# EQ8 MSCI SEA ISLAMIC DIVIDEND ETF

(formerly known as MyETF MSCI SEA Islamic Dividend)

# **SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT**

For the Financial Period from 1 January 2024 to 30 June 2024



# Eq8 Capital Sdn Bhd

(formerly known as i-VCAP Management Sdn Bhd)
Company No. 200701034939 (792968-D)
(a wholly owned subsidiary of Kenanga Investors Berhad)

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### INTRODUCTION

Eq8 MSCI SEA Islamic Dividend ETF (formerly known as MyETF MSCI SEA Islamic Dividend) or EQ8SID, is Eq8 Capital Sdn Bhd's (formerly known as i-VCAP Management Sdn Bhd) second style-based Shariah Exchange-traded Fund ("ETF") introduced globally that aims to capture market alpha via investment in dividend-yielding Shariah-compliant companies listed on the stock exchanges in Southeast Asia ("SEA"). As of the date of this semi-annual report, the relevant stock exchanges are Bursa Securities, Singapore Exchange, The Stock Exchange of Thailand, Indonesia Stock Exchange and The Philippine Stock Exchange Inc. EQ8SID is designed to provide investment results that closely correspond to the performance of its Benchmark Index, i.e. MSCI South East Asia IMI Islamic High Dividend Yield 10/40 Index ("MIISOD40 Index").

Structured as an ETF, EQ8SID is a liquid and cost efficient financial instrument for investors who wish to get potential periodic income and capital gain from the vast universe of companies of the SEA countries. EQ8SID was listed on the Main Market of Bursa Securities on 7 May 2015. The short name and stock number for EQ8SID are "EQ8SID" and "0825EA" respectively.

The Benchmark Index, MIISOD40 Index, is a free-float-adjusted, market capitalisation weighted index, maintained and published by MSCI Inc. It may comprise of Shariah-compliant companies listed on the relevant stock exchanges in Southeast Asia countries with dividend yields that are at least 30% higher than average dividend yield of the SEA equity universe that are deemed sustainable and persistent by MSCI. The Benchmark Index is reviewed and rebalanced periodically by MSCI's Shariah Supervisory Committee and review committees to ensure the investability, Shariah-compliancy and continuous representation of the dividend-yielding opportunity set of the index are maintained.

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### 1 FUND INFORMATION

### 1.1 Fund Name

Eq8 MSCI SEA Islamic Dividend ETF ("EQ8SID" or "the Fund")

### 1.2 Fund Category / Type

Shariah-Compliant Equity / Exchange-traded Fund

### 1.3 Investment Objective

EQ8SID aims to provide investment results that closely correspond to the performance of the Benchmark Index regardless of its performance.

### 1.4 Investment Strategy

The Manager will generally adopt a replication strategy to manage the Fund. The Manager may use techniques including indexing by way of full or partial replication in seeking to achieve the investment objective of the Fund, subject to conformity to the Shariah.

### 1.5 Benchmark Index

MSCI South East Asia IMI Islamic High Dividend Yield 10/40 Index ("MIISOD40 Index" or "the Benchmark Index")

The Benchmark Index, namely the MSCI South East Asia IMI Islamic High Dividend Yield 10/40 Index is a free-float adjusted, market capitalisation weighted, price return index calculated, maintained and published by MSCI. The Benchmark Index is designed as a performance benchmark for the high dividend-yielding segment of its Parent Index, the MSCI AC ASEAN IMI Islamic Index. The Parent Index is a free-float adjusted market capitalisation weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of selected South Fast Asia countries

The Benchmark Index shall comprise of Shariah-compliant companies listed on the stock exchanges in South East Asia countries with dividend yields that are at least 30% higher than the Parent Index yield that are deemed both sustainable and persistent by MSCI.

The weight of any single group entity in the Benchmark Index is capped at 10% of the Benchmark Index weight and the sum of the weights of all group entities representing more than 5% is capped at 40% of the Benchmark Index weight. The Benchmark Index is calculated and published in Ringgit Malaysia.

The Parent Index and Benchmark Index consist only of Shariah-compliant securities which are approved by the MSCI Shariah Supervisory Committee based on the MSCI Islamic Index Series Methodology. The MSCI Shariah Supervisory Committee will review and audit the Benchmark Index, the Parent Index as well as the MSCI Islamic Index Series Methodology on a regular basis to ensure compliance with Shariah.

### 1.6 Distribution Policy

Annual, subject to the discretion of the Manager

### 1.7 Commencement Date & Listing Date

2 April 2015 and 7 May 2015

### Breakdown of unit holdings of the Fund as at 30 June 2024 1.8

Size of holdings	No. of unit holders	No. of units held
Less than 100	8	200
100 - 1,000	234	121,000
1,001 - 10,000	178	801,200
10,001 - 100,000	45	1,195,700
100,001 - <5%*	5	1,350,700
> = 5%*	2	55,531,200
Total	472	59,000,000

5%\* - 5% of the units in circulation

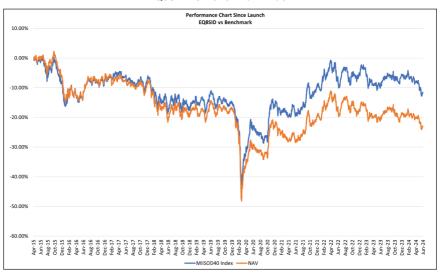
#### 2 MANAGER'S REPORT

#### 2.1 Explanation on whether the Fund has achieved its investment objective

For the financial period under review, the Fund achieved its investment objective to track closely the underlying benchmark index, i.e. MIISOD40 Index. As at 30 June 2024, the 3-year rolling tracking errors between the NAV per unit of the Fund and the Benchmark Index on Price Return and Total Return basis were at 0.10% and 0.11% respectively.

### 2.2 Comparison between the Fund's performance and performance of the Benchmark

### Performance Chart Since Launch (02/04/2015 - 30/06/2024) **EQ8SID** vs Benchmark Index



Source: Bloomberg, Eq8 Capital

### 2.3 Investment strategies and policies employed during the financial period under review

The Manager adopted a replication strategy to manage the Fund. The Manager used techniques including indexing by way of full or partial replication and/or investing in certain authorised investments, in seeking to achieve the investment objective of the Fund, subject to conformity to the Shariah.

During the financial period under review, the Manager tracked the performance of the Benchmark Index by investing all, or substantially all, of the Fund's assets in the constituents of the Benchmark Index in largely the same weightings as they appear in the Benchmark Index.

# 2.4 The Fund's asset allocation as at 30 June 2024 and comparison with the previous financial period

Asset	30 Jun 2024	30 Jun 2023
Listed Shariah-compliant investment securities	94.3%	99.7%
Listed Shariah-compliant collective investment scheme	4.5%	-
Short term Islamic deposits and cash	1.2%	0.3%

### 2.5 Fund performance analysis based on NAV per unit (adjusted for income distribution; if any) since last review period

	Period under review 1 Jan 2024 – 30 Jun 2024
EQ8SID*- NAV Price Return (a)	-4.92%
MIISOD40- Price Return Index	-6.13%
EQ8SID*- NAV Total Return (a)	-4.92%
MIISOD40- Total Return Index	-3.69%

Sources: Bloomberg, Eq8 Capital

The Fund's NAV per unit decreased by 4.92% to RM0.7707 from RM0.8106 in first half of 2024. The Fund had a strong start to the financial period as the Fund's NAV reached its highest of RM0.8285 on 22 February 2024. The Fund's NAV then trended lower to RM0.7591 on 18 June 2024 before closing the financial period under review at RM0.7707. The Benchmark Index (MIISOD40 Index) decreased by 6.13% and the Benchmark's Total Return Index (MIISOD40 Total Return Index) decreased by 3.69%, respectively. The difference between the performance of the Fund and its Benchmark Index can largely be attributed to the Fund's operational costs.

### 2.6 Review of the market

### Market review

The best performing major equity market in January was the Nikkei Index, up 8.4% monthon-month (MoM) in local currency, continuing the strong performance from last year driven by a combination of foreign investor flows out of China, weak Yen and excitement over corporate governance reforms. Subdued wage data and weaker household spending allowed the Bank of Japan to maintain its ultra-accommodative policies for longer. In ASEAN, Thailand's stock market was down by 3.6% MoM after the government slashed its 2024 growth projections on weaker exports and lower foreign tourist numbers. Indonesia's market was down 0.9% MoM amid signs of concern about the prospect of a drawn-out national election and the possibility of the country's finance minister departing. The MSCI ASEAN was down by 3.6% MoM dragged by weakness in Thailand (-3.6%), Singapore (-2.7%) and Indonesia (-0.9%). Locally, Malaysia's KLCI (+4.0% MoM) was the best performing market in Asia in January. Strong interest from foreign investors making Malaysia the second highest net foreign inflow (US\$145m) after Indonesia (US\$534m).

<sup>(</sup>a) Independently sourced from Novagni Analytics and Advisory.

<sup>\*</sup> MyETF MSCI SEA Islamic Dividend has been rebranded to Eq8 MSCI SEA Islamic Dividend ETF with effect from 26 March 2024.

### 2.6 Review of the market (contd.)

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In the US, the Nasdaq, S&P 500 and Dow Jones were up 6.1%, 5.2%, 2.2% MoM in February respectively. The US market is fueled by stronger growth and falling tail risks, with 2024 Gross Domestic Product (GDP) now expected to grow 2.1%. US services labor market remains strong with wage growth above trend, leading to consumer spending delivering a positive surprise. Meanwhile, the MSCI ASEAN gained 1.7% MoM, and Indonesia gained 1.5% MoM led by financials as market proxies, after the conclusion of the Presidential election assured investors about policies continuity. Thailand gained marginally 0.5% MoM on lower 2024 GDP forecast from 3.7%-2.7% range to 3.2%-2.2% range on weaker exports. Locally, the FBM100, FBM Syariah and FBM Small Cap registered MoM gains of 2.5%, 2.3% and 0.4% respectively. The positive performance was attributed to strong foreign buying interests and improving domestic fundamentals.

In US, the S&P 500, Dow Jones, and Nasdaq were up 3.1%, 2.1%, 1.8% MoM in March respectively, fueled by the continued optimism over the economy, potential rate cuts, and business opportunities in the artificial intelligence (AI) space. The street now expects GDP to grow at 2.2% in 2024. The Federal Reserve (Fed) maintained rates at 5.25%-5.5%, keeping rates steady for the fifth consecutive meeting. MSCI ASEAN grew marginally by 0.7% MoM. Indonesia's JCI fell 0.4% MoM whereas Thailand's SET improved slightly by 0.5% MoM. Thailand received over 9.4 million tourists, +44% year-on-year (YoY) and is on course to meet its year-end target of 35 million. The nation is also studying the legalization of gaming casinos to boost tourism. Locally, FBM Small Cap, FBM Shariah, and FBM 100 registered MoM gains of 3.1%, 1.0%, and 0.5% respectively, whereas FBM KLCI fell 1.0% MoM. Foreigners turned net sellers after strong net foreign inflows in Jan-Feb, and foreign ownership eased to 19.6% at end-Mar from 19.9% at end-Feb.

US equities fell sharply in April, with the Dow Jones (-5.0%), S&P500 (-4.2%) and Nasdaq (-4.4%) respectively due to a higher-than-expected inflation print which sparked fears of delays for interest rate cuts. CPI rose 0.4% MoM coming in higher than consensus' expectation of 0.3%. On a YoY basis, both headline and core Consumer Price Index (CPI) rose to 3.5% and 3.8% respectively, above economists' forecasts. In ASEAN, the MSCI Asean Index fell 1.3%. Indonesia's JCI fell 0.75% with the Rupiah weakening 2.3% against the dollar. Foreign investors were net sellers of USD 1.2 billion in April, significantly reversing their Year-To-Date (YTD) net buyers' position of USD 1.7 billion as at end-March 2024. Locally, the FBM KLCI rallied by 2.6%, reaching a two year high of 1,576 points, despite Middle East geopolitical concerns and persistent selling by foreign investors.

US equities rose in the month of May driven by better-than-expected corporate earnings, investors' optimism on the economic outlook and expectation of interest rate cut later this year. US consumer prices increased less than expected in April, suggesting that inflation resumed its downward trend hence boosted financial market expectations for a September interest rate cut. US Dow Jones, S&P 500 and Nasdaq rose 2.3%, 4.8% and 6.9% MoM respectively. Meanwhile in ASEAN, MSCI ASEAN declined 0.8% in May. In local currency, Singapore and Malaysia were the best performing markets, which grew by 1.3% MoM. Philippines was the worst performing, declining by 4.0% MoM while Indonesia was the second worst performer, falling by 3.6% MoM.

#### 2.6 Review of the market (contd.)

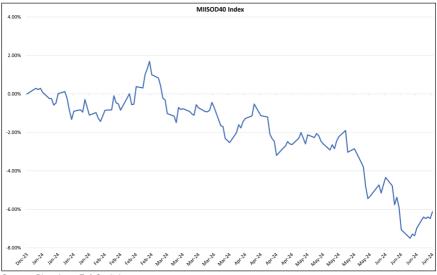
### Market review (contd.)

Global equity markets continued to perform well in June 2024, with the US S&P 500, Nasdag. and Dow Jones increasing by 3.5%, 6.0%, and 1.1% MoM, respectively. The US market finished the first half of 2024 strongly, with the S&P 500. Nasdag, and Dow Jones up by 14.5%. 18.1%, and 3.8% respectively. The rally in the US market was mainly driven by betterthan-expected corporate earnings. In ASEAN, MSCI ASEAN increased 0.4% MoM. In local currency terms, Thailand, the Philippines, Malaysia, and Singapore posted negative returns for June, while only Indonesia posted a positive return. The FBM KLCI was down slightly by 0.4% MoM in June, but the FBM100, FBM Shariah, and FBM Small Cap were up by 0.24%, 1.29%, and 3.64% MoM, respectively. The Malaysian market finished the first half of 2024 strongly, with the FBM KLCI, FBM100, FBM Shariah, and FBM Small Cap up by 9.3%. 12.5%. 14.2%. and 18.0%. respectively. Foreign investors turned net sellers of RM 61.2. million worth of equities in June, after being net buyers in May 2024. This brings the YTD foreign net sales to RM 0.8 billion.

Overall, the ASEAN equity markets exhibited weakness in the first half of 2024, with the MSCI ASEAN index declining by 2.91% during this period. Only Malaysia and Singapore demonstrated positive performance, with gains of 9.43% and 3.18%, respectively. In contrast, the other three markets ended the financial period under review on a weaker note.

The MIISOD40 peaked at 2,312 on February 22, 2024, before dropping to its lowest point of 2,103 on 8 June 2024. The index then rebounded slightly to 2,134, resulting in a 6.13% decrease in the first half of 2024

Chart: MIISOD40 Index Performance for 1H2024



Sources: Bloomberg, Eg8 Capital

#### 2.6 Review of the market (contd.)

### Market outlook

Key indicators for the timing of potential rate cuts include U.S. economic data and guidance from the Fed. The Fed is anticipated to begin reducing rates in the second half of 2024, with the market expecting the first cut in September 2024. Meanwhile, the European Central Bank (ECB) became the second major central bank to lower interest rates in June 2024. following Canada's earlier decision. While China's additional fiscal stimulus has provided some support, further measures are needed to revive the property market and restore market confidence

Optimism surrounds selected companies in Thailand that are poised to benefit from ongoing travel normalization. In Indonesia, structural advantages are seen from rising consumption and increased foreign direct investments. Additionally, there is a positive outlook on the Malaysian market, particularly in sectors that stand to gain from stimulus policies in the construction and property sectors. In general, we remain optimistic on the ASEAN market as the region benefits from easing global monetary conditions.

### 2.7 **Distributions**

For the financial period under review, the Fund did not declare any income distributions.

### 2.8 Details of any unit split exercise

The Fund did not carry out any unit split exercise during the financial period under review.

### 2.9 Significant changes in the state of affairs of the Fund during the financial period

There were significant changes in the state of affairs of the Fund during the financial period and unit holders have been notified via an announcement to Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad on 25 March 2024.

The Fourth Supplementary Prospectus was issued on 26 March 2024. The changes were effective on 26 March 2024.

### 2.10 Circumstances that materially affect any interests of the unit holders

There were no circumstances that materially affected any interests of the unit holders during the financial period under review.

### 2.11 Rebates and soft commissions

It is the policy of the Manager to credit any rebates received into the account of the Fund. Any soft commissions received by investment manager on behalf of the Fund are in the form of research and advisory services that assist in the decision making process relating to the investment of the Fund which are of demonstrable benefit to unit holders of the Fund. Any dealing with the broker or dealer is executed on terms which are the most favourable for the Fund. Nevertheless, the Manager did not received soft commissions from its stockbrokers during the financial period under review.

### 2.12 Cross-trade

During the financial period under review, no cross-trade transactions were undertaken by the Manager for the Fund.

# 2.13 Securities financing transactions

Securities financing transactions are transactions consisting of securities financing or repurchase. During the financial period under review, the Fund had not undertaken any securities financing transactions.

### 3. **FUND PERFORMANCE**

### 3.1 Details of portfolio composition of the Fund as at 30 June 2024 against the last three financial years as at 31 December are as follows:

The sector allocation of the Fund's listed investment based on weightage of the MIISOD40 Index's and the MSCI's sectors classification are as follows:

### Sector Classification - MSCI

	As at 30.6.2024 %	FY 2023 %	FY 2022 %	FY 2021 %
Consumer Staples	10.3	30.9	39.5	24.8
Utilities	11.3	10.8	12.6	17.8
Materials	14.2	5.4	9.5	8.7
Energy	15.0	5.1	10.6	14.8
Industrials	7.0	6.1	8.5	7.3
Information Technology	4.1	7.2	4.5	2.8
Telecommunication Services	18.9	9.0	9.0	13.5
Consumer Discretionary	1.8	8.3	2.8	-
Financials	0.9	0.6	3.1	1.7
Health Care	13.2	5.8	-	5.8
Real Estate	2.1	6.7	-	3.0
Short term Islamic deposits				
and cash	1.2	4.1	-	-

Source: MSCI

# **Country Exposure - MSCI**

	As at 30.6.2024 %	FY 2023 %	FY 2022 %	FY 2021 %
Malaysia	30.9	48.6	39.0	46.7
Thailand	27.0	20.9	33.5	13.8
Indonesia	26.5	13.0	19.1	30.5
Philippines	8.0	13.5	2.7	4.5
Singapore	7.6	4.0	5.8	4.5

Source: MSCI

### 3.1 Details of portfolio composition of the Fund as at 30 June 2024 against the last three financial years as at 31 December are as follows: (contd.)

During the financial period under review, MSCI performed quarterly review and rebalanced the composition of the Benchmark Index in accordance with its index methodology. The quarterly review had resulted in changes to the weightings of the component stocks in the Fund. The Manager had undertaken the rebalancing exercise in accordance to the respective quarterly review to ensure that the Fund's investments closely tracking the Benchmark Index.

In terms of sectoral weightings, notable changes to the Fund's sector composition as compared to end-December 2023 were the decrease in Consumer Staples by 20.6% and increase in Energy and Telecommunication Services by 9.9%. Meanwhile the weighting of other sectors have changed during the period. As for country allocation, country weightings for Malaysia decreased by 15.7% while Indonesia increased by 14.0%.

Details of the key changes for the financial period under review and the Fund's latest top holdings are as follows:

Table 1: List of Inclusions and Exclusions

	Stock Inclusions	Country	Stock Exclusions	Country
1Q24	-	-	UMW Holdings Bhd Fraser & Neave Holdings Bhd	Malaysia
	Ctos Digital Bhd	Malaysia	Kuala Lumpur Kepong Bhd PPB Group Bhd TSH Resources Bhd	Malaysia
	Megaworld Corp	Phillipines	Osotspa Pcl-NVDR Dynasty Ceramic Pcl-NVDR	Thailand
2Q24	United Tractors Tbk PT Semen Indonesia Persero Tbk PT Ace Hardware Indonesia Tbk PT Selamat Sempurna Tbk PT Harum Energy Tbk PT Bank BTPN Syariah Tbk PT	Indonesia	AEM Holdings Ltd	Singapore

# 3.1 Details of portfolio composition of the Fund as at 30 June 2024 against the last three financial years as at 31 December are as follows: (contd.)

Table 2: Top Ten Holdings of the Fund as at 30 June 2024

	Stocks	% of NAV
1.	Telkom Indonesia Persero Tbk	9.6
2.	PTT Exploration and Production Public Company Limited	9.0
3.	Bangkok Dusit Medical Services	8.6
4.	Petronas Chemicals Group Berhad	8.4
5.	Intouch Holdings Public Company Limited	4.8
6.	Kalbe Farma Tbk	4.6
7.	United Tractors Tbk	4.6
8.	Netlink NBN Trust	4.5
9.	Petronas Gas Berhad	4.5
10.	Manila Electric Company	4.5
	Total	63.1

Table 3: Fund's Sector Allocation

	As at 30-Jun-24 (%)	As at 31-Dec-23 (%)	Change (%)
Consumer Discretionary	1.8	8.3	-6.5
Consumer Staples	10.3	30.9	-20.6
Energy	15.0	5.1	9.9
Financials	0.9	0.6	0.3
Industrials	7.0	6.1	0.9
Information Technology	4.1	7.2	-3.1
Materials	14.2	5.4	8.8
Telecommunication Services	18.9	9.0	9.9
Utilities	11.3	10.8	0.5
Health Care	13.2	5.8	7.4
Real Estate	2.1	6.7	-4.6
Short term Islamic deposits and cash	1.2	4.1	-2.9

Sources: Bursa Malaysia, Eq8 Capital

### 3.1 Details of portfolio composition of the Fund as at 30 June 2024 against the last three financial years as at 31 December are as follows: (contd.)

Table 4: Change in Fund's Country Exposure

	As at 30-Jun-24 (%)	As at 31-Dec-23 (%)	Change (%)
Indonesia	26.5	12.5	14.0
Malaysia	30.9	46.6	-15.7
Philippines	8.0	12.9	-4.9
Singapore	7.6	3.9	3.7
Thailand	27.0	20.0	7.0

Details of the Fund's quoted investments as at 30 June 2024 are disclosed under Note 4 of the financial statements

Performance details of the Fund for the financial period ended 30 June 2024 against the last five financial years ended 31 December are as follows: 3.2

	Period from 1 1 2024 to					
	30.6.2024	FY2023	FY2022	FY2021	FY2020	FY2019
NAV per unit (RM)	0.7707	0.8106	0.8252	0.7999	0.7654	0.8264
NAV per unit (RM) (before distribution)	•	0.8131	0.8492	0.7543	0.6830	0.8229
NAV per unit (RM) (after distribution)	•	0.8016	0.8362	0.7357	0.6613	0.8030
Highest NAV per unit (RM)	0.8285	0.8521	0.8889	0.8233	0.8313	0.8568
Lowest NAV per unit (RM)	0.7591	0.7831	0.7905	0.7149	0.5181	0.7837
Price per unit (RM)	0.7680	1.0500	0.8200	0.8200	0.7800	0.8350
Highest price per unit (RM)	1.0500	1.050	0.8450	0.8300	0.8350	1.0000
Lowest price per unit (RM)	0.7680	0.7850	0.7750	0.7250	0.3750	0.7950
Units in circulation (Million)	59,000,000	59,000,000	59,000,000	59,000,000	60,000,000	88,000,000
Total NAV (RM)	45,469,360	47,824,193	48,684,653	47,196,876	45,925,851	72,725,799
Total NAV (RM) (before distribution)	•	47,970,148	50,100,645	45,256,845	42,345,347	72,413,367
Total NAV (RM) (after distribution)	•	47,291,648	49,333,645	44,140,845	40,999,947	70,662,167
Market Capitalisation (RM)	45,312,000	61,950,000	48,380,000	48,380,000	46,800,000	73,480,000
Income distribution per unit (sen)	•	1.15	1.30	1.86	2.17	2.17
Income distribution yield (%)	•	1.41	1.53	2.47	3.18	2.60
MIISOD40 Index	2,134.02	2,273.40	2,284.62	2,176.70	2,102.66	2,040.17
MIISOD40 Total Return Index	4,787.43	4,970.80	4,776.86	4,359.83	3,895.79	3,772.96
Tracking Error vs. Price Return	1	;				
MIISOD40 Index (%)*	0.07	0.11	0.22	0.24	0.19	0.14
Tracking Error vs. Total Return MIISOD40 Index (%)*	0.06	0.10	0.23	0.25	0.20	0.14
Total expense ratio ("TER")	0.95	1.14	1.31	1.12	0.93	0.63

<sup>\*</sup> The tracking error were calculated on daily basis between the NAV per unit of the Fund and the Price Return and Gross Return Benchmark Index.

### 3.2 Performance details of the Fund for the financial period ended 30 June 2024 against the last five financial years ended 31 December are as follows: (cont'd)

The Fund's Total Expense Ratio (TER) decreased to 0.95 from the previous year's 1.14, primarily attributed to lower operational and transaction costs.

The price of the Fund's units listed on Bursa Malaysia fell to RM0.7680 in June 2024 from a high of RM1.0500 in January 2024, representing a 2.7% decrease. This decline aligns with the negative performance of the ASEAN equity market.

#### 3.3 Average total return for the Fund

	Average Returns				
	YTD (%)	1-Year (%)	3-Years (%)	5-Years (%)	
EQ8SID* - NAV Price Return	-9.68	-2.46	2.37	-1.85	
MIISOD40- Price Return Index	-12.36	-2.03	3.19	0.15	
EQ8SID* - NAV Total Return	-9.68	-1.08	3.37	-0.16	
MIISOD40- Total Return Index	-7.44	2.41	8.11	4.92	

Sources: Bloomberg, Eq8 Capital

#### 3.4 Annual total return of the Fund

	Period under	1 Year				
	review 31 Dec 23 - 30 Jun 24 (%)	2023 (%)	2022 (%)	2021 (%)	2020 (%)	2019 (%)
EQ8SID* - NAV Price Return	-9.68	-1.77	3.16	4.51	-7.38	2.66
MIISOD40- Price Return Index	-12.36	-0.49	4.96	8.15	-1.35	2.43
EQ8SID* - NAV Total Return	-9.68	-0.38	4.74	7.15	-4.44	5.14
MIISOD40- Total Return Index	-7.44	4.06	9.57	11.91	3.26	6.76

Sources: Bloomberg, i-VCAP

Investors are reminded that past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Unit prices and investment returns may fluctuate.

<sup>(</sup>a) Independently sourced from Novagni Analytics and Advisory.

<sup>(</sup>b) Average returns for both MIISOD40 Price Return Index and MIISOD40 Total Return Index are annualised figures computed based on the price and total returns for the respective period.

<sup>\*</sup> MyETF MSCI SEA Islamic Dividend has been rebranded to Eq8 MSCI SEA Islamic Dividend ETF with effect from 26 March 2024.

<sup>(</sup>a) Independently sourced from Novagni Analytics and Advisory.

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# EQ8 MSCI SEA ISLAMIC DIVIDEND ETF(FORMERLY KNOWN AS MYETF MSCI SEA ISLAMIC DIVIDEND)

Unaudited Semi-Annual Financial Statements Together with Trustee's Report, Shariah Adviser's Report and Statement by the Manager

30 June 2024

# EQ8 MSCI SEA ISLAMIC DIVIDEND ETF (formerly known as MyETF MSCI SEA Islamic Dividend)

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# TRUSTEE'S REPORT TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF EQ8 MSCI SEA ISLAMIC DIVIDEND ETF (FORMERLY KNOWN AS MYETF MSCI SEA ISLAMIC DIVIDEND) ("Fund")

We have acted as Trustee of the Fund for the financial period ended 30 June 2024 and we hereby confirm to the best of our knowledge, after having made all reasonable enquiries, Eq8 Capital Sdn Bhd (formerly known as i-VCAP Management Sdn Bhd) has operated and managed the Fund during the period covered by these financial statements in accordance with the following:

- Limitations imposed on the investment powers of the management company under the deed, securities laws and the Guidelines on Exchange-traded Funds;
- 2. Valuation and pricing is carried out in accordance with the deed; and
- Any creation and cancellation of units are carried out in accordance with the deed and any regulatory requirement.

For Deutsche Trustees Malaysia Berhad

**Soon Lai Ching** Senior Manager, Trustee Operations **Sylvia Beh** Chief Executive Officer

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia 28 August 2024

# SHARIAH ADVISER'S REPORT FOR ISLAMIC EXCHANGE TRADED FUND TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF EQ8 MSCI SEA ISLAMIC DIVIDEND ETF (FORMERLY KNOWN AS MYETF MSCI SEA ISLAMIC DIVIDEND) ("Fund"),

We hereby confirm the following:

- 1. To the best of our knowledge, after having made all reasonable enquiries, Eq8 Capital Sdn Bhd (formerly known as i-VCAP Management Sdn Bhd) has operated and managed the Fund during the period covered by these financial statements in accordance with the Shariah principles and complied with the applicable guidelines, rulings or decisions issued by the Securities Commission Malaysia ("SC") pertaining to Shariah matters; and
- The assets of the Fund comprise instruments that have been classified as Shariahcompliant.

Thank you.

For Amanie Advisors Sdn Bhd

Tan Sri Dr Mohd Daud Bakar Executive Chairman

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

28 August 2024

### STATEMENT BY THE MANAGER

I, Sved Umar Bin Abdul Rahman Alhadad, being a director of Eq8 Capital Sdn Bhd (formerly known as i-VCAP Management Sdn Bhd), do hereby state that, in the opinion of the Manager, the accompanying statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024 and the related statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in net asset value and statement of cash flows for the financial period from 1 January 2024 to 30 June 2024 together with notes thereto, are drawn up in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of Eq8 MSCI SEA Islamic Dividend ETF (formerly known as MvETF MSCI SEA Islamic Dividend) as at 30 June 2024 and of its financial performance and cash flows for the financial period from 1 January 2024 to 30 June 2024 and comply with the requirements of the Deed.

For and on behalf of the Manager EQ8 CAPITAL SDN BHD (formerly known as i-VCAP Management Sdn Bhd)

SYED UMAR BIN ABDUL RAHMAN ALHADAD Executive Director/Acting Chief Executive Officer

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

28 August 2024

# STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 JANUARY 2024 TO 30 JUNE 2024 (unaudited)

	Note	1.1.2024 to 30.6.2024 RM	1.1.2023 to 30.6.2023 RM
INVESTMENT INCOME			
Dividend income Profit income Net (loss) from Shariah-compliant investments: - Financial assets at fair value through profit or		1,186,860 8,846	1,221,455 2,602
loss ("FVTPL") Net loss on foreign currency exchange Other income	4	(3,039,652) (130,118) 12	(2,487,235) (248,137)
	-	(1,974,052)	(1,511,315)
EXPENSES			
Manager's fee Trustee's fee Index license fee Auditors' remuneration Tax agent's fee Other expenses Brokerage and other transaction costs	5 6 7	152,666 10,569 14,092 1,243 - 41,097 29,868 249,535	155,760 10,784 37,997 8,152 4,861 150,058 63,912 431,524
NET LOSS BEFORE TAX		(2,223,587)	(1,942,839)
Income tax	8 _	(131,246)	(123,453)
NET LOSS AFTER TAX, REPRESENTING TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE LOSS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	_	(2,354,833)	(2,066,292)
Net loss after tax is made up as follows: Realised loss Unrealised loss	4 _	(407,809) (1,947,024) (2,354,833)	(1,316,223) (750,069) (2,066,292)

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2024 (unaudited)

	Note	30.6.2024 RM	30.6.2023 RM
ASSETS			
INVESTMENTS			
Financial assets at FVTPL Short term Islamic deposits	4	44,926,484	46,458,524 270,000
	=	44,926,484	46,728,524
OTHER ASSETS			
Other receivables Tax recoverable Prepayment Cash at bank	9	24,338 327,476 - 376,956 728,770	64,609 - 1,449 48,980 115,038
TOTAL ASSETS	_	45,655,254	46,843,562
LIABILITIES			
Amount due to Manager Amount due to Trustee Amount due to Index Provider Provision for tax Other payables TOTAL LIABILITIES	10 _	48,537 1,568 652 - 135,137 185,894	24,982 1,730 1,993 17,202 179,294 225,201
EQUITY			
Unit holders' contribution Accumulated losses NET ASSET VALUE ("NAV") ATTRIBUTABLE	-	57,557,300 (12,087,940)	57,557,300 (10,938,939)
TO UNIT HOLDERS	11 _	45,469,360	46,618,361
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	_	45,655,254	46,843,562
NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION	11(a) _	59,000,000	59,000,000
NAV PER UNIT (RM)	_	0.7707	0.7901

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSET VALUE FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 JANUARY 2024 TO 30 JUNE 2024 (unaudited)

	Note	Unit holders' contribution RM	Accumulated losses RM	Total NAV RM
1.1.2024 to 30.6.2024 At beginning of the financial period Total comprehensive loss At end of the financial period		57,557,300 - 57,557,300	(9,733,107) (2,354,833) (12,087,940)	47,824,193 (2,354,833) 45,469,360
1.1.2023 to 30.6.2023 At beginning of the financial period Total comprehensive income At end of the financial period		57,557,300 - 57,557,300	(8,872,647) (2,066,292) (10,938,939)	48,684,653 (2,066,292) 46,618,361

# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 JANUARY 2024 TO 30 JUNE 2024 (unaudited)

	1.1.2024 to 30.6.2024 RM	1.1.2023 to 30.6.2023 RM
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING AND INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from sale of financial assets at FVTPL Dividends received Profit from short term Islamic deposits received Other income received Tax agent's fee paid Trustee's fee paid Auditors' remuneration paid Index license fee paid Payment for other fees and expenses Manager's fee paid Purchase of financial asset at FVTPL Cash (used in)/generated from operating and investing activities Income tax paid Net cash (used in)/generated from operating and investing activities	8,142,537 1,165,436 8,846 12 (2,676) (10,683) (12,099) (15,288) (102,689) (128,417) (10,272,014)  (1,227,035) (172,496)	16,785,814 1,200,433 2,755 - (10,839) - (30,537) (156,560) (85,989) (17,279,241) 425,836 (181,250)
NET (DECREASE)/INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS EFFECT OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	(1,399,531) (130,118) 1,906,605 376,956	244,586 (248,137) 322,531 318,980
Cash and cash equivalents comprise: Cash at banks Short term Islamic deposits	376,956 - 376,956	48,980 270,000 318,980

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 JANUARY 2024 TO 30 JUNE 2024 (unaudited)

### 1. THE FUND, THE MANAGER AND THEIR PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

Eq8 MSCI SEA Islamic Dividend ETF (formerly known as MyETF MSCI SEA Islamic Dividend) (the "Fund") was constituted pursuant to the executed Deed dated 6 February 2015 (collectively, together with deeds supplemental thereto, referred to as the "Deed") between the Manager, Eq8 Capital Sdn Bhd (formerly known as i-VCAP Management Sdn Bhd) and Deutsche Trustees Malaysia Berhad (the "Trustee"). Pursuant to the executed Second Supplemental Deed dated 26 March 2024 between Eq8 Capital Sdn Bhd (formerly known as i-VCAP Management Sdn Bhd) and Deutsche Trustees Malaysia Berhad, the name of the Fund was changed from MyETF MSCI SEA Islamic Dividend to Eq8 MSCI SEA Islamic Dividend ETF. The Fund commenced operations on 8 April 2015 and will continue to be in operation until terminated by the Trustee as provided under Part 26 of the Deed.

The Fund is an exchange-traded fund that is designed to provide investment results that closely correspond to the performance of the MSCI AC ASEAN IMI Islamic High Dividend Yield 10/40 Index ("Benchmark Index"), regardless of its performance. The Benchmark Index is a free-float adjusted, market capitalisation weighted, price return index representing securities of 30 leading Shariah-compliant companies listed in the stock exchanges in South East Asia countries as determined by MSCI Inc.

The immediate and ultimate holding companies of the Manager, Eq8 Capital Sdn Bhd (formerly known as i-VCAP Management Sdn Bhd) are Kenanga Investors Berhad and Kenanga Investment Bank Berhad respectively, both of which are incorporated in Malaysia. The ultimate holding company is listed on the Main Market of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad.

The principal place of business of the Manager is Level 14, Kenanga Tower, 237, Jalan Tun Razak, 50400 Kuala Lumpur.

### 2. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Fund is exposed to a variety of risks including market risk (which includes interest rate risk, price risk and currency risk), credit risk, liquidity risk and Shariah status reclassification risk. Whilst these are the most important types of financial risks inherent in each type of financial instruments, the Manager and the Trustee would like to highlight that this list does not purport to constitute an exhaustive list of all the risks inherent in a Shariah-compliant investment in the Fund

The Fund has an approved set of investment guidelines and policies as well as internal controls which sets out its overall business strategies to manage these risks to optimise returns and preserve capital for the unit holders, consistent with the long term objectives of the Fund

### a. Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk includes interest rate risk, price risk and currency risk.

### a. Market risk (contd.)

Market risk arises when the value of the Shariah-compliant investments fluctuates in response to the activities of individual companies, general market or economic conditions. It stems from the fact that there are economy-wide perils, which threaten all businesses. Hence, investors are exposed to market uncertainties. Fluctuation in the Shariah-compliant investment's price caused by uncertainties in the economic. political and social environment will affect the NAV of the Fund.

The Manager manages the risk of unfavourable changes in prices by cautious review of the Shariah-compliant investments and continuous monitoring of their performance and risk profiles.

### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk refers to how the changes in the interest rate environment would affect the valuation of Shariah-compliant instruments. In the event of a rising interest rate environment, the valuation of Shariah-compliant instruments may decrease, and vice versa. Interest rate, such as the Overnight Policy Rate set by Bank Negara Malaysia, will have an impact on the investment decisions of the Fund regardless of whether it is an Islamic fund or otherwise. It does not in any way suggest that the Fund will invest in conventional financial instruments.

The Fund is not exposed to significant interest rate risk as its Islamic deposits are short term in nature and have fixed profit rates.

### Interest rate risk exposure

The following table analyses the Fund's interest rate risk exposure. The Fund's financial assets and financial liabilities are disclosed at fair value and categorised by the earlier of contractual re-pricing or maturity dates.

	Up to 1 year RM	Non-interest sensitive RM	Total RM	average effective rate of return*
30.6.2024 Assets				
Financial assets at				
FVTPL	-	44,926,484	44,926,484	
Other financial assets		728,770	728,770	_
		45,655,254	45,655,254	_

<sup>\*</sup> Calculated based on Shariah-compliant assets with exposure to interest rate movement only.

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### a. Market risk (contd.)

### i. Interest rate risk (contd.)

Interest rate risk exposure (contd.)

Up to 1 year RM	Non-interest sensitive RM	Total RM	Weighted average effective rate of return*
	50,757	50,757	=
	45,604,497	45,604,497	-
-	46,458,524	46,458,524	
270,000	-	270,000	2.9
	113,589	113,589	_
270,000	46,572,113	46,842,113	=
-	28,705	28,705	
270,000	46,543,408	46,813,408	-
	- 270,000 - 270,000	Up to 1 year RM sensitive RM  - 50,757  - 45,604,497  - 46,458,524  270,000 - 113,589 270,000 46,572,113  - 28,705	Up to 1 year RM         sensitive RM         Total RM           -         50,757         50,757           -         45,604,497         45,604,497           -         46,458,524         46,458,524           270,000         -         270,000           -         113,589         113,589           270,000         46,572,113         46,842,113           -         28,705         28,705

<sup>\*</sup> Calculated based on Shariah-compliant assets with exposure to interest rate movement only.

### ii. Price risk

Price risk is the risk of unfavourable changes in the fair values of listed Shariahcompliant equity securities and listed Shariah-compliant collective investment scheme. The Fund invests in listed Shariah-compliant equity securities and listed Shariah-compliant collective investment scheme which are exposed to price fluctuations. This may then affect the NAV per unit of the Fund.

### a. Market risk (contd.)

### ii. Price risk (contd.)

### Price risk sensitivity

The Manager's best estimate of the effect on the loss for the financial period due to a reasonably possible change in investments in listed Shariah-compliant equity securities and listed Shariah-compliant collective investment scheme with all other variables held constant is indicated in the table below:

	Changes in price Increase/(Decrease) Basis points	Effects on loss for the financial period Gain/(Loss) RM
30.6.2024 Financial assets at FVTPL	5/(5)	22,463/(22,463)
30.6.2023 Financial assets at FVTPL	5/(5)	23,229/(23,229)

In practice, the actual trading results may differ from the sensitivity analysis above and the difference could be material.

### Price risk concentration

The following table sets out the Fund's exposure and concentration to price risk based on its portfolio of Shariah-compliant financial instruments as at the reporting date.

	Fair value		Percentage of NAV	
	30.6.2024 RM	30.6.2023 RM	30.6.2024	30.6.2023 %
Financial assets at FVTPL	44,926,484	46,458,524	98.8	99.7

### a. Market risk (contd.)

### ii. Price risk (contd.)

### Price risk concentration (contd.)

The Fund's concentration of Shariah-compliant investment security price risk from the Fund's listed Shariah-compliant equity securities and listed Shariah-compliant collective investment scheme analysed by sector is as follows:

	Fair v	/alue	Percentage of NAV		
	30.6.2024 RM	30.6.2023 RM	30.6.2024 %	30.6.2023 %	
Telecommunications					
and Media	8,605,240	2,133,360	18.9	4.6	
Energy	6,814,367	5,394,047	15.0	11.5	
Health Care	6,006,302	-	13.2	-	
Industrial Products					
and Services	5,149,905	8,035,430	11.3	17.3	
Utilities	5,136,620	7,460,077	11.3	16.0	
Plantation	3,160,356	4,670,106	7.0	10.0	
Technology	2,501,344	3,730,483	5.5	8.0	
Materials	1,921,803	-	4.2	-	
Consumer Products					
and Services	1,913,386	14,196,676	4.2	30.5	
Consumer Staples	1,537,127	-	3.4	-	
Property	961,219	-	2.1	-	
Consumer					
Discretionary	817,564	-	1.8	-	
Financial Services	401,251	838,345	0.9	1.8	
	44,926,484	46,458,524	98.8	99.7	

### iii. Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates.

When the foreign currencies fluctuate in an unfavourable movement against Ringgit Malaysia, the investment face currency loss in addition to capital gain/(loss). This will lead to lower NAV of the Fund.

The Manager may consider managing the currency risk using currency hedging. However, this would be subject to the current market outlook on the currency exposure risk as well.

### a. Market risk (contd.)

### iii. Currency risk (contd.)

### Currency risk sensitivity

The following table indicates the currencies to which the Fund had significant exposure at the reporting date on its financial assets and financial liabilities. The analysis calculates the effect of a reasonably possible movement of the currency rate against Ringgit Malaysia on income with all other variables held constant.

	Changes in currency rate Increase/(Decrease) Basis points	Effects on loss for the financial period Gain/(Loss) RM
30.6.2024 IDR/MYR PHP/MYR SGD/MYR THB/MYR	5/(5) 5/(5) 5/(5) 5/(5)	6,038/(6,038) 1,815/(1,815) 1,724/(1,724) 6,140/(6,140)
30.6.2023 IDR/MYR PHP/MYR SGD/MYR THB/MYR	5/(5) 5/(5) 5/(5) 5/(5)	4,136/(4,136) 1,474/(1,474) 1,722/(1,722) 5,975/(5,975)

In practice, the actual trading results may differ from the sensitivity analysis above and the difference could be material.

### **Currency risk concentration**

The following table sets out the Fund's exposure to foreign currency exchange rates on its financial assets and financial liabilities as at reporting date.

	Fair value		Percentage of NAV	
	30.6.2024	30.6.2023	30.6.2024	30.6.2023
	RM	RM	%	%
THB	12,279,739	11,950,287	27.0	25.6
IDR	12,076,156	8,271,930	26.6	17.7
PHP	3,630,711	2,947,967	8.0	6.3
SGD	3,448,292	3,444,911	7.6	7.4
	31,434,898	26,615,095	69.1	57.1

### b. Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that the counterparty to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss to the Fund by failing to discharge an obligation. The Manager manages the credit risk by undertaking credit evaluation to minimise such risk.

### Credit risk exposure

As at the reporting date, the Fund's maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of each class of financial asset recognised in the statement of financial position.

### ii. Financial assets that are either past due or impaired

As at the reporting date, there are no financial assets that are either past due or impaired.

### iii. Credit quality of financial assets

The Fund invests in Islamic deposits with financial institutions licensed under the Islamic Financial Services Act 2013. The following table analyses the licensed financial institutions by rating category:

### Short term Islamic deposits

	•	Percentage of total short term Islamic deposits		Percentage of NAV	
	30.6.2024 %	30.6.2023 %	30.6.2024 %	30.6.2023 %	
Rating P1/MARC-1	-	100.0	-	0.6	

# c. Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is defined as the risk that the Fund will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities that are to be settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. Exposure to liquidity risk arises because of the possibility that the Fund could be required to pay its liabilities or cancel its units earlier than expected. The Fund is exposed to cancellation of its units on a regular basis. Units sold to unit holders by the Manager are cancellable at the unit holders' option based on the Fund's NAV per unit at the time of cancellation calculated in accordance with the Deed.

The Islamic liquid assets comprise cash at banks, short term Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions and other Shariah-compliant instruments, which are capable of being converted into cash within 7 days.

# 2. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTD.)

# c. Liquidity risk (contd.)

The following table analyses the maturity profile of the Fund's financial assets and financial liabilities in order to provide a complete view of the Fund's contractual commitments and liquidity.

	Note	No maturity	Up to 1 year RM	Total RM
30.6.2024 Assets				
Financial assets at FVTPL		-	44,926,484	44,926,484
Cash at bank		376,956		376,956
Other financial assets	-	-	728,770	728,770
	i.	376,956	45,655,254	46,032,210
Liabilities				
Other financial liabilities	ii.		50,757	50,757
Equity	iii.		45,469,360	45,469,360
Liquidity gap	_	376,956	135,137	512,093
30.6.2023				
Assets				
Financial assets at FVTPL		-	46,458,524	46,458,524
Short term deposits		40.000	270,000	270,000
Cash at bank Other financial assets		48,980	- 64 600	48,980
Other imancial assets	i.	48,980	64,609	64,609
	l	40,900	46,793,133	46,842,113
Liabilities				
Other financial liabilities	ii.	-	28,705	28,705
Equity	iii.		46,618,361	46,618,361
Liquidity gap	_	48,980	146,067	195,047

#### i. Financial assets

Analysis of financial assets at FVTPL into maturity groupings is based on the expected date on which these assets will be realised. The Fund's investments in listed Shariah-compliant equity securities and listed Shariah-compliant collective investment scheme have been included in the "up to 1 year" category on the assumption that these are highly liquid Shariah-compliant and Shariah noncompliant investments which can be realised should all of the Fund's unit holders' equity be required to be redeemed. For other financial assets, the analysis into maturity groupings is based on the remaining period from the end of the reporting period to the contractual maturity date or if earlier, the expected date on which the assets will be realised

#### 2. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTD.)

### c. Liquidity risk (contd.)

#### ii. Financial liabilities

The maturity grouping is based on the remaining period from the end of the reporting period to the contractual maturity date or if earlier, the date on which liabilities will be settled. When the counterparty has a choice of when the amount is paid, the liability is allocated to the earliest period in which the Fund can be required to pay.

#### iii. Equity

As the unit holders can request for redemption of their units, they have been categorised as having a maturity of "up to 1 year".

#### d. Shariah status reclassification risk

Shariah status reclassification risk is the risk that the currently held Shariah-compliant equity securities and listed Shariah-compliant collective investment scheme in the portfolio of the Fund may be reclassified as Shariah non-compliant in the periodic review of the securities by the Shariah Advisory Council of the Securities Commission Malaysia ("SACS"), the Shariah Adviser or the Shariah boards of the Benchmark Index. If this occurs, the Manager will take the necessary steps to dispose of such securities.

Opportunity loss could occur due to the restriction on the Fund to retain the excess capital gains derived from the disposal of the reclassified Shariah non-compliant securities. In such an event, the Fund is required:

- to dispose of such securities with immediate effect or within one calendar month if the value of the securities exceeds or is equal to the investment cost on the effective date of reclassification of the list of Shariah-compliant securities ("Reclassification") by the SACSC or date of review ("Review") by the Shariah Adviser or the Shariah boards of the Benchmark Index. The Fund is allowed to keep dividends received and capital gains from the disposal of the securities up to the effective date of Reclassification or Review. However, any dividends received and excess capital gains from the disposal of the Shariah non-compliant securities after the effective date of Reclassification or Review should be channelled to baitulmal and/or charitable bodies as advised by the Shariah Adviser:
- ii. to hold such securities if the value of the said securities is below the investment cost on the effective date of Reclassification or Review until the total subsequent dividends received (if any) and the market price of the securities is equal to the cost of investment at which time disposal has to take place within one calendar month, excess capital gains (if any) from the disposal of the securities should be channelled to baitulmal and/or charitable bodies as advised by the Shariah Adviser or
- iii. to dispose of such securities at a price lower than the investment cost which will result in a decrease in the Fund's value

#### 2. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTD.)

# e. Regulatory reportings

It is the Manager's responsibility to ensure full compliance of all requirements under the Guidelines on Exchange-traded Funds issued by the Securities Commission Malaysia. Any breach of any such requirement has been reported in the mandatory reporting to the Securities Commission Malaysia on a quarterly basis.

#### 3. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION

# a. Basis of accounting

The financial statements of the Fund have been prepared in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS") as issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board ("MASB") and International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB").

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except as disclosed in the accounting policies below.

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year except for the adoption of the amended MFRS, which became effective for the Fund on 1 January 2024.

Description	Effective for financial periods beginning on or after
Amendments to MFRS 16: Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback	1 January 2024
Amendments to MFRS 101: Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current Amendments to MFRS 101: Non-current Liabilities with	1 January 2024
Covenants Amendments to MFRS 107 and MFRS 7: Supplier Finance	1 January 2024
Arrangements	1 January 2024

The adoption of the amended MFRS did not have any material impact on the financial position or performance of the Fund.

## b. Standards and amendments issued but not yet effective

Effective for financial periods beginning on or after

#### Description

Amendments to MFRS 121: Lack of Exchangeability 1 January 2025 Amendments to MFRS 10 and MFRS 128: Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint To be announced by Venture MASB

These pronouncements are not expected to have any material impact to the financial statements of the Fund upon their initial application.

#### c. Financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are recognised in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Fund becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instruments.

#### i. Initial recognition

The classification of financial instruments at initial recognition depends on their contractual terms and the business model for managing the instruments, as described in Notes 3(c)(ii) and (iii).

# ii. Measurement categories of financial assets and liabilities

The Fund classifies all of its financial assets based on the business model for managing the assets and the asset's contractual terms, measured at either:

- Amortised cost;
- Fair value through other comprehensive income: and
- Fair value through profit or loss.

The Fund may designate financial instruments at FVTPL, if so doing eliminates or significantly reduces measurement or recognition inconsistencies.

Financial assets are initially measured at their fair values plus, except in the case of financial assets recorded at FVTPL, transaction costs.

The Fund's other financial assets include cash at banks, short term Islamic deposits, trade receivables and other receivables.

Financial liabilities are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into and the definitions of a financial liability. Financial liabilities are classified as either financial liabilities at FVTPL or other financial liabilities.

The Fund's other financial liabilities include trade payables and other payables.

#### c. Financial instruments (contd.)

### ii. Measurement categories of financial assets and liabilities (contd.)

Other financial liabilities are recognised and initially measured at fair values, net of directly attributable transaction costs and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective yield rate ("EYR"). Gains or losses are recognised in profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognised, and through the amortisation process.

#### iii. Due from banks, short term Islamic deposits, trade receivables and other receivables at amortised cost

The Fund only measures the cash at banks, short term Islamic deposits, trade receivables and other receivables at amortised cost if both of the following conditions are met:

- The financial asset is held within a business model with the objective to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows: and
- The contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and profit ("SPPP") on the principal amount outstanding.

The details of these conditions are outlined below

#### **Business model assessment**

The Fund determines its business model at the level that best reflects how it manages groups of financial assets to achieve its business objective.

The Fund's business model is not assessed on an instrument-by-instrument basis, but at a higher level of aggregated portfolios and is based on observable factors such as:

- How the performance of the business model and the financial assets held within that business model are evaluated and reported to the entity's key management personnel:
- The risks that affect the performance of the business model (and the financial assets held within that business model) and, in particular, the way those risks are managed:
- How managers of the business are compensated (for example, whether the compensation is based on the fair value of the assets managed or on the contractual cash flows collected); and
- The expected frequency, value and timing of sales are also important aspects of the Fund's assessment

#### c. Financial instruments (contd.)

# iii. Due from banks, short term Islamic deposits, trade receivables and other receivables at amortised cost (contd.)

The business model assessment is based on reasonably expected scenarios without taking 'worst case' or 'stress case' scenarios into account. If cash flows after initial recognition are realised in a way that is different from the Fund's original expectations, the Fund does not change the classification of the remaining financial assets held in that business model but incorporates such information when assessing newly originated or newly purchased financial assets going forward, unless it has been determined that there has been a change in the original business model.

#### The SPPP test

As a second step of its classification process, the Fund assesses the contractual terms of financial assets to identify whether they meet the SPPP test.

'Principal' for the purpose of this test is defined as the fair value of the financial asset at initial recognition and may change over the life of the financial asset (for example, if there are repayments of principal or amortisation/accretion of the premium/discount).

The most significant elements of profit within a financing arrangement are typically the consideration for the time value of money and credit risk. To make the SPPP assessment, the Fund applies judgement and considers relevant factors such as the currency in which the financial asset is denominated, and the period for which the profit rate is set.

In contrast, contractual terms that introduce a more than de minimis exposure to risks or volatility in the contractual cash flows that are unrelated to a basic financing arrangement do not give rise to contractual cash flows that are solely payments of principal and profit on the amount outstanding. In such cases, the financial asset is required to be measured at FVTPL.

### iv. Financial investments

Financial assets in this category are those that are managed in a fair value business model, or that have been designated by management upon initial recognition, or are mandatorily required to be measured at fair value under MFRS 9. This category includes debt instruments whose cash flow characteristics fail the SPPP criterion or are not held within a business model whose objective is either to collect contractual cash flows, or to both collect contractual cash flows and sell

#### d. Derecognition of financial assets

A financial asset (or, where applicable, a part of a financial asset or part of a group of similar financial assets) is derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial asset have expired. The Fund also derecognises the financial asset if it has both transferred the financial asset and the transfer qualifies for derecognition.

The Fund has transferred the financial asset if, and only if, either:

- The Fund has transferred its contractual rights to receive cash flows from the financial asset: or
- It retains the rights to the cash flows but has assumed an obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a 'passthrough' arrangement.

Pass-through arrangements are transactions whereby the Fund retains the contractual rights to receive the cash flows of a financial asset (the 'original asset'). but assumes a contractual obligation to pay those cash flows to one or more entities (the 'eventual recipients'), when all of the following three conditions are met:

- The Fund has no obligation to pay amounts to the eventual recipients unless it has collected equivalent amounts from the original asset, excluding short-term advances with the right to full recovery of the amount financed plus accrued profit at market rates:
- The Fund cannot sell or pledge the original asset other than as security to the eventual recipients: and
- The Fund has to remit any cash flows it collects on behalf of the eventual recipients without material delay. In addition, the Fund is not entitled to reinvest such cash flows, except for investments in cash or cash equivalents including profit earned, during the period between the collection date and the date of required remittance to the eventual recipients.

A transfer only qualifies for derecognition if either:

- The Fund has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset; or
- The Fund has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset but has transferred control of the asset

The Fund considers control to be transferred if, and only if, the transferee has the practical ability to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated third party and is able to exercise that ability unilaterally and without imposing additional restrictions on the transfer

When the Fund has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards and has retained control of the asset, the asset continues to be recognised only to the extent of the Fund's continuing involvement, in which case, the Fund also recognises an associated liability. The transferred asset and the associated liability are measured on a basis that reflects the rights and obligations that the Fund has retained

#### d. Derecognition of financial assets (contd.)

Continuing involvement that takes the form of a guarantee over the transferred asset is measured at the lower of the original carrying amount of the asset and the maximum amount of consideration the Fund could be required to pay.

If continuing involvement takes the form of a written or purchased option (or both) on the transferred asset, the continuing involvement is measured at the value the Fund would be required to pay upon repurchase. In the case of a written put option on an asset that is measured at fair value, the extent of the entity's continuing involvement is limited to the lower of the fair value of the transferred asset and the option exercise price.

#### e. Offsetting of financial assets and liabilities

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the statement of financial position if there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis and to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

#### Impairment of financial assets f.

#### i. Overview of the expected credit loss ("ECL") principles

The Fund measures its receivables impairment using the forward-looking ECL approach in accordance with the requirements of MFRS 9.

## ii Write-offs

Financial assets are written off either partially or in their entirety only when the Fund has stopped pursuing the recovery. If the amount to be written off is greater than the accumulated loss allowance, the difference is first treated as an addition to the allowance that is then applied against the gross carrying amount. Any subsequent recoveries are credited to credit loss expense.

# g. Income

Income is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Fund and the income can be reliably measured. Income is measured at the fair value of consideration received or receivable

Profit income is recognised using the effective yield method.

Dividend income is recognised on declared basis, when the right to receive the dividend is established. The income is presented gross of withholding tax which is disclosed separately.

The realised gain or loss on sale of Shariah-compliant investments is measured as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the Shariah-compliant investments.

#### h. Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include cash at banks and short term Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions with maturities of three months or less, which have an insignificant risk of changes in value.

#### Income tax

Income tax on the profit or loss for the financial period comprises current tax. Current tax is the expected amount of income taxes payable in respect of the taxable profit for the financial period.

As no temporary differences have been identified, no deferred tax has been recognised.

The Fund may also incur withholding taxes on income received on the financial instruments.

#### Unrealised reserves

Unrealised reserves represent the net gain or loss arising from carrying Shariahcompliant investments at their fair values and unrealised gain or loss from translating foreign currency monetary items at exchange rates prevailing at reporting date. This reserve is not distributable.

#### k Unit holders' contribution - NAV attributable to unit holders

The unit holders' contribution to the Fund is classified as equity instruments.

#### Functional and presentation currency

#### i. Functional and presentation currency

The financial statements of the Fund are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Fund operates ("the functional currency"). The financial statements are presented in Ringgit Malaysia ("RM"), which is also the Fund's functional currency.

# ii. Foreign currency transactions

In preparing the financial statements of the Fund, transactions in currencies other than the Fund's functional currency (foreign currencies) are recorded in the functional currency using exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. At each reporting date, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rates prevailing on the reporting date. All exchange gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss.

### Functional and presentation currency (contd.)

### ii. Foreign currency transactions (contd.)

Exchange differences arising on the settlement of monetary items, and on the translation of monetary items, are included in profit or loss for the financial period.

The principal exchange rate for each respective units of foreign currency ruling at reporting date is as follows:

	30.6.2024 RM	30.6.2023 RM
1,000 IDR	0.2879	0.3111
1 PHP	0.0804	0.0845
1 SGD	3.4776	3.4382
100 THB	12.8327	13.1500

#### m. Distributions

Distributions are at the discretion of the Manager. A distribution to the Fund's unit holders is accounted for as a deduction from retained earnings.

### n. Significant accounting judgement and estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires the use of certain accounting estimates and exercise of judgement. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on past experience, reasonable expectations of future events and other factors

# Critical judgements made in applying accounting policies

There are no major judgements made by the Manager in applying the Fund's accounting policies.

# ii. Key sources of estimation uncertainty

There are no key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial period.

# 4. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FVTPL

	30.6.2024 RM	30.6.2023 RM
Financial assets held for trading, at FVTPL:		
Listed Shariah-compliant equity securities in Malaysia	13,505,325	19,903,825
Listed Shariah-compliant equity securities in Thailand	12,279,739	11,950,287
Listed Shariah-compliant equity securities in Indonesia Listed Shariah-compliant equity securities in	12,062,417	8,211,534
Philippines	3,630,711	2,947,967
Listed Shariah-compliant equity securities in Singapore Listed Shariah-compliant collective investment scheme	1,380,979	3,444,911
in Singapore	2,067,313	-
	44,926,484	46,458,524
	1.1.2024 to 30.6.2024 RM	1.1.2023 to 30.6.2023 RM
Net loss on financial assets at FVTPL comprised:		
Realised loss on disposals	(1,092,628)	(1,740,786)
Unrealised changes in fair values	(1,947,024)	(746,449)
	(3,039,652)	(2,487,235)

	Quantity	Aggregate cost RM	Fair value RM	Percentage of NAV %
Listed Shariah- compliant equity securities in Malaysia				
Industrial Products and Services Petronas Chemicals				
Group Berhad	601,800	3,985,311	3,797,358	8.4
Scientex Berhad	166,700	591,481	718,477	1.6
	ŕ	4,576,792	4,515,835	9.9
Plantation				
	545,200	2,107,979	2,017,240	4.4
IOI Corporation Berhad Ta Ann Holdings Berhad	,	, ,	, ,	0.4
United Plantations Berhad	48,600 39,100	173,502 627,332	185,166 957,950	2.1
United Plantations Bernau	39,100	2,908,813	3,160,356	7.0
		2,900,013	3,100,330	7.0
Utilities Mega First Corporation				
Berhad	132,800	477,573	625,488	1.4
Petronas Gas Berhad	114,900	1,969,905	2,047,518	4.5
		2,447,478	2,673,006	5.9

	Quantity	Aggregate cost RM	Fair value RM	Percentage of NAV %
Listed Shariah- compliant equity securities in Malaysia (contd.)				
Consumer Products and Services Sime Darby Berhad	730,300	1,687,248	1,913,386	4.2
Technology CTOS Digital Berhad	430,000	602,000	636,400	1.4
Energy Hibiscus Petroleum Berhad	162 100	452.004	277 602	0.0
Financial Services	162,100	453,094	377,693	0.8
Syarikat Takaful Malaysia Keluarga Berhad	61,300	244,608	228,649	0.5
Total listed Shariah- compliant equity securities in Malaysia		12,920,033	13,505,325	29.7
Listed Shariah- compliant equity securities in Thailand				
Energy PTT Exploration and Production Public				
Company Limited	210,600	4,140,551	4,112,607	9.0
Health Care Bangkok Dusit Medical Services	1,132,700	3,920,823	3,892,727	8.6
Telecommunications and Media Intouch Holdings Public				
Company Limited	235,200	2,162,117	2,160,522	4.8
<b>Technology</b> KCE Electronics Public Company Limited	221,700	1,322,721	1,196,273	2.6

	Quantity	Aggregate cost RM	Fair value RM	Percentage of NAV %
Listed Shariah- compliant equity securities in Thailand (contd.)				
<b>Utilities</b> TTW Public Company Limited	376,600	428,086	428,192	0.9
Consumer Staples Ichitan Group Public Company Limited	159,000	315,723	355,436	0.8
Materials Eastern Polymer Group Public Company Limited	202,500	219,549	133,982	0.3
Total listed Shariah- compliant equity securities in Thailand		12,509,570	12,279,739	27.0
Listed Shariah- compliant equity securities in Indonesia				
Telecommunications and Media PT Telkom Indonesia (Persero) Tbk	4,857,700	5,234,997	4,377,405	9.6
Energy	4,037,700	3,234,997	4,377,403	9.0
PT Harum Energy Tbk PT United Tractors Tbk	710,300 330,500	278,765 2,217,136 2,495,901	233,125 2,090,942 2,324,067	0.5 4.6 5.1
<b>Health Care</b> PT Kalbe Farma Tbk	4,814,000	2,326,902	2,113,575	4.6
Materials PT Aneka Tambang Tbk PT Semen Indonesia	2,262,900	1,270,330	814,361	1.8
(Persero) Tbk	906,500	994,977 2,265,307	973,460 1,787,821	2.1

	Quantity	Aggregate cost RM	Fair value RM	Percentage of NAV %
Listed Shariah-compliant equity securities in Indonesia (contd.)				
Consumer Discretionary PT Selamat Sempurna Tbk PT Ace Hardware	704,200	366,373	377,095	0.8
Indonesia Tbk	1,789,400	427,671 794,044	440,469 817,564	1.0
Consumer Staples PT Industri Jamu dan Farmasi Sido Muncul Tbk	2,103,700	547,983	469,383	1.0
<b>Financial Services</b> PT Bank BTPN Syariah Tbk	523,600	176,710	172,602	0.4
Total listed Shariah- compliant equity securities in Indonesia		13,841,844	12,062,417	26.5
Listed Shariah-compliant equity securities in Philippines				
<b>Utilities</b> The Manila Electric Company	69,000	1,854,996	2,035,422	4.5
Property Megaworld Corporation Robinsons Land	2,396,000	346,546	337,947	0.7
Corporation	519,000	682,797 1,029,343	623,272 961,219	1.4
Industrial Products and Services DMCI Holdings Inc.	706,200	433,368	634,070	1.4
Total listed Shariah-	. 55,200	,		1.7
compliant equity securities in Philippines		3,317,707	3,630,711	8.0

	Quantity	Aggregate cost RM	Fair value RM	Percentage of NAV %
Listed Shariah- compliant equity securities in Singapore				
<b>Technology</b> AEM Holdings Limited UMS Holdings Limited	669 161,900	7,941 636,554 644,495	4,189 664,482 668,671	_^ 1.5 1.5
Consumer Staples First Resources Limited	148,400	793,685	712,308	1.6
Total listed Shariah- compliant equity securities in Singapore		1,438,180	1,380,979	3.0
Listed Shariah- compliant collective investment scheme in Singapore				
Telecommunications and Media Netlink NBN Trust	716,100	2,104,981	2,067,313	4.5
Total listed Shariah- compliant collective investment scheme in Singapore		2,104,981	2,067,313	4.5
Total financial assets at FVTPL		46,132,315	44,926,484	98.8
Unrealised loss on financial assets at FVTPL			(1,205,831)	

<sup>^</sup> Denotes more than 0.0% but less than 0.1%

#### 5. MANAGER'S FEE

The Manager's fee is calculated on a daily basis at a rate not exceeding 3.00% per annum on the NAV of the Fund as provided under Clause 15.1(b) of the Deed.

The Manager is currently charging Manager's fee of 0.65% per annum of the NAV of the Fund (financial period from 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023: 0.65% per annum).

#### 6. TRUSTEE'S FEE

The Trustee's fee is calculated on a daily basis at a rate not exceeding 0.20% per annum on the NAV of the Fund and subject to a minimum fee of RM12,000 per annum as provided under Clause 15.2(b) of the Deed.

The Trustee's fee is currently calculated at 0.045% per annum of the NAV of the Fund (financial period from 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023: 0.045% per annum).

#### 7. INDEX LICENSE FEE

Index license fee is payable to MSCI Inc., the benchmark Index Provider.

The index license fee is currently calculated at 0.06% per annum of the NAV of the Fund (financial period from 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023: 0.06% per annum).

#### 8 INCOME TAX

	1.1.2024 to 30.6.2024 RM	1.1.2023 to 30.6.2023 RM
Current income tax expense:		

131,246

123.453

- Foreign withholding tax

Income tax is calculated at the Malaysian statutory tax rate of 24% of the estimated assessable income for the current and previous financial periods.

Income tax is calculated on investment income less partial deduction for permitted expenses as provided for under Section 63B of the Income Tax Act, 1967.

Pursuant to the Finance Act 2021, foreign-sourced income derived by a resident person from sources outside Malaysia and received in Malaysia will be taxed at the prevailing tax rate(s) of the taxpayer and based on applicable tax rules. Bilateral or unilateral tax credits may be allowed if the same income has suffered foreign tax, and where relevant conditions are met

A reconciliation of income tax expense applicable to net loss before tax at the statutory income tax rate to income tax expense at the effective income tax rate of the Fund is as follows:

# 8. INCOME TAX (CONTD.)

	1.1.2024 to 30.6.2024 RM	1.1.2023 to 30.6.2023 RM
Net loss before tax	(2,223,586)	(1,942,839)
Tax at Malaysian statutory tax rate of 24% (financial period from 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023: 24%) Tax effect of: Income not subject to tax Losses not deductible for tax purposes	(533,661) (279,995) 753,768	(466,281) (293,774) 656,489
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Restriction on tax deductible expenses for exchange- traded funds Foreign withholding tax	22,527 37,361 131,246	54,666 48,900 123,453
Income tax for the financial period	131,246	123,453

### 9. SHORT TERM ISLAMIC DEPOSITS

Short term Islamic deposits are held with licensed financial institutions in Malaysia at the prevailing profit rates.

# 10. OTHER RECEIVABLES

	30.6.2024 RM	30.6.2023 RM
Dividend receivable Profit receivable from short term Islamic deposits	24,338	64,545 64
•	24,338	64,609

# 11. OTHER PAYABLES

	30.6.2024 RM	30.6.2023 RM
Accrual for auditors' remuneration Accrual for tax agent's fees Provision for printing and other expenses	9,652 25,321 100,164 135,137	24,152 25,209 129,933 179,294

#### 12. NET ASSET VALUE ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS

NAV attributable to unit holders is represented by:

		Note	30.6.2024 RM	30.6.2023 RM
Unit holders' contribution		(a)	57,557,300	57,557,300
Accumulated losses: Realised deficits Unrealised deficits			(10,882,602) (1,205,338) (12,087,940)	(9,167,643) (1,771,296) (10,938,939)
(a) Unit holders' contril	oution		45,469,360	46,618,361
	1.1.2024 to No. of units	30.6.2024 RM	1.1.2023 to No. of units	30.6.2023 RM
At beginning/end of the financial period	59,000,000	57,557,300	59,000,000	57,557,300

The Manager, Eg8 Capital Sdn Bhd (formerly known as i-VCAP Management Sdn Bhd), and other parties related to the Manager did not hold any units in the Fund, either legally or beneficially, as at 30 June 2024 (30 June 2023: nil).

## 13. SHARIAH INFORMATION OF THE FUND

The Shariah Adviser confirmed that the investment portfolio of the Fund is Shariahcompliant, which comprises the following:

- a. Investment in equity securities listed on Bursa Malaysia have been classified as Shariah-compliant and as per the list of Shariah-compliant securities by the SACSC;
- b. Investment in equity securities included in the Benchmark Index have been classified as Shariah-compliant; and
- c. Liquid assets in the local market, which have been placed in Shariah-compliant investments and/or instruments.

### 14. PORTFOLIO TURNOVER RATIO ("PTR")

PTR for the financial period from 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023 is 0.20 times (financial period from 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023: 0.35 times).

PTR is the ratio of average sum of acquisitions and disposals of Shariah-compliant investments of the Fund for the financial period to the average NAV of the Fund, calculated on a daily basis.

### 15. TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO ("TER")

TER for the financial period from 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023 is 0.95% per annum (financial period from 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023: 0.93% per annum).

TER is the ratio of total fees and recovered expenses of the Fund expressed as a percentage of the Fund's average NAV, calculated on a daily basis.

#### 16. TRANSACTIONS WITH LICENSED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

	Transaction value RM	Percentage of total %	Brokerage, stamp duty and clearing fee RM	Percentage of total %
Maybank Investment Bank				
Berhad	10,380,490	56.4	14,360	48.1
RHB Investment Bank				
Berhad	4,435,342	24.1	8,953	29.9
CIMB Group Holdings				
Berhad	1,542,546	8.4	3,859	12.9
Macquarie Capital Securities (M) Sdn. Bhd. CLSA Securities Malaysia	1,412,915	7.7	1,695	5.7
Sdn. Bhd	644.641	3.5	1.000	3.3
Carr. Bria	18,415,934	100.0	29,868	100.0

The above transactions values are in respect of listed Shariah-compliant equity securities and listed Shariah-compliant collective investment scheme.

### 17. SEGMENTAL REPORTING

# a. Business segments

I In accordance with the objective of the Fund, the Fund can invest at least 90% of its NAV in listed Shariah-compliant investment securities and listed Shariah-compliant collective investment scheme which correspond to Benchmark Index and not more than 10% of its NAV in Islamic liquid assets. The following table provides an analysis of the Fund's revenue, results, assets and liabilities by business segments:

	Listed Shariah- compliant investment securities RM	Other Shariah- compliant investments RM	Total RM
1.1.2024 to 30.6.2024 Revenue			
Segment (loss)/ income Segment expenses	(1,852,792) (29,868)	8,858	
Net segment (loss)/income representing segment results Unallocated loss on foreign currency	(1,882,660)	8,858	(1,873,802)
exposure			(130,118) (2,003,920)
Unallocated expenditure Loss before tax			(219,666) (2,223,586)
Income tax Net loss after tax			(131,246) (2,354,832)
30.6.2024 Assets			
Financial assets at FVTPL Other segment assets	44,926,484 24,271	-	
Total segment assets	44,950,755		44,950,822
Unallocated assets			704,432 45,655,254
Liabilities Unallocated liabilities			185,894
J			100,004

# 17. SEGMENTAL REPORTING (CONTD.)

# a. Business segments (contd.)

	Listed Shariah- compliant investment securities RM	Other Shariah- compliant investments RM	Total RM
1.1.2023 to 30.6.2023 Revenue			
Segment income Segment expenses	(1,265,780) (155,691)	2,602	
Net segment income representing segment results Unallocated loss on foreign currency	(1,421,471)	2,602	(1,418,869)
exposure			(248,137) (1,667,006)
Unallocated expenditure Income before tax			(275,833) (1,942,839)
Income tax Net income after tax			(123,453) (2,066,292)
30.6.2023 Assets			
Financial assets at FVTPL	46,458,524	270,000	
Short term Islamic deposits Other segment assets	64,545	270,000 64	
Total segment assets	46,523,069	270,064	46,793,133
Unallocated assets			50,429 46,843,562
Liabilities			
Unallocated liabilities			225,201

# 17. SEGMENTAL REPORTING (CONTD.)

### b. Geographical segments

The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing in a diversified portfolio of Shariah compliant equities of the countries of South East Asian region. The following table provide an analysis of the Fund's revenue, results, assets and liabilities by geographical segments:

	Local investments RM	Foreign investments RM	Total RM
1.1.2024 to 30.6.2024 Revenue Segment income/(loss) Segment expenses Net segment income/(loss)	393,360 (16,385)	(2,237,294) (13,483)	
representing segment results Unallocated loss on foreign currency exposure	376,975	(2,250,777)	(1,873,802) (130,118) (2,003,920)
Unallocated expenditure Loss before tax Income tax Net loss after tax			(219,666) (2,223,586) (131,246) (2,354,832)
30.6.2024 Assets Financial assets at FVTPL Other segment assets Total segment assets	13,505,325 10,532 13,515,857	31,421,159 13,806 31,434,965	44,950,822
Unallocated assets  Liabilities			704,432 45,655,254
Unallocated liabilities			185,894

# 17. SEGMENTAL REPORTING (CONTD.)

# b. Geographical segments (contd.)

	Local investments RM	Foreign investments RM	Total RM
1.1.2023 to 30.6.2023 Revenue Segment (loss)/income Segment expenses Net segment (loss)/income representing segment results Unallocated loss on foreign currency exposure  Unallocated expenditure Income before tax Income tax	(875,775) (28,150) (903,925)	(387,403) (127,541) (514,944)	(1,418,869) (248,137) (1,667,006) (275,833) (1,942,839) (123,453)
Net income after tax 30.6.2023 Assets			(2,066,292)
Financial assets at FVTPL Short term Islamic deposits Other segment assets Total segment assets Unallocated assets	19,903,825 270,000 4,213 20,178,038	26,554,699 60,396 26,615,095	46,793,133 50,429 46,843,562
<b>Liabilities</b> Unallocated liabilities			225,201

#### 18. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

#### a. Classification of financial instruments

The Fund's financial assets and financial liabilities are measured on an ongoing basis at either fair value or at amortised cost based on their respective classification. The material accounting policies in Note 3 describe how the classes of financial instruments are measured, and how income and expenses, including fair value gains and losses, are recognised.

# 18. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTD.)

### a. Classification of financial instruments (contd.)

The following table analyses the financial assets and financial liabilities of the Fund in the statement of financial position by the class of financial instruments to which they are assigned and therefore by the measurement basis.

	Financial assets at FVTPL RM	Financial assets at amortised cost RM	Other financial liabilities RM	Total RM
30.6.2024 Assets Listed Shariah- compliant equity				
securities Listed Shariah- compliant collective	42,859,171	-	-	42,859,171
investment scheme Other receivables	2,067,313	24,338	-	2,067,313 24,338
Cash at bank		376,956		376,956
	44,926,484	401,294		45,327,778
<b>Liabilities</b> Amount due to				
Manager Amount due to	-	-	48,537	48,537
Trustee Amount due to Index	-	-	1,568	1,568
Provider			652	652
			50,757	50,757
30.6.2023 Assets Listed Shariah- compliant equity				
securities Short term Islamic	46,458,524	-	-	46,458,524
deposits	-	270,000	-	270,000
Other receivables	-	64,609	-	64,609
Cash at bank	46,458,524	48,980 383,589		48,980 46,842,113
<b>Liabilities</b> Amount due to	40,430,324	303,309		40,042,113
Manager Amount due to	-	-	24,982	24,982
Trustee Amount due to Index	-	-	1,730	1,730
Provider			1,993	1,993
			28,705	28,705

### 18. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTD.)

#### b. Financial instruments that are carried at fair value

The Fund's financial assets at EVTPL are carried at fair value

The following table shows the fair value measurements by level of the fair value measurement hierarchy:

	Level 1 RM	Level 2 RM	Level 3 RM	Total RM
Investments: 30.6.2024 Listed Shariah- compliant equity				
securities Listed Shariah- compliant collective	42,859,171	-	-	42,859,171
investment scheme	2,067,313	-	-	2,067,313
	44,926,484			44,926,484
<b>30.6.2023</b> Listed Shariah- compliant equity				
securities	46,458,524			46,458,524

Level 1: Listed prices in active market

Level 2: Model with all significant inputs which are observable market data

Level 3: Model with inputs not based on observable market data

The fair values of listed Shariah-compliant equity securities and listed Shariahcompliant collective investment scheme are determined by reference to Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad's and respective foreign stock exchanges of the respective countries' last traded prices at reporting date.

# c. Financial instruments not carried at fair value and for which their carrying amounts are reasonable approximations of fair value

The carrying amounts of the Fund's other financial assets and financial liabilities are not carried at fair value but approximate fair values due to the relatively short term maturity of these financial instruments.

### 19. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The capital of the Fund can vary depending on the demand for creation and cancellation of units to the Fund.

The Fund's objectives for managing capital are:

- a. To invest in Shariah-compliant investments meeting the description, risk exposure and expected return indicated in its prospectus;
- b. To maintain sufficient liquidity to meet the expenses of the Fund, and to meet cancellation requests as they arise; and
- c. To maintain sufficient fund size to make the operations of the Fund cost-efficient.

No changes were made to the capital management objectives, policies or processes during the current and previous financial periods.

### SHARIAH ADVISER'S PROFILE

Shariah Adviser

Amanie Advisors Sdn Bhd ("Amanie")

Incorporated in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in 2005 (Co. No. 200501007003 (684050-H)) under the Companies Act. 1965

**Corporate Information** 

Principal Activities

Amanie is a Shariah advisory, consultancy, training and research and development boutique for institutional and corporate clientele focusing on Islamic financial services. Amanie is a registered Shariah adviser with the SC.

Amanie also focuses on organizational aspect of the development of human capital in Islamic finance worldwide through providing updated quality learning embracing both local and global issues on Islamic financial products and services.

Shareholding

The authorised & paid-up capital is RM500,000 divided into 500,000 shares of RM1.00 each.

The shareholders of Amanie are Tan Sri Dr Mohd Daud Bakar and En Abdul Aziz Bin Abd Jalal.

Experience as Adviser

The company is led by Tan Sri Dr. Mohd Daud Bakar and teamed by an active and established panel of consultants covering every aspect related to the Islamic banking and finance industry, both in Malaysia and the global market. Currently, the team comprises of nine (9) full-time consultants who represent dynamic and experienced professionals with a mixture of corporate finance, accounting, product development, Shariah law and education. As at 30 January 2024, Amanie has acquired over nineteen (19) years of experience in the advisory role in capital market including unit trust funds and funds management with more than 100 funds which Amanie acts as Shariah adviser.

**Designated Person** 

: The designated person responsible for Shariah advisory matters of the Fund is Tan Sri Dr. Mohd Daud Bakar as the Chairman. Another consultant are:

(1) Puan Suhaida Mahpot

Conflict of interest with the Fund

The Shariah Adviser does not have any conflict of interest with the Fund

List of convictions for None offences within the past 5 years, other than traffic offences and any public sanction or penalty imposed by the relevant regulatory bodies durina the financial year

Amanie is backed by its own respective Shariah Team comprises of the following members:

#### Tan Sri Dr. Mohd Daud Bakar

Shariah Adviser / Executive Chairman

Tan Sri Dr. Mohd Daud Bakar is the Founder and Executive Chairman of Amanie Group. One of its flagship companies namely Amanie Advisors, is operating in few cities globally. He serves as the Chairman of the Shariah Advisory Council (SAC) at the Central Bank of Malaysia, the Securities Commission of Malaysia, the Labuan Financial Services Authority, the Astana International Financial Centre (AIFC), Kazakhstan, the First Abu Dhabi Bank, and Permodalan Nasional Berhad (PNB).

Tan Sri Dr Daud is also a Shariah board member of various global financial institutions, including the National Bank of Oman (Oman), Amundi Asset Management (France), Bank of London and Middle East (London), BNP Paribas Naima (Bahrain), Natixis Bank (Dubai), Morgan Stanley (Dubai), Sedco Capital (Saudi and Luxembourg), and Dow Jones Islamic Market Index (New York) amongst many others.

Currently. Tan Sri serves as the Chairman of Federal Territory Islamic Religious Department [Mailis Agama Islam Persekutuan (MAIWP)]. In the corporate world, he is currently a member of the PNB Investment Committee. Previously, he served as a Board Director at Sime Darby Property Berhad and Chairman to Malaysia Islamic Economic Development Foundation (YaPEIM). In addition, he is the co-founder of Experts Analytics Centre Sdn Bhd and MyFinB Sdn. Bhd. He also serve as the Chairman of Berry Pay Sdn. Bhd., Data Sukan Consulting Sdn. Bhd., Bio Fluid Sdn. Bhd., KAB Gold Dynamics Sdn. Bhd., Bio-Angle Vacs Sdn. Bhd., Tulus Digital Sdn. Bhd., and Amanie-Afra Halal Capital Co (Bangkok). He is currently the 8th President of the International Islamic University of Malaysia (IIUM).

In 2014, he received the "Most Outstanding Individual" award by His Majesty, the King of Malaysia. in conjunction with the national-level Prophet Muhammad's birthday. Under his leadership, Amanie Advisors received the "Islamic Economy Knowledge Infrastructure Award" at the Global Islamic Economy Summit, Dubai 2015, by His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, Oct 2015. On 13 November 2021, he was conferred the Darjah Kebesaran Panglima Setia Mahkota (P.S.M.) which carries the title of "Tan Sri"

He received his first degree in Shariah from University of Kuwait in 1988 and obtained his PhD from University of St. Andrews. United Kingdom in 1993. In 2002, he completed his external Bachelor of Jurisprudence at University of Malaya.

Tan Sri's first book entitled "Shariah Minds in Islamic Finance: An Inside Story of A Shariah Scholar" has won the "Islamic Finance Book of the Year 2016" by the Global Islamic Finance Award (GIFA) 2016. Then, his book on sukuk entitled "An Insightful Journey to Emirates Airline Sukuk: Pushing The Boundaries of Islamic Finance" has also won the "Best Islamic Finance Case 2017" by the GIFA 2017 in Kazakhstan. To date. Tan Sri has been authoring 28 books with different genre.

His latest books include Insyirah: Kelapangan Hati dan Minda (Feb 2021) novel, Kembara Ilmu Dari Sq Korok ke St Andrews (Jan 2021), Covid 25: Kapsul Kehidupan dan Makhluk Mistik (2020) novel, Dhuha: Cahaya Paqi Yang Terang (2020) novel, Mindset Is Everything (2019), The Hard Truth Of Islamic Finance (2019), Ratiocination In Islamic Legal Theory (2019), and Corporate Matrimony (2019), Dukun Kegagalan (2019), Engsel Kehidupan (2019) and Sosialisasi Fekah Dalam Struktur Masyarakat (2019).

His other books include I Have 25 Hours A Day: The Smart Way to Create More Time (2016), Mainstreaming Islamic Finance: Unveiling The Critical Success and Failure Factors An Insider And Global Perspective (2018), Saya Ada 25 Jam Sehari (2016), Be The Eagle Amongst The Birds (2018), Shariah is Life (2018), PULUN (2018), Anak Desa ke Persada Antarabangsa (2018), and Membumikan Syariah: Menjelajahi Dimensi Syariah Secara 360 Darjah (2018).

# Suhaida Mahpot

Chief Executive Officer

Suhaida Mahpot is the Chief Executive Officer for Amanie Advisors in Kuala Lumpur office. She joined Amanie in 2008 and was amongst the pioneers in the company. She is a specialist in sukuk advisory and has been partnering with Tan Sri Dr Mohd Daud Bakar for the last 10 years to advise numerous sukuk locally and internationally.

One of the sukuk advised by her has been awarded as Best Securitisation Sukuk at The Asset Triple A Islamic Finance Award (2017). Apart from sukuk advisory, her primarily focus is on Shariah governance, structuring, enhancement and conversion exercises, establishment of Islamic financial entities as well as development of Islamic products. She holds a Bachelor of Economics (Islamic Economic & Finance) from International Islamic University Malaysia, and currently pursuing MSc in Islamic Finance with INCEIF. Her career in banking & financial industry started as a trainee under Capital Market Graduated Trainee Scheme organized by the SC.

Prior to joining Amanie, she worked with Affin Investment Bank Bhd since 2006 as an executive for debt & capital markets department. She completed various project financing deals using private debt securities instruments ranging from infrastructure & utilities, real estate, plantation and many others.

### TRUSTEE'S DELEGATE

The trustee has appointed Deutsche Bank (Malaysia) Berhad ("DBMB") as the custodian of the Fund assets. DBMB is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Deutsche Bank AG. DBMB offers its clients access to a growing domestic custody network that covers over 30 markets globally and a unique combination of local expertise backed by the resources of a global bank. In its capacity as the appointed custodian. DBMB's roles encompass safekeeping of the Fund assets, trade settlement management, corporate actions notification and processing, securities holding and cash flow reporting, and income collection and processing. All investments of the Fund are registered in the name of the Trustee for the Fund, or where the custodial function is delegated, in the name of the custodian to the order of the Trustee for the Fund. As custodian, DBMB shall act only in accordance with instructions from the Trustee

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