

Fund Special Report

Important note:

- 1. BEA Union Investment RMB Core Bond Fund (the "Fund") seeks to achieve income and long-term capital growth by investing in debt securities and other assets that are denominated in RMB and other currencies.
- 2. The Fund invests in debts or fixed income securities are exposed to interest rates, credit/counterparty, downgrading, volatility and liquidity, valuation and sovereign debt, credit rating risks and credit rating agency risk (for mainland China onshore debt securities) risks which may adversely affect the price of the debt securities.
- 3. The Fund may invest in below investment grade, or rated BB+ or below by a China credit rating agency, or non-rated debt securities, which are subject to greater volatility and liquidity risks than higher-rated securities.
- 4. The Fund's investments are concentrated in China and may be subject to high concentration risk and more volatility than that of funds having a more diverse portfolio of investment. The value of the Fund may be more susceptible to adverse economic, political, policy, foreign exchange, liquidity, tax, legal or regulatory event affecting the China market.
- 5. The Fund invests in emerging markets and may be subject to higher liquidity and volatility risks.
- 6. The Fund may be subject to the "Dim Sum" bond market risk and the risks associated with China interbank bond market, and the Fund is more susceptible to volatility and/or lower liquidity.
- 7. 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.
- 8. The Fund is subject to China tax risk and any increased tax liabilities on the Fund may adversely affect the Fund's value.
- 9. 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.
- 10. 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.
- 11. 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.
- 12. Investors should not make an investment decision based solely on this material.

BEA Union Investment RMB Core Bond Fund ("RCB")



Morningstar Overall Rating¹

Easing Policies Remains Supportive for Renminbi Bonds



Highlights:

- 1. The Chinese government pledged to provide market liquidity sends government bond yields lower
- 2. Easing policies remain supportive for renminbi bonds
- 3. Offshore renminbi corporate bond supply is expected to remain at a low level

Fund Features

- A RMB bond fund that aims to capture stable dividends.
- > At least 70% invested in debt securities, bonds and deposits that are denominated or settled in RMB.
- Investment grade average credit rating.

Market Review and Outlook

- In March, the renminbi weakened slightly against the U.S. dollar amid the risk-off sentiment, and the U.S. dollar was strengthened by safe-haven demand.
- The yields of onshore and offshore Chinese government bonds went down as the central government pledged to provide more market liquidity and launch more easing measures to encounter the economic impact of the coronavirus outbreak.





- Although China has mostly contained the coronavirus outbreak, market concerns over the economic slowdown may drag the renminbi lower. The renminbi is expected to remain range-traded against the U.S. dollar in the near term.
- We expect the renminbi bond market will be supported by the government's easing policies and risk-off sentiment. At the same time, the supply of offshore corporate bonds will remain low in the near term.

Investment Strategy

- The Fund has picked up a few investment grade renminbi bonds to enhance the carry. We continue to look for investment opportunities in offshore renminbi bonds.
- The Fund continues to invest into U.S. dollar denominated bonds through currency hedge.

Fund Performance and Dividend

Performance²: A RMB (Distributing)

Cumulative Calendar Year Performance Performance 6 5% 4.9% 4.1% 3.2% -1.4% -2.9% YTD 1 Year 2019 2018 2017 2016 2015

A RMB (Distributing) launched on 28 February 2014.

Dividend

March 2020	Dividend per Unit	Annualised Dividend Yield ³
A HKD (Distributing)	HK\$ 0.32	4.5%
A RMB (Distributing)	RMB 0.37	4.5%
A USD (Distributing)	US\$ 0.032	4.5%





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Recent Award





One of the Top Investment Houses in Asian G3 Bonds (Hong Kong)⁴

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

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- 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) ⁴"and "One of the Astute Investors in Asian Local Currency Bonds (Hong Kong) in 2019.
- The company has been named "One of the Top Investment Houses in Asian G3 Bonds (Hong Kong)⁴" and "One of the Top Investment Houses in Asian Local Currency Bonds (Hong Kong)⁵" in 2019 by the Asset.
- The Asian Bond and Currency asset class, managed by the same fixed income team, has won 42 fund awards⁶ since 2012.

Fund Code

	ISIN	Bloomberg
A HKD (Distributing)	HK0000176740	BEARCAH HK
A RMB (Distributing)	HK0000176732	BEARCAR HK
A USD (Distributing)	HK0000176757	BEARCAU HK

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

- 1. Source: ©2020 Morningstar. All Rights Reserved. Data as of 31 March 2020. The rating is for A RMB (Distributing).
- Source: Lipper, as at 31 March 2020. The quoted NAV is for A RMB (Distributing) launched on 28 February 2014, 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 March 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. 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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