

## Important note:

1. BEA Union Investment Asian Bond and Currency Fund (the "Fund") seeks regular interest income, capital gains and currency appreciation from an actively managed portfolio primarily investing in debt securities denominated in Asian or other currencies and primarily issued by Asian government or corporate entities.
2. The Fund is subject to general investment risk, Asian market concentration risk, emerging market risk and currency risk.
3. The Fund invests in debts securities and are subject to risks in interest rates, credit/counterparty, downgrading, below investment grade and non-rated securities, volatility and liquidity, valuation and sovereign debt and credit rating which may adversely affect the price of the debt securities.
4. The manager may at its discretion make distributions from income and/or capital in respect of the distributing classes of the Fund. 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.
5. 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 the currency hedged class units will be hedged at all times or that the manager will be successful in employing the hedge.
6. RMB is currently not a freely convertible currency as it is subject to exchange controls and restrictions. Non-RMB based (e.g. Hong Kong) investors are exposed to foreign exchange risk and there is no guarantee that the value of RMB against the investors' base currencies (for example HKD) will not depreciate. Any depreciation of the RMB could adversely affect the value of investors' investments.
7. The Fund may use financial derivative instruments for hedging and investment purposes which may not achieve the intended purpose and may result in significant losses. Risks associated with derivative instruments include counterparty/ credit risk, liquidity risk, valuation risk, volatility risk and over-the-counter transaction risk.
8. Investors should not make an investment decision based solely on this material.

**BEA Union Investment Asian Bond and Currency Fund ("ABC")**

★★★★  
Morningstar Overall Rating<sup>1</sup>

**Global Monetary Easing Remains Supportive for Asian Bonds**

*Highlights:*

1. **Global monetary easing remains supportive for Asian bonds**
2. **Chinese property and industrial names outperform on the rate cut by the People's Bank of China**
3. **We expect lower risk appetite on beta and duration**

**Fund Features**

- The Fund adopts an unconstrained strategy, with maximum flexibility allowed in allocating assets among corporate bonds, government bonds, high yield bonds and investment grade bonds, while actively hunting for alpha opportunities.
- Seeks stable dividends and exploits appreciation potential of Asian bonds.

**Market Review and Outlook**
Interest Rate Market

- In February, the U.S. Treasury yields were dramatically lower from 1.51% to 1.15% due to pandemic fear. The 10-year U.S. Treasury yield traded in a volatile range between 1.15% and 1.51% and closed at 1.15% at the end of the month.

Asian High Yield Bonds

- At the beginning of February, the market rebounded from the sell-off in January with the expectation on policy support from China and well control of new infection cases. However, the virus spread in the Middle East and Europe led to another sell-off.

- In terms of sectors, Chinese property and industrial names outperformed because the People's Bank of China cut the loan prime rate and rolled out supportive measures for industries. Indonesian names underperformed as a result of the devaluation of Indonesian rupiah, Indian names also underperformed due to sell-off from foreign investors.

#### Asian Local Currency Bonds

- The market sentiment remained soft as the coronavirus spread across China's provinces and Asian countries. The bond yields went down for most of the Asian countries because the market expects Asian central banks to launch more easing measures to counter the economic impact of outbreak.

#### Market Outlook

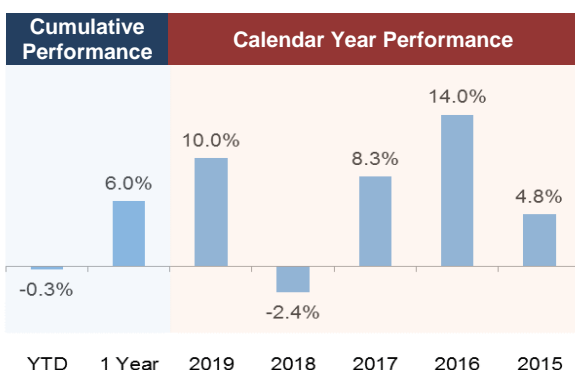
- The strong policy response by the Chinese government towards the financial market and the control of the epidemic has shown a significant effect. The infection rate continues to drop, and economic activities are gradually recovering. The Chinese onshore bond market remains stable after the rate cut and liquidity injection to the financial system.
- We expect global monetary easing remains supportive to Asian bonds. However, commodities and consumer sectors will be a long-term drag. Investors will have a lower risk appetite on beta and duration.

### Investment Strategy

- We remain cautious on global economic development amid coronavirus outbreak and OPEC disagreement. We will continue to look for solid names with exceptionally low valuations that are set to benefit from global monetary easing.
- At the same time, the Fund has been invested in bonds with new issue premium in the primary market.

### Fund Performance and Dividend

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



#### Dividend

February 2020	Dividend per Unit	Annualised Dividend Yield <sup>3</sup>
A USD (Distributing)	US\$ 0.06631	5.8%
H HKD (Distributing)	HK\$ 0.05302	5.8%
A AUD Hedged (Distributing)	AU\$ 0.04158	5.1%
A RMB Hedged (Distributing)	RMB 0.57460	6.6%

A USD (Distributing) launched on 28 August 2008.

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One of the Top Investment Houses in Asian Local Currency Bonds (Hong Kong)<sup>5</sup>



Gold Winner, Regional Bond<sup>6</sup>



Best-In-Class, Asia Pacific Fixed Income Hard Currency<sup>7</sup>



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2019 WINNER HONG KONG

Asia Pacific Bond, Hard Currency (3 Years & 5 Years)<sup>8</sup>

## Fund Code

	ISIN	Bloomberg
A USD (Accumulating)	HK0000065208	BEABCAA HK
A RMB Hedged (Accumulating)	HK0000272531	BEARMHA HK
A EUR Hedged (Accumulating)	HK0000405735	BEABCAE HK
I USD (Accumulating)*	HK0000081379	BEABCIA HK
I HKD (Accumulating)*	HK0000486685	BEABIHK HK
A USD (Distributing)	HK0000065216	BEABCAI HK
H HKD (Distributing)	HK0000081361	BEABCHD HK
A AUD Hedged (Distributing)	HK0000162856	BEAAUHD HK
A RMB Hedged (Distributing)	HK0000194263	BEARMHD HK
I HKD (Distributing)*	HK0000484854	BEABIHA HK

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Source of the fund information: BEA Union Investment Management Limited, as at 29 February 2020.

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2. Source: Lipper, as at 29 February 2020. The quoted return is for A USD (Distributing) launched on 28 August 2008. 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 February x 12) / last month end NAV x 100%. Please refer to dividend notice available on website for dividend composition information and details. 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.
4. Source: The Asset, 2019 Research for Asian G3 Bonds, October 2019.
5. Source: The Asset, 2019 Research for Asian Local Currency Bonds, October 2019.
6. Source: Fund Selector Asia, January 2020.
7. Source: BENCHMARK, November 2019.
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