

### 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.

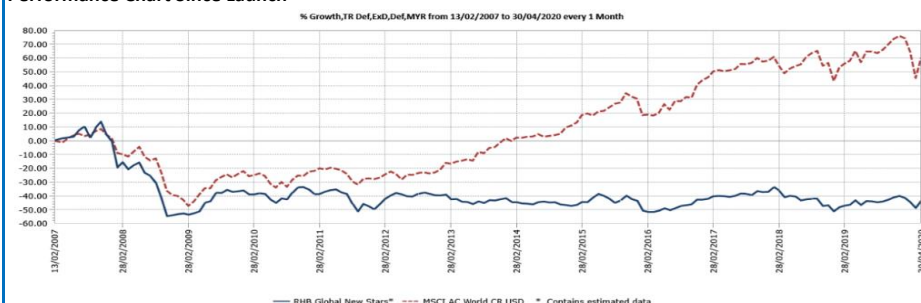
#### INVESTOR PROFILE

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	10.12	-3.48	-1.41	-5.83
Benchmark	10.07	-8.12	-5.80	-9.03

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Launch
Fund	-0.56	-5.33	-3.83	-43.50
Benchmark	-3.07	6.45	35.37	60.04

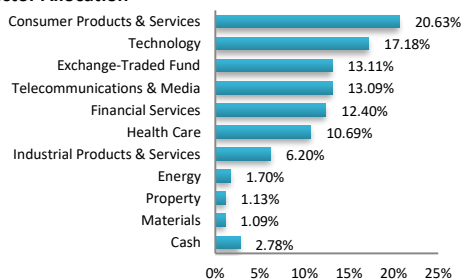
##### Calendar Year Performance (%)\*

	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

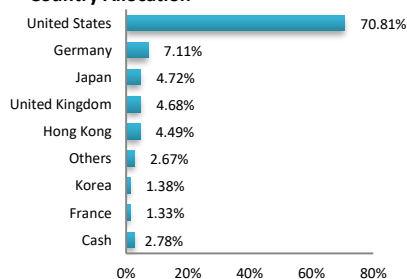
Source: Lipper IM

#### FUND PORTFOLIO ANALYSIS

##### Sector Allocation\*



##### Country Allocation\*



##### Top Holdings (%)\*

ALPHABET INC	5.26
AMAZON.COM INC	3.75
MICROSOFT CORP	3.38
APPLE INC	2.95
SIEMENS AG	2.71

\*As percentage of NAV

#### FUND STATISTICS

##### Historical NAV (RM)

	1 Month	12 Months	Since Launch
High	0.2704	0.2899	0.5417
Low	0.2358	0.2202	0.2098

Source: Lipper IM

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### MANAGER'S COMMENTS

#### MARKET REVIEW

The financial market welcomed the implemented stimulus measures as the global market rose 10.6% in April, bringing the year to date loss to 13.5%. All sectors registered a gain in April, with cyclical sectors such as energy (+15.7%), consumer discretionary (+15.5%) and materials (+15.1%) outperforming. On the other side, utilities (+3.7%), consumer staples (+5.7%) and financials (+6.8%) underperformed. Within regions, United States (+13.0%) outperformed global peers. Asia ex-Japan (+8.9%), Europe (+5.8%), Japan (+5.4%) and UK (+5.3%) underperformed.

The lockdown measures continue to show results, as the COVID-19 curve continues to flatten. At the time of writing, total confirmed cases reached 3.4 million - an increase from 2.99 million the prior week. Out of the total confirmed cases, around 61.1% still remain infected, while 31.9% have recovered, leaving the virus with a fatality rate of around 7.0%. The stages of recovery differ across the world. We will look forward for the decline in the number of new cases and increases in the number of recoveries, as well as potential medical response (from treatment care (antiviral) to preventive care (vaccines), while being cautious of any possible 'second wave'. Indeed, many factors could affect the numbers.

Indeed, the narrative in the news has shifted from crisis to recovery. Over a dozen US states, Europe as well as Asia have started removing mobility restrictions after experiencing slower growth in new cases. Mirroring China's process, reopening of economies are anticipated in phases. Analysis of China data shows that it takes longer for the consumer to return to normalcy (get back to play) than for manufacturing to recover ("get back to work"). A major constraint to "back to work" is the high percentage of children affected by school closures. According to UNESCO, as of May 1, there are 1.29 billion or 73.8% of total learners in 186 countries still facing school closures. While a lion's share of students is subjected to national or regional shutdowns complicated parents "back to work" plan, it is an improvement from 1.6 billion or 91.4% in 195 counties on April 1. In gauging a return to play, flight activity between major cities in the greater China area are starting to pick up. The impact of COVID on the Chinese aviation reached a peak in the week starting February 17, with flight numbers down by 70.8% and it is still down by 39.2% in the week starting April 27.

Major central banks across the world continue to assure the market of their commitment. Last week, the BOJ abandoned its QE limits in favor of buying "whatever is needed". The Federal Reserve's kept policy steady across the board; its focus on medium-term risks was taken as dovish. During the week, the Fed announced an expansion of its Municipal Liquidity Facility (MLF) and expanded the scope and eligibility of its so-called Main Street Loan Program. The ECB meeting produced no real surprises. The ECB lowered the rate on its targeted refinancing operations (TLTROs) by 25 basis points and launching a new series of pandemic lending operations (PELTROs). But ECB officials put little emphasis on sovereign stress, leaving the pandemic QE programme (PEPP) unchanged and signalling a high hurdle for activating Outright Monetary Transactions (OMT).

#### STRATEGY

Markit PMI data continue to suggest deterioration in both manufacturing and services sector for US and Europe. Manufacturing PMI for US fell to 36.1 for April from 48.5 in March. The similar picture is same for services at 27.0 in April (from 39.8 last month). As a result of the pandemic, over 30 million have filed for jobless aid over the past 6 weeks since the pandemic forced millions of employers to halt operations and slash their workforce. All eyes will also be on US non-farm payroll and the double digit unemployment rate for April as compared to March's 4.4%.

The IMF updated their GDP growth projections for 2020 and 2021 to take into account the negative impacts of Covid-19 and projected that Advanced Economies will contract -6.1% in 2020, while Emerging Markets will only contract by -1%. Within Advanced Economies, the United States fares better at -5.9% while within Emerging Markets, Emerging Asia fared better at 1.0%. In 2021, IMF expects the Emerging Markets to rebound 6.6% while Advanced Economies will expand by 4.5%.

This projection is in line with our portfolio preference. Within developed markets, we like US relatively as it has more policy space as compared to the other developed markets. Within the emerging markets, we like Asia ex Japan on prospects of growth uptick and within which, we favor China as it is in the early stage of restarting the economy and more policy space to revive activity along as new cases moderated.

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#### DISCLAIMER:

Based on the fund's portfolio returns as at 10 April 2020, the Volatility Factor (VF) for this fund is 13.8 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. This update does not amount to indicate that the SC has recommended or endorsed the Fund. 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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