

Principal DALI Opportunities Fund - Class SGD

31 March 2023

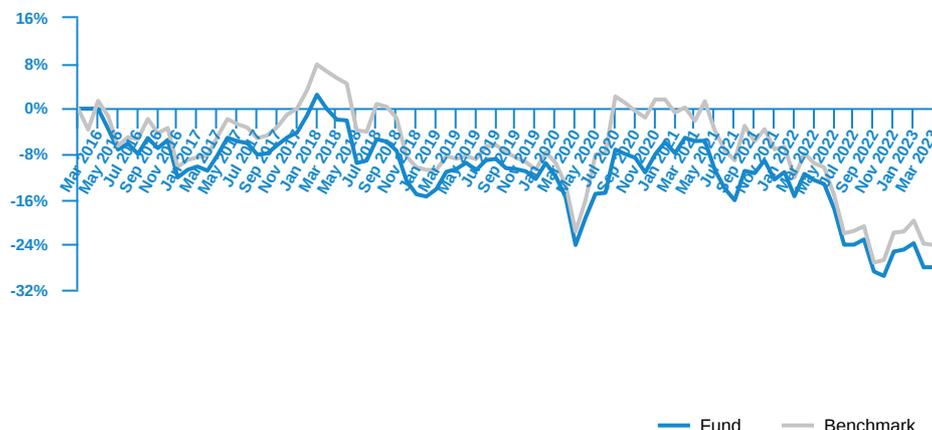
Fund Objective

The Fund aims to provide investors with medium to long-term capital appreciation through investments in securities of Malaysian companies that will benefit from prevailing investment themes and that conform with Shariah principles. The strategy of the fund is to invest in sectors that are related to the prevailing domestic and/or global investment themes. The fund will invest at least 70% of the fund's NAV will be invested in equities that conform with Shariah principles; up to 28% of the fund's NAV may be invested in other permissible investments; and at least 2% of the fund's NAV will be invested in Shariah-compliant liquid assets for liquidity purposes.

Fund Information

ISIN Code	MYU1001FJ005
Lipper ID	68358034
Bloomberg Ticker	CIMIDES MK
Domicile	Malaysia
Currency	SGD
Base Currency	MYR
Fund Inception	18 Feb 2016
Benchmark	FTSE Bursa Malaysia EMAS Shariah Index
Application Fee	Up to 5%
Management Fee	Up to 1.5% p.a.
Trustee Fee	Up to 0.05% p.a.
Fund Size (SGD)	SGD 84.69 thousand
Fund Unit	0.13 million units
NAV per unit (As at 31 Mar 2023)	SGD 0.6459

Fund Performance



Past performance does not guarantee future results. Asset allocation and diversification do not ensure a profit or protect against a loss.

Cumulative Performance (%)								
	YTD	1M	3M	6M	1Y	3Y	5Y	Since Inception
Fund	-4.15	0.03	-4.15	1.06	-17.61	-5.18	-26.62	-28.03
Benchmark	-3.05	-0.31	-3.05	4.26	-16.00	-3.05	-28.01	-23.15

Calendar Year Returns (%)							
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	
Fund	-15.43	-5.63	4.11	7.00	-14.50	10.75	
Benchmark	-16.07	-8.21	10.08	3.51	-13.62	13.54	

Most Recent Fund Distributions						
			2022 Jul	2021 Jul	2018 Jul	2017 Oct
Gross (cent/unit)			0.76	2.09	3.48	2.91
Annualised Yield (%)			1.11	2.66	3.75	3.31

Note: February 2016 to March 2023.

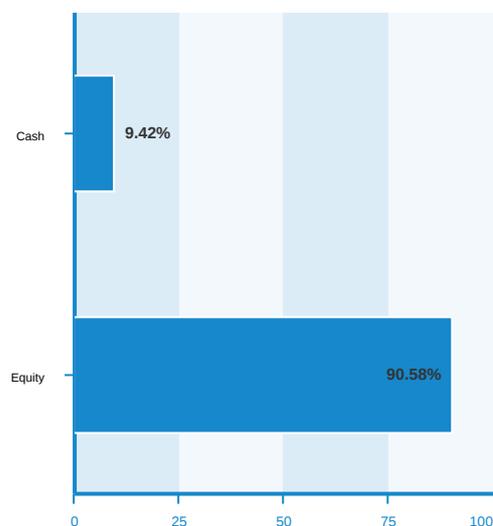
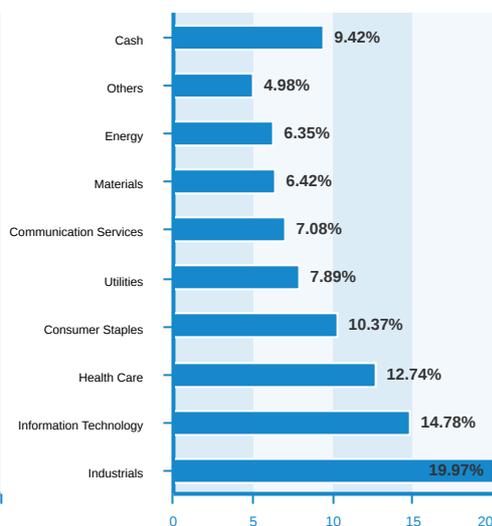
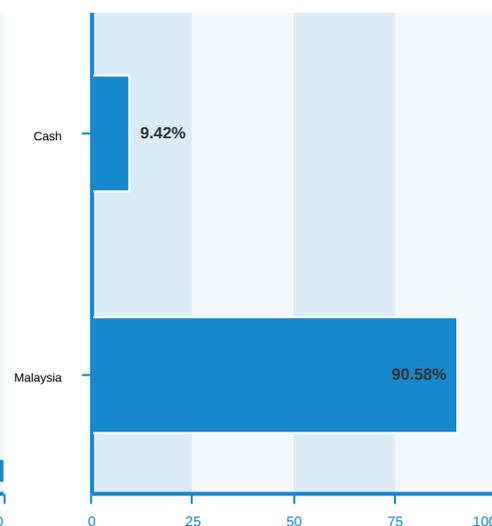
Performance data represents the combined income & capital return as a result of holding units in the fund for the specified length of time, based on bid to bid prices. Earnings are assumed to be reinvested.

Annualised yield is calculated as the most recent monthly dividend distribution multiplied by the Fund's dividend frequency and divided by the latest NAV.

Source : Lipper

Top Holdings	Country	% of Net Assets	Fund Risk Statistics	
Tenaga Nasional Bhd	Malaysia	7.89	Beta	0.86
Press Metal Aluminium Holdings Bhd	Malaysia	4.90	Information Ratio	-0.05
My EG Services Bhd	Malaysia	4.25	Sharpe Ratio	-0.06
Hartalega Holdings Bhd	Malaysia	3.95	(3 years monthly data)	
Gamuda Bhd	Malaysia	3.89		
Sime Darby Plantation Bhd	Malaysia	3.82		
IHH Healthcare Bhd	Malaysia	3.44		
Dialog Group Bhd	Malaysia	3.13		
MISC Bhd	Malaysia	2.87		
Inari Amertron Bhd	Malaysia	2.67		

The holdings listed do not constitute a recommendation to purchase or sell a particular security. Cash and/or derivative positions that are not part of the core investment strategy will not be reflected in the top holdings list.

Asset Allocation (%)**Sector Allocation (%)****Regional Allocation (%)**

Source: Factset. Fund holdings and allocations shown are unaudited and may not be representative of current or future investments. Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding and/or inclusion or exclusion of cash will not be reflected in the top holdings list.

Fund Manager's Report

In March, the Fund was slightly up 0.03% in SGD terms, outperforming the Benchmark by 34 basis points (bps) which was mainly due to the fund's overweight in Health Care and its underweight in Consumer Staples, Consumer Discretionary and Utilities.

Malaysia's PMI improved further to 48.8pts in March from February's 48.4pts, alongside improvements seen in many economies in Asia. According to S&P Global, the latest reading was consistent with sustained expansions in both manufacturing production and GDP, with signs that growth has accelerated since the start of the year. New orders scaled back to the least extent since last October, but production volumes remain muted as client confidence was relatively subdued. Encouragingly, input cost and selling price inflation eased, the former at its lowest in 34 months, and delivery times shortened further.

BNM now projects Malaysia's GDP growth to moderate from 8.7% in 2022 to 4-5% in 2023 (from 4.5% previously), due to the slowdown in global growth on the back of persistent pressures from inflation and tightening of global financial conditions, in addition to a high base effect. The central bank in its latest Stability Report showed that the domestic banking sector remains healthy and will not need additional capital even under severe scenarios. Last MPC meeting, the central bank held OPR at 2.75%, while economists are still expecting up to 50bps hike for the rest of the year. Malaysia's CPI remained at a rate of 3.7% in February, and was still driven by Restaurant and Hotels, and Food and Non-alcoholic beverages. The latest reading was within BNM's inflation target of 2.8-3.8% for 2023.

Malaysia's equity market valuations remain compressed with forward PE at 16.8x still at over -0.5SD below the historical mean. The re-tabled Budget 2023 offered much needed clarity on the new Government's policy posture. There were also numerous tax incentives to spur MSMEs and investments into various high impact sectors. We remain hopeful that elevated risk premiums on Malaysia would abate over time.

We remain positive for the market as Malaysia is expected to continue benefitting from robust domestic economic activity, further buoyed by China's recovery. We favour domestically driven sectors such as Consumer Discretionary, Industrials and Utilities. We also prefer selective Technology for structural growth as well as Gloves for emerging values. Key risks are derailment of Malaysia's macro recovery and corporate earnings growth due to a larger-than-expected impact of rising inflation, slower global economic growth as well as heightened geopolitical risks.

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