

# PRULink Bond Fund

Fund Fact Sheet

July 2023



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## Key Information and Investment Disclosure

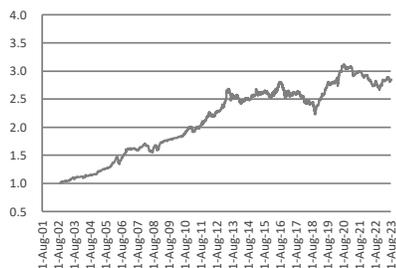
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Launch Date	24 September 2002	Fund Classification	Diversified
NAVPu (PHP)	2.84001	Minimum Risk Rating	1 (Conservative)
Fund Size	PHP 18.01 billion	Fund Manager	Eastspring Investments Limited
Fund Currency	Philippine Peso	Annual Management Fee	1.53% p.a.
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December	Benchmark	Markit iBoxx ALBI Philippines

## Fund Objective

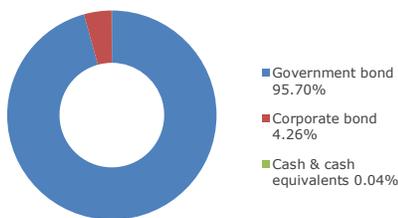
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## Performance Chart



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## Asset Allocation



## Annualized Performance

	1-Month	1-Year	5-Year	Year-to-date	Since Inception
Fund	-0.25%	2.13%	3.31%	3.37%	5.13%

## Fund Statistics

Highest NAVPU reached	(20 Aug 20)	3.11410
Lowest NAVPU reached	(24 Sep 02)	1.00000
Initial NAVPU	(24 Sep 02)	1.00000

## Top 10 Holdings

1	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	2.625%	12-AUG-2025	6.88%
2	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	4.875%	4-MAR-2027	5.39%
3	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	4.625%	2-JUN-2027	5.34%
4	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	6.75%	15-SEP-2032	4.83%
5	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	8%	19-JUL-2031	4.64%
6	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	6.875%	10-JAN-2029	4.23%
7	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	3.375%	8-APR-2026	4.08%
8	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	3.75%	12-AUG-2028	3.72%
9	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	3.625%	22-APR-2028	3.49%
10	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	8.125%	16-DEC-2035	3.34%

## Fund Manager's Commentary

In July, the US Federal Reserve (Fed) hiked interest rates by 25 basis points (bps) as widely expected, which brought the Fed's federal funds target rate to range of 5.25% to 5.50%. This came against the weaker inflation print as June Consumer Price Index (CPI) print declined more than expected to 3.0% year-on-year (YoY) from 4.0% previously. The European Central Bank also raised rates in July, increasing the deposit rate by 25 bps to 3.75%.

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## Fund Manager's Commentary on PRULink Bond Fund

Against this backdrop, the US Treasury (UST) lost some ground and yield curve steepened in July as yields on five-year and 10-year UST notes up by 2 bps and 12 bps to 4.18% and 3.96% respectively while two-year yields fell by 2 bps to end at 4.88%.

Asian local currency bonds, as represented by the customized Markit iBoxx Asian Local Bond Index, rose by 2.31% (in USD terms) thanks to mostly positive local currency market performances as well as stronger Asian currencies against US dollar. Among the underlying markets, only Hong Kong and the Philippines posted losses. The best performing local currency markets were Indonesia and China Onshore, especially in the 10+ year bucket.

In the Philippines, the domestic bond market down by 0.2% (in local currency terms) with five-year yields rising the most by 11 bps while two- and ten-year local government bond yields up by marginally by 4 bps and 7 bps.

Most central banks in Asia kept interest rates steady as inflation concerns have eased with exception Hong Kong and Sri Lanka. Hong Kong raised interest rates by 25 bps to 5.75%, the highest in 16 years. Sri Lanka on the other hand, cut its key interest rates for the second straight month as the focus returned to reviving economic growth following a bailout from the International Monetary Fund. Bank Indonesia decided to keep its policy rate unchanged at 5.75% for the 6th straight meeting since its last rate hike in January.

Manufacturing purchasing managers' indices (PMIs) across major regional economies show divergence but also general weakness in export-oriented economies. PMIs readings indicate high growth in India, the Philippines, and Thailand supported by strong domestic demand. In the Philippines, robust investment and private consumption drove growth by 6.4% YoY in first quarter 2023, reinforced by rising employment, expanding production and retail sales, and brisk private and public construction.

In July, the portfolio's positive curve positioning and carry contributed to relative performance while slight negative spread effect hampered performance. The portfolio's underweight duration in longer maturity bucket (especially 7-10 years) supported the portfolio relative performance.

We used the sell-off in the Philippines Government Bond (RPGB) market as an opportunity to gradually increase the portfolio's overall duration in July. The RPGB curve sold off in tandem with global rates despite improvements in the local inflation situation. We think that headline inflation will continue to moderate in coming months due to favorable base effects, though the pace could be slower than expected. El Nino and food shortage issues in the region, however, have increased the risk of food prices going higher, thereby increasing the upside risk to inflation. Core inflation has remained sticky, but BSP can take comfort in the improvements so far. 2Q23 growth was surprisingly slow, largely due to a delay in government spending which the government will look to reverse in 2H of the year. Additionally, we think there are signs that growth has started slowing meaningfully and this should limit the risk of another hike by BSP, unless the US Federal Reserve hikes more than expected and food inflation worsens. The RPGB curve has bear-steepened further in July, leading to an improvement in valuations. Liquidity in the Philippines is still flushed, and government cash balances are still healthy. These factors have reduced the risk of higher duration supply. We think that the recent move higher in yields have given us the opportunity to add duration via the auctions of longer-dated bonds, and we will continue positioning the fund to be overall slightly overweight in duration.

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# PRULink Managed Fund

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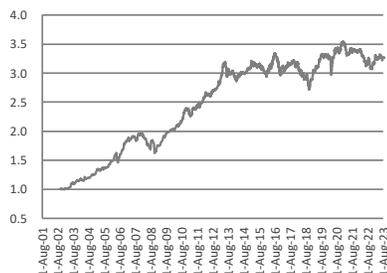
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Launch Date	24 September 2002	Fund Classification	Diversified
NAVpu (PHP)	3.26719	Minimum Risk Rating	2 (Moderate)
Fund Size	PHP 5.07 billion	Fund Manager	Eastspring Investments Limited
Fund Currency	Philippine Peso	Annual Management Fee	1.79% p.a.
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December	Benchmark	80% Markit iBoxx ALB Philippines + 20% PCI Philippine Stock Exchange Index (PSEI)

## Fund Objective

The Fund seeks to optimize medium- to long-term capital and income growth through investment in fixed-income securities, money market instruments and shares of stock listed in the Philippine Stock Exchange.

## Performance Chart



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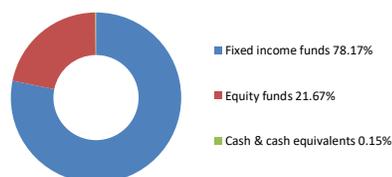
## Annualized Performance

	1-Month	1-Year	5-Year	Year-to-date	Since Inception
<b>Fund</b>	0.20%	2.77%	2.19%	3.04%	5.84%

## Fund Statistics

Highest NAVPU reached	(17 Dec 20)	3.54174
Lowest NAVPU reached	(23 Oct 02)	0.99568
Initial NAVPU	(24 Sep 02)	1.00000

## Asset Allocation



## Top 10 Holdings

1	PRULINK BOND FUND	78.17%
2	PRULINK EQUITY FUND	21.67%
3	CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS	0.15%

Note: Refer to the Top 10 holdings of PRULink Bond and Equity Funds.

## Fund Manager's Commentary

Global equities continued to rise in July, with all major regions posting positive absolute returns on a USD basis. Investor sentiment was supported by a decline in developed market inflation—with US and UK headline inflation softening more than expected—whilst Q2 US gross domestic product (GDP) growth came in ahead of consensus, raising hopes of a soft landing amid the ongoing recession fears.

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## Fund Manager's Commentary on PRULink Managed Fund

Risk sentiment was further supported by news that China had pledged measures to support the economy, following more disappointing macro data over the month, with optimism that further measures would follow. Asia and Emerging Markets (EM) were the best performing regions, with the US and Europe relative underperformers during the month.

US equities returned 3.3% in July. Over the month, the Federal Reserve (Fed) raised its interest rate by 25 basis points (bps) to 5.5%. The Fed chair Jerome Powell mentioned the central bank was closely monitoring the economic data ahead of its next meeting in September. However, at present, markets expect this latest rise to be the peak for the current interest rate cycle.

European equities delivered 3.0% in USD terms in July. Despite that, the region's manufacturing fragility was once again apparent as both the Eurozone and UK factory activities continued to contract over the month. The European Central Bank raised its interest rate by 25 bps to 3.75% in July, in a bid to curb inflation. Meanwhile, the Trades Union Congress urged the Bank of England to halt interest rate hikes, as the widespread job losses in recent months have left the UK "teetering on the brink of recession".

Asia Pacific ex Japan markets returned 5.4% in USD terms in July. Chinese equities delivered 9.8% in USD terms over the month. During the month, the People's Bank of China's move to impose hefty fines on several fintech companies - including the two giants Ant Group and Tencent - marked an end to the regulatory crackdown and a beginning of normalized regulatory environment. The much-awaited mid-year Politburo meeting in July also suggested an overall more supportive policy tone set for 2H23, especially for China's troubled property sector as well as pledges to boost consumption and resolving local government debt.

ASEAN markets outperformed the broader Asian region and Emerging Markets over the month, and posted a positive absolute return in USD terms. Malaysia and Singapore were the top performers, whilst Indonesia was the laggard. In other markets, Australia returned 4.0% and Japanese equities returned 3.0% on a USD basis in July.

In the fixed income markets, the US Treasury yield curve steepened in July as yields on 5-year and 10-year US Treasury notes increased by 2 bps and 12 bps to 4.18% and 3.96% respectively. Treasury yields were in a general uptrend through the month with the 10-year yield exceeding a high of 4% on 6 July. The US High Yield market (proxied by ICE BofA US High Yield Constrained Index) returned +1.43%. In the Asian credit market (proxied by JACI), the market posted a +0.27% return with Investment Grade outperforming its High Yield counterpart.

### Outlook

Global economic activity is holding up better than expected despite a high interest rate environment and heightened geopolitical uncertainty. In contrast to most forecasters who expect a recession this year, the IMF predicts that global growth will expand 3.0% in 2023 and a further 3.0% in 2024 with a stable outlook for emerging markets.

The global economy may be showing signs of stabilization, but the upturn remains weak. Financial conditions have eased, global supply chains have recovered and direct concerns about the health of the banking sector have receded, but with a slower than anticipated economic recovery in China and extreme weather events in North Asia, the balance of risks to growth remains to the downside. Whether it is the conflict in Ukraine, tensions between China and the US, protests in Israel and a military coup in Niger, investor sentiment has also been affected by rising political risks and social instability. However, weak growth, softer aggregate demand and disinflationary trends in the prices of goods could lead to less hawkish outcomes in monetary policy.

Due to the lagged effects of high interest rates, market volatility could remain elevated in 2023. As such, global share prices remain volatile, especially with continued uncertainties around the conflict between Russia and Ukraine as well as lingering concerns around inflation given disruption in the oil and broader commodities supply chains. Though Asian valuations remain cheap relative to other regional markets, we remain cognisant of the impact of the US Federal Reserve's interest rate policy, along with tensions around US-China relations, labour shortages and commodity and goods inflation, which are contributing drivers of global volatility. The Fund will remain nimble, while diversifying and making further tactical adjustments as market conditions continue to evolve through this turbulent period.

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## Key Information and Investment Disclosure

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Launch Date	03 June 2003	Fund Classification	Diversified
NAVpu (USD)	2.47740	Minimum Risk Rating	1 (Conservative)
Fund Size	USD 84.30 million	Fund Manager	Eastspring Investments Limited
Fund Currency	US Dollar	Annual Management Fee	1.53% p.a.
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December	Benchmark	JPM USD EMBI Global Philippines

## Fund Objective

The Fund seeks to achieve an optimal level of income in the medium-term together with long-term capital growth through investments in fixed-income securities denominated in USD.

## Performance Chart



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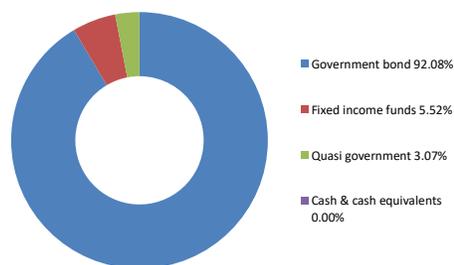
## Annualized Performance

	1-Month	1-Year	5-Year	Year-to-date	Since Inception
<b>Fund</b>	0.40%	-2.29%	0.11%	2.46%	4.60%

## Fund Statistics

Highest NAVPU reached	(12 Aug 20)	3.07860
Lowest NAVPU reached	(05 Aug 03)	0.96080
Initial NAVPU	(03 Jun 03)	1.00000

## Asset Allocation



## Top 10 Holdings

1	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	9.5%	2-FEB-2030	10.17%
2	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	7.75%	14-JAN-2031	9.80%
3	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	6.375%	23-OCT-2034	8.06%
4	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	3%	1-FEB-2028	7.93%
5	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	3.7%	1-MAR-2041	7.61%
6	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	3.7%	2-FEB-2042	7.28%
7	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	3.95%	20-JAN-2040	7.11%
8	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	3.75%	14-JAN-2029	5.53%
9	EASTSPRING INV ASIAN BOND D USD			5.52%
10	PHILIPPINES (REPUBLIC OF)	2.65%	10-DEC-2045	4.85%

## Fund Manager's Commentary

During the month, midyear US indicators revealed that consumer spending remained firm, while inflation continued to grow at an uncomfortable rate.

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## Fund Manager's Commentary on PRULink US Dollar Bond Fund

Personal consumption expenditures increased 0.5% month-on-month (MoM) in June, up from 0.2% in May. At the same time, advance estimates of US retail sales for June rose by 0.2% MoM and 1.5% from a year ago.

After deciding on a rate pause in the prior month, the US Federal Reserve delivered a 25-basis point hike at the July meeting. Chairman Jerome Powell said that the Committee would keep monetary policy restrictive until inflation has reached its long-term target. Elaborating on the rate decision, the Chairman said that long term inflation expectations are well anchored in recent household and business surveys. Amidst firmer commodity prices and strong wage growth, a period of soft job market conditions and below trend economic growth may be required to get inflation sustainably under control.

Against this backdrop, the US Treasury yield curve steepened in July as yields on 5-year and 10-year US Treasury notes increased by 2 bps and 12 bps to 4.18% and 3.96% respectively. Asian USD bonds extended their gains, rose by 0.3% in July on the back of tighter credit spreads despite higher US interest rate. The Philippines USD bond market up by 0.6% as represented by JPMorgan EMBI Global Philippine index.

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In July, the portfolio's positive curve positioning supported relative performance, but negative spread effects hampered performance. The portfolio's underlying sub-fund Asian USD Bond exposures was a slight drag to performance during the month.

We maintained a slight to neutral overall duration overweight via Asian credits in July. Asian credit spreads and carry still remain attractive relative to Philippines Government Bonds (ROP bonds), and we think that Asian credits can continue being stable due to positive technical such as the low bond supply in the region. The main risk would still be a hard landing in the US, which will cause Asian/Emerging Market credits to sell off typically. Even then, if the Federal Reserve moves quickly to cut policy rates, Asian credits might not underperform as much. The uncertainties around China's socioeconomic policies and growth, however, increases the volatility of Asian credits vis-à-vis ROP bonds. Locally, we expect growth to remain resilient a tight labour market, pickup in remittances, and stable consumer sentiment. However, we do acknowledge that the momentum is clearly slowing. Inflation is still high and out of BSP's target, and the current account deficit is not improving meaningfully. The country does not seem to have much leeway for fiscal consolidation as well. Higher energy and commodity prices will hurt the Philippines' outlook further. Overall, its fundamentals still look poorer than similarly rated peers like Indonesia, but the bonds are generally trading more expensive. Therefore, we think that the broader Asian credit market can outperform the Philippines government bonds. We are inclined to keep our allocation to Asian credit but will look to take some profit and trim our exposure to manage the volatility coming from Chinese credits. We look to maintain the Fund's neutral to slight overweight duration position.

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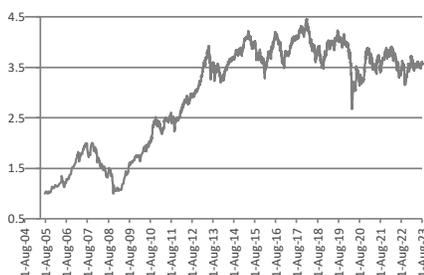
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## Fund Objective

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## Performance Chart



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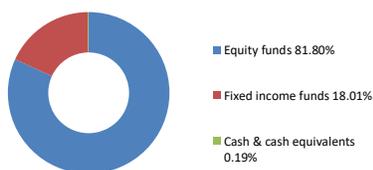
## Annualized Performance

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<b>Fund</b>	1.47%	5.18%	-1.41%	2.39%	7.31%

## Fund Statistics

Highest NAVPU reached	(30 Jan 18)	4.45577
Lowest NAVPU reached	(28 Oct 08)	0.99584
Initial NAVPU	(22 Jul 05)	1.00000

## Asset Allocation



## Top 10 Holdings

1	PRULINK EQUITY FUND	81.80%
2	PRULINK BOND FUND	18.01%
3	CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS	0.19%

Note: Refer to the Top 10 holdings of PRULink Bond and Equity Funds.

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### Outlook

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Due to the lagged effects of high interest rates, market volatility could remain elevated in 2023. As such, global share prices remain volatile, especially with continued uncertainties around the conflict between Russia and Ukraine as well as lingering concerns around inflation given disruption in the oil and broader commodities supply chains. Though Asian valuations remain cheap relative to other regional markets, we remain cognisant of the impact of the US Federal Reserve's interest rate policy, along with tensions around US-China relations, labour shortages and commodity and goods inflation, which are contributing drivers of global volatility. The Fund will remain nimble, while diversifying and making further tactical adjustments as market conditions continue to evolve through this turbulent period.

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# PRULink Equity Fund

Fund Fact Sheet

July 2023

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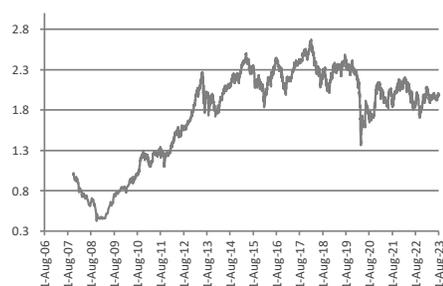
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Launch Date	23 October 2007	Fund Classification	Diversified
NAVpu (PHP)	1.98118	Minimum Risk Rating	3 (Aggressive)
Fund Size	PHP 71.26 billion	Fund Manager	Eastspring Investments Limited
Fund Currency	Philippine Peso	Annual Management Fee	2.25% p.a.
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December	Benchmark	Philippine Stock Exchange Index (PSEI)

## Fund Objective

The Fund seeks to optimize medium- to long-term capital growth through investments in shares of stock listed in the Philippines.

## Performance Chart



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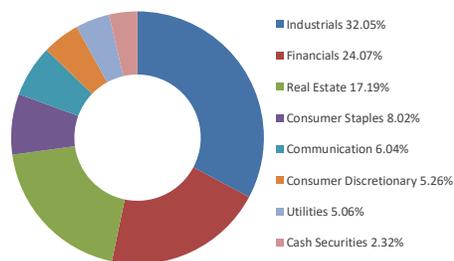
## Annualized Performance

	1-Month	1-Year	5-Year	Year-to-date	Since Inception
<b>Fund</b>	1.89%	6.27%	-2.57%	2.37%	4.43%

## Fund Statistics

Highest NAVPU reached	(30 Jan 18)	2.66632
Lowest NAVPU reached	(28 Oct 08)	0.42505
Initial NAVPU	(23 Oct 07)	1.00000

## Sector Allocation



## Top 10 Holdings

1	SM INVESTMENTS CORP	9.82%
2	SM PRIME HOLDINGS INC	9.72%
3	BDO UNIBANK INC	9.59%
4	BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS	7.77%
5	INTERNATIONAL CONTAINER TERMINAL SERVICES INC	6.28%
6	AYALA LAND INC	5.90%
7	AYALA CORPORATION	5.37%
8	JOLLIBEE FOODS CORP	4.25%
9	UNIVERSAL ROBINA CORP	4.05%
10	METROPOLITAN BANK AND TRUST COMPANY	3.79%

## Fund Manager's Commentary

### Market Review

Global equities continued to rise in July, with all major regions posting positive absolute returns on a USD basis. Investor sentiment was supported by a decline in developed market inflation—with US and UK headline inflation softening more than expected—whilst Q2 US gross domestic product (GDP) growth came in ahead of consensus, raising hopes of a soft landing amid the ongoing recession fears.

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## Fund Manager's Commentary on PRULink Equity Fund

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The Philippine Stock Exchange Index (PSEi) rose by 1.9% in local currency terms over the month. Headline inflation continued on its downward trend, decelerating for a fifth straight month to 5.4% year-on-year in June vs. 6.1% year-on-year in May. Headline inflation further dipped below 5% in July, as reported in August.

### Key Contributors

The underweight positions in SM Investments and Emperador, and overweight position in Jollibee were amongst the key contributors to relative performance over the month.

SM Investments is a permanent underweight given the size of the name in the benchmark, with the stock price falling into the end of the month ahead of the release of its first half results due in August.

Emperador also saw its share price fall ahead of its results announcement, rewarding our underweight exposure, whilst investors also digested the news that the company was planning to expand its distillery facility in Scotland.

Jollibee's share price rose over the month, supported by news of the company's growth and expansion. The company announced continued expansion in Vietnam, announcing around 158 stores already opened as at Q1 23, as well its own commissary in the country which has the capacity to support 400 stores. Most recently, investors digested the news of a partnership between Singapore's Food Collective and Jollibee to bring Tiong Bahru Bakery and Common Man Coffee Roasters to the Philippines market.

### Key Detractors

The underweight positions in Bank of Philippine Islands and overweight in Universal Robina were amongst the key detractors from relative performance during the month.

Bank of Philippine Islands' share price rose, with the company reporting its results during the month. The company saw its net income rise by 4.5% year-on-year in the second quarter amid an increase in revenues.

Universal Robina and the wider sector have been under pressure recently following the news that the government was planning a tax on "junk" foods and sweetened beverages. The share price weakness came despite investor expectations for a decent set of results due in August.

### Fund Activity

The Manager did not open any new or close any existing positions during the month.

### Outlook

Since our last commentary in July, the Peso has depreciated ~4% against the USD. El Nino impact on agriculture in the region has been driving up inflation concerns for Philippines. The recent 2Q23 GDP growth of 4.3% YoY missed 6% expectations, driven by slower government spending, corporate investments, and muted consumer spending. To meet BSP's 6-7% GDP growth target, government spending will need to accelerate in 2H23 or BSP will have to stimulate corporate investment and consumer sentiments via lowering interest rates.

However, the latter option puts the central bank between a rock and a hard place, assuming Fed maintains its hawkish stance. Lowering interest rates faster than the Fed will likely lead to FX pressure, and potentially exacerbate balance of payments imbalance as PH enters into the seasonally high import months in the fourth quarter. On the flip side, PH companies have been delaying major investment decisions amid high interest rate environment. Lowering interest rates could support loans growth demand and drive GDP growth.

On the ground, we continue to see a K-shaped recovery amongst consumers. Lower income segment consumers continued downtrading in 2Q23 to stretch their limited wallets amid persistently high inflationary environment. This was evident through weak sales for Wilcon (discretionary) while Century Pacific reported strong domestic demand for their value-for-money products. Telcos have also revised down their topline growth guidance, citing weak mobile and broadband demand amid challenging macro conditions. On the other hand, we noted that residential sales has started to recover in 2Q23, with real estate developers reporting strong presales and improving cancellations.

At this juncture, weak macro conditions will likely remain a major overhang on Philippine equities, and currently low valuations could remain lower for longer. Potential re-rating catalysts could stem from i) acceleration of infrastructure projects spending in 2H23; ii) tapering Fed rate hikes to give some headroom for BSP to lower rates; iii) moderating inflation and iv) stabilisation in Peso.

On sector allocation, we continue to maintain our OW on consumers, Property, Telcos and Banks. We are UW utilities and industrials. We continue to like consumers following the sector's recent de-rating in spite of still robust fundamentals. Our OW in property continues to contribute to the fund amid improving residential demand. While fundamentals remain muted for telcos, we see stable cash generation and %lower capex intensity to sustain high dividend yield of ~6%-7%. We have trimmed our exposures in Banks in light of tapering rate trajectory outlook.

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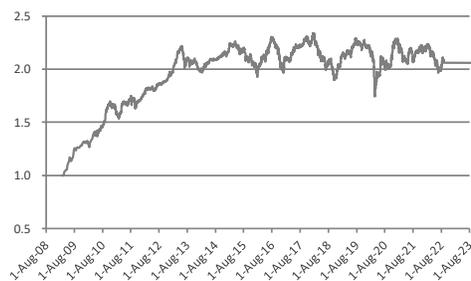
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NAVpu (PHP)	2.08545	Minimum Risk Rating	3 (Aggressive)
Fund Size	PHP 16.61 billion	Fund Manager	Eastspring Investments Limited
Fund Currency	Philippine Peso	Annual Management Fee	2.25% p.a.
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December	Benchmark	50% Markit iBoxx ALBI Philippines + 50% PCI PSEi - Philippine Stock Exchange Index

## Fund Objective

The Fund seeks to optimize medium- to long-term capital and income growth with emphasis on dynamic asset allocation by fund managers through investment in fixed-income securities, money market instruments, and shares of stock listed in the Philippines.

## Performance Chart



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## Annualized Performance

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<b>Fund</b>	0.84%	3.57%	0.20%	2.50%	5.21%

## Fund Statistics

Highest NAVPU reached	(30 Jan 18)	2.34008
Lowest NAVPU reached	(03 Mar 09)	0.99950
Initial NAVPU	(17 Feb 09)	1.00000

## Asset Allocation



## Top 10 Holdings

1	PRULINK EQUITY FUND	53.40%
2	PRULINK BOND FUND	46.44%
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# PRULink Asian Local Bond Fund

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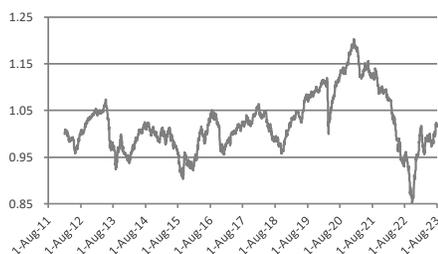
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Launch Date	28 January 2012	Fund Classification	Diversified
NAVpu (USD)	1.01721	Minimum Risk Rating	2 (Moderate)
Fund Size	USD 6.61 million	Fund Manager	Eastspring Investments Limited
Fund Currency	US Dollar	Annual Management Fee	1.80% p.a.
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December	Benchmark	Markit iBoxx ALBI x Chn Twd Cust

## Fund Objective

The Fund is structured as a feeder fund which invests in the Eastspring Investments – Asian Local Bond Fund (EI-Asian Local Bond Fund). The EI-Asian Local Bond Fund invests in a diversified portfolio consisting primarily of fixed-income / debt securities issued by Asian entities or their subsidiaries. This Fund's portfolio primarily consists of securities denominated in the various Asian currencies and aims to maximize total returns through investing in fixed-income or debt securities that are rated as well as unrated.

## Performance Chart



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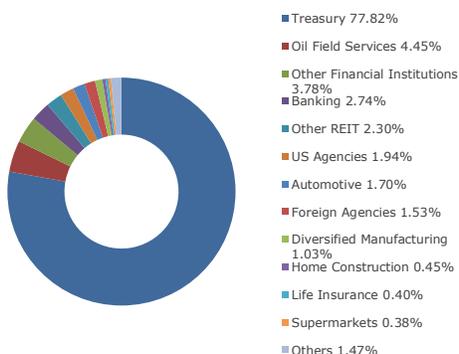
## Annualized Performance

	1-Month	1-Year	5-Year	Year-to-date	Since Inception
<b>Fund</b>	2.05%	7.05%	0.50%	6.64%	0.15%

## Fund Statistics

Highest NAVPU reached	(05 Jan 21)	1.20318
Lowest NAVPU reached	(24 Oct 22)	0.85255
Initial NAVPU	(28 Jan 12)	1.00000

## Sector Allocation



## Top 10 Holdings

1	EZION HOLDINGS LTD 0.25% 20-NOV-2024	4.45%
2	EZION HOLDINGS LTD 31-DEC-2079	3.01%
3	SINGAPORE (REPUBLIC OF) 3.375% 1-SEP-2033	2.84%
4	SINGAPORE TECHNOLOGIES TELEMEDIA PTE LTD 5.5% 31-DEC-2079	1.94%
5	NONGHYUP BANK 4.875% 3-JUL-2028	1.53%
6	FORWARD THAILAND BAHT	1.51%
7	BNP PARIBAS SA	1.41%
8	MAPLETREE TREASURY SERVICES LTD 3.95% 31-DEC-2079	1.41%
9	HSBC HOLDINGS PLC 6.547% 20-JUN-2034	1.29%
10	KOREA (REPUBLIC OF) 1.25% 10-MAR-2026	1.27%

## Fund Manager's Commentary

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## Fund Manager's Commentary on PRULink Asian Local Bond Fund

This came against the weaker inflation print as June Consumer Price Index (CPI) print declined more than expected to 3.0% year-on-year (yoy) from 4.0% previously. The European Central Bank also raised rates in July, increasing the deposit rate by 25 bps to 3.75%.

Against this backdrop, the US Treasury (UST) lost some ground and yield curve steepened in July as yields on five-year and 10-year US Treasury notes up by 2 basis points (bps) and 12 bps to 4.18% and 3.96% respectively while two-year yields fell by 2 bps to end at 4.88%.

Asian local currency bonds, as represented by the customised Markit iBoxx Asian Local Bond Index, rose by 2.10% (unhedged in USD terms) thanks to mostly positive local currency market performances as well as stronger Asian currencies against US dollar. Among the underlying markets, only Hong Kong and the Philippines posted losses. The best performing local currency markets were Indonesia and China Onshore, especially in the 10+ year bucket.

Most central banks in Asia kept interest rates steady as inflation concerns have eased with exception Hong Kong raising interest rates by 25 bps while Sri Lanka cutting rates by another 200 bps. Bank Indonesia (BI) decided to keep its policy rate unchanged at 5.75% for the 6th straight meeting since its last rate hike in January.

The US dollar lost its footing amid speculation that the Fed's rate hike cycle may have reached its peak after a 25-bps increase in July. Top performing currencies against US dollar were Korean Won, Malaysian Ringgit and Thai Baht while Taiwanese dollar and Indian Rupee weakened the most.

In July, the portfolio's outperformance was largely attributed to allocations in USD corporates where Asian USD credit spreads continued to tighten, although the compression was milder than previous month. The portfolio's underweight duration in Hong Kong and overweight duration in Singapore added value as the former market sold-off while the latter market rallied. Overall overweight positions in Asian currencies also performed well especially in Singapore dollar, even as underweight in Korean Won and Thai Bath narrowed some of the Fund's outperformance during the month.

In the past month, the UST curve has bear steepened considerably on expectations of higher bond issuance amid a worsening fiscal profile, spill over from monetary policy changes in Japan, and reassessment of the medium-term Fed policy rates. During this time, US's credit was also downgraded a notch by Fitch ratings, refocusing attention on its long-term debt sustainability. In combination, the technical for US Treasuries have deteriorated significantly over this period. At the same time, US economic indicators remain fairly resilient, even as the pace of growth continue to moderate, increasing the likelihood of a soft landing. The case for a recession, as proxied through a flatter UST curve, has therefore also diminished significantly. Until we observe meaningfully weaker US data in the form of lower inflation or higher unemployment, we expect yields to remain well supported.

In response to higher UST yields, lower yielding Asian local bond yields have also corrected higher in July. Higher yielding markets were relatively less affected as there remains little compelling trigger in the prevailing macro environment to unwind carry trades, especially with risk across asset classes trading relatively well. For example, INDOGB yields have barely budged higher in Jul despite broad-based increase in DM yields. However, we are cognizant that there remain upside risks to UST yields with important technical levels already broken, thus we remain nimble in legging into additional duration even as levels have become more attractive.

As previously mentioned, macros in Asia differ significantly from the G3 countries, the lack of substantial and persistent inflationary pressures, compounded by powerful disinflationary forces introduced by China's economic weakness, suggests the bias for Asian central banks is to eventually pivot to policy accommodation. This argues for a long duration bias. However, for the month of August, we focus on seasonality, where UST yields and the USD typically strengthen, thus advocates greater caution in adding beta to the strategies. To this, we prefer to add only on meaningful spikes in yields.

We also remain fairly neutral to a slight long bias on the USD. Short term US exceptionalism, with US real and nominal rates remaining higher than elsewhere is a tailwind for the USD. Asian currencies on the other hand will be dragged into the orbit of CNY weakness, largely a function of a struggling Chinese economy where policymakers appear reluctant to introduce any strong countercyclical stimulatory measures.

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# PRULink Asia Pacific Equity Fund

Fund Fact Sheet

July 2023



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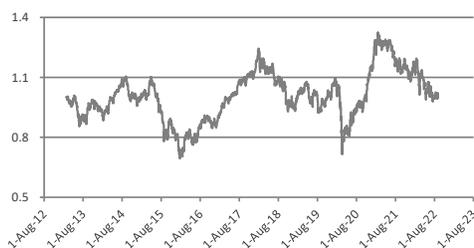
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Launch Date	26 February 2013	Fund Classification	Diversified
NAVpu (USD)	1.10072	Minimum Risk Rating	3 (Aggressive)
Fund Size	USD 16.52 million	Fund Manager	Eastspring Investments Limited
Fund Currency	US Dollar	Annual Management Fee	2.05% p.a.
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December	Benchmark	MSCI APXJ Index (Net)

## Fund Objective

The Fund is structured as a feeder fund which invests in the Eastspring Investments – Asia Pacific Equity Fund, which aims to maximize long-term total return by investing primarily in equity and equity-related securities of companies which are incorporated, listed in or have their area of primary activity in the Asia Pacific ex-Japan Region. This Fund may also invest in depository receipts including American Depository Receipts and Global Depository Receipts, debt securities convertible into common shares, preference shares and warrants.

## Performance Chart



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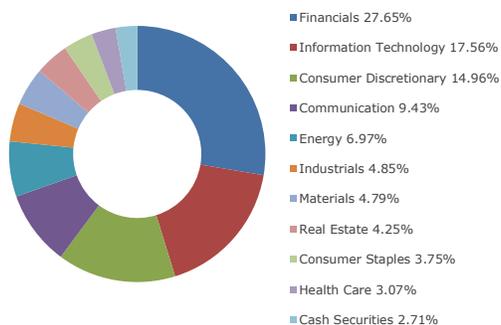
## Annualized Performance

	1-Month	1-Year	5-Year	Year-to-date	Since Inception
<b>Fund</b>	4.93%	9.58%	0.02%	8.99%	0.92%

## Fund Statistics

Highest NAVPU reached	(18 Feb 21)	1.32381
Lowest NAVPU reached	(22 Jan 16)	0.69551
Initial reached	(26 Feb 13)	1.00000

## Sector Allocation



## Top 10 Holdings

1	TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING CO LTD	6.62%
2	SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO LTD	5.94%
3	TENCENT HOLDINGS LTD	4.40%
4	ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING LTD	3.54%
5	INDUSIND BANK LTD	2.87%
6	BHP GROUP LTD	2.77%
7	ICICI BANK LTD	2.37%
8	SINGAPORE TELECOMMUNICATIONS LTD	2.28%
9	SK HYNIX INC	2.27%
10	BOC HONG KONG HOLDINGS LTD	2.23%

## Fund Manager's Commentary

### Market review

Global equities continued to rise in July, with all major regions posting positive absolute returns on a USD basis. Investor sentiment was supported by a decline in developed market inflation—with US and UK headline inflation softening more than expected—whilst Q2 US gross domestic product (GDP) growth came in ahead of consensus, raising hopes of a soft landing amid the ongoing recession fears.

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## Fund Manager's Commentary on PRULink Asia Pacific Equity Fund

Risk sentiment was further supported by news that China had pledged measures to support the economy, following more disappointing macro data over the month, with optimism that further measures would follow. Asia and Emerging Markets (EM) were the best performing regions, with the US and Europe relative underperformers during the month.

Asia Pacific ex Japan markets returned 5.4% in USD terms in July. Chinese equities delivered 9.8% in USD terms over the month. China's factory activity remained in contraction for a fourth consecutive month, with its official manufacturing PMI rising from 49.0 in June to 49.3 in July. During the month, the People's Bank of China's move to impose hefty fines on several fintech companies—including the two giants Ant Group and Tencent—marked an end to the regulatory crackdown and a beginning of normalized regulatory environment. The much-awaited mid-year Politburo meeting in July also suggested an overall more supportive policy tone set for 2H23, especially for China's troubled property sector as well as pledges to boost consumption and resolving local government debt. MSCI Hong Kong rose by 2.7% in July thanks to rising optimism for policy stimulus after the end July politburo meeting, stabilizing CNY/USD exchange rate, and FOMC's dovish tilt at the likely end of the hiking cycle.

ASEAN markets outperformed the broader Asian region and Emerging Markets over the month, and posted a positive absolute return in USD terms. Malaysia and Singapore were the top performers, whilst Indonesia was the laggard. Bank Negara Malaysia kept its policy rate unchanged in July, while headline inflation came in at a 14-month low, continuing its downward trend for the tenth consecutive month. Singapore's preliminary Q2 GDP growth came in ahead of expectations, following a quarter-on-quarter contraction in Q1, avoiding a technical recession for the first half of 2023.

Separately, India returned 2.9% on a USD basis and underperformed broader Emerging Markets during the month. The market had benefited partly due to investor flows from China to India due to the weak economic performance in China, with the pledges of support from the Chinese government over the month seeing strong flows into China. In terms of macro data, June CPI came in marginally above expectations on the back of food prices, while the trend in core inflation softened.

In other markets, Australia returned 4.0% on a USD basis in July.

### Key contributors

Stock selection within India, China and Australia were key contributors to relative performance during the month. At a sector level stock selection within Energy and Communication Services added value.

At a stock level, we saw the largest contribution from the Fund's overweight positions in China International Capital, Geely Automobile and Baidu.

### Key detractors

At a country level, stock selection within South Korea, Taiwan and Indonesia detracted from relative performance during the period. At a sector level, stock selection within Information Technology and Health Care detracted from relative performance.

At a stock level, the Fund's overweight positions in Bank Negara Indonesia and Uni-President Enterprises while underweight position in Posco detracted most from relative performance during the month.

### Fund activity

During the month the Fund topped up positions in Midea, GPT, Singapore Telecommunications, CNOOC and LG Electronics while it trimmed positions in Insurance Australia, Sinopharm, Nexteer Automotive, Coles and Axis Bank. The Fund also initiated a position in Man Wah and Macquarie while exited its position in China Lesso.

### Strategy and outlook

Value style continues its outperformance since late 2020 and the outlook appears to be supportive for continued tailwinds for a disciplined value approach. Governments are focused on investing in the real economy and supporting consumers and we are seeing inflationary pressures and higher rates which have historically been supportive of value stocks and a headwind for quality and growth stocks.

With attractive headline valuations providing a good entry point, the valuation anomaly within Asian equity markets between value and quality / growth stocks remains near extreme levels and the Fund is well positioned to capture the opportunity as it unfolds.

We continue to follow our disciplined valuation driven approach with a longer-term investment view to identifying investment opportunities across Asian equity markets.

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# PRUlink Global Emerging Markets Dynamic Fund



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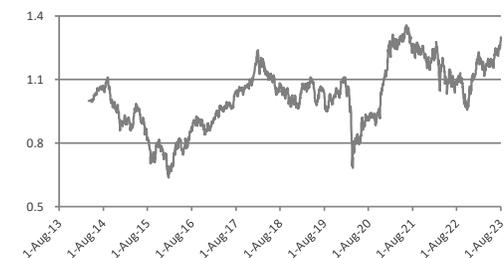
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Launch Date	01 April 2014	Fund Classification	Diversified
NAVpu (USD)	1.30014	Minimum Risk Rating	3 (Aggressive)
Fund Size	USD 13.71 million	Fund Manager	Eastspring Investments Limited
Fund Currency	US Dollar	Annual Management Fee	2.05% p.a.
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December	Benchmark	MSCI Emerging Markets (Net Div)

### Fund Objective

The Fund is structured as a feeder fund which invests in the Eastspring Investments – Global Emerging Markets Dynamic Fund, which aims to generate long-term capital growth through a concentrated portfolio of equities, equity-related securities, and bonds. This Fund invests primarily in securities of companies which are incorporated, or listed in, or operating principally from, or carrying on significant business in, or derive substantial revenue from, or whose subsidiaries, related or associated corporations derive substantial revenue from the emerging markets worldwide. This Fund may also invest in depository receipts including American Depository Receipts and Global Depository Receipts, preference shares and warrants.

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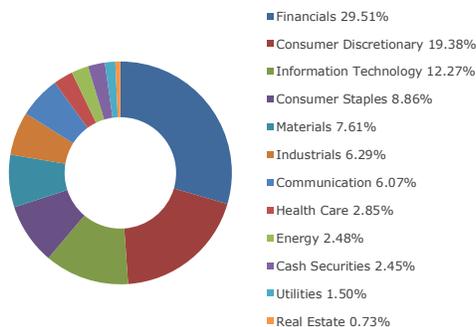
### Annualized Performance

	1-Month	1-Year	5-Year	Year-to-date	Since Inception
<b>Fund</b>	5.28%	19.61%	3.80%	15.91%	2.85%

### Fund Statistics

Highest NAVPU reached	(11 Jun 21)	1.35594
Lowest NAVPU reached	(22 Jan 16)	0.63696
Initial NAVPU	(01 Apr 14)	1.00000

### Sector Allocation



### Top 10 Holdings

1	SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO LTD	7.17%
2	ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING LTD	4.73%
3	INDUSIND BANK LTD	3.97%
4	PING AN INSURANCE GROUP CO OF CHINA LTD	3.78%
5	BAIDU INC	3.53%
6	SHRIRAM FINANCE LTD	3.52%
7	HON HAI PRECISION INDUSTRY CO LTD	3.36%
8	KOMERCNI BANKA AS	3.07%
9	VIPSHOP HOLDINGS LTD	3.01%
10	SENDAS DISTRIBUIDORA SA	2.88%

### Fund Manager's Commentary

#### Market review

Global equities continued to rise in July, with all major regions posting positive absolute returns on a USD basis.

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## Fund Manager's Commentary on PRULink Global Emerging Markets Dynamic Fund

Investor sentiment was supported by a decline in developed market inflation—with US and UK headline inflation softening more than expected—whilst Q2 US gross domestic product (GDP) growth came in ahead of consensus, raising hopes of a soft landing amid the ongoing recession fears. Asia and Emerging Markets (EM) were the best performing regions, outperforming the US and Europe during the month.

MSCI EM rose 5.8% in July, outperforming MSCI Developed Markets by 3.3%, with almost all markets in the green. The month started on a rocky note with a tug-of-war between easing inflation pressures and strong jobs data. EM equities finally snapped out of their limbo, boosted by positive news from China. Chinese authorities signaled an end of the rectification of large fintech platforms and a beginning of normalized regulatory environment. The much-awaited Politburo meeting signaled that more support for China's troubled real estate sector might be forthcoming, alongside pledges to boost consumption and resolving local government debt. EM equities enjoyed another leg up as US CPI came in below forecasts, fueling odds that Fed is near the end of its rate-hike cycle.

The MSCI EM Asia Index jumped higher by 5.7% in July. Chinese equities delivered 9.8% in USD terms over the month. China's factory activity remained in contraction for a fourth consecutive month, with its official manufacturing PMI rising from 49.0 in June to 49.3 in July. During the month, the People's Bank of China's move to impose hefty fines on several fintech companies—including the two giants Ant Group and Tencent—marked an end to the regulatory crackdown and a beginning of normalized regulatory environment. The much-awaited mid-year Politburo meeting in July also suggested an overall more supportive policy tone set for 2H23, especially for China's troubled property sector as well as pledges to boost consumption and resolving local government debt. Price return for MSCI Taiwan was 0.2%.

During July LatAm (+ 5.0%) was the third best global performing market, slightly underperforming GEMs in second place, and finally in first EM Europe (+9.5%), almost doubling LatAm's performance. Every country in the region posted positive returns. The good performance in the region was led by Colombia (+12.6%) and Peru (+11.6%), while Chile (+5.6%) and Brasil (+4.8%) performed in line with LatAm. Mexico (+4.3%) underperformed the region once again, and lastly after a very strong performance in June from Argentina, this month it was the worst performer (+2.0%).

MSCI EMEA rose 6.7% in July ahead of MSCI EM and ahead of MSCI World. In South Africa, local equity indices rebounded with the MSCI South Africa rallied 11.8% higher, as ZAR strengthened 5.6%. The rally was led by Financials (+14.6%) and Staples (+13.7%), while the ZAR moved higher on the back of increased optimism over a potential China stimulus. July was another month where Eskom avoided Stage 8 power cuts, cementing the view that the worst case scenario may be avoided in the winter. The increased usage of diesel and rooftop solar installations (4.4GW installed in June vs c. 2GW 12m prior) has eased the strain on energy demand.

### Key contributors

The Fund's underweight position in Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing contributed to the outperformance of the Fund as stock price was dragged in view of further wafer order cuts for smartphone SoCs and server CPUs. We find in our model that the upside for the company is limited, despite considering its multiple strengths while further downside risk on topline, higher depreciation cost from its 3nm expansion and efficiency losses further support our negative view on the company's valuation.

The Fund's overweight position in Baidu contributed to relative performance of the Fund owing to the on-track improvement across business lines. We continue to see upside in Baidu's share price given the increasing focus on its core business and supported by its technological advancements benefitting its revenue drivers namely AI cloud and Apollo Go. The company continues to trade at a large valuation discount to its own history and relative to its peer group.

An overweight position in Baoshan Iron & Steel Co contributed to the outperformance of the Fund over the month as the company's share price increased on the back of expected demand recovery in manufacturing, especially in the Auto segment. Baosteel is the largest listed steel company in China with over 50mn ton capacity. We think that market will refocus on stock when steel margin normalise to historical level, and so will the valuation.

### Key detractors

The Fund's underweight position in Alibaba detracted from relative performance of the Fund as its share price rallied underpinned by positive earnings growth outlook despite lingering macroeconomic weakness and poor sentiment. We are seeing a change in strategy at Alibaba with a clear focus on core businesses and our valuation work indicates that the company is now substantially undervalued relative to its long-term earnings potential. As such we initiated a new position in the stock in July and we are gradually increasing exposure in the stock.

The Fund's overweight position in Sendas Distribuidora detracted from relative performance as its share price was affected by the market's concerns on the low inflation environment and higher competition. We believe that investors are too focused on the near term noises of lowering guidance and have not priced in the longer term benefit of Casino no longer being involved.

The Fund's underweight position in Posco Holdings contributed to the underperformance of the Fund as its share price rallied on the back of 2Q23 earnings beat from mildly better steel earnings and higher contribution from POSCO Int'l. We view the company's valuation as demanding and continue to see little upside potential for the company.

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## Fund Manager's Commentary on PRUlink Global Emerging Markets Dynamic Fund

### Fund activity

In July, the Fund topped up Absa Group, Hankook Tire & Technology and Hyundai Mobis while trimmed its position in YDUQS. During the month, the Fund initiated a position in Alibaba. Alibaba is a large cap, attractively valued opportunity within our universe. Investors sentiment on Alibaba has become very weak given recent market share losses, lack of good communication from the management team, regulatory issues in the last 12 to 24 months and the recent commentary from the management team of "large and sustained investments" in its core business of Taobao and Tmall. However, from our research we feel that we could be in the early stages of a turnaround and that the market has over-reacted. Management has laid out a clear plan for reducing subsidies in non-core businesses while reinvesting in the core businesses of Taobao/Tmall and conducting aggressive share buybacks. We also believe the strong headwinds from regulatory reforms are behind us. During the month the Fund also exited Lenovo, Tim and Petrochina.

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# PRULink Cash Flow Fund

Fund Fact Sheet

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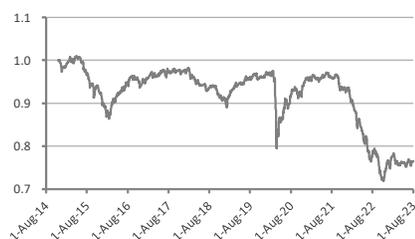
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Launch Date	17 November 2014	Fund Classification	Diversified
NAVpu (USD)	0.76542	Minimum Risk Rating	2 (Moderate)
Fund Size	USD 246.60 million	Fund Manager	Eastspring Investments Limited
Fund Currency	US Dollar	Annual Management Fee	1.95% p.a.
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December	Benchmark	50% JACI + 50% BofA ML US HY Con

## Fund Objective

The Fund seeks to provide investors with regular payout by investing in a diversified portfolio consisting primarily of high-yield bonds and other fixed-income/debt securities denominated in US dollars, issued in the US market rated below BBB-, as well as fixed-income/debt securities issued by Asian entities or their subsidiaries. The Fund may, in addition, at the Fund Manager's discretion, invest up to twenty percent (20%) of its assets in dividend-yielding equities.

## Performance Chart



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## Annualized Performance

	1-Month	1-Year	5-Year	Year-to-date	Since Inception
<b>Fund</b>	0.88%	-2.13%	-3.97%	2.38%	-3.02%

## Fund Statistics

Highest NAVPU reached	(29 Apr 15)	1.01016
Lowest NAVPU reached	(07 Nov 22)	0.71947
Initial NAVPU	(17 Nov 14)	1.00000

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## Asset Allocation



## Top 10 Holdings

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4	USD CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS	3.26%
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# PRULink Asian Balanced Fund

Fund Fact Sheet

July 2023

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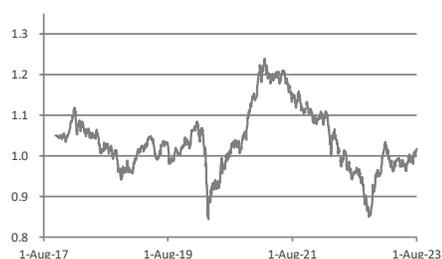
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Launch Date	09 October 2017	Fund Classification	Diversified
NAVpu (USD)	0.967630	Minimum Risk Rating	2 (Moderate)
Fund Size	USD 2.19 million	Manager	Eastspring Investments Limited
Fund Currency	US Dollar	Annual Management Fee	1.95% p.a.
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December	Benchmark	50% MSAP XJ+25% JACI+25% Markit iBoxx ALBIxCT

## Fund Objective

The Fund aims to maximize total return in the medium- to long-term by primarily investing in equities/equity-related securities of companies, which are incorporated, listed in, or have their area of primary activity in the Asia-Pacific region (excluding Japan) as well as fixed-income/debt securities issued by Asian entities or their subsidiaries. The Fund is invested in three US dollar-denominated and Luxembourg-domiciled Asian SICAV funds of Eastspring Investments, namely, Asia Pacific Equity Fund, Asian Local Bond Fund, and Asian Bond Fund.

## Performance Chart



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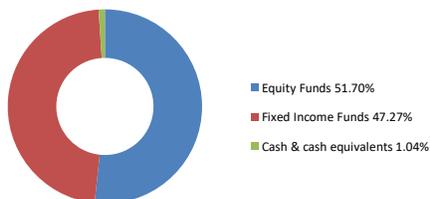
## Annualized Performance

	1-Month	1-Year	5-Year	Year-to-date	Since Inception
<b>Fund</b>	3.07%	6.45%	-0.21%	6.79%	-0.56%

## Fund Statistics

Highest NAVPU reached	(18 Feb 21)	1.18836
Lowest NAVPU reached	(24 Mar 20)	0.79397
Initial NAVPU	(09 Oct 17)	1.00000

## Asset Allocation



## Top 10 Holdings

1	EASTSPRING INV ASIA PACIFIC EQUITY	51.70%
2	EASTSPRING INV ASIAN LOCAL BOND D USD	24.55%
3	EASTSPRING INV ASIAN BOND D USD	22.72%
4	CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS (USD)	1.04%

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Due to the lagged effects of high interest rates, market volatility could remain elevated in 2023. As such, global share prices remain volatile, especially with continued uncertainties around the conflict between Russia and Ukraine as well as lingering concerns around inflation given disruption in the oil and broader commodities supply chains. Though Asian valuations remain cheap relative to other regional markets, we remain cognisant of the impact of the US Federal Reserve's interest rate policy, along with tensions around US-China relations, labour shortages and commodity and goods inflation, which are contributing drivers of global volatility. The Fund will remain nimble, while diversifying and making further tactical adjustments as market conditions continue to evolve through this turbulent period.

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# PRULink Peso Cash Flow Fund Hedged Share Class



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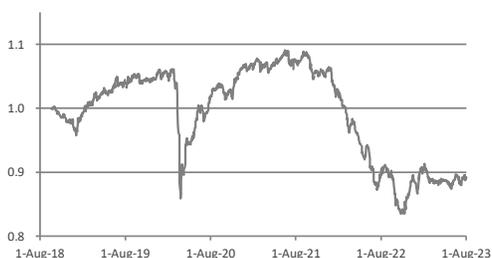
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Launch Date	03 September 2018	Fund Classification	Diversified
NAVpu (PHP)	0.89235	Minimum Risk Rating	2 (Moderate)
Fund Size	PHP 6.66 billion	Fund Manager	Eastspring Investments Limited
Fund Currency	Philippine Peso	Annual Management Fee	1.95% p.a.
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December	Benchmark	50% JACI + 50% BofA ML US HY Con

### Fund Objective

The Fund seeks to provide investors with regular payout by investing in a diversified portfolio consisting primarily of high-yield bonds and other fixed-income/debt securities denominated in US dollars, issued in the US market rated below BBB-, as well as fixed-income/debt securities issued by Asian entities or their subsidiaries. The Fund may, in addition, at the Fund Manager's discretion, invest up to twenty percent (20%) of its assets in dividend-yielding equities.

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### Annualized Performance

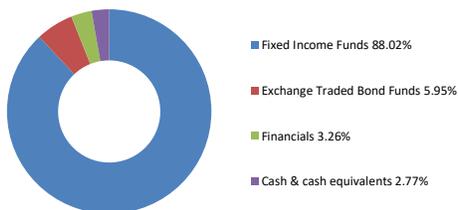
	1-Month	1-Year	5-Year	Year-to-date	Since Inception
<b>Fund</b>	1.16%	-0.27%	n.a.	2.66%	-2.29%

### Fund Statistics

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Launch Date	16 September 2019	Fund Classification	Diversified
NAVpu (PHP)	1.06442	Minimum Risk Rating	3 (Aggressive)
Fund Size	PHP 1.10 billion	Fund Manager	Eastspring Investments Limited
Fund Currency	Philippine Peso	Annual Management Fee	2.25% p.a.
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December	Benchmark	None

### Fund Objective

The Fund is a peso-denominated multi-asset fund that aims to give better return potential by investing in a diversified pool of global assets, including equities, bonds, currencies, and cash.

### Performance Chart



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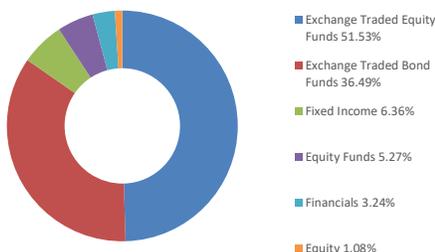
### Annualized Performance

	1-Month	1-Year	5-Year	Year-to-date	Since Inception
<b>Fund</b>	1.65%	-0.02%	n.a.	6.24%	1.62%

### Fund Statistics

Highest NAVPU reached	(05 Jan 22)	1.19763
Lowest NAVPU reached	(24 Mar 20)	0.79212
Initial NAVPU	(16 Sep 19)	1.00000

### Asset Allocation



### Top 10 Holdings

1	ISHARES MSCI USA ESG SCREENED UCITS ETF USD ACC	16.99%
2	SPDR S&P 500 ESG SCREENED UCITS ETF USD ACC	15.65%
3	ISHARES \$ CORP BOND ESG UCITS ETF USD ACC	15.58%
4	ISHARES MSCI EUROPE ESG SCREENED UCITS ETF EUR ACC	10.23%
5	XTRACKERS II GLOBAL AGGREGATE BND SWAP UCITS ETF	6.68%
6	ISHARES GLOBAL AGGREGATE BD ESG UCITS ETF USD ACC	6.30%
7	US 2YR NOTE SEP 23	5.85%
8	ISHARES HIGH YIELD CORP BOND UCITS ETF USD	5.39%
9	ESI - GLOBAL MF EQ FUND CLASS D	5.27%
10	ISHARES MSCI EM IMI ESG SCREENED UCITS ETF USD	4.71%

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### Fund Performance

The Fund's absolute performance was positive overall for the month of July. The top three tactical contributors included: Italy equities (vs. Europe), Europe Telecom equities (vs. Europe), and US High Yield (vs. US Investment Grade Bonds). The bottom three tactical detractors included: Malaysia equities (vs. Asia Pacific ex-Japan), US Materials equities (vs. US), and US Utilities (vs. US).

### Outlook

Global economic activity is holding up better than expected despite a high interest rate environment and heightened geopolitical uncertainty. In contrast to most forecasters who expect a recession this year, the IMF predicts that global growth will expand 3.0% in 2023 and a further 3.0% in 2024 with a stable outlook for emerging markets.

The global economy may be showing signs of stabilization, but the upturn remains weak. Financial conditions have eased, global supply chains have recovered and direct concerns about the health of the banking sector have receded, but with a slower than anticipated economic recovery in China and extreme weather events in North Asia, the balance of risks to growth remains to the downside. Whether it is the conflict in Ukraine, tensions between China and the US, protests in Israel and a military coup in Niger, investor sentiment has also been affected by rising political risks and social instability. However, weak growth, softer aggregate demand and disinflationary trends in the prices of goods could lead to less hawkish outcomes in monetary policy.

Due to the lagged effects of high interest rates, market volatility could remain elevated in 2023. As such, global share prices remain volatile, especially with continued uncertainties around the conflict between Russia and Ukraine as well as lingering concerns around inflation given disruption in the oil and broader commodities supply chains. Though Asian valuations remain cheap relative to other regional markets, we remain cognisant of the impact of the US Federal Reserve's interest rate policy, along with tensions around US-China relations, labour shortages and commodity and goods inflation, which are contributing drivers of global volatility. The Fund will remain nimble, while diversifying and making further tactical adjustments as market conditions continue to evolve through this turbulent period.

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# PRULink Money Market Fund

Fund Fact Sheet July 2023



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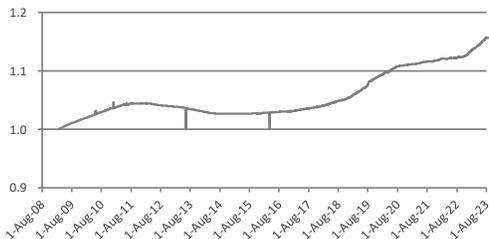
Launch Date	17 February 2009	Fund Classification	Diversified
NAVpu (PHP)	1.15705	Minimum Risk Rating	1 (Conservative)
Fund Size	PHP 322.68 million	Fund Manager	Pru Life UK Investments*
Fund Currency	Philippine Peso	Annual Management Fee	0.50% p.a.
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December	Benchmark	91-day (3-month) PH Treasury Bill

\*effective May 2022

## Fund Objective

The Fund's primary objective is capital preservation. The Fund aims to provide investors a vehicle for short-term placement investing primarily in government securities, deposits in local banks or branches of foreign banks operating in the Philippines, or financial institutions in any foreign country that has at least an investment-grade credit rating from a reputable international credit rating agency. The Fund will have a maximum portfolio duration of one (1) year.

## Performance Chart



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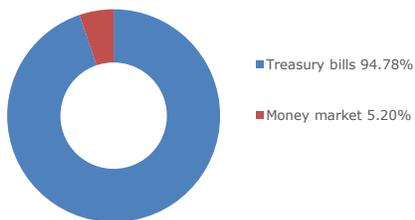
## Annualized Performance

	1-Month	1-Year	5-Year	Year-to-date	Since Inception
<b>Fund</b>	0.38%	3.07%	1.99%	2.23%	1.01%

## Fund Statistics

Highest NAVPU reached	(31 Jul 23)	1.1571
Lowest NAVPU reached	(07 Jun 13)	0.99991
Initial NAVPU	(17 Feb 09)	1.00000

## Asset Allocation



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## Top 10 Holdings

1	BSPBIL 0 08/01/23	16.17%
2	RPTB 0 11/29/23	11.74%
3	RPGB 6.25 02/14/26 7-62	10.11%
4	RPTB 0 04/10/24	9.77%
5	RPTB 0 06/26/24	9.67%
6	BSPBIL 0 08/15/23	9.07%
7	RPTB 0 06/11/24	8.53%
8	RPTB 0 05/29/24	6.21%
9	RPGB 6.25 03/12/24 R512	4.04%
10	RPGB 4.25 04/07/25 3-27	3.94%

BSPBIL - a 28-day bill issued by Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas

RPTB - Republic of the Philippines Treasury Bills

RPGB - Republic of the Philippines Government Bonds

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## Fund Manager's Commentary on PRULink Money Market Fund

### Summary and Outlook

Weak local sentiment and higher US treasuries prompted the PHP yield curve to steepen for July. The short-ends, especially the Treasury bills (T-bills) saw the most demand as investors were mostly on a wait and see mode. Traded volume for the month was lower as most of the trades were made for end-user requirements. For July, the 1mo.-1yr curve sank by 32 basis points (bps), the 1-5yr increased by 1 bp. The 5-10yr and 10-20yr rose by 9 bps and 28 bps, respectively, while the 20-25yr jumped by 42 bps.

The steepening move came despite the continuous improvement in the local inflation. Headline consumer price index (CPI) for June came at 5.4% year-on-year (YoY). The latest print was also lower than May's 6.1%, marking the fifth straight month that headline CPI slowed down. The latest result also brings the average inflation for 1H2023 to 7.2%. The main contributors to the slower headline print were due to deceleration of the following commodity baskets: Food and non-alcoholic beverages (6.7% from 7.4% in May), Transportation (-3.1% from -0.5%), Housing and Utilities (5.6% from 6.5%). Core inflation, which excludes food and energy prices, also decelerated to 7.4% in June 2023 from 7.7% in May 2023.

On the government's planned borrowing, the Bureau of Treasury (BTr) plans to borrow a total of PHP 225 Billion in August. The planned borrowing was higher than July's PHP 180 Billion. The government plans to borrow PHP 75 Billion via T-bills, and PHP 150 Billion through treasury bonds in August.

For our outlook, we expect that inflation will continue its downtrend. The slowdown in food and non-alcoholic beverages subgroup will be the main driver of the overall deceleration as we enter the second half of 2023. The slowdown in Core CPI and Restaurant and Accommodation also further solidifies our view that PH CPI is well on its way to normalization. The Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) Monetary Board might take their cue from this on their next policy meeting and may decide to cut rates by either 1 or 2 more for the rest of the year to really drive inflation further and to help ease public's concern. For our strategy, we are now holding further buying interest in the long ends until we see some improvement in sentiment.

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# PRULink Equity Index Tracker Fund



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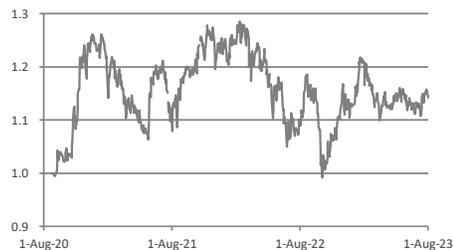
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Launch Date	24 August 2020	Fund Classification	Diversified
NAVpu (PHP)	1.14235	Minimum Risk Rating	3 (Aggressive)
Fund Size	PHP 1.38 billion	Fund Manager	Pru Life UK Investments
Fund Currency	Philippine Peso	Annual Management Fee	1.75% p.a.
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December	Benchmark	Philippine Stock Exchange Index (PSEi)

### Fund Objective

The Fund seeks to achieve investment returns that track the performance of the PSEi by investing in a diversified portfolio of stocks comprising the PSEi in the same weights as the index.

### Performance Chart



**Benchmark: 100% Philippine Stock Exchange Index**

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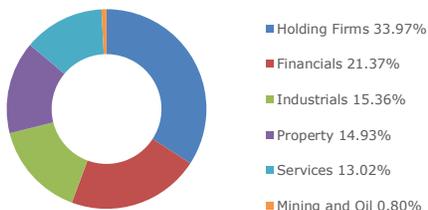
### Annualized Performance

	1-Month	1-Year	5-Year	Year-to-date	Since Inception
<b>Fund</b>	1.68%	4.80%	n.a.	1.20%	4.64%

### Fund Statistics

Highest NAVPU reached	(10 Feb 22)	1.28503
Lowest NAVPU reached	(03 Oct 22)	0.99157
Initial NAVPU	(24 Aug 2020)	1.00000

### Sector Allocation



### Top 10 Holdings

1	SM INVESTMENTS CORPORATION	14.4%
2	SM PRIME HOLDINGS INC	9.7%
3	BDO UNIBANK INC	9.1%
4	BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS	7.6%
5	INT'L CONTAINER TERMINAL SERVICES INC	6.0%
6	AYALA CORP	5.3%
7	AYALA LAND INC	5.2%
8	ABOITIZ EQUITY VENTURES INC	4.0%
9	JG SUMMIT HOLDINGS, INC	3.6%
10	METROPOLITAN BANK AND TRUST COMPANY	3.5%

### Fund Manager's Commentary

#### Market Review

Philippine Stock Exchange index (PSEi) rebounded 1.91% to 6,591.47 as both headline inflation and core inflation decelerated and on investor optimism that US interest rates are near the peak as the US inflation figure came out better than expected. Foreign investors were net buyers of PHP 18.23 billion (USD 332 million) due to the share sale of RCBC to Sumitomo Banking. Without the share sale, foreigners were net buyers of PHP 3.08 billion. Year-to-date (YTD) foreign outflows totaled PHP 6.96 billion.

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## Fund Manager's Commentary on PRULink Equity Index Tracker Fund

Headline inflation slowed for the fifth straight month in June to 5.4%, from 6.1% both in May 2023 and June 2022. This was the lowest in 14 months, driven by easing of food and transport prices. This brings 1H23 average inflation to 7.2%. Core inflation also decelerated to 7.4% from 7.7% in May.

Interest rate cuts eyed this year if inflation falls below 4% by October, according to the new Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) Governor Eli Remolona. He also said that the slower than expected inflation in June somewhat supports an extended pause in rate hikes.

Unemployment rate eased to a 6-month low of 4.3% in May, bringing 5M23 average unemployment rate to 4.6%. Cash remittances coursed through banks grew by 2.8% year-on-year (YoY) to USD 2.49 billion in May. 5M23 cash remittances rose by 3.1% YoY to USD 12.98 billion.

Trade deficit narrowed to USD 4.4 billion in May as exports grew and the decline in imports slowed. Exports rose by 1.9% YoY to USD 6.44 billion while imports dropped by 8.8% YoY to USD 10.84 billion. 5M23 trade deficit is nearly flat at USD 23.99 billion.

Leaders for the month were ALI (+12.76%), GLO (+10.92%) and MBT (+7.72%). Laggards were URC (-10.84%), CNVRG (-7.51%) and AGI (-7.30%).

### Outlook and Strategy

The Index managed to climb back to the 6,600 level but pulled back near its 200-day EMA. Markets are entering a seasonally weak period and this should present an opportunity to deploy cash. We believe that shifting to select consumer and holding companies will provide the biggest upside potential in the next few months.

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# PRULink Global Equity Navigator Fund

## Peso Unhedged Share Class



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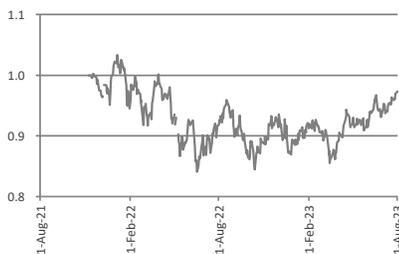
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Launch Date	08 November 2021	Fund Classification	Diversified
NAVpu (PHP)	0.97348	Minimum Risk Rating	3 (Aggressive)
Fund Size	PHP 599.10 million	Fund Manager	Eastspring Investments Limited
Fund Currency	Philippine Peso	Annual Management Fee	2.25% p.a.
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December	Benchmark	None

#### Fund Objective

The Fund seeks to provide a combination of income and capital growth over the medium term by primarily investing in various equity markets around the world through exchange traded funds, direct equities, index futures, and derivatives. Structured as a feeder fund, the Fund invests in Global Equity Navigator Fund Class D managed by Eastspring Investments. It may also invest in fixed-income securities and money market instruments issued or guaranteed by the US government, its agencies, and instrumentalities.

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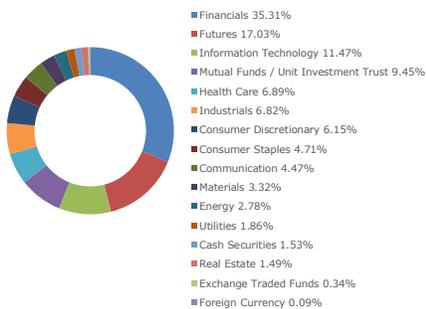
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#### Fund Statistics

Highest NAVPU reached	(05 Jan 22)	1.03327
Lowest NAVPU reached	(17 Jun 22)	0.84085
Initial NAVPU	(24 Aug 2020)	1.00000

#### Sector Allocation



#### Top 10 Holdings

1	SPDR S&P 500 UCITS ETF	13.43%
2	STOXX EUROPE 600 SEP 23	11.82%
3	ESI - GLOBAL MF EQ FUND CLASS D	9.45%
4	JPMORGAN LIQUIDITY FUNDS - US DOLLAR LIQUIDITY FUND	9.40%
5	S&P500 EMINI SEP 23	8.74%
6	FORWARD EURO	8.12%
7	FTSE/MIB INDEX SEP 23	5.45%
8	MSCI AC ASIA EX JAPAN NET TR SEP 2	3.94%
9	E-MINI UTILITIES SELECT SECTOR SEP	2.66%
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Due to the lagged effects of high interest rates, market volatility could remain elevated in 2023. As such, global share prices remain volatile, especially with continued uncertainties around the conflict between Russia and Ukraine as well as lingering concerns around inflation given disruption in the oil and broader commodities supply chains. Though Asian valuations remain cheap relative to other regional markets, we remain cognisant of the impact of the US Federal Reserve's interest rate policy, along with tensions around US-China relations, labour shortages and commodity and goods inflation, which are contributing drivers of global volatility. This mixed picture suggests choppiness in the near-term and diversification (e.g., factor, country, sector) is suggested.

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# PRULink Cash Flow Fund Plus PHP Hedged Share Class

PRU LIFE U.K. 

## Fund Fact Sheet

The Fund Fact Sheet provides general information concerning the underlying funds of Pru Life UK's unit-linked policies and is not intended to serve as individual investment advice. The manager of the Fund is Eastspring Investments (Singapore) Limited.

## Key Information and Investment Disclosure

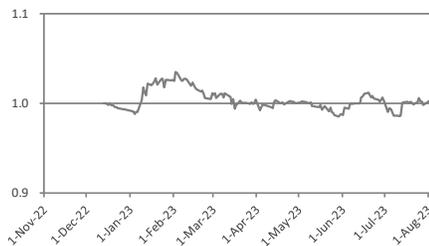
(all data as at 01 August 2023 unless otherwise stated)

Launch Date	13 December 2022	Fund Classification	Diversified
NAVpu (PHP)	1.00266	Minimum Risk Rating	2 (Moderate)
Fund Size	PHP 2.45 billion	Fund Manager	Eastspring Investments Limited
Fund Currency	Philippine Peso	Annual Management Fee	1.95%
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December	Benchmarks	JP Morgan Asia Credit Index MSCI World Index ICE Bank of America US High Yield Constrained Index

## Fund Objective

The Fund invests in a diversified portfolio consisting primarily of high-yield bonds and other fixed-income/debt securities denominated in US dollars, issued in the US market, and rated below BBB-, as well as fixed income/debt securities issued by Asian entities or their subsidiaries. This Fund may invest up to 20% of its assets in global equities and other dividend-yielding assets. It seeks to provide investors with a non-guaranteed payout\* of up to 6% per year (or up to 1.5% per quarter) based on the number of units held at the time of payout computation.

## Performance Chart



The fund returns are net of Annual Management Charge. Past performance is not necessarily indicative of the future or likely performance of the Fund.

## Annualized Performance

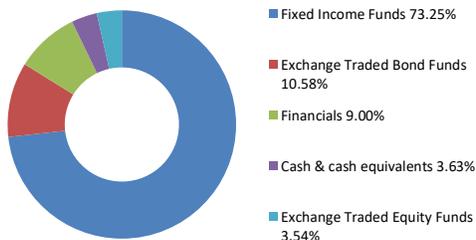
	1-Month	1-Year	5-Year	Year-to-date	Since Inception
<b>Fund</b>	1.25%	n.a.	n.a.	1.20%	0.27%

## Fund Statistics

Highest NAVPU reached	(02 Feb 23)	1.03503
Lowest NAVPU reached	(29 May 23)	0.98525
Initial NAVPU	(24 Aug 2020)	1.00000

\*Payout is not guaranteed. The Fund aims to provide payouts with a target rate of 6% per annum or 1.5% per quarter based on the number of units held at time of payout computation (the Target Payout Rate or Payout). Actual distribution of Payouts shall be at the sole discretion of Pru Life UK based on the recommendation of the Fund Manager and shall be made out of either (a) income; or (b) net capital gains; or (c) capital of the Fund or any combination of (a) and/or (b) and/or (c). There is no guarantee that any distribution will be made or that the frequency and amount of distributions as set out in the sales materials will be met. If Payout is made, such Payout is not in any way, a forecast, indication or projection of the future or likely performance or distribution of the Fund. The making of any Payout shall not be taken to imply that further payouts will be made. Pru Life UK and the Fund Manager may vary the payout rate during the duration of the customer's insurance policy and there may be periods where there are no payouts. Payout declaration schedule may be subject to change.

## Asset Allocation



## Top Holdings

1	EASTSPRING INV US HIGH YIELD BOND D	41.50%
2	EASTSPRING INV ASIAN BOND D USD	31.75%
3	ISHARES HIGH YIELD CORP BOND UCITS ETF USD	8.96%
4	CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS (USD)	5.06%
5	XTRACKERS MSCI EUROPE UCITS ETF	4.07%
6	ISHARES S&P 500 UTILITIES SECTOR UCITS ETF USD (ACC)	3.54%
7	ISHARES CORE S&P 500 UCITS ETF	2.97%
8	ISHARES NASDAQ 100 UCITS ETF	1.96%
9	ISHARES \$ TREASURY BD 20+YR UCITS ETF USD DIST	1.62%
10	CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS (PHP)	0.00%

The Fund may also invest up to 20% in other bonds considered as safe-haven assets such as US Treasuries for downside protection and/or during risk-off market conditions. Furthermore, there is no minimum credit rating requirements for the underlying bond assets of the Fund.

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## Fund Manager's Commentary on PRULink Cash Flow Fund Plus - PhP Hedged Share Class

Global equities continued to rise in July, with all major regions posting positive absolute returns on a USD basis. Investor sentiment was supported by a decline in developed market inflation—with US and UK headline inflation softening more than expected—whilst Q2 US gross domestic product (GDP) growth came in ahead of consensus, raising hopes of a soft landing amid the ongoing recession fears. Risk sentiment was further supported by news that China had pledged measures to support the economy, following more disappointing macro data over the month, with optimism that further measures would follow. Asia and Emerging Markets (EM) were the best performing regions, with the US and Europe relative underperformers during the month.

US equities returned 3.3% in July. Over the month, the Federal Reserve (Fed) raised its interest rate by 25 basis points (bps) to 5.5%. The Fed chair Jerome Powell mentioned the central bank was closely monitoring the economic data ahead of its next meeting in September. However, at present, markets expect this latest rise to be the peak for the current interest rate cycle.

European equities delivered 3.0% in USD terms in July. Despite that, the region's manufacturing fragility was once again apparent as both the Eurozone and UK factory activities continued to contract over the month. The European Central Bank raised its interest rate by 25 bps to 3.75% in July, in a bid to curb inflation. Meanwhile, the Trades Union Congress urged the Bank of England to halt interest rate hikes, as the widespread job losses in recent months have left the UK "teetering on the brink of recession".

Asia Pacific ex Japan markets returned 5.4% in USD terms in July. Chinese equities delivered 9.8% in USD terms over the month. During the month, the People's Bank of China's move to impose hefty fines on several fintech companies—including the two giants Ant Group and Tencent—marked an end to the regulatory crackdown and a beginning of normalized regulatory environment. The much-awaited mid-year Politburo meeting in July also suggested an overall more supportive policy tone set for 2H23, especially for China's troubled property sector as well as pledges to boost consumption and resolving local government debt.

ASEAN markets outperformed the broader Asian region and Emerging Markets over the month, and posted a positive absolute return in USD terms. Malaysia and Singapore were the top performers, whilst Indonesia was the laggard. In other markets, Australia returned 4.0% and Japanese equities returned 3.0% on a USD basis in July.

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Due to the lagged effects of high interest rates, market volatility could remain elevated in 2023. As such, global equities remain volatile within this uncertain market environment. Though Asian valuations remain cheap relative to other regional markets, we remain cognisant of the impact of the US Federal Reserve's interest rate policy, along with tensions around US-China relations, labour shortages and commodity and goods inflation, which are contributing drivers of global volatility. The Fund will remain nimble, while diversifying and making further tactical adjustments as market conditions continue to evolve through this turbulent period.

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# 附錄

## PRULink Cash Flow Fund

基金概覽

八月 2023

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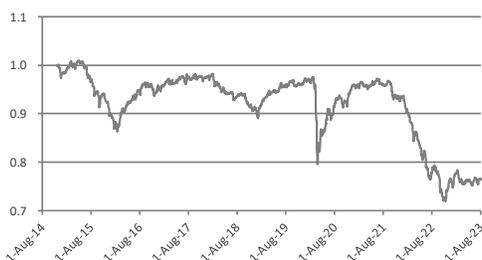
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成立日期	2014年11月17日	基金類別	多元化
NAVpu (USD)	0.76542	最低風險評級	2 (中等)
基金規模	USD 246.60 million	基金經理	Eastspring Investments Limited
基金貨幣	美元	每年管理費	1.95% p.a.
財政年度結束日	12月31日	基準指數	50% JACI + 50% BofA ML US HY Con

### 基金目標

本基金透過投資於主要由以美元計價、在美國市場發行、評級低於BBB-的高收益債券及其他固定收益 / 債務證券以及由亞洲實體或其附屬公司發行的固定收益 / 債務證券所組成的多元化投資組合，為投資者提供定期收益分派。此外，本基金可按基金經理酌情決定將其資產最多百分之二十（20%）投資於派息股票。

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### 年度化表現

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基金	0.88%	-2.13%	-3.97%	2.38%	-3.02%

### 基金統計數據

最高每單位資產淨值	(29 Apr 15)	1.01016
最低每單位資產淨值	(07 Nov 22)	0.71947
初始每單位資產淨值	2014年11月17日	1.00000

### 資產分佈



### 十大持倉

1	EASTSPRING INV US HIGH YIELD BOND D	49.69%
2	EASTSPRING INV ASIAN BOND D USD	38.33%
3	ISHARES HIGH YIELD CORP BOND UCITS ETF USD	5.95%
4	CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS (USD)	3.26%
5	ISHARES S&P 500	3.26%

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### 基金經理評論

全球股市在7月持續上升，所有主要地區以美元計均錄得正絕對回報。

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## 基金经理点评 PRULink Cash Flow Fund

已發展市場通脹放緩有利投資者情緒，美國及英國整體通脹放緩幅度超出預期，而美國第二季國內生產總值增長優於市場普遍預期。在持續的經濟衰退憂慮下增加軟著陸希望。月內公佈更多令人失望的宏觀數據後，有消息指中國承諾採取措施支持經濟，市場對當局隨後採取更多措施感到樂觀，進一步利好風險情緒。亞洲及新興市場是月內表現最佳的地區，美國及歐洲的表現相對落後。

美國股市在7月錄得3.3%回報。聯儲局在月內加息25個基點至5.5%。聯儲局主席鮑威爾表示該央行在9月下一次會議之前正密切監測經濟數據。然而，市場目前預計最新一次加息將是當前利率週期的高峰。

歐洲股市7月以美元計的回報為3.0%。儘管如此，歐洲製造業再次呈現明顯脆弱性，歐元區及英國製造業活動在月內進一步收縮。歐洲央行7月加息25個基點至3.75%，以壓抑通脹。同時，英國工會聯盟敦促英倫銀行停止加息，因為近月失業率普遍上升已導致英國「瀕臨經濟衰退邊緣」。

亞太區（日本除外）市場在7月以美元計錄得5.4%回報。中國股市月內以美元計的回報為9.8%。中國人民銀行月內對螞蟻集團及騰訊等多間金融科技子公司處以巨額罰款，標誌著當局將結束嚴厲監管，以及監管環境開始正常化。7月備受期待的年中政治局會議建議2023年下半年整體奉行更具支持性的政策基調，特別是針對中國陷入困境的房地產行業，並承諾促進消費及解決地方政府債務問題。

東盟市場在月內的表現優於更廣泛亞洲市場及新興市場，以美元計錄得正絕對回報。馬來西亞及新加坡是表現最佳的市場，印尼則表現落後。其他市場方面，7月以美元計，澳洲回報為4.0%，日本股市回報則為3.0%。

固定收益市場方面，7月美國國庫債券收益率曲線陡峭，五年期及十年期國庫債券收益率分別上升2個基點及12個基點至4.18%及3.96%。美國國庫債券收益率月內整體呈上升趨勢，十年期國庫債券收益率在7月6日升穿4%的高位。美國高收益債券市場（以洲際交易所美國銀行美國高收益債券限制指數代表）錄得1.43%回報。亞洲信貸市場（以摩根大通亞洲信貸指數代表）錄得0.27%回報，投資級別債券的表現優於高收益債券。

### 展望

儘管面對高息環境及地緣政治不確定性加劇，全球經濟活動表現優於預期。大多數市場預測者預期今年出現經濟衰退，但國際貨幣基金組織預測2023年全球經濟增長將擴張3.0%，2024年進一步擴張3.0%，新興市場前景穩定。

全球經濟可能出現穩定跡象，但復甦動力依然疲弱。金融環境有所紓緩，全球供應鏈已恢復，市場對銀行業健康狀況的直接憂慮亦已消退，但由於中國經濟復甦較預期慢，加上北亞出現極端氣候事件，經濟增長風險平衡仍處於下行趨勢。無論是烏克蘭衝突、中美緊張局勢、以色列抗議活動或尼日爾軍事政變，投資者情緒亦受到政治風險上升及社會不穩等因素影響。然而，增長疲弱、整體需求下滑及物價通脹放緩趨勢可能導致貨幣政策的緊縮程度減弱。暫停加息或潛在減息將是利好因素。

由於高利率的滯後效應，市場波幅可能在2023年維持高企。因此，在不明朗的市場環境下，全球股市仍然波動。雖然亞洲股票的估值仍然低於其他地區市場，但我們繼續意識到美國聯儲局利率政策的影響、中美關係緊張、勞動力短缺，以及商品及貨物價格通脹，這些因素均加劇全球波動。基金將保持靈活，同時進行分散投資，並隨著市況在這動盪時期不斷發展而作出進一步戰術調整。

# 附錄 PRULink Peso Cash Flow Fund Hedged Share Class

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基金概覽 八月 2023

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## 重要資料及投資披露

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成立日期	2018年9月3日	基金類別	多元化
每單位資產淨值 (PHP)	0.89235	最低風險評級	2 (中等)
基金規模	PHP 6.66 billion	基金經理	Eastspring Investments Limited
基金貨幣	菲律賓披索	每年管理費	1.95% p.a.
財政年度結束日	12月31日	基準指數	50% JACI + 50% BofA ML US HY Con

## 基金目標

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## 年度化表現

	1個月	1年	5年	年初至今	自成立以來
基金	1.16%	-0.27%	n.a.	2.66%	-2.29%

## 基金統計數據

最高每單位資產淨值	(15 Jun 21)	1.09093
最低每單位資產淨值	(25 Oct 22)	0.83478
初始每單位資產淨值	2018年9月3日	1.00000

## 資產分佈



## 十大持倉

1	EASTSPRING INV US HIGH YIELD BOND D	49.69%
2	EASTSPRING INV ASIAN BOND D USD	38.33%
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4	CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS (USD)	3.26%
5	ISHARES S&P 500	3.26%

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## 基金经理点评 PRULink Peso Cash Flow Fund Hedged Share Class

已發展市場通脹放緩有利投資者情緒，美國及英國整體通脹放緩幅度超出預期，而美國第二季國內生產總值增長優於市場普遍預期，在持續的經濟衰退憂慮下增加軟著陸希望。月內公佈更多令人失望的宏觀數據後，有消息指中國承諾採取措施支持經濟，市場對當局隨後採取更多措施感到樂觀，進一步利好風險情緒。亞洲及新興市場是月內表現最佳的地區，美國及歐洲的表現相對落後。

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歐洲股市7月以美元計的回報為3.0%。儘管如此，歐洲製造業再次呈現明顯脆弱性，歐元區及英國製造業活動在月內進一步收縮。歐洲央行7月加息25個基點至3.75%，以壓抑通脹。同時，英國工會聯盟敦促英倫銀行停止加息，因為近月失業率普遍上升已導致英國「瀕臨經濟衰退邊緣」。

亞太區（日本除外）市場在7月以美元計錄得5.4%回報。中國股市月內以美元計的回報為9.8%。中國人民銀行月內對螞蟻集團及騰訊等多間金融科技公司處以巨額罰款，標誌著當局將結束嚴厲監管，以及監管環境開始正常化。7月備受期待的年中政治局會議建議2023年下半年整體奉行更具支持性的政策基調，特別是針對中國陷入困境的房地產行業，並承諾促進消費及解決地方政府債務問題。

東盟市場在月內的表現優於更廣泛亞洲市場及新興市場，以美元計錄得正絕對回報。馬來西亞及新加坡是表現最佳的市場，印尼則表現落後。其他市場方面，7月以美元計，澳洲回報為4.0%，日本股市回報則為3.0%。

固定收益市場方面，7月美國國庫債券收益率曲線陡峭，五年期及十年期國庫債券收益率分別上升2個基點及12個基點至4.18%及3.96%。美國國庫債券收益率月內整體呈上升趨勢，十年期國庫債券收益率在7月6日升穿4%的高位。美國高收益債券市場（以洲際交易所美國銀行美國高收益債券限制指數代表）錄得1.43%回報。亞洲信貸市場（以摩根大通亞洲信貸指數代表）錄得0.27%回報，投資級別債券的表現優於高收益債券。

### 展望

儘管面對高息環境及地緣政治不確定性加劇，全球經濟活動表現優於預期。大多數市場預測者預期今年出現經濟衰退，但國際貨幣基金組織預測2023年全球經濟增長將擴張3.0%，2024年進一步擴張3.0%，新興市場前景穩定。

全球經濟可能出現穩定跡象，但復甦動力依然疲弱。金融環境有所紓緩，全球供應鏈已恢復，市場對銀行業健康狀況的直接憂慮亦已消退，但由於中國經濟復甦較預期慢，加上北亞出現極端氣候事件，經濟增長風險平衡仍處於下行趨勢。無論是烏克蘭衝突、中美緊張局勢、以色列抗議活動或尼日爾軍事政變，投資者情緒亦受到政治風險上升及社會不穩等因素影響。然而，增長疲弱、整體需求下滑及物價通脹放緩趨勢可能導致貨幣政策的緊縮程度減弱。暫停加息或潛在減息將是利好因素。

由於高利率的滯後效應，市場波幅可能在2023年維持高企。因此，在不明朗的市場環境下，全球股市仍然波動。雖然亞洲股票的估值仍然低於其他地區市場，但我們繼續意識到美國聯儲局利率政策的影響、中美關係緊張、勞動力短缺，以及商品及貨物價格通脹，這些因素均加劇全球波動。基金將保持靈活，同時進行分散投資，並隨著市況在這動盪時期不斷發展而作出進一步戰術調整。

# 附錄

## PRULink Global Market Navigator Fund - Unhedged Share Class

PRU LIFE U.K. 

### 基金概覽

八月 2023

本基金概覽就Pru Life UK的單位連結式保單的相關基金提供一般資訊，不擬作為個別投資建議。本基金的經理為瀚亞投資（新加坡）有限公司。

### 重要資料及投資披露

除非另有說明，所有數據截至 2023 年 8 月 1 日

成立日期	2019年9月16日	基金類別	多元化
每單位資產淨值（菲律賓披索）	1.06442	最低風險評級	3（進取）
基金規模	PHP 1.10 billion	基金經理	Eastspring Investments Limited
基金貨幣	菲律賓披索	每年管理費	2.25% p.a.
財政年度結束日	12月31日	基準指數	沒有

### 基金目標

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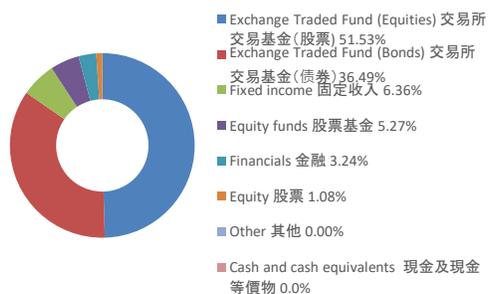
### 年度化表現

基金	1個月	1年	5年	年初至今	自成立以來
基金	1.65%	-0.02%	n.a.	6.24%	1.62%

### 基金統計數據

最高每單位資產淨值	(05 Jan 22)	1.19763
最低每單位資產淨值	(24 Mar 20)	0.79212
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### 資產分佈



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5	XTRACKERS II GLOBAL AGGREGATE BND SWAP UCITS ETF 1D	6.7%
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### 基金表現

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