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## RHB EMERGING MARKETS BOND FUND

The Fund aims to provide investors with income and potential capital appreciation by investing in one target fund, i.e. the United Emerging Markets Bond Fund.

#### **INVESTOR PROFILE**

This Fund is suitable for investors who:

- seek income and potential capital appreciation over the longer term;
- have medium to high risk appetite: and
- seek returns in emerging markets debt investments and products.

#### **INVESTMENT STRATEGY**

- At least 95% of NAV: Investments in the units of United Emerging Markets Bond Fund.
- 2% 5% of NAV: Investments in liquid assets including money market instruments and deposits with financial institutions.

# **FUND PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS** Performance Chart Since Launch

85.94

#### Cumulative Performance (%)\*

80.00

70.00

50.00

40.00

20.00

	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	YTD
Fund	-0.68	0.07	1.36	-5.71
Benchmark	-0.42	0.71	3.55	-2.33
	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Launch
Fund	-6.10	2.29	39.58	57.48

11.02

Calendar Year Performance (%)\*

-2.63

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	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Fund	-0.60	10.71	19.20	10.68	0.31
Benchmark	-0.53	15.09	24.25	14.68	1.84

Source: Lipper IM

Benchmark

#### **FUND DETAILS** RHB Asset Management Sdn. Manager Trustee HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Bhd **Fund Category** Feeder Fund Fund Type Income Fund Launch Date 03 January 2012 Unit NAV RM0.5407 Fund Size (million) RM28.74 Units In Circulation (million) 53.15 Financial Year End 28 / 29 February MER (as at 28 Feb 2018) 1.69%

Min. Initial Investment RM1,000.00 Min. Additional Investment RM100.00

Benchmark JP Morgan Emerging Market

**Bond Index Global Diversified** 

Index (RM)

Sales Charge Up to 2.50% of investment

amount\*

Redemption Charge None

Annual Management Fee 1.50% p.a. of NAV\* Annual Trustee Fee Up to 0.08% p.a. of NAV\* Switching Fee RM25.00 per switch\* **Redemption Period** Within 10 days after receipt

the request to repurchase

Distribution Policy Quarterly, if any

\*All fees and charges payable to Manager and the Trustee are subject to any applicable taxes and/or duties and at such rate as may be imposed by the vernment from time to time.

For the purpose of computing the annual management fee and annual trustee fee, the NAV of the Fund is exclusive of the management fee and trustee fee for the relevant day.

#### **FUND PORTFOLIO ANALYSIS** Country Allocation\* Sector Allocation Others Government Indonesia 61.79% Financials 13.89% Ukraine 5.52% Argentina 5.17% 12.72% Energy Egypt 4.65% Unit Trusts/Fund UAF 3 59% Panama 3.58% Utilities 3.57% Singapore Mongolia 3.56% Lebanon 3.33% Industrials 3.17% 40% 60% 60% ∩% 10% 30% 40% 50%

62.73

Top Holdings (%)\*

UNITED EMERGING MARKETS LOCAL CURRENCY BOND FUND - CLASS SGD ACC 3.57 ICD FUNDING LTD COMPANY GUAR REGS 05/24 4.625 3.25 UKRAINE GOVERNMENT SR UNSECURED REGS 09/20 7.75 3.04 OJSC RUSS AGRIC BK(RSHB) SUBORDINATED REGS 10/23 8.5 2.70 ESKOM HOLDINGS SOC LTD GOVT GUARANT REGS 08/28 6.35

\*As percentage of NAV

\*Source: UOBAM, 30 November 2018. Exposure in United Emerging Markets Bond Fund - 96.54%

	TOND STATISTICS				
Historical NAV	(RM)				
	1 Month	12 Months	Since Launch		
High	0.5463	0.6089	0.6681		
Love	0.5370	0.5300	0.4050		

Source: Lipper IM

#### Historical Distributions (Last 4 Quarters) (Net)

	Distribution	Yield (%)
	(sen)	
28 Aug 2018	0.8500	1.56
24 May 2018	1.0000	1.80
21 Feb 2018	1.0000	1.68
21 Nov 2017	1.0000	1.61

Source: RHB Asset Management Sdn. Bhd.

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#### **FUND FACTSHEET – DECEMBER 2018**

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#### **MANAGER'S COMMENTS**

#### MARKET REVIEW

Emerging market (EM) fixed income ended the month on a weaker note; Spreads were wider on the back of general risk off sentiment, driven by rekindled concerns on US-China trade issues and weaker oil prices. The extra yield investors demand to own EM sovereign bonds over US Treasuries ended the month 29 bps higher at 395 bps.Investors were looking ahead to the early December G20 meeting for signs of a tariff truce between the US and China. EM cumulative net flows year-to-date moderated further to US\$5.7 billion (vs the October figure at US\$8.6 billion).

US 10-year Treasury yields were 16bps lower in November amid a more dovish tone by US Federal Reserve Chair Powell and a split US congress being unlikely to contemplate another round of fiscal stimulus. Recent Fed comments suggest a slower pace of Fed rate hikes. Oil prices extended their decline, tumbling -21% during the month on negative oil demand forecasts and continued pressure from President Trump on Saudi Arabia. News of the US administration granting waivers for Iranian oil imports to eight countries has also pressured prices.

#### STRATEGY

Re-escalation in trade jitters of late combined with pressure points from specific countries are likely to keep risk appetite at bay despite firm underlying sovereign fundamentals. The Target Fund Manager believes strong EM fundamentals will re-assert themselves with modest spread tightening once the Target Fund Manager gets confirmation of firmer data and subsided rates and FX volatility. The Target Fund Manager maintains a preference for defensive investment grade gulf cooperation council and Latin America countries with lesser political risk and selected Asian countries. In the near-term The Target Fund Manager remains respectful of technical factors that may eclipse a stable EM backdrop.

Low interest rates in developed markets – negative in the case of Europe and Japan would be expected to offer support for EM fixed income. The Target Fund Manager remains mindful of the impact a strong dollar could have on EM. The Target Fund Manager believes that once the initial adjustment to potentially higher short-term core yields and a stronger USD is complete, a more structural view on market beta will be supported by continued strong bid for EM. Overall, the Target Fund Manager continues to like EM bonds, primarily for their carry and for the asset class' favorable risk-adjusted returns over the long-term.

### DISCLAIMER:

Based on the fund's portfolio returns as at 15 November 2018, the Volatility Factor (VF) for this fund is 7.0 and is classified as "Moderate". (source: Lipper) "Moderate" includes funds with VF that are above 6.6 but not more than 8.7 (source: Lipper). The VF means there is a possibility for the fund in generating an upside return or downside return around this VF. The Volatility Class (VC) is assigned by Lipper based on quintile ranks of VF for qualified funds. VF is subject to monthly revision and VC will be revised every six months. The fund's portfolio may have changed since this date and there is no guarantee that the fund will continue to have the same VF or VC in the future. Presently, only funds launched in the market for at least 36 months will display the VF and its VC. The VC referred to was dated 30 June 2018 which is calculated once every six months and is valid until its next calculation date, i.e. 31 December 2018.

A Product Highlights Sheet ("PHS") highlighting the key features and risks of the Fund is available and investors have the right to request for a PHS. Investors are advised to obtain, read and understand the PHS and the contents of the Master Prospectus dated 6 October 2017 and its supplementary(ies) (if any) ("the Master Prospectus") before investing. The Master Prospectus has been registered with the Securities Commission Malaysia who takes no responsibility for its contents. Amongst others, investors should consider the fees and charges involved. Investors should also note that the price of units and distributions payable, if any, may go down as well as up. Where a distribution is declared, investors are advised that following the issue of additional units/distribution, the NAV per unit will be reduced from cum-distribution NAV to exdistribution NAV. Any issue of units to which the Master Prospectus relates will only be made on receipt of a form of application referred to in the Master Prospectus. For more details, please call 1-800-88-3175 for a copy of the PHS and the Master Prospectus or collect one from any of our branches or authorised distributors.

The Manager wishes to highlight the specific risks of the Fund are management risk and country risk and specific risks of the Target Fund are market risk, debt securities risk, emerging markets risk, political and economic risks, repatriation of capital, dividends, interest and other income risks, regulatory risk, nature of investments and market risks, lack of market economy, derivatives risk, synthetic product risk, illiquidity of investments, broker risk, settlement risk, custody risk, counterparty risk, possible business failures, accounting practice, quality of information, legal risk, taxation, foreign exchange and currency risks, banking systems, risk of mismanagement by debt issuers, actions of institutional investors, risk of use of rating agencies and other third parties, exceptional market conditions risk, exceptional market conditions risk, liquidity risk of investments, investment management risks. These risks and other general risks are elaborated in the Master Prospectus.

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