

# Principal Asia Pacific Dynamic Income Fund - Class USD



## **Fund Objective**

The Fund aims to provide regular income by investing primarily in the Asia Pacific ex Japan region and at the same time aims to achieve capital appreciation over the medium to long term. The Fund will be managed with the aim of achieving a stable and positive investment returns over the medium to long term through investments primarily in Asia Pacific ex Japan region, i.e. companies that are domiciled in. listed in, and/or have significant operations in the Asia Pacific ex Japan region. The fund may also invest up to 20% of its NAV in companies that are listed globally with some business/operations within the Asia Pacific ex Japan region to capture growth opportunities.

## **Lipper Score**

**Total Return** 



#### **Morningstar Rating**







## **Fund Information**

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CPASUSD MK
Malaysia
USD
USD
9 Sep 2015
The Fund has a target return of eight percent (8%) per annum.
Up to 5.00% of the NAV
Up to 1.50% p.a of the NAV
Up to 0.05% p.a. of the NAV
USD 80.72 million
102.48 million units
USD 0.7876
(IOP) Date 10 Sep 2015 (IOP) Price USD 1.00

## **Fund Performance**



Fund Benchmark

ast performance does not guarantee future results. Asset allocation and diversification do not ensure a profit or protect against a loss

Cumulative Performance (%)								
	YTD	1M	3M	6M	1Y	3Y	5Y	Since Inception
Fund	7.08	4.29	7.08	14.24	6.97	-12.78	17.73	67.79
Benchmark	1.93	0.65	1.93	3.93	8.02	25.99	46.96	93.22

Calendar Year Returns (%)	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Fund	3.14	-18.59	-0.25	22.86	17.91	-12.76
Benchmark	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00

Most Recent Fund Distributions	2024 Mar	2023 Aug	2023 Apr	2023 Jan	2022 Oct	2022 Jul
Gross (cent/unit)	0.55	0.22	0.58	0.55	0.54	0.58
Annualised Yield (%)	2.79	1.25	3.16	2.80	3.31	3.03

Most Recent Unit Splits			2020 Dec
Ratio			3:4

Note: September 2015 to March 2024.

Performance data represents the combined income & capital return as a result of holding units in the fund for the specified length of time, based on bid to bid prices. Earnings are assumed to be reinvested.

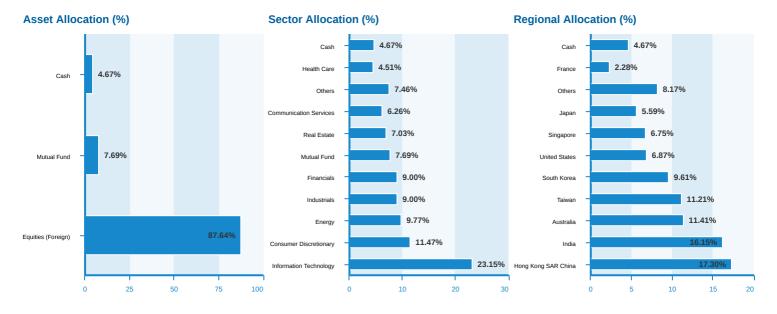
Annualised yield is calculated as the most recent monthly dividend distribution multiplied by the Fund's dividend frequency and divided by the latest NAV.

Top Holdings	Country	% of Net Assets
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing	Taiwan	9.68
Reliance Industries Ltd	India	5.08
CNOOC Ltd	Hong Kong SAR China	4.69
Samsung Electronics Co Ltd	South Korea	4.35
SK Hynix Inc	South Korea	3.45
NEXT FUNDS TOPIX Banks ETF	Japan	3.30
Goodman Group	Australia	2.97
Linde Plc	United States	2.70
Jio Financial Services Ltd	India	2.70
CapitaLand Integrated Commercial Trust	Singapore	2.61

Fund Risk Statistics				
Beta	N/A			
Information Ratio	-0.22			
Sharpe Ratio	-0.13			

(3 years monthly data)

The holdings listed do not constitute a recommendation to purchase or sell a particular security. Any repeated issuer shown means same issuer with different coupon rate and/or maturity date. Cash and/or derivative positions that are not part of the core investment strategy will not be reflected in the top holdings list



Fund holdings and allocations shown are unaudited and may not be representative of current or future investments. Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding and/or inclusion or exclusion of cash will not be reflected in the top holdings list.

## **Fund Manager's Report**

The Fund was up 4.29% in USD terms in March, outperforming the benchmark by 364 bps. YTD, the Fund is up 7.08%, outperforming the benchmark by 515 bps.

The MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex Japan Index rose by 2.3% in USD terms in March. Inflation proved to be more persistent than expected in the US as headline inflation increased 0.4%MoM or 3.2%YoY in February. All eyes were on FOMC meeting if the dot plot will reflect a lower number of rate cuts this year, especially after a strong February nonfarm payrolls number too. Eventually, the Fed decided to maintain its median forecast for three cuts for this year, in line with market expectations. Moreover, the Fed raised the core PCE inflation forecast for 2024 from 2.4% to 2.6%, implying that they do not need to see inflation drop below 2.5% before cutting rates. China manufacturing PMI surprised on the upside, with NBS PMI exceeding 50 in March and exports grew more than expected. These are green shoots that indicate the policies are working its way through the economy. We retain our view that China growth outlook hinges critically on government policies. There are also upcoming elections in South Korea and India. We expect stability in India politics, while the polls in South Korea are casting doubts on the execution of the "Corporate Value-Up Program". The current government aim to promote shareholder returns through "Corporate Value-up Program", akin to what happened in Japan, which could result in a re-rating in the stock market in the longer run. We have a positive view on Asian equities. Within China, being selective on companies with strong cashflow and dividends has been rewarding. Our current ideas include semiconductor manufacturing and the value chain for more advanced chips, demand for better engineering solutions as industries grow, discretionary consumption, beneficiaries of Korea's value-up program, India's private sector revival and high dividend yielders. We took profit on our Japanese investments and switch to consumer discretionary and healthcare sectors. Other risks would be (1) Inflation may prove more sticky than expected, (2) continued weak business and consumer sentiment in China, (3) rising geopol

'Based on the fund's portfolio returns as at 15 March 2024, the Volatility Factor (VF) for this fund is 9.95 and is classified as "Moderate" (source: FIMM). The VF means there is a possibility for the fund in generating an upside return or downside return around this VF. The Volatility Class (VC) is assigned by FIMM based on quintile ranks of VF for qualified funds. VF is subject to monthly revision and VC will be revised every six months. The fund's portfolio may have changed since this date and there is no guarantee that the fund will continue to have the same VF or VC in the future. Presently, only funds launched in the market for at least 36 months will display the VF and its VC. The Manager of the Principal Asia Pacific Dynamic Income Fund (formerly known as CIMB-Principal Asia Pacific Dynamic Income Fund) is Principal Asset Management Berhad. The Manager has appointed Principal Asset Management (S) Pte. Ltd. (formerly known as CIMB-Principal Asset Management (S) Pte. Ltd.) (Company Registration No. 200607208K) as its Singapore Representative and agent for service of process in Singapore. Copies of the prospectus are available from the Singapore Representative at 50 Raffles Place, #22-03A Singapore Land Tower, Singapore 048623 or at www.cimb-principal.com.sg. Investors should read the prospectus before deciding to purchase any units in the Fund ("Units"). The listing of the Units does not guarantee a liquid market for the Units. The value of the Units and the income derived from them, if any, may fall as well as rise. Past performances of the Fund, the Manager are not necessarily indicative of their future performance. The information contained herein is for your general information only and does not have any regard to your specific investment objectives, financial adviser, you representation is made as to its correctness, completeness or accuracy. The Manager accepts no liability whatsoever for any direct, indirect or consequential loss arising from any use or reliance of the information herein.

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