



United-*i* Asia ESG Income Fund

Termination Report
29 May 2024

UNITED-i ASIA ESG INCOME FUND

Audited Termination Report and Financial Statements For the Financial Period Ended 29 May 2024

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(A) MANAGER'S REPORT

Dear Unitholders,

We are pleased to present you the Manager's report and the audited accounts of United-*i* Asia ESG Income Fund (the "Fund") for the financial period from 1 November 2023 to 29 May 2024 (date of termination).

(1) Key Data of the Fund

1.1	Fund name	United- <i>i</i> Asia ESG Income Fund
1.2	Fund category	Mixed Asset (Islamic)
1.3	Fund type	Income & Growth
1.4	Investment objective	The Fund seeks to provide income and capital appreciation over the medium to long term by investing in the Asia ex Japan region.
1.5	Performance benchmark	50% MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Islamic Index and 50% 12 months Islamic Fixed Deposit- <i>i</i> by Malayan Banking Berhad.
1.6	Duration	The Fund was launched on 18 January 2021 and shall exist for as long as it appears to the Manager and Trustee that it is in the interests of the unit holders for it to continue. In some circumstances, the unit holders can resolve at a meeting to terminate the Fund.
1.7	Distribution policy	Subject to the availability of income, distribution (if any) will be made at least twice every year.

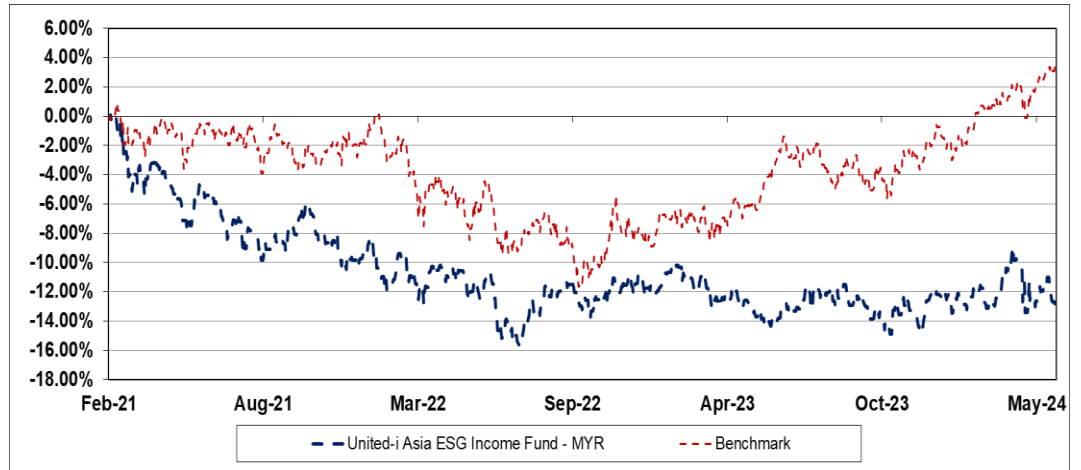
(2) Performance Data of the Fund

2.1	Portfolio composition	Details of portfolio composition of the Fund as at 29 May 2024 are as follows:			
		Sectors, category of investments & cash holdings	29 May 2024 (Date of Termination) (%)	As at 31 October 2023 (%)	As at 31 October 2022 (%)
		Technology	-	23.53	4.60
		Consumer Products	-	8.40	13.11
		Telecommunication Services	-	11.37	13.85
		Energy	-	4.44	3.67
		Utilities	-	-	1.93
		Real Estate	-	-	2.97
		Industrial Products	-	6.33	7.24
		Health Care	-	8.41	4.78
		Materials	-	4.05	1.98
		Financials	-	2.99	-
Cash	100.00	30.48	45.89		
Total	100.00	100.00	100.00		
2.2	Performance details	Performance details of the Fund for the financial period ended 29 May 2024 are as follows:			
			As at 29 May 2024 (Date of Termination)	As at 31 October 2023	As at 31 October 2022
		Net Asset Value ("NAV") (RM) - MYR Class	746,606	2,155,603	2,503,288

2.2 Performance details (continued)	- USD Class	26,864	109,606	123,973
	- AUD Class	2,728	2,666	5,754
	NAV per unit in RM			
	- MYR Class	0.4355	0.4256	0.4379
	- USD Class	1.7687	1.7291	1.7790
	- AUD Class	1.3640	1.3330	1.3714
	NAV per unit in respective currencies			
	- MYR Class (RM)	0.4355	0.4256	0.4379
	- USD Class (USD)	0.3762	0.3631	0.3764
	- AUD Class (AUD)	0.4382	0.4421	0.4539
	Units in circulation			
	- MYR Class	1,714,287	5,064,541	5,716,479
	- USD Class	15,189	63,389	69,687
	- AUD Class	2,000	2,000	4,196
	Highest NAV per unit in respective currencies			
	- MYR Class (RM)	0.4536	0.4504	0.4600
	- USD Class (USD)	0.3885	0.4314	0.4500
	- AUD Class (AUD)	0.4591	0.4734	0.4763
	Lowest NAV per unit in respective currencies			
	- MYR Class (RM)	0.4256	0.4255	0.4219
	- USD Class (USD)	0.3625	0.3621	0.3735
	- AUD Class (AUD)	0.4328	0.4303	0.4280
	Total return (%)			
	- MYR Class	2.37	-2.81	-4.72
	- USD Class	3.86	-3.53	-16.56
	- AUD Class	-1.27	-2.60	-1.99
	Capital growth (%)			
- MYR Class	2.37	-2.81	-4.72	
- USD Class	3.86	-3.53	-16.56	
- AUD Class	-1.27	-2.60	-1.99	
Income distribution (%)				
- MYR Class	-	-	-	
- USD Class	-	-	-	
- AUD Class	-	-	-	
Gross distribution (sen/cent per unit) in respective currencies				
- MYR Class (RM)	-	-	-	
- USD Class (USD)	-	-	-	
- AUD Class (AUD)	-	-	-	
Net distribution (sen/cent per unit) in respective currencies				
- MYR Class (RM)	-	-	-	
- USD Class (USD)	-	-	-	
- AUD Class (AUD)	-	-	-	
Total expense ratio ("TER") (%)	1.23 ¹	1.86	1.88	
Portfolio turnover ratio ("PTR") (times)	0.55 ²	0.43	0.67	
¹ TER is lower against previous financial period mainly due to decrease in expenses.				
² PTR is higher against previous financial period mainly due to higher transaction activity prior to termination of Fund.				

2.2	Performance details (continued)	Average total return (annualised) for the following periods ended 29 May 2024 (Date of Termination)		
			The Fund (%)	Benchmark* (%)
		3 years		
		- MYR Class	-2.49	1.48
		- USD Class	-6.54	-2.73
		- AUD Class	-1.88	2.15
		1 year		
		- MYR Class	1.23	7.69
		- USD Class	-0.87	5.58
		- AUD Class	-3.16	3.29
		Since commencement (8 February 2021)		
		- MYR Class	-4.08	0.97
		- USD Class	-8.18	-3.28
		- AUD Class	-4.03	0.95
Annual total return				
	The Fund (%)	Benchmark* (%)		
Financial years ended 31 October				
Since 1 November 2023 to 29 May 2024 (date of termination)				
- MYR Class	2.37	9.17		
- USD Class	3.86	10.87		
- AUD Class	-1.27	5.54		
2023				
- MYR Class	-2.81	17.43		
- USD Class	-3.53	16.52		
- AUD Class	-2.60	17.57		
2022				
- MYR Class	-4.72	-6.98		
- USD Class	-16.56	-18.56		
- AUD Class	-1.99	-4.36		
Since commencement (8 February 2021) - 31 October 2021				
- MYR Class	-8.08	-3.26		
- USD Class	-9.78	-4.87		
- AUD Class	-7.38	-2.86		
* The benchmark of the Fund is 50% MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Islamic Index and 50% 12 months Islamic Fixed Deposit-i by Malayan Banking Berhad.				
Note: Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance and that unit prices and investment returns may go down, as well as up. All performance figures have been extracted from Bloomberg.				
2.3	Performance review	<u>MYR Class</u>		
		For the financial period under review, the Class registered a return of 2.37%, underperforming the benchmark return of 9.17%. The underperformance was mainly due to low equity exposure.		
		For the financial period under review, the NAV per unit of the Class increased by 2.37% from RM 0.4256 to RM 0.4357.		
		The line chart below shows comparison between the performance of the Class and its benchmark from the commencement of the Class to 29 May 2024.		

2.3 Performance review (continued)



Source: UOBAM(M) as at 29 May 2024.

	1-month	3-months	6-months	12-months	Since 1 November 2023 to 29 May 2024	Since commencement (8 February 2021)
The Fund	-0.64%	-0.80%	0.48%	1.23%	2.37%	-12.86%
Benchmark*	1.75%	2.61%	6.30%	7.71%	9.17%	3.25%

Source: UOBAM(M) and Bloomberg as at 29 May 2024.

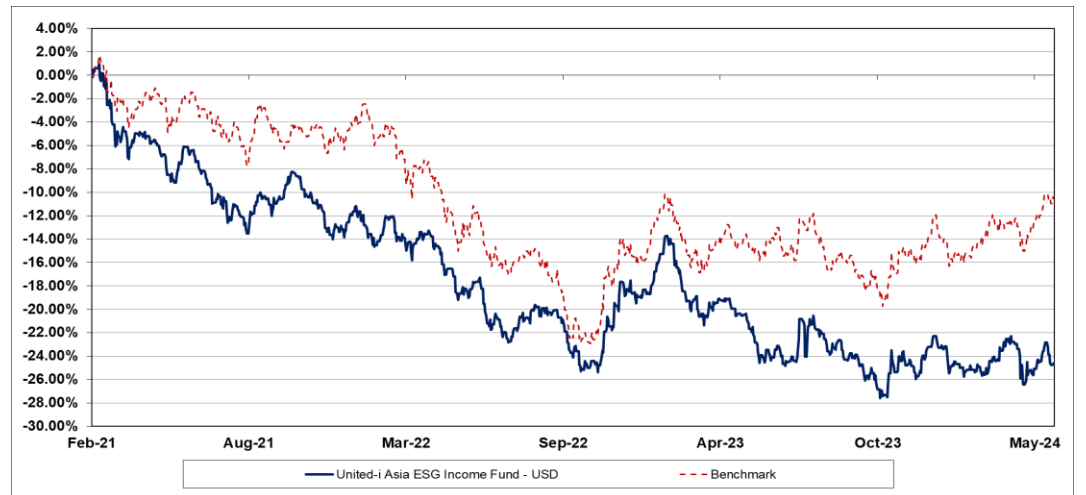
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USD Class

For the financial period under review, the Class registered a return of 3.86%, underperforming the benchmark return of 10.87%. The underperformance was mainly due to low equity exposure.

For the financial period under review, the NAV per unit of the Class increased by 3.86% from USD 0.3631 to USD 0.3771.

The line chart below shows comparison between the performance of the Class and its benchmark from the commencement of the Class to 29 May 2024.



Source: UOBAM(M) as at 29 May 2024.

2.3	Performance review (continued)		1-month	3-months	6-months	12-months	Since 1 November 2023 to 29 May 2024	Since commencement (8 February 2021)
		The Fund	0.88%	0.94%	0.19%	-0.87%	3.86%	-24.58%
		Benchmark*	3.45%	4.46%	6.05%	5.60%	10.87%	-10.43%

Source: UOBAM(M) and Bloomberg as at 29 May 2024.

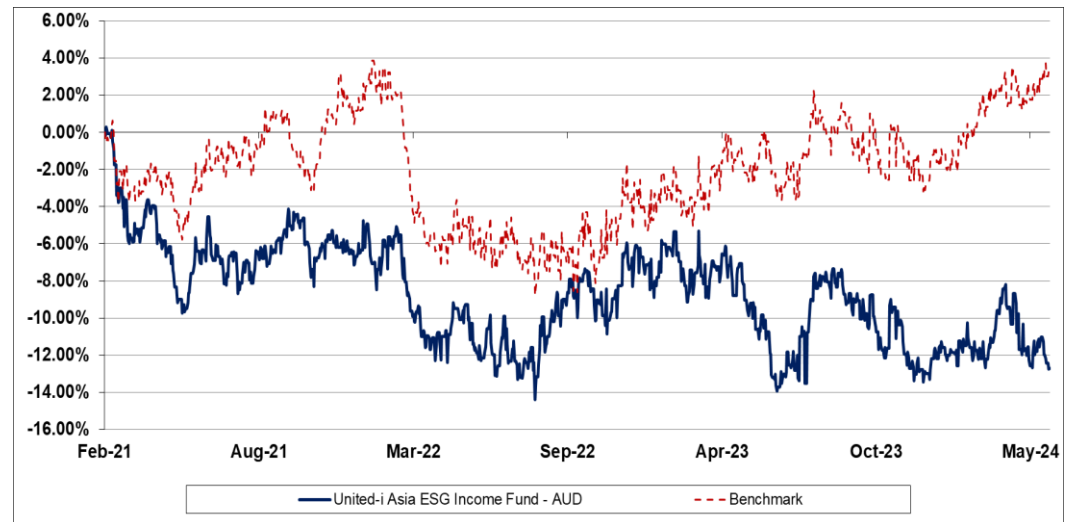
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AUD Class

For the financial period under review, the Class registered a return of -1.27%, underperforming the benchmark return of 5.54%. The underperformance was mainly due to low equity exposure.

For the financial period under review, the NAV per unit of the Class decreased by 1.27% from AUD 0.4421 to AUD 0.4365.

The line chart below shows comparison between the performance of the Class and its benchmark from the commencement of the Class to 29 May 2024.



Source: UOBAM(M) as at 29 May 2024.

	1-month	3-months	6-months	12-months	Since 1 November 2023 to 29 May 2024	Since commencement (8 February 2021)
The Fund	-1.18%	-0.93%	-0.75%	-3.17%	-1.27%	-12.70%
Benchmark*	1.46%	2.52%	5.00%	3.30%	5.54%	3.17%

Source: UOBAM(M) and Bloomberg as at 29 May 2024.

* 50% MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Islamic Index and 50% 12 months Islamic Fixed Deposit-i by Malayan Banking Berhad.

Note: Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance and that unit prices and investment returns may go down, as well as up. All performance figures have been extracted from Bloomberg.

2.4	Strategies and policies employed	<p>For the financial period under review, the Fund has complied with the requirements of the Guidelines on Sustainable and Responsible Investment Funds.</p> <p>The Fund's investment policy and strategy is to invest in companies with good fundamentals and are also performing well or improving from an ESG perspective. The Fund adopts sustainability considerations whereby we employ the following three (3) ESG strategies:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Negative screening: The Fund is prohibited from investing in certain types of businesses that are deemed less or non-sustainable such as thermal coal-related businesses. 2) ESG integration: ESG analysis is considered in the overall investment decision-making process. 3) Positive screening: The Fund will invest in companies with higher ESG quality (top three (3) quartiles) based on the Fund's ESG scoring as described in the Fund's Prospectus. These companies exhibit stronger performance in ESG issues which can include factors such as lower carbon emissions, better labour management and an independent board relative to the companies' peers. <p>We have reviewed and assessed the companies in which we invested in, from a fundamental and ESG perspective, and update the ESG score assigned to each company as necessary. This is to ensure our ESG analysis takes all current and relevant factors into consideration. Only companies that meet our ESG score threshold are allowed to be invested by the Fund and this is continuously monitored to ensure that the Fund meets its sustainability considerations.</p> <p>In our investment decision making process, relevant issues are identified for each of the 3 pillars, namely Environmental (E), Social (S), and Governance (G), such as below (non-exhaustive):</p> <p>Environmental: Toxic waste, greenhouse gas emissions, water stress, product carbon footprint, etc. Social: Health & safety, data security, human capital & labour management, product safety & quality, etc. Governance: Business ethics, board composition, ownership, accounting, etc.</p> <p>We have reviewed the investments of the Fund to ensure consistency with our ESG investment framework that is consistent with other sustainability considerations. This helps to ensure the overall impact of the investments of the Fund are not inconsistent with any other sustainability considerations.</p> <p>Our ESG analysis follows our in-house methodology, which may differ from other fund management companies or investment service providers. The terminology, methodology, and considerations may also vary over time. The investable universe of the Fund may also be different from other funds that do not adopt ESG strategies. We have reviewed our ESG investment framework and investment service providers annually to ensure they are comprehensive and aligned with the latest ESG and sustainability development. We have also participated in company and industry engagements to stay updated on current initiatives and developments.</p> <p>During the financial period under review, we reduced our exposure to industrials, energy and consumer sectors while adding to utilities. We cleared Malaysian technology exposure as the earnings growth failed to catch up with lofty valuation. We also sold our exposure telecommunications and materials. Meanwhile, we retained our exposure in the Korean semiconductor names for the strong demand of memory chips from Artificial Intelligence ("AI") demand.</p>
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2.5	Asset allocation	<p>This table below shows the asset allocation of the Fund for the financial period as at 29 May 2024 (date of termination) and financial period as at 31 October 2023:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="448 197 1516 457"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="448 197 919 359">Assets</th> <th data-bbox="919 197 1081 359">As at 29 May 2024 (Date of Termination) (%)</th> <th data-bbox="1081 197 1320 359">As at 31 October 2023 (%)</th> <th data-bbox="1320 197 1516 359">Changes (%)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="448 359 919 390">Equities</td> <td data-bbox="919 359 1081 390">-</td> <td data-bbox="1081 359 1320 390">69.52</td> <td data-bbox="1320 359 1516 390">-69.52</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="448 390 919 422">Cash</td> <td data-bbox="919 390 1081 422">100.00</td> <td data-bbox="1081 390 1320 422">30.48</td> <td data-bbox="1320 390 1516 422">69.52</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="448 422 919 457">Total</td> <td data-bbox="919 422 1081 457">100.00</td> <td data-bbox="1081 422 1320 457">100.00</td> <td data-bbox="1320 422 1516 457">100.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p data-bbox="448 491 919 522">Reason for the differences in asset allocation</p> <p data-bbox="448 522 1312 554">As at 29 May 2024, the Fund is all in cash given the expected termination of the Fund.</p> <p data-bbox="448 585 1516 680">More than 95% of the portfolio's underlying investments are consistent with the SRI Fund's policies and strategies. Since the proportion is above 2/3 allocation, hence the fund has met its sustainability consideration.</p>	Assets	As at 29 May 2024 (Date of Termination) (%)	As at 31 October 2023 (%)	Changes (%)	Equities	-	69.52	-69.52	Cash	100.00	30.48	69.52	Total	100.00	100.00	100.00
Assets	As at 29 May 2024 (Date of Termination) (%)	As at 31 October 2023 (%)	Changes (%)															
Equities	-	69.52	-69.52															
Cash	100.00	30.48	69.52															
Total	100.00	100.00	100.00															
2.6	Income distribution/ Unit splits	There was no income distribution and unit split declared during the financial period under review.																
2.7	State of affairs	There has been neither significant change to the state of affairs of the Fund nor any circumstances that materially affect any interests of the unit holders during the financial period under review.																
2.8	Securities Financing Transaction and Cross Trade Transactions	The Fund has not undertaken any securities lending or repurchase transactions. There were no cross trade transactions carried out during the financial period under review.																
2.9	Rebates and soft commission	<p data-bbox="448 1079 1516 1173">It is our policy to channel all rebates to the Fund. Soft commissions received from brokers/dealers are retained by the Manager only if the goods and services provided are of demonstrable benefit to unit holders of the Fund.</p> <p data-bbox="448 1205 1516 1362">The Manager will retain the soft commissions that are deemed to be beneficial to the unitholders of the Fund in the form of research and advisory services from any broker or dealer by virtue of transactions conducted for the Fund that can assist in the decision making process in relation to the Fund such as technical analysis software, data and quotation services and computer software incidental to investment management of the Fund.</p> <p data-bbox="448 1425 1393 1457">During the financial period under review, the Manager had not received any soft commissions.</p>																
2.10	Market review	<p data-bbox="448 1478 1516 1667">During the financial period under review, the MSCI AC Asia Ex Japan Islamic Index rose 17.5% in RM terms. Taiwan and South Korea showed signs of recovery, particularly in the semiconductor sector, driven by robust demand and reduced inventory levels. Meanwhile, China's economic recovery was uneven, hampered by weak investor sentiment and a sluggish property sector, despite policy efforts aimed at stabilization. Association of Southeast Asian Nations ("ASEAN") showed resilience driven by domestic demand and manufacturing activity.</p> <p data-bbox="448 1709 954 1740"><i>Source: UOB Islamic Asset Management Sdn Bhd.</i></p>																

2.11	Market outlook	Not applicable as the Fund is terminated. <i>Source: UOB Islamic Asset Management Sdn Bhd.</i>
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Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
UOB Asset Management (Malaysia) Berhad

28 August 2024

(B) TRUSTEE’S REPORT

TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF UNITED-*i* ASIA ESG INCOME FUND (“Fund”)

We have acted as Trustee of the Fund for the financial period from 1 November 2023 to 29 May 2024 (date of termination) and we hereby confirm to the best of our knowledge, after having made all reasonable enquiries, UOB Asset Management (Malaysia) Berhad has operated and managed the Fund during the period covered by these financial statements in accordance with the following:

1. Limitations imposed on the investment powers of the management company under the deed, securities laws and the Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds;
2. Valuation and pricing is carried out in accordance with the deed; and
3. Any creation and cancellation of units are carried out in accordance with the deed and any regulatory requirements.

For Deutsche Trustees Malaysia Berhad

Ng Hon Leong
Head, Fund Operations

Sylvia Beh
Chief Executive Officer

Kuala Lumpur
28 August 2024

(C) SHARIAH ADVISER'S REPORT

TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF UNITED-*i* ASIA ESG INCOME FUND

We hereby confirm the following:

1. To the best of our knowledge, after having made all reasonable enquiries, UOB Asset Management (Malaysia) Berhad has operated and managed the Fund during the period covered by these financial statements in accordance with the Shariah principles and complied with the applicable guidelines, rulings or decisions issued by the Securities Commission Malaysia pertaining to Shariah matters; and
2. The asset of the Fund comprises instruments that have been classified as Shariah compliant.

For Amanie Advisors Sdn. Bhd.

Tan Sri Dr Mohd Daud Bakar
Executive Chairman

Kuala Lumpur
28 August 2024

UNITED-*i* ASIA ESG INCOME FUND

(D) STATEMENT BY MANAGER

I, **Lim Suet Ling**, being the Director of and on behalf of the Board of Directors of UOB Asset Management (Malaysia) Berhad, do hereby state that, in the opinion of the Manager, the accompanying financial statements are drawn up in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of **United-*i* Asia ESG Income Fund** as at 29 May 2024 (date of termination) and of its financial performance, changes in net assets attributable to unitholders and cash flows for the financial period from 1 November 2023 to 29 May 2024 (date of termination) and comply with requirements of the Deed(s).

For and on behalf of the Manager,
UOB Asset Management (Malaysia) Berhad

LIM SUET LING
Executive Director/
Chief Executive Officer

28 August 2024

**(E) Independent auditors' report to the unitholders of
United-i Asia ESG Income Fund**

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of United-i Asia ESG Income Fund (“the Fund”), which comprise the statement of financial position of the Fund as at 29 May 2024 (date of termination), and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in net assets attributable to unitholders and statement of cash flows of the Fund for the financial period from 1 November 2023 to 29 May 2024 (date of termination), and notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information, as set out on pages 17 to 47.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements, which have been prepared on a basis other than that of a going concern as disclosed in Note 2.1 to the financial statements, give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 29 May 2024 (date of termination) and of its financial performance and cash flows for the financial period from 1 November 2023 to 29 May 2024 (date of termination) in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards (“MFRS”) and International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”).

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with approved standards of auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence and other ethical responsibilities

We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the By-Laws (on Professional Ethics, Conduct and Practice) of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants (“By-Laws”) and the International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) (“IESBA Code”), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the By-Laws and the IESBA Code.

Information other than the financial statements and auditors' report thereon

The Manager is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report of the Fund, but does not include the financial statements of the Fund and our auditors' report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements of the Fund does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

**Independent auditors' report to the unitholders of
United-i Asia ESG Income Fund**

Report on the audit of the financial statements (continued)

Information other than the financial statements and auditors' report thereon (continued)

In connection with our audit of the financial statements of the Fund, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements of the Fund or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the Manager and Trustee for the financial statements

The Manager is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements of the Fund in accordance with MFRS and IFRS. The Manager is also responsible for such internal control as the Manager determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements of the Fund that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements of the Fund, the Manager is responsible for assessing the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Manager either intends to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so. As described in Note 2.1 to the financial statements, the financial statements have been prepared on a basis other than that of a going concern.

The Trustee is responsible for ensuring that the Manager maintains proper accounting and other records as are necessary to enable true and fair presentation of these financial statements.

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements of the Fund as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

**Independent auditors' report to the unitholders of
United-i Asia ESG Income Fund**

Report on the audit of the financial statements (continued)

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements (continued)

As part of an audit in accordance with approved standards of auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements of the Fund, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Manager.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of Manager's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements of the Fund or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. As described in Note 2.1 to the financial statements, the financial statements have been prepared on a basis other than that of a going concern; and
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements of the Fund, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements of the Fund represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Manager regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

**Independent auditors' report to the unitholders of
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Report on the audit of the financial statements (continued)

Other Matter

This report is made solely to the unitholders of the Fund, as a body, in accordance with the Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds issued by the Securities Commission Malaysia, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility to any other person for the content of this report.

Ernst & Young PLT
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Chartered Accountants

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
28 August 2024

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No. 03013/10/2024 J
Chartered Accountant

(F) FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

UNITED-i ASIA ESG INCOME FUND

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 29 MAY 2024 (DATE OF TERMINATION)**

	Note	29.05.2024 RM	31.10.2023 RM
ASSETS			
Investments	3	-	1,579,429
Dividend receivables		532	197
Cash at bank		795,101	692,402
TOTAL ASSETS		795,633	2,272,028
LIABILITIES			
Amount due to Manager	4	1,258	3,516
Tax payable		15,177	637
Accruals		3,000	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES (EXCLUDING NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS)		19,435	4,153
NET ASSET VALUE (“NAV”) ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS		776,198	2,267,875
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS OF THE FUND COMPRISE:			
Unitholders’ capital	5	776,198	2,646,382
Retained earnings/(accumulated losses)	5	-	(378,507)
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS	5	776,198	2,267,875
TOTAL NAV AND LIABILITIES		795,633	2,272,028

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (CONTINUED)
AS AT 29 MAY 2024 (DATE OF TERMINATION)**

	Note	29.05.2024 RM	31.10.2023 RM
NET ASSET VALUE ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS			
- AUD CLASS		2,728	2,666
- MYR CLASS		746,606	2,155,603
- USD CLASS		26,864	109,606
		<u>776,198</u>	<u>2,267,875</u>
UNITS IN CIRCULATION			
- AUD CLASS	5(a)	2,000	2,000
- MYR CLASS	5(b)	1,714,287	5,064,541
- USD CLASS	5(c)	15,189	63,389
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT IN MYR			
- AUD CLASS		1.3640	1.3330
- MYR CLASS		0.4355	0.4256
- USD CLASS		1.7687	1.7291
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT IN RESPECTIVE CURRENCIES			
- AUD CLASS (AUD)		0.4382	0.4421
- MYR CLASS (MYR)		0.4355	0.4256
- USD CLASS (USD)		0.3762	0.3631

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**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 NOVEMBER 2023 TO 29 MAY 2024
(DATE OF TERMINATION)**

		01.11.2023 to 29.05.2024	01.11.2022 to 31.10.2023
	Note	RM	RM
INVESTMENT INCOME/(LOSS)			
Dividend income from quoted equities		13,668	49,850
Profit income from Islamic deposits with licensed financial institution		-	936
Net income/(loss) on investments at fair value through profit or loss (“FVTPL”):	3		
- net realised gain/(loss) on sale of investments at FVTPL		141,090	19,898
- net unrealised gain/(loss) on changes in fair value	5(e)	(11,589)	(75,489)
Net realised gain/(loss) on foreign currency exchange		(10,130)	(10,695)
Net unrealised gain/(loss) on foreign currency exchange		1	-
		<u>133,040</u>	<u>(15,500)</u>
EXPENSES			
Manager’s fee	6	20,182	45,902
Other expenses		3,775	1,618
		<u>23,957</u>	<u>47,520</u>
NET INCOME/(LOSS) BEFORE TAXATION		109,083	(63,020)
Tax expense	8	(19,488)	(3,568)
NET INCOME/(LOSS) AFTER TAXATION, REPRESENTING TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS) FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD/YEAR		<u>89,595</u>	<u>(66,588)</u>
Net income/(loss) after taxation is made up of the following:			
Realised amount	5(d)	101,183	8,901
Unrealised amount	5(e)	(11,588)	(75,489)
		<u>89,595</u>	<u>(66,588)</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS
FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 NOVEMBER 2023 TO 29 MAY 2024**

	Note	Unitholders' capital RM	Retained earnings/ (accumulated losses) RM	Total net asset value RM
Balance as at 1 November 2022		2,944,934	(311,919)	2,633,015
Movement in net asset value:				
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the financial year		-	(66,588)	(66,588)
Creation of units				
- MYR CLASS	5(b)	27,135	-	27,135
Cancellation of units				
- AUD CLASS	5(a)	(3,042)	-	(3,042)
- MYR CLASS	5(b)	(311,672)	-	(311,672)
- USD CLASS	5(c)	(10,973)	-	(10,973)
Balance as at 31 October 2023		<u>2,646,382</u>	<u>(378,507)</u>	<u>2,267,875</u>
Balance as at 1 November 2023		2,646,382	(378,507)	2,267,875
Movement in net asset value:				
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the financial period		-	89,595	89,595
Creation of units				
- MYR CLASS	5(b)	1,553	-	1,553
Cancellation of units				
- MYR CLASS	5(b)	(1,495,684)	-	(1,495,684)
- USD CLASS	5(c)	(87,141)	-	(87,141)
Transferred from realised reserve as at the date of termination		(288,912)	288,912	-
Balance as at 29 May 2024 (date of termination)		<u>776,198</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>776,198</u>

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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 NOVEMBER 2023 TO 29 MAY 2024
(DATE OF TERMINATION)**

	01.11.2023 to 29.05.2024 RM	01.11.2022 to 31.10.2023 RM
CASH FLOWS GENERATED FROM/(USED IN) OPERATING AND INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from sale of investments	1,922,790	987,922
Purchase of investments	(213,859)	(1,195,398)
Dividend received from quoted equities	12,731	49,329
Profit received from Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions	-	936
Manager's fee paid	(22,440)	(46,391)
Payment of other fees and expenses	(775)	(1,618)
Tax paid	(4,346)	(3,582)
Net realised gain/(loss) on foreign currency exchange	(10,130)	(10,695)
Net cash generated from/(used in) operating and investing activities	<u>1,683,971</u>	<u>(219,497)</u>
CASH FLOWS GENERATED FROM/(USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from creation of units	1,553	29,096
Payment for cancellation of units	(1,582,825)	(325,687)
Net cash generated from/(used in) financing activities	<u>(1,581,272)</u>	<u>(296,591)</u>
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	102,699	(516,088)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD/YEAR	<u>692,402</u>	<u>1,208,490</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD/YEAR	<u>795,101</u>	<u>692,402</u>
Cash and cash equivalents comprises the following:		
Cash at bank	<u>795,101</u>	<u>692,402</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. INFORMATION ON THE FUND, THE MANAGER AND THEIR PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The United-*i* Asia ESG Income Fund (hereinafter referred to as “the Fund”) was constituted pursuant to the execution of the Deed dated 20 July 2020 between UOB Asset Management (Malaysia) Berhad (“the Manager”) and Deutsche Trustees Malaysia Berhad (“the Trustee”).

The Fund seeks to provide income and capital appreciation over the medium to long term by investing in the Asia ex Japan region. The Fund was launched on 18 January 2021 and commenced for operation on 8 February 2021. As provided in the Deed, the accrual period or financial year shall end on 31 October.

On 29 April 2024, a notice of termination was sent to the unitholders of the Fund. Subsequently, the Manager has notified the Securities Commission Malaysia on the commencement of termination of the Fund. Thereafter, the Manager processed the Fund for termination and the Fund was terminated on 29 May 2024.

The Manager is a subsidiary of UOB Asset Management Limited, headquartered in Singapore.

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the Manager on 28 August 2024.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION

2.1 Basis of preparation of the financial statements

The financial statements of the Fund have been prepared in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards (“MFRS”) as issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board (“MASB”) and International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (“IASB”).

The financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis except as disclosed in the accounting policies below and are presented in Ringgit Malaysia (“RM”).

There are no other standards, amendments to standards or interpretations that are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 November 2023 that have a material effect on the financial statements of the Fund.

As disclosed in Note 1, the Fund was terminated on 29 May 2024. The financial statements of the Fund have been prepared on a basis other than that of a going concern. Accordingly, where appropriate, the carrying values of the assets are written down to their recoverable amounts and liabilities are recorded to the extent that such costs were committed at the end of the reporting period. All assets and liabilities have been classified as current.

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

2.2 Changes in accounting policies

The accounting policies adopted that could have material impact to the financial statements are consistent with those of the previous financial year.

2.3 Material accounting policy information

(a) Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Fund becomes a party to the contractual provision of the instrument.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition.

Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

All regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognised and derecognised on a trade date basis. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame established by regulation or convention in the market place.

Classification

The Fund classifies its financial assets and financial liabilities at initial recognition into the categories of financial assets and financial liabilities discussed below.

In applying that classification, a financial asset or financial liability is considered to be held for trading if:

- (a) It is acquired or incurred principally for the purpose of selling or repurchasing it in the near term; or
- (b) On initial recognition, it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that are managed together and for which, there is evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking; or
- (c) It is a derivative (except for a derivative that is a financial guarantee contract or a designated and effective hedging instrument).

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

2.3 Material accounting policy information (continued)

(a) Financial instruments (continued)

Financial assets

The Fund classifies its financial assets as measured at amortised cost or measured at fair value through profit or loss (“FVTPL”) on the basis of both the entity’s business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset.

(i) Financial assets measured at amortised cost

A debt instrument is measured at amortised cost if it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows and its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and profit (“SPPP”) on the principal amount outstanding. The Fund includes in this category dividend receivables and bank balances.

(ii) Financial assets at FVTPL

A financial asset is measured at FVTPL if:

- (a) Its contractual terms do not give rise to cash flows on specified dates that are SPPP on the principal amount outstanding; or
- (b) It is held within a business model whose objective is to sell; or
- (c) At initial recognition, it is irrevocably designated as measured at FVTPL when doing so eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement or recognition inconsistency that would otherwise arise from measuring assets or liabilities or recognising the gains and losses on them on different bases.

The Fund includes in this category equity instruments. These includes investments that are held under a business model to manage them on a fair value basis for investment income and fair value gains.

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

2.3 Material accounting policy information (continued)

(a) Financial instruments (continued)

Financial liabilities

(i) Financial liabilities measured at FVTPL

A financial liability is measured at FVTPL if it meets the definition of held for trading. The Fund does not have such liabilities at this juncture.

(ii) Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost

This category includes all financial liabilities, other than those measured at FVTPL. The Fund includes in this category amount due to Manager.

Impairment of financial assets

The Fund holds only trade receivables with no financing component and which have maturities of less than 12 months at amortised cost and, as such, has chosen to apply an approach similar to the simplified approach for expected credit losses (“ECL”) under MFRS 9 to all its trade receivables. Therefore, the Fund does not track changes in credit risk, but instead recognises a loss allowance based on lifetime ECL at each reporting date. The Fund’s approach to ECL reflects a probability-weighted outcome, the time value of money and reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort at the reporting date about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions.

Derecognition of financial assets and financial liabilities

A financial asset is derecognised when:

- (i) The contractual rights to receive cash flows from the financial asset have expired; or
- (ii) The Fund has transferred its contractual rights to received cash flows from the financial asset or have assumed contractual obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to one or more third parties under a “pass through” arrangement; and either:
 - (a) the Fund has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset; or
 - (b) the Fund has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards, but has transferred control of the financial asset.

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

2.3 Material accounting policy information (continued)

(a) Financial instruments (continued)

Derecognition of financial assets and financial liabilities (continued)

A financial asset is derecognised when: (continued)

On derecognition of the financial assets at amortised cost, gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the asset is derecognised, modified or impaired.

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the financial liability is extinguished. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognised, and through the amortisation process.

(b) Classification of realised and unrealised gains and losses

Unrealised gains and losses comprise changes in the fair value of financial instruments at FVTPL. Realised gains and losses on disposals of financial instruments at FVTPL are calculated using the weighted average method. They represent the difference between an instrument's initial carrying amount and disposal amount.

Return on investments and foreign exchange translation differences of cash at bank balances denominated in foreign currencies are classified as realised income in the financial statements.

(c) Functional and presentation currency

The financial statements of the Fund are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Fund operates ("the functional currency"). The financial statements are presented in RM, which is also the Fund's functional currency.

(d) Foreign currency translation

Transactions in currencies other than the Fund's functional currency (foreign currencies) are recorded in the functional currency using exchange rates prevailing at the transaction dates. At each reporting date, foreign currency monetary items are translated into RM at exchange rates ruling at the reporting date. All exchange gains or losses are recognised in the profit or loss.

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

2.3 Material accounting policy information (continued)

(e) Unitholders' capital

The unitholders' capital to the Fund are classified as liabilities under MFRS 132 *Financial Instruments: Presentation*.

The outstanding units are carried at the redemption amount that is payable at each financial year if a unitholder exercises the right to put the unit back to the Fund.

Units are created and cancelled at prices based on the Fund's NAV per unit at the time of creation or cancellation. The Fund's NAV per unit is calculated by dividing the net assets attributable to unit holders with the total number of outstanding units.

(f) Distribution of income

Any distribution to the Fund's unitholders is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income, as the unitholders' capital are classified as financial liabilities as per Note 2.3(e). A proposed dividend is recognised as a liability in the period in which it is approved. Distributions are either reinvested or paid in cash to the unitholders on the income payment date. Reinvestment of units is based on the NAV per unit on the income payment date which is also the time of creation.

(g) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank which has an insignificant risk of changes in value.

(h) Income recognition

Income is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Fund and the income can be reliably measured. Income is measured at the fair value of consideration received or receivable.

Dividend income from quoted equities is recognised when the Fund's right to receive payment is established.

(i) Net asset value attributable to unitholders

Net asset value attributable to unitholders represents the redemption amount that would be payable if the unitholders exercised the right to redeem units of the Fund at the end of the reporting year.

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

2.3 Material accounting policy information (continued)

(j) Income tax

Current tax assets and liabilities are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the tax authorities. The tax rates and tax laws used to compute the amount are those that are enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

No deferred tax is recognised as there are no material temporary differences.

(k) Segment reporting

For internal management reporting purposes, all of the investments of the Fund are managed as one portfolio and reviewed as such by the Manager. The Manager is the decision maker for performance assessment purposes and makes decisions about resource allocation. Accordingly, the Fund does not have any operating segment information to be disclosed in the financial statements.

(l) Significant accounting estimates and judgments

The preparation of the Fund's financial statements requires the Manager to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities at the reporting date. However, uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that could require a material adjustment to the carrying amount of the asset or liability in the future.

No major judgments have been made by the Manager in applying the Fund's accounting policies. There are no key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

(m) Determination of fair value

For quoted investments, fair value is determined based on the closing price quoted on Reuters. Purchased cost is the price that the Fund paid when buying its investments. The difference between purchased cost and fair value is treated as unrealised gain or loss and is recognised in profit or loss. Unrealised gains or losses recognised in profit or loss are not distributable in nature.

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3. INVESTMENTS

	29.05.2024	31.10.2023
	RM	RM
Investments designated as FVTPL:		
- Quoted investments - local	-	1,030,646
- Quoted investments - foreign	-	548,783
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,579,429</u>
	01.11.2023	01.11.2022
	to 29.05.2024	to 31.10.2023
	RM	RM
Net gain/(loss) on investments at FVTPL comprised:		
- Net realised gain/(loss) on sale of investments at FVTPL	141,090	19,898
- Net unrealised gain/(loss) on changes in fair value	(11,589)	(75,489)
	<u>129,501</u>	<u>(55,591)</u>

4. AMOUNT DUE FROM/(TO) MANAGER

	29.05.2024	31.10.2023
	RM	RM
Manager's fee payable	<u>(1,258)</u>	<u>(3,516)</u>

The normal credit period for the Manager's fee payable is one month (2023: one month).

5. NET ASSET VALUE ("NAV") ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

Unitholders should note that the NAV of the Fund is determined by deducting the value of all the Fund's liabilities from the value of all the Fund's assets, at a particular valuation point. For the purpose of computing the annual management fee and annual trustee fee, the NAV of the Fund is inclusive of the management fee and the trustee fee for the relevant day.

The NAV per unit of the Fund at a valuation point is determined by dividing the NAV of the Fund at that valuation point by the number of units in circulation of the Fund at the same valuation point.

Due to multiple Classes of Units in the Fund, the income and/or expenses for the Fund are apportioned by using the multi-class ratio, which is based on the value of the Class of Units of the Fund (quoted in the base currency) relative to the value of the whole Fund (quoted in the base currency). As at 29 May 2024, the multi-class ratio used in apportionment for AUD Class is 0.35 (2023: 0.12), MYR Class is 96.19 (2023: 95.05) and USD Class is 3.46 (2023: 4.83).

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5. NET ASSET VALUE (“NAV”) ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS (CONTINUED)

Net asset value attributable to unitholders is represented by:

	Note	29.05.2024 RM	31.10.2023 RM
Unitholders’ capital			
- AUD CLASS	5(a)	2,728	3,683
- MYR CLASS	5(b)	746,606	2,519,433
- USD CLASS	5(c)	26,864	123,266
		<u>776,198</u>	<u>2,646,382</u>
Retained earnings/(accumulated losses)			
- Realised gain/(loss)	5(d)	-	(390,096)
- Unrealised gain/(loss)	5(e)	-	11,589
		-	<u>(378,507)</u>
Total NAV attributable to unitholders		<u>776,198</u>	<u>2,267,875</u>

(a) UNITHOLDERS’ CAPITAL/UNITS IN CIRCULATION - AUD CLASS

	29.05.2024		31.10.2023	
	Units	RM	Units	RM
At the beginning of the financial period/year	2,000	3,683	4,196	6,725
Cancellation of units during the financial period/year	-	-	(2,196)	(3,042)
Transferred from realised reserve as at the date of termination	-	(955)	-	-
At the end of the financial period/year	<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,728</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>3,683</u>

The units held by the Manager and parties related to the Manager as at 29 May 2024 and 31 October 2023 are disclosed in Note 9.

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5. NET ASSET VALUE (“NAV”) ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS (CONTINUED)

(b) UNITHOLDERS’ CAPITAL/UNITS IN CIRCULATION - MYR CLASS

	29.05.2024		31.10.2023	
	Units	RM	Units	RM
At the beginning of the financial period/year	5,064,541	2,519,433	5,716,479	2,803,970
Creation of units during the financial period/year	3,524	1,553	62,170	27,135
Cancellation of units during the financial period/year	(3,353,778)	(1,495,684)	(714,108)	(311,672)
Transferred from realised reserve as at the date of termination	-	(278,696)	-	-
At the end of the financial period/year	<u>1,714,287</u>	<u>746,606</u>	<u>5,064,541</u>	<u>2,519,433</u>

The units held by the Manager and parties related to the Manager as at 29 May 2024 and 31 October 2023 are disclosed in Note 9.

(c) UNITHOLDERS’ CAPITAL/UNITS IN CIRCULATION - USD CLASS

	29.05.2024		31.10.2023	
	Units	RM	Units	RM
At the beginning of the financial period/year	63,389	123,266	69,687	134,239
Cancellation of units during the financial period/year	(48,200)	(87,141)	(6,298)	(10,973)
Transferred from realised reserve as at the date of termination	-	(9,261)	-	-
At the end of the financial period/year	<u>15,189</u>	<u>26,864</u>	<u>63,389</u>	<u>123,266</u>

The units held by the Manager and parties related to the Manager as at 29 May 2024 and 31 October 2023 are disclosed in Note 9.

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5. NET ASSET VALUE (“NAV”) ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS (CONTINUED)

(d) RETAINED EARNINGS/(ACCUMULATED LOSSES) - REALISED

	29.05.2024	31.10.2023
	RM	RM
At the beginning of the financial period/year	(390,096)	(398,997)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the financial period/year	89,595	(66,588)
Net unrealised (gain)/loss attributable to investments held transferred to unrealised reserve	11,588	75,489
Realised reserve as at the date of termination transferred to unitholder’s capital	288,913	-
Net increase/(decrease) in realised reserve for the financial period/year	390,096	8,901
At the end of the financial period/year	<u>-</u>	<u>(390,096)</u>

(e) RETAINED EARNINGS/(ACCUMULATED LOSSES) - UNREALISED

	29.05.2024	31.10.2023
	RM	RM
At the beginning of the financial period/year	11,589	87,078
Net unrealised gain/(loss) attributable to investments held transferred to unrealised reserve:		
- Investments at FVTPL	(11,589)	(75,489)
- Forward foreign currency contracts	-	-
- Foreign currency exchange	1	-
Unrealised reserve as at the date of termination transferred to unitholder’s capital	(1)	-
	(11,589)	(75,489)
At the end of the financial period/year	<u>-</u>	<u>11,589</u>

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6. MANAGER'S FEE

Schedule 8 of the Deed provides that the Manager shall be entitled to a fee at a rate agreed between the Manager and the Trustee which the rate shall not exceed 2.00% (2023: 2.00%) per annum of the net asset value of the Fund, calculated on a daily basis.

The management fee provided in the financial statements is computed based on 1.80% (2023: 1.80%) per annum on the net asset value of the Fund, calculated on a daily basis for the financial year.

There will be no further liability to the Manager in respect of Manager's fee other than the amount recognised in the financial statements.

7. TRUSTEE'S FEE

Schedule 9 of the Deed provides that the Trustee shall be entitled to a fee at a rate agreed between the Manager and the Trustee which the rate shall not exceed 0.20% (2023: 0.20%) per annum of the net asset value of the Fund, calculated on a daily basis; subject to a minimum fee of RM15,000 (2023: RM15,000) per annum, excluding foreign custodian fee and charges.

Trustee's fee is borne by the Fund Manager. There is no trustee's fee charged to the Fund.

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8. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

Income from deposit placements is exempted from tax in accordance with Schedule 6, 35A of the Income Tax Act, 1967 (“ITA”), subject to certain exclusion. Income derived from sources outside Malaysia and received in Malaysia is not exempted from tax. Pursuant to Section 61(1)(b) of the ITA, gains from realisation of investment will not be treated as income of the Fund and hence are not subject to income tax.

A reconciliation of income tax expense applicable to net income/(loss) before taxation at the statutory income tax rate to income tax expense at the effective income tax rate of the Fund is as follows:

	01.11.2023 to 29.05.2024	01.11.2022 to 31.10.2023
	RM	RM
Net income/(loss) before taxation	<u>109,083</u>	<u>(63,020)</u>
Taxation at Malaysian statutory rate of 24% (01.11.2022 - 31.10.2023: 24%)	26,180	(15,125)
Tax effects of:		
(Income not subject to tax)/loss not deductible for tax purposes	(31,930)	3,720
Restriction on tax deductible expenses for funds	4,844	11,017
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	<u>906</u>	<u>388</u>
	-	-
Foreign withholding tax	602	527
Tax on foreign income	<u>18,886</u>	<u>3,041</u>
Tax expense for the financial period/year	<u>19,488</u>	<u>3,568</u>

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9. UNITS HELD BY THE MANAGER AND PARTIES RELATED TO THE MANAGER

The related parties of and its relationship with the class of the Fund are as follows:

Related parties	Relationship
CEO and Director of UOB Islamic Asset Management Sdn. Bhd.	Director of the Manager
UOB Asset Management (Malaysia) Berhad	The Manager

The units held by the Director of the Manager as at the date of the financial period/year as follows:

	29.05.2024		31.10.2023	
	Units	RM	Units	RM
<u>Parties related to the Manager</u>				
AUD CLASS				
UOB Asset Management (Malaysia) Berhad	2,000	2,728	2,000	2,666
MYR CLASS				
CEO and Director of UOB Islamic Asset Management Sdn. Bhd.	2,000	871	2,000	851
USD CLASS				
UOB Asset Management (Malaysia) Berhad	2,000	3,537	2,000	3,458

The Directors of the Manager are of the opinion that any transactions with the related parties have been entered into in the normal course of business and have been established on terms and conditions that are not materially different from that obtainable in transactions with unrelated parties. These dealings with related parties have been transacted at arm's length basis.

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10. TRANSACTIONS WITH BROKERS AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Details of transactions with brokers and financial institutions by the Fund for the financial period ended 29 May 2024 are as follows:

	Value of trade RM	Percentage of total trade %	Brokerage fees RM	Percentage of total brokerage fees %
Brokers/Financial institutions				
RHB Investment Bank Berhad	417,185	19.52	1,381	18.64
CIMB Securities Ltd., Korea Branch	313,051	14.65	1,194	16.11
Public Investment Bank Berhad	292,530	13.69	972	13.11
Affin Hwang Investment Bank Berhad	221,125	10.35	734	9.90
KAF Seagroatt & Campbell Securities Sdn Bhd	199,065	9.32	660	8.91
PT CIMB Securities Indonesia	150,599	7.05	680	9.17
Kenanga DMG Futures Sdn Bhd	139,270	6.52	462	6.24
Hong Leong Investment Bank Berhad	124,805	5.84	415	5.60
Kim Eng Securities (Hong Kong) Limited	106,239	4.97	383	5.16
Maybank Kim Eng Securities Pte Ltd	86,506	4.05	245	3.31
Others	86,273	4.04	286	3.85
	<u>2,136,648</u>	<u>100.00</u>	<u>7,412</u>	<u>100.00</u>

11. TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO (“TER”)

	01.11.2023 to 29.05.2024 %	01.11.2022 to 31.10.2023 %
Manager’s fee	1.03	1.80
Other expenses	0.20	0.06
Total TER	<u>1.23</u>	<u>1.86</u>

The TER of the Fund is the ratio of the sum of fees and expenses incurred by the Fund to the average NAV of the Fund calculated on a daily basis.

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12. PORTFOLIO TURNOVER RATIO (“PTR”)

	01.11.2023 to 29.05.2024	01.11.2022 to 31.10.2023
PTR (times)	0.55	0.43

The PTR of the Fund is the ratio of average acquisitions and disposals of the Fund for the financial year to the average NAV of the Fund calculated on a daily basis.

13. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

(a) Classification of financial instruments

The Fund’s financial assets and financial liabilities are measured on an ongoing basis based on their respective classification. The significant accounting policies in Note 2.3 describe how the classes of financial instruments are measured, and how income and expenses are recognised:

- (i) the Fund’s investments, comprising quoted investments are classified as financial assets at FVTPL which are measured at fair value;
- (ii) the Fund’s financial assets, comprising dividend receivables and cash at bank, are classified as other financial assets which are measured at amortised cost;
- (iii) the Fund’s financial liabilities (excluding NAV attributable to unitholders), comprising amount due to Manager, are classified as other financial assets which are measured at amortised cost;
- (iv) the Fund’s NAV attributable to unitholders are carried in the financial statements based on the residual value of the net assets of the Fund.

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13. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

(a) Classification of financial instruments (continued)

	Financial assets at FVTPL RM	Financial assets at amortised cost RM	Financial liabilities at amortised cost RM	Total RM
29.05.2024				
Financial assets				
Dividend receivables	-	532	-	532
Cash at bank	-	795,101	-	795,101
Total financial assets	<u>-</u>	<u>795,633</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>795,633</u>
Financial liabilities				
Amount due to Manager	-	-	1,258	1,258
Total financial liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,258</u>	<u>1,258</u>
31.10.2023				
Financial assets				
Investments	1,579,429	-	-	1,579,429
Dividend receivables	-	197	-	197
Cash at bank	-	692,402	-	692,402
Total financial assets	<u>1,579,429</u>	<u>692,599</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,272,028</u>
Financial liabilities				
Amount due to Manager	-	-	3,516	3,516
Total financial liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,516</u>	<u>3,516</u>

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13. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

(b) Financial instruments that are carried at fair value

The Fund uses the following hierarchy for determining and disclosing the fair value of financial instruments by valuation technique:

Level 1: Inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical asset or liability that the entity can access at the measurement date;

Level 2: Inputs are inputs, other than quoted prices included within level 1, that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and

Level 3: Inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

The following table shows an analysis of financial instruments recorded at fair value by the level of the fair value hierarchy:

	Level 1 RM	Level 2 RM	Level 3 RM	Total RM
31.10.2023				
Financial instruments				
Quoted investments	1,579,429	-	-	1,579,429
Total financial instruments	1,579,429	-	-	1,579,429

(c) Financial instruments that are not carried at fair value and whose carrying amounts are reasonable approximations of fair value

The following are classes of financial instruments that are not carried at fair value and whose carrying amounts are reasonable approximation of fair value due to their short period to maturity or short credit period:

- Dividend receivables
- Islamic deposits with licensed financial institution
- Cash at bank
- Amount due to Trustee
- Amount due from/(to) Manager
- NAV attributable to unitholders

There were no financial instruments which are not carried at fair values and whose carrying amounts are not reasonable approximation of their respective fair values.

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14. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Fund is exposed to a variety of risks including market risk, non-compliance risk, currency risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, equity risk and country risk. Whilst these are the most important types of financial risks inherent in each type of financial instrument, the Manager and the Trustee would like to highlight that this list does not purport to constitute an exhaustive list of all the risks inherent in an investment in the Fund.

The Fund's overall risk management programme seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Fund's financial performance. Specific guidelines on exposures to individual securities and certain industries are in place for the Fund at any time as part of the overall financial risk management to reduce the Fund's risk exposures.

(a) Market risk

Market risk refers to potential losses that may arise from changes in the market conditions which may affect the market prices of the financial instruments of the Fund and hence the NAV of the Fund. Market conditions are generally affected by, amongst others, social environment, political and economic stability.

The Fund's overall exposure to market risk was as follows:

	29.05.2024	31.10.2023
	RM	RM
Investments at FVTPL	-	1,579,429

The table below summarises the sensitivity of the Fund's net asset value and net income after taxation to movements in prices of investments. The analysis is based on the assumption that the price of the investments fluctuates by 5% with all other variables held constant.

	Change in price of investments %	Market value RM	Impact on net income/(loss) after taxation and NAV RM
31.10.2023	-5	1,500,458	(78,971)
	0	1,579,429	-
	+5	1,658,400	78,971

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14. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(b) Non-compliance risk

Non-adherence with laws, rules, regulations, prescribed practices, internal policies and procedures may adversely affect the Fund’s investment when the Manager takes action to rectify the non-compliance. Investment goals may also be affected should the Manager not adhere to the investment mandate (such as the Fund’s investment objective and investment policy and strategy). The non-adherence may be the outcome from human error (for instance the oversight of the Manager) or system failure (causing unnecessary downtime). The magnitude of such risk and its impact on the Fund and/or unitholders are dependent on the nature and severity of the non-compliance. In order to mitigate this risk, the Manager has stringent internal controls and ensures that compliance monitoring processes are undertaken.

(c) Currency risk

This risk is associated with investments denominated in currencies different from the base currency. As the Fund is denominated in MYR, investments in other currencies other than MYR will cause the Fund to be exposed to currency risks. Fluctuations in the exchange rates of other currencies against the MYR may affect the NAV of the Fund and consequently the NAV per unit of the Fund.

	RM	29.05.2024 Percentage of NAV %	-	31.10.2023 Percentage of NAV %
Australian Dollar (“AUD”)				
Cash at bank	3,366	0.43	3,260	0.14
Net asset value attributable to unitholders	2,728	0.35	2,666	0.12
	<u>6,094</u>	<u>0.79</u>	<u>5,926</u>	<u>0.26</u>
Hong Kong Dollar (“HKD”)				
Investments at FVTPL	-	-	94,579	4.17
Dividend receivables	532	0.07	-	-
	<u>532</u>	<u>0.07</u>	<u>94,579</u>	<u>4.17</u>
Indonesian Rupiah (“IDR”)				
Investments at FVTPL	-	-	86,314	3.81
Cash at bank	45,429	5.85	-	-
	<u>45,429</u>	<u>5.85</u>	<u>86,314</u>	<u>3.81</u>

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14. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(c) Currency risk (continued)

The following table sets out the foreign currency risk concentrations of the Fund (continued)

	29.05.2024		31.10.2023	
	Percentage of NAV		Percentage of NAV	
	RM	%	RM	%
South Korean Won (“KRW”)				
Investments at FVTPL	-	-	234,386	10.34
Dividend receivables	-	-	197	0.01
	-	-	234,583	10.35
Singapore Dollar (“SGD”)				
Investments at FVTPL	-	-	86,003	3.79
Thai Baht (“THB”)				
Investments at FVTPL	-	-	47,501	2.09
United States Dollar (“USD”)				
Investments at FVTPL	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank	53,767	6.93	143,102	6.31
Net asset value attributable to unitholders	26,864	3.46	109,606	4.83
	80,631	10.39	252,708	11.14

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14. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(c) Currency risk (continued)

The following table summarises the sensitivity of the Fund's net asset value and income after tax to changes in foreign exchange movements. The analysis is based on the assumption that the foreign exchange rate changes by 5%, with all other variables remaining constant. Any increase/decrease in foreign exchange rate will result in a corresponding decrease/increase in the net assets attributable to unitholders by approximately 5%. Disclosures below are shown in absolute terms, changes and impact could be positive or negative.

		29.05.2024	31.10.2023
	Change in foreign exchange rate %	Impact on net income/(loss) after taxation and NAV RM	Impact on net income/(loss) after taxation and NAV RM
AUD	+5	305	296
	-5	(305)	(296)
HKD	+5	27	4,729
	-5	(27)	(4,729)
IDR	+5	2,271	4,316
	-5	(2,271)	(4,316)
KRW	+5	-	11,729
	-5	-	(11,729)
SGD	+5	-	4,300
	-5	-	(4,300)
THB	+5	-	2,375
	-5	-	(2,375)
USD	+5	4,032	12,635
	-5	(4,032)	(12,635)

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14. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(d) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that the counterparty to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss to the Fund by failing to discharge an obligation. The Fund can invest up to 100% of its net asset value in money market instruments and fixed income instruments. As such the Fund would be exposed to the risk of bond issuers and financial institutions defaulting on its repayment obligations which in turn would affect the net asset value of the Fund. This risk is mitigated by spreading the investments across several financial institutions or issuers, and investing in financial institutions or issuers with a minimum short-term rating by any global or local domestic rating agency which indicates strong capacity for timely payment of obligations, or a minimum short-term rating which indicates high safety for timely payment of financial obligations.

An economic recession may adversely affect an issuer's financial condition and the market value of fixed income securities and/or money market instruments issued by such entity. The issuer's ability to service its debt obligations may be adversely affected by specific issuer developments, or the issuer's inability to meet specific projected business forecasts. All this may impact the valuation of the Fund or result in the Fund experiencing losses.

The following table sets out maximum exposure to credit risk and the credit risk concentrations of the Fund.

	Investments	Cash and cash equivalent	Other financial assets*	Total	As a percentage of NAV
	RM	RM	RM	RM	%
29.05.2024					
Credit rating					
AA1	-	795,101	-	795,101	102.43
Non-Rated	-	-	532	532	0.07
	<u>-</u>	<u>795,101</u>	<u>532</u>	<u>795,633</u>	<u>102.49</u>
31.10.2023					
Credit rating					
AA1	-	692,402	-	692,402	30.53
Non-Rated	1,579,429	-	197	1,579,626	69.65
	<u>1,579,429</u>	<u>692,402</u>	<u>197</u>	<u>2,272,028</u>	<u>100.18</u>

* Comprise dividend receivables.

The financial assets of the Fund are neither past due nor impaired.

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14. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(e) Liquidity risk

In the event of unexpectedly large realisations of units, there may be a possibility that the assets of the Fund may be forced to be liquidated at below their fair and expected value, especially in illiquid public exchanges or over-the-counter markets. The Manager of the Fund will ensure that a sufficient portion of the Fund will be in liquid assets such as cash and cash-equivalents to meet expected realisations, net of new subscriptions.

Liquidity risk refers to the ease of liquidating an investment depending on the investment's volume traded in the market. If the Fund hold securities that are illiquid, or are difficult to dispose of, the value of the Fund may be negatively affected when it has to sell such securities at an unfavourable price.

The following table summarises the Fund's financial assets and financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period from the statement of financial position date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	Contractual cash flows (undiscounted)				
	No maturity RM	1 - 2 years RM	2 - 3 years RM	3 - 4 years RM	More than 5 years RM
29.05.2024					
Financial assets					
Dividend					
receivables	-	532	-	-	-
Cash at bank	795,101	-	-	-	-
Total financial assets	795,101	532	-	-	-
Financial liabilities					
Amount due					
to Manager	-	1,258	-	-	-
Total financial liabilities	-	1,258	-	-	-

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14. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(e) Liquidity risk (continued)

	Contractual cash flows (undiscounted)				
	No maturity RM	1 - 2 years RM	2 - 3 years RM	3 - 4 years RM	More than 5 years RM
31.10.2023					
Financial assets					
Investments*	1,579,429	-	-	-	-
Dividend receivables	-	197	-	-	-
Cash at bank	692,402	-	-	-	-
Total financial assets	2,271,831	197	-	-	-
Financial liabilities					
Amount due to Manager	-	3,516	-	-	-
Total financial liabilities	-	3,516	-	-	-

* The Fund's investments in quoted shares and cash at bank have no maturity period.

(f) Equity risk

As the Fund will be investing in Shariah-compliant equities, the Fund will be affected by equity risk. Generally, equity risk may arise in the following forms, i.e., equity risks related to external factors and equity risks related to company-specific factors. All of these related equity risks can adversely affect the prices of equities, which would negatively impact the performance of the Fund.

(g) Country risk

The Fund is also subject to country risk. The value of the assets of the Fund may also be affected by the economic and political climate, restriction on currency repatriation or other developments in the law or regulations of the countries in which the Fund may invest in. Further, when investing in foreign markets, there are countries which may require prior approvals before investments can take place.

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15. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The capital of the Fund can vary depending on the demand for redemptions and subscriptions to the Fund. The Fund's units in issue at the end of the financial period are disclosed in Notes 5(a) to 5(c).

No changes were made to the Fund's objectives, policies or processes during the current financial period/year.

16. SHARIAH INFORMATION OF THE FUND

The Shariah Adviser confirmed that the investment portfolio of the Fund is Shariah-compliant, which comprises liquid assets that are placed in the Shariah-compliant investments and/or instruments.

17. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

The financial statements are for the financial period from 1 November 2023 to 29 May 2024 (date of termination). The comparative amounts for the financial statements and the related notes are for the financial period from 1 November 2022 to 31 October 2023. Accordingly, the comparative amounts for the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in net assets attributable to unitholders, statement of cash flows and the related notes are not comparable.

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