

Investment-Linked Fund Performance Report July 2024

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

For the month ended July 2024, the FBMKLCI closed higher to 1,625.57 points (2.2% MoM and +11.7% YTD), in-line with other ASEAN markets and the buying interest from the foreign investors. The average daily trading value in the month fell 12.8% MoM (+80.7% YoY) to RM3.5bil. Meanwhile, average daily trading volume fell 12.6% MoM and 52.5% YoY to 4.7bil units, after four consecutive months of growth.

Malaysia Government Securities ("MGS") yields declined across the curve, reflecting the stronger US Fed rate cut expectation. Brent crude oil prices moved lower to USD80.72/barrel at end-Jul'24 (end-Jun'24: USD86.41/barrel). Meanwhile, ringgit strengthened against the dollar to RM4.5905/USD (end-Jun'24: RM4.7175/USD), partially driven by the Fed rate cut expectation.

On the local economic data, Malaysia's inflation was seen unchanged at +2.0% YoY in Jun'24 (May'24: +2.0% YoY).

For the equity market, we expect a positive recovery in 2024, especially for the local market, supported by improved corporate earnings and government transformation plans that should support the domestic economy. We expect BNM to maintain the OPR unchanged throughout the year 2024, due to easing inflation expectation. On the global economic review, the resilience of the US economy may lead to a soft landing, rather than recession. The tail-end of global monetary policy tightening will be positive for foreign investors to make their way back to the local stock market.

Meanwhile for fixed income, after a series of recent OPR hikes to pre-pandemic level, BNM is anticipated to keep its monetary policy unchanged in 2024, aiming to balance the economic growth and inflationary pressure in the country. The external risk factors such as geopolitical tension will continue to weigh on the local market, but we believe corporate bond space still provides attractive yields. As such, our fixed income strategy will remain defensive to shelter from the market volatilities in the near term.

Based on the table below, on monthly basis, MCIS Life Dividend Fund had outperformed the benchmark indices.

Policyholders are encouraged to focus on regular premiums given the current risk and volatile period of the economic and market condition. Risk-averse investors should focus on income funds due to its less volatile as compared to equity-related funds.

Performance Table: Funds vs Benchmarks

	MCIS Life A	AsiaPac Fund	MCIS Life Ba	alanced Fund	MCIS Life D	ividend Fund	MCIS Life I	Equity Fund	MCIS Life Glo	bal Yakin Fund	MCIS Life I	ncome Fund	MCIS Life	Jati Fund	MCIS Life	Titan Fund
	Fund	Benchmark	Fund	Benchmark	Fund	Benchmark	Fund	Benchmark	Fund	Benchmark	Fund	Benchmark	Fund	Benchmark	Fund	Benchmark
Monthly (%)	-1.75%	0.28%	1.13%	1.63%	2.26%	2.23%	1.79%	2.23%	-2.90%	0.71%	0.68%	1.03%	0.97%	1.67%	-4.14%	-0.67%
3 Months (%)	2.27%	1.41%	1.63%	2.75%	2.00%	3.15%	1.77%	3.15%	-0.96%	4.58%	2.02%	2.35%	0.19%	5.60%	3.26%	12.12%
6 Months (%)	3.61%	5.78%	4.35%	4.97%	6.31%	7.44%	6.57%	7.44%	2.20%	6.68%	2.94%	2.50%	6.13%	13.16%	9.31%	18.42%
12 Months (%)	5.94%	3.28%	6.71%	8.18%	9.18%	11.38%	9.51%	11.38%	9.70%	8.70%	6.30%	4.98%	7.65%	16.52%	27.02%	27.45%

Source: MCIS Insurance Berhad

MCIS Life AsiaPac Fund **Monthly Report (July 2024)**

Investment Objective

To achieve a steady income stream with potential growth in the Asia Pacific Region over the medium to long term. The aim of the Fund is to outperform the S&P Ethical Pan Asia Select Dividend Opportunities Index over periods of five or more years.

Investment Strategy

To invest in Principal S&P Asia Pacific Ethical Dividend Exchange Traded Fund (ETF), managed by Principal Asset Management (S) Pte Ltd where the ETF is listed on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

The ETF focuses on the top 40 ethical and high-yielding stocks in the Asia Pacific Region excluding India, Taiwan, Japan, New Zealand, and the Philippines. The fund provides country diversification across the industry that is traded in US Dollars.

Risks

The Fund is considered low risk given the exposure to only one underlying securities with no attempt to select stocks individually or to take defensive positions in declining markets. Risk is managed at the management level, where the asset allocation of the fund is to be reviewed on a regular basis and adjusted to be commensurate with the Investment Team's view on the relative attractiveness of each asset class.

The following factors can potentially affect the value of the Fund, economic and political developments in related countries, foreign exchange fluctuation, illiquid and inefficient securities in the Emerging Markets, and the financial performance of the underlying companies.

The target market is for investors who are seeking regional exposure from investment and at the same time, seeking medium to long-term capital appreciation with moderate market risk.

Fund Performance

For the month ended July 2024, the fund had underperformed the by 203bps MoM (month-on-month). benchmark underperformance was mainly due to the underperformance of the underlying asset. The fund also has outperformed the benchmark since its inception.



AsiaPac Fund Performance Since Inception

Top Ten Holdings

Principal S&P Asia Pacific Ethical Dividend Exchange Traded Fund (ETF)

Fund Information

NAV (31.07.24) RM0.6876 Fund Size RM94.43 million 15-July-2012 Inception Date 0.85% p.a. **Fund Management**

Fee

Pricing Daily

Price Quote http://www.mcis.my

Fund Manager MCIS Insurance Berhad (MCIS Life) Exceptional

Circumstances

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Asset Allocation Ranges

Asset Class	Min	Max	Current Actual
ETF	80%	100%	95%
Cash	0%	20%	5%

Performance Table

Period	Fund	Index*
1 month (%)	-1.75%	0.28%
3 months (%)	2.27%	1.41%
6 months (%)	3.61%	5.78%
12 months (%)	5.94%	3.28%
2 years (% pa)	5.32%	1.83%
3 years (% pa)	1.36%	-4.26%
5 years (% pa)	-0.11%	-5.59%
Since Inception (% pa)	2.67%	-2.37%

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^{*} Index is S&P Ethical Pan Asia Select Dividend Opportunities sourced from Bloomberg.

MCIS Life Balanced Fund Monthly Report (July 2024)

Investment Objective

The objective of the Balanced Fund is to provide security and income, while maintaining and potentially increasing the value of capital over the medium to long term, through exposure across a range of asset classes. The Fund aims to outperform the performance benchmark over periods of three or more years.

Investment Strategy

To invest in Malaysian equities and fixed income securities, including government bonds and corporate debt securities. The asset allocation is reviewed on a regular basis and is adjusted commensurate with our view on the relative attractiveness of each asset class.

Risks

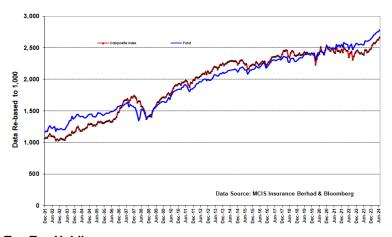
The Fund is considered medium risk given the mixed exposure of equity securities, fixed income, and cash. The following factors can potentially affect the value of the Fund, consumer sentiment, financial performance of the underlying companies, industry and economic development, social and political factors, and the liquidity of the underlying assets. Additionally, levels of interest rates, and credit downgrades of defaults can affect the value of fixed income securities.

The target market is clients wanting the surety of insurance protection, with an element of potential upside investment exposure.

Fund Performance

For the month ended July 2024, the fund had underperformed the benchmark by 50bps MoM (month-on-month). The underperformance was mainly driven by a higher exposure of underperforming securities in the portfolio compared to the benchmark.

Balanced Fund Performance Since Inception



Top Ten Holdings

Malayan Banking Berhad (Equity)
CIMB Bank Berhad (Equity)
Edotco Malaysia Sdn Berhad (Bond)
Cello Capital Berhad (Bond)
Tenaga Nasional Berhad (Equity)
Solarpack Suria Sungai Petani Sdn Bhd (Bond)
Telekosang Hydro One Sdn Bhd (Bond)
Public Bank Berhad (Equity)
Edra Solar Sdn Bhd (Bond)
Point Zone (M) Sdn Berhad (Bond)

Fund Information

NAV (31.07.24) RM1.3918

Fund Size RM12.92 million

Inception Date 15-Oct-01 Fund Management 1.25% p.a.

Fee Pricing Daily

Price Quote http://www.mcis.my

Fund Manager MCIS Insurance Berhad (MCIS Life)

Exceptional Refer to your Policy Document

Circumstances

Asset Allocation Ranges

Asset Class	Min	Max	Current Actual
Malaysian Equity	40%	60%	46%
Fixed Income	40%	60%	43%
Cash	0%	20%	11%

Performance Table

Period	Fund	Index*
1 month (%)	1.13%	1.63%
3 months (%)	1.63%	2.75%
6 months (%)	4.35%	4.97%
12 months (%)	6.71%	8.18%
2 years (% pa)	4.89%	5.04%
3 years (% pa)	4.02%	3.35%
5 years (% pa)	3.10%	2.01%
Since Inception (% pa)	4.59%	4.39%

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* The benchmark index is a composite of 50% FBMKLCI Index and 50% of Markit iBoxx ALBI Malaysia TR Index (Since June '16). Prior to that, the index used was HSBC Malaysia All Bond Index for the fixed income portion. Benchmark return is calculated on re-based basis. The source is from the subscription of Markit Indices.

MCIS Life Dividend Fund Monthly Report (July 2024)

Investment Objective

To achieve a steady income stream with potential for capital growth over the medium to long term by focusing mostly on high dividend-yielding stocks and money market instruments. The aim of the Fund is to outperform the FBMKLCI Index over periods of five or more years.

Investment Strategy

To invest in a broad selection of companies listed on the Malaysian Stock Exchange. Using a relative value methodology, the fund focuses on undervalued stocks relative to fundamental value, with the aim of achieving an income stream, together with some degree of long-term capital gains.

Risks

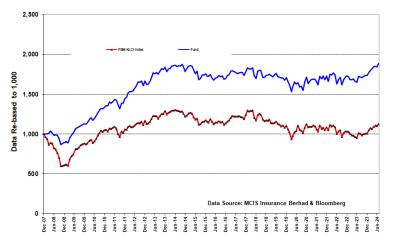
The Fund is considered high risk given the exposure to equity securities. The following factors can potentially affect the value of the Fund, consumer sentiment, the financial performance of the underlying companies, the performance of the industry and economy, the share market in general, social, and political factors, and the liquidity of the underlying assets.

The target market is clients wanting the surety of insurance protection, with an element of potential upside investment exposure.

Fund Performance

For the month ended July 2024, the fund had outperformed the benchmark by 3bps MoM (month-on-month). The outperformance was mainly driven by a higher exposure of outperforming securities in the portfolio compared to the benchmark.

Dividend Fund Performance Since Inception



Top Ten Holdings

Malayan Banking Berhad CIMB Bank Berhad Tenaga Nasional Berhad Public Bank Berhad Petronas Gas Berhad Telekom Malaysia Berhad Maxis Berhad SD Guthrie Bhd CelcomDigi Berhad IOI Corporation Berhad

Fund Information

NAV (31.07.24) RM0.8948
Fund Size RM31.15 million
Inception Date 21-Jan-08
Fund Management 1.5% p.a.

Fee

Pricing Daily

Price Quote http://www.mcis.my

Fund Manager MCIS Insurance Berhad (MCIS Life)
Exceptional Refer to your Policy Document

Circumstances

Asset Allocation Ranges

Asset Class	Min	Max	Current Actual
Malaysian Equity	80%	100%	96%
Cash	0%	20%	4%

Performance Table

Period	Fund	Index*
1 month (%)	2.26%	2.23%
3 months (%)	2.00%	3.15%
6 months (%)	6.31%	7.44%
12 months (%)	9.18%	11.38%
2 years (% pa)	5.81%	4.37%
3 years (% pa)	5.17%	2.84%
5 years (% pa)	1.83%	-0.11%
Since Inception (% pa)	3.89%	0.71%
Yield #	4.02%	4.08%

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^{*} Index is FBMKLCI sourced from Bloomberg. # Yield data is sourced from Bloomberg, and MCIS Life.

MCIS Life Equity Fund Monthly Report (July 2024)

Investment Objective

The objective of the Equity Fund is to achieve capital growth over the medium to long term by focusing on high-quality equities listed on the FBMKLCI Index. The aim of the Equity Fund is to outperform the Index over periods of five or more years.

Investment Strategy

To invest in a broad selection of companies listed on the Malaysian Stock Exchange. Using a relative value methodology, the fund focuses on the stocks whose shares appear undervalued relative to fundamental value, with the aim of achieving long-term growth in capital value.

Risks

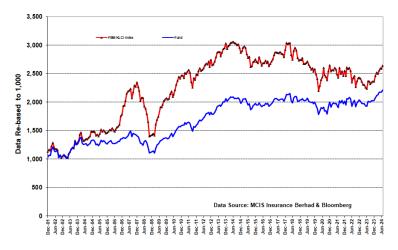
The Fund is considered high risk given the exposure to equity securities. The following factors can potentially affect the value of the Fund, consumer sentiment, the financial performance of the underlying companies, the performance of the industry and economy, the share market in general, social, and political factors, and the liquidity of the underlying assets.

The target market is clients wanting the surety of insurance protection, with an element of potential upside investment exposure.

Fund Performance

For the month ended July 2024, the fund had underperformed the benchmark by 44bps MoM (month-on-month). The underperformance was mainly driven by a higher exposure of underperforming securities in the portfolio compared to the benchmark.

Equity Fund Performance Since Inception



Top Ten Holdings

Malayan Banking Berhad
CIMB Bank Berhad
Tenaga Nasional Berhad
Public Bank Berhad
Telekom Malaysia Berhad
IHH Healthcare Berhad
IOI Corporation Berhad
Petronas Chemicals Group Berhad
SD Guthrie Bhd
MISC Berhad

Fund Information

NAV (31.07.24) RM1.1048 Fund Size RM14.88 million

Inception Date 15-Oct-01 Fund Management 1.40% p.a.

Fee

Pricing Daily

Price Quote http://www.mcis.my

Fund Manager MCIS Insurance Berhad (MCIS Life)
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Circumstances

Asset Allocation Ranges

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Asset Class	Min	Max	Current Actual			
Malaysian Equity	80%	100%	95%			
Cash	0%	20%	5%			

Performance Table

Period	Fund	Index*
1 month (%)	1.79%	2.23%
3 months (%)	1.77%	3.15%
6 months (%)	6.57%	7.44%
12 months (%)	9.51%	11.38%
2 years (% pa)	5.37%	4.37%
3 years (% pa)	5.14%	2.84%
5 years (% pa)	1.88%	-0.11%
Since Inception (% pa)	3.53%	4.35%
Yield #	3.83%	4.08%

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MCIS Life Global Yakin Fund Monthly Report (July 2024)

Investment Objective

The fund aims for capital appreciation in the long term by investing in an international portfolio of Shariah-compliant equities and equity-related securities of companies with good growth potential. The Fund is not a Shariah-compliant product.

Investment Strategy

The Fund is to feed into abrdn Islamic World Equity Fund ("AIWEF") (formerly known as Aberdeen Standard Islamic World Equity Fund) which is managed by abrdn Islamic Malaysia Sdn Bhd (formerly known as Aberdeen Standard Investments (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd). The Fund invests in shariah approved securities across the globe.

The Fund seeks to achieve its objective by investing in an international portfolio of Shariah-compliant equities and equity-related securities of companies with good growth potential. The countries that the Fund will invest in will include, but not be limited to Canada, the United States of America, the United Kingdom, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland, Japan, Australia, China, Hong Kong, Korea, Singapore, Taiwan, Brazil, and Mexico.

Risks

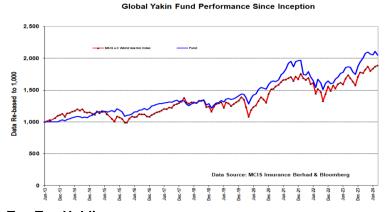
The Fund is considered low risk given the exposure to only one underlying securities with no attempt to select stocks individually or to take defensive positions in declining markets. Risk is managed at the management level, where the asset allocation of the fund is to be reviewed on a regular basis and adjusted to be commensurate with the Investment Team's view on the relative attractiveness of each asset class.

The following factors can potentially affect the value of the Fund, economic and political developments in related countries, foreign exchange fluctuation, illiquid and inefficient securities in the Emerging Markets, and the financial performance of the underlying companies.

The Fund is suitable for investors who seek capital appreciation over a long-term investment horizon and who are willing to accept a high level of risk.

Fund Performance

For the month ended July 2024, the fund had underperformed the benchmark by 361bps MoM (month-on-month). However, the fund has outperformed the benchmark since its inception.



Top Ten Holdings

abrdn Islamic World Equity Fund (AIWEF)

Fund Information

NAV (31.07.24) RM1.0243

Fund Size RM139.38 million

Inception Date 8-July-2013 Fund Management 0.85% p.a.

Fee

Pricing Daily

Price Quote http://www.mcis.my

Fund Manager MCIS Insurance Berhad (MCIS Life)
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Circumstances

Asset Allocation Ranges

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Asset Class	Min	Max	Current Actual		
AIWEF	80%	100%	95%		
Cash	0%	20%	5%		

Performance Table

Period	Fund	Index*
1 month (%)	-2.90%	0.71%
3 months (%)	-0.96%	4.58%
6 months (%)	2.20%	6.68%
12 months (%)	9.70%	8.70%
2 years (% pa)	10.75%	11.27%
3 years (% pa)	2.19%	3.81%
5 years (% pa)	8.38%	9.86%
Since Inception (% pa)	6.68%	5.89%

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The Fund returns are calculated by MCIS Life and based on the value of the NAV and for periods greater than 12-months are annualised numbers. Actual returns of the Fund are on a net basis (gross of tax and net of fees) and based on the performance of the Fund, and not the returns earned on the actual premiums/ contributions paid for the product.

^{*} Index is MSCI AC World Islamic sourced from Bloomberg.

MCIS Life Income Fund Monthly Report (July 2024)

Investment Objective

The objective of the Income Fund is to provide investors with the security of income by investing in a mix of fixed income and fixed deposit securities. The aim of the Fund is to outperform the Markit iBoxx ALBI Malaysia TR Index.

Investment Strategy

To invest in underlying asset classes as per the Asset Allocation Ranges. The asset allocation is reviewed on a regular basis and is adjusted commensurate with our view on the relative attractiveness of each asset class. The Fund invests in cash and fixed income securities including government bonds and corporate debt securities.

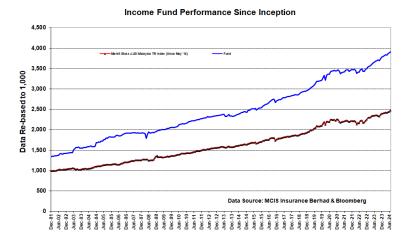
Risks

The Fund is considered lower risk given the exposure to cash and fixed income securities. The following factors can potentially affect the value of the Fund, consumer sentiment, the financial performance of the underlying companies, the performance of the industry and economy, the share market in general, social, and political factors, and the liquidity of the underlying assets. Additionally, levels of interest rates, and credit downgrades or defaults can affect the value of fixed income securities.

The target market is clients wanting the surety of insurance protection, with an element of potential upside investment exposure.

Fund Performance

For the month ended July 2024, the fund had underperformed the benchmark by 35bps MoM (month-on-month). The underperformance was due to underperforming fixed income securities compared to the benchmark index.



Top Ten Holdings

Solarpack Suria Sungai Petani Sdn Bhd Leader Energy Sdn Berhad Telekosang Hydro One Sdn Bhd Edra Solar Sdn Bhd Cello Capital Berhad UiTM Solar Power Sdn Berhad Lebuhraya Duke Fasa 3 Sdn Bhd Johor Corporation Malayan Banking Berhad Northern Gateway Infrastructure Sdn. Bhd

Fund Information

NAV (31.07.24) RM1.9566 Fund Size RM53.42 million Inception Date 15-Oct-01

Fund Management 0.5% p.a.

Fee

Pricing Daily

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Fund Manager MCIS Insurance Berhad (MCIS Life)
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Circumstances

Asset Allocation Ranges

Asset Class	Min	Max	Current Actual
Fixed Income	75%	100%	85%
Cash	0%	25%	15%

Performance Table

Period	Fund	Index*
1 month (%)	0.68%	1.03%
3 months (%)	2.02%	2.35%
6 months (%)	2.94%	2.50%
12 months (%)	6.30%	4.98%
2 years (% pa)	6.17%	5.53%
3 years (% pa)	4.21%	3.55%
5 years (% pa)	4.53%	3.83%
Since Inception (% pa)	6.16%	4.04%

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* The benchmark index is Markit iBoxx ALBI Malaysia TR Index (Since June '16). Prior to that, the index used was HSBC Malaysia All Bond Index. Benchmark return is calculated on rebased basis. The source is from the subscription of Markit Indices

MCIS Life Jati Fund Monthly Report (July 2024)

Investment Objective

The Jati Fund is invested in accordance with Shariah principles in Shariah sanctioned equities, money market instruments, and fixed income investments. The aim is to provide security and income, while maintaining and potentially increasing the value of capital over the medium to long term. The Fund is not a Shariah-compliant product.

Investment Strategy

To invest in a broad selection of Shariah approved securities listed on the Malaysian Stock Exchange. Using a relative value methodology, it looks to buy stocks whose shares appear undervalued relative to fundamental value, with the aim of achieving an income stream, together with some degree of long-term capital gains.

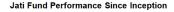
Risks

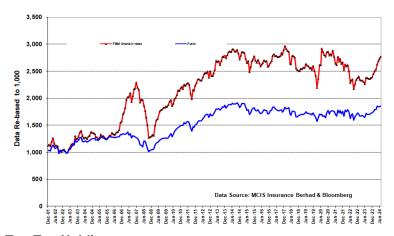
The Fund is considered high risk given the exposure to equity securities. The following factors can potentially affect the value of the Fund, consumer sentiment, the financial performance of the underlying companies, the performance of the industry and economy, the share market in general, social, and political factors, and the liquidity of the underlying assets.

The target market is clients wanting the surety of insurance protection, with an element of potential upside investment exposure.

Fund Performance

For the month ended July 2024, the fund had underperformed the benchmark by 70bps MoM (month-on-month). The underperformance was mainly driven by a higher exposure of underperforming securities in the portfolio compared to the benchmark.





Top Ten Holdings

Tenaga Nasional Berhad
Telekom Malaysia Berhad
SD Guthrie Bhd
Petronas Gas Berhad
Press Metal Aluminium Holdings Bhd
Sime Darby Berhad
IHH Healthcare Berhad
Dialog Group Berhad
IOI Corporation Berhad
Maxis Berhad

Fund Information

NAV (31.07.24) RM0.9279 Fund Size RM19.61 million

Inception Date 15-Oct-01 Fund Management 1.35% p.a.

Fee

Pricing Daily

Price Quote http://www.mcis.my

Fund Manager MCIS Insurance Berhad (MCIS Life)

Exceptional Circumstances

Refer to your Policy Document

Asset Allocation Ranges

Asset Class	Min	Max	Current Actual
Malaysian Equity	80%	100%	98%
Cash	0%	20%	2%

Performance Table

Period	Fund	Index*
1 month (%)	0.97%	1.67%
3 months (%)	0.19%	5.60%
6 months (%)	6.13%	13.16%
12 months (%)	7.65%	16.52%
2 years (% pa)	5.11%	9.04%
3 years (% pa)	3.64%	1.94%
5 years (% pa)	1.52%	1.23%
Since Inception (% pa)	2.75%	4.57%
Yield #	3.28%	2.86%

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^{*} Index is FBMS Index sourced from Bloomberg. # Yield data is sourced from Bloomberg, and MCIS Life.

MCIS Life Titan Fund Monthly Report (July 2024)

Investment Objective

The Fund invests in Eq8 Dow Jones U.S. Titans 50 ETF ("EQ8US50") (formerly known as MyETF Dow Jones U.S. Titans 50) which aims to provide investment results that closely correspond to the performance of the Dow Jones Islamic Market U.S. Titans 50 Index. The Fund is not a Shariah-compliant product.

Investment Strategy

EQ8US50 is managed by Eq8 Capital Sdn Bhd (formerly known as i-VCAP Management Sdn Bhd) and it invests in 50 largest Shariah-compliant companies listed in the U.S. EQ8US50 is a passively managed fund.

Risks

The Fund is considered low risk given the exposure to only one underlying securities with no attempt to select stocks individually or to take defensive positions in declining markets. Risk is managed at the management level, where the asset allocation of the fund is to be reviewed on a regular basis and adjusted to be commensurate with the Investment Team's view on the relative attractiveness of each asset class.

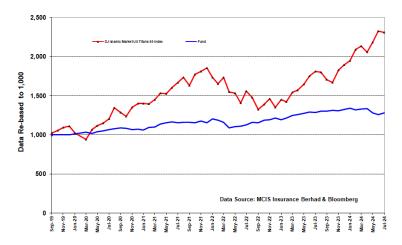
The following factors can potentially affect the value of the Fund, economic and political developments in related countries, foreign exchange fluctuation, illiquid and inefficient securities in the Emerging Markets, and the financial performance of the underlying companies.

The Fund is suitable for investors who are seeking diversification and investment opportunities in Shariah-compliant equities in the U.S. market and seeking liquid financial instruments with an index tracking feature.

Fund Performance

For the month ended July 2024, the fund had underperformed the benchmark by 347bps MoM (month-on-month). The underperformance was mainly due to the outperformance of the underlying asset.

Titan Fund Performance Since Inception



Top Ten Holdings

Eq8 Dow Jones U.S. Titans 50 ETF ("EQ8US50") (formerly known as MyETF Dow Jones U.S. Titans 50)

Fund Information

NAV (31.07.24) RM0.9789

Fund Size RM118.42 million Inception Date 17-Sept-2019 Fund Management 0.85% p.a.

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Fund Manager MCIS Insurance Berhad (MCIS Life)
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Circumstances

Asset Allocation Ranges

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Asset Class	Min	Max	Current Actual	
EQ8US50	80%	100%	89%	
Cash	0%	20%	11%	

Performance Table

Period	Fund	Index*	
1 month (%)	-4.14%	-0.67%	
3 months (%)	3.26%	12.12%	
6 months (%)	9.31%	18.42%	
12 months (%)	27.02%	27.45%	
2 years (% pa)	18.70%	21.67%	
3 years (% pa)	12.34%	11.38%	
5 years (% pa)	n/a	n/a	
Since Inception (% pa)	14.64%	18.53%	

Notice: Past performance is not indicative of future performance, and the performance of the Fund is not guaranteed.

The Fund returns are calculated by MCIS Life and based on the value of the NAV and for periods greater than 12-months are annualised numbers. Actual returns of the Fund are on a net basis (gross of tax and net of fees) and based on the performance of the Fund, and not the returns earned on the actual premiums/ contributions paid for the product.

^{*} Index Dow Jones Islamic Market U.S. Titans 50 Index sourced from Bloomberg.

Equity Market Review and Outlook

Market Review

For the month ended July 2024, the FBMKLCI closed higher to 1,625.57 points (2.2% MoM and +11.7% YTD), inline with other ASEAN markets and the buying interest from the foreign investors. The average daily trading value in the month fell 12.8% MoM (+80.7% YoY) to RM3.5bil. Meanwhile, average daily trading volume fell 12.6% MoM and 52.5% YoY to 4.7bil units, after four consecutive months of growth.

Local institutions turned into net sellers with net sell flows of RM0.7bil in July (net buy flows of RM0.2bil in June). July also marked the sixth consecutive month where local institutions' net flows were the opposite of foreign investor net flows. Local retail investors recorded a net sell of RM574.0mil in July (net sells of RM248.3mil in June), which rose by 131.3% MoM. Meanwhile, Foreign investors turned net buyers in Jul 24, with the net buy flows of RM1.3bn substantially higher than the net sell flows of RM61mil in Jun 24. This marks the fourth consecutive month where foreign investors reversed their net buying and selling positions.

Meanwhile, global equity market performance was mixed in July with positive biased. In the US, the equity market continued the positive momentum with the anticipation that the US Federal Reserve (Fed) would cut interest rates in its September meeting. The Dow Jones Industrial Index closed higher by 4.4% MoM and the broader S&P 500 index closed by 1.1% MoM. Eurozone shares tracked the US lead. MSCI Europe Index closed higher by 1.1% MoM. In Asia, the performances were mixed with negative biased. The MSCI Asia APEX 50 ex-Japan closed lower by 1.9% MoM.



Market Outlook & Strategy

Traditionally, FBMKLCI Index's performance was negative in August, with an average of -2.0% and -0.1% for MoM returns over the past 10 years and 45 years. We expect the market to be supported by its attractive valuations at current levels of 1.41x as it is now below its 13-year historical average of P/B (1.87x) and 15.4x PER compared to the 13-year historical average of PER (17.1x).

Technically, the FBMKLCI Index has maintained above the 1,600 level in July, reflecting a modestly bullish sentiment while maintaining its position above the most MAs. The index may test its nearest resistance level at 1,632, its previous high. A successful move above this level could potentially extend the bullish momentum to the next resistance level of 1,700. Conversely, if the index fails to surpass the key resistance at 1,632, a retreat could find support around 1,580.

We expect a positive recovery in 2024, especially for the local market, supported by improved corporate earnings and government transformation plans that should support the domestic economy. We expect BNM to maintain the OPR unchanged throughout the year 2024, due to easing inflation expectation. On the global economic review, the resilience of the US economy may lead to a soft landing, rather than recession. The tail-end of global monetary policy tightening will be positive for foreign investors to make their way back to the local stock market.

Fixed Income Review and Outlook

Market Review

Malaysia Government Securities ("MGS") yields declined across the curve, reflecting the stronger US Fed rate cut expectation. Brent crude oil prices moved lower to USD80.72/barrel at end-Jul'24 (end-Jun'24: USD86.41/barrel). Meanwhile, ringgit strengthened against the dollar to RM4.5905/USD (end-Jun'24: RM4.7175/USD), partially driven by the Fed rate cut expectation.

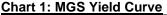
On the local economic data, Malaysia's inflation was seen unchanged at +2.0% YoY in Jun'24 (May'24: +2.0% YoY). Transport cost on the other hand rose slightly to +1.2% YoY in Jun'24 (May'24: +0.9% YoY), reflecting higher diesel fuel prices in Peninsular Malaysia after the new subsidy removal plan took effect. Likewise, Food & Beverages (F&B) prices also inched higher to +2.0% YoY (May'24: +1.8% YoY), on top of the El Nino effect. Core inflation was unchanged at 1.9% in Jun'24. Malaysia Exports were eased sharply to +1.7% YoY in Jun'24 (May'24: +7.1% YoY), due to the slower expansion in both Manufacturing sector (Jun'24: +1.0% YoY; May'24: +8.1% YoY) and Agriculture sector (Jun'24: +1.7% YoY; May'24: +21.9% YoY). Muted growth in Manufacturing Exports was mainly dragged by the decline in Electrical & Electronics (E&E) exports, while Agriculture Exports on the other hand was seeing lower palm oil exports. Double-digit growth in Imports continued at +17.8% YoY (May'24: +13.4% YoY), supported by all segments except for re-exports. All in all, trade surplus was widened to +RM14.3bil in Jun'24 (May'24: +RM10.0bil).

BNM's international reserve rose to USD114.7bil as at end-Jul'24 (end-Jun'24: USD113.8bil). The reserve is sufficient to finance 5.5 months of retained imports and is 1.0 time of short-term external debts.

The auctions unveiled in Jul'24 is as follow;

Government Auctions		Auction Amount + PP	Bid-cover	Avg Yield
Issue	Issue Date	(RM million)	(times)	(%)
5-yr Reopening of MGS 08/29 3.885%	2/7/2024	5,000.00	2.19	3.67
10-yr Reopening of MGII 11/34 4.119%	15/7/2024	5,000.00	2.42	3.82
15-yr Reopening of MGS (Mat on 04/39)	22/7/2024	5,000.00	3.10	3.97

Source: Bank Negara Malaysia



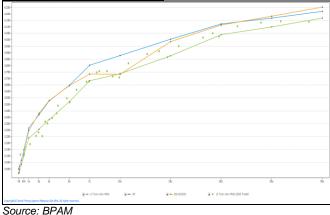
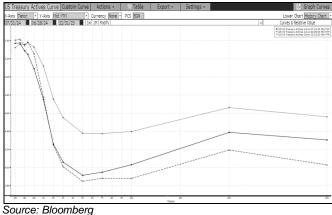


Chart 2: US Treasury Yield Curve



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US 10-year Treasury rallied strongly, moving the yield lower to 4.03% as at end-Jul'24 (end-Jun'24: 4.40%). This was mainly driven by the market expectation of massive US Fed rate cuts in the near term.

Market Outlook & Strategy

After a series of recent OPR hikes to pre-pandemic level, BNM is anticipated to keep its monetary policy unchanged in 2024, aiming to balance the economic growth and inflationary pressure in the country. The external risk factors such as geopolitical tension will continue to weigh on the local market, but we believe corporate bond space still provides attractive yields. As such, our fixed income strategy will remain defensive to shelter from the market volatilities in the near term.