

Fund Factsheet as at 31 January 2025



#### **FUND DETAILS**

# Type of Fund/Category

Growth / (Malaysia Equity)

#### **Launch Date**

04 January 2021

# **Launch Price**

RM1.0000

#### **Benchmark**

Average Returns of the funds under "Equity Malaysia" Non-Islamic category

#### Fund Size (RM)

RM33.84 million

#### **Units in Circulation**

41.86 million

#### **Management Fee**

Up to 2.00% p.a. of NAV

#### **Trustee Fee**

Up to 0.06% per annum of the NAV of the Fund, subject to a minimum fee of RM6,000 per annum.

# **Entry Charge**

Direct investment with Manager: Up to 1% of the net investment amount of the fund. Unit Trust Consultants, Third party distributors: Up to 3% of the net investment amount of the fund.

#### **Exit Fee**

Nil

# Switching Fee

Nil

#### Min Initial Investment

RM10,000 or such other limit at the Manager's discretion.

# Min Additional Investment

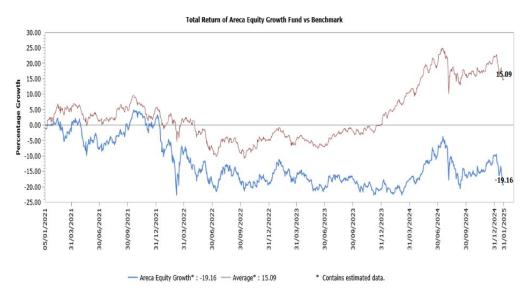
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# **FUND OBJECTIVE**

To provide investors with Medium to Long Term capital growth.



### FUND'S PERFORMANCE COMPARED TO BENCHMARK



Source Lippe

CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE (%)									
Return	YTD	1mth	3mth	6mth	1yr	3yr	5yr	10yr	Since Launch
AEGF	-10.40	-10.40	-3.50	-12.74	3.31	-12.41	-	-	-19.16
Benchmark	-5.75	-5.75	-0.62	-5.34	9.83	14.30	-	-	15.09

YEARLY PERFORMANCE (%)				
Return	2024	2023	2022	2021
AEGF	13.83	-2.11	-20.84	2.29
Benchmark	21.61	4.76	-9.16	5.71

ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE (%)				
Return	1 Year	3 Year	Since Launch	
AEGF	3.31	-4.32	-5.08	
Benchmark	9.82	4.41	3.37	

Source: Lipper. Past performance is not indicative of future performance. Investment involves risks and investor should conduct their own assessment before investing and seek professional advice, where necessary.

Based on the Fund's portfolio returns as at 31 December 2024, the Volatility Factor (VF) for this Fund is 13.9 and is classified as "High" (source: Lipper). "High" includes funds with VF that are above 12.185 but not more than 16.465. The VF means there is a possibility for the Fund in generating an upside 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.

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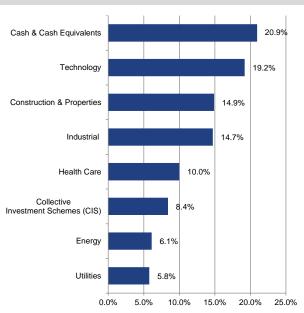
# **Areca Equity Growth Fund (AEGF)**

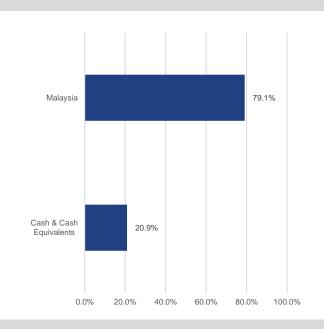
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DISTRIBUTION HISTORY (YEARLY)					
Year	Net Distribution (sen per unit)	Unit Splits			
-	-	-			

TOP 5 HOLDINGS (% OF NAV)	(%)
1) Gamuda Bhd	5.9
2) YTL Power International Bhd	5.8
3) Areca Global Emerging Momentum 3 - MYR	5.2
4) Sunway Berhad	4.7
5) Malaysian Pacific Industries	4.4

# ASSET, SECTOR & COUNTRY ALLOCATION (% OF NAV)





# **FUND MANAGER'S REPORT**

Global equities posted gains in January, with both Developed and Emerging Markets advancing. The 10-year U.S. Treasury yield eased slightly from 4.57% in December 2024 to 4.54% in January 2025, while the U.S. Dollar Index declined marginally by 0.1% MoM to 108.4 points.

Malaysia's FBM KLCI, however, declined by 5.2% MoM to close at 1,556.9 points, driven by a sharp sell-off in AI and data center-related stocks. The downturn was triggered by Chinese AI startup DeepSeek's breakthrough model, which outperformed OpenAI's offerings in cost efficiency and shifted market dynamics. The best-performing sectors in January were REITs and energy, while laggard sectors included construction, technology, and utilities. Foreign investors were net sellers, offloading RM3.1 billion worth of Malaysian equities.

The AI sector faced additional pressure from the Biden administration's AI diffusion framework, introduced in January 2025. This policy restricts AI chip exports to Malaysia, raising concerns over potential slowdowns in the country's data center boom. Previously, Malaysia had attracted significant foreign investment due to its rapid AI-driven expansion, positively impacting property, construction, and banking. The export restrictions now cast uncertainty over these growth projections, contributing to heightened market volatility.

Despite near-term headwinds, we maintain a positive view on Malaysia's data center theme, particularly in niche areas. DeepSeek's open-source model may spur infrastructure demand, creating opportunities for selected local players. The recent sell-off has also improved valuations, making certain Malaysian stocks attractive for long-term investors, even amidst ongoing geopolitical shifts and trade policy uncertainties.

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