

Principal Asia Pacific Dynamic Income Fund - Class USD

31 August 2023



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



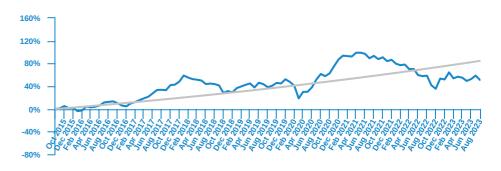




Fund Information

NAV per unit (As at 30 Aug 2023)	USD 0.7145
Fund Unit	103.69 million units
Fund Size (USD)	USD 74.08 million
Trustee Fee	Up to 0.05% p.a. of the NAV
Management Fee	Up to 1.50% p.a of the NAV
Application Fee	Up to 5.00% of the NAV
Benchmark	The Fund has a target return of eight percent (8%) per annum.
Fund Inception	9 Sep 2015
Base Currency	USD
Currency	USD
Domicile	Malaysia
Bloomberg Ticker	CPASUSD MK
Lipper ID	68336980
ISIN Code	MYU1002DP005

Fund Performance



Fund Benchmark

Past 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	-0.52	-4.78	1.22	-1.77	-4.77	-6.51	5.09	51.13
Benchmark	5.26	0.66	1.96	3.96	8.00	25.96	46.93	84.74

Calendar Year Returns (%)	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Fund	-18.59	-0.25	22.86	17.91	-12.76	41.69
Benchmark	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00

Most Recent Fund Distributions	2023 Aug	2023 Apr	2023 Jan	2022 Oct	2022 Jul	2022 Apr
Gross (cent/unit)	0.22	0.58	0.55	0.54	0.58	0.65
Annualised Yield (%)	1.25	3.16	2.80	3.31	3.03	3.13

Most Recent Unit Splits			2020 Dec
Ratio			3:4

Note: September 2015 to August 2023.

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.

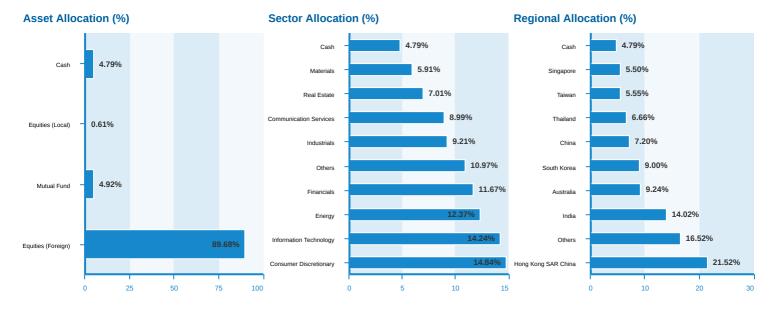
Annualised yield is calculated as the most recent monthly dividend distribution multiplied by the Fund's dividend frequency and divided by the latest NAV.

Top Holdings	Country	% of Net Assets
Samsung Electronics Co Ltd	South Korea	5.99
Tencent Holdings Ltd	Hong Kong SAR China	5.08
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing	Taiwan	3.84
CNOOC Ltd	Hong Kong SAR China	3.56
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd	China	3.54
HDFC Bank Ltd	India	3.34
Shell PLC	United Kingdom	3.03
CapitaLand Integrated Commercial Trust	Singapore	2.77
Reliance Industries Ltd	India	2.48
Linde PLC	United States	2.32

Fund Risk Statistics				
Beta	N/A			
Information Ratio	-0.18			
Sharpe Ratio	-0.07			

(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 down 4.78% in USD terms in August, underperforming the benchmark by 544 bps. YTD, the Fund is down 0.52%, underperforming the benchmark by 578 bps.

The MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex Japan Index declined 6.4% in USD terms in September. While it was a broad-based decline, the worst performing markets were Singapore, Hong Kong SAR and China. The US 10-year bond yield edged higher, ending the month at 4.11%. The US economy continued to show signs of strength with consumer remaining resilient and a robust US housing market. While inflation has moderated recently, the US Fed still believes that inflation is too high, and reiterated their stance that they remain data dependent at Jackson Hole. Our expectation is that we are near the peak of interest rates, and it is likely to be a mild recession in US. Chinese macroeconomic policy stance has turned pro-growth. Over the past month, a chorus of supportive measures have been announced by the Chinese government such as revising down mortgage rates for existing homes, plans for Urban Village Renovation, and encouraging technology giants to boost employment. We have a positive view on Asian equities given attractive investment themes and corporates have the potential to post better earnings growth than developed markets. Our constructive view is dependent on China's ability to revive growth and confidence via thoughtful and significant policies. We remain selectively invested in China such as companies that will benefit from an expected pivot towards measures aimed at revitalizing domestic consumption and private sector like the Internet companies which are also benefitting from easing regulatory pressures. Outside of China, there are growth drivers such as India's strong economic growth, and a bottoming out of semiconductor industry that would lead to better earnings growth in Asia in the next 12 months. We will continue diversify the portfolio and to focus on quality companies which have good earnings visibility, robust balance sheet, long term winners, market share gainers and those with pricing power to overcome cost pressures. Other risks would be (1) Inflation may prove stickier than expected; (2) continued weak busine

'Based on the fund's portfolio returns as at 15 August 2023, the Volatility Factor (VF) for this fund is 10.69 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 situation and any of your particular needs. You may wish to seek advice from a financial adviser before making a commitment to purchase Units. If you choose not to seek advice from a financial adviser, you representation is made as to its corr

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