

RHB GOLD AND GENERAL FUND

This Fund aims to achieve returns on investment mainly in securities of corporations (whether or not listed on any stock exchange, and in any part of the world) whose business (in any part of the world) is or is substantially in the mining or extraction of gold, silver or precious metals (e.g. platinum, palladium, rhodium etc.), bulk commodities (e.g. coal, iron ore, steel etc.), base metals of all kinds (e.g. copper, aluminium, nickel, zinc, lead tin etc.), and other commodities (e.g. industrial minerals, titanium dioxide, borates etc.) and it includes the mining or extraction of oil, gas, coal and alternative energy or other commodities or other minerals.

INVESTOR PROFILE

This Fund is suitable for investors who:

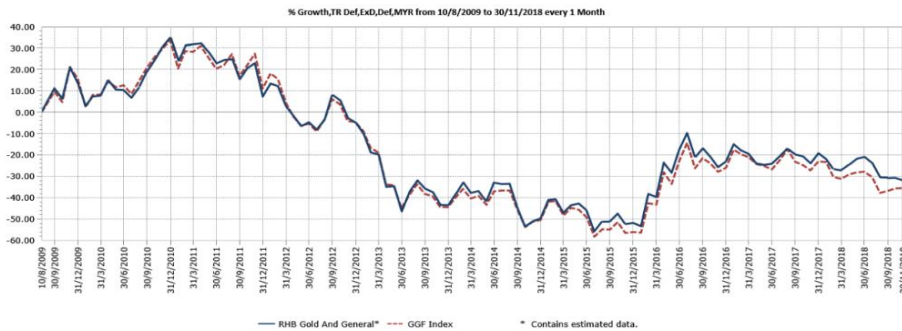
- wish to participate in the potential benefits derived from investment in companies involved in the mining and exploration of precious metals, energy or base metals;
- wish to diversify their investment portfolio from traditional asset classes; and
- are willing to accept a higher risk in their investments to obtain potentially higher returns in the long term.

INVESTMENT STRATEGY

- At least 95% of NAV: Investments in the units of United Gold and General 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*



Cumulative Performance (%)*

	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	YTD
Fund	-1.61	-1.57	-12.60	-15.61
Benchmark	0.15	3.56	-10.25	-16.24

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Launch
Fund	-10.41	43.32	20.85	-31.69
Benchmark	-11.42	48.14	15.81	-35.39

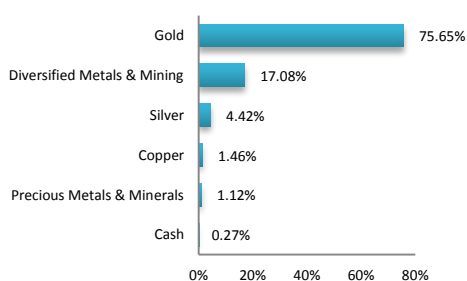
Calendar Year Performance (%)*

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Fund	5.32	59.38	-4.01	-10.92	-40.59
Benchmark	4.07	68.12	-11.34	-10.72	-41.64

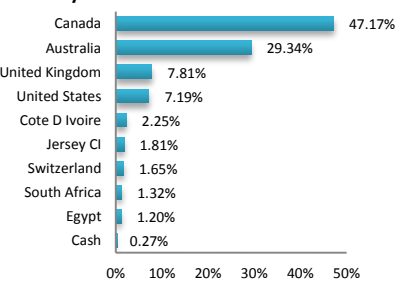
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FUND PORTFOLIO ANALYSIS

Sector Allocation*



Country Allocation*



Top Holdings (%)*

NEWMONT MINING CORP	6.44
EVOLUTION MINING LTD	4.68
BARRICK GOLD CORP	4.47
B2GOLD CORP	4.28
TECK RESOURCES LTD	4.25

*As percentage of NAV

*Source: UOBAM, 30 November 2018. Exposure in United Gold & General Fund - 97.08%

FUND STATISTICS

Historical NAV (RM)

	1 Month	12 Months	Since Launch
High	0.2710	0.3165	0.6393
Low	0.2556	0.2513	0.1622

Source: Lipper IM

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MANAGER'S COMMENTS

MARKET REVIEW

Physical gold started November 2018 at US\$1,215/oz and declined to an intra-month low of US\$1,200/oz on 12 November 2018 after conciliatory remarks by President Xi outlined possible cuts in Chinese import tariffs and a path towards reduced US-China tensions. However, the gold price then rebounded on more negative trade comments and the likely impact of the US mid-term elections, where the Republicans lost control of the House of Representatives. The gold price eventually finished the month with a small gain, at US\$1,223/oz.

The change in the House majority to the Democrats is potentially negative for the USDollar since it future political stalemate, a lack of any significant legislation and the likely escalation of criminal investigations into President Trump. Although impeachment is highly unlikely given Republican control of the Senate, ongoing Press commentary risks unsettling financial markets. Facing gridlock over domestic issues, Trump may increasingly turn his attention to foreign policy as a way of maintaining public support. However, any escalation in trade disputes will only result in increased economic uncertainty and a potential move into "safe haven" assets.

Gold benefited from comments made by Fed Chair Powell on 28 November 2018, when he stated that US benchmark policy rates were "just below" their neutral level, suggesting the central bank was close to the point where it would stop raising rates. This contrasted markedly with Powell's comments in October 2018 when he said policy rates were "a long way" from neutral. The flattening of the US yield curve also suggests less aggressive rate increases. This lowers the risk of higher US real rates that would have negative implications for the gold price.

Although COMEX gold positioning has moved back into a net long position, overall market positioning remains in oversold territory relative to data over the past twenty years. We note that oversold positioning in gold futures market has previously been the precursor of a strong rally in the gold price. Bloomberg data showed total aggregate Gold ETF holdings increased to 2,190 tonnes (+2.6% mom) and now show a small positive increase since the beginning of 2018.

IMF data showed the Russian Central Bank added 28 tonnes in October 2018, increasing its official gold reserves to 2,065 tonnes. Russia is on-track to buy over 270 tonnes of gold in 2018, well above the 227 tonnes it purchased in 2017. Although Chinese official gold reserves have remained unchanged this year, physical gold volumes on the Shanghai Gold Exchange now exceed 2,000 tonnes YTD, with some commentators stating China now accounts for almost 50% of world demand.

Gold equities outperformed physical gold in November 2018, helped by the continuing trend of generally good quarterly results by listed gold companies. That said, individual stocks remain vulnerable to jurisdiction risk. Although the Target Fund is predominantly invested in Australian and Canadian producers, its performance suffered because of holdings in companies operating in West Africa, particularly Burkina Faso. Although there has been no disruption to actual production, security concerns have seen a de-rating of valuations for companies mining in this area. The Target Fund remained overweight in gold equities relative to benchmark.

The EMIX Global Mining Index remained under selling pressure in November 2018 due to tariff-related news and related negative implications on global growth. Ahead of the US-China meeting at the G20 summit in Argentina, President Trump stated it was "highly unlikely" that he would agree to Chinese requests that the US hold-off on planned increase in various import tariffs from 10.0% to 25.0%, due to take effect on 1 January, 2019. This placed continuing downward pressure on commodity prices and mining equities, even those producers with strong free cash-flow yields. The Target Fund holds an underweight position relative to benchmark, and remains invested in low-cost producers with strong balance sheets.

West Texas Intermediate crude oil price started November 2018 at US\$65.31/bbl and fell sharply to close the month at US\$50.93/bbl (-22.0% mom). This followed recent reports from the Energy Information Administration (EIA) of record high US production and continuing inventory builds. Given the uncertain demand outlook, traders unwound speculative long positions and reinforced downward pressure on crude oil prices.

MARKET OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY

Financial markets expect further monetary tightening from the US Federal Reserve. However, US monetary policy contrasts with the Bank of Japan and the ECB, both of which continue with less aggressive monetary policies. This divergence may cause volatility in global currency markets, already facing uncertainty stemming from trade disputes. Unconventional monetary policy could result in higher inflation, which would be positive for gold and potentially positive for general commodity prices. Conversely, a tariff-related downturn in economic growth would result in deflation and renewed risks to the global banking system. The Target Fund expects to hold a neutral to overweight position in gold equities relative to the benchmark, with a preference for mid-tier and junior producers with growing volume output and low production costs. The Target Fund's preference for gold is based on their belief that gold-related assets can perform well in both inflationary and deflationary environments.

DISCLAIMER:

Based on the fund's portfolio returns as at 15 November 2018, the Volatility Factor (VF) for this fund is 31.3 and is classified as "Very High". (source: Lipper) "Very High" includes funds with VF that are more than 11.1 (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 ex-distribution 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 foreign investment risks such as currency risk and country risk and the specific risks of the Target Fund are market risk in the global markets, foreign exchange/currency risk, political risk, derivatives risk, liquidity risk, small capitalisation companies risk, single sector risk, commodities risk, broker risk, counterparty risk, equity risk and investment management risk. These risks and other general risks are elaborated in the Master Prospectus.

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