

HLA Value Fund (HLVF)

April 2023

Fund Features

1. Investment Objective

The objective of the fund is to achieve large capital gains by investing in companies that are well-managed and financially stable which are undervalued or at deep discount to their net tangible asset values.

2. Investment Strategy & Approach

The strategy is to provide investors an access into a diversified portfolio of value stocks listed on Bursa Malaysia and/or in any foreign stock exchanges that offer potential capital appreciation. The fund may feed into collective investment schemes that meet the fund's objective. At inception, the fund will invest by feeding into Hong Leong Value Fund, formerly known as Hong Leong Penny Stock Fund ('Target Fund') with the option to increase the number of funds or replace the Target Fund in future. The Target Fund will invest with a value investment strategy across equity securities of all market capitalization level of companies operating in Malaysia. Generally, companies that have valuations at a discount to the market and/or its sector peers are selected. Additionally, the Target Fund may also invest in stocks with market capitalization of up to RM1 billion that are not well covered by equity research houses and stockbrokers.

3. Plough Back Mechanism

In the event that the net fund performance is below 5% per annum based on the performance assessment on the last business day of September of each year, an amount equivalent to 0.5% per annum of the fund's Net Asset Value (NAV) will be ploughed back to the fund in four equal weekly payments. The first payment will be due on the first business day of October of each year.

4. Asset Allocation

The indicative asset allocation for Target Fund is to invest a minimum of 70% of its NAV in equities and maximum 30% of its NAV in fixed income securities. Generally, HLA Value Fund may invest up to 95% of its NAV in equities.

5. Target Market

This fund is suitable for investors who have a higher than average risk tolerance level, medium-term investment horizon, and are able to accept the anticipated higher volatility of the fund.

Fund Details

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| Unit Price (28/4/2023) | : RM1.6122 |
| Fund Size (28/4/2023) | : RM335.6 mil |
| Fund Management Fee (effective as at 01/10/2015) | : 1.45% p.a. |
| Fund Manager | : Hong Leong Assurance Berhad |
| Fund Category | : Equity |
| Fund Inception | : 01 October 2015 |
| Benchmark | : FTSE Bursa Malaysia EMAS |
| Frequency of Unit Valuation | : Daily |

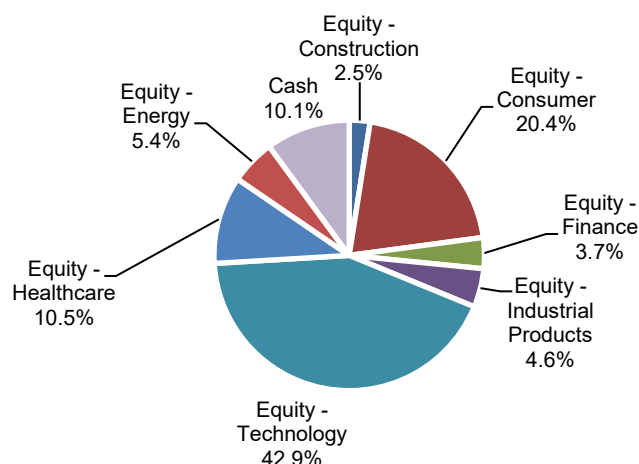
Fund management charge of underlying Collective Investment

Scheme(s) is part of Fund Management Fee as stated in table above.

There are no additional charges being charged to the Policy Owner. The Company reserves the right to change the Fund Management Fee (% p.a.) by giving the Policy Owner ninety (90) days prior written notice.

| Asset Allocation for HLVF as at 28 April 2023 | % |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------|
| Hong Leong Value Fund | 99.94 |
| Cash | 0.060 |
| Total | 100.0 |

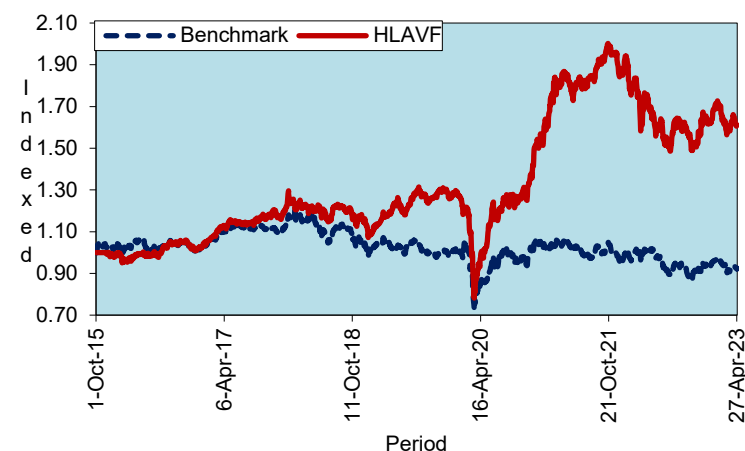
Asset & Sector Allocation of HLVF as at 28 April 2023



Top 5 Holdings for HLVF as at 28 April 2023

| | % |
|-----------------------------------|------|
| 1. Pentamaster Corporation Berhad | 8.7 |
| 2. Frontken Corporation Berhad | 8.2 |
| 3. Top Glove Corporation Berhad | 7.4 |
| 4. D&O Green Technologies Berhad | 7.0 |
| 5. Heineken Malaysia Berhad | 6.7 |
| Total top 5 | 37.9 |

Historical Performance



| | YTD | 1 month | 1 year | 3 years | 5 years | Since Inception |
|------------|--------|---------|--------|---------|---------|-----------------|
| HLVF | -0.79% | 0.33% | -3.62% | 59.15% | 32.90% | 61.22% |
| Benchmark* | -2.85% | -0.22% | -9.33% | 5.99% | -21.05% | -7.78% |
| Relative | 2.06% | 0.55% | 5.71% | 53.16% | 53.95% | 69.00% |

*Source: Bloomberg

Notice: Past performance of the fund is not an indication of its future performance.

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Market Review, Outlook & Strategy

During the month, the FTSE BM KLCI declined 0.5% to close at 1,416 points. The broader market outperformed as the FTSE BM EMAS Index declined 0.2% to close at 10,396 points. Small caps outperformed as the FTSE BM Small Cap rose 1.5% to close at 15,496 points.

It was a quiet month for the local market ahead of the Eid al-Fitr break. Investors also largely stayed on the sidelines due to the uncertainty surrounding the United States (US) debt ceiling problem and US regional bank sector crisis.

On the corporate front, Citaglobal Berhad and Genetec Technology Berhad have formed a joint venture company to manufacture battery energy storage systems. Bumi Armada Berhad sold one of its floating production storage vessels for USD20 million.

The Fund will continue to identify companies that are potential winners in growing industries helmed by capable management.

Actual Annual Investment Returns for the Past Six (6) Calendar Years

| Year | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| Benchmark | 4.6% | -2.8% | 12.9% | -11.1% | -1.6% | 3.9% | -3.9% |
| HLVF - Gross | -0.1% | 4.7% | 22.2% | -9.3% | 20.0% | 25.3% | 28.4% |
| HLVF - Net | -0.4% | 2.8% | 19.0% | -10.0% | 17.0% | 21.8% | 24.3% |

Net returns are adjusted for tax and fund management fees.

Those are the actual returns in the past six (6) years, or since inception if shorter, and are strictly the performance of the investment-linked fund. Thus, the returns are not earned on the actual premium paid of the investment-linked product.

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The fund was only launched on 1 October 2015. The actual investment returns are calculated based on unit price from 1 October 2015 to 31 December 2015.

Investment Risks

All investments carry risks. Policy Owners must be prepared to accept certain degree of risk associated with this Investment. The following are the non-exhaustive list of risks associated to this fund.

- Market Risk**
Market risk stems from the fact that there are other economy-wide perils, which threaten all businesses. It is mainly caused by uncertainties in the economy, political and social environment.
- Liquidity Risk**
Liquidity risk is the risk that the fund invested cannot be readily sold and converted into cash. This may arise when the trading volume is low and/or where there is a lack of demand for the security.
- Credit Risk**
This refers to the possibility that the issuer of a security will not be able to make timely payments of interest or principal repayment on the maturity date. The default may lead to a fall in the value of the funds.
- Interest Rate Risk**
The level of interest rates has an impact on the value of investments. Any increase in rates will lead to a fall in the value of securities, thus affecting the value of the funds.
- Concentration Risk**
This risk is associated with a feeder fund whereby the investments of such fund are not diversified. A feeder fund invests mainly into another collective investment scheme.

If the fund invests in Foreign Asset, the fund will be exposed to the following risks:

- Country Risk**
The foreign investment of a fund may be affected by the political & economic conditions of the country which the investments are made.
- Currency Risk**
This risk is associated with investments that are denominated in foreign currencies. Fluctuation in foreign exchange rates will have an impact on the value of the funds.

Risk Management

The company has in place its Authorized Investment Framework which forms part of the Risk Management process. The authority framework covers the nature and scope of the investment authority that is exercisable by various parties in managing the Company's investments. The potential investment risks that are taken into consideration in managing the fund include economic conditions, liquidity, qualitative and quantitative aspects of the securities. The investment manager(s) have put in place the following controls to reduce the risks through:

- having a flexible tactical asset allocation
- investing in a wide range of companies across different sectors
- setting prudent investment limits on various exposures
- taking into account the liquidity factor in selecting securities
- engaging in the hedging of foreign currency exposure where appropriate

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Basis of Unit Valuation

1. The assets of every fund are to be valued to determine the value at which units of a particular fund can be liquidated or purchased for investment purposes.
2. The unit price of a unit of a fund shall be determined by the Company but in any event shall not be less than the value of fund of the relevant fund (as defined below), divided by the number of units of the given fund in issue on the business day before the valuation date, and the result adjusted to the nearest one hundredth of a cent.
3. The maximum value of any asset of any fund shall not exceed the following price:
 - a) The last transacted market price at which those assets could be purchased or sold on the business day before the valuation date; or
 - b) In the case of securities for which market values are not readily available, the price at which, in our Investment Manager's opinion, the asset may have been purchased on the business day before the valuation date; plus any expenses which would have been incurred in its acquisition.
4. To ensure fair treatment to all unit holders, the cost of acquiring and disposing of assets is recouped by making a transaction cost adjustment to the net asset value per unit.

Exceptional Circumstances

The Company reserves the right to defer the payment of benefits (other than death benefit) under this Policy for a period not exceeding six (6) months from the date the payment would have been normally effected if not for intervening events such as temporary closure of any Stock Exchange in which the fund is invested which the Company, in its discretion, may consider exceptional.

Target Fund Details

Hong Leong Value Fund, formerly known as Hong Leong Penny Stock Fund is an Equity fund managed by Hong Leong Asset Management. The past performance of this fund is as follows:

| Year | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
|-------------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| Performance | 19.6% | 1.1% | 18.8% | 3.1% | 21.7% | -12.2% | 16.6% | 21.8% | 26.2% | -18.4% |

Source: Hong Leong Asset Management

Note: With effect from 27 March 2020, Hong Leong Penny Stock Fund has been renamed to Hong Leong Value Fund.

Basis of Calculation of Past Performance

The historical performance of the fund is calculated based on the price difference over the period in consideration compared to the older price of the period in consideration.

$$\frac{\text{Unit Price}_t - \text{Unit Price}_{t-1}}{\text{Unit Price}_{t-1}}$$

For the underlying Target Fund, past performance is calculated after adjusting for distribution and/or additional units, if any.

Others

HLA Value Fund is managed by HLA. Any amount invested in this fund is invested by HLA on behalf of Policy Owner in equity, fixed income, collective investment scheme, foreign asset, derivatives and money market instrument/s. If the financial institutions and/or corporations issuing the equity, fixed income, collective investment scheme, foreign asset, derivatives and money market instruments defaults or insolvent, the Policy Owner risks losing part or all of his/her amount that were invested into the instruments on his/her behalf by HLA.

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Disclaimer:

Policy Owner must evaluate your options carefully and satisfy yourself that the investment-linked fund chosen meets your risk appetite. Past performance of the fund is not an indication of its future performance. The intention of this document is to enable Policy Owner to better understand the fund features and details in order to assist Policy Owner to making an informed decision. This document shall not be construed as professional advice on investment choices.