

# BOCHK INVESTMENT FUNDS

## BOCHK JAPAN EQUITY FUND

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### Important Notes:

- Investment involves risks and BOCHK Japan Equity Fund (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. Price of Units and the income (if any) generated from the Sub-Fund may go down as well as up. 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, single country and concentration risk, derivative instruments risk and tax risk.
- 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.

### CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE IN USD [Gross Distribution Reinvested]

	3 Months	Year to date	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception
Sub-Fund — Class A	0.96%	-1.52%	10.06%	14.37%	24.12%	42.61%
Reference Index <sup>^</sup>	1.26%	-1.36%	11.20%	23.10%	39.69%	93.28%

### CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE IN USD

	Sub-Fund — Class A	Reference Index <sup>^</sup>
2015	6.27%	9.57%
2016	0.72%	2.38%
2017	20.00%	23.99%
2018	-15.45%	-12.88%
2019	18.05%	19.61%

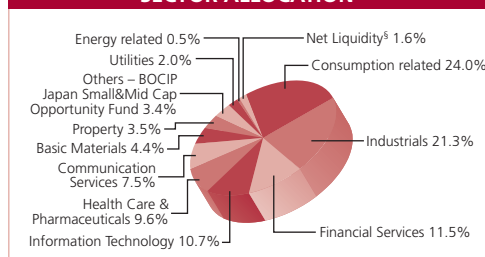
### TOP 10 HOLDINGS

1	TOYOTA MOTOR CORP	3.9%
2	BOCIP JAPAN SMALL&MID CAP OPPORTUNITY	3.4%
3	SONY CORP	2.6%
4	KEYENCE CORP	2.0%
5	RECRUIT HOLDINGS CO LTD	1.9%
6	SOFTBANK GROUP CORP	1.9%
7	TAKEDA PHARMACEUTICAL CO LTD	1.7%
8	KDDI CORP	1.6%
9	NINTENDO CO LTD	1.4%
10	TOKYO ELECTRON LTD	1.4%

### FUND DATA (Class A)

Investment Manager	BOCI-Prudential Asset Management Limited
Fund Size (Million)	USD 44.34
Inception Date	9 July 2004
Base Currency	USD
Management Fee (p.a.)	1.5%
Initial Charge	5%
Switching Fee	1% <sup>▲</sup> or Nil <sup>▲▲</sup>
NAV per unit	USD 14.2609
12 Months NAV <sup>††</sup>	Highest: USD 14.4817 Lowest: USD 12.6590
Morningstar Overall Rating <sup>™™</sup>	★★
Risk Level <sup>♦</sup>	High
Standard Deviation	10.44%
Beta	1.01
Bloomberg Ticker	BOCJPEQ HK EQUITY
ISIN Code	HK0000039815

### SECTOR ALLOCATION<sup>\*\*</sup>



### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The BOCHK Japan Equity Fund seeks to provide investors with long-term capital growth through investing primarily (at least 70% of its non-cash assets) in listed equities and equity related securities of companies whose activities are closely related to the economic development and growth of the Japan economy. Such equities and equity related securities may be listed on various stock exchanges in Japan, the United States, London or Singapore.

### MANAGER'S COMMENT<sup>##</sup>

#### On Market

In Japan, domestic economic numbers were largely stable but yet to stage a recovery. Fading impact of sales tax hike was reflected in a milder drop in household spending in November and recent pick-up in inflation. However, external demand remained weak, with exports dropping further. Economic impact of the Coronavirus on China and possible contagion might further hinder Japan's exports. BoJ kept policy unchanged in January, and slightly raised 2020 GDP outlook. Meanwhile replacement of policy board members confirmed continuity of loose monetary policy, as the number of stimulus advocates remained the same. In the near term, development of the Coronavirus outbreak would be the focus for Japan.

Japan equities retreated in January in USD term due to increasing concerns about the potential impact on global economy from the Coronavirus outbreak. The ongoing virus fears pushed up the Yen to stronger level. Energy related underperformed the most while Property and Health Care & Pharmaceuticals names outperformed.

#### On Portfolio

The Sub-Fund recorded a negative return and underperformed the reference index in January. Stock selection in Consumption related names dragged most. Going forward, third quarter results reporting continued to be underway while possibility of virus spreading further would cause hiccups for Japan equities. Thus the Sub-Fund would adopt a more neutral stance to reduce the near term risks.

The value of the investment products managed by BOCI-Prudential Asset Management Limited represents 3.4% of the Sub-Fund's fund size.

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<sup>^</sup> Prior to 1 January 2007, "MSCI Japan Total Return (USD)" was used as the Sub-Fund's reference index. Started from 1 January 2007, the Sub-Fund's reference index was changed to "MSCI Daily TR Net Japan USD".

<sup>\*\*</sup> With effect from 17 December 2018, sector classification methodology for the Sub-Fund has been updated slightly. Accordingly, the sector allocation has been restructured and the sector named "Telecom" has been replaced by "Communication Services".

<sup>§</sup> "Net Liquidity" was formerly named as "Cash & Deposit".

<sup>##</sup> 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.

<sup>♦</sup> 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 31 December 2019 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.

<sup>††</sup> 12 Months Highest / Lowest NAV per Unit was calculated by reference to the NAV per Unit on each month's last dealing day.

<sup>▲</sup> For switching into a different class (denominated in a different currency) of Class A Units relating to the same Sub-Fund or switching into Class A Units of another Sub-Fund which is not a Money Market Sub-Fund.

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Investors should note that Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited is not the Manager of the Sub-Fund and will only act as the Sponsor and Distributor whilst BOCI-Prudential Asset Management Limited is the Manager. Fund performance is calculated in the base currency of the Sub-Fund or the denominated currency of the relevant class of Units of the Sub-Fund on 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 the Sub-Fund or the relevant class of the Units of the Sub-Fund with less than 3-year history. "Standard Deviation", a risk measurement, is based on the monthly return of the Sub-Fund or the relevant class of Units of the Sub-Fund over the past 3 years in the base currency of the Sub-Fund or the denominated currency of the relevant class of Units of the Sub-Fund. "Beta" measures the sensitivity of the return of the Sub-Fund or the relevant class of Units of the Sub-Fund to the changes in its reference index. This document is issued by BOCI-Prudential Asset Management Limited and has not been reviewed by the SFC.

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