

RHB GLOBAL NEW STARS FUND

This Fund aims to achieve medium to long term capital appreciation by investing in initial public offerings ("IPOs"), pre-IPO securities, post-IPO listed securities, debt securities and/or deposits.

INVESTMENT STRATEGY

- Up to 98% of NAV: Investments in post-IPO listed securities of approved markets issued within 3 years of their IPOs at the time of investment and securities offered through IPOs which have been approved for listing in the approved markets ("Post-IPO Portion" and "IPO Portion").
- Up to 10% of NAV: Investments in privately placed pre-IPO securities of companies which are established in the approved markets, that is pre-IPO deals of which the investee companies are targeting to obtain a listing on an approved stock exchange, and other corporate finance deals ("Pre-IPO Portion").
- 2% - 5% of NAV: Investments in liquid assets.

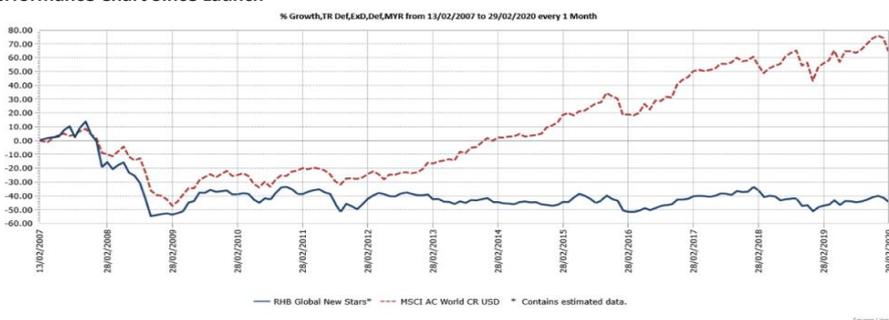
INVESTOR PROFILE

This Fund is suitable for investors who:

- are optimistic about investments in companies in the early growth stages;
- wish to participate in the potential upside of IPO;
- seek an investment well diversified across global markets;
- are fairly aggressive and willing to accept moderate to high risk in their investments; and
- prefer capital growth over a medium to long term period.

FUND PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

Performance Chart Since Launch*



Cumulative Performance (%)*

	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	YTD
Fund	-5.07	-5.75	0.27	-7.39
Benchmark	-5.59	-5.34	0.59	-6.53

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Launch
Fund	5.01	-6.76	-0.15	-44.44
Benchmark	5.56	9.51	38.66	64.44

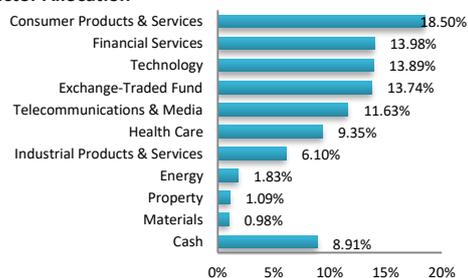
Calendar Year Performance (%)*

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Fund	22.78	-22.60	10.38	1.77	6.38
Benchmark	22.79	-9.31	9.72	10.36	17.57

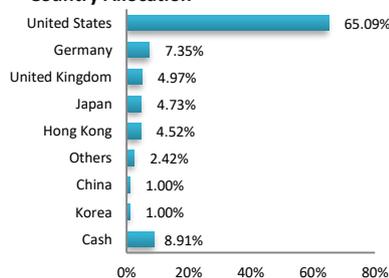
Source: Lipper IM

FUND PORTFOLIO ANALYSIS

Sector Allocation*



Country Allocation*



Top Holdings (%)*

ALPHABET INC	4.62
MICROSOFT CORP	3.01
SIEMENS AG	2.95
AMAZON.COM INC	2.82
APPLE INC	2.71

*As percentage of NAV

FUND STATISTICS

Historical NAV (RM)

	1 Month	12 Months	Since Launch
High	0.2899	0.2899	0.5417
Low	0.2621	0.2473	0.2098

Source: Lipper IM

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MANAGER'S COMMENTS

MARKET REVIEW

The global market fell sharply by 8.2% in February. This comes after a decline of 1.2% in the month of January. The energy (-14.3%) sector continues to be under pressure, with WTI oil prices sinking below USD50 per barrel. OPEC has already began curbing oil output under a deal that runs until the end of March, with further policies to be decided during the next meeting on 5 – 6 March. All sectors registered a drop in February, with cyclical sectors such as materials (-9.8%), industrials (-9.5%) and financial (9.4%) most hit. On the other side, communication services (-5.7%), real estate (-6.6%) and healthcare (-6.8%) outperformed. Within regions, Asia ex-Japan (-2.9%) outperformed, while UK (-12.6%), Europe (-9.7%), Japan (-9.2%) and United States (-8.3%) underperformed.

Confirmed cases across the globe for the novel coronavirus (Covid-19) continues to surge, as the number of infected patients outside of China has exceeded 9,000 at the time of writing. While positive signs are present in China, as the plateau in the number of new cases suggests a level of success in containing the spread, the rapid increase in numbers in Europe, South Korea and Iran is causing significant worry. Cases in Italy and Iran have doubled over the weekend to 1,694 and 978 respectively at the time of writing, while South Korea now has 4,212 cases. In the United States, health officials in the State of Washington have confirmed that a second patient has died from the virus, and the number of confirmed cases have jumped to 84.

While the virus should negatively affect China's growth, Chinese authorities has been providing both monetary as well as fiscal stimulus to cushion the fall. With new confirmed cases declining steadily, along with the support from government, the MSCI China rose 1.0% in the month of February. As the new confirmed cases continue to drop, the focus will begin to shift on resuming activities to stimulate domestic consumption, such as transport, tourism, retail, lodging, catering and construction activities – sectors which were most hit by the ongoing epidemic. As China's economy is far larger now as compared to 2003 SARS (Nominal GDP of about USD14 trillion vs USD1.5 trillion in 2003) and more connected to the rest of the world, there would be higher impacts on global growth as compared to SARS.

Over in the US, the 10-year bond yield has fallen to a historical low of 1.15% at the close of February, and the 2-year bond yield has break the 1% level to close the month at 0.91%. Seeing this, the Federal Reserve Chairman Joy Powell signaled in an unscheduled statement saying the Federal Reserve is monitoring the COVID-19 and will act as appropriate to cut rate if necessary despite claiming that fundamentals for the US economy were still intact. The market is pricing expecting a rate cut in 18th March meeting and saw at least 2-3 cut for the year 2020. The current benchmark rate was now at 1.5% - 1.75%. The FOMC is also scheduled to conclude its policy framework review around mid-2020. There is a dovish shift to the statement language suggesting more resolution to the transition to an average inflation target. Super Tuesday comes this week and fourteen states hold primaries with 1338 total pledged delegates up for grabs.

Political uncertainty is picking up in Germany as Chancellor Merkel's successor as head of the CDU, Angel Kramp-Karrenbauer (AKK), announced she would step down and will not run as her party's candidate for Chancellor. She has had trouble since taking over for Merkel as leader back in December 2018. With this, the hope for fiscal stimulus from Germany will most likely be delayed. ECB easing expectations have picked up, as futures pricing suggests over 40% odds of a rate cut at the next meeting March 12, up from around 5% in mid-February.

Similar to Powell, BOJ Governor Kuroda released an emergency statement and said that the bank "will strive to provide ample liquidity and ensure stability in financial markets through appropriate market operations and asset purchases." It immediately offered to purchase JPY500 billion of government bonds in repo operations.

STRATEGY

In view of the current uncertainties surrounding the Coronavirus, the portfolios had adopted a defensive stance with increased cash levels. The portfolio have already reduced travel related, cyclical sectors, China offline retail and China property. We will continue to be positive on sectors including healthcare, E-commerce, domestic express delivery and online gaming sectors. With the higher cash levels, we will continue to be nimble to try to take advantage of stocks and sectors that will inevitably be over sold as the situation possibly worsens over the course of the next few weeks.

DISCLAIMER:

Based on the fund's portfolio returns as at 11 February 2020, the Volatility Factor (VF) for this fund is 12.9 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 31 December 2019 which is calculated once every six months and is valid until its next calculation date, i.e. 30 June 2020.

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 3 September 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 Pre-IPO and IPO risk, country risk, currency risk and market risk. These risks and other general risks are elaborated in the Master Prospectus.

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