

# PRODUCT HIGHLIGHTS SHEET

## for

# AHAM World Series – US Dollar Liquidity Fund (Formerly known as Affin Hwang World Series – US Dollar Liquidity Fund)

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## AHAM WORLD SERIES - US DOLLAR LIQUIDITY FUND

## **BRIEF INFORMATION ON THE PRODUCT**

## 1. What is this product about?

AHAM World Series – US Dollar Liquidity Fund is an open-ended wholesale feeder fund that aims to provide investors with a regular income stream and high level of liquidity to meet cash flow requirement whilst maintaining capital preservation by investing in a collective investment scheme ("CIS"), namely HSBC US Dollar Liquidity Fund.

#### PRODUCT SUITABILITY

## 2. Who is this product suitable for?

The Fund is designed for Sophisticated Investors who are generally conservative, risk adverse and prefer a short-term investment horizon.

## **KEY PRODUCT FEATURES**

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

| Launch Date         | 18 February 2020  |  |
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| Tenure              | The Fund is an open-ended fund where it does not have a fixed maturity date and may only be terminated in accordance with the terms of the Information Memorandum and the provisions of the Deed.   |  |
| Base Currency       | USD   |  |
| Asset Allocation    | <ul> <li>A minimum of 80% of the Fund's NAV to be invested in the Target Fund; and</li> <li>A maximum of 20% of the Fund's NAV to be invested in money market instruments and/or deposits.</li> </ul>   |  |
| Investment Strategy | The Fund will be investing a minimum of 80% of the Fund's NAV in the Target Fund and a maximum of 20% of the Fund's NAV in money market instruments and/or deposits with Financial Institutions.  |  |
|                     | We may substitute the Target Fund with another fund that has a similar objective with the Fund, if, in our opinion, the Target Fund no longer meets the Fund's investment objective. However, this is subject to the Unit Holder's approval before such changes are made.   |  |
|                     | Derivatives   |  |
|                     | Derivatives trades may be carried out for hedging purposes through financial instruments including, but not limited to, forward contracts, futures contracts and swaps. Futures and forward contracts are generally contracts between two parties to trade an asset at an agreed price on a pre-determined future date whereas swaps is an agreement to swap or exchange two financial instruments between two parties.   |  |
|                     | The intention of hedging is to preserve the value of the assets from any adverse price movements. While the hedging transactions will assist in mitigating the potential foreign exchange losses by the Fund, any potential foreign exchange gains from the hedging strategy will be capped as well. The Fund may employ derivatives for investment purposes to enhance the return of the Fund by taking a view on the underlying asset or currency and establish a long position to gain a specific underlying exposure. The types of derivatives envisaged for investment purposes include forward contracts and swaps which are OTC or traded on centralised exchange. |  |
|                     | The Fund adopts commitment approach to measure the Fund's global exposure to derivatives. The commitment approach is a methodology that aggregates the underlying market values or notional values of derivatives after taking into account the possible effects of netting and/or hedging arrangements.  |  |



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| Distribution Policy            | Subject to the availability of income, the Fund endeavours to distribute income on a monthly basis.  |
|                                | At our discretion, the Fund may distribute (1) realised income, (2) realised capital gains (3) unrealised income, (4) unrealised capital gains, (5) capital or (6) a combination of any of the above.  |
| Minimum Initial Investment*    | USD10,000  |
| Minimum Additional Investment* | USD5,000   |
| Minimum Repurchase Amount*     | 10,000 Units   |
| Minimum Holding of Units*      | 10,000 Units   |
|                                | If the balance of your investment (i.e. total number of Units) is less than the minimum holding of Units, you will be required to make an additional investment in order to meet the required minimum balance of investment. Otherwise, we may withdraw all your holding of Units in the Fund and pay the proceeds to you. |
| Minimum Units Per<br>Switch*   | 10,000 Units   |

| About the Target Fund                   |  |
|---|--|
| Target Fund                             | HSBC US Dollar Liquidity Fund  |
| Base Currency                           | USD  |
| <b>Country of Origin</b>                | Ireland  |
| Regulatory Authority                    | Central Bank of Ireland  |
| Management Company                      | HSBC Investment Funds (Luxembourg) S.A.  |
| Target Fund Manager                     | HSBC Global Asset Management (USA) Inc.  |
| Investment Objective of the Target Fund | The investment objective of the Target Fund is to provide investors with security of capital and daily liquidity together with an investment return which is comparable to normal USD denominated money market interest rates. |

Note: Please refer to the Information Memorandum for further details of the Fund.

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

Relevant parties' information:

| The Manager | AHAM Asset Management Berhad   |
|-------------|--------------------------------|
| The Trustee | HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad |

## 5. What are the possible outcomes of my investment?

This Fund is a wholesale feeder fund that invests in the Target Fund, which in turn invests in a diversified portfolio of short-term securities. The performance of this Fund would to a great extent be linked to the price movements of the Target Fund which in turn is reliant on the performance of the underlying investments that it is invested in.

As such, the value of your investments will be reliant on the performance of the Target Fund. This means that if the Target Fund performs well, the Fund may reflect similar performance and likewise if the performance of the Target Fund falls, the value of your investment will also be affected. The Fund's performance is dependent on the Investment Manager's expertise in managing the Fund.

Subject to the availability of income, the Fund endeavours to distribute income on a monthly basis. At our discretion, the Fund may distribute (1) realised income, (2) realised capital gains (3) unrealised income, (4) unrealised capital gains, (5) capital or (6) a combination of any of the above.

Please note that the capital and returns of the Fund are not guaranteed.

<sup>\*</sup> At our discretion, we may reduce the transaction value and Units, including for transactions made via digital channels, subject to the terms and conditions disclosed in the respective channels.



#### **KEY RISKS**

#### 6. What are the key risks associated with this product?

#### **General risks**

- Market risk Market risk arises because of the factors that affect the entire market place. Factors such as economic growth, political stability and social environment are some examples of conditions that have an impact on businesses, whether positive or negative. Market risk cannot be eliminated but may be reduced through diversification. It stems from the fact that there are economy-wide perils, or instances of political or social instability which threaten all businesses. Hence, the Fund will be exposed to market uncertainties and fluctuations in the economic, political and social environment that will affect the market price of the investments either in a positive or negative way.
- Fund management risk This risk refers to the day-to-day management of the Fund by us which will impact the performance of the Fund. For example, investment decisions undertaken by us 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, fraud, dishonesty or weaknesses in operational process and systems, may adversely affect the performance of the Fund.
- **Performance risk** This Fund is a feeder fund which invests in another collective investment scheme, namely the Target Fund. The performance of the Fund very much depends on the performance of the Target Fund. If the Target Fund does not perform in accordance with its objective, the performance of the Fund will also be impacted negatively. The performance of the Target Fund and consequently of this Fund may go down as well as up, depending on the circumstances prevailing at a particular given time. On that basis, there is never a guarantee that investing in the Fund will produce a positive investment returns in accordance with its objective.
- Inflation risk This is the risk that your investment in the Fund may not grow or generate income at a rate that keeps pace with inflation. This would reduce your purchasing power even though the value of the investment in monetary terms has increased.
- Loan / Financing risk This risk occurs when you take a loan/financing to finance your investment. The inherent risk of investing with borrowed/financed money includes you being unable to service the loan/financing repayments. In the event Units are used as collateral, you may be required to top-up your 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.
- Operational risk This risk refers to the possibility of a breakdown in the Manager's internal controls and policies. The breakdown may be a result of human error, system failure or fraud where employees of the Manager collude with one another. This risk may cause monetary loss and/or inconvenience to you. The Manager will review its internal policies and system capability to mitigate instances of this risk. Additionally, the Manager maintains a strict segregation of duties to mitigate instances of fraudulent practices amongst employees of the Manager.
- Suspension of repurchase request risk Having considered the best interests of Unit Holders, the repurchase requests by the Unit Holders may be subject to suspension due to exceptional circumstances, where the market value or fair value of a material portion of the Fund's assets cannot be determined or such other circumstances as may be determined by the Manager, where there is good and sufficient reason to do so.
  - The exceptional circumstances may include, amongst other, suspension of dealing by the Target Fund. In such case, Unit Holders will not be able to redeem their Units and will be compelled to remain invested in the Fund for a longer period of time. Hence, their investments will continue to be subject to the risks inherent to the Fund.
- Related party transaction risk The Fund may also have dealings with parties related to AHAM. Nevertheless, it is our policy that all transactions with related parties are to be executed on terms which are best available to the Fund and which are not less favourable to the Fund than an arm's length transaction between independent parties.

#### Specific risks

- Concentration risk This Fund is a feeder fund which invests in a single CIS. Any adverse effect on the Target Fund will inevitably affect the Fund as well. The performance of the Fund is also dependent on the performance of the Target Fund. This risk may be mitigated as we are allowed to take temporary defensive positions in response to adverse market conditions. We are also able to substitute the Target Fund with another fund with similar objective of the Fund if, in our opinion, the Target Fund no longer meets the Fund's objective subject to Unit Holders' approval. For better understanding of the risks associated to the Target Fund, please refer to the "Risks of the Target Fund".
- Liquidity risk This is the risk that the shares of the Target Fund that are held by the Fund cannot be readily sold and converted into cash. This can occur when there is a restriction on realisation of shares of the Target Fund. The Target Fund Manager may suspend the realisation of shares of the Target Fund, or delay the payment of realisation proceeds in respect of any realisation request received, during any period in which the determination of the net asset value of the Target Fund is suspended. As a result, the Fund may not be able to receive the repurchase proceeds in a timely manner which in turn may delay the payment of repurchase proceeds to the Unit Holders.



In managing liquidity risk, we will maintain sufficient liquidity level for the purposes of meeting repurchase requests. Please refer to the "Suspension of Dealing in Units" of the Information Memorandum for more details.

- Derivatives risk Valuation of derivatives takes into account a multitude of factors such as movement of the underlying
  assets, volatility of underlying assets, the correlation of the underlying assets with the Fund, the implied future direction
  of the underlying assets and other factors. Any adverse changes of the factors mentioned above may result in a lower
  NAV price.
- Counterparty risk Counterparty risk is the risk associated with the ongoing ability and willingness of the issuers to derivatives ("Investments") to fulfill their respective financial commitments to the Fund in a timely manner. Bankruptcy, fraud or regulatory non-compliance arising out of and/or in connection with the issuer may impair the operations and/or the performance of the Fund. However, we will conduct stringent credit selection process of the issuer of the Investments prior to commencement of Investments and monitoring mechanisms established by us may potentially mitigate this risk. If, we are of the opinion there is material adverse change to an issuer, we may consider unwinding the issuer's Investments to mitigate potential losses that may arise.
- Country risk Investments of the Fund in the Target Fund which is domiciled in Luxembourg may be affected by changes in the economic and political climate, restriction on currency repatriation or other developments in the law or regulations of Luxembourg. For example, the deteriorating economic condition of that country may adversely affect the value of the investments undertaken by the Fund and in turn may cause the NAV of the Fund 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 (other than in USD) may have an impact on the value of these investments. You 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. You should note that any gain or loss arising from the fluctuation in the exchange rate may further increase or decrease the returns of the investment. 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 (other than in USD) may have an impact on the value of these investments. You 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. You should note that any gain or loss arising from the fluctuation in the exchange rate may further increase or decrease the returns of the investment.
- Target Fund Manager risk The Target Fund (which the Fund invests in) is managed by the Target Fund Manager. It is important to note that the Manager has no control over the investment management techniques and operational controls of the Target Fund. Thus, mismanagement of the Target Fund (i.e. breach of its prescribed investment restriction due to human error) may negatively affect the Fund (as an investor of the Target Fund). Should such a situation arise, the Manager may propose to invest in other alternative collective investment schemes that is consistent with the investment objective of the Fund provided always that the approval of the Unit Holders has been obtained.
- **Distribution out of capital risk** The Fund may distribute income out of capital. Such capital distributions represent a return or withdrawal of part of the amount of your original investment and/or capital gains attributable to the original investment and will result in a reduction in the NAV per Unit of the Fund and reduce the capital available for future investment and capital growth. Future capital growth may therefore be constrained.

#### Risks related to the Target Fund

- Contagion risk
- Credit risk
- Changes in interest rates
- Derivative risk
- Conflicts of interest
- Legal risk
- Reverse repurchase agreements
- · Counterparty and settlement risk
- Market and liquidity risk
- Correlation risk
- Currency transactions
- · Currency of reference
- Changes to net asset value

- Negative yield
- Changes to settlement
- Suspension of valuation
- Segregated liability between the sub-funds of the Company
- Political and/or regulatory risks
- Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA)
- No investment guarantee equivalent to deposit protection
- Asset-backed and receivables-backed securities
- Legal requirements
- Pandemic risk
- ESG scoring risk

Note: Please refer to "Understanding the Risks of the Fund and the Target Fund" in Information Memorandum for further details on each risk.

It is important to note that events affecting the investments cannot always be foreseen. Therefore, it is not possible to protect investments against all risks. You are recommended to read the whole Information Memorandum to assess the risks associated with the Fund. If necessary, you should consult your professional adviser(s) for a better understanding of the risks.



#### **FEES & CHARGES**

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

There are fees and charges involved and you are advised to consider them before contributing to the Fund.

#### What will I be charged by the Manager?

| Sales charge      | Nil  |
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| Repurchase charge | Nil  |
| Switching fee     | The Manager does not impose any switching fee. However, if the amount of sales charge of the fund (or class) that the Unit Holder intends to switch into is higher than the sales charge imposed by the fund (or class) being switched from, then the difference in the sales charge between the two (2) funds (or classes) shall be borne by the Unit Holder. |
| Transfer fee      | Nil  |

#### What are the key ongoing fees charged to the Fund?

| Management fee | Up to 0.40% per annum of the NAV of the Fund.  |
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| Trustee fee    | Up to 0.03% per annum of the NAV of the Fund (including local custodian fees but excluding foreign custodian fees and charges),. |

Note: Please refer to the Information Memorandum for further explanation and illustration of the Fund's fees, charges and expenses.

ALL FEES AND CHARGES PAYABLE BY YOU ARE SUBJECT TO ALL APPLICABLE TAXES AND / OR DUTIES AS MAY BE IMPOSED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND / OR THE RELEVANT AUTHORITIES FROM TIME TO TIME.

#### **VALUATIONS AND EXITING FROM INVESTMENT**

## 8. How often are valuations available?

The Fund will be valued on every Business Day and you may obtain the NAV and NAV per Unit of the Fund from our website at <a href="www.aham.com.my">www.aham.com.my</a>, our customer service via our toll free number 1-800-88-7080 or email to <a href="customercare@aham.com.my">customercare@aham.com.my</a>.

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

You may request to redeem your investments in the Fund at any point in time by completing the repurchase application form and returning it to us on any Business Day between 8.45 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. Payments will be made to you within ten (10) Business Days from the Dealing Day the repurchase request is received by us and provided that all documentations are completed and verifiable.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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

1. For internal dispute resolution, you may contact our customer service personnel:

(a) via phone to : 03 – 2116 6000 (b) via fax to : 03 – 2116 6100 (c) via toll free no. : 1-800-88-7080

(d) via email to : <u>customercare@aham.com.my</u>
(e) via letter : AHAM Asset Management Berhad
Ground Floor, Menara Boustead

69, Jalan Raja Chulan,50200 Kuala Lumpur

Complaints should be made in writing with the following information:

- (a) particulars of the complainant which include name, correspondence address, contact number, e-mail address (if any) and other relevant information;
- (b) circumstances of the non-compliance or improper conduct;
- (c) parties alleged to be involved in the improper conduct; and
- (d) other supporting documentary evidence (if any).



If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal dispute resolution process, please refer your dispute to the Securities Industries Dispute Resolution Centre (SIDREC):

(a) via phone to : 03 – 2282 2280 (b) via fax to : 03 – 2282 3855 (c) via email to : info@sidrec.com.my

(d) via letter to : Securities Industry Dispute Resolution Center (SIDREC)
Unit A-9-1 Level 9, Tower A, Menara UOA Bangsar,
No. 5, Jalan Bangsar Utama 1, 59000 Kuala Lumpur

3. You can also direct your complaint to the SC even if you have initiated a dispute resolution process with SIDREC.

To make a complaint, please contact the SC's Consumer & Investor Office:

(a) via phone to the Aduan Hotling at 03 – 6204 8999

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(c) via e-mail to : aduan@seccom.com.my

(d) via online complaint form available at www.sc.com.my

(e) via letter to : Consumer & Investor Office

Securities Commission Malaysia, No 3 Persiaran Bukit Kiara, Bukit Kiara,

50490 Kuala Lumpur

4. Federal of Investment Managers Malaysia (FIMM)'s Complaints Bureau:

(a) via phone to : 03 – 20923800 (b) via fax to : 03 – 20932700

(c) via e-mail to : complaints@fimm.com.my

(d) via online complaint form available at : www.fimm.com.my

(e) via letter to : Legal, Secretarial & Regulatory Affairs

Federal of Investment Managers Malaysia 19-06-1, 6th Floor Wisma Tune, No. 19, Lorong Dungun, Damansara Heights,

50490 Kuala Lumpur

## **APPENDIX: GLOSSARY**

| Base Currency                        | Means the currency in which the Fund is denominated i.e. USD.  |
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| Bursa Malaysia                       | Means the stock exchange operated by Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad including such other name as it may be amended from time to time.  |
| Business Day                         | Means a day on which Bursa Malaysia and/or one or more of the foreign markets in which the Fund is invested in are open for business/trading. The Manager may declare certain Business Days as non-Business Days when deemed necessary, such as (i) in the event of market disruption; (ii) if the jurisdiction of the Target Fund declares that day as a non-business day; and/or (iii) if that day is declared as a non-Dealing Day for the Target Fund. |
| Deed                                 | Refers to the deed dated 15 January 2020 and the first supplemental deed dated 16 November 2023 entered into between the Manager and the Trustee and includes any subsequent amendments and variations to the deed.  |
| Dealing Day                          | Means any day which is not a Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association closing day (excluding Saturday and Sunday).  |
| Development<br>Financial Institution | Means a development financial institution under the Development Financial Institutions Act 2002.   |
| ESG                                  | Means environmental, social and governance factors which can be considered non-financial performance indicators which include ethical, sustainable and corporate government issues.  |
| Financial Institution                | Means (1) if the institution is in Malaysia –  |
|                                      | (i) Licensed Bank;   |
|                                      | (ii) Licensed Investment Bank;   |
|                                      | (iii) Development Financial Institutions; or   |
|                                      | (iv) Licensed Islamic Bank; or   |
|                                      | (2) if the institution is outside Malaysia, any institution that is licensed, registered, approved or<br>authorised by the relevant banking regulator to provide financial services.   |
| Fund                                 | Means AHAM World Series – US Dollar Liquidity Fund (formerly known as Affin Hwang World Series – US Dollar Liquidity Fund).  |
| Guidelines                           | Means the Guidelines on Unlisted Capital Market Products Under The Lodge And Launch Framework issued by the SC as may be amended from time to time.  |
| Information<br>Memorandum            | Means this offer document in respect of this Fund as may be replaced or amended from time to time.   |
| Licensed Bank                        | Means a bank licensed under the Financial Services Act 2013.   |
| Licensed Investment<br>Bank          | Means an investment bank licensed under the Financial Services Act 2013.   |





| Licensed Islamic<br>Bank        | Means an Islamic bank licensed under the Islamic Financial Services Act 2013.   |
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| Manager or AHAM                 | Refers to AHAM Asset Management Berhad.   |
| NAV                             | Means the value of all the assets of the Fund less the value of all the liabilities of the Fund at a valuation point.   |
| NAV per Unit                    | Means the NAV of the Fund at a particular valuation point divided by the number of Units in Circulation at the same valuation point.  |
| Repurchase Charge               | Means a charge imposed pursuant to a repurchase request.  |
| Sales Charge                    | Means a charge imposed pursuant to a purchase request.  |
| sc                              | Means the Securities Commission Malaysia.   |
| short term                      | Means a period of less than 3 years.  |
| Short Term Money<br>Market Fund | Means a Money Market Fund which invests in eligible money market instruments referred to in Article 10(1) of the Money Market Fund Regulation and is subject to the portfolio rules set out in Article 24 of the Money Market Fund Regulation.  |
| Sophisticated Investor          | Refers to any person (a) who falls within any of the categories of investors set out in Part 1, Schedules 6 and 7 of the Act; (b) who acquires unlisted capital market products where the consideration is not less than two hundred and fifty thousand ringgit or equivalent in foreign currencies for each transaction whether such amount is paid for in cash or otherwise; or (c) any other person as may be determined by the SC from time to time under the Guidelines.  Note: For more information, please refer to our website at www.aham.com.my for the current excerpts of Part 1, Schedules 6 and 7 of the Act and the list of other Sophisticated Investors as permitted by the SC under the Guidelines. |
| Unit or Units                   | Means an undivided share in the beneficial interest and/or right in the Fund and a measurement of the interest and/or right of a Unit Holder in the Fund and means a Unit of the Fund.  |
| Units in Circulation            | Means Units created and fully paid for and which have not been cancelled.  It is also the total number of Units issued at a particular valuation point.   |
| Unit Holder, you                | Refers to the person / corporation for the time being who, in full compliance to the relevant laws is a Sophisticated Investor pursuant to the Guidelines including a jointholder.  |
| US                              | Means United States of America.   |
| USD                             | Means United States Dollar, the lawful currency of United States of America.  |