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PRODUCT HIGHLIGHTS SHEET

APEX ASIAN (EX JAPAN) FUND

BRIEF INFORMATION ON THE PRODUCT

1. What is this product about?

This is an open-ended Equity Growth fund, issued and managed by Apex Investment Services Berhad.

The Fund seeks to achieve a steady income* and some prospects for capital appreciation in the long term by investing primarily in Asian markets excluding Japan.

*Please note that this Fund does not provide income to Unit holders.

PRODUCT SUITABILITY

2. Who is this product suitable for?

The Fund is suitable for investors who expect capital appreciation with potential in the medium to long term and have medium to high-risk tolerance. The investors also understand the risks and benefits that come with the investment in the Asian markets excluding Japan.

KEY PRODUCT FEATURES

3. What am I investing in?

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| Launch Date | 28 November 2007 |
| Initial Offer Price | RM0.2500 (applicable during the initial offer period of not more than 21 calendar days from the commencement date of the Fund) |
| Tenure | The Fund is an open-ended fund which means there is no maturity date and may only be terminated in accordance with the terms of the Prospectus and the provisions of the Deed. |
| Investment Strategy And Asset Allocation | The Fund will invest between 70% to 100% of its Net Asset Value (NAV) in a diversified portfolio of equities and equity-related securities* issued by companies listed in the Asian countries (excluding Japan). The Fund will also seek to invest in Asian companies whose securities are listed on stock exchange outside of Asia. *Equity-related securities refers to Warrant, American Depository Receipt (ADR), Global Depository Receipt (GDR) and right issue. |
| Benchmark | 100% MSCI AC Asia Ex-Japan |
| Minimum Investment | i) Cash Plan - RM1,000.00 for initial and RM100.00 for additional investment. ii) Monthly Regular Savings Plan – RM100.00 for initial and additional investment. |
| Maximum Approved Fund Size | 150,000,000 units |
| Distribution Policy | Distribution is at the discretion of the Manager. If income distributed, it will be automatically re-invested via issuance of additional Units in the Fund. |

Note : Please refer to the Master Prospectus for further details of the fund.

4. Who am I investing with?

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| The Manager | Apex Investment Services Berhad |
| The Trustee | Maybank Trustees Berhad |
| Auditor | Crowe Malaysia PLT |
| Taxation Adviser | Mazars Taxation Services Sdn Bhd |
| Solicitor | Wei Chien & Partners |
| Principal Banker | Malayan Banking Berhad |

5. What are the possible outcomes of my investment

By applying fundamental and technical analysis, the Manager aims to deliver reasonable returns in line with the investment objectives. The Fund is expected to produce capital appreciation due to its investment of between 70% to 100% of the Fund's NAV in a diversified portfolio of equities and equity-related securities* issued by companies listed in the Asian countries (excluding Japan). The Fund will also seek to invest in Asian companies whose securities are listed on stock exchanges outside of Asia. As the equity market is affected by many other factors, the net asset value of the Fund will also be affected by the volatility of the markets. Please note that the capital and returns of the Fund are not guaranteed.

*Equity-related securities refer to Warrant, American Depository Receipt (ADR), Global Depository Receipt (GDR) and rights issue.

KEY RISKS

6. What are the key risks associated with this product?

1. a) General Investment Risks

- **Country Risk** - Investments of the fund in any countries may be affected by changes in the economic and political climate, restriction on currency repatriation or other developments in the law or regulations of the countries in which the fund invests in. For example, the deteriorating economic condition of such countries may adversely affect the value of the investments undertaken by the fund in those affected countries. This in turn may cause the net asset value of the fund or prices of units to fall.
- **Manager's Risk** - This risk refers to the day-to-day management of the fund by the manager which will impact the performance of the fund. For example, investment decisions undertaken by the manager, as a result of an incorrect view of the market or any non-compliance with internal policies, investment mandate, the deed, relevant law or guidelines due to factors such as human error or weaknesses in operational process and systems, may adversely affect the performance of the fund.
- **Risk of Non-Compliance** - Non-adherence with laws, rules, regulations, prescribed practices, internal policies and procedures may result in tarnished reputation, limited business opportunities and reduced expansion potential for the management company. Unit holders' investment goals may also be affected if the fund manager does not adhere to the investment mandate. Compliance unit of the management company, which oversees the entire compliance matters of the management company, will mitigate such risk.
- **Loan Financing Risk** - This risk occurs when investors take a loan/financing to finance their investment. The inherent risk of investing with borrowed money includes investors being unable to service the loan repayments. In the event units are used as collateral, an investor may be required to top-up the investors' existing instalment if the prices of units fall below a certain level due to market conditions. Failing which, the units may be sold at a lower net asset value per unit as compared to the net asset value per unit at the point of purchase towards settling the loan.

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- **Returns Are Not Guaranteed Risk** - There is no guarantee on the investment returns to Unit holders. Unlike fixed deposits, which carry a specific rate of return, the fund does not provide a fixed rate of return.
- **Inflation Risk** - This is the risk that investors' investment in the unit trust fund may not grow or generate income at a rate that keeps pace with inflation. This would reduce investors' purchasing power even though the value of the investment in monetary terms has increased.
- **Liquidity Risk** - Liquidity risk refers to the ease of liquidating an asset depending on the asset's volume traded in the market. If the fund holds assets that are illiquid, or are difficult to dispose of, the value of the fund will be negatively affected when it has to sell such assets at unfavorable prices.
- **Future Contract Risk** - A future is similar to an option, except that with futures, investors must exercise their right to purchase the underlying financial instrument or commodity at the settlement date. Hence, the downside risk is basically unlimited because investors are obligated to fulfil their end of the transaction regardless of how market prices move. A futures contract is an agreement to transact at a later date. Because of this, it is important to sell the contract before the settlement date. That way, investors can avoid having a truckload of commodities delivered to their doorstep on the day of the settlement.
- **Credit and Default Risk** - Credit risk relates to the creditworthiness of the issuers of the debt instruments and their expected ability to make timely payment of interest and/or principal. Any adverse situations faced by the issuer may impact the value as well as liquidity of the debt instrument. In the case of rated debt instruments, this may lead to a credit downgrade. Default risk relates to the risk that an issuer of a debt instrument either defaulting on payments or failing to make payments in a timely manner which will in turn adversely affect the value of the debt instruments. This could adversely affect the value of the fund.

b) Specific Risks for investing in equities and equity-related securities

- **Market Risk** - Market risk refers to the possibility that an investment will lose value because of a general decline in financial markets, due to economic, political and/or other factors, which will result in a decline in the Fund's NAV.
- **Particular Stock Risk** - Prices of a particular stock may fluctuate in response to the circumstances affecting individual companies such as adverse financial performance, news of a possible merger or loss of key personnel of a company. Any adverse price movements of such stock will adversely affect the Fund's NAV.
- **Warrant Risk** - Warrants have a limited life, as denoted by the expiry date of each issue. After this date, warrants can no longer be traded or exercised. Hence, the warrants are worthless after their expiry date. It must also be noted that warrants experience time decay (erosion of their time value) throughout their life, and that the rate of this decay accelerates as warrants near expiry.
- **Negative Return Risk** - The Fund will generate a negative return whenever the stock market is bearish. To minimize the negative return, the fund manager will reduce the exposure of equity investment in the Fund.
- **Dividend Payment Risk** - Dividend stocks may declare less-than-expected dividend payment. This may happen due to an unfavorable business condition. In this regard, the fund manager will dispose the dividend stocks if the dividend payments are no longer deemed attractive.
- **Currency Risk** - As the investments of the Fund may be denominated in currencies other than the base currency, any fluctuation in the exchange rate between the base currency and the currencies in which the investments are denominated may have an impact on the value of these investments. Investors should be aware that if the currencies in which the investments are denominated depreciate against the base currency, this will have an adverse effect on the NAV of the Fund in the base currency and vice versa. Investors should note that any gains or losses arising from the fluctuation in the exchange rate may further increase or decrease the returns of the investment.

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- **Country Risk** - Investments of the Fund in any countries may be affected by changes in the economic and political climate, restriction on currency repatriation or other developments in the law or regulations of the countries in which the Fund invests in. For example, the deteriorating economic condition of such countries may adversely affect the value of the investments undertaken by the Fund in those affected countries. This in turn may cause the NAV of the Fund or prices of Units to fall.
- **Derivatives Risk** - While the Fund does not intend to actively trade in derivatives, the Manager may enter into forward contracts to hedge the Fund's positions. Unit holders should be aware that there is a risk of higher volatility in the NAV per Unit of the Fund when derivatives or structured products are part of the Fund's investment assets. Any change in the aforesaid factors would either positively or negatively impact the value of the investment.

2. A unit trust consultant (UTC) may represent a company that distributes unit trust fund that uses a nominee system and the rights as a unit holder may be limited if an investor invest in unit trust funds through it. If the company that distributes unit trust fund uses a nominee system, to state if rights as a unit holder will be limited in any way.

It is important to note that events affecting the investments cannot always be foreseen. Therefore, it is not always possible to protect investments against all risks. The various asset classes generally exhibit different levels of risk.

The investments of the Fund carry risk and you are recommended to read the whole Master Prospectus to assess the risk of the Fund. If necessary, you should consult your professional adviser(s) for a better understanding of the risks.

FEES & CHARGES

7. What are the fees and charges involved?

There are fees and charges involved and you are advised to consider them before contributing to the Fund.

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| Sales Charge | 5.2632% of the NAV per unit (effective from 1 August 2016) |
| Redemption Charge | Nil |
| Switching Fee | 3 free switches per account are allowed in each calendar year. Further switches will be subject to a 1% charge based on proceeds of redemption. |
| Transfer fee | RM5 per transfer |
| Annual Management Fee | 1.50% p.a. of the NAV (before deducting the management fee and trustee fee) |
| Trustee Fee | 0.05% (before deducting the management fee and trustee fee for the relevant day), subject to a minimum of RM16,000 p.a (excluding foreign custodian fee and charges) |

The sales charge will be added to the NAV in deriving the total cost to the investors. The computation is based on the NAV per Unit of the Fund that has not been rounded up.

YOU SHOULD NOT MAKE PAYMENT IN CASH TO A UNIT TRUST CONSULTANT OR ISSUE A CHEQUE IN THE NAME OF A UNIT TRUST CONSULTANT

VALUATIONS AND EXITING FROM INVESTMENT

8. How often are valuations available?

The Fund will be valued on every Business Day and the Net Asset Value (NAV) per Unit will be published on the Manager's website at www.apexis.com.my. However, if the investments of the Fund are in foreign markets, the daily price of the Fund for a particular Business Day will not be published in the website on the next day but will instead be published the next following day (i.e. the price will be available two (2) days later.) You may also obtain the NAV per unit of the fund from our customer service at 03-20959999 or email at enquiry@apexis.com.my.

9. How can I exit from this investment and what are the risks and costs involved?

You may request to redeem your investment in the Fund at any point in time by completing the Quickform and returning it to the Manager on any Business Day between 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Payment will be made to you within 5 Business days from the day the redemption request is received by the Manager and provided that all documentations are completed and verifiable.

Cooling off-period

The cooling-off period is applicable to all first time investors except for corporation/institution, staff of the Manager and persons registered with a body approved by the SC to deal in unit trusts.

The cooling off right must be exercised within six (6) Business Days commencing from the date of receipt of the application for Units by the Manager. The refund for every Unit held by the investor pursuant to exercising his cooling off right shall be the sum of the NAV per Unit on the day the Units were first purchased and sales charge per Unit originally imposed on the day the Units were purchased.

Switching is strictly prohibited during cooling off period.

FUND PERFORMANCE

Average Total Return (%)

| | 1 Year | 3 Year | 5 Year | 10 Year |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| AAEJF | 7.38 | 0.79 | 6.98 | 1.84 |
| Benchmark | 32.80 | 12.06 | 16.71 | 5.32 |

Annual Total Return (%)

| Financial Year End | June 2021 | June 2020 | June 2019 | June 2018 | June 2017 | June 2016 | June 2015 | June 2014 | June 2013 | June 2012 |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| ADAF-I | 7.38 | -9.41 | 5.25 | 2.69 | 28.31 | -8.60 | -0.67 | 1.73 | -1.70 | -2.59 |
| Benchmark | 32.80 | 2.95 | -0.37 | 0.82 | 33.69 | -8.55 | -3.93 | 14.95 | 3.88 | -5.55 |

Source: Bloomberg

For the financial year ended 30 June 2021, the fund registered a return of 7.38%. The fund's performance, however still below its benchmark's return which are 32.80%.

Basis of calculation and assumptions made in calculating the returns.

Average total return : $\frac{\text{Total returns of the years under review}}{\text{No. of years under review}}$

Annual total return : $\frac{(\text{NAV at the end of the period} - \text{NAV at the beginning of the period})}{\text{NAV at the beginning of the period}}$

Income Distribution & Portfolio Turnover Ratio (PTR)

| | 30.06.2021 RM | 30.06.2020 RM | 30.06.2019 RM |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Gross Distribution Per Unit | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Net Distribution Per Unit | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Portfolio Turnover Ratio (PTR) (times) <i>*the PTR for the financial year was higher compared with previous financial year as there were higher investment activities during the financial year under review.</i> | 0.62* | 0.33 | 0.43 |

PAST PERFORMANCE OF THE FUND IS NOT AN INDICATION OF ITS FUTURE PERFORMANCE

CONTACT INFORMATION

10. Who should I contact for further information or to lodge a complaint?

1. For internal dispute resolution, you may contact our Customer Service personnel:

- a) via phone to : 03-2095 9999
- b) via fax to : 03-2095 0693
- c) via email to : enquiry@apexis.com.my
- d) via website to : www.apexis.com.my
- e) via letter to : Apex Investment Services Berhad
3rd Floor, Menara MBSB, 46, Jalan Dungun,
Damansara Heights, 50490 Kuala Lumpur.

2. If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal dispute resolution process, please refer your dispute to the Securities Industries Dispute Resolution Center (SIDREC):

- a) via phone to : 03-2282 2280
- b) via fax to : 03-2282 3855
- c) via email to : info@sidrec.com.my
- d) via letter to : Securities Industry Dispute Resolution Center (SIDREC)
Unit A-9-1, Level 9, Tower A, Menara UOA Bangsar
No 5, Jalan Bangsar Utama 1, 59000 Kuala Lumpur

3. You can also direct your complaint to the SC even if you have initiated a dispute resolution process with SIDREC. To make a complaint, please contact the SC's Consumer & Investor Office:

- a) via phone to the Aduan Hotline at : 03-6204 8999
- b) via fax to : 03-6204 8991
- c) via email to : aduan@seccom.com.my
- d) via online complaint form available at www.sc.com.my
- e) via letter to : Consumer & Investor Office
Securities Commission Malaysia
No 3 Persiaran Bukit Kiara, Bukit Kiara, 50490 Kuala Lumpur

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4. Federation of Investment Managers Malaysia (FIMM)'s Complaints Bureau:

- (a) via phone to : 03 –20932600
(b) via fax to : 03 –20932700
(c) via e-mail to : complaints@fimm.com.my

(d) via online complaint form available at : www.fimm.com.my

(e) via letter to : Legal & Regulatory Affairs
Federation of Investment Managers Malaysia
19-06-1, 6th Floor Wisma Tune
No. 19, Lorong Dungun
Damansara Heights
50490 Kuala Lumpur

GLOSSARY

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| NAV | Net Asset Value |
| p.a | Per annum |
| SC | Securities Commission |