

## Manulife Bond Plus Fund

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Please note that the Fund may declare distribution out of capital and may result in capital erosion. The distributions are achieved by forgoing the potential for future capital growth and this cycle may continue until all capital is depleted.

**This product highlights sheet only highlights the key features and risks of this Fund. Investors are advised to request, read and understand the prospectus of the Fund before deciding to invest.**

### Brief Information on the Product

#### 1. What is the Fund about?

The Fund is a bond fund that aims to maximise returns from a combination of income\* and capital appreciation by investing primarily in fixed income securities.

\*Income distribution (if any) may be made in the form of cash or additional units reinvested into the Fund.

Note: Any material change to the Fund’s investment objective would require unit holders’ approval.

### Product Suitability

#### 2. Who is the Fund suitable for?

The Fund is suitable for investors who:

- have low to moderate risk tolerance;
- have a medium- to long-term investment horizon (a period of 3 to 5 years); and
- seek a steady income stream for their investments.

### Key Product Features

#### 3. What am I investing in?

Fund Category	Bond
Investment Strategy and Policy	The Fund seeks to achieve its objective by investing in fixed income securities such as sovereign (including quasi-sovereign) bonds, corporate bonds and money market instruments.
	The Fund may invest up to 25% of its net asset value (“NAV”) in fixed income securities of issuers outside Malaysia, such as the Asia-Pacific region and the U.S., whenever opportunities arise.
	The Fund may invest in collective investment schemes (“CISs”) both in domestic and foreign markets provided that it is consistent with the investment objective of the Fund.
	The Fund adopts both a bottom-up and top-down approach to maximise its potential returns, with particular emphasis on fundamental analysis. The Manager analyses general economic and market conditions and forms a view on market themes, opportunities and risks. Fixed income securities selected for investments undergo a credit evaluation process that entails an assessment of the credit risk factors of the issuer and also the structure of the debt, whilst considering relative value such as liquidity and credit spread.
	As the Fund invests in foreign markets, the Manager may enter into derivative trades solely for hedging purposes to reduce the Fund’s exposure to foreign exchange fluctuations. The derivative trades would not be considered as investments of the Fund but rather a risk management device.

	As part of a temporary defensive measure, the Manager may lower the fixed income exposure to below the minimum of 70% limit if the Manager is of the opinion that the investment climate is deemed to be unfavourable or under adverse markets, economic, political or any other conditions. The Manager will then decide on the best appropriate asset allocation strategy and re-allocate the Fund's fixed income investment in other more defensive investments such as deposits and money market instruments.	
<b>Asset Allocation</b>	<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Allocation (% of the Fund's NAV)</u>
	Fixed income securities	70% to 98%
	Liquid assets such as money market instruments which include term deposits, repurchase agreements and short-term cash placements with financial institutions for liquidity purposes.	Minimum 2%
<b>Performance Benchmark</b>	Maybank 12-month Fixed Deposit rate (obtainable via <a href="http://www.maybank2u.com">www.maybank2u.com</a> ). Note: The performance benchmark above is only used as a reference for investment performance comparison purpose. Investing in the Fund is not the same as the placement of a deposit in the Maybank 12-month fixed deposits. There are investment risks involved and the Fund's investments and returns are not protected or guaranteed. Hence, the Fund's risk profile is higher than the Maybank 12-month fixed deposits.	
<b>Base Currency</b>	Ringgit Malaysia (RM)	
<b>Currency Class(es)</b>	<b>A1 (RM) Inc Class</b>	<b>C12 (RM) Inc Class</b>
<b>Launch Date</b>	29 December 2009	12 February 2025
<b>Financial Year End</b>	31 October	
<b>Distribution Policy</b>	<p><b>A1 (RM) Inc Class</b> Subject to availability of income, the Class will distribute income on an annual basis.</p> <p><b>C12 (RM) Inc Class</b> Subject to availability of income, the Class will distribute income on a monthly basis.</p> <p>Any distribution of income can only be made from realised gains, realised income and/or capital**.</p> <p>**The Fund aims to achieve its investment objective by investing primarily in fixed income securities. The Fund is allowed to distribute income out of capital to enable the Fund to provide income at regular interval as per the distribution policy of the Fund.</p>	

#### 4. Who am I investing with?

<b>Manager</b>	Manulife Investment Management (M) Berhad
<b>Trustee</b>	HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad

### Key Risks

#### 5. What are the key risks associated with this Fund?

##### 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.

##### 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.

##### 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 and investments of the unit holders will be negatively affected when it has to sell such assets at unfavourable prices.

##### Loan or Financing Risk

This risk occurs when investors take a loan/ financing to finance their investment. The inherent risk of investing with borrowed/ financed money includes investors being unable to service the loan repayments/ financing payments. 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 NAV per unit as compared to the NAV per unit at the point of purchase, towards settling the loan/ financing.

Please note that loan/ financing is discouraged.

##### Suspension/Deferment of Redemption Risk

The Manager may, in consultation with the Trustee and having considered the interests of investors, suspend the dealings in units of the Fund due to exceptional circumstances such as when the market value or fair value of a material portion of the Fund's assets cannot be determined. No application will be dealt with when suspension of dealing in units are triggered and this will limit the unit holder's right to freely redeem their units in the Fund.

For the purpose of liquidity risk management, the Fund may defer redemption to the next business day if the total net redemption received is more than 10% of the NAV of the Fund on a particular business day. When such redemption limit is triggered, it may jeopardise the Fund's ability to meet unit holders' redemption request and may lead to a delay in repayment of redemption proceeds to investors. Unit holders who are impacted by deferment of redemption are subject to the risks inherent to the Fund which unit holders invested in until the redemption request is processed.

#### Credit and Default Risk

Credit risk relates to the creditworthiness of the issuers of the fixed income 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 fixed income instrument. In the case of rated fixed income instruments, this may lead to a credit downgrade.

Default risk relates to the risk that an issuer of a fixed income instrument either defaulting on payments or failing to make payments in a timely manner which will in turn adversely affect the value of the fixed income instruments. This could adversely affect the value of the Fund. Such risk can be mitigated through credit analysis and having regular updates on the business profile and the financial position of the issuer or counterparty of the fixed income instruments.

#### Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk refers to the impact of interest rate changes on the valuation of fixed income instruments. When interest rates rise, fixed income instruments prices generally decline, and this may lower the market value of the Fund's investment in fixed income instruments. The reverse may apply when interest rates fall. In order to mitigate interest rate risk, the Manager will need to manage the fixed income portfolio taking into account the coupon rate and time to maturity of the fixed income instruments.

The rates for deposits are normally fixed during the specific and agreed tenure. Hence, any changes in the prevailing level of interest rates will not impact the earlier deposit rates that have been agreed between the Manager and the financial institutions. However, in the event of rising interest rates, the Fund will lose the opportunity to earn higher interest during the specific tenure.

#### Country Risk

Investments of the Fund 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. This in turn may cause the NAV of the Fund or prices of units to fall.

#### 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.

#### Risk Considerations for Investing in Derivatives

The Manager may use derivatives such as forwards, futures and options to hedge against certain risks such as adverse movements in currency exchange rates or interest rate. This involves special risks, including but not limited to the risk of loss from default by the counterparty, typically as a consequence of insolvency or failed settlement.

The Manager will only enter into hedging transactions where the counterparty is a financial institution with a minimum long-term credit rating of investment grade (including gradation and subcategories) rated by any domestic or global rating agency. In the event where the counterparty's or issuer's rating falls below the minimum required or it ceases to be rated, the Manager will liquidate its position within 6 months or sooner, unless the Trustee considers it to be in the best interest of investors to do otherwise.

To mitigate these risks, all investment in financial derivatives will be closely monitored or efforts will be taken to unwind such positions if there is material adverse change to the counterparty or issuer.

## Fees and Charges

### 6. What are the fees and charges involved?

#### Charges when buying units of the Fund

Sales Charge	Distributors	Maximum Sales Charge*
	Unit Trust Consultant	Up to 0.50% of NAV per unit of the Fund
	Manager	
	Institutional Unit Trust Scheme Adviser ("IUTA")	
	Employees Provident Fund ("EPF") Sales	Up to 0.25% of NAV per unit of the Fund
	EPF via i-Akaun (Member)	
	*The sales charge is non-negotiable. However, the Manager may at its discretion charge a lower sales charge from time to time.	
	Note: The list of funds qualified under the Employees Provident Fund – Members Investment Scheme ("EPF-MIS") is available on our website at <a href="http://www.manulifeim.com.my">www.manulifeim.com.my</a> or EPF's website at <a href="http://www.kwsp.gov.my">www.kwsp.gov.my</a> and will be updated as and when EPF revises the list.	
Redemption Charge	Nil	

Switching Fee	Subject to the conditions on switching as set out in the prospectus of the Fund.
Transfer Fee	RM3.00 per transfer

#### Fees incurred when investing in the Fund

Management fee	<b>A1 (RM) Inc Class:</b> 1.00% per annum of NAV of the Fund <b>C12 (RM) Inc Class:</b> 0.50% per annum of NAV of the Fund
Trustee fee	0.05% per annum of NAV of the Fund, subject to a minimum fee of RM18,000 per annum (including local custodian fees, but excluding foreign custodian fees and charges).

All fees and charges (e.g. sales charge, switching fee, transfer fee, management fee, trustee fee and any other relevant fees and/or charges), where applicable, may be subject to any tax that may be introduced by the government of Malaysia from time to time.

	Application Mode	A1 (RM) Inc Class	C12 (RM) Inc Class
Minimum initial investment	Walk-in	RM2,000.00	RM2,000,000.00
	Online transactions	RM200.00	Not available
		or such other lower amount as the Manager may from time to time decide.	
Minimum additional investment	Walk-in	RM1,000.00	RM 1,000,000.00
	Online transactions	RM100.00	Not available
		or such other lower amount as the Manager may from time to time decide	
Cut-off time		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 3.00 p.m. for walk-in transactions or any other time that may be determined by the Manager, and</li> <li>▪ 4.00 p.m. for online transactions*.</li> </ul>	

\*Online transactions include purchase of units and switching between fund/ class denominated in RM only. Online transactions are not applicable for redemption of units currently. You may refer to our online tool for latest updates.

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

### Valuation and Exiting from Investment

#### 7. How often are valuations available?

The valuation of the Fund is carried out daily at the end of the business day. Funds with exposure to foreign investments shall be valued at or before 5.00 p.m. on the next business day (or T+1) because of the time difference between Malaysia and the country(ies) where the funds invest in. The NAV per unit of the Fund / Class will be published upon valuation conducted. However, delay may occur in updating the NAV per unit of the Fund / Class. The latest prices will be available on the Manager's website at [www.manulifeim.com.my](http://www.manulifeim.com.my) or FiMM's website. Alternatively, unit holders may contact the Manager's Customer Service Hotline.

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

##### Redeeming an investment

Unit holders may redeem part or all of their investments at any time by completing a "Redemption Form" which is available from 8.45 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. at the office of the Manager and its branches. There is no redemption charge levied on the redemption of units. Redemption proceeds will be paid within seven (7) business days from the date on which the redemption request is received by the Manager at or before the cut-off time.

Unit holders should note that redemption limit or suspension of dealing in units of the Fund may be imposed as part of liquidity risk management. These circumstances may lead to delay in payment of redemption proceeds to you. For more information, please refer to the Transaction Information section of the Fund's prospectus.

	A1 (RM) Inc Class	C12 (RM) Inc Class
Minimum redemption amount	500 units	1,000,000 units
Minimum holding/ balance	500 units	1,000,000 units
Cut-off time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 3.00 p.m. for walk-in transactions or any other time that may be determined by the Manager, and</li> <li>▪ 4.00 p.m. for online switching.</li> </ul>	

##### Cooling-off period

The cooling-off period is only applicable to any individual investing for the first time in any unit trust funds managed by the Manager and excludes staff of the Manager and persons registered with a body approved by the SC to deal in unit trusts. You have the right, within six (6) business days from the day of the receipt by the Manager of your application form, to call for a withdrawal of your investment. The money invested will be refunded to you subject to the conditions as set out in the prospectus of the Fund. In the case of an investment via EPF-MIS, the cooling-off period is subject to EPF's terms and conditions (if applicable).

Withdrawal proceeds will only be paid to you once the Manager has received the cleared payments for the original investment.

For purchase/ redemption transaction made with IUTAs, the transaction is subject to the terms and conditions of the respective IUTAs. Also, if you invest in units through an IUTA which adopts the nominee system of ownership, you will not be considered as a unit holder under the Fund's deed, and you may consequently not have all the rights ordinarily

exercisable by a unit holder (for example, the right to call for a unit holders' meeting and to vote thereat, and the right to have your particulars appearing in the Fund's register of unit holders).

## Fund Performance

Note: The C12 (RM) Inc Class is launched on 12 February 2025. Hence, performance of the C12 (RM) Class is not available.

### 9. Average Total Return for Financial Year Ended 31 October 2024

Basis of calculation

$$\text{Average Total Return} = \text{Annualised Total Return} \\ = [(1 + \text{Total return for the period})^{(\text{Actual no. of days in a year} \div \text{No. of days during the period})} - 1] \times 100\%$$

Returns in RM (%)	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year
Manulife Bond Plus Fund – A1 (RM) Inc Class	3.87	3.25	3.00	3.97
Benchmark	2.67	2.54	2.38	2.81

### 10. Annual Total Return for Financial Year Ended 31 October

Basis of calculation

$$\text{Annual Total Return} = \frac{(\text{NAV}_t - \text{NAV}_{t-1})}{\text{NAV}_{t-1}}$$

NAV<sub>t</sub> denotes NAV at the end of the period.  
NAV<sub>t-1</sub> denotes NAV at the beginning of the period.

Returns in RM (%)	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Manulife Bond Plus Fund - A1 (RM) Inc Class	3.30	5.72	4.33	2.22	3.93	8.67	5.14	0.18	0.80	5.13	3.87
Benchmark	3.19	3.30	3.25	3.10	3.29	3.24	2.43	1.85	2.08	2.86	2.67

For the financial year ended 31 October 2024, the A1 (RM) Inc Class of the Fund's return increased by 3.87%, compared with its benchmark return which increased by 2.67%.

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

### 11. Portfolio Turnover Ratio and Income Distribution per Unit

Financial Year End (FYE)	2022	2023	2024
Portfolio Turnover Ratio ("PTR")	0.55	1.08	1.18
The PTR for FYE2024 is 1.18 times and was higher than FYE2023 mainly due to the increase in trading activities.			
Gross distribution per unit (sen) - A1 (RM) Inc Class	2.20	2.50	2.00
Net distribution per unit (sen) - A1 (RM) Inc Class	2.20	2.50	2.00
Distribution was in the form of cash or reinvested into additional units in the Fund at the NAV per unit on the distribution date.			

## Contact Information

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

- i) For internal dispute resolution, you may contact us:

**Manulife Investment Management (M) Berhad**

13th Floor, Menara Manulife  
No. 6, Jalan Gelenggang  
Damansara Heights  
50490 Kuala Lumpur.

Customer Service Hotline : 03-2719 9271  
General Line : 03-2719 9228  
Email : [MY\\_CustomerService@manulife.com](mailto:MY_CustomerService@manulife.com)  
Website : [www.manulifeim.com.my](http://www.manulifeim.com.my)

- ii) If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal dispute resolution process, please refer your dispute to the Financial Markets Ombudsman Service (FMOS):

**Financial Markets Ombudsman Service (FMOS)**

Level 14, Main Block Menara Takaful Malaysia  
No. 4, Jalan Sultan Sulaiman  
50000 Kuala Lumpur.

Phone : 03-2272 2811  
Online complaint form available at [www.fmos.org.my](http://www.fmos.org.my)

- iii) Even if you have initiated a dispute resolution process with FMOS, you may also direct your complaint to the SC. To make a complaint, please contact the SC's Consumer & Investor Office:

**Consumer & Investor Office**

**Securities Commission Malaysia**

No. 3, Persiaran Bukit Kiara  
Bukit Kiara  
50490 Kuala Lumpur.

Phone : 03-6204 8999 (Aduan Hotline)  
Fax : 03-6204 8991  
Email : [aduan@seccom.com.my](mailto:aduan@seccom.com.my)  
Online complaint form available at [www.sc.com.my](http://www.sc.com.my)

- iv) Federation of Investment Managers Malaysia (FiMM)'s Complaints Bureau:

**Legal, Secretariat & Regulatory Affairs**

**Federation of Investment Managers Malaysia**

19-06-1, 6th Floor, Wisma Tune  
No. 19, Lorong Dungun  
Damansara Heights  
50490 Kuala Lumpur.

Phone : 03-7890 4242 (Press 3)  
Fax : 03-2093 2700  
Email : [complaints@fimm.com.my](mailto:complaints@fimm.com.my)  
Online complaint form available at [www.fimm.com.my](http://www.fimm.com.my)