

# January 2025

# MONTHLY FUND PERFORMANCE UPDATE AIA ELITE ADVENTUROUS FUND

### **Investment Objective**

The Fund seeks long-term total return (combination of capital growth and income) with higher risk by investing in a portfolio of mostly equities and a small proportion of fixed income securities. The Fund's expected average exposure to equities will be approximately 90% over the long-term, however this exposure may vary from time to time. The other 10% will be invested in fixed income or money market instruments.

**Notice:** Please refer to the Fund Fact Sheet for more information about the Fund.

#### **Fund Details**

Unit NAV (31 January 2025)	: RM 1.42622
Fund Size (31 January 2025)	: RM 552.849 million
Fund Currency	: Ringgit Malaysia
Fund Inception	: 3 August 2020
Offer Price at Inception	: RM1.00
Fund Management Charge	: 1.50% p.a
Investment Manager	: AIA Bhd.
Fund Type	: Fund-of-Funds
Basic of Unit Valuation	: Net Asset Value
Frequency of Unit Valuation	: Daily

### **Underlying Fund Details**

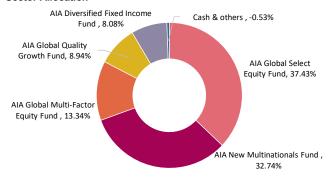
AIA Global Multi-Factor Equity Fund
AIA Global Quality Growth Fund
Name : AIA New Multinationals Fund
AIA Diversified Fixed Income Fund
AIA Global Select Equity Fund.

Investment Manager : AIA Investment Management Private Ltd.

## **Top Holdings**

1	AIA Global Select Equity Fund	37.43%
2	AIA New Multinationals Fund	32.74%
3	AIA Global Multi-Factor Equity Fund	13.34%
4	AIA Global Quality Growth Fund	8.94%
5	AIA Diversified Fixed Income Fund	8.08%

## Sector Allocation



## **Historical Performance**



### Historical Performance (cont'd)

Cumulative Performance	1-Mth	6-Mth	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	Since Inception
Fund <sup>^</sup>	3.08%	3.00%	8.18%	19.52%	N/A	42.62%
Benchmark*	2.76%	3.47%	11.94%	32.03%	N/A	67.87%
Excess	0.32%	-0.47%	-3.76%	-12.51%	N/A	-25.25%

- ^ Calculation of past performance is based on NAV-to-NAV. This is strictly the performance of the investment fund, and not the returns earned on the actual premiums/contributions paid of the investment-linked product.
- \* 90% MSCI All Country World Index + 10% Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Corporate Total Return Index (Source: Bloomberg)

Notice: Past performance of the Fund is not an indication of its future performance.

#### Market Review

Global equities bounced back from the decline in December 2024 and started 2025 on a positive note. For the month ending January 2025, Communication Services, Health Care, and Financials led while Information Technology, Consumer Staples and Utilities lagged. For January 2025, in terms of investment styles, Value led while Growth lagged. For January 2025, across the major geographic regions in US Dollar ("USD") terms, Europe equities led, while Asia equities lagged.

The fixed income markets rose in January 2025. US Treasuries, Investment Grade and High Yield indices were all up in the same period. After a significant spike in December 2024, US 10-year yield dipped in January 2025. High yield credit spreads compressed in January 2025 while the move in investment grade credit spreads was much more muted.

The commodities markets rallied in January 2025. Gold, Oil and Copper were all up in January 2025. USD depreciated against both Developed Market ("DM") currencies and Asia currencies.

## **Market Outlook**

The outlook for equities over the medium term remains constructive. On the fundamentals front, the US economy remains resilient and earnings growth in 2025 is expected to be higher than that of 2024. On monetary policy, liquidity conditions are expected to be supportive as central banks around the globe are easing monetary policy. The US Federal Reserve ("Fed") is on a rate cut cycle. In addition, Chinese policy makers have also embarked on monetary easing and the Politburo has indicated plans to increase public spending to support economic growth.

Investors have enjoyed 2 years of double digit returns in equity markets. The Underlying Manager is still bullish on the market in 2025 although the quantum of gains expected is lesser compared to last 2 years. While the past 2 years has seen Magnificent 7 stocks dominate the stock market, the earnings growth differential between the Magnificent 7 stocks and the rest of the stock market is expected to decline in 2025. This could provide the setup for the stock market advance to be more broad-based and less concentrated. As 2025 unfolds, volatility could rise in view of the uncertainty on the policy measures that the new US Administration would embark on as President-elect Trump begins his second term as US President.

In such an environment, Elite Fund's top-down (via AIA Stewardship) and bottom up (via best-in-class active managers) active management are poised to be important levers to steer the portfolio to achieve its investment objectives.