

# **Principal Greater China Equity Fund - Class MYR**

Available under the EPF Members Investment Scheme



#### **Fund Objective**

The Fund aims to achieve medium to long-term capital growth primarily through investment in a portfolio of equity securities with exposure to the Greater China region consisting of the Peoples Republic of China, Hong Kong SAR and Taiwan. The Fund is a feeder Fund which invests at least 95% of its NAV in the Schroder ISF Greater China (Target Fund), a fund of the Schroder International Selection Fund. The Target Fund aims to provide capital growth in excess of the MSCI Golden Dragon (Net TR) index after fees have been deducted over a three to five year period.

## **Lipper Score**

**Total Return** 



#### **Morningstar Rating**



#### Sustainability

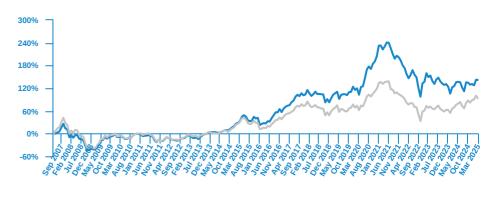




# **Fund Information**

| Fund Informatio                     | n   |
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| ISIN Code                           | MYU1000CB001  |
| Lipper ID                           | 65055593  |
| Bloomberg Ticker                    | CIMGRCH MK  |
| Domicile                            | Malaysia  |
| Currency                            | MYR   |
| Base Currency                       | USD   |
| Fund Inception                      | 12 Jun 2007   |
| Benchmark                           | The Fund adheres to the benchmark of<br>the Target Fund. The benchmark of the<br>Target Fund is the MSCI Golden<br>Dragon Index |
| Application<br>Fee                  | 5.50% of the NAV per unit   |
| Management<br>Fee                   | 1.80% p.a. of the NAV   |
| Trustee Fee                         | 0.03% p.a. of the NAV   |
| Fund Size<br>(MYR)                  | MYR 1682.77 million   |
| Fund Unit                           | 1745.98 million units   |
| NAV per unit<br>(As at 31 Mar 2025) | MYR 0.9637  |
| Initial Offering Perio              | ` '   |

#### **Fund Performance**



Fund Benchmark

ast performance does not quarantee 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<br>Inception |
| Fund                       | 4.67 | -0.14 | 4.67 | 2.70 | 7.19  | -5.92 | 19.34 | 142.02             |
| Benchmark                  | 2.48 | -3.64 | 2.48 | 6.51 | 13.83 | 6.42  | 19.19 | 93.15              |

| Calendar Year Returns (%) | 2024  | 2023  | 2022   | 2021  | 2020  | 2019  |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| Fund                      | 3.42  | -5.68 | -19.34 | -3.65 | 36.08 | 22.62 |
| Benchmark                 | 16.23 | 0.71  | -20.04 | -7.85 | 23.42 | 19.42 |

| Most Recent Fund Distributions | 2022 Mar | 2021 Mar | 2020 Aug | 2019 Nov |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Gross (sen/unit)               | 0.58     | 5.67     | 9.92     | 2.45     |
| Annualised Yield (%)           | 0.56     | 3.91     | 7.77     | 2.40     |

Note: June 2007 to March 2025

bid prices. Earnings are assumed to be reinvested.

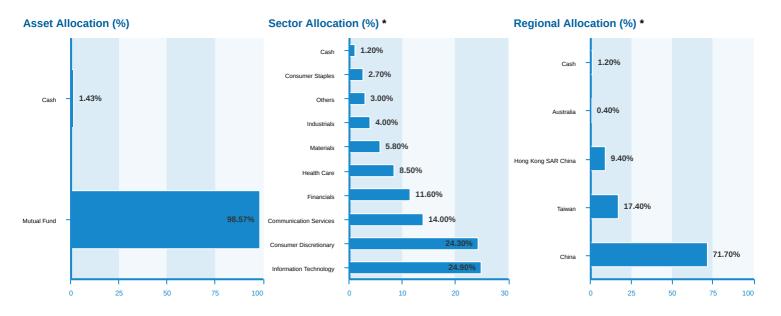
Annualised yield is calculated as the most recent monthly dividend distribution multiplied by the Fund's dividend frequency and divided by the latest NAV. Source : Lipper

| Top Holdings *                               | Country                | % of Net<br>Assets |
|--|------------------------|--------------------|
| Tencent Holdings Ltd                         | China                  | 9.80               |
| Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing           | Taiwan                 | 8.00               |
| Alibaba Group Holding Ltd                    | China                  | 7.00               |
| AIA Group Ltd                                | Hong Kong<br>SAR China | 4.60               |
| Meituan                                      | China                  | 3.40               |
| MediaTek Inc                                 | Taiwan                 | 2.50               |
| NetEase Inc                                  | China                  | 2.30               |
| Hong Kong Exchanges & Clearing               | Hong Kong<br>SAR China | 2.30               |
| Shenzhou International Group Holdings<br>Ltd | Hong Kong<br>SAR China | 2.20               |
| Zijin Mining Group Co Ltd                    | China                  | 2.10               |

| Fund Risk Statistics |       |
|----------------------|-------|
| Beta                 | 1.00  |
| Information Ratio    | -0.29 |
| Sharpe Ratio         | -0.08 |

(3 years monthly data)

The holdings listed do not constitute a recommendation to purchase or sell a particular security. Any repeated issuer shown means same issuer with different coupon rate and/or maturity date. Cash and/or derivative positions that are not part of the core investment strategy will not be reflected in the top holdings list.



<sup>\*</sup> Of the target fund

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**

During the month, the fund fell 0.14%, outperformed the benchmark by 3.50%.

China's markets performed strongly over the first quarter of 2025, despite investor concerns over looming trade tariffs on imported goods into the US. The market benefited from optimism about China's AI capabilities following the initial release of DeepSeek's lower-cost open-source AI model in January. The announcement towards the end of the quarter of a number of stimulus measures aimed at supporting domestic consumption also boosted share prices. Meanwhile Hong Kong's market rose only modestly, and Taiwan was weak, as the market continued to fall on concerns about slowing global AI capex spending and tariff risks.

Looking ahead, geopolitical dynamics remain challenging. Volatility in China's markets will likely stay elevated as they continue to wax and wane with the evolution of US-China tensions, especially the development of tariff. Macroeconomic data could also weaken in the coming quarters due to the impact of trade tariffs, and that may hurt sentiment.

'Based on the fund's portfolio returns as at 15 March 2025, the Volatility Factor (VF) for this fund is 20.94 and is classified as "Very 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. We recommend that you read and understand the contents of the Principal Greater China Equity Fund Prospectus Issue No.3 dated 3 July 2023 which has been duly registered with the Securities Commission Malaysia, before investing and that you keep the said Fund Prospectus for your record. Any issue of units to which the Fund Prospectus relates will only be made upon receipt of the completed application form referred to in and accompanying the Fund Prospectus subject to the terms and conditions therein. Investments in the Fund are exposed to currency risk and Fund manager's risk. You can obtain a copy of the Fund Prospectus from the head office of Principal Asset Management Berhad or from any of our approved distributors. Product Highlight Sheet ("PHS") is available and that investors have the right to request for a PHS; and the PHS and any other product disclosure document should be read and understood before making any investment decision. There are fees and charges involved in investing in the funds. We suggest that you consider these charges carefully prior to making an investment. Unit prices and income distributions are not guaranteed. You are advised to read and understand the contents of the Unit Trust Loan Financing Risk Disclosure Statement before deciding to borrow to purchase units. Where a unit split/distribution NAV; an

Carefully consider a fund's objective, risks, charges and expenses.

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