December 2024

# AIA PAM - Conservative Fund

## **Investment Objective**

The Fund seeks to provide returns through income\* that is consistent with capital preservation\*\*.

\*Income will be reinvested in additional Units in the Fund

### **Investment Strategy**

The Fund will invest at least 70% of its NAV in fixed income instruments and money market instruments, of which a minimum of 10% of the Fund's NAV will be invested in money market instruments. The remainder of the Fund's NAV will be invested in equities and collective investment schemes, of which a maximum of 20% of the Fund's NAV in collective investment schemes. The Fund will invest in local and foreign markets.

### **Fund Details**

Unit NAV (31 December 2024)
Fund Size (31 December 2024)
Fund Currency
Fund Launch
Fund Inception
Fund Management Charge
Investment Manager

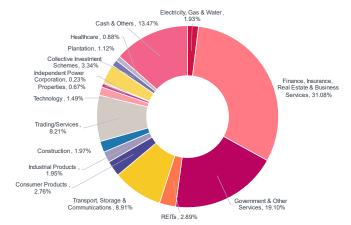
Basis of Unit Valuation Frequency of Unit Valuation Benchmark : RM 1.3111 : RM 73.4 million : Ringgit Malaysia : May 16, 2013 : June 05, 2013 : up to 1.50% p.a : AIA Pension and Asset Management Sdn. Bhd. : Net Asset Value (NAV)

: Daily : 20% FBMT 100 Index + 10% Maybank Berhad overnight rate + 60% Quant Shop MGS All Bond Index + 10% Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Corporate TR Index Unhedged USD.

## **Top Five Holding**

1.	MGS 2/2020 2.632% 15.04.2031	3.45%
2.	CCB IMTN 3.920% 28.03.2025 (Tranche 2)	3.40%
3.	SISF GLOBAL CREDIT INCOME	3.34%
4.	PRASARANA IMTN 4.610% 30.01.2048	2.91%
5.	AMBANK MTN 3650D 28.3.2031	2.73%

### **Sector Allocation**



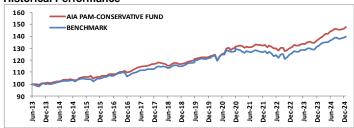
### Risk

General investment risks involve market risk, fund manager risk, inflation risk and liquidity risk. Specific risks of the Fund involve credit/default risk, interest rate risk, particular security risk, country risk and currency risk.

## Risk Management

Investment Manager aims to reduce investment risks through structured and disciplined investment process, rigorous and disciplined credit research and analysis, portfolio diversification and strict and frequent stock evaluation to minimize company specific risk.

#### **Historical Performance**



%	1 Mth	1-Year	^5-Year	^10-Year	^Since Inception
Fund	0.78%	7.08%	19.88%	43.08%	47.70%
Benchmark	0.77%	5.71%	14.62%	37.15%	39.96%
Excess	0.01%	1.38%	5.26%	5.93%	7.74%

Source: AIA Pension and Asset Management Sdn. Bhd., Bloomberg as of 31 December 2024.

^ Cumulative returns. The performance is calculated on NAV-to-NAV basis. Past performance is not an indicative of future performance.

#### **Market Review**

Malaysian Government Securities ("MGS") yield curve bear flattened in the last month of the year as the 3-month KLIBOR climbed 11 basis points ("bps") higher to 3.73% due to year end seasonality effects. As broadly expected, the US Federal Open Market Committee ("FOMC") voted to cut the federal funds target range by 25 bps to 4.25% to 4.50%. US Federal Reserve ("Fed") Chairman Jerome Powell's speech leaned towards a hawkish tilt and said that the policy is now entering a new phase where the committee will move more cautiously. The FOMC's summary of economic projections has projected the median 2025 dot plot of only two cuts instead of the four cuts expected in the previous projections in September.

Fixed income foreign outflows widened to MYR1.4billion in December 2024 (November 2024: MYR1.1 billion), amid higher USD yields and stronger USD. Full year foreign inflow remained positive at MYR4.8 billion. Foreign holdings in MGS and GII fell to 21.2% in December 2024 (November 2024: 21.4%).

Malaysia's November headline inflation eased to 1.8% Year-on-Year ("YoY") (October 2024: +1.9% YoY), driven by increases in food & beverages and personal care, social protection & misc. goods and services. Core inflation remained stable at 1.8% YoY in November 2024 (October 2024: 1.8% YoY). Malaysia's industrial production index increased at a slower rate of 2.1% YoY in October 2024 (September 2024: 2.3% YoY). The electricity and manufacturing indices led the growth by 2.5% YoY and 3.3% YoY respectively, partially offset by the mining sector at -2.8% YoY.

The FBMKLCI ("Index") surged 3.0% Month-on-Month ("MoM") to close at 1,642.33 points in December 2024. The Index outperformed the MSCI Asia ex Japan Index, which rose by 0.7% MoM in Malaysian Ringgit ('MYR') terms over the same period. Foreign investors stayed net sellers of Malaysian equities amounting to RM2.9 billion during the month.

### **Market Outlook**

Although recent US economic data releases have surprised on the upside, the trend for a moderation in inflation and a softening in the labour market remains intact. As the Fed finally embarked on an easing cycle, we maintain our view that market volatility would persist as the Fed and the market would remain reactive to data releases and developments in key geopolitical events, central banks' monetary policy decisions as well as implications from Trump presidency. Domestically, BNM may keep its Overnight Policy Rate unchanged in the coming meetings as it observes the domestic inflation trend. These factors are supportive of the domestic market while the market observes developments on global central banks' monetary policy decisions and geopolitical risks. We are cautiously optimistic on the equity and fixed income market in the near term.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The Fund is neither capital guaranteed, nor capital protected



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