

# PRODUCT KEY FACTS

## BOCHK Conservative Growth Fund

a sub-fund of  
the BOCHK Investment Funds

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Issuer: BOCI-Prudential Asset Management Limited

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### Quick facts

<b>Fund Manager:</b>	BOCI-Prudential Asset Management Limited (the "Manager")
<b>Custodian, Trustee and Registrar:</b>	BOCI-Prudential Trustee Limited
<b>Ongoing charges over a year:</b>	Class A – USD Units, Class A – HKD Units and Class A – RMB Units <sup>#</sup> : 1.27% Class A – Administration USD Units <sup>^</sup> : 1.63%
<b>Dealing frequency:</b>	Daily (Hong Kong business days, other than Saturdays)
<b>Base currency:</b>	US Dollars
<b>Distribution policy:</b>	The Manager does not intend to make distributions for the Sub-Fund. Income earned will be reinvested in the Sub-Fund.
<b>Financial year end:</b>	31 March
<b>Minimum investment:</b>	<p><i>Class A – USD Units:</i>            Initial : the USD equivalent amount of HK\$10,000            Addition : the USD equivalent amount of HK\$10,000</p> <p><i>Class A – HKD Units:</i>            Initial: HK\$10,000            Addition: HK\$10,000</p> <p><i>Class A – RMB Units:</i>            Initial : the RMB equivalent amount of HK\$10,000            Addition : the RMB equivalent amount of HK\$10,000</p> <p><i>Class A – Administration USD Units:</i>            Initial : Nil            Addition : Nil</p>

<sup>#</sup>The ongoing charges figure is based on expenses for the period ended 30 September 2022. This figure may vary from year to year. Since Class A – USD Units, Class A – HKD Units and Class A – RMB Units have the same fee structure, a single ongoing charges figure can be calculated and published.

<sup>^</sup>The ongoing charges figure is based on expenses for the period from 21 May 2022 to 30 September 2022. This figure may vary from year to year.

### What is this product?

BOCHK Conservative Growth Fund (the "Sub-Fund") is a sub-fund under the BOCHK Investment Funds (the "Fund"), which is an umbrella unit trust established under the laws of Hong Kong.

## Objectives and Investment Strategy

The Sub-Fund seeks to provide the opportunity for conservative long-term capital growth. The Manager will implement the investment policy by investing at least 70% of its non-cash assets in a combination of sub-funds which may from time to time be made available for investment under the BOCHK Investment Funds, the BOCIP Asset Management Investment Funds, or the NCB Investment Funds and/or sub-funds of other collective investment schemes managed by the Manager which are authorised by the SFC. The Manager will make the investment in a conservative manner to reduce the risk of capital losses.

Under normal circumstances, the Sub-Fund is expected to invest, through the relevant underlying funds, a substantial portion of its assets in global bonds with exposure to the currencies of the United States, Europe, Mainland China and other countries; and the balance in global equities, including but not limited to equities listed or quoted in the United States, Europe, Japan, Hong Kong and other major Asian markets.

The Sub-Fund may invest, through the relevant underlying funds, less than 15% of its Net Asset Value in Renminbi ("RMB") denominated and settled debt instruments issued or distributed (i) outside Mainland China and/or (ii) within Mainland China (which may only be invested through the Bond Connect<sup>1</sup>). The Sub-Fund may also invest, through the relevant underlying funds, in other types of investments, including, but not limited to, money market instruments.

The Sub-Fund may use financial derivative instruments for the purpose of hedging.

## Use of derivatives / investment in derivatives

The Sub-Fund's net derivative exposure may be up to 50% of the Sub-Fund's Net Asset Value.

## What are the key risks?

**Investment involves risks. Please refer to the offering document for details including the risk factors.**

### 1. General investment risk

The Sub-Fund's investment portfolio may fall in value due to any of the key risk factors below and therefore your investment in the Sub-Fund may suffer losses. There is no guarantee in respect of repayment of principal.

### 2. Currency risk

Underlying investments of the Sub-Fund may be denominated in currencies other than the base currency of the Sub-Fund. Also, a class of Units may be designated in a currency other than the base currency of the Sub-Fund. The Net Asset Value of the Sub-Fund may be affected unfavorably by fluctuations in the exchange rates between these currencies and the base currency and by changes in exchange rate controls.

### 3. Credit/ counterparty risk

The Sub-Fund is exposed to the credit/default risk of issuers of the debt securities that the Sub-Fund may invest in.

### 4. Credit rating risk

Credit ratings assigned by rating agencies are subject to limitations and do not guarantee the creditworthiness of the security and/or issuer at all times.

<sup>1</sup> The Bond Connect is a mutual bond market access scheme between Mainland China and Hong Kong. Under the Northbound Trading of the Bond Connect, eligible foreign investors can invest in the China interbank bond market.

**5. Downgrading risk**

The credit rating of a debt instrument or its issuer may subsequently be downgraded. In the event of such downgrading, the value of the Sub-Fund may be adversely affected. The Manager may or may not be able to dispose of the debt instruments that are being downgraded.

**6. Interest rate risk**

Investment in the Sub-Fund is subject to interest rate risk. In general, the prices of debt securities rise when interest rates fall, whilst their prices fall when interest rates rise.

**7. Sovereign debt risk**

The Sub-Fund's investment in securities issued or guaranteed by governments may be exposed to political, social and economic risks. In adverse situations, the sovereign issuers may not be able or willing to repay the principal and/or interest when due or may request the Sub-Fund to participate in restructuring such debts. The Sub-Fund may suffer significant losses when there is a default of sovereign debt issuers.

**8. Risks associated with the Bond Connect and China interbank bond market**

The Sub-Fund may invest in debt securities through the Bond Connect and may be exposed to liquidity and volatility risks, as low trading volume of certain debt securities in the China interbank bond market may cause market volatility and potential lack of liquidity. These may result in prices of certain debt securities traded on such market fluctuating significantly. The bid and offer spread of the prices of such securities may be large, and the Sub-Fund may incur significant trading and realisation costs and may potentially suffer losses when disposing of such investments.

**9. "Dim Sum" bond (i.e. bonds issued outside of Mainland China but denominated in RMB) market risks**

The "Dim Sum" bond market is still a relatively small market which is more susceptible to volatility and illiquidity. The operation of the "Dim Sum" bond market as well as new issuances could be disrupted causing a fall in the Net Asset Value of the Sub-Fund should there be any promulgation of new rules which limit or restrict the ability of issuers to raise RMB by way of bond issuances and/or reversal or suspension of the liberalisation of the offshore RMB ("CNH") market by the relevant regulator(s).

**10. Valuation risk**

Valuation of the Sub-Fund's investments may involve uncertainties and judgmental determinations. If such valuation turns out to be incorrect, this may affect the Net Asset Value calculation of the Sub-Fund.

**11. Equity market risk**

The Sub-Fund's investment in equity securities is subject to general market risks, whose value may fluctuate due to various factors, such as changes in investment sentiment, political and economic conditions and issuer-specific factors. Usually, emerging markets tend to be more volatile than developed markets and may experience substantial price volatility. Market movement may therefore result in substantial fluctuation in the Net Asset Value per Unit of the Sub-Fund.

**12. Risks of investing in other funds**

- The Sub-Fund is a fund of funds and will be subject to the risks associated with the underlying funds.

- Investment decisions are made at level of the underlying funds, there can be no assurance that the selection of the manager of the underlying funds will result in an effective diversification of investment styles and that positions taken by the underlying funds will always be consistent. Further, there is no assurance that the investment objective and strategy of the underlying funds will be successfully achieved which may have a negative impact to the Net Asset Value of the Sub-Fund. There is also no guarantee that the underlying funds will always have sufficient liquidity to meet the Sub-Fund's redemption requests as and when made.
- The Sub-Fund will bear the fees paid to the Manager and its other service providers as well as, indirectly, a pro rata portion of the fees paid by the underlying funds to the service providers of the underlying funds. Since the Sub-Fund invests in underlying funds managed by the Manager, all initial charges on such underlying funds will be waived.

### **13. *Derivative instruments risk***

The underlying funds may use derivatives as one of their investment strategies and/or hedging purposes. The use of derivatives may expose the underlying funds to various types of risk, including but not limited to, counterparty, liquidity, correlation, credit, volatility, valuation, settlement and over-the-counter transaction risks. Derivatives may be more sensitive to changes in economic or market conditions and could increase the underlying funds' volatility or can result in a loss significantly greater than the amount invested in the derivatives by the underlying funds. The underlying funds' exposure to derivatives may lead to a high risk of significant loss by the Sub-Fund.

### **14. *Tax risk***

Dividends and certain interests or other income paid to the Sub-Fund may be subject to tax on trading profits or on certain securities transaction, transfer or stamp duty or withholding tax which may negatively impact on the Sub-Fund's performance and distributions (if applicable) that the Unitholders may receive from the Sub-Fund.

### **15. *Emerging market / PRC market risk***

Investing in emerging markets / the PRC market may involve increased risks and special considerations not typically associated with investment in more developed markets, such as liquidity risks, currency risks/control, political and economic uncertainties, legal and taxation risks, settlement risks, custody risk and the likelihood of a high degree of volatility.

### **16. *RMB currency and conversion risks***

- RMB is currently not freely convertible and is subject to exchange controls and restrictions. Non-RMB based investors are exposed to foreign exchange risk and there is no guarantee that the value of RMB against the investors' base currencies (for example HKD) will not depreciate. Any depreciation of RMB could adversely affect the value of the investors' investment in the Sub-Fund. Although CNH and onshore RMB ("CNY") are the same currency, they trade at different rates. Any divergence between CNH and CNY may adversely impact investors.
- Under exceptional circumstances, payment of redemptions and/or distribution payment in RMB may be delayed due to the exchange controls and restrictions applicable to RMB.
- The Sub-Fund may also be subject to bid/ offer spread and currency conversion costs when converting to and from US dollars and RMB.

### **17. *PRC tax risk***

- There are risks and uncertainties associated with the current PRC tax rules and practices, the changes to which may have retrospective effect. Any increased tax liabilities on the Sub-Fund may adversely affect the Sub-Fund's value.
- Having taken and considered independent professional tax advice, the Manager has, acting in accordance with such advice, determined that it will not make PRC withholding income tax ("WHT") and value-added tax ("VAT") provision on the gross realized and unrealized capital gains from the disposal of PRC debt securities.
- Pursuant to Bulletin [2021] No. 34 jointly issued by the PRC Ministry of Finance and the PRC State Taxation Administration, interest income derived by Overseas Institutional

Investors investing in China bond market is temporarily exempted from WHT and VAT for the period from 7 November 2021 to 31 December 2025. Based on the prevailing PRC tax regulation, the Manager has, acting in accordance with independent professional tax advice, determined that it will not make WHT provision and VAT provision on the Sub-Fund's interest income derived from onshore PRC debt instruments from now onwards until 31 December 2025.

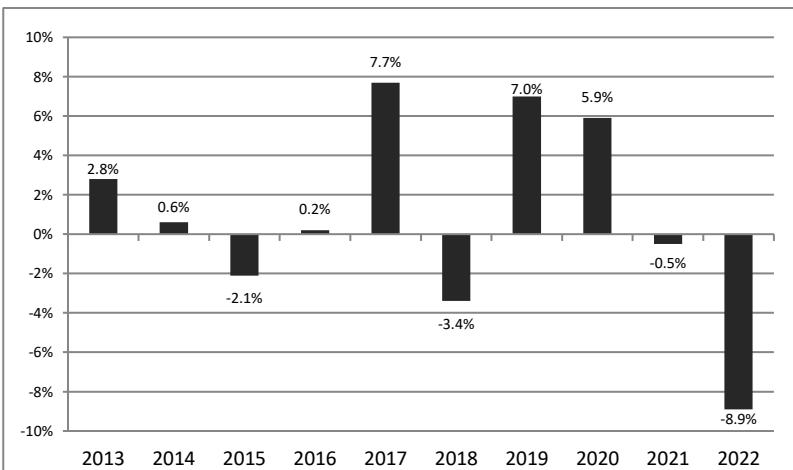
#### **18. Risk relating to those class(es) of units denominated in a currency other than the base currency**

The Sub-Fund will be exposed to foreign exchange risk because Units can be subscribed and redeemed in a currency other than in US dollars which is the base currency of the Sub-Fund. The returns to investors for those class(es) of Units denominated in a currency other than the base currency may be different from the return calculated by reference to the base currency when converted back into the currency in which the investors subscribe and redeem due to fluctuations in the currency markets. The returns may go down and adversely impact the investors. The Sub-Fund will also be subject to bid/offer spread on currency conversion and transaction costs. Such foreign exchange risk may result in capital loss to the Sub-Fund and its investors.

#### **19. Cross-class liability risk**

Although for the purposes of fund accounting, different fees and charges will be allocated to each class, there is no actual segregation of liabilities between different classes of Units. As such, in the event of insolvency or termination of the Sub-Fund, i.e. where the assets of the Sub-Fund are insufficient to meet its liabilities, all assets will be used to meet the Sub-Fund's liabilities, not just the amount standing to the credit of any individual class of Units.

### **How has the Sub-Fund performed?**



- Past performance information is not indicative of future performance. Investors may not get back the full amount invested.
- The computation basis of the performance is based on the calendar year end, NAV-to-NAV, with distributions reinvested.
- Class A – USD Units is selected as representative class because this class is mainly subscribed by Unitholders.
- These figures show by how much Class A – USD Units increased or decreased in value during the calendar year being shown. Performance data has been calculated in USD including ongoing charges and excluding initial charge and redemption charge you might have to pay.
- Class A – USD Units was launched in 2003, Class A – HKD Units and Class A – RMB Units were launched in 2021, and Class A – Administration USD Units was launched in 2022.
- Only Class A Units (including Class A – USD Units, Class A – HKD Units, Class A – RMB Units and Class A – Administration USD Units) are currently available.

## Is there any guarantee?

The Sub-Fund does not provide any guarantees. You may not get back the full amount of money you invest.

## What are the fees and charges?

### Charges which may be payable by you

You may have to pay the following fees when dealing in the Class A Units of the Sub-Fund.

<b>Fee</b>	<b>What you pay</b>
<b>Subscription fee</b>	Nil
<b>Initial charge</b>	For Class A – USD Units, Class A – HKD Units and Class A – RMB Units: Up to 5% of the issue price# For Class A – Administration USD Units: Currently waived
<b>Switching fee</b> <i>(as a % of the issue price of the New Class of Units to be issued)</i>	For switching from Units other than Administration Classes of Units into a different class of Class A Units (other than Administration Classes of Units) relating to the same Sub-Fund (such as switching between different currency classes of Units or from Accumulation Classes to Distribution Classes or vice versa) or switching into Class A Units (other than Administration Classes of Units) of another Sub-Fund which is not a Money Market Sub-Fund (as defined in the Explanatory Memorandum) (“Non-Money Market Sub-Fund”) : 1% For switching from Administration Classes of Units into a different class of Class A Units relating to the same Sub-Fund or switching into Class A units of another Non-Money Market Sub-Fund : Up to 1%, currently waived For switching into Units of a Money Market Sub-Fund : Nil
<b>Redemption charge</b>	Nil

### Ongoing fees payable by the Sub-Fund

The following expenses will be paid out of the Sub-Fund. They affect you because they reduce the return you get on your investments.

	<b>Annual rate (as a % of the Net Asset Value)</b>
<b>Management fee</b>	1 % (current and maximum) #
<b>Trustee fee</b>	For Class A – USD Units, Class A – HKD Units and Class A – RMB Units: 0.05%##, subject to a minimum monthly fee of US\$1,250 and up to a maximum of 1%* For Class A – Administration USD Units: 0.45%
<b>Performance fee</b>	Nil
<b>Administration fee</b>	Nil

- # Since the Sub-Fund will invest its assets in the underlying funds, only initial charges at the Sub-Fund's level will be levied and all initial charges payable at the underlying funds' level will be waived. Further, the management fees payable at the underlying funds' level (which are directly attributable to the amount invested by the Sub-Fund) shall accordingly, be fully rebated in cash to the Sub-Fund.
- ## Trustee Fee will be payable for the Trustee's services at both the Sub-Fund's level and the underlying funds' level.
- \* You should note that some fees may be increased, up to a specified permitted maximum, by giving Unitholders at least three (3) months' prior notice.

### **Other fees**

Please note that other fees and expenses may also be deducted from the Sub-Fund. For details, please refer to the section "Charges and Expenses" on pages 63 to 69 of the Explanatory Memorandum.

### **Additional Information**

- You generally buy and/or redeem Units of the Sub-Fund at the Sub-Fund's next determined Net Asset Value after the Manager receives your request in good order on or before 5:00 p.m. (Hong Kong time) (the Dealing Deadline) on the relevant Dealing Day (which is generally Hong Kong Business Day (except Saturdays) or such other day or days as the Manager and the Trustee may agree from time to time).
- Applications could also be placed through other authorized fund distributors or through other authorized means as may from time to time specified by the Manager in the Manager's website ([www.boci-pru.com.hk](http://www.boci-pru.com.hk)) and different dealing procedures, such as earlier application or payment cut-off time may be involved. Applicants should consult the relevant fund distributors or the Manager to find out the dealing procedures that are applicable to them.
- The Net Asset Value per Unit of each class of the Sub-Fund is calculated and will be published on each Dealing Day in the South China Morning Post, the Hong Kong Economic Journal and the Hong Kong Economic Times.
- The past performance information of other classes of Units offered to Hong Kong investors is available on the Manager's website ([www.boci-pru.com.hk](http://www.boci-pru.com.hk)).
- Other information of the Sub-Fund can be found at the Manager's website ([www.boci-pru.com.hk](http://www.boci-pru.com.hk)).
- Information contained in the website of the Manager has not been reviewed by the SFC.

### **Important**

If you are in doubt, you should seek professional advice.

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