

Principal Asia Pacific Dynamic Income Fund formerly known as CIMB-Principal Asia Pacific Dynamic Income Fund)-Class USD

31 March 2021

3-year
Fund Volatility
15.41
High
Lipper Analytics
15 Mar 2021

Fund Objective

The investment objective of the Fund is to aim to provide regular income by investing primarily in the Asia Pacific ex Japan region and at the same time to achieve capital appreciation over the medium to long term.

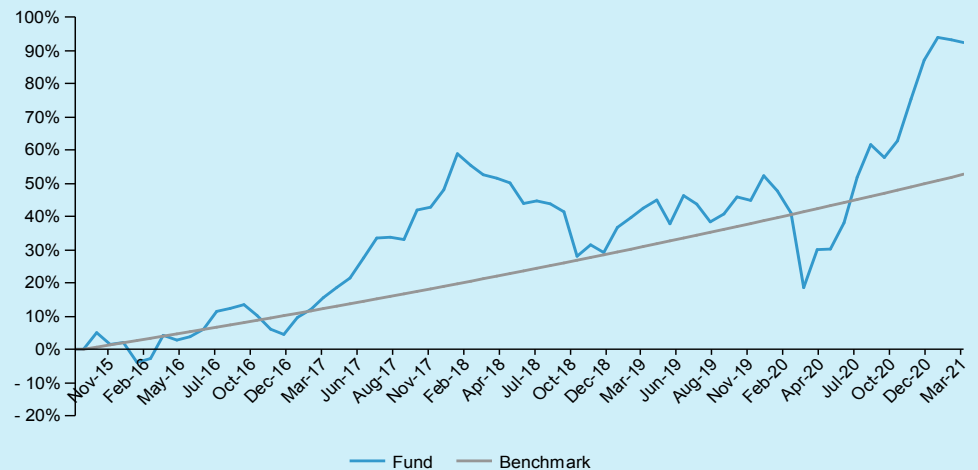
Currency: USD ISIN Code: MYU1002DP005

Bloomberg Ticker: CPASUSD MK

Fund Information

Domicile	Malaysia
Base Currency	U.S Dollar
Fund Inception	30 September 2015
Benchmark	8% p.a.
Application Fee	Up to 5.00% of the NAV
Management Fee	Up to 1.50% p.a. of the NAV
Trustee Fee	Up to 0.05% p.a. of the NAV
Total Fund Size (USD)	USD 1.24 billion
NAV per unit (As at 31 March 2021)	USD 0.9743
Trustee	HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad
Custodian	The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Ltd and assets held through HSBC Nominees (Tempatan) Sdn Bhd (in Malaysia) and HSBC Institutional trust Services (Asia) Limited (outside Malaysia)

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	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	Since Inception
Fund	2.83	-0.43	2.83	21.94	62.21	26.10	84.58	92.37
Benchmark/Target Return	1.94	0.64	1.94	3.92	8.00	25.97	46.93	52.76

Calendar Year Returns (%)

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Fund	22.86	17.91	-12.76	41.69	2.38	N/A
Benchmark	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	N/A

Most Recent Fund Distributions

	2021 Jan	2020 Oct	2020 Jul	2020 Apr	2020 Jan	2019 Oct
Gross (Cent/Unit)	0.78	1.30	0.77	0.64	1.34	1.15
Annualised Yield (%)	3.00	3.52	2.36	2.24	3.72	3.52

Most Recent Unit Splits

Ratio	2020 Dec
	3:4

Note: September 2015 to March 2021.

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 10 Holdings

	Country	% of net assets
Taiwan Semiconductor Manuf	Taiwan	6.11
Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd	South Korea	6.08
Tencent Hldg Ltd	HK, China	4.39
LG Chem Ltd	South Korea	4.34
Volkswagen AG	Germany	3.36
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd	Cayman Islands	3.33
Techtronic Industries Co	HK, China	3.19
HDFC Bank Ltd	India	3.09
Kingboard Laminates Hldg Ltd	HK, China	3.01
AlA Group Ltd	HK, China	3.00

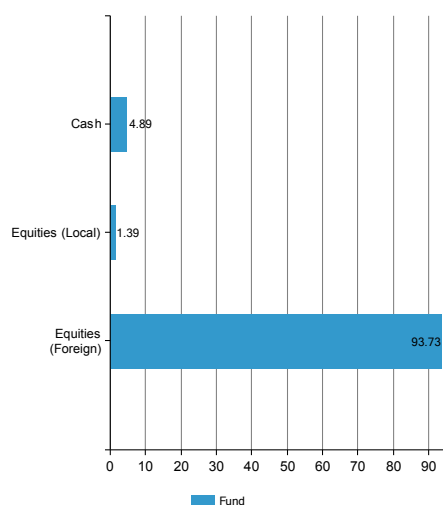
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Fund Risk Statistics

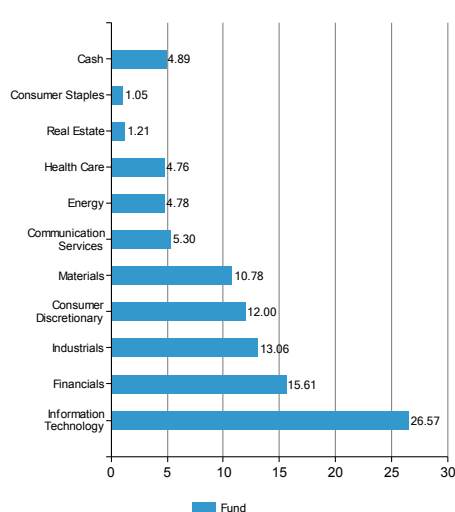
Beta	-0.42
Information Ratio	0.11
Sharpe Ratio	8.34

3 years monthly data

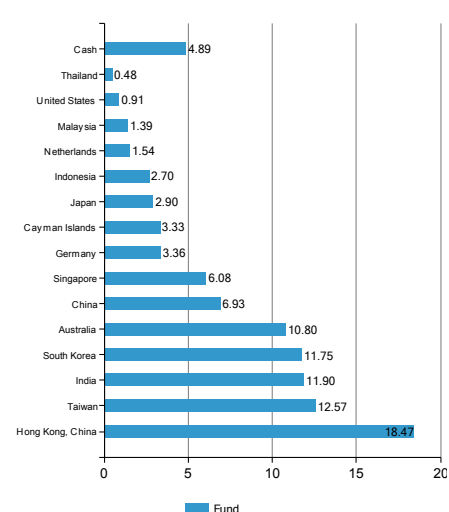
Asset Allocation (%)



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

The Fund was down by -0.43% in USD terms in March, underperforming the absolute return benchmark by 107bps.YTD, the Fund is up 2.83%, outperforming the absolute return benchmark by 89bps.

The MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex Japan Index declined by 2.3% in USD terms in March 2021 led by Singapore and India while China and Indonesia lagged. The soft patch in Asian equities since mid-February was due to a stronger US\$ and higher US Treasury yields. Rising yields resulted from the market's assessment of expected growth and inflation from the extraordinary amount of fiscal stimulus. Governments around the world, together with the central banks, continue to be focused on ensuring that the economy recovery continues. The pace of the roll-out of the vaccines and improving employment rate remain the key objectives. Higher bond yields from a firmer recovery are not likely to derail equities. The US Fed has consistently guided that it will keep interest rates low and continue to buy assets until the economy is much healthier. Its "average inflation targeting" regime adopted last year means it will look through the spike in inflation over the next few months. The desire to seek "broad based and inclusive" strength in the jobs market means that the breadth of the recovery is as important as the unemployment number. Liquidity will continue to be ample and fund flows are more likely to move to Asia given that (1) Asia is still under-owned, (2) earnings growth momentum is strong and (3) valuation is still attractive relative to global equities. The main risks that could derail the positive fundamental outlook are (1) earlier than expected tapering of balance sheet, (2) slower take-up of vaccines or any sharp surge in Covid cases leading to slower than expected economic recovery and (3) stronger than expected USD. We remain positive on Asian equities. We expect a broadening out of economic recovery and we maintain our tilt to cyclical or economic sensitive names. Recently, we have been adding exposure to materials and consumer discretionary. The focus continues to be on quality companies which are long term winners, or benefit from structural changes in their respective industries.

*Based on the fund's portfolio returns as at 15 March 2021, the Volatility Factor (VF) for this fund is 15.410 and is classified as "High" (source: FIMM). 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 FIMM 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.

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