

# **Fund Monthly Report**

#### Important note:

- 1. BEA Union Investment Global Flexi Allocation Fund (the "Fund") seeks to achieve medium to long term capital growth and income through investing in a diversified portfolio consisting of global equity securities and/or debt securities in global markets.
- 2. The Fund invests in emerging markets and may be subject to higher liquidity and volatility risks.
- 3. The Fund invests directly in equities, REITs, ETFs 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 the global markets.
- 4. The Fund may invest in below investment grade or non-rated debt securities including high yield bonds, 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. In terms of RMB classes of units, 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. Investors may still be subject to the RMB currency exchange risk.
- 7. 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.
- 8. Investors should not make an investment decision based solely on this material.

# **BEA Union Investment Global Flexi Allocation Fund ("GFA")**

## **Increase Exposures in Asian High Yield Bonds**



## Highlights:

- 1. Annualised dividend yield for A USD (Distributing) increases to 5.0%<sup>1</sup>
- 2. The Fund increased its exposure in Asian high yield bonds with attractive valuations
- Global equities rebound as market sentiment improved

#### **Fund Features**

- ➤ The Fund is a one stop solution for global equity and bond investment.
- > Prudent selection of stable, global large-cap equities with capital appreciation potential. Flexible allocation across Asian high yield bonds and global investment grade corporate bonds.

#### **Market Review and Outlook**

#### **Bonds**

- Global bond markets rebounded strongly in January due to the dovish comment from the U.S. Federal Reserve (Fed) and positive progress in the U.S.- China trade talks. U.S. financial and telecom sectors outperformed, yield spreads were tightened 20 to 30 basis points in general.
- For Asian high yield bonds, Chinese property rallied alongside other sectors but to a slightly lesser extent, due to lower average duration and continuous new supply during the month. Chinese industrial names posed similar return as China property did, supported by a rebound in oil price.
- The U.S.- China trade talks should continue to be an important factor that affects the risk sentiment in general. We see valuation becoming fairer in overall high yield space given the recent rally.



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#### **Equities**

- Global equity markets recovered as risk sentiment rebounded sharply in January following a tough end in 2018. Investors are expecting more constructive development over the U.S.- China trade talk. At the same time, moderate tone of the Fed on further rate hike also gave equity market a boost.
- In the U.S., S&P 500 Index posted a strong rebound of nearly 8% in January after the sharp correction in December.
  Market expectations on interest rate hike receded following Fed's dovish comments. Rebound of oil price drove energy sector recovery, defensive sectors lagged behind during market rebound.
- European equities rose along with global equity markets on the positive sentiment. Macroeconomic data was not encouraging with manufacturing activities expansion further slowed down and economic data posted below expectation.

## **Investment Strategy**

#### **Bonds**

- The Fund has increased its exposure in Asian high yield bonds given their attractive valuations and will remain overweight in India and Indonesia.
- The Fund continues to look for opportunities to invest in higher yielding names with decent valuations and better credit quality.

#### Equities

- There was no major change to the Fund's portfolio in January.
- The Fund has a neutral stance on regional allocation, seeking to invest in companies with appealing growth and reasonable valuations in their industries. It has slight overweight in industrial and consumer staple sectors and a slight underweight in the IT and property sectors.

## **Fund Performance and Dividend**

Performance<sup>2</sup>: A USD (Distributing)



<sup>\*</sup> Since launch till 31 December of the same year. A USD (Distributing) launched on 27 January 2016.

#### Dividend

January 2019	Dividend per Unit	Annualised Dividend Yield <sup>1</sup>
A USD (Distributing)	US\$ 0.04300	5.0%
A HKD (Distributing)	HK\$ 0.43000	5.0%



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#### **Fund Code**

	ISIN	Bloomberg
A USD (Distributing)	HK0000273588	BUGFAUD HK
A HKD (Distributing)	HK0000273596	BUGFAHD HK

Source of the fund data: BEA Union Investment Management Limited, as at 31 January 2019.

- 1. Annualised dividend yield = (dividend of January 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.
- 2. Source: Lipper, as at 31 January 2019. The quoted return is for A USD (Distributing) launched on 27 January 2016. Performance is calculated in the respective class of denominated currencies on a NAV to NAV basis. Gross income is re-invested.

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