



December 2023

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.

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

Fund Details

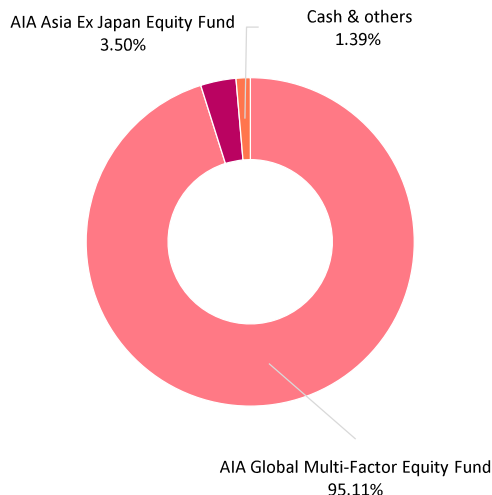
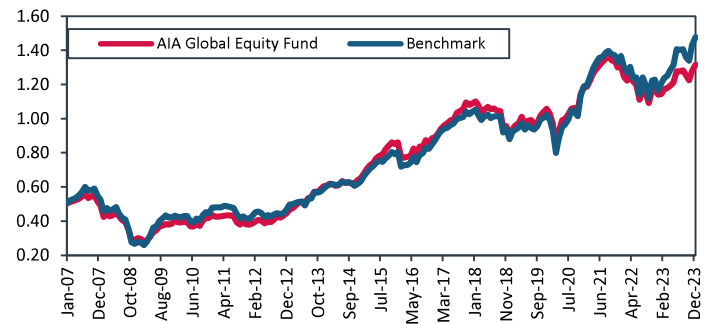
Unit NAV (31 Dec 2023)	: RM 1.31627
Fund Size (31 Dec 2023)	: RM 413.320 million
Fund Currency	: Ringgit Malaysia
Fund Inception	: 15 January 2007
Offer Price at Inception	: RM 0.50
Fund Management Charge	: 1.50% p.a.
Investment Manager	: AIA Bhd.
Fund Type	: Fund-of-Funds
Basis of Unit Valuation	: Net Asset Value
Frequency of Unit Valuation	: Daily

Underlying Fund Details

Name	: 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	95.11%
2	AIA Asia Ex Japan Equity Fund	3.50%

Fund Allocation**Historical Performance**

Cumulative Performance	1-Mth	6-Mth	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	Since Inception
Fund~	2.97%	3.16%	15.40%	11.18%	47.49%	163.25%
Benchmark*	3.36%	5.16%	27.02%	24.32%	68.25%	195.67%
Excess	-0.39%	-2.00%	-11.62%	-13.14%	-20.76%	-32.42%

~ 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.

* 100% MSCI World Index (Source: Bloomberg)

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

Market Review

Global equities had a strong year in 2023, finishing up +23.8% contrary to the weak performance in 2022. However, the year was marked by several significant events starting with a strong January 2023 effect, that saw junk stocks rally on hopes of lower interest rates. Then in March 2023, the positive sentiment quickly curtailed as the collapse of Silicon Valley Bank ("SVB") unveiled the first signs of potential damage from higher interest rates. As a result, Small Caps and Value stocks suffered. In the second half of the year, excitement around the growth potential from Artificial Intelligence triggered a rally in mega-cap stocks, which were dubbed the Magnificent 7. This created an extremely concentrated market where market breadth remained narrow over the second quarter of the year. In the second half of the year, markets began to broaden and post the third quarter confidence grew that rate cuts could be possible as early as March 2024. Data points showed meaningful declines in inflation and a weakening labour market that allowed central banks to start softening their stance. This created the perfect environment for risk assets to rally all the way to year end. For the month of December 2023, risk assets ended the year on an upbeat note with positive performance. The US Federal Reserve ("Fed") grew more confident about inflation coming down and growth only gradually slowing, which led to a green light for aggressive policy easing. Strong retail sales in the U.S displayed consumer strength, and markets interpreted this as a positive sign. However, concerns over European earnings surfaced in the month.

Performance Review/Outlook

With the US Federal Reserve ("Fed") pausing their rate hike cycle and the resilient labor market conditions despite the earlier rate hike, it is very likely that a soft landing scenario can be achieved. With this in mind, we favor factors such as low volatility, small size, quality and value over growth, dividend and momentum factors.