# **TradePlus** S&P New China Tracker

Annual Report 31 December 2020

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MANAGER Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad 199701014290 (429786-T) **TRUSTEE** TMF Trustees Malaysia Berhad (610812-W)

## Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements For the Financial Year Ended 31 December 2020

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#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### MANAGER

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#### MANAGER'S DELEGATE

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#### TRUSTEE

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#### **TRUSTEE'S DELEGATE**

(Custodian) Standard Chartered Bank Malaysia Berhad *Registered & Business Address:* Level 16, Menara Standard Chartered 30 Jalan Sultan Ismail 50250 Kuala Lumpur Tel. No: (603) 2117 7777 Website: www.sc.com/my

#### **COMPANY SECRETARY**

Azizah Shukor (LS0008845) 27<sup>th</sup> Floor Menara Boustead, 69 Jalan Raja Chulan 50200 Kuala Lumpur

#### REGISTRAR

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## **FUND INFORMATION**

Fund Name	TradePlus S&P New China Tracker	
Fund Type	Index tracking fund	
Fund Category	Equity exchange-traded fund	
Investment Objective	The Fund aims to provide investment results that closely correspond to the performance of the Benchmark	
Benchmark	S&P New China Sectors Ex A-Shares Index	
Distribution Policy	Subject to the availability of income, the Fund will distribute income on an annual basis after the end of its first financial year	

### BREAKDOWN OF UNITHOLDERS BY MYR CLASS (0829EA) SIZE AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

Size of holdings (units)	No. of unitholders	No. of units held	% of units held
1 - 99	0	0	0
100 - 1,000	207	85,200	2.82
1,001 - 10,000	68	181,900	6.03
10,001 - 100,000	12	360,600	11.95
100,001 - < 5% *	0	0	0
>= 5% *	4	2,390,600	79.20
Total	291	3,018,300	100

5% \* - 5% Issued Shares or Paidup Capital of the stock

## BREAKDOWN OF UNITHOLDERS BY USD CLASS (0829EB) SIZE AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

Size of holdings (units)	No. of unitholders	No. of units held	% of units held
1 - 99	0	0	0
100 - 1,000	5	2,300	0.73
1,001 - 10,000	3	18,400	5.81
10,001 - 100,000	1	16,000	5.05
100,001 - < 5% *	2	280,000	88.41
>= 5% *	0	0	0
Total	11	316,700	100

5% \* - 5% Issued Shares or Paidup Capital of the stock

## FUND PERFORMANCE DATA

Category	As at 31 Dec 2020	As at 31 Dec 2019
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Portfolio composition (%)		
Quoted equities – foreign		
- Health Care	6.49	5.11
- Consumer Goods	15.72	10.50
- Consumer Services	34.76	32.93
- Financials	14.70	22.20
- Oil & Gas	0.18	-
- Industrials	1.05	1.10
- Technology	18.63	20.48
- Telecommunications	2.57	6.88
- Utilities	-	0.21
Total quoted equities – foreign (%)	94.10	99.40
Cash & cash equivalent (%)	5.90	0.60
Total (%)	100.00	100.00
Country Allocation (%)		
China	-	0.47
Hong Kong	58.14	66.25
United States	35.96	32.69
Cash	5.90	0.60
Total (%)	100.00	100.00
Total NAV (HKD 'million)	52.881	26.535
NAV per Unit (in HKD)	15.8565	11.5370
Unit in Circulation (million)	3.335	2.300
Highest NAV per unit	15.8565	11.6444
Lowest NAV per unit	9.2570	9.8777
	40.05	45.07
Return of the Fund (%) <sup>iii</sup>	40.85	15.37
- Capital Growth (%) <sup>i</sup>	37.44	15.37
- Income Distribution (%) <sup>ii</sup>	2.48	Nil
Gross Distribution per Unit (sen)	38.00	Nil
Net Distribution per Unit (sen)	38.00	Nil
Management Expense Ratio (%) <sup>1</sup>	1.13	1.39
Portfolio Turnover Ratio (times) <sup>2</sup>	0.75	0.84
Tracking Error	2.42	1.30

#### Basis of calculation and assumption made in calculating the returns:-

The performance figures are a comparison of the growth/decline in NAV for the stipulated period taking into account all the distribution payable (if any) during the stipulated period.

An illustration of the above would be as follow:-

Capital return	<ul> <li>NAV per Unit end / NAV per Unit begin – 1</li> </ul>
Income return	= Income distribution per Unit / NAV per Unit ex-date
Total return	= (1+Capital return) x (1+Income return) – 1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The MER of the Fund was lower than the previous year due to higher average net asset value of the Fund for the financial year. <sup>2</sup>The PTR of the Fund was lower than the previous year due to higher average net asset value of the Fund for the financial year.

## **MANAGER'S REPORT**

#### Income Distribution / Unit Split

Cum Date	Ex-Date	Cum-distribution (RM)	Distribution per Unit (RM)	Ex-distribution (RM)
12-Nov-20	13-Nov-20	15.3728	0.3800	15.2979

The Net Asset Value per unit prior and subsequent to the distribution was as follows:-

No unit split were declared for the financial year ended 31 December 2020.

#### **Performance Review**

For the period 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020, the Fund registered a 40.85% return compared to the benchmark return of 43.60%. The Fund thus underperformed the Benchmark by 2.75%. The Net Asset Value ("NAV") of the Fund as at 31 December 2020 was HKD52,881,389.19 (HKD15.8565 per unit) while the NAV as at 31 December 2019 was HKD26,535,176.78 (HKD11.5370 per unit). During the period under review, the Fund has declared a total income distribution of HKD0.3800 per unit.

Since commencement, the Fund has registered a return of 62.50% compared to the benchmark return of 68.55%, underperforming by 6.05%. We believe the Fund's objective of providing investment results that closely correspond to the performance of the Benchmark has been met.

#### Table 1: Performance of the Fund

	1 Year (1/1/20 - 31/12/20)	Since Commencement (24/1/19 - 31/12/20)
Fund	40.85%	62.50%
Benchmark	43.60%	68.55%
Outperformance	(2.75%)	(6.05%)
Outperformance		(6.05%)

Source of Benchmark: Bloomberg

#### Table 2: Average Total Return

	1 Year	Since Commencement
	(1/1/20 - 31/12/20)	(24/1/19 - 31/12/20)
Fund	40.85%	28.44%
Benchmark	43.60%	30.88%
Outperformance	(2.75%)	(2.44%)
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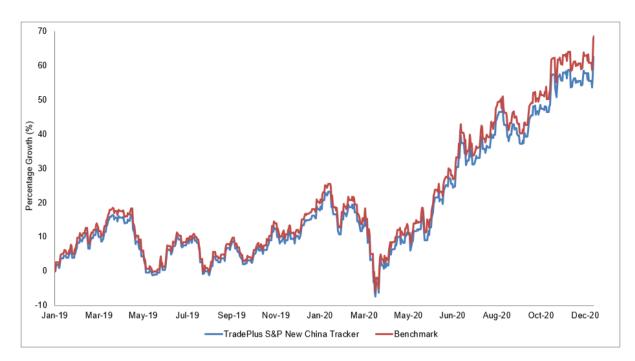
Source of Benchmark: Bloomberg

#### Table 3: Annual Total Return

FYE 2020	FYE 2019
(1/1/20 - 31/12/20)	(24/1/19 - 31/12/19)
40.85%	15.37%
43.60%	17.37%
(2.75%)	(2.00%)
	(1/1/20 - 31/12/20) 40.85% 43.60%

Source of Benchmark: Bloomberg

#### Figure 1: Movement of the Fund versus the Benchmark since commencement.



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Benchmark: S&P New China Sectors Ex A-Shares Index

## Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance and that Unit prices and investment returns may go down, as well as up.

#### Asset Allocation

As at 31 December 2020, the ETF's asset allocation stood at 94.10% in equities while the remaining was held in cash and cash equivalent.

#### Strategies Employed

The Manager continues to adopt the full replication strategy. The Manager remained highly invested into the Index securities in the same approximate weightings or proportions as they appear in the Benchmark to provide investment results that closely correspond to the performance of the Benchmark. As at 31 December 2020, the Fund's AUM stood at HKD52.881 million, with 94.10% of the Fund's NAV invested into equities.

#### Market Review

Global markets got off to a rocky start in 2020 as benchmark gauges reeled from contagion fears as a result of the coronavirus outbreak. The World Health Organization declared a global health emergency as soon as the coronavirus outbreak has claimed the lives of at least 300 people with rates of infection rapidly increasing. The global equities trended lower as risk assets continue to reel from the impact of the Covid-19 outbreak which sent chills to investors. The rapid spread of the infection outside of China with new cases springing in Italy, South Korea and Iran led to a rush towards safe haven assets with US Treasury yields dipping to record lows.

Coming into March, the global markets faced a washout, as few asset classes were spared from the selloff due to the pandemic fears as infection rates continue to escalate rapidly. The MSCI Asia ex-Japan index closed 12.2% lower in the month. In the US, the S&P 500 index closed 12.5% lower that month. To stem the fallout from the coronavirus, major economies led by the US has introduced an unprecedented relief package

to cushion its economy. The relief package comes as the US also reports the greatest number of Covid-19 cases, making it the country with the largest outbreak in the world surpassing that of Italy and China.

However, global equities staged a rebound in April as markets looked past recent softness in economic data and were instead buoyed by stimulus optimism as well as encouraging developments on the COVID-19 front. The rally was fuelled by a volley of stimulus measures rolled out by major central banks including an expansion package by the US Federal Reserve and the European Union (EU). The S&P 500 index advanced since: By December, the S&P 500 index closed 14.3% on a year-to-date basis. In Asia, the broader MSCI Asia ex Japan index registered a higher gain of 20.4% in the same period, being the first to come out of the pandemic.

The US unveiled its Main Street Lending Program which is designed to provide support and ensure credit flow into SMEs that were in "good financial standing". Similarly, the EU proposed a European Stability Mechanism ("ESM") which offers a credit line of up to 240 billion Euros to EU members.

Tensions between the two global powerhouses rose recently after China ordered the US to close its Chengdu-based consulate. The order followed the US closure of the Chinese consulate in Houston. On the other hand, remarks by US President Donald Trump that he will move to ban Chinese-owned video app TikTok in the US also added fuel to this fire.

On commodities, crude oil prices slid by about 40% as at end of October, after oil prices rebounded in June following a move by Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries ("OPEC") and its oil-producing allies to extend the group's historic production cut. However, by December global commodities market ended on a strong note, with oil prices back to levels above US\$50 per barrel, and other commodities such as Dalian iron ore futures and silver gaining 50% in 2020.

On the domestic front, the country plunged into political turmoil which ultimately culminated in the appointment of Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin as the eighth Prime Minister, from the Perikatan Nasional coalition (UMNO, PAS, Bersatu and a splinter faction of PKR). The appointment was announced by Istana Negara amidst shifting political allegiances and frantic horse-trading across the ruling and opposition coalitions.

Malaysia's economy posted a smaller contraction of 2.7 per cent in the third quarter (3Q) of 2020, surpassing consensus estimate of -4.6 per cent, as well as the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) contraction of 17.1 per cent in 2Q, supported by improvements in all sectors.

Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin unveiled a RM250 billion economic stimulus package to soften the economic blow due to the impact of Covid-19 with businesses shuttered due to the movement control order (MCO). Called the Pakej Rangsangan Ekonomi Prihatin Rakyat or Prihatin, the package comprises RM128 billion to protect the welfare of the people, RM100 billion to protect the welfare of small and medium enterprises ("SMEs") and RM2 billion to strengthen the country's economy according to The Edge. This was on top of the RM20 billion stimulus that was earlier announced on 27 February.

Whilst RM250 billion seems like a massive amount on the surface, the actual fiscal spending outlay amounts to 10.0% or RM25billion. The rest of the relief package comes in the form of loan guarantees, moratorium in loan repayments, EPF withdrawals, among others. In April, Prime Minister had announced an additional RM10billion package to help SMEs cope during the pandemic.

Malaysia Budget 2021 was announced in November, with an allocated RM 322.5 billion expenditure, with 26.5% of it coming from borrowings and use of government assets. 5.3% of this budget has been devoted to the Covid-19 fund. The KLCI ended 2020 with a 2.4% gain, buoyed by the liquidity-driven rally that was seen throughout the year.

The Malaysia bond market saw foreign holdings increase by RM 3.6 billion in December, bringing foreign share holdings of outstanding bonds to 13.9%, its highest since January 2020. In total, 2020 saw an RM 18.30 billion net foreign inflow due to attractive yield valuations and dollar weakness. Yields ended lower in December compared to the month before, mostly on the longer end of the yield curve. The 3-year and 10-year MGS settling 3 bps and 9bps lower respectively, to the month before.

#### Investment Outlook

Global markets have rallied sharply from their lowest, supported by fiscal and monetary stimulus. The economy is still recovering, albeit at a slow pace, as consumers' confidence return following the low death

rates despite the rise in infections. With most markets recovering the year's losses by December coincided with the release of Phase III clinical trial data for the vaccines, there is certainly light at the end of the tunnel for global markets.

Markets will be playing a "recovery theme" into 2021. General market consensus suggests global GDP is down 5% in 2020, with an expected rebound of 5.4% in 2021 with the reopening of economies and growth returns. As vaccine rollout begins, we can expect macroeconomic conditions to improve, but normalization will take time.

The worldwide Covid-19 death toll has since breached the 1 million mark, with US cases remaining stable at a high rate and Europe battling new waves. The shift in infections to younger age groups and more effective treatments however ensured Europe's continuous recovery despite the increasing infection rates. It is also more exposed to global trade than US, thus will benefit from the rebound in Chinese demand. Europe's exposure to financials, cyclical sectors such as energy and industrials, will potentially outperform in the second phase of recovery when economy continues to pick up as yield curve steepens. US dollar should weaken as economy recovers globally given its counter-cyclical behaviour, with more economically sensitive currencies appreciating instead, including euro and British sterling that are undervalued. However, British sterling faces higher volatility due to Brexit negotiations.

A Biden presidency sets the precedence for a steadier hand at the helm, and for US-China trade tensions to remain. Market volatility will remain in the year going forward as normalization returns, though it is unlikely this will stem from overtly reckless or deliberate foreign policy making as seen in the past four years.

In Malaysia, recent alarming increase in Covid-19 cases caused targeted lockdowns across the country, potentially delaying economic recovery although remaining positive on a full rebound by 2021. From a bottom-up perspective, markets are still focused on more export-oriented industries i.e. electromotive force and technology stocks. Gloves valuations and market momentum have since come down. Politics pose as minor distraction seeing how the peak of political risk has passed after Sabah election results were released. However, the risk to policy continuity caused by uncertainty of a majority win could lead to potential loss on FDI opportunities to other emerging market countries.

Despite the year and outflows during the first quarter, fund flows into global equities have returned, and a shift particularly towards ESG funds. In Europe, there was a  $\in$ 1.1 trillion inflow to ESG funds, doubled that of the year before. Buoyed by a "Goldilocks" environment with a favourable US election outcome, low interest rates and positive developments on the vaccine front, we could see additional support for risk assets.

Earnings momentum is expected to continue into 2021 with earnings growth projected to rise by 38.0% in Asia ex-Japan (ex-Financials) according to estimates by some sell-side analysts. Key sectors leading the recovery include the energy, consumer discretionary and industrials. Though, this is tempered by moderately higher valuations which has creeped up above historical averages.

#### State of Affairs of the Fund

There is neither any significant change to the state of affairs of the Fund nor any circumstances that materially affect any interests of the unit holders during the period under review.

#### Soft Commissions received from Brokers

During the financial period under review, the management company had received on behalf of the Fund, soft commissions in the form of research materials, data and quotation services, investment-related publications, market data feed and industry benchmarking agencies which are of demonstrable benefit to Unitholders of the Fund.

#### Cross Trade

No Cross trade transactions have been carried out during the reported period.

## THE MANAGER

#### **Board of Directors**

Name	Teng Chee Wai
Designation	Managing Director
Age	54
Gender	Male
Nationality	Malaysian
Qualification	<ul> <li>Bachelor of Science, National University of Singapore</li> <li>Post-Graduate Diploma in Actuarial Studies, City University in London.</li> </ul>
Working Experience and Occupation	<ul> <li>Founder of AHAM</li> <li>Assistant General Manager (Investment), Overseas Assurance Corporation</li> <li>Investment Manager, NTUC Income, Singapore</li> </ul>
Date appointed to the Board	23 December 2004
Details of membership of any Board Committee in AHAM	None
Details of other Directorship in public companies and listed issuers	<ul> <li>Director of Affin Hwang Trustee Berhad</li> <li>Director of Bintang Capital Partners Berhad</li> </ul>
Conflict of interests with the Fund	None
List of convictions for offences within the past 5 years and particulars of any public sanction or penalty imposed by the relevant regulatory bodies other than traffic offences	None 11/11
Number of board meetings attended in the financial year	

Name	Raja Tan Sri Dato' Seri Aman bin Raja Haji Ahmad
Designation	Chairman, Non - Independent Non - Executive
	Director
Age	75
Gender	Male
Nationality	Malaysian
Qualification	Raja Tan Sri Dato' Seri Aman graduated from Universiti Malaya. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, member of the Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Malaysian Institute of Accountants as well as a Fellow of the Institute of Bankers Malaysia.
Working Experience and Occupation	Raja Tan Sri Dato' Seri Aman held various positions in the Maybank Group from 1974 to 1985 prior to joining Affin Bank Berhad as an Executive Director. In 1992, he joined Perbadanan Usahawan Nasional Berhad as its CEO before he was re-appointed as the CEO of Affin Bank Berhad in 1995.
	Raja Tan Sri Dato' Seri Aman had served as a member of the National Pension Fund's ("KWAP") Investment Panel and he is currently the Chairman of Lembaga Tabung Angkatan Tentera's (LTAT) Investment Committee. He had also served as a member of the Malaysian Government's Working Group Policy of the Special Task Force to Facilitate Business (PEMUDAH) for a period of ten (10) years from 2007 to 2017.
Date appointed to the Board	19 February 2019
Details of membership of any Board Committee in AHAM	None
Details of other Directorship in public companies and listed issuers	<ul> <li>Chairman of Ahmad Zaki Resources Berhad</li> <li>Director of Affin Hwang Investment Bank Berhad</li> <li>Director of Tomei Consolidated Berhad</li> </ul>
Conflict of interests with the Fund	None
List of convictions for offences within the past 5 years and particulars of any public sanction or penalty imposed by the relevant regulatory bodies other than traffic offences	None
Number of board meetings attended in the financial year	11/11

Name	Puan Mona Suraya bt Kamaruddin
Designation	Non-Independent Non-Executive Director
Age	54
Gender	Female
Nationality	Malaysian
Qualification	Emile Woolf College - CIMA (stage 3)
	University College of Wales Aberystwyth- BSc (Economic) in Accounting (Hons)
Working Experience and Occupation	<b>Presen</b> t: Group Managing Director of Affin Hwang Investment Bank Berhad
	<ul> <li>Past:</li> <li>Managing Director, Head of Equities, Nomura Securities Malaysia Sdn Bhd ("NSM")</li> <li>Vice-President, Institutional Sales, JP Morgan Securities Malaysia</li> <li>Senior Manager, Institutional Sales, Arab- Malaysian Securities Malaysia</li> <li>Head of Research, MGI Securities Sdn Bhd</li> <li>Senior Invesment Analyst, Crosby Securities, KL</li> <li>Senior Invesment Analyst, Standard Chartered Securities</li> <li>Investment Analyst, Arab-Malaysian Securites Sdn Bhd</li> </ul>
Date appointed to the Board	12 Oct 2020
Details of membership of any Board Committee in AHAM	<ul> <li>Member of Board Audit Committee</li> <li>Member of Board Compliance and Risk Management Committee</li> </ul>
Details of other Directorship in public companies and listed issuers	Director of Affin Hwang Trustee Berhad
Conflict of interests with the Fund	None
List of convictions for offences within the past 5 years and particulars of any public sanction or penalty imposed by the relevant regulatory bodies other than traffic offences	None
Number of board meetings attended in the financial year	3/3

Name	ELEANOR SEET OON HUI
	(XUE ENHUI ELEANOR)
Designation	Non-Independent Non-Executive Director
Age	45
Gender	Female
Nationality	Singaporean
Qualification	Bachelor of Economics, University of New South Wales, Sydney
Working Experience and Occupation	<ul> <li>Present:         <ul> <li>Representative director</li> <li>President and Director of Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited</li> <li>Head of Asia ex-Japan of Nikko Asset Management (Nikko AM)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Past:         <ul> <li>Director of South East Asia, AllianceBernstein</li> </ul> </li> <li>Other Appointments:             <ul> <li>Serves as Vice-Chairman on the Executive Committee of the Investment Management Association of Singapore (IMAS)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Date appointed to the Board	30 March 2018
Details of membership of any Board Committee in AHAM Details of other Directorship in public companies and	Member of Board Audit Committee     Member of Board Compliance and Risk     Management Committee
listed issuers	
Conflict of interests with the Fund	None
List of convictions for offences within the past 5 years and particulars of any public sanction or penalty imposed by the relevant regulatory bodies other than traffic offences	None
Number of board meetings attended in the financial year	11/11

Name	Major General Dato' Zulkiflee bin Mazlan (R)
Designation	Independent Non-Executive Director
Age	66
Gender	Male
Nationality	Malaysian
Qualification	<ul> <li>Graduated from the Royal Military Academy at Sandhurst</li> <li>Bachelor of Law (Hons) from Institute Technology of Mara</li> <li>Master Degree in National Security Strategy from National Defense University, Fort McNair, Washington DC</li> </ul>
Working Experience and Occupation	<b>Present:</b> Major. Gen Dato' Zulkiflee is the Chairman of Koperasi Angkatan Tentera Malaysia and he also sits on the Board of Great Eastern Takaful Berhad, Affin Hwang Investment Berhad and Affin Hwang Trustee Berhad.
	<b>Past:</b> Major General Dato' Zulkiflee had a distinguished career in the Malaysian Armed Forces. He also held numerous commands and staff appointments at the Ministry of Defence. He had served as Director General of Jabatan Hal Ehwal Veteran. He was the Chief Executive Officer of Yayasan Veteran Angkatan Tentera Malaysia and also served on the Board of Perbadanan Hal Ehwal Bekas Tentera.
Date appointed to the Board	1 September 2019
Details of membership of any Board Committee in AHAM	<ul> <li>Chairman of Board Compliance and Risk Management Committee</li> <li>Member of Board Audit Committee</li> </ul>
Details of other Directorship in public companies and listed issuers	<ul> <li>Chairman of Affin Hwang Investment Bank Berhad</li> <li>Chairman of Affin Hwang Trustee Berhad</li> <li>Director of Great Eastern Takaful Berhad</li> </ul>
Conflict of interests with the Fund	None
List of convictions for offences within the past 5 years and particulars of any public sanction or penalty imposed by the relevant regulatory bodies other than traffic offences	None
Number of board meetings attended in the financial year	11/11

Name	Faizal Sham Bin Abu Mansor
Designation	Independent Non-Executive Director
Age	49
Gender	Male
Nationality	Malaysian
Qualification	Encik Faizal graduated with a Bachelor of Science in
	Accounting from Rutgers University, New Jersey, USA. He later went on to obtain his Master in Business Administration from Ohio University, Athens, USA. Faizal also has a Diploma in Aviation Studies from the International Air Transport Association. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Accountants Australia & New Zealand and a former Member of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants.
Working Experience and Occupation	Encik Faizal Sham started his career with the Securities Commission before gaining experience within the financial services industry through his tenure at Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi (M) Berhad, and Arab-Malaysian Merchant Bank Berhad which is now known as AmInvestment Bank Berhad.
	He left Malaysia in 1998 to work in Australia for Polyaire Holdings Pty Ltd, a manufacturer and distributor of air-conditioning components before returning to rejoin AmInvestment Bank Berhad in 2003 where he provided financial advisory services to some of the largest corporates in the country.
	He then moved on to become the Chief Financial Officer of WWE Holdings Berhad and later established his career at Malaysia Airports Holdings Berhad where he had helped restructure the company, drive it's financial performance and raise its profile with the investor community and international business expansion. Prior to his appointment as Director of the Company, Encik Faizal Sham was the Chief Executive Officer of Astro Productions, and Head of Astro Awani within Astro Malaysia Holdings Berhad
	Encik Faizal was appointed as a Senior Director, Finance & Procurement at MARA Corporation Sdn Bhd, an investment holding company of Majlis Amanah Rakyat (MARA) on 5 October 2020.
Date appointed to the Board	5 July 2019
Details of membership of any Board Committee in AHAM	<ul> <li>Chairman of Board Audit Committee</li> <li>Member of Board Compliance and Risk Management Committee</li> </ul>
Details of other Directorship in public companies and listed issuers	None
Conflict of interests with the Fund	None
List of convictions for offences within the past 5 years and particulars of any public sanction or penalty imposed by the relevant regulatory bodies other than traffic offences	None
Number of board meetings attended in the financial year	11/11

#### **Director's Training**

The Board acknowledges the importance of continuing education for its Directors. During the Financial Year Ended 2020, the Board members had attended various training programmes, workshops, seminars, briefings and/or conferences on various subjects in accordance to the respective Director's own training needs. These trainings include:

#### **TENG CHEE WAI**

Organiser	Name of Programme
	Analysis and Valuation of Real Estate Investment Trust and Private Equity Estate Investment
АНАМ	AML/CFT & TFS : Compliance A Need to Protect Business

### RAJA TAN SRI DATO' SERI AMAN BIN RAJA HAJI AHMAD

Organiser	Name of Programme
Asian School of Business (ASB)	Cybersecurity & Work-From-Home Security Challenges Amidst Covid-19 Pandemic
Ahmad Zaki Resources Berhad	Adequate Procedure & the Implementation of MS ISO 37001 Anti-Bribery Management System (ABMS)
АНАМ	AML/CFT & TFS : Compliance A Need to Protect Business

## PUAN MONA SURAYA BT KAMARUDDIN

Organiser	Name of Programme
The Iclif Leadership & Governance Centre	Mandatory Accreditation Programme

### SEET OON HUI ELEANOR (XUE ENHUI ELEANOR)

Organiser	Name of Programme
Singapore Institute of Directors ("SID")	Effective Succession Planning and Compensation Decisions
SID	The Role of Directors - Duties, Responsibilities and Legal Obligations
SID	Assessing Strategic Performance: The Board Level View
SID	Finance for Directors
Bloomberg	The role of ESG in a decade of disruption - Bloomberg
Investment Management Association of Singapore ("IMAS")	Post Covid-19 Investment Management: Future of Work
Financial & Professional	Financial Sector Tripartite Committee (FSTC) meetings

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## MAJOR GENERAL DATO' ZULKIFLEE BIN MAZLAN (R)

Organiser	Name of Programme
Financial Institutions Directors' Education ("FIDE")	3 <sup>rd</sup> Distinguished Board Leadership Series – "Challenging Times: What Role Must The Board Play"
FIDE	4th Distinguished Board Leadership Series
FIDE	Digital Financial Institutions Series: Managing Virtual Banking and Insurance Businesses
Asia School of Business	Managing Political Risks
АНАМ	AML/CFT & TFS : Compliance A Need to Protect Business
Affin Bank Berhad	Mind-Shift Series: Staying Relevant in the Age of Disruption and Innovation

FIDE	Climate Action: The Board s Leadership in Greening
FIDE	the Financial Sector

#### FAIZAL SHAM BIN ABU MANSOR

Organiser	Name of Programme
Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad (AHAM)	AML/CFT & TFS : Compliance A Need to Protect Business
Affin Bank Berhad	Mind-Shift Series: Staying Relevant in the Age of Disruption and Innovation

During the Financial Year Ended 2020, there were no public sanction or penalty that was imposed on the management company by the relevant regulatory bodies.

#### The Custodian (Trustee's Delegate)

The Trustee has appointed Standard Chartered Bank Malaysia Berhad ("SCBMB") as the custodian of the quoted and unquoted investments of the Fund. SCBMB was incorporated in Malaysia under the same name on 29 February 1984 under the Companies Act 1965 as a public limited company and is a subsidiary of Standard Chartered PLC (the holding company of a global banking group). SCBMB was granted a license on 1 July 1994 under the Financial Services Act 2013.

SCBMB is responsible for the Fund's assets settlement and custodising the Fund's asset. The assets are held in the name of the Fund through the custodian's wholly owned subsidiary and nominee company, Cartaban Nominees (Tempatan) Sdn Bhd. All investments are automatically registered into the name of the Fund. The custodian acts only in accordance with the instruction from the Trustee.

## TRUSTEE'S REPORT TO THE UNITHOLDERS OF TRADEPLUS S&P NEW CHINA TRACKER

We have acted as Trustee of TradePlus S&P New China Tracker for the financial period ended 31 December 2020. To the best of our knowledge, Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad, the Manager, has operated and managed the ETF in accordance with the limitations imposed on the investment powers of the management company and the trustee under the Deeds, other provisions of the Deeds, the Capital Markets and Services Act 2007, the Securities Commission's Guidelines on Exchange-Traded Funds, the Capital markets and Services Act 2007 and other applicable laws during the financial period then ended.

We have also ensured the following:

- (a) the procedures and processes employed by Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad to value and/or price the units of the Fund are adequate and that such valuation and pricing is carried out in accordance with the Deed of the Fund and other regulatory requirements; and
- (b) the creation and cancellation of units have been carried out in accordance with the Deed and relevant regulatory requirements.

During this financial period, a distribution of 38.00 sen per unit has been distributed to the Unitholders of the Fund. We are of the view that the distributions are not inconsistent with the objective of the Fund.

For TMF Trustees Malaysia Berhad (Company No.: 610812-W)

#### NORHAYATI BINTI AZIT DIRECTOR – FUND SERVICES

Kuala Lumpur 8 February 2021

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

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## STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	<u>2020</u> HKD	Financial period from 15.1.2019 (date of launch) to <u>31.12.2019</u> HKD
INVESTMENT INCOME			
Dividend income Net loss on foreign currency exchange Net gain on financial asset at fair value		314,045 (7,213)	338,132 (970)
through profit or loss	9	9,825,131	2,881,215
		10,131,963	3,218,377
EXPENSES			
Management fee Trustee fee Auditors' remuneration Tax agent's fee Transaction and custody fee Licence fee Other expenses	4 5 6	(137,278) (10,982) (42,000) (7,000) (35,678) (78,240) (42,352) (353,530)	(106,835) (8,547) (42,000) (7,000) (101,191) (78,452) (25,130) (369,155)
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION		9,778,433	2,849,222
TAXATION	7		-
NET PROFIT AFTER TAXATION AND TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD		9,778,433	2,849,222
Net profit after taxation is made up of the following	j:		
Realised amount Unrealised amount		1,081,117 8,697,316	198,317 2,650,905
		9,778,433	2,849,222

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2020</u> HKD	<u>2019</u> HKD
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents Financial assets at fair value		3,113,201	224,222
through profit or loss Dividend receivables	9	49,760,773 745	26,375,799
Prepayment of license fee		82,190	30
TOTAL ASSETS		52,956,909	26,600,051
LIABILITIES			
Amount due to Manager - management fee		18,241	11,029
Amount due to Trustee		1,459	882
Auditors' remuneration Tax agent's fee		43,009 7,456	42,000 7,000
Other payables and accruals		5,355	3,963
TOTAL LIABILITIES		75,520	64,874
NET ASSET VALUE OF THE FUND		52,881,389	26,535,177
EQUITY			
Unitholders' capital Retained earnings		40,989,034 11,892,355	23,685,955 2,849,222
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLD	ERS	52,881,389	26,535,177
NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION	10	3,335,000	2,300,000
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT (HKD)		15.8565	11.5370

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Unitholders' <u>capital</u> HKD	Retained <u>earnings</u> HKD	<u>Total</u> HKD
Balance as at 1 January 2020	23,685,955	2,849,222	26,535,177
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	-	9,778,433	9,778,433
Distribution (Note 8)	-	(735,300)	(735,300)
Movement in unitholders' capital:			
Creation of units arising from applications	25,909,090	-	25,909,090
Cancellation of units	(8,606,011)	-	(8,606,011)
Balance as at 31 December 2020	40,989,034	11,892,355	52,881,389
Balance as at 15 January 2019 (date of launch)	-		-
Total comprehensive income for the financial period	-	2,849,222	2,849,222
Movement in unitholders' capital:			
Creation of units arising from applications	27,477,835	-	27,477,835
Cancellation of units	(3,791,880)	-	(3,791,880)
Balance as at 31 December 2019	23,685,955	2,849,222	26,535,177

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u>2020</u> HKD	Financial period from 15.1.2019 (date of launch) to <u>31.12.2019</u> HKD
Proceeds from sale of investments Purchase of investments Dividends received Management fee paid Trustee fee paid License fee paid Payment for other fees and expenses Net realised loss on foreign currency exchange	14,367,035 (27,927,623) 297,864 (130,066) (10,405) (160,400) (107,992) (762)	6,904,850 (30,498,791) 338,089 (95,806) (7,665) (78,482) (21,167)
Net cash used in operating activities	(13,672,349)	(23,458,972)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from creation of units Payments for cancellation of units Payments for distribution	25,909,090 (8,606,011) (735,300)	27,477,835 (3,791,880) 
Net cash generated from financing activities	16,567,779	23,685,955
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	2,895,430	226,983
EFFECTS OF FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE	(6,451)	(2,761)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD /DATE OF LAUNCH	224,222	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR/PERIOD	3,113,201	224,222

Cash and cash equivalents comprise of bank balances.

## SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The following accounting policies have been used in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the financial statements.

#### A BASIS OF PREPARATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except as disclosed in the summary of significant accounting policies and comply with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards, International Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS").

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with MFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reported financial period. It also requires the Manager to exercise their judgment in the process of applying the Fund's accounting policies. Although these estimates and judgment are based on the Manager's best knowledge of current events and actions, actual results may differ.

The areas involving a higher degree of judgment or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in Note L.

- (a) Standards, amendments to published standards and interpretations that are effective
  - The Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting (Revised 2018)
  - Amendments to MFRS 101 and MFRS 108 'Definition of Material'

The adoption of the above standards, amendments to standards or interpretations did not have a material effect on the financial statements of the Fund.

- (b) Standards and amendments that have been issued but not yet effective
  - Amendments to MFRS 3 'Reference to Conceptual Framework' (effective 1 January 2022) replace the reference to Framework for Preparation and Presentation of Financial Statements with 2018 Conceptual Framework.
  - Annual Improvements to MFRSs 2018 2020 Cycle (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022).
  - Amendments to MFRS 137 'onerous contracts—cost of fulfilling a contract' (effective 1 January 2022) clarify that direct costs of fulfilling a contract include both the incremental cost of fulfilling the contract as well as an allocation of other costs directly related to fulfilling contracts.
  - Amendments to MFRS 101 'Classification of liabilities as current or non-current (effective 1 January 2023) clarify that a liability is classified as non-current if an entity has a substantive right at the end of the reporting period to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the reporting period. A liability is classified as current if a condition is breached at or before the reporting date and a waiver is obtained after the reporting date.

The adoption of the above standards, amendments to standards or interpretations is not expected to have a material effect on the financial statements of the Fund.

## SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

#### **B** INCOME RECOGNITION

#### **Dividend income**

Dividend income is recognised on the ex-dividend date, when the right to receive the dividend has been established.

#### Realised gains and losses on sale of investments

For quoted investments, realised gains and losses on sale of investments are accounted for as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of investments, determined on a weighted average cost basis.

#### C DISTRIBUTION

A distribution to the Fund's unitholders is accounted for as a deduction from realised reserve. A proposed distribution is recognised as a liability in the period in which it is approved by the Trustee of the Fund.

#### D TRANSACTION COSTS

Transaction costs are costs incurred to acquire financial assets or liabilities at fair value through profit or loss. They include the bid-ask spread, fees and commissions paid to agents, advisors, brokers and dealers. Transaction costs, when incurred, are immediately recognised in the statement of comprehensive income as expenses.

### E TAXATION

Current tax expense is determined according to the Malaysian tax laws at the current rate based upon the taxable profits earned during the financial year.

Withholding taxes on investment income from foreign investment are based on tax regime of the respective countries that the Fund invests in. Such withholding taxes are not "income tax" in nature and are recognised, measured based on the requirements of MFRS 137. They are presented within other expenses line in the statement of comprehensive income.

#### F FUNCTIONAL AND PRESENTATION CURRENCY

Items included in 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 Hong Kong Dollar ("HKD"), which is the Fund's functional and presentation currency.

## SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### G FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions or valuation where items are re-measured. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in statement of comprehensive income, except when deferred in other comprehensive income as qualifying cash flow hedges.

#### H FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

(i) Classification

The Fund classifies its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- those to be measured at fair value through profit or loss, and
- those to be measured at amortised cost

The Fund classifies its investments based on both the Fund's business model for managing those financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets. The portfolio of financial assets is managed, and performance is evaluated on a fair value basis. The Fund is primarily focused on fair value information and uses that information to assess the assets' performance and to make decisions. The Fund has not taken the option to irrevocably designate any equity securities as fair value through other comprehensive income.

The Fund classifies cash and cash equivalents and dividend receivables as financial assets at amortised cost as these financial assets are held to collect contractual cash flows consisting of the amount outstanding.

The Fund classifies amount due to Manager, amount due to Trustee, auditors' remuneration, tax agent's fee and other payables and accruals as financial liabilities measured at amortised cost.

(ii) Recognition and measurement

Regular purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the trade-date – the date on which the Fund commits to purchase or sell the asset. Investments are initially recognised at fair value. Transaction costs are expensed in the statement of comprehensive income.

Financial liabilities, within the scope of MFRS 9, are recognised in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Fund becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the investments have expired or have been transferred and the Fund has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when it is extinguished, i.e. when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged or cancelled or expired.

## SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### H FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

#### (ii) Recognition and measurement (continued)

Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of the 'financial assets at fair value through profit or loss' category including the effects of foreign transactions are presented in the statement of comprehensive income within 'net gain/(loss) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss' in the period which they arise.

The fair value of financial assets traded in active markets (such as trading securities) are based on quoted market prices at the close of trading on the financial year end date. The Fund utilises the last traded market price for financial assets where the last traded price falls within the bid-ask spread. In circumstances where the last traded price is not within the bidask spread, the Manager will determine the point within the bid-ask spread that is most representative of the fair value.

If a valuation based on the market price does not represent the fair value of the securities, for example during abnormal market conditions or when no market price is available, including in the event of a suspension in the quotation of the securities for a period exceeding 14 days, or such shorter period as agreed by the Trustee, then the securities are valued as determined in good faith by the Manager, based on the methods or basis approved by the Trustee after appropriate technical consultation.

Financial assets at amortised cost and other financial liabilities are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### (iii) Impairment

The Fund measures credit risk and expected credit losses using probability of default, exposure at default and loss given default. Management considers both historical analysis and forward looking information in determining any expected credit loss. Management considers the probability of default to be close to zero as these instruments have a low risk of default and the counterparties have a strong capacity to meet their contractual obligations in the near term. As a result, no loss allowance has been recognised based on 12 month expected credit losses as any such impairment would be wholly insignificant to the Fund.

#### Significant increase in credit risk

A significant increase in credit risk is defined by management as any contractual payment which is more than 30 days past due.

#### Definition of default and credit-impaired financial assets

The Fund defines a financial instrument as default, which is fully aligned with the definition of credit-impaired, when it meets one or more of the following criteria:

#### Quantitative criteria:

Any contractual payment which is more than 90 days past due is considered credit impaired.

## SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### H FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

(iii) Impairment (continued)

#### Definition of default and credit-impaired financial assets (continued)

Qualitative criteria:

The debtor meets unlikeliness to pay criteria, which indicates the debtor is in significant financial difficulty. The Fund considers the following instances:

- the debtor is in breach of financial covenants
- concessions have been made by the lender relating to the debtor's financial difficulty
- it is becoming probable that the debtor will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation
- the debtor is insolvent

Financial instruments that are credit-impaired are assessed on individual basis.

#### Write-off

The Fund writes off financial assets, in whole or in part, when it has exhausted all practical recovery efforts and has concluded there is no reasonable expectation of recovery. The assessment of no reasonable expectation of recovery is based on unavailability of debtor's sources of income or assets to generate sufficient future cash flows to repay the amount.

The Fund may write-off financial assets that are still subject to enforcement activity. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off will result in bad debt recoveries. There are no write-offs/recoveries during the financial year.

#### I CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

For the purpose of statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise bank balances which is subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

#### J UNITHOLDERS' CAPITAL

The unitholders' contributions to the Fund meet the criteria to be classified as equity instruments under MFRS 132 "Financial Instruments: Presentation". Those criteria include:

- the units entitle the holder to a proportionate share of the Fund's net asset value;
- the units are the most subordinated class and class features are identical;
- there is no contractual obligations to deliver cash or another financial asset other than the obligation on the Fund to repurchase; and
- the total expected cash flows from the units over its life are based substantially on the profit or loss of the Fund.

The outstanding units are carried at the redemption amount that is payable at each financial year if unitholder exercises the right to put the unit back to the Fund.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### J UNITHOLDERS' CAPITAL (CONTINUED)

Units are created and cancelled at prices based on the Fund's net asset value per unit at the time of creation or cancellation. The Fund's net asset value per unit is calculated by dividing the net assets attributable to unitholders with the total number of outstanding units.

#### K SEGMENT REPORTING

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting used by the chief operating decision-maker. The chief operating decision-maker, who is responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments, has been identified as the strategic asset allocation committee of the Manager that makes strategic decisions.

## L CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGMENTS IN APPLYING ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Fund makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, rarely equal the related actual results. To enhance the information contents on the estimates, certain key variables that are anticipated to have material impact to the Fund's results and financial position are tested for sensitivity to changes in the underlying parameters.

Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated by the Manager and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

In undertaking any of the Fund's investment, the Manager will ensure that all assets of the Fund under management will be valued appropriately, that is at fair value and in compliance with the Securities Commission's ("SC") Guidelines on Exchange-Traded Funds.

#### Functional currency

Due to mixed factors in determining the functional currency of the Fund, the Manager has used its judgment to determine the functional currency that most faithfully represents the economic effects of the underlying transactions, events and conditions and have determined the functional currency to be in HKD primarily due to the following factors:

- (i) A significant portion of the Fund's investments are in quoted equities whose primary economic environment is in Hong Kong;
- (ii) Significant portion of the Fund's expenses are denominated in HKD;
- (iii) Cash creation and cash redemption of units are transacted in HKD.

#### M REALISED AND UNREALISED PORTIONS OF PROFIT OR LOSS AFTER TAX

The analysis of realised and unrealised profit or loss after tax as presented on the statement of comprehensive income is prepared in accordance with SC Guidelines on Exchange-Traded Funds.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

#### 1 INFORMATION ON THE FUND

The Exchange-Traded Fund was constituted under the name TradePlus S&P New China Tracker (the "Fund") pursuant to the execution of a Deed dated 26 October 2018 entered into between Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad (the "Manager") and TMF Trustees Malaysia Berhad (the "Trustee").

The Fund commenced operations on 24 January 2019 and will continue its operations until terminated by the Trustee as provided under Section 26.1 of the Deed.

The Fund may invest in the following permitted investments:

- (i) Authorised Securities;
- (ii) Derivatives;
- (iii) Units or shares in collective investment schemes;
- (iv) Money market instruments;
- (v) Deposits; and
- (vi) Any other investments permitted by the SC from time to time

All investments will be subjected to the SC's Guidelines on Exchange-Traded Funds, the Deed and the objective of the Fund.

The Fund is listed on the main market of Bursa Malaysia and its objective is to provide investment results that closely correspond to the performance of the S&P New China Sectors Ex A-Shares Index Benchmark – a modified float-adjusted market capitalisation weighted index which is designed to measure the performance of China and Hong Kong domiciled companies in consumption and service-oriented industries.

The Manager is a company incorporated in Malaysia. The principal activities of the Manager are establishment and management of unit trust funds, exchange-traded funds and private retirement schemes as well as providing fund management services to private clients.

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the Manager on 8 February 2021.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

### 2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

Financial instruments of the Fund are as follows:

<u>2020</u>	Note	At amortised <u>cost</u> HKD	At fair value through <u>profit or loss</u> HKD	<u>Total</u> HKD
Financial assets				
Cash and cash equivalents Quoted equities Dividend receivables	9	3,113,201 - 745	- 49,760,773 -	3,113,201 49,760,773 745
Total		3,113,946	49,760,773	52,874,719
Financial liabilities				
Amount due to Manager - management fee Amount due to Trustee Auditor's remuneration Tax agent's fee Other payables and accruals		18,241 1,459 43,009 7,456 5,355	-	18,241 1,459 43,009 7,456 5,355
Total		75,520	-	75,520
<u>2019</u>				
Financial assets				
Cash and cash equivalents Quoted equities	9	224,222	- 26,375,799	224,222 26,375,799
Total		224,222	26,375,799	26,600,021
Financial liabilities				
Amount due to Manager - management fee Amount due to Trustee Auditor's remuneration Tax agent's fee Other payables and accruals		11,029 882 42,000 7,000 3,963		11,029 882 42,000 7,000 3,963
Total		64,874	-	64,874

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

## 2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

The Fund is exposed to a variety of risks which include market risk (including price risk, interest rate risk and currency risk), credit risk, liquidity risk and capital risk.

Financial risk management is carried out through internal control processes adopted by the Manager and adherence to the investment restrictions as stipulated by the SC's Guidelines on Exchange-Traded Funds.

#### Market risk

(a) Price risk

Price risk arises mainly from the uncertainty about future prices of investments. It represents the potential loss the Fund might suffer through holding market positions in the face of price movements. The Fund is structured as an index tracking fund that tracks its benchmark index, the S&P New China Sectors Ex A Share Index, which comprises of a diversified list of equity securities in its constituents. As such, the Manager believes that the Fund is able to minimise its price risk through the diversification that it has in its portfolio of underlying securities that replicates its benchmark index.

The Fund's overall exposure to price risk was as follows:

	<u>2020</u> HKD	<u>2019</u> HKD
Quoted investments		
Quoted equities	49,760,773	26,375,799

The table below summarises the sensitivity of the Fund's profit or loss, and NAV to movements in prices of its benchmark index. The analysis is based on the assumption that the benchmark index fluctuates by 21.52% (2019: 19.36%), which is the 3-year annualised standard deviation as at 31 December 2020. If all other variables are held constant, and that the fair value of the investments move in the same quantum with the fluctuation of the Benchmark Index, this would represent the Management's best estimates of a reasonable possible shift in the quoted securities.

The Fund's overall exposure to price risk was as follows:

<u>% Change in benchmark index</u>	<u>Market value</u> HKD	Impact on profit after <u>tax/NAV</u> HKD
<u>2020</u>		
-21.52% 0% +21.52%	39,052,255 49,760,773 60,469,291	(10,708,518) - 10,708,518

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

## 2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Market risk (continued)

(a) Price risk (continued)

The Fund's overall exposure to price risk was as follows: (continued)

<u>% Change in benchmark index</u>	<u>Market value</u> HKD	Impact on profit after <u>tax/NAV</u> HKD
<u>2019</u>		
-19.36% 0% +19.36%	21,269,444 26,375,799 31,482,154	(5,106,355) - 5,106,355

#### (b) Currency risk

Currency risk is associated with investments denominated in foreign currencies. When the foreign currencies fluctuate in an unfavourable movement against Hong Kong Dollar, the investments will face currency losses in addition to the capital gain/loss. The Manager will evaluate the likely directions of a foreign currency versus Hong Kong Dollar based on considerations of economic fundamentals such as interest rate differentials, balance of payments position, debt levels, and technical chart considerations.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

## 2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Market risk (continued)

(b) Currency risk (continued)

The following table sets out the foreign currency risk concentrations and counterparties of the Fund:

<u>2019</u>	Quoted <u>equities</u> HKD	Cash and cash <u>equivalents</u> HKD	<u>Total</u> HKD
Financial assets			
United States Dollar	19,024,856	10,038	19,034,894
	Quoted <u>equities</u> HKD	Cash and cash <u>equivalents</u> HKD	<u>Total</u> HKD
<u>2019</u>	TILD	TIND	TIND
Financial assets			
United States Dollar	8,676,354	42,877	8,719,231

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### 2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Market risk (continued)

#### (b) Currency risk (continued)

The table below summarises the sensitivity of the Fund's profit after tax and net asset value to changes in foreign exchange movements. The analysis is based on the assumption that the foreign exchange rate changes based on United States Dollar's historical volatility (2019: 5%), with all other variables held constant. This represents management's best estimate of a reasonable possible shift in the foreign exchange rate, having regard to historical volatility of this rate. Any increase/(decrease) in foreign exchange rate will result in a corresponding increase/(decrease) in the net assets attributable to unitholders by based on United States Dollar's historical volatility (2019: 5%). Disclosures below are shown in absolute terms, changes and impacts could be positive or negative.

	Change <u>in rate</u> %	Impact on profit after <u>tax/NAV</u> HKD
<u>2020</u>		
United States Dollar	+/- 1.21	+/- 230,322
<u>2019</u>		
United States Dollar	+/- 5	+/- 435,962

#### Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the ability of an issuer or counterparty to make timely payments of interest, principals and proceeds from realisation of investments. The Manager manages the credit risk by undertaking credit evaluation to minimise such risk.

The settlement terms of amount due from brokers are governed by the relevant rules and regulations as prescribed by the respective stock exchanges.

The settlement terms of the proceeds from the creation of units' receivable from the Manager are governed by the SC's Guidelines on Exchange-Traded Funds.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### 2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Credit risk (continued)

The following table sets out the credit risk concentrations of the Fund:

	Cash and cash <u>equivalents</u> HKD	Dividend <u>receivables</u> HKD	<u>Total</u> HKD
2020			
Financials - AAA Others - NR	3,113,201	- 745	3,113,201 745
	3,113,201	745	3,113,946
2019			
Financials - AAA	224,222	-	224,222

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund will encounter difficulty in meeting its financial obligations. The Manager manages this risk by maintaining sufficient level of cash to meet anticipated payments for operating expenses and cancellation of units by unitholders.

The Fund's units can be redeemed either in-kind or in cash. For in-kind redemptions, an in-kind redemption basket comprising the authorised securities of the Fund, determined by the Manager on each dealing day will be delivered to the investor. For cash redemptions, a redemption basket of securities is liquidated and a cash sum equivalent to the redemption price multiplied by the number of units redeemed will be delivered to the investors. The Fund maintains a sufficient amount of cash and liquid securities to meet the ongoing operating expenses and liquidity requirements of the Fund.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### 2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Liquidity risk (continued)

The table below analyses the Fund's financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the statement of financial position date to the contractual maturity date.

The amounts in the table below are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	Within <u>one month</u> HKD	Between one month to <u>to one year</u> HKD	<u>Total</u> HKD
<u>2020</u>			
Amount due to Manager - management fee Amount due to Trustee Auditor's remuneration Tax agent's fee Other payables and accruals	18,241 1,459 - - - - 19,700	43,009 7,456 5,355 55,820	18,241 1,459 43,009 7,456 5,355 75,520
<u>2019</u>			
Amount due to Manager - management fee Amount due to Trustee Auditor's remuneration Tax agent's fee Other payables and accruals	11,029 882 - - - 11,911	42,000 7,000 3,963 52,963	11,029 882 42,000 7,000 3,963 64,874

#### Capital risk

The capital of the Fund is represented by equity consisting of unitholders' capital and retained earnings. The amount of equity can change significantly on a daily basis as the Fund is subject to daily subscriptions and redemptions at the discretion of unitholders. The Fund's objective when managing capital is to safeguard the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for unitholders and benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain a strong capital base to support the development of the investment activities of the Fund.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### **3 FAIR VALUE ESTIMATION**

Financial instruments comprise financial assets and financial liabilities. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

The fair value of financial assets traded in active markets (such as trading securities) is based on quoted market prices at the close of trading on the period end date. The Fund utilises the current bid price for financial assets which falls within the bid-ask spread.

An active market is a market in which transactions for the asset take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

The fair value of financial assets that are not traded in an active market is determined by using valuation techniques.

#### (i) <u>Fair value hierarchy</u>

The table below analyses financial instruments carried at fair value. The different levels have been defined as follows:

- Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active market for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1)
- Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices) (Level 2)
- Inputs for the asset and liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs) (Level 3)

The level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement is categorised in its entirety is determined on the basis of the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. For this purpose, the significance of an input is assessed against the fair value measurement in its entirety. If a fair value measurement uses observable inputs that require significant adjustment based on unobservable inputs, that measurement is a Level 3 measurement. Assessing the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment, considering factors specific to the asset or liability.

The determination of what constitutes 'observable' requires significant judgment by the Fund. The Fund considers observable data to be that market data that is readily available, regularly distributed or updated, reliable and verifiable, not proprietary and provided by independent sources that are actively involved in the relevant market.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### 3 FAIR VALUE ESTIMATION (CONTINUED)

#### (i) Fair value hierarchy (continued)

The following table analyses within the fair value hierarchy the Fund's financial assets (by class) measured at fair value:

	<u>Level 1</u> HKD	<u>Level 2</u> HKD	<u>Level 3</u> HKD	<u>Total</u> HKD
<u>2020</u>				
Financial asset at fair value through profit or loss - quoted equities	49,760,773		<u> </u>	49,760,773
<u>2019</u>				
Financial asset at fair value through profit or loss - quoted equities	26,375,799	_		26,375,799

Investments whose values are based on quoted market prices in active markets, and are therefore classified within Level 1, include active listed equities. The Fund does not adjust the quoted prices for these instruments.

(ii) The carrying values of cash and cash equivalents and all current liabilities are a reasonable approximation of the fair values due to their short term nature.

#### 4 MANAGEMENT FEE

In accordance with the Deed, the Manager is entitled to a management fee at a rate up to 3.00% per annum of the NAV of the Fund calculated on a daily basis.

For the financial year ended 31 December 2020, management fee is recognised at a rate of 0.50% (2019: 0.50%) per annum on the NAV of the Fund calculated on a daily basis as stated in the Fund's prospectus.

There will be no further liability to the Manager in respect of management fee other than the amounts recognised above.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### 5 TRUSTEE FEE

In accordance with the Deed, the Trustee is entitled to an annual fee, at a rate up to 0.10% per annum of the NAV of the Fund calculated on a daily basis (excluding foreign sub-custodian fees and charges).

For the financial year ended 31 December 2020, the Trustee fee is recognised at a rate of 0.04% (2019: 0.04%) per annum on the NAV of the Fund calculated on a daily basis as stated in the Fund's prospectus.

There will be no further liability to the Trustee in respect of Trustee fee other than the amount recognised above.

#### 6 LICENCE FEE

License fee is payable to S&P Dow Jones Indices, the Benchmark Index provider.

For the financial year ended 31 December 2020, the license fee is recognised at minimum of USD10,000 (2019: USD10,000) per annum or 0.05% (2019: 0.05%) of the average daily asset under management, whichever is higher.

#### 7 TAXATION

	<u>2020</u> HKD	Financial period from 15.1.2019 (date of launch) to <u>31.12.2019</u> HKD
Current taxation	-	-

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

## 7 TAXATION (CONTINUED)

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The numerical reconciliation between net profit before taxation multiplied by the Malaysian statutory tax rate and tax expense of the Fund is as follows:

	<u>2020</u> HKD	Financial period from 15.1.2019 (date of launch) to <u>31.12.2019</u> HKD
Net profit before taxation	9,778,433	2,849,222
Tax at Malaysian statutory rate of 24% (2019: 24%)	2,346,824	683,813
Tax effects of: Investment income not subject to tax Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Restriction on tax deductible expenses for Exchange-Traded Funds	(2,431,672) 80,497 4,351	(772,410) 84,929 3,668
Tax expense		-
DISTRIBUTION	<u>2020</u> HKD	<u>2019</u> HKD
Distribution to unitholders is from the following sources:		
Gross dividend income Realised gain from sale of investments Previous year's realised income	213,933 359,815 198,317	-
Gross realised income Less: Expenses	772,065 (36,765)	 
	735,300	
Gross/net distribution per unit (sen)	38.00	-

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### 8 DISTRIBUTION (CONTINUED)

	<u>2020</u> HKD	<u>2019</u> HKD
Cum-Distribution – 13 November 2020 - NAV	30,336,758	
- NAV per unit	15.6779	
Ex-Distribution – 13 November 2020 - NAV	29,601,458	
- NAV per unit	15.2979	-

Gross distribution per unit is derived from gross realised income less expenses divided by the number of units in circulation, while net distribution per unit is derived from gross realised income less expenses and taxation divided by the number of units in circulation.

Included in distributions for the financial year is an amount of HKD198,317 (2019: HKD Nil) made from previous year's realised income.

### 9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

	<u>2020</u> HKD	<u>2019</u> HKD
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss: - quoted equities – foreign	49,760,773	26,375,799
Net gain on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss: - realised gain on sale of investments - unrealised gain on changes in fair value	1,121,364 8,703,767	227,549 2,653,666
	9,825,131	2,881,215

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### 9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

#### (a) Quoted equities – foreign

Name of counters	Quantity	Aggregate cost	Fair value	Percentage of NAV
Name of counters	Quantity	HKD	HKD	%
Hong Kong				
Consumer Goods				
ANTA Sports Products Ltd	3,900	227,892	479,310	0.91
Brilliance China Auto Holdings Ltd	12,000	87,027	84,600	0.16
BYD Co Ltd	2,000	159,070	406,000	0.77
China Feihe Ltd	12,000	195,065	217,680	0.41
China Mengniu Dairy Co Ltd	10,500	330,580	490,875	0.93
China Resources Beer Holdings	6,000	250,100	428,400	0.81
Dongfeng Motor Group Co. Ltd	8,000	63,520	72,000	0.14
Fuyao Glass Industry Co Ltd	2,000	75,000	85,000	0.16
Geely Automobile Holdings Ltd	21,000	348,439	555,450	1.05
Great Wall Motor Co Ltd	12,500	118,387	331,250	0.63
Guangzhou Automobile Gp Co Ltd	12,000	101,600	102,960	0.19
Haier Smart Home Co Ltd	6,400	88,200	179,840	0.34
Hengan Intl. Grp Co Ltd	3,000	173,814	164,700	0.31
Li Ning Company Ltd	8,000	227,952	426,000	0.81
Minth Group Ltd	2,000	76,100	81,700	0.15
Nongfu Spring Co Ltd	6,000	288,600	329,400	0.62
Shenzhou Intl Group Holdings	2,900	324,128	438,190	0.83
Smoore International Holdings	6,000	326,400	358,800	0.68
Tingyi (Cayman Islnds) Holdings Co	8,000	107,200	105,440	0.20
Vitasoy International Holdings	4,000	146,000	120,600	0.23
Want Want China Holdings Ltd	24,000	141,930	134,400	0.25
WH Group Ltd	36,000	249,346	234,000	0.44
Yihai International Holding Ltd	2,000	142,700	229,800	0.43
Zhongsheng Group Holdings Ltd	2,000	97,075	110,500	0.21
	212,200	4,346,125	6,166,895	11.66

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

### 9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

#### (a) Quoted equities – foreign (continued)

Name of counters	<u>Quantity</u>	Aggregate <u>cost</u> HKD	Fair <u>value</u> HKD	Percentage of NAV %
Hong Kong (continued)				
Consumer Services				
Air China Ltd	8,000	59,380	48,720	0.09
China Eastern Airlines Corp Ltd	4,000	13,680	13,400	0.03
China Literature Ltd	1,200	68,880	73,020	0.14
China Southern Airlines Co Ltd	6,000	23,820	27,660	0.05
Evergrande Health Industry Group	7,000	196,000	211,400	0.40
Galaxy Entertainment Group Ltd Haidilao International Holdings	8,400 3,000	463,513 89,750	506,100 178,200	0.96 0.34
Meituan Dianping	16,400	2,607,829	4,831,440	0.34 9.14
MTR Corp Ltd	6,000	260,973	260,100	0.49
Sands China Ltd	8,800	313,021	299,640	0.57
-	68,800	4,096,846	6,449,680	12.21
Financial Services				
AIA Group Ltd	45,100	3,571,136	4,284,500	8.10
China Life Insurance Co. Ltd	30,200	552,925	516,420	0.98
China Pacific Insurance Group	11,000	308,116	333,850	0.63
China Taiping Insurance Holdings	5,400	76,248	75,384	0.14
Country Garden Services Holdings Co	5,000	151,500	262,000	0.50
New China Life Insurance Co Ltd	3,200	101,414	96,480	0.18
People's Insurance Co Group China	31,000	88,637	75,950	0.14
PICC Property & Casualty Co Ltd	28,000	206,729	163,800	0.31
Ping An Insurance Grp Co China	20,700	1,750,671	1,965,465	3.72
-	179,600	6,807,376	7,773,849	14.70

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### 9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

#### (a) Quoted equities – foreign (continued)

Name of counters	Quantity	Aggregate <u>cost</u> HKD	Fair <u>value</u> HKD	Percentage of NAV %
Hong Kong (continued)				
Health Care				
CSPC Pharmaceutical Group Ltd Hangzhou Tigermed Consulting Hansoh Pharmaceutical Group Co Innovent Biologics Inc Microport Scientific Corp Pharmaron Bejing Co Ltd Shandong Weigao Group Medical Shanghai Fosun Pharmaceutical Sino Biopharmaceutical Ltd Sinopharm Group Co Ltd WuXi AppTec Co Ltd Wuxi Biologics Cayman Inc	36,240 400 3,000 2,000 400 8,000 2,000 45,250 5,600 1,100 10,500 118,490	250,317 67,200 114,500 106,221 83,000 49,280 70,720 53,750 265,755 153,491 106,270 616,175 1,936,679	287,383 71,600 148,600 246,150 83,900 52,320 140,000 74,000 339,375 105,504 166,540 1,076,250 2,791,622	0.54 0.14 0.28 0.47 0.16 0.10 0.26 0.14 0.64 0.20 0.31 2.03
<u>Oil &amp; Gas</u>				
China Longyuan Power Group	12,000	81,240	93,240	0.18
Technology				
Alibaba Health Information Technology BYD Electronic Intl Co Ltd China Tower Corp Ltd China Youzan Ltd Kingdee Intl Software Grp Co Kingsoft Corp Ltd Ping An Healthcare & Tech Co Ltd Tencent Holdings Ltd ZTE Corporation	13,500 2,000 192,000 48,000 10,000 4,000 2,300 8,150 3,200 283,150	171,579 83,600 316,093 111,360 199,570 144,500 208,955 3,566,297 59,670 4,861,624	306,450 81,000 218,880 110,400 315,500 199,800 216,085 4,596,600 62,336 6,107,051	0.58 0.15 0.41 0.21 0.60 0.38 0.41 8.69 0.12 
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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

### 9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

#### (a) Quoted equities – foreign (continued)

	<u> </u>	<u>value</u> HKD	of NAV %
22,200 58,000 24,000 14,000	1,376,204 184,214 172,437 158,643	981,240 124,700 106,800 140,840	1.86 0.24 0.20 0.27
118,200	1,891,498	1,353,580	2.57
660 4,832 531	168,128 1,358,668 193,349	147,486 1,825,727 176,177	0.28 3.45 0.33
6,023	1,720,145	2,149,390	4.06
2,311 524 387 600 1,107 3,643 781 594 1,280 1,606 1,758 1,543 16,134	3,821,353 266,711 165,607 188,256 182,917 1,452,440 119,316 582,691 832,107 637,426 444,351 197,915 8,891,090	4,168,484 348,278 155,167 209,212 150,038 2,481,213 112,333 855,700 1,760,662 890,481 459,778 336,190 11,927,536	7.88 0.66 0.29 0.40 0.28 4.69 0.21 1.62 3.33 1.68 0.87 0.64 22.55
	58,000 24,000 14,000 118,200 4,832 531 6,023 2,311 524 387 600 1,107 3,643 781 594 1,280 1,606 1,758 1,543	$\begin{array}{cccccccc} 22,200 & 1,376,204 \\ 58,000 & 184,214 \\ 24,000 & 172,437 \\ 14,000 & 158,643 \\ \hline 118,200 & 1,891,498 \\ \hline \\ & & & \\ & & $	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

### 9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

#### (a) Quoted equities – foreign (continued)

Name of counters	<u>Quantity</u>	Aggregate <u>cost</u> HKD	Fair <u>value</u> HKD	Percentage of NAV %
United States (continued)				
Health Care				
BeiGene Ltd Zai Lab Ltd	174 282	277,808 222,204	347,947 295,055	0.66 0.56
	456	500,012	643,002	1.22
Industrials				
ZTO Express Cayman Inc	2,468	482,464	557,823	1.05
Technology				
21Vianet Group Inc Autohome Inc Baidu Inc GDS Holdings Ltd JOYY Inc Depositary Receipt NetEase Inc Tencent Music Entertainment Group	362 216 973 448 228 1,583 1,437 5,247	90,055 144,547 1,130,334 261,877 130,592 857,657 173,179 2,788,241	97,258 166,778 1,630,045 323,956 141,022 1,173,782 214,264 3,747,105	0.18 0.32 3.08 0.61 0.27 2.22 0.40 7.08
Total quoted equities – foreign	1,022,768	38,403,340	49,760,773	94.10
Accumulated unrealised gain on quoted equities – foreign		11,357,433		
Total quoted equities – foreign		49,760,773		

## **TRADEPLUS S&P NEW CHINA TRACKER**

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### 9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

(a) Quoted equities – foreign (continued)

#### (ii) Quoted equities – foreign as at 31 December 2019 is as follows:

Name of counters	Quantity	Aggregate <u>cost</u> HKD	Fair <u>value</u> HKD	Percentage of NAV %
<u>China</u>				
Health Care				
Sinopharm Group Co Ltd	4,400	145,149	125,180	0.47
Hong Kong				
Consumer Goods				
ANTA Sports Products Ltd	3,000	121,750	209,250	0.79
Brilliance China Automotive Holdings Ltd	12,000	93,220	96,960	0.37
Byd Co Ltd - H	2,500	119,200	97,125	0.37
China Mengniu Dairy Co Ltd	10,000	257,818	315,000	1.19
China Resources Beer Holdings	-,	- ,	,	
Co Ltd	4,000	115,300	172,200	0.65
Geely Automabile Holdings	19,000	258,305	289,560	1.09
Great Wall Motor Company	12,000	68,449	69,120	0.26
Guangzhou Automobile Group	40.000	00 500		0.07
Co Ltd	10,000	86,500	96,900	0.37
Haier Electronics HengAn International Group	5,000	110,250	121,750	0.46
Co Ltd	3,000	179,950	166,500	0.63
Li Ning Co Ltd	6,500	103,578	151,450	0.00
Shenzhou International Group	0,000	100,010	101,100	0.01
Holdings Ltd	2,700	259,908	307,260	1.16
Ting Yi (Cayman Islands) Holding			-	
Corporation	6,000	80,400	79,800	0.30
Vitasoy International	4,000	146,000	112,800	0.42
Want Want China Holdings Ltd	23,000	144,721	167,440	0.63
WH Group Ltd	35,000	253,261	281,400	1.06
Yihai International Holding Ltd	1,000	46,850	45,700	0.17
	158,700	2,445,460	2,780,215	10.49

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### 9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

#### (a) Quoted equities – foreign (continued)

Name of counters	<u>Quantity</u>	Aggregate <u>cost</u> HKD	Fair <u>value</u> HKD	Percentage of NAV %
Hong Kong (continued)				
<u>Consumer Services</u> Air China Ltd Galaxy Entertainment Group Ltd Haidilao International Holding Ltd Meituan Dianping MTR Corp Ltd Sands China Ltd Wynn Macau Ltd	6,000 9,000 3,000 13,300 5,500 9,200 5,600 51,600	46,360 469,145 89,750 885,712 242,613 344,356 102,697 2,180,633	47,400 516,150 93,900 1,355,270 253,000 382,720 107,520 2,755,960	0.18 1.95 0.35 5.11 0.95 1.44 0.41 
<u>Financial Services</u> AIA Group Ltd China Life Insurance Co Ltd China Pacific Insurance GR-H	32,400 27,000 9,200	2,394,777 528,634 259,258	2,650,320 583,200 282,440	9.99 2.20 1.06
China Taiping Insurance Holdings Co Ltd Country Garden Services Holdings	5,200	109,708	100,360	0.38
Co Ltd New China Life Insurance Co Ltd Peoples Insurance CO Group of	4,000 2,800	104,400 91,197	104,800 93,800	0.39 0.35
China Ltd PICC Property & Casualty Co Ltd - H Ping An Insurance Group Co of	26,000 26,000	83,846 217,768	84,240 244,140	0.32 0.92
China Ltd - H	19,000	1,497,069	1,749,900	6.59
	151,600	5,286,657	5,893,200	22.20

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### 9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

#### (a) Quoted equities – foreign (continued)

Name of counters	<u>Quantity</u>	Aggregate <u>cost</u> HKD	Fair <u>value</u> HKD	Percentage <u>of NAV</u> %
Hong Kong (continued)				
Health Care				
CSPC Pharmaceutica NPV	18,000	231,760	334,440	1.26
Hansoh Pharmaceutical Group Co Ltd	2,000	47,600	51,600	0.19
Innovent Biologics Inc	3,000	81,450	79,650	0.30
Shandong Weigao Group Medical Polymer Co Ltd	8,000	70,720	74,640	0.28
Shanghai Fosun Pharmaceutical	4 500	00.005	05 050	0.40
Group	1,500	36,325	35,250	0.13
Sino Biopharmaceutical Ltd	24,000	167,889	261,600	0.99
WuXi AppTec Co Ltd - H Shares Wuxi Biologics Cayman Inc	500 1,500	48,825	48,325 147,900	0.18 0.56
wuxi biologics Cayman inc	1,500	101,825	147,900	0.00
	58,500	786,394	1,033,405	3.89
<u>Technology</u> Alibaba Health Information Technology China Tower Corp Ltd	12,000 162,000	88,269 336,302	107,760 278,640	0.41 1.05
Tencent Holdings Ltd	7,400	2,526,607	2,779,440	10.47
ZTE Corporation	2,800	50,329	66,780	0.25
_	184,200	3,001,507	3,232,620	12.18
Telecommunications				
China Mobile Ltd	20,500	1,614,320	1,341,725	5.06
China Telecom Corp Ltd	52,000	216,454	166,920	0.63
China Unicom (Hong Kong) Ltd	22,000	196,112	161,480	0.61
HKT Trust & HKT Ltd	14,000	167,272	153,720	0.58
_	108,500	2,194,158	1,823,845	6.88
Utilities				
Huaneng Power International Inc	14,000	69,020	55,020	0.21

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### 9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

#### (a) Quoted equities – foreign (continued)

Name of counters	<u>Quantity</u>	Aggregate <u>cost</u> HKD	Fair <u>value</u> HKD	Percentage <u>of NAV</u> %
United States				
Consumer Services				
58.com Inc	349	173,478	176,026	0.66
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd	1,591	2,065,681	2,629,654	9.91
Huazhu Group Ltd	416	110,810	129,853	0.49
IQIYI INC	952	157,931	156,519	0.59
JD.Com Inc	3,174	650,639	871,297	3.28
Melco Resorts & Entertainment Ltd	779	132,820	146,771	0.55
New Oriental Education & Technology	<b>10</b>			
Group	437	293,082	412,867	1.56
Pinduoduo Inc ADS	1,285	379,030	378,679	1.43
TAL Education Group	1,392	378,448	522,797	1.97
Trip.com Group Ltd	1,573	411,119	411,092	1.55
Vipshop Holdings Limited ADS	1,313	86,191	144,971	0.55
_	13,261	4,839,229	5,980,526	22.54
<u>Healthcare</u> BeiGene Ltd	155	168,819	200,197	0.75
Industrials				
ZTO Express Cayman Inc	1,612	243,913	293,165	1.10
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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### 9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

#### (a) Quoted equities – foreign (continued)

(ii) Quoted equities – foreign as at 31 December 2019 is as follows (continued):

Name of counters	<u>Quantity</u>	Aggregate <u>cost</u> HKD	Fair <u>value</u> HKD	Percentage of NAV %
United States (continued)				
<u>Technology</u> Autohome Inc	198	121,388	123,147	0.46
Baidu Inc	1,034	1,247,524	1,018,310	3.84
GDS Holdings Ltd. ADR A	263	104,561	105,702	0.40
Joyy Inc Depositary Receipt	238	123,476	97,880	0.37
Momo Inc	606	152,084	158,137	0.60
NetEase Inc	257	508,773	614,057	2.31
Weibo Corporation	236	103,388	85,233	0.32
	2,832	2,361,194	2,202,466	8.30
Total quoted equities – foreign	749,360	23,722,133	26,375,799	99.40
Accumulated unrealised gain on quoted equities – foreign		2,653,666		
Total quoted equities – foreign		26,375,799		

#### 10 NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION

	2020 No. of units	2019 No. of units
At the beginning of the year/date of launch	2,300,000	-
Creation of units arising from applications	1,800,000	2,650,000
Cancellation of units during the financial year/period	(765,000)	(350,000)
At the end of the financial year/period	3,335,000	2,300,000

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

### 11 TRANSACTIONS WITH BROKERS

(i) Details of transactions with brokers for the financial year ended 31 December 2020 are as follows:

Name of brokers	Value of trade HKD	Percentage of total <u>trade</u> %	Brokerage <u>fees</u> HKD	Percentage of total <u>brokerage</u> %
Alliance Bernstein (Singapore) Ltd CLSA Ltd Macqquarie Capital Securities Ltd JP Morgan Securities PLC JP Morgan Securities (Asia Pacific)	11,818,231 9,586,950 9,244,670 4,512,860	28.14 22.82 22.01 10.74	3,799 4,041 762 2,707	28.16 29.95 5.65 20.06
Ltd Macquarie Bank Ltd Hong Kong Branch	4,229,678 2,614,205	10.07 6.22	1,271 913	9.42 6.76
	42,006,594	100.00	13,492	100.00

(ii) Details of transactions with brokers for the financial period from 15 January 2019 (date of launch) to 31 December 2019 are as follows:

Name of brokers	<u>Value of trade</u> HKD	Percentage of total <u>trade</u> %	Brokerage fees HKD	Percentage of total <u>brokerage</u> %
Macqquarie Capital Securities Ltd CLSA Ltd Intisnet Pacific Ltd China International Capital Corp	23,592,206 10,392,773 2,385,527	63.03 27.77 6.37	9,009 5,196 954	50.59 29.18 5.36
HK Security	1,058,699	2.83	2,647	14.87
	37,429,205	100.00	17,806	100.00

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

### 12 UNITS HELD BY THE MANAGER AND PARTIES RELATED TO THE MANAGER

The related parties of and their relationship with the Fund are as follows:

Related parties	Relationships
Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad	The Manager
Affin Hwang Investment Bank Berhad	Holding company of the Manager
Affin Bank Berhad ("ABB")	Ultimate holding company of the Manager
Subsidiaries and associated companies of ABB as disclosed in its financial statements	Subsidiary and associated companies of the ultimate holding company of the Manager as disclosed in its financial statements

The units held by the Manager and the parties related to the Manager as at the end of the financial period are as follows:

	No. of units	2020 HKD	No. of units	<u>2019</u> HKD
The Manager:		TIKD		TIND
Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad (The units are held beneficially)	500,000	7,928,250	500,000	5,768,500
Holding company of the Manager:				
Affin Hwang Investment Bank (The units are held beneficially)			97,300	1,122,550

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### 13 MANAGEMENT EXPENSE RATIO ("MER")

	<u>2020</u> %	Financial period from 15.1.2019 (date of launch) to <u>31.12.2019</u> %
MER	1.13	1.39

MER is derived from the following calculation:

MER	=	(A + B + C + D + E + F) x 100	
		G	
А	=	Management fee	
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		0
В	=	Trustee fee
С	=	Auditors' remuneration
D	=	Tax agent's fee
Е	=	Licence fee
F	=	Other expenses, excluding sales and service tax on transaction costs and
		withholding tax
$\sim$		Average NAV of Eurod colouisted on a daily basis

G = Average NAV of Fund calculated on a daily basis

The average NAV of the Fund for the financial year ended 31 December 2020 calculated on a daily basis was HKD27,454,711 (2019: HKD22,176,131).

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

	<u>2020</u>	Financial period from 15.1.2019 (date of launch) to <u>31.12.2019</u>
PTR (times)	0.75	0.84

PTR is derived from the following calculation:

(Total acquisition for the financial year/period + total disposal for the financial period) ÷ 2 Average NAV of the Fund for the financial year/period calculated on a daily basis

where: total acquisition for the financial year/period = HKD27,957,349 (2019: HKD 30,499,638) total disposal for the financial year/period = HKD13,230,320 (2019: HKD 6,733,097)

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (CONTINUED)

#### 15 SEGMENT INFORMATION

The strategic asset allocation committee of the Investment Manager makes the strategic resource allocations on behalf of the Fund. The Fund has determined the operating segments based on the reports reviewed by the Manager that are used to make strategic decisions.

The committee is responsible for the Fund's entire portfolio and considers the business to have a single operating segment. The committee's asset allocation decisions are based on a single, integrated investment strategy and the Fund's performance is evaluated on an overall basis.

The reportable operating segments derive their income by seeking investments to achieve targeted returns consummate with an acceptable level of risk within each portfolio. These returns consist of dividends and gains on the appreciation in the value of investments and are derived from quoted equities in Hong Kong and United States.

The Fund has a diversified unitholder population. However, as at 31 December 2020, there were 3 (2019: 4) unitholders who held more than 10% of the Fund's NAV. The unitholders' holdings were 34.46%, 15.00%, 13.40% (2019: 19.43.%, 16.00%, 15.97% and 11.63%).

There were no changes in the reportable segments during the financial year.

The internal reporting provided to the committee for the Fund's assets, liabilities and performance is prepared on a consistent basis with the measurement and recognition principles of MFRS and IFRS.

#### 16 SIGNIFICANT EVENT DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR

The worsening macro-economic outlook as a result of Covid-19, both domestically and globally, may result in the deterioration of the Fund's Net Asset Value/unit in future periods.

The Manager is monitoring the situation closely and will be actively managing the portfolio to achieve the Fund's objective.

### STATEMENT BY THE MANAGER

I, Teng Chee Wai, for and on behalf of the board of directors of the Manager, **Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad**, do hereby state that in the opinion as the Manager, the financial statements set out on pages 1 to 37 are drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Deed and give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 31 December 2020 and of its financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows for the financial year ended 31 December 2020 in accordance with the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards.

For and on behalf of the Manager, AFFIN HWANG ASSET MANAGEMENT BERHAD

TENG CHEE WAI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/MANAGING DIRECTOR

Kuala Lumpur 8 February 2021

#### REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### Our opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements of TradePlus S&P New China Tracker ("the Fund") give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 31 December 2020, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the financial year ended 31 December 2020 in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards.

#### What we have audited

We have audited the financial statements of the Fund, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2020, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the financial year ended 31 December 2020, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, as set out on pages 1 to 37.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements" section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Independence and other ethical responsibilities

We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the By-Laws (on Professional Ethics, Conduct and Practice) of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants ("By-Laws") and the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) ("IESBA Code"), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the By-Laws and the IESBA Code.

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#### REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### Our audit approach

As part of designing our audit, we determined materiality and assessed the risks of material misstatement in the financial statements of the Fund. In particular, we considered where the Manager has made subjective judgments; for example, in respect of significant accounting estimates that involved making assumptions and considering future events that are inherently uncertain. As in all of our audits, we also addressed the risk of management override of internal controls, including among other matters, consideration of whether there was evidence of bias that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

We tailored the scope of our audit in order to perform sufficient work to enable us to provide an opinion on the financial statements as a whole, taking into account the structure of the Fund, the accounting processes and controls, and the industry in which the Fund operates.

#### Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the Fund for the current year. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements of the Fund as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the key audit matter
Valuation and existence of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	
Refer to Note H, Note 3 and Note 9 to the financial statements. The investment portfolio at the year ended comprised quoted equities valued at HKD49,760,773. We focused on the valuation and existence of investments because investments represent the most significant element of the net assets recognised in the financial statements.	We have tested the valuation of the quoted equities as at year-end by independently agreeing the price used in the valuation to the quoted price published by the relevant stock exchanges. We have tested the existence of the investment portfolio by agreeing the investment holding to an independent custodian confirmation.

#### REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### Information other than the financial statements and auditors' report thereon

The Manager of the Fund is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Manager's report but does not include the financial statements of the Fund and our auditors' report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements of the Fund does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements of the Fund, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements of the Fund or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Responsibilities of the Manager for the financial statements

The Manager of the Fund is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements of the Fund that give a true and fair view in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards. The Manager is also responsible for such internal controls as the Manager determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements of the Fund that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements of the Fund, the Manager is responsible for assessing the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Manager either intends to liquidate the Fund or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements of the Fund as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- (a) Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements of the Fund, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- (b) Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control.
- (c) Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Manager.
- (d) Conclude on the appropriateness of the Manager's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements of the Fund or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Fund to cease to continue as a going concern.
- (e) Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements of the Fund, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

#### REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements (continued)

We communicate with the Manager regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the Manager with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with the Manager, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the Fund for the current year and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditors' report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

#### OTHER MATTERS

This report is made solely to the unitholders of the Fund and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility to any other person for the content of this report.

PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS PLT LLP0014401-LCA & AF 1146 Chartered Accountants

Kuala Lumpur 8 February 2021

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