

# **Fund Monthly Report**

#### Important note:

- 1. BEA Union Investment China High Yield Income Fund (the "Fund") seeks to achieve medium to long term capital growth and regular income by primarily (i.e. at least 70% of its net asset value) investing in high yield debt securities that are issued or guaranteed by entities which are incorporated in China or have significant operations in or assets in, or derive significant portion of revenue or profits from China.
- 2. The Fund may invest significantly in below investment grade or non-rated debt securities, including high yield bonds, which are generally subject to lower liquidity, higher volatility and greater risk of loss of principal and interest than higher rated securities.
- 3. The Fund invests in debts or fixed income securities are exposed to interest rates, credit/counterparty, downgrading, volatility and liquidity, valuation and sovereign debt and credit rating risks which may adversely affect the price of the debt securities.
- 4. The Fund's investments are concentrated in China. The value of the Fund may be more volatile than more diversified portfolio investments.
- 5. 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.
- 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 the currency hedged class units will be hedged at all times or that the manager will be successful in employing the hedge.
- 7. 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.
- 8. The Fund may acquire financial derivative instruments for hedging and investment purposes. Given the leverage effect embedded in financial derivative instruments, the Fund may be exposed to significant losses.
- 9. Investors should not make an investment decision based solely on this material.

# **BEA Union Investment China High Yield Income Fund ("CHY")**

# **China Rolls Out More Supportive Measures Amid Epidemic**



## Highlights:

- 1. China rolls out more supportive measures amid epidemic
- 2. Chinese high yield financial bonds outperform the market
- 3. We expect the virus impact on economic growth to smooth out in later part of 2020

#### **Fund Features**

- ➤ The Fund targets to generate additional return through dynamic trading.
- Managed by seasoned investment professionals to ensure selection of China high yield bonds.

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

#### Interest Rate Market

- In January, the U.S. Treasury yields were lower compared to the previous month due to virus fear. The 10-year U.S. Treasury yield traded in a volatile range between 1.51% and 1.92% and closed at 1.51% at the end of the month.

### Chinese High Yield Bonds

- The market started strongly at the beginning of January. However, coronavirus outbreak in the last week of the month triggered sell-off in the market, after which we saw bond prices recovered from the correction.
- In terms of sectors, Chinese financial names outperformed because they were less impacted by the disease on a fundamental basis. On the other hand, Chinese property underperformed as their operations were more affected.
- Given the outbreak situation in the Mainland, the Chinese government has rolled out measures, including liquidity injection to the financial system and repo rate cut, and to support the more impacted companies.
- We are aware of the negative impact on China's economic growth in the first quarter, but we believe part of the market output and demand could be deferred to later part of the year.





## **Investment Strategy**

- The Fund will position constructively and maintains a balanced level of higher beta and longer duration bonds given the epidemic and policy measures to support the economy.
- At the same time, the Fund continues to look for opportunities to pick up names with attractive valuation and continue to diversify across sectors.

## **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 22 April 2016.

#### Dividend

January 2019	Dividend per Unit	Annualised Dividend Yield <sup>2</sup>
A USD (Distributing)	US\$ 0.06530	8.0%
A HKD (Distributing)	HK\$ 0.65600	8.0%
A AUD Hedged (Distributing)	AU\$ 0.05540	7.2%
A RMB Hedged (Distributing)	RMB 0.70300	8.8%





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#### Recent Award





One of the Top Investment Houses in Asian G3 Bonds (Hong Kong)<sup>3</sup>

One of the Top Investment Houses in Asian Local Currency Bonds (Hong Kong)<sup>4</sup>

## **Highly Regarded Award-Winning Fixed Income Team**

- The fixed income professionals of BEA Union Investment Management Limited have been recognised by the Asset as "One of the Astute Investors in Asian G3 Bonds (Hong Kong) 3" and "One of the Astute Investors in Asian Local Currency Bonds (Hong Kong) 4" in 2019.
- The company has been named "One of the Top Investment Houses in Asian G3 Bonds (Hong Kong)<sup>3</sup>" and "One of the Top Investment Houses in Asian Local Currency Bonds (Hong Kong)<sup>4</sup>" in 2019 by the Asset.

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• The Asian Bond and Currency asset class, managed by the same fixed income team, has won 42 fund awards<sup>5</sup> since 2012.

#### **Fund Code**

	ISIN	Bloomberg
A USD (Distributing)	HK0000288032	BEACYAU HK
A HKD (Distributing)	HK0000288040	BEACYAH HK
A AUD Hedged (Distributing)	HK0000288057	BEACYAA HK
A RMB Hedged (Distributing)	HK0000288065	BEACYAR HK

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

- 1. Source: Lipper, as at 31 January 2020. The quoted NAV is for A USD (Distributing) launched on 22 April 2016, 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 January 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.
- 3. Source: The Asset, 2019 Research for Asian G3 Bonds, October 2019.
- 4. Source: The Asset, 2019 Research for Asian Local Currency Bonds, October 2019.
- 5. The asset class has won 42 fund awards since 2012. Organisations which have granted awards to the fund include Asia Asset Management, AsianInvestor, BENCHMARK, Fund Selector Asia, Fundsupermart.com and Refinitiv Lipper.

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