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# MONTHLY FUND PERFORMANCE UPDATE AIA GLOBAL EQUITY FUND (previously known as AIA International Small Cap Fund)

#### **Investment Objective**

The Fund aims to provide long-term investment growth through exposure to a diversified portfolio of global equities and equity-related securities that exhibit various investment factor characteristics.

# <u>Notice</u>: Please refer to the Fund Fact Sheet for more information about the Fund.

#### **Fund Details**

Unit NAV (30 Jun 2023)	:	RM 1.27589
Fund Size (30 Jun 2023)	:	RM 375.392 million
Fund Currency	:	Ringgit Malaysia
Fund Inception	:	15 January 2007
Offer Price at Inception	:	RM 0.50
Fund Management Charge	:	1.50% p.a.
Investment Manager	:	AIA Bhd.
Fund Type	:	Fund-of-Funds
Basis of Unit Valuation	:	Net Asset Value
Frequency of Unit Valuation	:	Daily

#### **Underlying Fund Details**

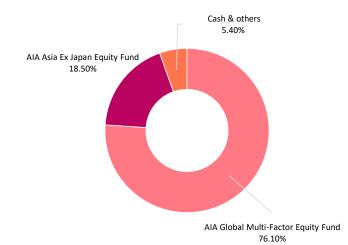
AIA Global Multi-Factor Equity Fund
AIA Asia Ex Japan Equity Fund
AIA Greater China Equity Fund
AIA India Equity Fund

Investment Manager : AIA Investment Management Private Ltd.

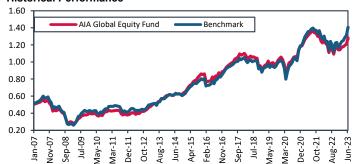
### **Top Fund Holdings**

1	AIA Global Multi-Factor Equity Fund	76.10%
2	AIA Asia Ex Japan Equity Fund	18.50%

## **Fund Allocation**



#### **Historical Performance**



Cumulative Performance	1-Mth	6-Mth	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	Since Inception
Fund~	5.27%	11.86%	14.95%	27.62%	20.97%	155.18%
Benchmark*	7.13%	20.78%	23.39%	45.41%	40.09%	181.15%
Excess	-1.86%	-8.92%	-8.44%	-17.79%	-19.12%	-25.97%

<sup>~</sup> 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.

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

#### **Market Review**

Global equities continued to deliver positive returns over June 2023 despite several keys signs that economic growth was slowing. Resilient economic data releases showing positive rebounds in retail sales and housing activity from the US renewed expectations for a soft landing. This was in contrast to the central banks reaffirming further tightening due to stickier core inflation. Large cap Technology stocks saw their strong performances moderated slightly as markets broadened over the month of June 2023. Over the month, all sectors were in positive territory with Consumer Discretionary and Industrials leading, while Utilities and Communications being the main laggards. Both Value and Momentum Factors outperformed the broader market as market leadership broadened slightly with a rotation into the cyclical factors. Small cap stocks narrowly outperformed large cap. Quality Factor retreated slightly as the rotation into cyclical value and the strong market rally were headwinds. Minimum Volatility's performance was weak in a month which could be broadly described as risk on.

### **Market Outlook**

In view of the bearish view, the Underlying Fund currently maintains an overweight to lower beta styles such as Minimum Volatility, High Dividend, Quality and Value with the view that these factors should outperform the core index under a macro context of weaker growth (or recession) and US Federal Reserve ("Fed") tightening. These factors should also be able to provide some downside protection during equity sell-off events as well as provide diversification benefits within a portfolio construction context.

<sup>100%</sup> MSCI World Index (Source: Bloomberg)