

**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")**

# **Global Equity Markets Extend Gains**



# Highlights:

- 1. The more accommodative monetary policy stance of global central banks improves market sentiment
- 2. Global equity markets extend gains in February
- 3. Indonesian property bonds rally due to improving risk appetite

### **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**

#### <u>Bonds</u>

- A dovish tone by central banks and incrementally positive tone on U.S.-China trade talks have propelled a further risk rally, resulted in a tighter credit spread for investment grade bonds globally.
- For Asian high yield bonds, China property bonds outperformed the market due to improving offshore funding environment, positive credit event of selective names and attractive valuation especially on the high beta and long tenor bonds.
- In the Southeast Asian markets, Indonesian property bonds rallied due to risk-on sentiment. Indonesian and Indian commodity names continued to benefit from commodity prices and eased global trade tensions.



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### **Equities**

- Global equity markets extended the gain in February, with MSCI World Index two-month gains in 2019 already exceeded year 2018 losses. The change to a more accommodative monetary policy stance by global central banks in recent months and potential trade talk deal to be reached between U.S. and China improved market sentiment.
- In the U.S., despite slowing manufacturing data and muted wage growth, market continued to rebound with expectation of a more patient Federal Reserve monetary policy. Small and mid-cap stocks outperformed on the improving risk appetite, technology and industrials sectors benefited from the recovery.
- European equities followed global equities recovery despite economic data remained weak in the region. European Commission revised down economic forecast in 2019, Eurozone manufacturing PMI went to contraction zone in February.

### Investment Strategy

### **Bonds**

- In terms of bonds, the duration of the Fund remains neutral.
- We continue to overweight in higher beta country such as India and Indonesia, as well as the BBB rated names.

### **Equities**

- There was no major change to the Fund's portfolio in February.
- 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 property sector.

# **Fund Performance and Dividend**



Dividend

February 2019	Dividend per Unit	Annualised Dividend Yield <sup>2</sup>
A USD (Distributing)	US\$ 0.04400	5.0%
A HKD (Distributing)	HK\$ 0.44000	5.0%

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



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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 28 February 2019.

- 1. Source: Lipper, as at 28 February 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.
- 2. Annualised dividend yield = (dividend of February 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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