplemental prospectus is issued and the maximum stated in the Deed shall not be breached.

Any increase of the fees and/or charges above the maximum stated in the Deed shall require your approval.

### **7.2.1. Expenses permitted by the Deed**

The Deed also provides for payment of other expenses, which include (without limitation) expenses connected with:

- commissions and/or fees paid to brokers or dealers in effecting dealings in the investments of the Fund, shown on the contract notes or confirmation notes or difference accounts;
- (where the foreign custodial function is delegated by the Trustee), charges and/or fees paid to the sub-custodian;
- tax and other duties charged on the Fund by the government and other authorities if any and bank fees;
- the fees and other expenses properly incurred by the auditor of the Fund and tax agent;
- remuneration and out of pocket expenses of the independent members of the person(s) undertaking the oversight functions of the Fund or advisers (if any) of the Fund, unless we decide to bear the same;
- fees for fund valuation and accounting of the Fund performed by a fund valuation agent;
- costs incurred for the modification of the Deed otherwise than for the benefit of the Manager or the Trustee;
- costs incurred for any meeting of Unit holders other than those convened for the benefit of the Manager or the Trustee;
- the sale, purchase, insurance, custody and any other dealings of investments including commissions/fees paid to brokers;
- costs involved with external specialists approved by the Trustee in investigating and evaluating any proposed investment;
- the engagement of valuers, advisers and contractors of all kinds;
- preparation and audit of the taxation returns and accounts of the Fund;
- termination of the Fund or Class and the retirement or removal of the Trustee or the Manager and the appointment of a new trustee or Manager;
- any proceedings, arbitration or other dispute concerning the Fund, Class or any asset, including proceedings against the Trustee or the Manager by the other of them for the benefit of the Fund or Class (except to the extent that legal costs incurred for the defence of either of them are not ordered by the court to be reimbursed out of the Fund );
- costs of obtaining experts opinion by the Trustee and the Manager for the benefit of the Fund or Class;
- all costs and/or expenses associated with the distributions declared pursuant to this Deed and the payment of such distribution including without limitation fees, costs and/or expenses for the revalidation or reissuance of any distribution cheque or distribution warrant or telegraphic transfer; and
- the costs of printing and dispatching to Unit Holders the accounts of the Funds, tax certificates, distribution warrants, notices of meeting of members, newspaper advertisement and such other similar costs as may be approved by the Trustee.

The Trustee and us are required to ensure that any fees or charges payable are reasonable and in accordance with the Deed.

### **7.3. RETIREMENT, REMOVAL OR REPLACEMENT OF THE MANAGER**

We must retire as the Manager when required to retire by law.

We may retire upon giving twelve (12) months' notice to the Trustee of our desire to do so, or such shorter notice as we and the Trustee may agree, in favour of another corporation.

We shall retire under the following circumstances:

- if a Special Resolution is duly passed by the Unit holders that the Manager be removed; or
- if we ceases to be approved by the SC to be the Manager of unit trust schemes.

We may be removed by the Trustee under certain circumstances outlined in the Deed. These include:

- if we have gone into liquidation (except a voluntary liquidation for the purpose of reconstruction or amalgamation upon terms previously approved in writing by the Trustee) or cease to carry on business or if a receiver shall be appointed in respect of the undertaking or assets of the Manager or if any encumbrances shall take possession of any of its assets; or
- if we cease to carry on business; or
- if the Trustee is of the opinion that we have, to the prejudice of the Unit holders, failed to comply with any provision or covenant under the Deed or contravened any of the provisions of the CMSA; or
- if we have failed or neglected to carry out our duties to the satisfaction of the Trustee and the Trustee considers that it would be in the interests of the Unit holders for it to do so, after the Trustee has given reasonable notice to it of that opinion and the reasons for that opinion, and has considered any representations made by us in respect of that opinion, and after consultation with the SC and with the approval of the Unit holders; or
- if a petition has been presented for the winding up against us (other than for the purpose of and followed by a reconstruction, unless during or following such reconstruction, we become or is declared insolvent).

In any of above said circumstances, we for the time being shall upon receipt of such notice by the Trustee cease to be the Manager and the Trustee shall by writing under its seal appoint another corporation to be the manager of the Fund subject to such corporation entering into a deed(s) with the Trustee and thereafter act as manager during the remaining period of the Fund.

We may be replaced by another corporation appointed as manager by Special Resolution of the Unit holders at a Unit holder's meeting convened in accordance with the Deed either by the Trustee or the Unit holders.

#### **7.4. RETIREMENT, REMOVAL OR REPLACEMENT OF THE TRUSTEE**

We and the Trustee may agree, and may by Deed appoint in its stead a new trustee approved by the SC.

The Trustee must retire as trustee of the Fund when required to retire by law. The Trustee may retire by giving twelve (12) months' notice to us or any shorter notice we accept.

We may remove the Trustee and the Trustee covenants that it will retire or removed from the Fund constituted by or pursuant to the Deed if and when requested so to do by us if:

- the Trustee shall go into liquidation;
- the Trustee is placed under receivership, ceases to exist, fails or neglects its duties;
- the Trustee ceases to be approved by the SC to be a trustee for unit trust schemes; or
- a Special Resolution is duly passed by the Unit holders that the Trustee be removed.

Additionally, we are legislatively empowered under Section 299 of the CMSA to remove the Trustee under specific circumstances set out therein.

The Trustee may be replaced by another corporation appointed as trustee by a Special Resolution of the Unit holders at a Unit holders' meeting convened in accordance with the Deed either by us or the Unit holders.

#### **7.5. TERMINATION OF THE FUND AND/OR CLASSES**

The Fund or any of the Classes may be terminated or wound-up upon the occurrence of any of the following events:

- (a) the SC's authorization is withdrawn under Section 256E of the CMSA; or
- (b) a Special Resolution is passed at a Unit holders' meeting of all the Unit holders of the Fund or the relevant Class to terminate or wind-up the Fund or that Class as the case may be, following the occurrence of events stipulated under Section 301(1) of the CMSA and the court has confirmed the resolution, as required under Section 301(2) of the CMSA; or
- (c) a Special Resolution is passed at a Unit holders' meeting of all the Unit holders of the Fund or the relevant Class to terminate or wind-up the Fund or that Class as the case may be; or
- (d) on reaching the Fund's or that Class' Maturity Date (if any); or
- (e) the effective date of an approved transfer scheme, as defined under the GUTF, has resulted in the Fund, which is the subject of the transfer scheme, being left with no asset/property.

Notwithstanding the above, the Fund may be terminated or wound-up, without the need to seek Unit holders' prior approval, as proposed by the Manager with the consent of the Trustee (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld) upon the occurrence of any of the following events, by giving a notice in writing to the Unit holders of such period not less than that specified in the GUTF as hereinafter provided (i) if any law shall be passed which renders it illegal or (ii) if in the reasonable opinion of that Manager it is impracticable or inadvisable to continue the Fund, and in any case the termination of the Fund is in the best interest of the Unit holders.

#### **7.6. MEETINGS OF UNIT HOLDERS**

A Unit holders' meeting may be called by us, the Trustee and/or Unit holders.

Where we or the Trustee convenes a meeting, the notice of the time and place of the meeting and terms of resolution to be proposed shall be given to the Unit holders by sending by post a notice of the proposed meeting at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the proposed meeting, to each Unit holder at the Unit holder's of the Fund or that Class, as the case may be, last known address or, in the case of joint Unit holders, to the joint Unit holder of the Fund or that Class, as the case may be, whose name stands first in our records at the joint Unit holder's last known address.

We shall within twenty-one (21) days after an application is delivered to us at our registered office, being an application by not less than fifty (50), or one-tenth (1/10) in number, whichever is less, of the Unit holders of the Fund or a Class, as the case may be, to which the Deed relates, summon a meeting of the Unit holders:

- (i) by sending a notice by post of the proposed meeting at least seven (7) days before the date of the proposed meeting to each of those Unit holders of the Fund or that Class, as the case may be, at his/her last known address or in the case of joint Unit holder, to the joint Unit holder of the Fund or that Class, as the case may be, whose name stands first in our records at the joint Unit holder's last known address; and
- (ii) by publishing at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the proposed meeting, an advertisement giving notice of the meeting in a national language national daily newspaper and in one other newspaper as may be approved by the SC; and
- (iii) specify in the notice, the place, time and terms of the resolutions to be proposed,

for the purpose of considering the most recent financial statements of the Fund or relevant Class, or for the purpose of requiring the retirement or removal of the Manager OR the Trustee, or for the purpose of giving to the Trustee such directions as the meeting thinks proper, or for the purpose of considering any other matter in relation to this Deed.

The quorum for a meeting of Unit holders of the Fund or Class, as the case may be, is five (5) Unit holders of the Fund (irrespective of the Class) or Class, as the case may be present in person or by proxy, provided that for a meeting which requires a Special Resolution the quorum for that meeting shall be five (5) Unit holders of the Fund (irrespective of the Class) or Class, as the case may be, whether present in person or by proxy, holding in aggregate at least twenty five per centum (25%) of the Units in issue of the Fund (irrespective of the Class) or Class, as the case may be, at the time of the meeting. If the Fund or Class, as the case may be, has five (5) or less Unit holders, the quorum required shall be two (2) Unit holders of the Fund (irrespective of the Class) or Class, as the case may be, whether present or by proxy and if the meeting requires a Special Resolution the quorum for that meeting shall be two (2) Unit holders of the Fund (irrespective of the Class) or Class, as the case may be, whether present in person or by proxy, holding in aggregate at least twenty five per centum (25%) of the units in issue for the Fund (irrespective of the Class) or Class, as the case may be, at the time of the meeting. The same quorum requirements shall apply to a meeting of Unit holders of a particular Class. Where a Fund or Class has only one (1) remaining Unit holder, such Unit holder, whether present in person or by proxy, at the meeting shall constitute a quorum.

Voting is by a show of hands, unless a poll is duly demanded or the resolution proposed is required by the Deed or by law to be decided by a percentage of all Units. At any meeting of Unit holders of the Fund or of a particular Class, as the case may be, (save and except for a resolution for the winding-up of a Class to a Fund, as the case may be), one vote is granted to each Unit, regardless of its NAV per unit. Each Unit holder of the Fund or of the Class present in person or by proxy has one (1) vote on a show of hands (irrespective of the Class). On a poll, each Unit holder of the Fund or of a particular Class, as the case may be, present in person or by proxy has one (1) vote for each whole fully paid Unit held, proportionate to the value of Unit held in the base currency. In the case of a Class meeting, on a poll, each Unit holder of that Class present in person or by proxy has one vote for each whole fully paid unit held in that Class. In the case of joint Unit holders, any one of such joint Unit holder may vote either personally or by proxy as comprised in the joint holding but if more than one of such Joint Unit holder be present at any meeting either personally or by proxy, only the Joint Unit holder whose name appears first in the register may vote. Units held by the Manager or its nominees shall have no voting rights in any Unit holders' meeting of the Fund or of that Class.

Nothing herein shall preclude us from convening any Unit holders' meeting at more than one venue using any communication facility or technology or method available as we shall determine to enable the Unit holders to participate and to exercise their right to speak and vote at that meeting. Where such meeting is convened, any reference to a Unit holder being "present in person" in the Deed, meetings or resolutions shall include, where permitted by us, to that Unit holder being present either remotely or virtually and for the avoidance of doubt it is hereby agreed that the participation by a Unit holder in such meeting using the prescribed communication facility or technology or method shall be deemed as being present at that meeting notwithstanding that the Unit holder is not physically present at the main venue of that meeting.

# 8. TAXATION REPORT

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31 March 2023

Dear Sirs,

## Taxation of the unit trust fund and unit holders

This letter has been prepared for inclusion in this Replacement Prospectus Issue No. 3 in connection with the offer of units in the unit trust known as Principal Conservative Bond Fund (hereinafter referred to as “the Fund”).

The purpose of this letter is to provide prospective unit holders with an overview of the impact of taxation on the Fund and the unit holders.

## Taxation of the Fund

The taxation of the Fund is subject to the provisions of the Malaysian Income Tax Act 1967 (MITA), particularly Sections 61 and 63B.

Subject to certain exemptions, the income of the Fund comprising profits and other investment income derived from or accruing in Malaysia after deducting tax allowable expenses, is subject to Malaysian income tax at the rate of 24% with effect from the year of assessment 2016.

Tax allowable expenses would comprise expenses falling under Section 33(1) and Section 63B of the MITA. Section 33(1) permits a deduction for expenses that are wholly and exclusively incurred in the production of gross income. In addition, Section 63B allows unit trusts a deduction for a portion of other expenses (referred to as ‘permitted expenses’) not directly related to the production of income, as explained below.

“Permitted expenses” refer to the following expenses incurred by the Fund which are not deductible under Section 33(1) of the MITA:

- the manager's remuneration,
- maintenance of the register of unit holders,
- share registration expenses,
- secretarial, audit and accounting fees, telephone charges, printing and stationery costs and postage.

These expenses are given a partial deduction under Section 63B of the MITA, based on the following formula:

$$A \times \frac{B}{4C}$$

- where
- A is the total of the permitted expenses incurred for that basis period;
  - B is gross income consisting of dividend<sup>1</sup>, interest and rent chargeable to tax for that basis period; and
  - C is the aggregate of the gross income consisting of dividend<sup>1</sup> and interest (whether such dividend or interest is exempt or not) and rent, and gains made from the realisation of investments (whether chargeable to tax or not) for that basis period,

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<sup>1</sup> Pursuant to Section 15 of the Finance Act 2011, with effect from the year of assessment 2011, dividend income is deemed to include income distributed by a unit trust which includes distributions from Real Estate Investment Trusts.



provided that the amount of deduction to be made shall not be less than 10% of the total permitted expenses incurred for that basis period.

### Exempt income

The following income of the Fund is exempt from income tax:

- **Malaysian sourced dividends**

All Malaysian-sourced dividends should be exempt from income tax.

- **Malaysian sourced interest**

- (i) interest from securities or bonds issued or guaranteed by the Government of Malaysia;
- (ii) interest from debentures or *sukuk*, other than convertible loan stock, approved or authorized by, or lodged with, the Securities Commission;
- (iii) interest from Bon Simpanan Malaysia issued by Bank Negara Malaysia;
- (iv) interest derived from Malaysia and paid or credited by banks licensed under the Financial Services Act 2013 or the Islamic Financial Services Act 2013<sup>2</sup>;
- (v) interest derived from Malaysia and paid or credited by any development financial institution prescribed under the Development Financial Institutions Act 2002<sup>2</sup>;
- (vi) interest from *sukuk* originating from Malaysia, other than convertible loan stock, issued in any currency other than Ringgit and approved or authorized by, or lodged with, the Securities Commission or approved by the Labuan Financial Services Authority (LFSA)<sup>3</sup>; and
- (vii) interest which is specifically exempted by way of statutory orders or any other specific exemption provided by the Minister.

- **Discount**

Tax exemption is given on discount paid or credited to any unit trust in respect of investments as specified in items (i), (ii) and (iii) above.

### Foreign sourced income

Pursuant to the Finance Act 2021, income derived by a resident person from sources outside Malaysia and received in Malaysia from 1 January 2022 will no longer be exempt from tax.

The Guidelines issued by the Malaysian Inland Revenue Board on 29 September 2022 define the term “received in Malaysia” to mean transferred or brought into Malaysia, either by way of cash<sup>4</sup> or electronic funds transfer<sup>5</sup>.

Foreign-sourced income (FSI) received in Malaysia during the transitional period from 1 January 2022 to 30 June 2022 will be taxed at 3% of gross. From 1 July 2022 onwards, FSI received in Malaysia will be taxed at the prevailing tax rate(s) of the taxpayer and based on applicable tax rules. Bilateral or unilateral tax credits may be allowed if the same income has suffered foreign tax, and where relevant conditions are met.

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<sup>2</sup> Effective from 1 January 2019, the income tax exemption for a unit trust fund, pursuant to Paragraph 35A, Schedule 6 of the MITA shall not apply to a wholesale fund which is a money market fund.

<sup>3</sup> Effective from the year of assessment 2017, the exemption shall not apply to interest paid or credited to a company in the same group or interest paid or credited to a bank licensed under the Financial Services Act 2013 or the Islamic Financial Services Act 2013; or a development financial institution prescribed under the Development Financial Institutions Act 2002.

<sup>4</sup> “Cash” in this context is defined as banknotes, coins and cheques.

<sup>5</sup> “Electronic funds transfer” means bank transfers (e.g., credit or debit transfers), payment cards (debit card, credit card and charge card), electronic money, privately-issued digital assets (e.g., crypto-assets, stablecoins) and central bank digital currency.

Income Tax (Exemption) (No. 6) Order 2022 has been issued to exempt a “qualifying person”<sup>6</sup> from the payment of income tax in respect of dividend income which is received in Malaysia from outside Malaysia, effective from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2026. The exemption will however not apply to a person carrying on the business of banking, insurance or sea or air transport. As the definition of “qualifying person” does not include unit trust funds, it would mean that resident unit trust funds would technically not qualify for the exemption, unless there are further updates thereto.

### **Gains from the realisation of investments**

Pursuant to Section 61(1) (b) of the MITA, gains from the realisation of investments will not be treated as income of the Fund and hence, are not subject to income tax. Such gains may be subject to real property gains tax (RPGT) under the Real Property Gains Tax Act 1976 (RPGT Act), if the gains are derived from the disposal of chargeable assets, as defined in the RPGT Act.

### **Implementation of Sales and Service Tax (“SST”)**

Sales and Service Tax (SST) was re-introduced effective 1 September 2018. Sales Tax of 10% (most common rate) or 5% is charged by Malaysian manufacturers of taxable goods or upon importation into Malaysia of such taxable goods, unless specifically exempted under the Sales Tax (Goods Exempted From Tax) Order 2018. Service Tax at the rate of 6% is charged on certain prescribed taxable services performed by taxable persons as stipulated under Service Tax Regulations 2018. The input tax recovery mechanism under the previous GST regime does not apply to SST. Therefore, any SST incurred is not recoverable and will form a cost element for businesses.

Based on the Service Tax Regulations 2018, a unit trust fund is neither regarded as a taxable person nor as providing taxable services and is therefore not liable for SST registration. Where the Fund incurs expenses such as management fees, the management services provided by asset and fund managers who are licensed or registered with Securities Commission Malaysia for carrying out the regulated activity of fund management under the Capital Markets and Services Act 2007, are specifically excluded from the scope of Service Tax. As for other fees, such as trustee fees and other administrative charges, these may be subject to 6% service tax provided they fall within the scope of service tax (i.e. are provided by a “taxable person”, who exceeds the required annual threshold (in most cases RM 500,000 per annum) and the services qualify as “taxable services”).

### **Taxation of unit holders**

For Malaysian income tax purposes, unit holders will be taxed on their share of the distributions received from the Fund.

The income of unit holders from their investment in the Fund broadly falls under the following categories:

1. taxable distributions; and
2. non-taxable and exempt distributions.

In addition, unit holders may also realise a gain from the sale of units.

The tax implications of each of the above categories are explained below:

#### **1. Taxable distributions**

Distributions received from the Fund will have to be grossed up to take into account the underlying tax paid by the Fund and the unit holder will be taxed on the grossed up amount.

Such distributions carry a tax credit, which will be available for set-off against any Malaysian income tax payable by the unit holder. Should the tax deducted at source exceed the tax liability of the unit holder, the excess is refundable to the unit holder.

Please refer to the paragraph below for the income tax rates applicable to the grossed up distributions.

#### **2. Non-taxable and exempt distributions**

Tax exempt distributions made out of gains from the realisation of investments and exempt income earned by the Fund will not be subject to Malaysian income tax in the hands of the unit holders.

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<sup>6</sup> “Qualifying person” in this context means a person resident in Malaysia who is:

- (a) An individual who has dividend income received in Malaysia from outside Malaysia in relation to a partnership business in Malaysia;
- (b) A limited liability partnership which is registered under the Limited Liability Partnerships Act 2012; or
- (c) A company which is incorporated or registered under the Companies Act 2016.

A retail money market fund is exempted from tax on its interest income derived from Malaysia, pursuant to Paragraph 35A of Schedule 6 of the ITA. Pursuant to the Finance Act 2021, with effect from 1 January 2022, distributions by a retail money market fund from such tax exempt interest income, to a unit holder other than an individual, will no longer be exempt from tax. The distribution to unit holders other than individuals will be subject to withholding tax at 24%. This would be a final tax for non-residents. Malaysian residents are required to include the distributions in their tax returns and claim a credit in respect of the withholding tax suffered. Individuals will continue to be exempt from tax on such distributions.

## Rates of tax

The Malaysian income tax chargeable on the unit holders would depend on their tax residence status and whether they are individuals, corporations or trust bodies. The relevant income tax rates are as follows:

Unit holders	Malaysian income tax rates
<p>Malaysian tax resident:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Individual and non-corporate unit holders (such as associations and societies)</li> <li>• Co-operatives<sup>7</sup></li> <li>• Trust bodies</li> <li>• Corporate unit holders <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) A company with paid up capital in respect of ordinary shares of not more than RM2.5 million (at the beginning of the basis period for the year of assessment) and gross income from a source or sources consisting of a business not exceeding RM50 million for the basis period for the year of assessment<sup>8 9</sup></li> <li>(ii) Companies other than (i) above</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Progressive tax rates ranging from 0% to 30%</li> <li>• Progressive tax rates ranging from 0% to 24%</li> <li>• 24%</li> <li>• First RM600,000 of chargeable income @ 17%</li> <li>• Chargeable income in excess of RM600,000 @ 24%</li> </ul> <p>24%</p>
<p>Non-Malaysian tax resident (Note 1):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Individual and non-corporate unit holders</li> <li>• Corporate unit holders and trust bodies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 30%</li> <li>• 24%</li> </ul>

<sup>7</sup> Pursuant to Paragraph 12(1), Schedule 6 of the MITA, the income of any co-operative society—

- (a) in respect of a period of five years commencing from the date of registration of such co-operative society; and
- (b) thereafter where the members' funds [as defined in Paragraph 12(2)] of such co-operative society as at the first day of the basis period for the year of assessment is less than seven hundred and fifty thousand ringgit, is exempt from tax.

<sup>8</sup> A company would not be eligible for the 17% tax rate on the first RM600,000 of chargeable income if:-

- (a) more than 50% of the paid up capital in respect of the ordinary shares of the company is directly or indirectly owned by a related company which has paid up capital in respect of ordinary shares of more than RM2.5 million at the beginning of a basis period for a year of assessment;
- (b) the company owns directly or indirectly more than 50% of the paid up capital in respect of the ordinary shares of a related company which has paid up capital in respect of ordinary shares of more than RM2.5 million at the beginning of a basis period for a year of assessment;
- (c) more than 50% of the paid up capital in respect of the ordinary shares of the company and a related company which has a paid up capital in respect of ordinary shares of more than RM2.5 million at the beginning of a basis period for a year of assessment is directly or indirectly owned by another company.

<sup>9</sup> The above excludes a business trust and a company which is established for the issuance of asset-backed securities in a securitization transaction approved by the Securities Commission.

Note 1:

Non-resident unit holders may be subject to tax in their respective countries depending on the provisions of the tax legislation in the respective countries and any existing double taxation arrangements with Malaysia.

**Gains from sale of units**

Gains arising from the realisation of investments will generally not be subject to income tax in the hands of unit holders unless they are insurance companies, financial institutions or traders / dealers in securities.

**Unit splits and reinvestment of distributions**

Unit holders may also receive new units as a result of unit splits or may choose to reinvest their distributions. The income tax implications of these are as follows:

- Unit splits – new units issued by the Fund pursuant to a unit split will not be subject to income tax in the hands of the unit holders.
- Reinvestment of distributions – unit holders may choose to reinvest their income distribution in new units by informing the Manager. In this event, the unit holder will be deemed to have received the distribution and reinvested it with the Fund.

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We hereby confirm that, as at the date of this letter, the statements made in this letter correctly reflect our understanding of the tax position under current Malaysian tax legislation and the related interpretation and practice thereof, all of which are subject to change, possibly on a retrospective basis. We have not been retained (unless specifically instructed hereafter), nor are we obligated to monitor or update the statements for future conditions that may affect these statements.

The statements made in this letter are not intended to be a complete analysis of the tax consequences relating to an investor in the Fund. As the particular circumstances of each investor may differ, we recommend that investors obtain independent advice on the tax issues associated with an investment in the Fund.

Yours faithfully  
**Ernst & Young Tax Consultants Sdn Bhd**

Bernard Yap  
Partner

Ernst & Young Tax Consultants Sdn Bhd has given its consent to the inclusion of the Taxation Adviser's Letter in the form and context in which it appears in this Replacement Prospectus Issue No. 3 and has not withdrawn such consent before the date of issue of this Replacement Prospectus Issue No. 3.

## 9. DISTRIBUTOR OF THE FUND

Currently, Class A and Class C of the Fund are available for sale. As at LPD, Class A and Class C are available from the following distributors and their branches:

### 9.1. OUR BRANCHES

Main Branch  
Northern Branch  
Southern Branch  
Sarawak Branch  
Sabah Branch  
Melaka Branch  
Kuantan Branch  
Kota Bharu Branch

For information and updates on our branches, please contact our Customer Care Centre under the “Corporate Directory” section during business hour between 8:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. (Malaysian time) from Mondays to Fridays or refer to our website at [www.principal.com.my](http://www.principal.com.my).

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**Note:** We have the discretion in determining the Distributors of the Classes of the Fund, including its appointment and/or termination from time to time. For updated information on the Distributors of the Fund, please contact our Customer Care Centre under the "Corporate Directory" section during business hour between 8:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. (Malaysian time) from Mondays to Fridays or refer to our website at [www.principal.com.my](http://www.principal.com.my).

# **ANNEXURE - CLASS A**



This section is only a summary of the salient information about Class A. You should read and understand the entire Prospectus before investing and keep the Prospectus for your records. In determining which investment is right for you, we recommend you speak to professional advisers. Principal Malaysia, member companies of the PFG, CIMB Group and the Trustee do not guarantee the repayment of capital.

## CLASS INFORMATION

This Fund is a multi-class fund and is allowed to establish new Class(es) from time to time.

Class A		Page
Currency denomination	MYR	
Distribution policy	Distribution (if any) is expected to be distributed quarterly at our discretion. Such distributions will depend on the availability of realised income and/or realised gains.	14

## FEES & CHARGES

This table describes the charges that you may **directly** incur when you buy or withdraw units of the Class.

Charges	Class A	Page
Application Fee	Up to 2.00% of the NAV per unit.	5
Withdrawal Fee	Nil.	5
Switching Fee	Switching is treated as a withdrawal from Class A and an investment into another Class or Principal Malaysia's fund (or its class). As such, you will be charged a Switching Fee equal to the difference (if any) between the Application Fee of Class A and the Application Fee of the other Class or Principal Malaysia's fund (or its class). Switching Fee will not be charged if the Class or Principal Malaysia's fund (or its class) to be switched into has a lower Application Fee. In addition, we may impose a MYR100 administrative fee for every switch. You may negotiate to lower the Switching Fee and/or administrative fees with us or our Distributors. We also have the discretion to waive the Switching Fee and/or administrative fees.	5
Transfer Fee	Up to MYR50.00 may be charged for each transfer.	5
Other charges payable directly by you when purchasing or withdrawing the units	Any applicable bank charges and other bank fees incurred as a result of an investment or withdrawal will be borne by you.	

This table describes the fees that you may **indirectly** incur when you invest in the Class.

Fees	Class A	Page
Management Fee	Up to 1.00% per annum of the NAV of the Class.	6
Trustee Fee	Up to 0.025% per annum of the NAV of the Fund.	6
Expenses directly related to Fund	Only expenses that are directly related to the Fund can be charged to the Fund. Examples of relevant expenses are audit fee and tax agent's fee.	6
Other fees payable indirectly by you when investing in the Fund	Nil.	

**Note:** Subject always to the provisions of the Deed and GUTF, we reserve our sole and absolute discretion without providing any reason whatsoever and at any time to amend, vary, waive and/or reduce the fees and charges (except for Trustee Fee), whether payable by the Fund or Class, payable by you to the Fund or payable by any other investors to the Fund.

## TRANSACTION INFORMATION

	Class A	Page
Minimum initial investment*	MYR2,000 or such other amount as we may decide from time to time.	12
Minimum additional investment	MYR500 or such other amount as we may decide from time to time.	12
Minimum withdrawal	500 units or such other number of units as we may decide from time to time.	12
Minimum balance	2,000 units or such other number of units as we may decide from time to time.	13
Regular Savings Plan	RSP is available for Class A. The RSP allows you to make regular monthly investments of MYR500 or more, direct from your account held with a bank approved by us or our Distributors. The minimum initial investment for the RSP is MYR2,000 or such other amount as we may decide from time to time.	12

Class A		Page
<b>Cooling-off period</b>	Six (6) Business Days from the date the complete application is received and accepted by us or our Distributors from the first time individual investor. Principal Malaysia's staff and person(s) registered with a body approved by the SC to deal in unit trust funds are not entitled to the cooling-off right.	13
<b>Switching</b>	Switching will be conducted based on the value of your investment in the Class. The minimum amount for a switch is subject to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ for switching out of the Class: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ the minimum withdrawal amount applicable to the Class;</li> <li>○ the minimum balance required (after the switch) for the Class, unless you are withdrawing from the Class in entirety; and</li> <li>○ the Withdrawal Fee of the Class (if any);</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ for switching into the Class: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ the minimum initial investment amount or the minimum additional investment amount (as the case may be) applicable to the Class; and</li> <li>○ the Switching Fee applicable for the proposed switch (if any).</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>You may negotiate to lower the amount for your switch with us or our Distributors.</p>	13
<b>Transfer</b>	We may, at our absolute discretion, allow/refuse you to transfer your units subject to such terms and conditions as may be stipulated by us from time to time.	13

*\* The minimum initial investment for EPF-MIS (where available) shall be MYR1,000 (or such other amount as may be determined by EPF) or as per the amount stated above, whichever is higher. Please note that there may be changes to the status of the eligibility of the Fund under the EPF-MIS from time to time. Please refer to our website at [www.principal.com.my](http://www.principal.com.my) or [www.kwsp.gov.my](http://www.kwsp.gov.my) for updated information.*

**Note:** We reserve our sole and absolute discretion without providing any reason whatsoever and at any time to accept, reject, amend, vary, waive and/or reduce (as the case maybe): (i) your request for a lower amount or number of units when purchasing units (or additional units) or withdrawing units; and/or (ii) the minimum balance. For increase in the number of units for minimum withdrawal and minimum balance, we will require concurrence from the Trustee and you will be notified of such changes.

We may for any reason and at any time, waive or reduce: (a) any fees (except the Trustee Fee); (b) other charges payable by you to the Fund; and/or (c) transactional values including but not limited to the units or amount, for any Unit holder and/or investments made via any distribution channels or platform.

**There are fees and charges involved and you are advised to consider them before investing in the Fund.**

**All fees and charges payable by you and/or the Fund are subject to any applicable taxes and/or duties as may be imposed by the government or other authorities (if any) from time to time. As a result of changes in any rule, regulation, directive, notice and/or law issued by the government or relevant authority, there may be additional cost to the fees, expenses, charges and/or taxes payable to and/or by you and/or the Fund as disclosed or illustrated in this Prospectus.**

**We have the discretion to amend the amount, rate and/or terms and conditions of the above-mentioned fees, charges and/or transaction information from time to time, subject to the requirements stipulated in the Deed. Where necessary, we will notify the Trustee, communicate to you and/or seek your approval on the amendments to the fees, charges and/or transaction information.**

# **ANNEXURE - CLASS C**

This section is only a summary of the salient information about Class C. You should read and understand the entire Prospectus before investing and keep the Prospectus for your records. In determining which investment is right for you, we recommend you speak to professional advisers. Principal Malaysia, member companies of the PFG, CIMB Group, and the Trustee do not guarantee the repayment of capital.

## CLASS INFORMATION

This Fund is a multi-class fund and is allowed to establish new Class(es) from time to time.

Class C	Page
<b>Currency denomination</b>	MYR
<b>Distribution policy</b>	Distribution (if any) is expected to be distributed quarterly at our discretion. Such distributions will depend on the availability of realised income and/or realised gains. 14

## FEES & CHARGES

This table describes the charges that you may **directly** incur when you buy or withdraw units the Class.

Charges	Class C	Page
<b>Application Fee</b>	Nil.	5
<b>Withdrawal Fee</b>	Nil.	5
<b>Switching Fee</b>	Switching is treated as a withdrawal from Class C and an investment into another Class or Principal Malaysia's fund (or its class). As such, you will be charged a Switching Fee equal to the difference (if any) between the Application Fee of Class C and the Application Fee of the other Class or Principal Malaysia's fund (or its class). Switching Fee will not be charged if the Class or Principal Malaysia's fund (or its class) to be switched into has a lower Application Fee. In addition, we may impose a MYR100 administrative fee for every switch. You may negotiate to lower the Switching Fee and/or administrative fees with us or our Distributors. We also have the discretion to waive the Switching Fee and/or administrative fees.	5
<b>Transfer Fee</b>	Up to MYR50.00 may be charged for each transfer.	5
<b>Other charges payable directly by you when purchasing or withdrawing the units</b>	Any applicable bank charges and other bank fees incurred as a result of an investment or redemption will be borne by you.	

This table describes the fees that you may **indirectly** incur when you invest in the Class.

Fees	Class C	Page
<b>Management Fee</b>	Up to 0.25% per annum of the NAV of the Class.	6
<b>Trustee Fee</b>	Up to 0.025% per annum of the NAV of the Fund.	6
<b>Expenses directly related to Fund</b>	Only expenses that are directly related to the Fund can be charged to the Fund. Examples of relevant expenses are audit fee and tax agent's fee.	6
<b>Other fees payable indirectly by you when investing in the Fund</b>	Nil.	

**Note:** Subject always to the provisions of the Deed and GUTF, we reserve our sole and absolute discretion without providing any reason whatsoever and at any time to amend, vary, waive and/or reduce the fees and charges (except for Trustee Fee), whether payable by the Fund or Class, payable by you to the Fund or payable by any other investors to the Fund.

## TRANSACTION INFORMATION

	Class C	Page
<b>Minimum initial investment</b>	MYR300 million or such other amount as we may decide from time to time.	12
<b>Minimum additional investment</b>	MYR50,000 or such other amount as we may decide from time to time.	12
<b>Minimum withdrawal</b>	50,000 units or such other number of units as we may decide from time to time.	12
<b>Minimum balance</b>	300 million units or such other number of units as we may decide from time to time.	13
<b>Regular Savings Plan</b>	Currently, RSP is not available for Class C.	12
<b>Cooling-off period</b>	Six (6) Business Days from the date the complete application is received and accepted by us	13

Class C		Page
	or our Distributors from the first time individual investor. Principal Malaysia's staff and person(s) registered with a body approved by the SC to deal in unit trust funds are not entitled to the cooling-off right.	
<b>Switching</b>	<p>Switching will be conducted based on the value of your investment in the Class. The minimum amount for a switch is subject to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ for switching out of the Class: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ the minimum withdrawal amount applicable to the Class that you intend to switch out;</li> <li>○ the minimum balance required (after the switch) for the Class, unless you are withdrawing from the Class in entirety; and</li> <li>○ the Withdrawal Fee of the Class (if any);</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ for switching into the Class: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ the minimum initial investment amount or the minimum additional investment amount (as the case may be) applicable to the Class; and</li> <li>○ the Switching Fee applicable for the proposed switch (if any).</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>You may negotiate to lower the amount for your switch with us or our Distributors.</p>	13
<b>Transfer</b>	We may, at our absolute discretion, allow or refuse you to transfer your units subject to such terms and conditions as may be stipulated by us from time to time.	13

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