

August 2021

AIA PAM – Global Islamic Growth Fund

Investment Objective

The Fund seeks to provide returns through capital growth by investing in Shariah-compliant securities predominantly in the global markets

Investment Strategy

The Fund will invest at least 60% to 90% of its NAV in Shariahcompliant equities including Islamic collective investment schemes. The Fund will also invest at least 10% of its NAV in Sukuk, Islamic deposit and/or Islamic money market instruments.

The Fund will invest in local and foreign markets.

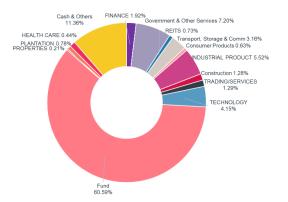
Fund Details

Unit NAV (30 August 2021)	: RM 0.5140
Fund Size (30 August 2021)	: RM 46.20 million
Fund Currency	: Ringgit Malaysia
Fund Launch	: Feb 23, 2021
Fund Inception	: March 16, 2021
Fund Management Charge	: up to 1.50% p.a
Investment Manager	: AIA Pension and Asset Management Sdn. Bhd.
Basis of Unit Valuation	: Net Asset Value (NAV)
Frequency of Unit Valuation	: Daily
Benchmark	: Target return of 6% per annum

Top Five Holding

1.	ISHARES MSCI WORLD ISLAMIC	18.03%
2.	ISHARES MSCI USA ISLAMIC	16.61%
3.	ISHARES MSCI EM ISLAMIC	13.15%
4.	TEMPLETON SHARIAH GB E-IAUSD	12.80%
5.	GII Murabahah 3.447% 15.7.2036	4.11%

Sector Allocation

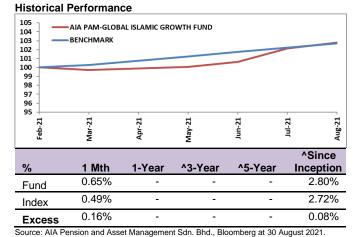


Risk

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, currency risk and shariah status reclassification 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.



Cumulative returns. The performance is calculated on NAV-to-NAV basis.

Market Review

Government Investment Issue ("GII") yield curve twist-flattened in Aug 2021 as domestic political scene dominated headlines during the month. Market sentiment improved after the new Prime Minister announced his cabinet line-up, which comprised of multiple cabinet policies. Foreign funds continued to be net sellers of MYR debt securities in July 2021 with outflows of MYR3.6 billion. As a result, foreign holdings in Malaysian Government Securities ("MGS") and GII dipped to 25.3% (June 2021: 25.7%).

The FBMS ("Index") rose by 5.8% Month-on-Month ("MoM") to close at 12,750.46 pts on 30 August 2021. The Index outperformed the MSCI Asia Ex Japan Index, which only rose 0.50% MoM in Malaysian ringgit ("MYR") terms over the same period. In August 2021, foreign investors turned net buyers of RM1 bn of Malaysian equities while local institutional investors were the largest net sellers of RM1.5 bn. Meanwhile the MSCI World Islamic Index return of up 0.3% after the US Fed's reassuring comments that it is in no hurry to raise interest rates, even though it considers tapering bond purchases this year

Market Outlook

Given the two-speed recovery in the developed markets against emerging markets, we expect the former to lead in terms of policy tightening. Bank Negara Malaysia's policy measures should remain accommodative in the near term. Higher supply of sovereign sukuk should be well absorbed by the market, as we expect the additional supply to be concentrated at the short to belly of the curve. Overall, the domestic financial system liquidity remains flushed, which shall remain supportive of the sukuk market.

Given the economic recovery is partially reflected in the equity market, investors are currently watching the macro data closely to gauge the strength of inflationary pressure and the timing of a QE tapering. Apart from that, investors will continue monitoring Covid-19 situation following the recent resurgence in positive cases and the emergence of new variants. Meanwhile, global monetary and fiscal policies are expected to remain accommodative and supportive.

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