# **BOC-Prudential Index Fund Series BOC-Prudential European Index Fund**

### Key Features and Risk Disclosure:

- 1. The BOC-Prudential European Index Fund (the "Sub-Fund") seeks to provide investment performance (before fees and expenses) that tracks the performance of the FTSE MPF Europe Index (unhedged) (the "Underlying Index") by investing in a portfolio of securities traded on the stock exchanges in the United Kingdom and in other continental European countries
- 2. Investment involves risks and the Sub-Fund may not be suitable for everyone. Past performance is not indicative of future performance. The Sub-Fund is subject to market and exchange rate fluctuations and to the risks inherent in all investments. Investors could face no returns and/or suffer significant loss related to the investments. There is no
- guarantee in respect of repayment of principal. The key risks to which the Sub-Fund is subject to include: general investment risk, currency risk, equity market risk, concentration risk, European economic and Eurozone risk, passive investment risk, portfolio management risk, tracking error risk, termination risk, RMB currency and conversion risk relating to Retail Class (RMB) Units, and cross-class liability risk
- Itability risk.
  The Sub-Fund may be subject to passive investment risk. Due to inherent nature of index funds, the Investment Manager of the Sub-Fund will not have the discretion to adapt to market changes and may not be able to take detensive positions where the relevant stock markets decline. Hence, any fall in the Underlying Index will result in a corresponding fall in the value of the Sub-Fund.
  The Sub-Fund may be subject to tracking error risk. The Sub-Fund's returns may therefore deviate from the Underlying Index and such tracking error may be a result of a number of factors, for example, the fees and expenses of the Sub-Fund and the need for the Investment Manager to adopt a representative sampling strategy.
  Please refer to the offering document of the Sub-Fund for further details including investment objectives and policies, charges and expenses, and risk factors, before making any investment decision
- any investment decision

**Top 10 Holdings** 

NESTLE SA-REG

SHELL PLC

NOVO NORDISK A/S-B

ASML HOLDING NV

**NOVARTIS AG-REG** 

ASTRAZENECA PLC

HSBC HOLDINGS PLC

TOTALENERGIES SE

LVMH MOET HENNESSY LOUIS VUI

ROCHE HOLDING AG-GENUSSCHEIN

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Cumulative Performance [Gross Distribution Reinvested] <sup>∆∆</sup>								
Provident Class – Class A (HKD) Units** Underlying Index (HKD)*	<b>3 Months</b> <sup>Δ</sup> -4.89% -4.97%	Year to date <sup>▲</sup> 8.38% 8.79%	<b>1 Year</b> ^ 28.71% 29.38%	<b>3 Years</b> 23.38% 24.85%	<b>5 Years</b> 21.30% 23.65%	Since Inception <sup>△</sup> 99.67% 109.56%		
Provident Class – Class B (HKD) Units <sup>^^</sup>	<b>-4.98%</b>	<b>8.07%</b>	<b>28.21%</b>	<b>22.15%</b>	<b>19.26%</b>	<b>31.78%</b>		
Underlying Index (HKD) <sup>^</sup>	-4.97%	8.79%	29.38%	24.85%	23.65%	37.51%		
Provident Administration Class (HKD) Units <sup>^^</sup> Underlying Index (HKD) <sup>^</sup>	_		-	_	_	-		
Investment Class (HKD) Units <sup>^^</sup>	<b>-5.02%</b>	<b>7.95%</b>	<b>28.02%</b>	<b>21.41%</b>	17.59%	<b>40.20%</b>		
Underlying Index (HKD) <sup>^</sup>	-4.97%	8.79%	29.38%	24.85%	23.65%	53.57%		
Retail Class (HKD) Units <sup>^^</sup>	<b>-5.04%</b>	<b>7.85%</b>	<b>27.87%</b>	<b>21.35%</b>	<b>19.19%</b>	<b>55.02%</b>		
Underlying Index (HKD) <sup>^</sup>	-4.97%	8.79%	29.38%	24.85%	23.65%	61.86%		
Retail Class (RMB) Units <sup>^^</sup>	<b>-4.84%</b>	<b>13.18%</b>	<b>30.98%</b>	<b>28.92%</b>	<b>26.19%</b>	<b>67.89%</b>		
Underlying Index (RMB) <sup>^</sup>	-4.77%	14.16%	32.53%	32.63%	30.91%	75.24%		
Retail Class (USD) Units^^	<b>-4.98%</b>	<b>7.48%</b>	<b>28.17%</b>	<b>20.08%</b>	_	<b>20.29%</b>		
Underlying Index (USD)^	-4.91%	8.41%	29.68%	23.54%		23.78%		

Calendar Year Performance <sup>△</sup>	Δ, #				
Provident Class – Class A (HKD) Units <sup>^^</sup> Underlying Index (HKD) <sup>^</sup>	<b>2018</b> -14.53% -14.62%	<b>2019</b> 22.90% 23.85%	<b>2020</b> 6.13% 6.19%	<b>2021</b> 16.63% 17.13%	<b>2022</b> -15.58% -15.37%
Provident Class – Class B (HKD) Units^^	-14.61%	<b>22.43%</b>	<b>5.80%</b>	<b>16.28%</b>	<b>-15.90%</b>
Underlying Index (HKD)^	-14.62%	23.85%	6.19%	17.13%	-15.37%
Provident Administration Class (HKD) Units <sup>^^</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Underlying Index (HKD) <sup>^</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Investment Class (HKD) Units <sup>^^</sup>	-15.34%	<b>21.86%</b>	<b>5.56%</b>	<b>16.01%</b>	<b>-16.03%</b>
Underlying Index (HKD) <sup>^</sup>	-14.62%	23.85%	6.19%	17.13%	-15.37%
Retail Class (HKD) Units <sup>^^</sup>	<b>-14.60%</b>	<b>22.83%</b>	<b>6.11%</b>	<b>16.04%</b>	<b>-16.13%</b>
Underlying Index (HKD) <sup>^</sup>	-14.62%	23.85%	6.19%	17.13%	-15.37%
Retail Class (RMB) Units <sup>^^</sup>	<b>-10.04%</b>	<b>25.12%</b>	-0.55%	<b>12.97%</b>	-8.85%
Underlying Index (RMB) <sup>^</sup>	-10.06%	26.16%	-0.47%	14.03%	-8.02%
Retail Class (USD) Units <sup>^^</sup>	N/A	N/A	<b>15.75%</b>	<b>15.42%</b>	<b>-16.22%</b>
Underlying Index (USD) <sup>^</sup>	N/A	N/A	15.94%	16.49%	-15.46%

#### **Geographical Allocation** 31% Cash & Others 0.5% Austria 0.4% Belgium 1.5% 2.9% Denmark 4.9% 2.4% Finland 1.7% United Kingdom 24.2% 2.2% France 17.6% 2.1% Germany 12.5% 2.0% Switzerland 14.9% Ireland 0.5% 1.9% 1.8% Italy 4.3% Sweden 4.7% 1.6% Netherlands 6.6% Spain 4.4% 1.5% Norway 1.3%

## **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES**

The BOC-Prudential European Index Fund seeks to provide investment performance (before fees and expenses) that tracks the performance of the FTSE MPF Europe Index (unhedged) by investing in a portfolio of securities traded on the stock exchanges in the United Kingdom and in other continental European countries. The Underlying Index is an index consisting of constituent securities listed on the European stock markets and is compiled and managed by FTSE International Limited. The Investment Manager will primarily adopt representative sampling strategy by which assets of the Sub-Fund will be invested in a portfolio featuring high correlation with the Underlying Index and the Investment Manager may invest in other securities that are not included in the Underlying Index. In selecting which securities to invest, the Investment Manager will use quantitative analytical models. The Sub-Fund will not invest in securities traded outside Europe. Cash or time deposits may be considered when appropriate.

### **MANAGER'S COMMENT#**

- · The latest CPI from the EU for September showed a sharp slowdown from the levels seen in August after Germany showed a sharp decrease in CPI to 4.5% in September from 6.1% the previous month.
- Signs that the Bank of England and European Central Bank will hold rates steady while the Federal Reserve may have another hike in store weighed on European currencies.
- · With respect to economic sentiment, the latest consumer confidence index came in at -17.8 in September from -16.0 the previous month.
- Latest Eurozone Manufacturing PMI dropped to 43.4 in September, down slightly from 43.5 in the previous month.
- For country selection, investments in France subtracted value while United Kingdom added value. In regard to sector selection, investment in Financials added value while Industrials detracted value.





Fund Data

Investment Manager Fund Size (Million) Base Currency Risk Level*	BOCI-Prudential Asset Management Limited HKD5,064.71 (Aggregate of all classes) HKD High							
	Provident Class – Class A (HKD) Units^^	Provident Class – Class B (HKD) Units	Provident Administration Class (HKD) Units	Investment Class (HKD) Units <sup>^^</sup>	Retail Class (HKD) Units <sup>^^</sup>	Retail Class (RMB) Units <sup>^^</sup>	Retail Class (USD) Units	
Inception Date	9 December 2011	1 April 2014	3 April 2023	18 September 2013	30 June 2016 5 June		5 June 2020	
Investment Management Fee (p.a.)	Nil	0.3525% of the net asset value, up to a maximum of 2%*		0.50% of the net asset value, up to a maximum of 2%*	0.65% of the net asset value, up to a maximum of 2%*			
Initial Charge	Nil	Up to a maximum 5% of the subscription monies*	Currently waived, up to a maximum of 5% of the subscription monies*	Up to a maximum 5% of the subscription monies*				
Switching Fee	Nil** or waived *. *** or 1% *. ****							
NAV per Unit	HKD19.9669	HKD13.1779	HKD9.7064	HKD14.0200	HKD15.5016	RMB14.4207	USD1.9793	
12 months NAV <sup>††</sup> Highest Lowest	HKD21.5524 HKD16.6272	HKD14.2334 HKD11.0127	-	HKD15.1466 HKD11.7323	HKD16.7506 HKD12.9867	RMB15.3434 RMB12.1268	USD2.1478 USD1.6543	
Morningstar Overall Rating <sup>™†</sup>	****	***	-	***	***	***	****	
Standard Deviation	19.70%	19.71%	-	19.69%	19.71%	17.75%	19.85%	
Beta	1.00	1.00	-	1.00	1.00	0.99	1.00	
Bloomberg Ticker	BOCEUPA HK EQUITY	BOCEUPB HK EQUITY	BOCPRUS HK EQUITY	BOCEUIV HK EQUITY	BOCEURH HK EQUITY	BOCEURR HK EQUITY	BOCEURU HK EQUITY	
ISIN Code	HK0000580974	HK0000205549	HK0000918240	HK0000205556	HK0000300001	HK0000300019	HK0000615671	

The value of the investment products managed by BOCI-Prudential Asset Management Limited represents 0.0% of the Sub-Fund's fund size.

- The manager's comment above solely reflects the opinion, view and interpretation of the fund managers as of the date of issuance of this document. Investors should not solely rely on such information to make any investment decision. Past performance is not indicative of future performance. Price of Units and the income (if any) generated from the relevant class of Units of the Sub-Fund may go down as well as up. Fund performance is calculated in the currency of the relevant class of Units of the Sub-Fund on a NAV-to-NAV basis with gross distribution reinvested. The data for "Standard Deviation", "Beta" and "Morningstar Overall Rating<sup>™</sup> will not be shown for classes of Units of the Sub-Fund with less than 3-year history. "Standard Deviation", a risk measurement, is based on the monthly return of the relevant class of Units of the Sub-Fund over the past 3 years in the currency of the relevant class of units. "Beta" measures the sensitivity of the return of the relevant class of Units of the Sub-Fund to the changes in its reference index.
- 3-Months, Year-to-Date and Since-Inception performance of the Sub-Fund's Provident Administration Class (HKD) Units and the FTSE MPF Europe Index (unhedged) in HKD will be shown starting from November 2023 Issue, while 1-Year performance will be shown starting from May 2024 Issue.
- Provident Class Class A Units are available to any provident, pension or retirement funds/schemes managed or advised by the Investment Manager. Provident Class Class B Units are available to any provident, pension or retirement funds/schemes not managed or advised by the Investment Manager. Provident Class Class B Units are available to any provident, pension or retirement funds/schemes not managed or advised by the Investment Manager. Provident Administration Class (HKD) Units are available to the pension, provident or retirement schemes which use the trust administrative and fiduciary services of the Trustee. Investment Class Units are available to those collective investment schemes or other individual or institutional investors that fulfill the minimum investment and subsequent holding requirements as stated in the principal brochure of the Sub-Fund. This class is not applicable to investors who are eligible to invest in either the Provident Class Units or Retail Class Units. Retail Class Units are available to retail investors and other investors. This class is not applicable to invest in either the Provident Class Units.
- Underlying Index performance is based on FTSE MPF Europe Index (unhedged) which is denominated in HKD. Also, index performances in RMB and USD are respectively provided for the purpose of comparison with the performances of Retail Class (RMB) Units and Retail Class (USD) Units of the Sub-Fund. The respective index performances in RMB and USD are respectively calculated by reference to the foreign exchange rate for HKD/RMB and HKD/USD quoted by WM/Reuters at 4:00 p.m. (London time) on the relevant dealing day. Performance of the FTSE MPF Europe Index (unhedged) in HKD was calculated from 9 December 2011, 1 April 2014, 3 April 2023, 18 September 2013 and 30 June 2016, which were the inception dates of the Sub-Fund's Provident Class – Class A (HKD) Units, Provident Class – Class B (HKD) Units, Provident Administration Class (HKD) Units, Investment Class (HKD) Units and Retail Class (HKD) Units respectively. Performance of the FTSE MPF Europe Index (unhedged) in RMB was calculated from 30 June 2016, which was the inception date of the Sub-Fund's Retail Class (RMB) Units. Performance of the FTSE MPF Europe Index (unhedged) in USD was calculated from 5 June 2020, which was the inception date of the Sub-Fund's Retail Class (USD) Units.
- If the history of the relevant class of Units of the Sub-Fund is less than 1 year in the calendar year, the corresponding calendar year performance will be calculated from the inception date to that calendar year-end.
- Investment Manager may increase the current levels of the above fees and charges by giving to the unitholders three (3) months' prior written notice (or such shorter period of notice as the SFC may approve). For switching involving Provident Class Class A (HKD) Units, Provident Class Class B (HKD) Units or Provident Administration Class (HKD) Units and involving another sub-fund.
- \*\*\* For switching involving the Sub-Fund only (i.e. between different classes of units of the same sub-fund), switching fee is currently waived, up to a maximum of 5% of the redemption proceeds
- \*\*\*\* For switching involving Investment Class (HKD) Units, Retail Class (HKD) Units, Retail Class (RMB) Units or Retail Class (USD) Units and involving another sub-fund, switching fee is 1% of the redemption proceeds, up to a maximum of 5% of the redemption proceeds.
- 12 Months Highest/Lowest NAV per Unit was calculated by reference to the NAV per Unit on each month's last dealing day.
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- Risk levels are categorized into low, low to medium, medium, medium to high and high. The risk levels are determined by BOCI-Prudential Asset Management Limited based on the investment mix of each Sub-Fund and/or its underlying investments, and represent only the views of BOCI-Prudential Asset Management Limited in respect of the relevant Sub-Fund. Such risk levels are for reference only and should not be regarded as investment advice. You should not rely on the risk levels only when making any investment decision. The risk level is determined based on data as at 30 December 2022 and will be reviewed and (if appropriate) updated at least annually without prior notice, taking into account the prevailing market circumstances. If you are in doubt about the information of risk level, you should seek independent financial and professional advice.

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