

PRODUCT HIGHLIGHTS SHEET

for

AHAM Hard Currencies Fixed Income Fund *(Formerly known as Affin Hwang Hard Currencies Fixed Income Fund)*

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AHAM HARD CURRENCIES FIXED INCOME FUND
BRIEF INFORMATION ON THE PRODUCT
1. What is this product about?

The Fund is an open-ended wholesale fixed income fund which seeks to provide investors with a steady income stream over the medium to long-term investment horizon through investments primarily in global fixed income instruments.

PRODUCT SUITABILITY
2. Who is this product suitable for?

The Fund is designed for Sophisticated Investors who seek income through investment in global fixed income instruments, have a medium to long term investment horizon and have a low to medium risk tolerance.

KEY PRODUCT FEATURES
3. What am I investing in?

Launch Date	25 November 2019
Tenure	This 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
Benchmark	USD Libor 3 months + 1.5% <i>The risk profile of the Fund is different from the risk profile of the benchmark.</i>
Investment Strategy	<p>The Fund will focus on achieving its objective by investing a minimum of 70% of the Fund's NAV in fixed income instruments such as debentures, money market instruments and deposits with Financial Institutions.</p> <p>We will combine a top-down and bottom-up investment approach to identify investment opportunities. Macroeconomic trends and market analysis are the important considerations in deriving the top-down perspective on interest rate outlook, fixed income markets and currency movements. For its bottom-up approach, we would conduct analysis on the issuers to assess its ability to service its debt obligations.</p> <p>The selection will depend largely on its quality where the respective issuers display strong ability to meet their financial obligations, healthy cash-flow, the collateral type, value, claims priority as well as offer highest safety for timely payment of interest and principal.</p> <p>To provide you with a broader investment reach, the Fund will have the flexibility to participate in global investment opportunities. However, to manage the volatility of the Fund, we will look towards maintaining a minimum of 70% of the Fund's exposure in USD. This will be achieved by either investing in USD denominated investments or hedging the non-USD denominated including but not limited to EUR, GBP, AUD and other hard currencies investments back to USD.</p> <p>The Fund may invest in collective investment schemes that have a similar investment objective to the Fund.</p> <p>The Fund may also use various portfolio management techniques (including without limitation when issued, delayed delivery, forward commitment, currency transactions, repurchase and reverse repurchase and securities lending transactions). The use of such portfolio management techniques will only be used in line with the best interests of the Fund with the aim of reducing certain risks associated with the Fund's investments, reducing costs and to generate additional income.</p>

	<p>Derivatives Derivative trades may be carried out for both investments and hedging purposes through financial instruments such as, but not limited to, forward contracts, futures contracts swaps, and options.</p> <p>Embedded Derivatives We may also invest in embedded derivatives such as, but not limited to, equity-linked notes and credit-linked notes. An investment into these embedded derivatives will provide the Fund with exposure to a referenced asset. As the note is structured by an external party, investments into an embedded derivative will also expose the Fund to counterparty risk, which we will attempt to mitigate by carrying out a stringent selection process on the counterparty prior to an investment being made.</p>
Asset Allocation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A minimum of 70% of the Fund's NAV to be invested in fixed income instruments; and • A maximum of 30% of the Fund's NAV to be invested in cash.
Distribution Policy	Subject to the availability of income, the Fund will provide distribution on a quarterly basis.
Minimum Initial Investment*	USD 5,000
Minimum Additional Investment*	USD 1,000
Minimum Holding of Units *	5,000 Units

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	CIMB Commerce Trustee Berhad

5. What are the possible outcomes of my investment?

This Fund is a wholesale fixed income fund that invests primarily in global fixed income instruments. The Fund's investment into fixed income instruments would to a great extent be linked to the price movements of the global fixed income markets. If the fixed income instruments that are investable by the Fund performs well, the Fund's performance may reflect the same. However, should the investments that are investable by the Fund perform poorly, the Fund's performance may also be impacted negatively.

Unlike fixed deposits which generally provide a guarantee on capital invested and carry specific rate of return, the Fund's investment into fixed income does not provide a guarantee on capital contributed nor does it guarantee a fixed rate of return.

The Fund endeavours to distribute income, if any, on quarterly basis. However, the amount of income available for distribution may fluctuate from year to year.

** At our discretion, we may reduce the transaction value and Units, including for transactions made via digital channels, subject to 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 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. 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.
- **Liquidity risk** – Liquidity risk refers to two scenarios. The first scenario is where an investment cannot be sold due to the unavailability of a buyer for that investment. The second scenario exists where the investment, by its nature, is thinly traded. This will have the effect of causing the investment to be sold below its fair value which would adversely affect the NAV of the Fund and subsequently the value of Unit Holders' investments in the Fund. Upon such event and in the best interest of the Unit Holders, the Manager may suspend the repurchase of Units requests. Please refer to "*Suspension of Dealing in Units*" section of the Fund's Information Memorandum for more detail.
- **Performance risk** – The performance of the Fund depends on the financial instruments that the Fund purchases. If the instruments do not perform within expectation or if there is a default, then, the performance of the Fund will be impacted negatively. The performance of the Fund may also be impacted if the allocation of assets is not properly done. This is where the experience and expertise of the fund managers are important and the risk on the lack of experience and expertise of the fund managers has been highlighted above. On that basis, there is never a guarantee that investing in the Fund will produce the desired investment returns or on the distribution of income.
- **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 may be 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. 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

- **Credit and default risk** – Credit risk relates to the creditworthiness of the issuers of the debentures and money market instruments and the Financial Institutions where the deposits are placed (hereinafter referred to as "investment") and their expected ability to make timely payment of interest and/or principal. Any adverse situations faced by the issuer and/or Financial Institution may impact the value as well as liquidity of the investment. In the case of rated investments, this may lead to a credit downgrade. Default risk relates to the risk of an issuer and/or a Financial Institution of the investment either defaulting on payments or failing to make payments in a timely manner which will in turn adversely affect the value of the investment. This could adversely affect the value of the Fund.

- **Interest rate risk** – This risk refers to the impact of interest rate changes on the valuation of debentures or money market instruments (hereinafter referred to as “investment”). Generally, movement in interest rates affects the prices of investment inversely. For example, when interest rates rise, prices of investment will fall. The fluctuations of the prices of investment will also have an impact on the NAV of the Fund. This risk can largely be eliminated by holding the investment until their maturity. We also manage interest rate risk by considering each investment’s sensitivity to interest rate changes. When interest rates are expected to increase, the Fund would then likely seek to switch to investment that are less sensitive to interest rate changes. For investments in deposits, the fluctuations in the interest rates will not affect the placement of deposits but will result in the opportunity loss by the Fund if the placement of deposits is made at lower interest rate.
- **Derivatives risk** - Valuation of derivatives takes into account a multitude of factors such as movement of the underlying assets, the correlation of the underlying assets with the Fund, the implied future direction of the underlying assets and other factors. Any diverse changes of the factors mentioned above, may result in a lower NAV price and higher volatility for the Fund’s NAV.
- **Embedded derivatives risk** – The NAV of the Fund will be impacted by the valuation of the embedded derivatives. Factors that may impact the valuation of the embedded derivatives will include, but not limited to movement of the underlying asset, volatility of the underlying assets, interest rate levels, the correlation of the underlying assets and other such factors. Any change in the aforesaid factors would either positively or negatively impact the valuation of the embedded derivatives hence impacting the NAV of the Fund. As such, the Fund’s NAV will be exposed to potential price volatility, which will be dependent on the valuation of the embedded derivatives that the Fund invested in.
- **Counterparty risk** – Counterparty risk concerns the Fund’s investment in derivatives (“Investments”). Counterparty risk is prevalent as the potential returns derived from the Investments are dependent on the ongoing ability and willingness of the issuer i.e. a Financial Institution to fulfill their respective financial commitments 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.
- **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 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 gains or losses arising from the fluctuation in the exchange rate may further increase or decrease the returns of the investment.
- **Country risk** – Investments of the Fund in any countries may be affected by changes in the economic and political climate, restriction on currency repatriation or other developments in the law or regulations of the countries in which the Fund invests. For example, the deteriorating economic condition of such countries may adversely affect the value of the investments undertaken by the Fund in those affected countries. This in turn may cause the NAV of the Fund or prices of Units to fall.

Note: Please refer to “Understanding the Risks of the 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.
Repurchase charge	Nil.
Switching fee	Not applicable as switching facility is not available for this Fund.
Transfer fee	Nil.

What are the key ongoing fees charged to the Fund?

Management fee	Up to 0.20% per annum of the NAV of the Fund (before deducting the management fee and trustee fee).
Trustee fee	Up to 0.04% per annum of the NAV of the Fund (excluding foreign custodian fees and charges) (before deducting the management fee and trustee fee).

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.

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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 www.aham.com.my, our customer service via our toll free number 1-800-88-7080 or email to customercare@aham.com.my.

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. and 3.30 p.m. Payments will be made to you within fourteen (14) days from the day the repurchase request is received by us and provided that all documentations are completed and verifiable.

CONTACT
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 : customercare@aham.com.my
- (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).

2. 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 Hotline at : 03 – 6204 8999
 - (b) via fax to : 03 – 6204 8991
 - (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

AUD	Australian Dollar.
Base Currency	Means the currency in which the Fund is denominated i.e. USD.
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.
Deed	Refers to the deed dated 8 November 2019 and the first supplemental deed dated 18 May 2023 entered into between the Manager and the Trustee and includes any subsequent amendments and variations to the deed.
Development Financial Institution	Means a development financial institution under the Development Financial Institutions Act 2002.
EUR	Euro.
Financial Institution	Means (1) if the institution is in Malaysia – Licensed Bank; Licensed Investment Bank; Development Financial Institution; or Licensed Islamic Bank; if the institution is outside Malaysia, any institution that is licensed, registered, approved or authorised by the relevant banking regulator to provide financial services.
Fund	Means AHAM Hard Currencies Fixed Income Fund (<i>formerly known as Affin Hwang Hard Currencies Fixed Income Fund</i>).
GBP	Great Britain Pounds.
Guidelines	Refers to <i>Guidelines on Unlisted Capital Market Products Under The Lodge And Launch Framework</i> issued by the SC and as amended or modified from time to time.
Information Memorandum	Means the 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 Bank	Means an investment bank licensed under the Financial Services Act 2013.
Licensed Islamic Bank	Means an Islamic bank licensed under the Islamic Financial Services Act 2013.
Manager / AHAM / we / us / our	Means AHAM Asset Management Berhad (<i>formerly known as Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad</i>).
medium to long-term	Means a period above three (3) years.
MYR	Malaysia Ringgit.
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 Unit 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	Securities Commission Malaysia.
Sophisticated Investor	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
Trustee	Refers to CIMB Commerce Trustee Berhad.
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	<p>Means Units created and fully paid and which have not been cancelled.</p> <p><i>It is also the total number of Units issued at a particular valuation point.</i></p>
Unit Holder, you	Means 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.
USD	United States Dollar.