

Fund Special Report

Important note:

- 1. BEA Union Investment Asia Pacific Multi Income Fund (the "Fund") seeks to achieve income and long-term capital growth by investing in an actively managed portfolio of debt securities, listed REITs, and other listed securities in the Asia Pacific region.
- 2. The Fund invests in emerging markets and may be subject to higher liquidity and volatility risks.
- 3. The Fund invests directly in listed REITs, equities and managed funds, and is thus subject to the risks generally associated with such asset classes, including but not limited to liquidity of the asset class, changes in investment sentiment, political environment, economic, business and social conditions in local and global marketplace.
- 4. The Fund may invest in lower-rated fixed income instruments, including below investment grade and non-rated debt securities, which are subject to greater credit and liquidity risks than higher-rated securities.
- 5. The manager may at its discretion make distributions from income and/or capital in respect of the distributing classes of the Fund. Investors should note that the distributions paid out of capital amount to a return or withdrawal of part of the unitholder's original investment or from any capital gains attributable to that original investment. Such distribution may result in an immediate reduction of the net asset value per unit.
- 6. In terms of currency hedged class units, adverse exchange rate fluctuations between the base currency of the Fund and the class currency of the currency hedged class units may result in a decrease in return and/or loss of capital for unitholders. Over-hedged or under-hedged positions may arise and there can be no assurance that these currency hedged class units will be hedged at all times or that the manager will be successful in employing the hedge.
- 7. Investors may invest in RMB (Hedged) units. It should be noted that the RMB is currently not a freely convertible currency as it is subject to foreign exchange control policies of the Chinese government. There is also no assurance that the RMB will not be subject to devaluation. Any devaluation of the RMB could adversely affect the value of investors' investments. There is no guarantee that the hedging strategy will be effective and investors may still be subject to the RMB currency exchange risk.
- 8. The Fund may enter into futures contracts for hedging and investment purposes. Given the leverage effect embedded in futures contracts, the Fund may be exposed to significant losses.
- 9. Investors should not make an investment decision based solely on this material.

BEA Union Investment Asia Pacific Multi Income Fund



Morningstar Overall Rating¹

Banking Sector Stands to Benefit from Upcoming Interest Rate Hikes



Highlights:

- Investor sentiment towards Asian high yield bonds impacted by credit events in Chinese industrial sector
- 2. Upcoming interest rate hikes set to benefit banking sector
- 3. The Fund has achieved 3.1% growth in 1 year

Fund Features

> The Fund focuses on high yielding Asia Pacific bonds and equities, distributions from both bonds and equities are the main source of income.

Market Review and Outlook

Bonds

- 10-year U.S. Treasury yields rose sharply by around 20 basis points to 3.1% during the first half of May as a result of strong U.S. economic data and expectations of a further rate hike. However, the combined impact of Italian political worries and risk-off sentiment pushed the yield back down to a level of around 2.8% to 2.9%.
- Overall, Asian high yield bond markets continued to experience some correction in May due to risk-off sentiment and individual credit events of Chinese high yield industrial names.
- In terms of Asian investment grade bonds, long-dated and higher credit quality AA and A rated names have outperformed in May, due to lower U.S. Treasury yields and investors' flight for credit quality.





Equities

- Both onshore and offshore Chinese equity markets were up slightly in May. Fundamentals remained solid but market direction was still mixed due to swing factors such as trade tensions.
- The Taiwan market was boosted by a recovery in sentiment towards the Apple supply chain ahead of Apple's 2018 product launch, as well as decent April sales, encouraging first-quarter results, and a shortage in passive components.
- The Australian market enjoyed another strong month in May, led by the consumer discretionary and health care sectors. The former benefitted from strong reported earnings, while the latter was lifted by the positive profit outlook for a large-cap company.

Investment Strategy

Bonds

- The Fund remains defensive in May and continued to hold more defensive short-dated bonds and retained a higher level of cash in view of market volatility.

Equities

- The Fund took the opportunity to diversify its holdings as trade tensions increased market volatility. We remain positive about the banking sector, which stands to benefit from upcoming interest rate hikes. We are also positive on companies with a commitment to dividends backed by strong cash flows and balance sheets.
- The Fund shifted into high dividend energy stocks ahead of ex-dividend date, by reducing its exposure in Australian equities.

Fund Performance and Dividend

Performance²: A USD (Distributing)



A USD (Distributing) launched on 11 May 2012.

Dividend

May 2018	Dividend per Unit	Annualised Dividend Yield ³
A USD (Distributing)	US\$ 0.05300	5.9%
A HKD (Distributing)	HK\$ 0.53000	5.9%
A AUD Hedged (Distributing)	AU\$ 0.05600	7.5%
A RMB Hedged (Distributing)	RMB 0.64000	8.0%
A NZD Hedged (Distributing)	NZD 0.05600	7.5%

Throughout most of the past 12 months, 100% of the Fund's dividends came from net distributable income.





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Fund Code

	ISIN	Bloomberg
A USD (Distributing)	HK0000107257	BEAPMIU HK
A HKD (Distributing)	HK0000107265	BEAPMIH HK
A USD (Accumulating)	HK0000122330	BEAPUAA HK
A AUD Hedged (Distributing)	HK0000162815	ВЕАРААН НК
A RMB Hedged (Distributing)	HK0000194255	BEAPARH HK
A NZD Hedged (Distributing)	HK0000162849	BEANZDH HK

Source of the fund data: BEA Union Investment Management Limited, as at 31 May 2018.

- 1. Source: ©2018 Morningstar. All Rights Reserved. Data as of 31 May 2018. The rating is for A USD (Distributing).
- 2. Source: Lipper, as at 31 May 2018. The quoted return is for A USD (Distributing) launched on 11 May 2012. Performance is calculated in the respective class of denominated currencies on a NAV to NAV basis. Gross income is re-invested.
- 3. Annualised dividend yield = (dividend of May x 12) / last month end NAV x 100%. The manager may at its discretion make distributions from income and/or capital in respect of the distributing classes of the Fund. Such distribution may result in an immediate reduction of the net asset value per unit. Dividend only applies to distributing classes and is not guaranteed. Past dividend record is not indicative of future dividend likely to be achieved. Please note that a positive distribution yield does not imply a positive return. Investors should not make any investment decision solely based on information contained above. You should read the relevant offering document (including the key facts statement) of the Fund for further details including the risk factors.

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