

Information Memorandum

AHAM ESG Wholesale Fixed Income Fund



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* The constitution date of this Fund is also the launch date of this Fund.

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AHAM ESG WHOLESALE FIXED INCOME FUND IS A QUALIFIED SUSTAINABLE AND RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT FUND UNDER THE GUIDELINES ON SUSTAINABLE AND RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT FUNDS.

INVESTORS ARE ADVISED TO READ AND UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS OF THIS INFORMATION MEMORANDUM AND OBTAIN PROFESSIONAL ADVICE BEFORE SUBSCRIBING TO THE UNITS OF THE FUND. IF IN DOUBT, PLEASE CONSULT A PROFESSIONAL ADVISE.



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GLOSSARY

Act	Means the Capital Markets and Services Act 2007 as may be amended from time to time.
Bursa Malaysia	Means the stock exchange operated by Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad including such other name as may be amended from time to time.
Business Day	Means a day on which Bursa Malaysia is open for trading. The Manager may declare certain Business Days as non-Business Days when deemed necessary, such as in the event of market disruption.
Commencement Date	Means the date on which the sale of Units is first made. The Commencement Date is also the date of constitution of the Fund.
communiqué	Refers to the notice issued by the Manager to the Unit Holders.
CVC Capital Partners Asia Fund V	Means collectively (1) CVC Capital Partners Asia V L.P.; (2) CVC Capital Partners Investment Asia V L.P.; and (3) CVC Capital Partners Asia V Associates L.P.
Deed	Refers to the deed dated 12 July 2024 entered into between the Manager and the Trustee, which may be modified or varied by further supplemental deeds from time to time.
deposit(s)	Has the same meaning as per the definition of "deposit" in the Financial Services Act 2013. For the avoidance of doubt, it shall exclude structured deposit.
Development Financial Institution	Means a development financial institution under the Development Financial Institutions Act 2002.
ESG	Means Environmental, Social and Governance.
FiMM	Means the Federation of Investment Managers Malaysia.
Financial Institution(s)	Means (1) if the institution is in Malaysia – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Licensed Bank; (ii) Licensed Investment Bank; (iii) Development Financial Institution; or (iv) Licensed Islamic Bank; or (2) if the institution is outside Malaysia, any institution that is licensed, registered, approved or authorised by the relevant banking regulator to provide financial services.
Forward Pricing	Means the method of determining the price of a Unit which is the NAV per Unit at the next valuation point after an application for purchase or repurchase request is received by the Manager.
Fund	Refers to AHAM ESG Wholesale Fixed Income Fund.
Guidelines	Means the <i>Guidelines on Unlisted Capital Market Products Under the Lodge and Launch Framework</i> issued by the SC as may be amended from time to time.
Information 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 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	Refers to AHAM Asset Management Berhad.
medium to long-term	Means a period of three (3) years and above.
MYR	Means Malaysian Ringgit, the lawful currency of Malaysia.

NAV or Net Asset Value	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.
RAM	Means RAM Rating Services Berhad.
Repurchase Charge	Means a charge imposed pursuant to a repurchase request.
Repurchase Price	Means the price payable to you by us for a Unit pursuant to a repurchase request and it shall be exclusive of any Repurchase Charge. <i>The Repurchase Price is equivalent to the initial offer price during the initial offer period and NAV per Unit after the initial offer period.</i>
Sales Charge	Means a charge imposed pursuant to a purchase request.
SC	Means the Securities Commission Malaysia established under the Securities Commission Malaysia Act 1993.
Selling Price	Means the price payable by you for us to create a Unit in the Fund and it shall be exclusive of any Sales Charge. <i>The Selling Price is equivalent to the initial offer price during the initial offer period and NAV per Unit after the initial offer period.</i>
Sophisticated Investors	Refers to any person who (a) is determined to be a sophisticated investor under the Guidelines on Categories of Sophisticated Investors, as amended from time to time; or (b) acquires any capital market product specified under the Guidelines where the consideration is not less than two hundred and fifty thousand ringgit or its equivalent in foreign currencies for each transaction whether such amount is paid for in cash or otherwise; and/or (c) any other person as categorised by the SC from time to time to be a sophisticated investor. Note: For more information and updates on the definition of “Sophisticated Investor”, please refer to our website at www.aham.com.my .
Special Resolution	Means a resolution passed at a meeting of Unit Holders duly convened in accordance with the Deed by a majority of not less than three-fourths (3/4) of the Unit Holders present and voting at the meeting in person or by proxy; for the avoidance of doubt, “three-fourths (3/4) of the Unit Holders present and voting” means three-fourths (3/4) of the votes cast by the Unit Holders present and voting; for the purposes of terminating the Fund, “Special Resolution” means a resolution passed at a meeting of Unit Holders duly convened in accordance with the Deed by a majority in number representing at least three-fourths (3/4) of the value of the Units held by the Unit Holders present and voting at the meeting in person or by proxy.
Trustee	Refers to TMF Trustees Malaysia Berhad.
Unit(s)	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.
Unit(s) in Circulation	Means Units created and fully paid for and which have not been cancelled. <i>It is also the total number of Units issued at a particular valuation point.</i>
Unit Holder(s) or 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 and/or such other relevant laws including a jointholder.

Reference to first person pronouns such as “we”, “us” or “our” in this Information Memorandum means the Manager/AHAM.

ABOUT AHAM ESG WHOLESALE FIXED INCOME FUND

Fund Category	: Fixed Income (Wholesale)
Fund Type	: Income
Base Currency	: MYR
Financial Year End	: 31 December
Distribution Policy	: Subject to the availability of income, the Fund will make distribution on a monthly basis. However, the amount of income available for distribution may fluctuate from month to month. 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.

INITIAL OFFER PERIOD AND INITIAL OFFER PRICE

The initial offer price is set at MYR 1.00 only.

The initial offer period shall be for a period of not more than forty-five (45) days from the Commencement Date. The initial offer period may be shortened if we determine that it is in your best interest.

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Fund aims to provide investors with regular income over medium to long-term period.

Any material change to the Fund's investment objective would require Unit Holders' approval.

PERFORMANCE BENCHMARK

50% FTSE BPAM Corporate AAA 1Y-3Y All Bond Index + 50% FTSE BPAM Corporate AA 1Y-3Y All Bond Index

The risk profile of this Fund is different from the risk profile of the benchmark.

The benchmark of the Fund is used for the purpose of measuring the performance of the Fund only.

ASSET ALLOCATION

- A minimum of 90% of the Fund's NAV to be invested in debentures; and
- A maximum of 10% of the Fund's NAV to be invested in money market instruments and/or deposits.

INVESTMENT STRATEGY

The Fund aims to achieve its investment objective by investing a minimum of 90% of its NAV in debentures and a maximum of 10% of its NAV in money market instruments and/or deposits.

The Fund's investments will consist of MYR-denominated debentures and money market instruments issued by corporate entities and/or Financial Institutions. The debentures that the Fund invests in will carry a minimum long-term credit rating of AA3 by RAM or equivalent rating by any other similar rating agencies at the point of purchase. The money market instruments that the Fund invests in will carry a minimum long-term credit rating of AA3 or short-term credit rating of P1 by RAM or equivalent rating by any other similar rating agencies at the point of purchase. In the unlikely event of a credit rating downgrade, we reserve the right to deal with the said investment(s) in the best interests of the Unit Holders including to dispose of the said investment(s) within a reasonable time frame. The weighted average duration of the portfolio shall not be more than three (3) years.

The fundamental investment process will be driven by considering the interest rate outlook for the market over the medium to long-term horizon. This entails studying relevant economic and business statistics in order to produce forecasts of interest rate trends. This will enable us to decide on the maturity structure for the Fund. We will adopt an investment policy which is flexible and adaptable, which entails the Fund, in accordance with its investment policy.

Our trading strategy when managing the portfolio of investments may vary depending on the prevailing market environment, and interest rate outlook.

We will hold the option to reduce the Fund's exposure to any investments that we believe may be impacted from the prevailing market conditions. We will, however, remain focused on constructing a portfolio of liquid investments that are able to provide relative certainty of meeting the Fund's financial obligations.

Sustainable and Responsible Investment ("SRI") Strategy

The Manager applies SRI strategies to the Fund's investments in debentures and money market instruments. Deposits are excluded from the Fund's SRI strategies. The Manager will ensure at least two-thirds (2/3) of the Fund's NAV is invested in securities in accordance with the Fund's SRI strategies.

The Fund will adopt negative screening and ESG integration in the selection, retention and realisation of its investments. The Manager will first apply negative screening to remove securities issued by companies involved in the excluded business activities, to form a broad investible universe. Within the investible universe, the Manager applies ESG integration in the assessment and selection of investments. The application of the SRI strategies are as follows:

1. Negative or exclusionary screening

The Fund will exclude investments in companies with principal business activities in alcohol, coal mining, forestry and logging, oil & gas exploration and production, gaming, tobacco and military weapons.

2. ESG Integration

The Fund will include ESG factors in the investment decision making and portfolio construction process. These ESG factors help the Manager identify potential tail risks and/or best-in-class practices such as competitive edge, customer behaviour, reputational risk and accessibility to funding. It also served as additional portfolio risk management tool by increasing awareness about the portfolio's exposures to companies with low ESG ratings, such as those with B and CCC ESG rating as per the Manager's internal methodologies.

Assessment Process and Framework

When assessing the Fund's investments in the company through negative or exclusionary screening, the Manager will review the company's level of involvement in the excluded business activities or practices and will apply a maximum revenue threshold of 10%* to such activities or practices. The Manager applies the maximum revenue threshold to companies where revenues from the excluded business activities or practices are derived as a non-primary source of income.

Note:

** The maximum revenue threshold of 10% shall apply at the initial selection of investments of the Fund and throughout the investment holding period.*

ESG integration is the inclusion of ESG considerations within the investment decision making process. Each company and industry face unique ESG risks. In the Manager's security selection and fundamental research process, the Manager would focus on ESG risk factors that have material impact on the investee company's financial and security performance. An ESG risk factor is deemed material if it is important and relevant to a company's stakeholders and has the potential to significantly impact a company's financial performance and wellbeing. Examples of ESG risk factors include, but are not limited to, climate adaptation and resilience (E), workers' health and safety (S) and board diversity (G). These ESG risks if not properly managed, can lead to substantial financial consequences for the company, be it in a form of a penalty and fine, increased operational costs, loss in consumer confidence or loss of business. In an ESG-integrated investment decision making process, these ESG risk factors are taken into consideration alongside assessment of the company's business and financial performance as well as securities valuation. The Manager utilises a range of resources in its evaluation process, including internal ESG scorecard, third party ESG rating services provider, company's public disclosures, broker research, news media outlets and non-governmental organizations.

The Manager assesses a company's ability to manage its ESG risks, its practices and/or commitments. The Manager assigns an ESG rating of "AAA", "AA", "A", "BBB", "BB", "B" or "CCC" on the company. Such ESG rating applies to the debentures and/or money market instruments issued by the company. AAA and AA-rated companies are deemed as ESG leaders where they are assessed to be adept at leveraging on its unique ESG characteristics or mitigate its ESG risks well and are ahead of its industry peers. ESG leaders present a stronger SRI investment case, particularly in situations where an ESG leader's securities valuations are comparable to another company that has a poorer ESG rating. Conversely, B and CCC-rated

companies are deemed as ESG laggards where they are assessed to have lagged peers of the same industry in the adoption of sustainability practices and disclosures. Low ESG rating is used more broadly to inform the Manager to reassess the strength of the investment thesis and the extent to which securities valuations have adequately reflected the higher ESG risk. The Fund may retain ESG laggards; the Manager shall conduct corporate engagements with ESG laggards to drive ESG awareness and adoption. Subsequent to the corporate engagement with the ESG laggards, and should we find material changes in their ESG practices, we will reassess and re-evaluate the ESG laggards using our internal scorecard. ESG laggards that have shown improvement in their ESG adoption will be assigned a better ESG rating.

Post investment, the Manager will continuously monitor the companies' (including ESG laggards) involvement in the excluded business activities as well as their ESG profile, through quarterly reviews and ongoing corporate engagement. ESG factors are dynamic and ever-evolving, hence the Manager conducts regular engagement activities with the investee companies (including ESG laggards) to facilitate information and knowledge exchange. The Manager will evaluate the Fund's investment on a quarterly basis to determine whether the Fund's investment is consistent with the negative screening approach. The Manager will also review the Fund's overall ESG risks to ensure that the impact of investing in line with the Fund's SRI strategies is not inconsistent with any other sustainability considerations.

Where an investment (including investments in ESG laggards) becomes inconsistent with the Fund's sustainability considerations, the Manager may reduce or dispose of the Fund's holdings in the investment and retain the profit/income received during the holding period if the value of the investment held by the Fund exceeds or is equal to the original investment cost (which may include transaction cost), as soon as it is practicable.

On the other hand, the Fund is allowed to hold the investment (including profit/income received during the holding period) which is inconsistent with the Fund's sustainability considerations if the value of the investment by the Fund is below the original investment cost, and such investment will be disposed of when the value of such investment held by the Fund exceeds or is equal to the original investment cost, as soon as it is practicable. In addition, should such investments exceed one-third (1/3) of the Fund's NAV, such investments will be disposed of and replaced with other investments that are in line with the Fund's sustainability considerations, to ensure at least two-thirds (2/3) of the Fund's NAV complies with its SRI strategies.

If the Fund breaches the minimum asset allocation threshold of two-thirds (2/3) of its NAV in investments that are subject to the Fund's sustainability considerations and/or the Fund's investment become inconsistent with its SRI strategies, the Manager undertakes to rectify the breach within an appropriate timeframe not exceeding three (3) months from the date of such breach.

Sustainability Risk Management

In managing the sustainability risk, the Manager relies on various external data and internal analysis to scrutinise and filter investments based on the SRI criteria and to identify potential financial loss from an investment in securities of a company pertaining to ESG. Risks are considered by the materiality of the ESG factors and the Fund's SRI strategies. An ESG risk factor is deemed material if it is important and relevant to a company's stakeholders and has the potential to significantly impact a company's financial performance and wellbeing. Regular meetings are held to discuss SRI matters and portfolio decisions taken at the meetings will then be implemented according to the investment guidelines which also take into account requirements for minimum portfolio diversification across individual investment holdings, sectors, geographies and asset classes (based on Fund's objective and strategy).

Temporary Defensive Position

We hold the option to take temporary defensive positions which may be inconsistent with the Fund's principal strategy and asset allocation to protect the Fund against adverse market conditions that may impact the financial markets. To manage the risk of the Fund, we may shift the Fund's assets to be temporarily invested in money market instruments and/or deposits. We will continue to apply SRI strategies when the Fund takes on temporary defensive positions and maintain at least two-thirds (2/3) of the Fund's NAV in investments that are subjected to sustainability considerations of the Fund.

Cross Trades Policy

We may conduct cross trades between funds which we are currently managing provided that all criteria imposed by the regulators are met. Cross trades may be conducted between the Fund and a non-SRI fund we manage. Any securities involved in the cross trade must meet the Fund's negative exclusion criteria and upon completion of cross trade, the Fund must continue to observe the minimum 2/3 NAV invested level in securities that are aligned with the Fund's sustainability strategies.

Notwithstanding the aforesaid, cross trades between the personal account of our employee and the Fund's account(s) and between our proprietary trading accounts and the Fund's account(s) are strictly prohibited. Compliance with the criteria would be monitored by our compliance unit, and reported to our compliance and risk management committee, to avoid conflict of interests and manipulation that could have a negative impact on the investors.

PERMITTED INVESTMENTS

The Fund will invest in the following investments:

- Debentures;
- Deposits;
- Money market instruments; and
- Any other form of investments as may be determined by us from time to time that is in line with the Fund's objective and permitted by the SC.

INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS AND LIMITS

- The Fund's assets must be relevant and consistent with the investment objective of the Fund.
- The aggregate value of the Fund's investments in, or exposure to, a single issuer through debentures and money market instruments shall not exceed 20% of the Fund's NAV.
- The value of the Fund's investments in debentures and money market instruments issued by any group of companies shall not exceed 40% of the Fund's NAV.
- Restrictions on the Fund's exposure to debentures:
 - i. Minimum long-term credit rating of AA3 by RAM or equivalent rating by any other similar rating agencies at the point of purchase;
- Restrictions on the Fund's exposure to money market instruments:
 - i. Minimum long-term credit rating of AA3 by RAM or equivalent rating by any other similar rating agencies for issuances with a maturity of twelve (12) months and below at the point of purchase; or
 - ii. Minimum short-term credit rating of P1 by RAM or equivalent rating by any other similar rating agencies at the point of purchase;
- The Fund must primarily invest in securities which are in accordance with its SRI policies and strategies with a minimum asset allocation of at least two-thirds (2/3) of its NAV.

In respect of the above investment restrictions and limits, any breach as a result of any (a) appreciation or depreciation in value of the Fund's investments; (b) repurchase of Units or payment made out of the Fund; or (c) downgrade in or cessation of a credit rating, must be rectified as soon as practicable within three (3) months from the date of the breach. Nevertheless, the three-month period may be extended if it is in the best interests of Unit Holders and the Trustee's consent has been obtained. Such extension must be subject to at least a monthly review by the Trustee.

VALUATION POINT OF THE FUND

The Fund will be valued at 6.00 p.m. on every Business Day (or "trading day" or "T day").

VALUATION OF ASSETS

We will ensure that the valuation of the Fund is carried out in a fair manner in accordance with the relevant laws and guidelines. We will obtain the daily price or value of the assets for the purpose of valuing the Fund in accordance with the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standard 9 issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board. In the absence of daily price or value of the assets, we will use the latest available price or value of the assets respectively.

The valuation bases for the permitted investments of the Fund are as below:

➤ **Debentures**

For unlisted MYR-denominated debentures, valuation will be done using the price quoted by a bond pricing agency (“BPA”) registered with the SC. Where the Manager is of the view that the price quoted by BPA differs from the fair value or where reliable market quotations are not available, the fair value will be determined in good faith by the Manager using methods or bases which have been verified by the auditor of the Fund and approved by the Trustee.

For listed MYR-debentures, valuation will be based on the closing price or last known transacted price on the eligible market on which the investment is quoted. If the price is not representative of its fair value or is not available to the market, including in the event of suspension in the quotation of the listed debentures for a period exceeding fourteen (14) days, or such shorter period as agreed by the Trustee, such listed debentures will be valued at fair value as determined in good faith by the Manager, based on the methods or bases which have been verified by the auditor of the Fund and approved by the Trustee.

➤ **Deposits**

Valuation of deposits placed with Financial Institutions will be done by reference to the principal value of the deposits and the interests accrued thereon for the relevant period.

➤ **Money Market Instruments**

Valuation of MYR-denominated money market instruments will be done using the price quoted by a BPA registered with the SC. Where the Manager is of the view that the price quoted by BPA differs from the fair value or where reliable market quotations are not available, the fair value will be determined in good faith by the Manager using methods or bases which have been verified by the auditor of the Fund and approved by the Trustee. This may be determined by reference to the valuation of other money market instruments which are comparable in rating, yield, expected maturity date and/or other characteristics.

➤ **Any Other Investments**

Fair value as determined in good faith by the Manager, based on the methods or bases which have been verified by the auditor of the Fund and approved by the Trustee.

ABOUT THE FEES AND CHARGES

There are fees and charges involved and you are advised to consider the fees and charges before investing in the Fund.

You should be aware that all fees, charges and expenses referred to or quoted in this Information Memorandum (including any supplemental information memorandum) and the Deed (including any supplemental deed) are referred to or quoted as being exclusive of any other applicable taxes. We (including the Trustee and other service providers) will charge any other applicable taxes on the fees, charges and expenses in accordance with any other relevant or applicable laws.

The following are the charges that may be directly incurred by you

SALES CHARGE

Nil.

REPURCHASE CHARGE

Nil.

TRANSFER FEE

Not applicable as transfer facility is not available for this Fund.

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.

The following are the fees and expenses that may be indirectly incurred by you

ANNUAL MANAGEMENT FEE

The annual management fee is up to 1.00% per annum of the NAV of the Fund (before deducting the management fee and trustee fee). The management fee is calculated and accrued daily and payable monthly to the Manager.

Please note that the example below is for illustration only:

Assuming that the NAV of the Fund is MYR 100 million for that day, the accrued management fee for that day would be:

$$\frac{\text{MYR } 100,000,000 \times 1.00\%}{365 \text{ days}} = \text{MYR } 2,739.73 \text{ per day}$$

ANNUAL TRUSTEE FEE

The annual trustee fee is up to 0.04% per annum of the NAV of the Fund (excluding any foreign custodian fees and charges) (before deducting the management fee and trustee fee). The trustee fee is calculated and accrued daily and payable monthly to the Trustee. In addition to the annual trustee fee, which includes the transaction fee, i.e. the fee incurred for handling purchase or sale of local investments, the Trustee may be reimbursed by the Fund for any expenses properly incurred by it in the performance of its duties and responsibilities.

Please note that the example below is for illustration only:

Assuming that the NAV of the Fund is MYR 100 million for that day, the accrued trustee fee for that day would be:

$$\frac{\text{MYR } 100,000,000 \times 0.04\%}{365 \text{ days}} = \text{MYR } 109.59 \text{ per day}$$

ADMINISTRATIVE FEE

Only the expenses (or part thereof) which are directly related and necessary to the operation and administration of the Fund may be charged to the Fund. These would include (but are not limited to) the following:

- commissions or fees paid to brokers or dealers in effecting dealings in the investments of the Fund, shown on the contract notes or confirmation notes (if any);
- taxes and other duties charged on the Fund by the government and/or other authorities;
- costs, fees and expenses properly incurred by the auditor of the Fund;
- costs, fees and expenses incurred for the fund valuation and accounting of the Fund performed by a fund valuation agent;
- costs, fees and expenses incurred for any modification of the Deed save where such modification is for the benefit of the Manager and/or the Trustee;
- costs, fees and expenses incurred for any meeting of the Unit Holders save where such meeting is convened for the benefit of the Manager and/or the Trustee;
- costs, commissions, fees and expenses of the sale, purchase, insurance and any other dealing of any asset of the Fund;
- costs, fees and expenses incurred in engaging any specialist approved by the Trustee for investigating or evaluating any proposed investment of the Fund;
- costs, fees and expenses incurred in engaging any adviser for the benefit of the Fund;
- costs, fees and expenses incurred in the preparation and audit of the taxation, returns and accounts of the Fund;
- costs, fees and expenses incurred in the termination of the Fund or the removal or retirement of the Trustee or the Manager and the appointment of a new trustee or management company;
- costs, fees and expenses incurred in relation to any arbitration or other proceedings concerning the Fund or any asset of the Fund, including proceedings against the Trustee or the Manager by the other for the benefit of the Fund or commenced by either of them for the benefit of the Fund (save to the extent that legal costs incurred for the defence of either of them are not ordered by the court to be reimbursed by the Fund);
- costs, fees and expenses deemed by the Manager to have been incurred in connection with any change or the need to comply with any change or introduction of any law, regulation or requirement (whether or not having the force of law) of any governmental or regulatory authority;
- costs and expenses incurred in relation to the distribution of income and/or capital (if any);
- (where the custodial function is delegated by the Trustee) charges and fees paid to the sub-custodians for taking into custody any foreign assets of the Fund;
- fees, charges, costs and expenses relating to the preparation, printing, posting and/or lodgement of documents and reports which the Manager and/or the Trustee may be obliged to prepare, print, post and/or lodge in relation to the Fund by virtue of any relevant laws;
- any tax now or hereafter imposed by law or required to be paid in connection with any costs, fees and expenses incurred as mentioned above; and
- Other fees and expenses related to the Fund allowed under the Deed.

MAXIMUM RATE OF FEES AND CHARGES ALLOWABLE BY THE DEED

We may impose higher fees and charges up to the following stated maximum rate, provided that we have taken the necessary procedures to increase the fees and charges.

Sales Charge	Nil
Repurchase Charge	Nil
Annual Management Fee	3.00% per annum of the NAV of the Fund
Annual Trustee Fee	0.10% per annum of the NAV of the Fund (excluding any foreign custodian fees and charges)

REBATES AND SOFT COMMISSIONS

We or any of our delegates thereof will not retain any rebate or soft commission from, or otherwise share in any commission with, any broker or dealer in consideration for directing dealings in the investments of the Fund. Accordingly, any rebate or shared commission should be directed to the account of the Fund.

The soft commissions can be retained by us or any of our delegates thereof provided that:

- the soft commissions bring direct benefit or advantage to the management of the Fund and may include research and advisory related services;
- any dealing with the broker or dealer is executed on terms which are the most favourable for the Fund; and
- we or our delegates will not enter into unnecessary trades in order to achieve a sufficient volume of transactions to qualify for soft commissions.

UNDERSTANDING THE RISKS OF THE FUND

Below are the risks associated with the investments of the Fund that you should consider before investing.

GENERAL RISKS OF THE FUND	
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. 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 laws 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	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.
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.
Loan / financing risk	This risk occurs when you take a loan or financing to finance your investment. The inherent risk of investing with borrowed or financed money includes you being unable to service the loan or 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 or financing.
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.


GENERAL RISKS OF 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 OF THE FUND	
Credit and default risk	Credit risk relates to the creditworthiness of the issuers of the debentures, 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 into 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.
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 requests. Please refer to " <i>Suspension of Dealing in Units</i> " section of this Information Memorandum for more details.
Sustainability risk	<p>Sustainability risk is an ESG event or condition that, if it occurs, could cause an actual or a potential material negative impact on the value of an investment and the returns of the Fund. Examples of sustainability risks are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Environmental: extreme weather events (such as heatwaves and flooding), forest degradation, loss of biodiversity or marine habitat and environmental pollution due to toxic waste discharge. ➤ Social: improper working practices (such as child labour, poor workplace health and safety), infringement of basic human rights, talent hiring and retention issues, cybersecurity attacks and poor community relations. ➤ Governance: lack of board independence and oversight, poor audit and tax management, unethical business behaviours, poor transparency and accountability and infringement of relevant laws and regulations. <p>The Fund, as part of its investment approach, adopts the sustainability criteria in selecting its investments and the sustainable investment process, when applied in normal market conditions to the universe of securities eligible for investments by the Fund, should help the Manager identify investments where securities valuations do not adequately reflect the level of sustainability risks.</p>

SPECIFIC RISKS OF THE FUND	
	<p>However, in applying sustainable investment process, it may cause the Fund to have a limited selection of securities and may forego certain investment opportunities. As a result, the sustainable investment approach may result in a loss to the value of an investment of the Fund and the Fund may perform differently as compared to other funds without the SRI strategies.</p> <p>Additionally, the Manager also relies on proprietary or third-party data providers in selecting the investment and such information provided may be inaccurate or incomplete which lead the Manager to incorrectly assess its investments.</p> <p>It is important for investors to note that the ESG considerations are highly subjective and is therefore possible that an investment may not perform in a way that an investor considers to be sustainable or responsible, even if it has been selected in accordance with the stated sustainability criteria.</p>
Reinvestment risk	<p>This risk arises when an issuer of fixed income instrument decides to repay the principal earlier than the intended maturity date, especially during times of declining interest rates. As a result, the Fund may experience lower returns due to reinvesting in lower yielding fixed income instruments.</p>
Distribution out of capital risk	<p>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.</p>

! 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.

DEALING INFORMATION

 You are advised not to make payment in cash to any individual agent when purchasing Units of the Fund.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO INVEST?

- You must be at least eighteen (18) years old and a Sophisticated Investor in order to invest in this Fund. Please refer to the “Glossary” chapter of this Information Memorandum for the definition of “Sophisticated Investor”. If we become aware that you are no longer a Sophisticated Investor, we will issue a notice requiring you to:
 - redeem Units of the Fund; or
 - switch out your Units to retail funds.
 Further information will be provided in the said notice.

WHAT ARE THE MINIMUM INITIAL INVESTMENT, MINIMUM ADDITIONAL INVESTMENT, MINIMUM REPURCHASE AMOUNT, MINIMUM HOLDING OF UNITS AND MINIMUM SWITCHING AMOUNT?

Minimum Initial Investment*	MYR 100,000
Minimum Additional Investment*	MYR 10,000
Minimum Repurchase Units*	10,000 Units
Minimum Holding of Units*	100,000 Units
Minimum Switching Amount*	10,000 Units

** 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.*

HOW TO PURCHASE UNITS?

- You may submit the purchase request by completing an application form and returning it to us between 8.45 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. on a Business Day.
- You are required to provide us with the following completed forms and documents. However, we reserve the right to request for additional documentations before we process the purchase application.

Individual or Jointholder	Corporation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Account opening form; • Suitability assessment form; • Personal data protection notice form; • Client acknowledgement form; • A copy of identity card or passport or any other document of identification; and • Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (“FATCA”) and Common Reporting Standard (“CRS”) Self-certification Form. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Account opening form; • Suitability assessment form; • Personal data protection notice form; • Certified true copy of memorandum and articles of association*; • Certified true copy of certificate of incorporation*; • Certified true copy of form 24 and form 49*; • Certified true copy of form 8, 9, 13, 20 and 44 (where applicable) *; • Latest audited financial statement; • Board resolution relating to the investment; • A list of the authorised signatories; • Specimen signatures of the respective signatories; • Declaration of Beneficial Ownership; and • Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (“FATCA”) and Common Reporting Standard (“CRS”) Self-certification Form. <p><i>* or any other equivalent documentation issued by the authorities.</i></p>

HOW TO MAKE PAYMENT FOR PURCHASE APPLICATION?

- During the initial offer period, you may purchase Units by way of:
 - (i) cash payment; or
 - (ii) transfer of securities to the Fund in lieu of cash.

Such securities to be transferred shall be in the form of investments as listed in the “Permitted Investments” section in this Information Memorandum and shall be valued in accordance with the methods or bases set out in the “Valuation of Assets” section in this Information Memorandum.

- For cash payment, you may transfer the purchase payment into our bank account via telegraphic transfer or online transfer, and include your name in the transaction description for our reference. You may obtain our bank account details from our online download center at www.aham.com.my.
- Bank charges or other bank fees, if any, will be borne by you.

WHAT IS THE PROCESS OF THE PURCHASE APPLICATION?

- During the initial offer period, if we receive your purchase application on a Business Day, we will create your Units based on the initial offer price of the Fund.
- After the initial offer period, if we receive your purchase application at or before 3.30 p.m. on a Business Day (or “T day”), we will create your Units based on the NAV per Unit for that Business Day. Any purchase request received or deemed to have been received by us after 3.30 p.m. on a Business Day will be transacted on the next Business Day (or “T + 1 day”), unless a prior arrangement is made to our satisfaction.
- Sale of Units will be honoured upon our receipt of a complete set of documents together with the proof of payments.
- If you purchase Units by transferring securities to the Fund in lieu of cash during the initial offer period, Units shall only be allocated to you upon our receipt of a complete set of documents together with the proof of such assets being deposited into Trustee’s account.

HOW TO REPURCHASE UNITS?

- It is important to note that, you must meet the minimum holding of Units after a repurchase transaction.
- If you insist on making a repurchase request knowing that after the transaction you will hold less than the minimum holding of Units, we may withdraw all your holding of Units and pay the proceeds to you.

We may, with the consent of the Trustee, reserve the right to defer your repurchase request if such transaction would adversely affect the Fund or the interests of the Unit Holders.
- You may submit the repurchase request by completing a transaction form and returning it to us between 8.45 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. on a Business Day.
- Payment of the repurchase proceeds will be made via bank transfer where proceeds will be transferred to your bank account. Where Units are held jointly, payment will be made to the person whose name appears first in the register of Unit Holders.
- Bank charges or other bank fees, if any, will be borne by us.

WHAT IS THE PROCESS OF REPURCHASE APPLICATION?

- During the initial offer period, if we receive your repurchase application on a Business Day, we will repurchase your Units based on the initial offer price of the Fund.
- After the initial offer period, for a repurchase request received or deemed to have been received by us at or before 3.30 p.m. on a Business Day (or “T day”), Units will be repurchased based on the NAV per Unit for that Business Day. Any repurchase request received after 3.30 p.m. will be transacted on the next Business Day (or “T + 1 day”).
- Processing is subject to receipt of a complete transaction form and such other documents as may be required by us.

WHAT IS THE REPURCHASE PROCEEDS PAYOUT PERIOD?

- You will be paid within ten (10) Business Days from the day the repurchase request is received by us, provided that all documentations are completed and verifiable.

WHAT IS THE PRICING OF UNITS?

- During the initial offer period, the Selling Price and the Repurchase Price are equivalent to the initial offer price of the Fund.
- After the initial offer period, Forward Pricing will be used to determine the Selling Price and the Repurchase Price i.e. the NAV per Unit of the Fund as at the next valuation point after we receive the purchase request or repurchase request.
- Any applicable Sales Charge and Repurchase Charge are payable separately from the Selling Price and Repurchase Price.

WHERE TO PURCHASE AND REPURCHASE UNITS?

- Units can be purchased and repurchased at any of the location listed in the “Directory of Sales Offices” section in this Information Memorandum or with our authorised distributors.
- You may obtain a copy of this Information Memorandum, the product highlights sheet and application forms from the abovementioned location. Alternatively, you may also visit our website at www.aham.com.my.

WHAT IS COOLING-OFF RIGHT?

- You have the right to apply for and receive a refund for every Unit that you have paid for within six (6) Business Days from the date we received your purchase application.
- You will be refunded for every Unit held based on the prices mentioned below and the Sales Charge imposed on the day those Units were purchased.
 - (i) If the price of a Unit on the day the Units were first purchased (“original price”) is higher than the price of a Unit at the point of exercise of the cooling-off right (“market price”), you will be refunded based on the market price at the point of cooling-off; or
 - (ii) If the market price is higher than the original price, you will be refunded based on the original price at the point of cooling-off.
- You will be refunded within ten (10) Business Days from our receipt of the cooling-off application.

Please note that the cooling-off right is applicable to you if you are an individual investor and are investing in any of our funds for the first time. However, if you are a staff of AHAM or a person registered with a body approved by the SC to deal in unit trust funds, you are not entitled to this right.

WHAT IS THE PROCESS OF COOLING-OFF APPLICATION?

- We will process your cooling-off request if your request is received or deemed to have been received by us at or before 3.30 p.m. on a Business Day (or “T day”). Any cooling-off request received after 3.30 p.m. will be transacted on the next Business Day (or “T+1 day”).
- Processing is subject to receipt of a complete transaction form and such other documents as may be required by us.

WHAT ARE THE SWITCHING OPTIONS?

- You are able to switch into any of our funds (or its classes), provided that the fund (or its class) is denominated in the same currency as the Fund, and it is subject to the terms and conditions applicable for the respective funds.

However, you must meet the Fund’s minimum holding of Units requirements and the minimum investment amount of the fund (or its class) that you intend to switch into.
- The process of the switching application is as below:

You must complete a switching transaction form and submit it to us at or before the cut-off time of 3.30 p.m. on a Business Day (or “T day”) together with relevant supporting documents, if any. If we receive your switching request after 3.30 p.m., we will process your request on the next Business Day (or “T + 1 day”).

You should note that the pricing day of a fund (or its class) may not be of the same day as we receive your switching application. Please see below the pricing policy of switching for all our funds:

Switching Out Fund	Switching In Fund	Pricing Day	
		Switching Out Fund	Switching In Fund
Money market fund	Non-money market fund	T Day	T Day
Non-money market fund	Non-money market fund		T Day
Money market fund	Money market fund	T Day	T + 1 Day
Non-money market fund	Money market fund	T Day	At the next valuation point, subject to clearance of payment and money received by the intended fund

CAN I TRANSFER MY UNITS TO ANOTHER PERSON?

- You are allowed to transfer your Units, whether fully or partially, to another person by completing the transfer transaction form and returning it to us on a Business Day. The transfer must be made in terms of Units and not in terms of MYR. There is no minimum number of Units required to effect a transfer except that the transferor and transferee must hold the minimum holding of Units to remain as a Unit Holder.
- It is important to note that we are at liberty to disregard or refuse to process the transfer application if the processing of such instruction will be in contravention of any law or regulatory requirements, whether or not having the force of law and/or would expose us to any liability.
- Please note that the person who is in receipt of the Units must be a Sophisticated Investor as well.

DISTRIBUTION POLICY

- Subject to the availability of income, the Fund will make distribution on a monthly basis. However, the amount of income available for distribution may fluctuate from month to month.

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. The rationale for distribution out of capital is to allow the Fund the ability to distribute income on a regular basis in accordance with the distribution policy of the Fund.

Having the option to tap into the additional sources of income from (3) unrealised income, (4) unrealised capital gains and/or (5) capital (collectively known as “distribution out of capital”) would give the Manager the flexibility to increase the amount of income distributable to Unit Holders after taking the distribution out of capital risk into consideration.

Distribution out of capital has a risk of eroding the capital of the Fund. Payment of distribution out of capital amounts to a return or withdrawal of part of an investor’s original investment or from any capital gains attributable to that original investment. Any distribution involving any payment out of capital of the Fund will result in an immediate reduction of the NAV per Unit. As a result, the value of future returns would be diminished.

- You may elect the mode of distribution in cash payment or additional Units (by way of reinvestment) by ticking the appropriate column in the application form. You may also inform us at any time before the income distribution date of your wish of receiving cash payment or additional Units via reinvestment. All distribution will be automatically reinvested into additional Units in the Fund if you do not select the mode of distribution in the application form.

Any distribution payable which is less than or equal to the amount of MYR 300.00 would be automatically reinvested.

Cash Payment Process

Income distribution by way of cash payment will be paid via telegraphic transfer. Income will be transferred to your bank account within seven (7) Business Days after the distribution date.

Reinvestment Process

We will create the Units based on the NAV per Unit of the Fund at the income payment date which is within two (2) Business Days after the distribution date. There will not be any cost for reinvestments of those additional Units, i.e. no Sales Charge will be imposed on such reinvestment.

SUSPENSION OF DEALING IN UNITS

The Manager may, in consultation with the Trustee and having considered the interests of the Unit Holders, suspend the dealing in Units due to exceptional circumstances or such other circumstances as may be determined by the Manager, where there is good and sufficient reason to do so. The Manager will cease the suspension as soon as practicable after the exceptional circumstances have ceased, and in any event, within twenty-one (21) days from the commencement of suspension.

The period of suspension may be extended if the Manager satisfies the Trustee that it is in the best interest of the Unit Holders for the dealing in Units to remain suspended, subject to a weekly review by the Trustee.

The Trustee may suspend the dealing in Units, if the Trustee, on its own accord, considers that exceptional circumstances have been triggered. In such a case, the Trustee shall immediately call for a Unit Holders' meeting to decide on the next course of action.

RELATED PARTIES TO THE FUND

ABOUT THE MANAGER - AHAM

AHAM was incorporated in Malaysia on 2 May 1997 and began its operations under the name Hwang-DBS Capital Berhad in 2001. AHAM has more than 20 years' experience in the fund management industry. In 2022, AHAM's ultimate major shareholder is CVC Capital Partners Asia Fund V, a private equity fund managed by CVC Capital Partners ("CVC"), which has approximately 68.35% controlling interest in AHAM. CVC is a global private equity and investment advisory firm with approximately USD125 billion of assets under its management. AHAM is also 20% owned by Nikko Asset Management Co. Ltd, a Tokyo-based asset management company, and 7% owned by Lembaga Tabung Angkatan Tentera.

Our Role as the Manager

We are responsible for the investment management and marketing of the Fund; servicing Unit Holders' needs; keeping proper administrative records of Unit Holders and the Fund; ensuring compliance with stringent internal procedures and guidelines of relevant authorities.

Our Investment Team

Our investment team comprises a group of portfolio managers who possess the necessary expertise and experience to undertake the fund management of our unit trust funds. The investment team will meet at least once a week or more should the need arise. The designated fund manager of the Fund is Ms. Esther Teo and you may obtain her profile from our website at www.aham.com.my.

ABOUT THE TRUSTEE

The Trustee is part of TMF Group, an independent global service provider in the trust and fiduciary sector. The group has more than 125 offices in over 83 jurisdictions in the world. TMF Group started in Malaysia in 1992 with its first office in Labuan International Business Financial Centre (IBFC), providing trust and fiduciary services. The Kuala Lumpur office was established in 2003 to support the Labuan office in servicing Malaysian clients and to undertake domestic trust business.

Duties and Responsibilities of the Trustee

The Trustee's main functions are to act as trustee and custodian of the assets of the Fund and to safeguard the interests of Unit Holders. In performing these functions and duties, the Trustee has to exercise all due care and vigilance and is required to act in accordance with the provisions of the Deed, all relevant laws and the Guidelines. Apart from being the legal owner of the Fund's assets, the Trustee is also responsible for ensuring that the Manager performs its duties and obligations in accordance with the provisions of the Deed, all relevant laws and the Guidelines.

Trustee's Delegate

The Trustee has appointed Standard Chartered Bank Malaysia Berhad ("SCBMB") as the custodian of the quoted and unquoted investments of the Fund. SCBMB was incorporated in Malaysia under the same name on 29 February 1984 under the Companies Act 1965 (now known as Companies Act 2016) as a public limited company and is a direct subsidiary of Standard Chartered Bank (Singapore) Limited and an indirect subsidiary of Standard Chartered PLC (the holding company of a global banking group). SCBMB was granted a license on 1 July 1994 under the Banking and Financial Institutions Act 1989 (now known as Financial Services Act 2013).

SCBMB is responsible for the Fund's assets settlement and custodising the Fund's asset. The assets are held in the name of the Fund through the custodian's wholly owned subsidiary and nominee company, Cartaban Nominees (Tempatan) Sdn Bhd. All investments are automatically registered into the name of the Fund. The custodian acts only in accordance with the instructions from the Trustee.

RELEVANT INFORMATION

SALIENT TERMS OF THE DEED

Your Rights and Liabilities

You have the right, among others, to the following:

- (a) To receive the distributions of income and/or capital (if any), to participate in any increase in the value of the Units and to enjoy such other rights and privileges as are provided for in the Deed;
- (b) To call for Unit Holders' meetings, and to vote for the removal of the Trustee or the Manager through a Special Resolution; and
- (c) To receive quarterly and annual reports.

However, you would not have the right to require the transfer to you of any of the assets of the Fund. Neither would you have the right to interfere with or question the exercise by the Trustee, or the Manager on the Trustee's behalf, of the rights of the Trustee as the registered owner of such assets.

You are not liable to the following:

- (a) For any amount in excess of the purchase price paid for the Units as determined in accordance with the Deed at the time the Units were purchased and any charges payable in relation thereto; or
- (b) For any obligation to indemnify the Manager and/or the Trustee in the event that the liabilities incurred by the Manager and/or the Trustee in the name of or on behalf of the Fund pursuant to and/or in the performance of the provisions of the Deed exceed the value of the assets of the Fund and any right of indemnity of the Manager and/or the Trustee shall be limited to recourse to the Fund.

Provisions Regarding Unit Holders' Meetings

Quorum Required for Convening a Unit Holders' Meeting

- (a) The quorum required for a meeting of the Unit Holders shall be five (5) Unit Holders, whether present in person or by proxy; however, if the Fund has five (5) or less Unit Holders, the quorum required for a meeting of the Unit Holders shall be two (2) Unit Holders, whether present in person or by proxy.
- (b) If the meeting has been convened for the purpose of voting on a Special Resolution, the Unit Holders present in person or by proxy must hold in aggregate at least twenty-five per centum (25%) of the Units in Circulation at the time of the meeting.
- (c) If the Fund has only one (1) remaining Unit Holder, such Unit Holder, whether present in person or by proxy, shall constitute the quorum required for the meeting of the Unit Holders.

Unit Holders' Meeting convened by the Unit Holders

Unless otherwise required or allowed by the relevant laws, the Manager shall, within twenty-one (21) days of receiving a direction at its registered office from not less than fifty (50) or one-tenth (1/10), whichever is less, of all the Unit Holders, summon a meeting of the Unit Holders by:

- (a) sending by post at least seven (7) days before the date of the proposed meeting a notice of the proposed meeting to all the Unit Holders at the Unit Holders' last known address or, in the case of jointholders, to the jointholder whose name stands first in the records of the Manager at the jointholder's last known address; and
- (b) publishing at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the proposed meeting an advertisement giving notice of the proposed meeting in a national language newspaper published daily and another newspaper approved by the relevant authorities.

The Unit Holders may direct the Manager to summon a meeting for any purpose including, without limitation, for the purpose of:

- (a) requiring the retirement or removal of the Manager;
- (b) requiring the retirement or removal of the Trustee;
- (c) considering the most recent financial statements of the Fund;
- (d) giving to the Trustee such directions as the meeting thinks proper; or
- (e) considering any matter in relation to the Deed,

provided always that the Manager shall not be obliged to summon such a meeting unless a direction has been received from not less than fifty (50) or one-tenth (1/10), whichever is less, of all the Unit Holders.

Unit Holders' Meeting convened by the Manager

The Manager may for any purpose whatsoever summon a meeting of the Unit Holders by sending by post at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the proposed meeting, or such other time as may be prescribed by the relevant laws, a notice of the proposed meeting to all the Unit Holders. All such notices and advertisement to the Unit Holders shall specify the place, time and terms of the resolutions to be proposed.

Unit Holders' Meeting convened by the Trustee

The Trustee may summon a Unit Holders' meeting where:

- (a) the Manager is in liquidation;
- (b) in the opinion of the Trustee, the Manager has ceased to carry on business; or
- (c) in the opinion of the Trustee, the Manager has, to the prejudice of Unit Holders, failed to comply with the Deed or contravened any of the provisions of the Act.

The Trustee may also summon a Unit Holders' meeting for any purpose including, without limitation, for the purpose of:

- (a) requiring the retirement or removal of the Manager;
- (b) giving instructions to the Trustee or the Manager if the Trustee considers that the investment management policies of the Manager are not in the interests of Unit Holders;
- (c) securing the agreement of the Unit Holders to release the Trustee from any liability;
- (d) deciding on the next course of action after the Trustee has suspended the sale and repurchase of Units pursuant to Clause 5.9.3 of the Deed; and
- (e) deciding on the reasonableness of the annual management fee charged to the Fund.

Unless otherwise required or allowed by the relevant laws, a meeting of the Unit Holders summoned by the Trustee pursuant to the aforesaid shall be summoned by:

- (a) sending by post at least twenty-one (21) days before the date of the proposed meeting a notice of the proposed meeting to each of the Unit Holders at the Unit Holder's last known address or, in the case of jointholders, to the jointholder whose name stands first in the records of the Manager at the jointholder's last known address; and
- (b) publishing at least twenty-one (21) days before the date of the proposed meeting an advertisement giving notice of the meeting in a national language newspaper published daily and another newspaper approved by the relevant authorities.

Termination of the Fund

The Fund may be terminated or wound up subject to a Special Resolution being passed at a Unit Holders' meeting to terminate or wind up the Fund.

The Manager may, in its sole discretion and without having to obtain the prior approval of the Unit Holders, terminate the Fund upon the occurrence of any of the following events:

- (a) if any new law shall be passed which renders it illegal; or
- (b) if in the reasonable opinion of the Manager it is impracticable or inadvisable to continue the Fund and the termination of the Fund is in the best interests of the Unit Holders.

If the Fund is left with no Unit Holder, the Manager shall also be entitled to terminate the Fund.

Procedures to be taken to increase the fees and charges from the current amount stipulated in this Information Memorandum

We may not charge a Sales Charge and/or Repurchase Charge (if any) at a rate higher than that disclosed in this Information Memorandum unless:

- (a) we have notified the Trustee in writing of the higher charge and the effective date for the higher charge; and
- (b) a supplemental/replacement information memorandum in respect of the Fund setting out the higher charge is lodged and issued.

We or the Trustee may not charge an annual management fee and/or an annual trustee fee at a rate higher than that disclosed in this Information Memorandum unless:

- (a) we and the Manager have come to an agreement on the higher rate;
- (b) we have notified the Unit Holders of the higher rate and the date on which such higher rate is to become effective; and
- (c) a supplemental/replacement information memorandum stating the higher rate is lodged and issued.

INCORRECT PRICING

We will take immediate remedial action to rectify any incorrect valuation and/or pricing of the Fund and/or the Units and to notify the Trustee and the SC of the same unless the Trustee considers the incorrect valuation and/or pricing of the Fund and/or the Units is of minimal significance.

The Trustee will not consider an incorrect valuation and/or pricing of the Fund and/or the Units to be of minimal significance if the error involves a discrepancy of 0.5% or more of the NAV per Unit unless the total impact on your account is less than MYR 10.00. An incorrect valuation and/or pricing not considered to be of minimal significance by the Trustee will result in reimbursement of moneys in the following manner:

	Reimbursement by:	Receiving parties:
Over valuation and/or pricing in relation to the purchase and creation of Units	Fund	Unit Holder
Over valuation and/or pricing in relation to the repurchase of Units	AHAM	Fund
Under valuation and/or pricing in relation to the purchase and creation of Units	AHAM	Fund
Under valuation and/or pricing in relation to the repurchase of Units	Fund	Unit Holder or former Unit Holder

FINANCING AND SECURITIES LENDING

The Fund is not permitted to borrow cash or other assets (including the borrowing of securities within the meaning of the SC’s Securities Borrowing and Lending Guidelines [SBL Guidelines]) in connection with its activities.

Except for securities lending as provided under the SBL Guidelines, none of the cash or investments of the Fund may be lent. Further, the Fund does not assume, guarantee, endorse or otherwise become directly or contingently liable for or in connection with any obligation or indebtedness of any person.

UNCLAIMED MONIES

Any monies payable to you which remain unclaimed after twelve (12) months from the date of payment will be paid to the Registrar of Unclaimed Monies in accordance with the requirements of the Unclaimed Moneys Act 1965.

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AHAM ESG Wholesale Fixed Income Fund Taxation of the Fund and Unit Holders

1. This letter has been prepared for inclusion in the Information Memorandum (hereinafter referred to as “the Information Memorandum”) in connection with the offer for sale of units in the AHAM ESG Wholesale Fixed Income Fund (“the Fund”).

The following is general information based on Malaysian tax law in force at the time of lodging the Information Memorandum with the Securities Commission Malaysia (“SC”) and investors should be aware that the tax law may change at any time. The application of tax law depends upon an investor’s individual circumstances. The information provided below does not constitute tax advice. The Manager therefore recommends that investors consult their tax adviser regarding the specific application of the tax law relating to their specific tax position.

2. Taxation of the Fund

2.1 Income Tax

As the Fund’s Trustee is a tax resident in Malaysia, the Fund is regarded as a tax resident in Malaysia. The taxation of the Fund is governed principally by Sections 61 and 63B of the Malaysian Income Tax Act, 1967 (“MITA”).

Pursuant to the Section 2(7) of MITA, any reference to interest shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to gains or profits received and expenses incurred, in lieu of interest, in transactions conducted in accordance with the principles of Shariah. The effect of this is that any gains or profits received and expenses incurred, in lieu of interest, in transactions conducted in accordance with the principles of Shariah, will be accorded the same tax treatment as if they were interest.

The income of the Fund in respect of dividends, interest or profits from deposits and other investment income (other than income which is exempt from tax) derived from or accruing in Malaysia or received in Malaysia from outside Malaysia is liable to income tax. The Fund may be receiving income such as exit fee which will be subject to tax at the prevailing tax rate applicable on the Fund. Section 61(1)(b) of MITA provides that gains arising from the realisation of investments shall be treated as income of the trust body of the trust as gains or profits from the disposal of a capital asset, provided that such gains are not related to real property as defined under the Real Property Gains Tax (“RPGT”) Act, 1976.

The income tax rate applicable to the Fund is 24%.

Tax exempt interest as listed in the Appendix attached received by the Fund are not subject to income tax.

With effect from 1 January 2014, Malaysia has fully moved to a single-tier income tax system. The Fund is not liable to tax on any Malaysia sourced dividends paid, credited or distributed to the Fund under the single-tier tax system, where the company paying such dividend is not entitled to deduct tax under the MITA. The tax

deductibility of other deductions by the Fund against such dividend income will be disregarded in ascertaining the chargeable income of the Fund.

In addition to the single-tier dividend that may be received by the Fund, the Fund may also receive Malaysian dividends which are tax exempt from investments in companies which had previously enjoyed or are currently enjoying various tax incentives provided under the laws of Malaysia. The Fund is not subject to income tax on such tax exempt dividend income.

The Fund may also receive interest, dividends, profits and other income from investments derived from sources outside of Malaysia. Prior to 1 January 2022, income arising from sources outside Malaysia and received in Malaysia was exempted from Malaysian income tax pursuant to Paragraph 28 of Schedule 6 of the MITA. Effective from 1 January 2022, Paragraph 28 of Schedule 6 of the MITA was amended to only exempt a non-resident person from foreign sourced income received in Malaysia. Unit trusts fund with a trustee who is tax resident in Malaysia are considered tax residents of Malaysia and would not qualify for the exemption under the amended Paragraph 28 of Schedule 6 of the MITA.

The Ministry of Finance of Malaysia issued the gazette orders, Income Tax (Exemption) (No. 5) Order 2022 [P.U.(A) 234/2022] and Income Tax (Exemption) (No. 6) Order 2022 [P.U.(A) 235/2022] on 19 July 2022 which took effect from 1 January 2022. The orders grant exemption on foreign sourced income as follows:

- Dividend income received by companies and limited liability partnerships; and
- All types of foreign sourced income received by individuals, except for those carrying on a partnership business in Malaysia.

However, as the unit trust fund is not a “company”, “limited liability partnership” or “individual”, the above gazette orders do not apply to unit trust funds.

The income of the Fund which is received in Malaysia from outside Malaysia during the period 1 January 2022 until 30 June 2022 is subject to tax at the rate of 3% on gross foreign sourced income received in Malaysia. Foreign sourced income received in Malaysia from 1 July 2022 onwards will be taxed based on the prevailing income tax rate applicable to the Fund, i.e. 24%.

The foreign sourced income of the Fund may be subject to foreign tax in the country from which the income is derived. Pursuant to Schedule 7 of the MITA, where an income is chargeable to tax in Malaysia as well as in a foreign country, a relief shall be given by way of credit known as bilateral credit if the source country has a tax treaty with Malaysia where the foreign tax credit shall be set-off up to 100% of foreign tax suffered and unilateral credit if the source country does not have a tax treaty with Malaysia where the foreign tax credit shall be set-off up to 50% of foreign tax suffered. Please note that claiming of bilateral credit and unilateral credit is subject to the approval of the Inland Revenue Board upon review of the requisite supporting documentation.

The tax treatment of hedging instruments would depend on the particular hedging instruments entered into. Generally, any gain or loss relating to the principal portion will be treated as capital gain or loss. Gains or losses relating to the income portion would normally be treated as revenue gains or losses. The gain or loss on revaluation will only be taxed or claimed upon realisation. Any gain or loss on foreign exchange is treated as capital gain or loss if it arises from the revaluation of the principal portion of the investment.

Generally, income from distribution by the Malaysia Real Estate Investment Trusts (“REITs”) will be received net of withholding tax of 10%. No further tax will be payable by the Fund on the distribution. Distribution from such income by the Fund will also not be subject to further tax in the hands of the Unit Holders.

Expenses being manager’s remuneration, maintenance of register of Unit Holders, share registration expenses, secretarial, audit and accounting fees, telephone charges, printing and stationery costs and

postage, which are not allowed under the general deduction rules, qualify for a special deduction at the minimum of 10% of such expenses pursuant to Section 63B of the MITA.

2.2 Capital Gains Tax (“CGT”)

Based on the Finance (No. 2) Act 2023, effective 1 January 2024, CGT will be imposed on gains or profits from the disposal of capital assets. However, based on the Income Tax (Exemption)(No.7) Order 2023, there is a 2-months (January 2024 and February 2024) exemption provided for disposal made on or after 1 January 2024 to 29 February 2024 in respect of disposal of shares in companies incorporated in Malaysia not listed on the stock exchange.

Gains or profits from the disposal of a capital asset situated in Malaysia is exempted from tax. However, the exemption does not apply to disposal of unlisted shares of a company incorporated in Malaysia and disposal of shares under Section 15C of MITA.

Following to the above, the Malaysian Inland Revenue Board (“MIRB”) has issued the Guidelines: Capital Gains Tax on Unlisted Shares dated 1 March 2024 (CGT Guidelines) [*Available in Bahasa Malaysia only*].

Additionally, the Income Tax (Exemption) (No. 3) Order 2024 [P.U.(A) 75/2024] provides that gains or profits from the disposal of foreign capital assets received in Malaysia by companies, limited liability partnerships, trust bodies, and co-operative societies resident in Malaysia, which are compliance according to the economic substance requirements (“ESR”), are given exemption from CGT from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2026, was gazetted on 4 March 2024.

According to the P.U.(A) 75/2024, the ESR condition is subject to compliance with the conditions imposed by the Minister as specified in the Guideline on Tax Treatment on Gains From the Disposal of Foreign Capital Assets Received from Outside Malaysia. The ESR for the CGT exemption includes the following:

- (a) employ adequate number of employees with necessary qualifications to carry out the specified economic activities in Malaysia; and
- (b) incur adequate amount of operating expenditure for carrying out the specified economic activities in Malaysia.

Any deduction in relation to the gains or profits exempted from CGT shall be disregarded for the purpose of ascertaining the chargeable income of the company, limited liability partnership, trust body, and co-operative society.

The CGT rate charged on gains or profits from the disposal of foreign capital asset, unlisted shares and Section 15C shares is provided under Part XXI, Schedule 1 of the MITA. The CGT rate is as follows:-

Type of capital asset	CGT Rate
Unlisted Shares and Section 15C Shares acquired before 1 January 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10% on chargeable income from disposal of unlisted shares and Section 15C shares; or • 2% of gross disposal price
Unlisted Shares and Section 15C Shares acquired on or after 1 January 2024	10% on chargeable income from disposal of unlisted shares and Section 15C shares
Foreign capital asset	Prevailing rate for the company, limited liability partnership, trust body or co-operative society

The Fund is required to electronically file the tax returns within 60 days from the date of each disposal. The CGT will be paid within 60 days from the date of disposal. The Fund is required to keep the records of the disposal for 7 years.

2.3 Gains on Disposal of Investments

Currently, gains on disposal of investments by the Fund, where the investments represent shares in real property companies, may be subject to RPGT under the RPGT Act, 1976. A real property company is a controlled company which owns or acquires real properties or shares in real property companies with a market value of not less than 75% of its total tangible assets. A controlled company is a company which does not have more than 50 members and is controlled by not more than 5 persons.

However, based on the Finance (No.2) Act 2023, gains from disposal of real property company shares which are held by a company, limited liability partnership, trust body or co-operative society will be subject to CGT under MITA effective 1 January 2024. Disposal of other real properties will still be subject to RPGT Act, 1976.

2.4 Service Tax

The issuance of units by the Fund to investors will not be subject to Service Tax. Any distributions made by the Fund to unitholders are also not subject to Service Tax. For management fees, this specifically excludes fees charged by any person who is licensed or registered with the Securities Commission for carrying out the regulated activity of fund management under the Capital Markets and Services Act 2007.

To the extent that the Fund invests in any financial services products (e.g. securities, derivatives, units in a fund or unit trust), the acquisition of these interests will also not be subject to Service Tax.

If the Fund acquires any imported taxable services from a service provider outside of Malaysia, these services would be subject to 6% Service Tax. However, effective from 1 March 2024, in accordance with the provisions of subsection 10(2) Service Tax Act 2018, the service tax for the above services would be subject to service tax at 8%. The Fund would be required to file an SST-02A return on an ad hoc basis and report and pay this amount of tax to the Royal Malaysian Customs Department.

3. Taxation of Unit Holders

3.1 Taxable Distribution

Unit Holders will be taxed on an amount equivalent to their share of the total taxable income of the Fund to the extent such income is distributed to them. Unit Holders are also liable to pay income tax on the taxable income distributions paid by the Fund. Taxable income distributions carry a tax credit in respect of the tax chargeable on that part of the Fund. Unit Holders will be subject to tax on an amount equal to the net taxable income distribution plus attributable underlying tax paid by the Fund. No withholding tax will be imposed on the income distribution of the Fund.

Income distributed to Unit Holders is generally taxable as follows in Malaysia:-

Unit Holders	Malaysian Tax Rates for Year of Assessment 2023	Malaysian Tax Rates for Year of Assessment 2024
<p>Malaysian tax residents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Individual and non-corporate Unit Holders ▪ Co-operative societies ▪ Trust bodies ▪ Corporate Unit Holders <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. A company* with paid up capital in respect of ordinary shares of not more than RM2.5 million where the paid up capital in respect of ordinary shares of other companies within the same group as such company is not more than RM2.5 million (at the beginning of the basis period for a year of assessment) and having gross income from source or sources consisting of a business of not more than RM50 million for the basis period of a year assessment ii. Companies other than those in (i) above <p>Non-Malaysian tax residents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Individual and non-corporate Unit Holders Co-operative societies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Progressive tax rates ranging from 0% to 30% ▪ Progressive tax rates ranging from 0% to 24% ▪ 24% ▪ 15% for every first RM150,000 of chargeable income ▪ 17% for chargeable income of- RM150,001 to RM600,000 ▪ 24% for chargeable income in excess of RM600,000 ▪ 24% ▪ 30% ▪ 24% 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Progressive tax rates ranging from 0% to 30% ▪ Progressive tax rates ranging from 0% to 24% ▪ 24% ▪ 15% for every first RM150,000 of chargeable income ▪ 17% for chargeable income of- RM150,001 to RM600,000 ▪ 24% for chargeable income in excess of RM600,000 <p>* Based on the Finance (No.2) Act 2023, if a company's paid-up capital is owned (directly or indirectly) by companies incorporated outside Malaysia or non-Malaysian citizens, then the company is not entitled to the preferential tax rates above.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 24% ▪ 30% ▪ 24%

The tax credit attributable to the income distributed to the Unit Holders will be available for set off against tax payable by the Unit Holders. There is no withholding tax on taxable distributions made to non-resident Unit Holders.

Non-resident Unit Holders may be subject to tax in their respective tax jurisdictions depending on the provisions of the relevant tax legislation in the jurisdiction they report their income taxes. Any Malaysian income tax suffered by non-resident Unit Holders may be eligible for double tax relief under the laws of the non-resident Unit Holder's jurisdiction subject also to the terms of the double tax agreement with Malaysia (if applicable).

3.2 Withholding Tax on Distribution from Retail Money Market Fund (“RMMF”) to Unit Holders

Distribution of income of a unit trust fund that is a RMMF to its Unit Holders (other than the distribution of interest income to non-individual Unit Holders) is exempted from tax in the hands of the Unit Holders. Non-individual Unit Holders will be chargeable to tax on the income distributed to the Unit Holder from the interest income of a RMMF exempted under Paragraph 35A of Schedule 6 of the MITA with effect from 1 January 2022 as follows:-

Types of Unit Holders	Malaysian Tax Rates for Years of Assessment 2023 and 2024
<p>Non-individual residents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Withholding tax rate ▪ Withholding tax mechanism ▪ Due date of payment <p>Non-individual non-residents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Withholding tax rate ▪ Withholding tax mechanism ▪ Due date of payment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 24% ▪ Income distribution carries a tax credit, which can be utilised to set off against the tax payable by the Unit Holders ▪ The withholding tax is to be remitted to the Director General of Malaysian Inland Revenue within one month of the distribution of interest income <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 24% ▪ Withholding tax deducted will be regarded as a final tax ▪ The withholding tax is to be remitted to the Director General of Malaysian Inland Revenue within one month of the distribution of interest income

As the Fund is not a RMMF, the above withholding tax on distribution of interest income that is exempted under Paragraph 35A of Schedule 6 of the MITA will not be applicable to the non-individual Unit Holders of the Fund.

3.3 Tax Exempt Distribution

Tax exempt distributions made out of exempt income earned by the Fund will not be subject to Malaysian tax in the hands of Unit Holders, whether individual or corporate, resident or non-resident. All Unit Holders do not pay tax on that portion of their income distribution from the Fund’s distribution equalisation account.

3.4 Distribution Voucher

To help complete a Unit Holder's tax returns, the Manager will send to each Unit Holder a distribution voucher as and when distributions are made. This sets out the various components of the income distributed and the amount of attributable income tax already paid by the Fund.

3.5 Sale, Transfer or Redemption of Units

Currently, any gains realised by a Unit Holder on the sale, transfer or redemption of his units are generally tax-free capital gains unless the Unit Holder is an insurance company, a financial institution or a person trading or dealing in securities. Generally, the gains realised by these categories of Unit Holders constitute business income on which tax is chargeable. Unit Holders should consult their respective tax advisors based on their own tax profiles to determine whether the gain from sale, transfer or redemption of units would qualify as capital gains or trading gains.

3.6 Reinvestment of Distribution

Unit Holders who receive their income distribution by way of investment in the form of the purchase of new units will be deemed to have received their income distribution and reinvested that amount in the Fund.

3.7 Unit Splits

Unit splits issued by the Fund are not taxable in the hands of the Unit Holders.

3.8 Service Tax

Pursuant to the Lampiran A of the First Schedule of the Service Tax Regulations 2018 ("First Schedule"), only taxable services listed in the First Schedule are subject to service tax. Investment income or gains received by the Unit Holder are not prescribed taxable services and hence, not subject to Service Tax.

Currently, the legal fees, consultant fees and management fees may be subject to service tax at 6% if the service providers are registered for Services Tax. Effective from 1 March 2024, in accordance with the provisions of subsection 10(2) Service Tax Act 2018, the aforementioned services would be subject to service tax at 8%.

We hereby confirm that the statements made in this tax adviser letter correctly reflect our understanding and the interpretation of the current Malaysian tax legislations and the related interpretation and practice thereof, all of which may subject to change. Our comments above are general in nature and cover taxation in the context of Malaysian tax legislation only and do not cover foreign tax legislation. The comments do not represent specific tax advice to any investors and we recommend that investors obtain independent advice on the tax issues associated with their investments in the Fund.

Yours faithfully

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Tax Exempt Income of Unit Trusts (Non Exhaustive)

1. Interest or discount paid or credited to any individual, unit trust and listed closed-end fund in respect of the following will be exempt from tax:-
 - Securities or bonds issued or guaranteed by the Government; or
 - Debentures or sukuk, other than convertible loan stock, approved or authorized by, or lodged with, the SC; or
 - Bon Simpanan Malaysia issued by the Central Bank of Malaysia.[Para 35 of Schedule 6 of the MITA]
2. Income of a unit trust in respect of interest derived from Malaysia and paid or credited by any bank or financial institution licensed under the Financial Services Act 2013 (“FSA”) or the Islamic Financial Services Act 2013 (“IFSA”) or any development financial institution regulated under the Development Financial Institutions Act 2002 (“DFIA”). Provided that the exemption shall not apply to the interest paid or credited to a unit trust that is a wholesale fund which is a money market fund.
[Para 35A of Schedule 6 of the MITA]
3. Interest in respect of any savings certificates issued by the Government.
[Para 19 of Schedule 6 of the MITA]
4. Interest paid or credited to any person in respect of Sukuk originating from Malaysia, other than convertible loan stock, issued in any currency other than RM and approved or authorized by, or lodged with, the SC or approved by the Labuan Financial Services Authority.
[Para 33B of Schedule 6 of the MITA]
5. Interest received in respect of bonds and securities issued by Pengurusan Danaharta Nasional Berhad within and outside Malaysia.
[Income Tax (Exemption) (No. 5) Order 2001]
6. Interest income derived from bonds (other than convertible loan stocks) paid or credited by any company listed in Malaysia Exchange of Securities Dealing and Automated Quotation Berhad (“MESDAQ”) (now known as Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ACE Market).
[Income Tax (Exemption) (No. 13) Order 2001]
7. Income derived from the Sukuk Issue which has been issued by the Malaysia Global Sukuk Inc.
[Income Tax (Exemption) (No. 31) Order 2002]
8. Discount or profit received from the sale of bonds or securities issued by Pengurusan Danaharta Nasional Berhad or Danaharta Urus Sendirian Berhad within and outside Malaysia.
[Income Tax (Exemption) (No. 6) Order 2003]
9. Income derived from the Sukuk Ijarah, other than convertible loan stock, issued in any currency by 1Malaysia Sukuk Global Berhad.
[Income Tax (Exemption) Order 2010]
10. Gain or profit received from the investment in Islamic securities, other than convertible loan stock, which are issued in accordance with the principles of *Mudharabah*, *Musyarakah*, *Ijarah*, *Istisna’* or any other principle approved by the Shariah Advisory Council established by the SC under the Capital Markets and Services Act 2007.
[Income Tax (Exemption) (No. 2) Order 2011]
11. Gains or profits in lieu of interest, derived from the Sukuk Wakala in accordance with the principle of *Al-Wakala Bil Istithmar*, other than a convertible loan stock, issued in any currency by Wakala Global Sukuk Berhad.
[Income Tax (Exemption) (No. 4) Order 2011]
12. Income derived from Sukuk Kijang is exempted from the payment of income tax pursuant to Income Tax (Exemption) (No. 10) Order 2013. For the purpose of this order, “Sukuk Kijang” means the Islamic Securities of nominal value of up to two hundred and fifty million United States dollars (USD\$250,000,000) issued or to be issued in accordance with the Shariah principle of Ijarah by BNM Kijang Berhad.
[Income Tax (Exemption) (No. 10) Order 2013]

13. Gains or profits derived, in lieu of interest, derived from the Sukuk Wakala with the nominal value up to one billion and five hundred million United States Dollar (USD1,500,000,000.00) in accordance with the principle of *Wakala Bil Istithmar*, other than a convertible loan stock, issued by the Malaysia Sovereign Sukuk Berhad. [Income Tax (Exemption) (No. 3) Order 2015]
14. Gains or profits derived, in lieu of interest from the Sukuk Wakala with the nominal value up to one billion and five hundred million United States Dollar (US\$1,500,000,000.00) in accordance with the principle of *Wakala*, other than a convertible loan stock, issued by the Malaysia Sukuk Global Berhad (formerly known as 1Malaysia Sukuk Global Berhad).
[Income Tax (Exemption) (No. 2) Order 2016]

INVESTORS INFORMATION

How can I keep track of my investments?

You may obtain the daily Fund price from our website at www.aham.com.my. The daily prices are based on information available one (1) Business Day prior to publication.

We will provide you with an annual report and a quarterly report within two (2) months after the end of the financial period the report covers. In addition, we will also send you a monthly statement confirming the current Unit holdings and transactions relating to your Units in the Fund.

Who should I contact if I need additional information of the Fund?

You can seek assistance from our customer service personnel at our toll free number 1-800-88-7080 between 8.45 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. on a Business Day. Alternatively, you can e-mail us at customercare@aham.com.my.

ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Pursuant to the Anti-Money Laundering, Anti-Terrorism Financing and Proceeds of Unlawful Activities Act 2001 (“AMLATFPUAA”) and the SC’s Guidelines on Prevention of Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing for Reporting Institutions in the Capital Market, it is our responsibility to prevent AHAM from being used for money laundering and terrorism financing activities. To this end, we have established an Anti-Money Laundering/Counter-Financing of Terrorism Framework (AML/CFT Framework) and put in place anti-money laundering process and procedures to combat such activities. This includes a robust due diligence process and procedures for client on-boarding (such as know-your-client procedures and customer due diligence) as well as ongoing monitoring of clients’ transactions to detect any suspicious transactions.

To meet our regulatory obligations to verify the identity of our clients and to verify the source of funds, we may request for additional information from you. Information requested may include, but not limited to, supporting documents, documentary evidence to support information given and could extend to documents regarding identity of beneficial owners (if applicable). We reserve the right to reject an application to invest in the Fund should clients fail to provide the information required. Furthermore, where a particular transaction is deemed suspicious, we have an obligation under the AMLATFPUAA to notify the relevant authority of the transaction.

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