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## PRUlink equity fund

(All data as at 30 September 2016 unless otherwise stated)

### FUND DETAILS

Launch Date	23 October 2007
Manager	Eastspring Investments (Singapore) Limited
Fund Size	PHP 39.64 billion
Fund Currency	Philippine Peso
Risk Classification of Investment	Diversified
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December

### FUND FEES & CHARGES

Annual Management Fee	2.25% p.a.
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### HIGHEST & LOWEST UNIT PRICE ACHIEVED

Initial (23 Oct 07)	1.00000
Highest (13 Apr 15)	2.50056
Lowest (28 Oct 08)	0.42505

### Fund Objective

The fund seeks to optimize medium to long term capital growth through investments in shares of stocks listed in the Philippines.

### Performance Chart

### Performance

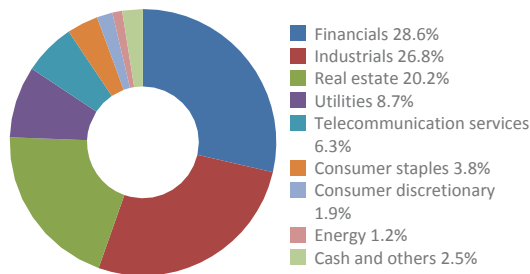
1-Month	Actual yr-on-yr	Since Inception (p.a.)
-1.99%	9.90%	9.78%

Based on Unit Price as of 03 Oct 2016: PhP2.30366

#### Notes:

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

### Sector Allocation



### Top 5 Holdings

SM INVESTMENTS	9.8%
AYALA LAND	8.3%
SM PRIME HOLDINGS	6.2%
JG SUMMIT HOLDINGS 1	5.4%
AYALA	5.3%

### Fund Manager's Commentary

Philippines equities retreated in August, with the Philippines Stock Exchange Index falling 2.2% in local currency terms. Disappointing 2Q16 results, especially in the telecommunications and consumer staples sectors pulled the market down. Outflows from foreign investors, after the Philippines' weight was revised downward in a major global index provider's quarterly re-balancing, also pressured the market.

On the economic front, Philippines Gross Domestic Product grew a strong 7% in 2Q16, the fastest pace since 2013, driven by domestic demand. Strong demand for durable goods led to a 27.6% jump in capital formation.

In August, the Duterte government presented the Budget 2017 with top focus on social and human resource development. The Department of Social Welfare, Education, Labor and Employment and Health will receive 40% allocation of the budget to provide more healthcare and social protection schemes for the poor.

The Department of Finance presented draft tax reforms to be implemented from 2017 onwards. These include reducing personal and corporate income tax rates, whilst expanding VAT base, increasing some indirect taxes, and rationalizing fiscal incentives for corporate. Domestic credit growth held steady at 17.7% y-o-y, while car sales in the first 7 months of the year were up 27% versus same period last year.

Headline inflation for July came in at 1.9%. The Philippines central bank kept its policy rate unchanged against the backdrop of benign inflation and robust domestic growth. The overweight position in First Phil Holdings Corp (FPH), and underweight positions in Universal Robina Corp (URC) and Globe Telecom Inc. were among the larger contributors to the Fund's relative performance in August.

FPH is engaged in the power generation, real estate development, manufacturing and construction in the Philippines. Better-than-expected

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earnings in 2Q16, aided by lower costs, helped the share price outperform in August. Globe Telecom is Philippines' second largest telecommunication service provider. Its share price declined after intense competition in mobile business hurt revenues in 2Q16.

Year-to-date, the underweight position in Universal Robina Corporation has contributed to Fund's relative performance. Share price of URC, one of the largest branded consumer food and beverage products company in the Philippines, trailed the PSEi by more than 10% YTD. Weak international revenue and rising local competition in the branded consumer food business have hurt URC's profitability.

The underweight positions in International Container Terminal Services Inc. (ICTSI), Bank of The Philippines Islands (BPI) and SM Prime Holdings (SMPH) were among the larger detractors from the Fund's relative performance in August. ICTSI develops, manages and operates container ports and terminals worldwide. Stronger than expected recovery in 2Q16 volumes sent the share price soaring. BPI is one of the Philippines' largest banks. Its share price surged after trading income propelled its profit in 2Q16.

Year-to-date, the underweight in SM Prime Holding has been among the larger detractors from the Fund's relative performance. A developer and owner of shopping malls, it has benefited from strong consumer sentiment. The Fund is underweight the stock due to its rich valuations.

Ahead of the benchmark index PSEi's re-balancing in September, the Fund exited a small risk position in Bloomberry Resorts which will be excluded from the PSEi. Also, the Fund trimmed its position in East West Banking and Vista Land post recent out performance. The sale proceeds were utilized to add positions in Ayala Corp. and ICTS.

The Philippines' macro fundamentals remain intact and are underpinned by healthy external position and strong domestic demand. However, valuations of large-caps are no longer attractive following the market's strong performance in the recent years.

Our portfolio manager is mindful of the risk of a potential market correction in the event of a spike in risk aversion, and will continue to monitor the macro situation while maintaining his bottom-up, valuation-driven investment approach.

The Fund is overweight in a select group of utilities due to their attractive valuations. It is also overweight attractively valued property stocks that are trading at a discount to appraised net asset value. Philippines' favorable demographics, growing income and low interest rates will likely continue to support demand for homes in the long run.

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**PRUlink Asia Pacific equity fund**  
(All data as at 31 August 2016 unless otherwise stated)

**FUND DETAILS**

Launch Date	26 February 2013
Manager	Eastspring Investments (Singapore) Limited
Fund Size	USD 23.98 million
Fund Currency	US Dollar
Risk Classification of Investment	Diversified
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December

**FUND FEES & CHARGES**

Annual Management Fee	2.05% p.a.
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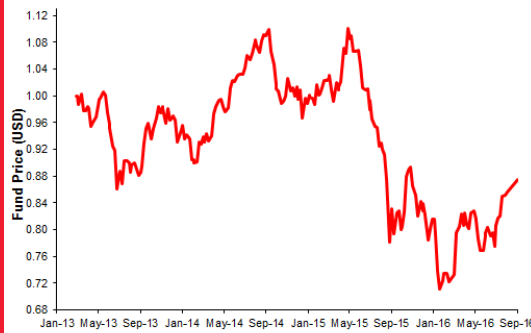
**HIGHEST & LOWEST UNIT PRICE ACHIEVED**

Initial (26 Feb 2013)	1.00000
Highest (05 Sep 2014)	1.10429
Lowest (22 Jan 2016)	0.69551

**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 Region (excluding Japan). 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**



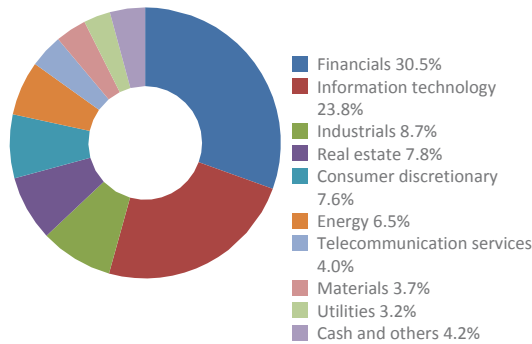
**Performance**

1-Month	Actual yr-on-yr	Since Inception (p.a.)
2.15%	5.23%	-3.76%

Based on Unit Price as of 01 Sept 2016: USD 0.87416

Notes:  
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**Sector Allocation**



**Top 5 Holdings**

SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS	5.8%
TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING	5.6%
CHINA CONSTRUCTION BANK-H	3.5%
AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND BANKING GROUP	3.4%
HON HAI PRECISION INDUSTRY	2.8%

**Fund Manager's Commentary**

The MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex Japan index rose 2.1% in USD terms in August as markets continued to embrace riskier assets. On balance, the major economies appear to be on stronger footing. Economic data from the US continues to be broadly positive, with average wages growing at multiyear highs and household net worth reaching an historical peak. The firming of US consumer spending should revive corporate earnings, while the potential revival in oil and gas capex spending will further prop up demand. The nascent recovery across the Eurozone is encouraging, with Germany and Spain leading the way while France and Italy continue to toil. Overall, markets are optimistic that higher import demand from advanced economies and the dissipation of deflationary effects from oil and other commodities will reverse weak external demand in Asia and lead to an export recovery. Unsurprisingly, investors are again turning their attention to the ECB and Fed meetings in September. Any major surprises there could undo the current sanguine sentiment in the markets.

China and Thailand were key outperformers over the month. China's economy has continued to stabilize as accommodative credit conditions helped to fuel a cyclical boost. There are also signs that the Chinese government is pushing ahead with much required reforms that will raise economic resiliency. For example, the China Banking Regulatory Commission enacted various curbs on peer-to-peer lending including lending limits and improved disclosure requirements. Thailand's economy strengthened further as fiscal expenditures and tourism receipts supported growth. Improved political clarity following the referendum vote supporting the military government's constitution also boosted investor confidence.

Conversely, Australia and Singapore underperformed. Ratings agency Moody's lowered Australia's credit outlook and warned that its ongoing economic transition had led to low wage growth that has kept interest rates low and household debt high. Singapore recorded headline CPI deflation for the 21st consecutive month as factory output remained negative. While domestic headwinds remain strong, the potential turnaround in external demand will benefit Singapore greatly.

China Construction Bank is the principal lender for infrastructure and construction projects in the country. It was a key contributor to performance

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in August. The bank reported higher than expected profit for 1H16 as rapid growth of mortgage loans offset a narrower net interest margin. The portfolio manager maintains strong confidence in the company for its competitive position and prudent risk management. China Merchants Bank is one of the most influential commercial banks in China with strong presence in personal, corporate and investment banking segments. Its stock contributed to performance in August after management provided greater clarity on its wealth management product investments and expansion plans. In essence, the bank has reduced less transparent receivable investments on its book and indicated a plan to reclassify them as loans over time. The increased transparency is well appreciated by the market and positively influenced its stock price. The bank continues to trade at attractive valuations with reasonably high upside potential.

QBE Insurance Group is amongst the world's top insurers and a large component of the ASX 200 index. It detracted from performance in August due to weakness in 1H16 earnings, driven by weak underlying margin trends. QBE had earlier announced initiatives to improve margins through improving expense control, raising investment yield via a greater proportion of assets in riskier asset mixes and targeting claims savings and we believe some of this would work with time. The portfolio manager retains conviction in the attractively valued company. QBE has neutralized downside risk by increasing reinsurance cover which should strengthen its balance sheet in the near term. The stock's high and stable yield remains attractive.

Dongfeng Motor is a China based manufacturer of commercial and passenger vehicles and parts, largely under joint venture brands with Nissan, PSA (Peugeot) and Honda. It detracted from performance during the month as revenues slipped amid foreign exchange losses and a considerable volume shortfall from PSA. The company's ROE also declined due to the lack of capital management. The portfolio manager continues to favour the company as valuations are still attractive. Furthermore, Dongfeng will benefit substantially from the reduced purchase tax on autos in China, which will expire only at the end of 2016.

CK Hutchison Holdings (CKH) is a Hong Kong conglomerate with substantial global presence across a number of key industries including energy, infrastructure, telecommunications and retail. The portfolio manager continued to increase its holdings in CKH this month, encouraged by its relatively stable businesses and attractive valuations. The likely acceleration of its merger with VimpelCom in Italy should help support CKH's continued growth in the European telecom business. Sino Land is a Hong Kong based company that develops and invests in property. It also operates hotels and provides building management services. The portfolio manager trimmed the fund's position in the company this month as depressed retail sales in Hong Kong continued to put pressure on occupancy costs. While cash has been building up, management has hinted that it will not be used for share buybacks or growing dividends but instead used mainly for land banking in Hong Kong. The potential upside for Sino Land is now less attractive.

China Vanke is a major property developer and property services company with strong presence in over 60 cities across mainland China. Over the last few years, it has diversified into key global cities such as Singapore and New York. The portfolio manager trimmed the fund's position in the stock on strong price signal. Furthermore, the addition of Evergrande as a new shareholder has complicated the shareholders structure and added to uncertainty. The company still offers an attractive yield of around 4.8%.

Valuations of Asian equities are trading well below their long-term averages. These levels have historically been a very attractive entry point for investors. We are seeing some positive signs from a slow but steady economic recovery in the United States being somewhat offset by continued uncertainty around Europe's ongoing debt issues and the impact from China's high profile growth slowdown.

Inflation in Asia Pacific has been falling, allowing many central banks to cut rates in the hope of stimulating growth in their domestic economies. Investors have been rewarding quality and growth at any price while ignoring value, which has created many attractively valued stock specific opportunities for the Fund.

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## PRUlink global emerging markets dynamic fund

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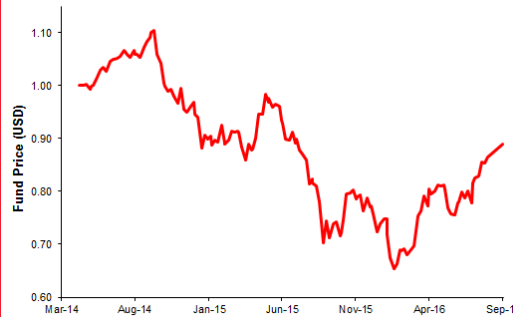
### FUND DETAILS

Launch Date	01 April 2014
Manager	Eastspring Investments (Singapore) Limited
Fund Size	USD 13.50 million
Fund Currency	US Dollar
Risk Classification of Investment	Diversified
Financial Year End	31 <sup>st</sup> December

### 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 will invest 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.

### Performance Chart



### Performance

1-Month	Actual yr-on-yr	Since Inception (p.a.)
2.92%	19.55%	-4.71%

Based on Unit Price as of 01 Sept 2016: USD 0.88982

Notes:  
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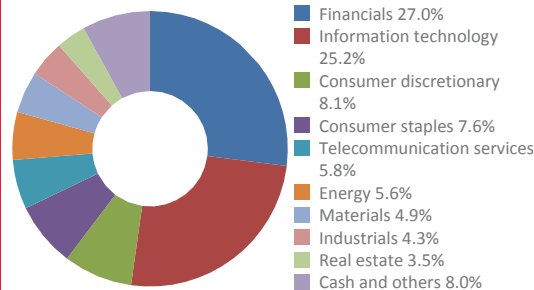
### FUND FEES & CHARGES

Annual Management Fee	2.05% p.a.
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### HIGHEST & LOWEST UNIT PRICE ACHIEVED

Initial (01 Apr 2014)	1.00000
Highest (04 Sep 2014)	1.10986
Lowest (22 Jan 2016)	0.63696

### Sector Allocation



### Top 5 Holdings

SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS	5.6%
TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING	5.4%
CHINA CONSTRUCTION BANK-H	3.6%
IND & COMM BK OF CHINA-H	3.3%
BAIDU INC - SPON ADR	3.1%

### Fund Manager's Commentary

Emerging Markets gained in August as investors continued to embrace riskier assets. On balance, the major economies appear to be on a stronger footing. Economic data from the US continues to be broadly positive, with average wages growing at multi-year highs and household net worth reaching an historical peak.

Emerging Asia outperformed in August after lagging LatAm and EMEA in six of the last seven months. Chinese equities (+7.4%) rallied in August, supported by risk-on sentiment globally, better than expected domestic corporate earnings and regulatory approval of the Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect. China's State Council gave the green light to the Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect scheme that allows investors to buy stocks on each other's bourse's. This reinforces the opening up of China's domestic financial markets to global investors after failing to join MSCI's international stock benchmarks in June this year. Among major markets, South Africa (-7.7%) was one of the worst performers. Rising political risks drove South African equities lower with the ZAR depreciating 6% as the ANC lost control over key cities, including Johannesburg and Pretoria, in local elections.

Stock selection in consumer staples, financial's and materials were the main contributors to Fund's relative performance, while picks in consumer discretionary, telecommunication services and utilities detracted the most.