

## **Fund Monthly Report**

#### Important note:

- 1. BEA Union Investment China Gateway Fund (the "Fund") seeks medium to long term capital growth and income through investing primarily in equity securities and/or debt securities, that are either (a) traded in China or (b) issued by entities incorporated in China or entities which have significant operations in or assets in, or derive significant portion of revenue or profits from China.
- 2. The Fund is subject to general investment risk, China market concentration risk, equity market risk, asset allocation risk, risks associated with stock connects, risks associated with China interbank bond market, China tax risk, risks of investing in other funds, emerging market risk and currency risk.
- 3. The Fund invests in debts securities and is subject to risks in interest rates, credit/counterparty, downgrading, below investment grade and non-rated securities, volatility and liquidity, valuation and sovereign debt, credit rating and credit rating agency risk, 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 China Gateway Fund ("CGF")**

## **Chinese Consumer Sector Stocks Outperform on Demand Recovery**



### Highlights:

- 1. Chinese consumer sector stocks outperform due to demand recovery
- 2. Chinese high yield property bonds extend their gains
- 3. The Fund rotates into laggards in e-commerce and property management stocks

### **Fund Features**

- A one-stop solution for investing in Chinese stocks and bonds. Access to onshore and offshore investment channels, providing a way to capture investment opportunities in Chinese stocks and bonds fully.
- Flexible allocation in stocks and bonds to balance risk and return.

### **Market Review and Outlook**

### **Equities**

- Both the Chinese onshore and offshore equities were down slightly in May. Although economic data showed that the
  domestic recovery is on track, the escalating tensions between China and the U.S. triggered another round of sell-off
  in late May.
- In terms of sectors, consumer staples and consumer discretionary outperformed the market in May, mainly driven by the consumption demand recovery as well as strong earnings and positive guidance by the e-commerce names. Hong Kong property stocks underperformed due to the negative investor sentiment.
- On the policy front, the National People's Congress (NPC) meeting delivered a higher than expected fiscal support and abandoned economic growth targets for the year.



#### **Bonds**

- In May, the Asian bond market continued to rebound as the gradual reopening of economies boosted investor sentiment. Chinese high yield property names extended their gains, despite at a smaller magnitude.
- We expect Asian high yield bond market will continue to see inflows on the back of ample liquidity and policy support from the governments. We remain constructive on the Chinese high yield property sector. On the other hand, we are mindful of the re-emerging tension between the U.S. and China, as well as the potential second wave of COVID-19 infections.

### **Investment Strategy**

#### Equities

- The Fund continues to overweight equities to ride on the market recovery. We took profit on the outperformers such as internet games, servers and data center stocks, rotated into laggards in e-commerce and property management for potential catch-up trades.
- We have also switched from upstream hardware technology to downstream hardware technology stocks given better smartphone shipment.
- We expect global interest rates to bottom out as the economies gradually reopening. Hence, we plan to narrow the underweight in the financial sectors.

#### **Bonds**

- We are modestly optimistic towards Chinese high yield bonds as economic activities resume globally; ample liquidity returns to the market, and governments' policy remains supportive. We will rotate into sectors with attractive valuations and maintain the liquidity level in the portfolio.
- The Fund tactically traded in the Chinese high yield property sector to capture the volatility due to escalating tension between China and the U.S.

### Fund Performance and Dividend

Performance<sup>1</sup>: A USD (Distributing)



<sup>\*</sup> Since launch till 31 December of the same year. A USD (Distributing) launched on 31 January 2018.

#### Dividend

May 2020	Dividend per Unit	Annualised Dividend Yield <sup>2</sup>
A USD (Distributing)	US\$ 0.028	3.8%
A HKD (Distributing)	HK\$ 0.280	3.9%
A AUD Hedged (Distributing)	AU\$ 0.023	3.3%
A RMB Hedged (Distributing)	RMB 0.330	4.6%



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Fund Code

	ISIN	Bloomberg
A USD (Accumulating)	HK0000257458	BUCGAUA HK
A USD (Distributing)	HK0000257441	BUCGAUD HK
A HKD (Distributing)	HK0000257433	BUCGAHD HK
A RMB Hedged (Distributing)	HK0000375482	BUCGARH HK
A AUD Hedged (Distributing)	HK0000375474	BUCGAAH HK

Source of the fund information: BEA Union Investment Management Limited, as at 31 May 2020.

- 1. Source: Lipper, as at 31 May 2020. The quoted NAV is for A USD (Distributing) launched on 31 January 2018, performance is calculated in the respective class of denominated currencies on a NAV to NAV basis. Gross income is re-invested.
- 2. Annualised dividend yield = (dividend of May 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.

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