

#### November 2024

# MONTHLY FUND PERFORMANCE UPDATE AIA GLOBAL EQUITY INCOME FUND (previously known as AIA International High Dividend Fund)

#### **Investment Objective**

The Fund aims to provide both income and capital growth through a portfolio of global equities and equity-related securities with a covered call strategy to enhance income generation. In order to achieve its investment objective, the Fund will invest primarily, i.e. at least 50% of the Fund's Net Asset Value, in equity securities and equity-related securities issued by companies globally selected for their income and / or growth potential and call

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

#### Fund Dotaile

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	Unit NAV (30 November 2024)	:	RM 1.20197
	Fund Size (30 November 2024)	:	RM 320.093 million
	Fund Currency	:	Ringgit Malaysia
	Fund Inception	:	31 July 2006
	Offer Price at Inception	:	RM 1.00
	Fund Management Fee	:	1.50% p.a.
	Investment Manager	:	AIA Bhd.
	Fund Type	:	Feeder Fund
	Basis of Unit Valuation	:	Net Asset Value
	Frequency of Unit Valuation	:	Daily

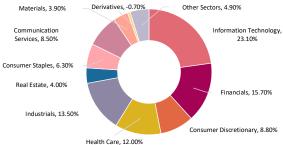
#### **Underlying Fund Details**

Name	:	AIA Equity Income Fund
Investment Manager		Wellington Management Co. LLP

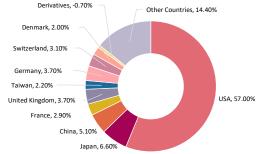
#### Top Holdings

	1	NVIDIA Corp	4.10%
	2	Apple Inc	4.10%
	3	Microsoft Corp	3.70%
	4	Amazon.com Inc	2.40%
1	5	Alphabet Inc	1.80%

## Sector Allocation\*

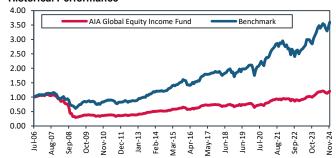


## Geographical Allocation\*



\*Underlying fund data

## **Historical Performance**



Cumulative Performance	1-Mth	6-Mth	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	Since Inception
Fund~	3.02%	0.07%	15.13%	32.85%	55.10%	20.20%
Benchmark*	5.19%	3.68%	18.49%	25.65%	71.45%	259.66%
Excess	-2.17%	-3.62%	-3.37%	7.20%	-16.35%	-239.46%
Underlying (^)	1.97%	6.56%	23.87%	N/A	N/A	27.92%

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 rose in November 2024. Donald Trump's presidential re-election and the Republican Party's sweep of both chambers of Congress led the United States ("U.S.") to significantly outperform other regions amid expectations for deregulation, additional tax cuts, and a more accommodative U.S. business environment. The breadth of change anticipated from the new U.S. administration reverberated across the globe, with implications for foreign policy, trade dynamics, inflation, and economic growth. Elon Musk's appointment to the newly formed US Department of Government Efficiency ("DOGE") extended a strong risk appetite in markets. Prospects for a soft landing appeared to remain intact, and central banks in the US, United Kingdom ("UK"), New Zealand, Mexico, and Sweden continued to lower interest rates. Inflation neared central bank targets in many regions. However, in November 2024, a key measure of U.S. inflation rose for the first time since March 2024, and United Kingdom inflation surged to its highest level in six months, highlighting the ongoing sensitivity of prices to economic changes. Eurozone business activity sank to a 10-month low in November 2024, while Germany's coalition government collapsed, and the country's manufacturing sector remained mired in a deep downturn. In France, Prime Minister Michel Barnier's cabinet confronted a possible vote of no confidence. A stronger U.S. dollar pressured emerging markets, and Chinese equities declined amid limited government aid and low consumer demand. Geopolitical risks remained heightened, and the Russia/Ukraine war raged on, while the U.S. and France brokered a ceasefire agreement between Israel and Hezbollah.

## **Outlook & Fund Positioning**

For the equity market, all eyes will be on the US Federal Reserve ("Fed")'s potential pivot to interest rate cuts amid sign of a slower economic growth and easing inflation. Over in Asia, China's outlook remains challenging structurally. However, China's policy easing is gaining momentum given more room for monetary easing, less restrictions on house ownership policy, and efforts to revitalize the capital market and stabilize foreign trade and investment.

With the US Fed easing 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. As such, the underlying manager remain constructive on equities.



#### Lipper Leader Fund for:

- Total Return
- Consistent Return
- 3. Preservation

Lipper uses a ranking system of 1 to 5. A ranking of 5 means the fund is in the top 20% of funds in that category while a ranking of 1 means the fund is in the bottom 20%

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

<sup>^</sup> Fund underwent the restructuring exercise in the month of January 2022. Calculation of the Underlying Fund's since inception performance is based on the date the fund restructuring exercise was completed which is 31 January 2022. Meanwhile, calculation of the Fund's since inception performance is based on the Fund's inception date of 31 July 2006. Underlying fund performance is in USD Term