### ABF PHILIPPINES BOND INDEX FUND

Key Information and Investment Disclosure Statement As of August 30, 2024

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Classification:	Fixed Income Fund	NAVPU:	PHP 272.05
Launch Date:	April 21, 2006	Total Fund NAV (Mn):	PHP 17,514.80
Minimum Investment:	PHP1,000.00	Dealing Day:	Daily up to 2:00 PM
Additional Investment:	No Minimum	Redemption Settlement:	T+1 End-of-Day
Minimum Holding Period:	None	Early Redemption Charge:	None

# FEES\*

Risk:

Management Fees (based on fund NAV): Trustee Fees: 0.08% p.a. External Audit Fees: 0.0002% Other Fees: Up to Php3 billion, 0.274% License Fee: > Php 3 billion up to Php 6 billion, 0.252% 0.01%

> Php 6 billion up to Php 10 billion, 0.230%

> Php 10 billion, 0.186%

**BPI** Wealth **HSBC** Isla Lipana Markit iBoxx As a percentage of average daily NAV for the As declared in the 2023 Audit Fees divided by the Contractual quarter valued at PHP 17,208.68 million average daily NAV for the month Declaration of Trust/Plan amount

Rules

## **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGY**

The Fund aims to achieve investment returns that closely track the total return of the iBoxx ABF Philippines index, before fees and expenses, by investing in a diversified portfolio of peso-denominated sovereign, quasi-sovereign, and supranational bonds.

of July valued at Php17.21 billion

### **CLIENT SUITABILITY**

A client profiling process shall be performed prior to participating in the Fund to guide the prospective investor if the Fund is suited to his/her investment objectives and risk tolerance. Clients are advised to read the Declaration of Trust/Plan Rules of the Fund, which may be obtained from the Trustee, before deciding to invest.

The ABF Philippines Bond Index Fund is for investors who:

- Are at least classified as moderately aggressive based on their risk profile.
- · Have an investment horizon of at least five (5) years

## **KEY RISKS AND RISK MANAGEMENT**

You should not invest in this Fund if you do not understand or are not comfortable with the accompanying risks.

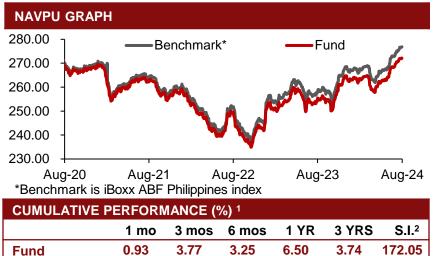
Interest Rate Risk:	The fund invests in domestic government- issued/ guaranteed securities comprising the iBoxx ABF Philippines Index, exposing investors to the risk of loss arising from a rise in interest rates, which generally causes fixed income security prices to decline. Factors/ events that may lead to a rise interest rates include adverse market conditions, and/ or negative developments in domestic political and economic conditions.
Liquidity Risk:	Investors are exposed to the risk of loss due to the fund's inability to convert security holdings to cash immediately or in instances where conversion to cash is possible but at a highly disadvantageous price due to limited buyers/ sellers in the market, low trading volumes or market disruptions, among other reasons/ factors.
Related Party Risk:	Investors are exposed to actual or potential conflicts of interest in the handling of related party transactions by the Trustee, specifically, the execution of trade transactions with related counterparties.
Down-grade Risk:	Investors are exposed to the risk of loss arising from adverse changes in the prices of domestic government-issued/ guaranteed securities due to a downgrade in the credit rating of the Philippines.
Index Tracking	Investors are exposed to the risk of not being able to achieve a level of return that matches the index being tracked by the fund due primarily to operating and fund management expenses.

The Fund's investment outlets undergo proper screening and evaluation in accordance with the Trustee's accreditation process. The Fund may also use financial derivatives to hedge the portfolio against market and credit risks.

- THE UIT FUND IS NOT A DEPOSIT AND IS NOT INSURED BY THE PHILIPPINE DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORP. (PDIC).
- ·returns cannot be guaranteed and historical navpu is for illustration of navpu movements/ FLUCTUATIONS ONLY.
- WHEN REDEEMING, THE PROCEEDS MAY BE WORTH LESS THAN THE ORIGINAL INVESTMENT AND ANY LOSSES SHALL BE SOLELY FOR THE ACCOUNT OF THE CLIENT.
- THE TRUSTEE IS NOT LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS UNLESS UPON WILLFUL DEFAULT, BAD FAITH OR GROSS NEGLIGENCE.
- •THIS PRODUCT CANNOT BE SOLD TO YOU UNLESS ITS BENEFITS AND RISKS HAVE BEEN THOROUGHLY EXPLAINED. IF YOU DO NOT FULLY UNDERSTAND THIS PRODUCT, DO NOT PURCHASE OR INVEST IN IT.

# **FUND PERFORMANCE AND STATISTICS AS OF AUGUST 30, 2024**

(Purely for reference purposes and is not a guarantee of future results)



NAVPu over the past 12 months	
Highest	272.19
Lowest	250.11

STATISTICS	
Weighted Average Duration (Yrs)	5.33
Volatility, Past 1 Year (%) <sup>3</sup>	2.86
Portfolio Weighted Yield to Maturity (%)	4.84
Current Number of Holdings	55
Tracking Error (36-mo. Rolling, %) 4	0.09

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Returns are net of fees.

<sup>3</sup>Measures the degree to which the Fund fluctuates vis-à-vis its average return over a period of time.

<sup>4</sup>Measure of deviation between the Fund's return and benchmark returns. A lower number means the Fund's return is closely aligned with the benchmark.

<sup>5</sup>Includes accrued income, investment securities purchased, accrued expenses, etc.

\*Declaration of Trust is available upon request through branch of account.

Fund	6.50	4.57	1.23	0.28	2.44	5.31
Benchmark	6.85	4.99	1.61	0.63	2.79	5.98
CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%) 1						
	2021	2020	2019			
Fund	2.78	8.92	-5.69	-3.97	10.68	19.04
Benchmark	3.05	9.24	-5.25	-3.72	11.03	19.69

3.42

2 YRS 3 YRS 4 YRS

6.85

4.90

**5 YRS** 

208.08

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3.85

0.96

1 YR

ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE (%) 1

Benchmark

PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION					
Allocation	% of Fund				
Fixed Income	98.65				
Other receivables – net of liabilities <sup>5</sup>	1.09				
Time deposits and money market	0.26				
Cash	0.00				
Maturity Profile					
Cash and less than 1 year	1.35				
Between 1 and 3 years	19.04				
Between 3 and 5 years	19.69				
Between 5 and 7 years	19.14				
Between 7 and 10 years	18.53				
More than 10 years	22.25				

	TOP TEN HOLDINGS		
	Name	Maturity	%
	Fixed Rate Treasury Note	1/10/2029	5.96
4	Fixed Rate Treasury Note	7/19/2031	5.03
4	Fixed Rate Treasury Note	4/8/2026	4.75
$\frac{1}{1}$	Fixed Rate Treasury Note	9/15/2032	4.61
$\frac{1}{1}$	Fixed Rate Treasury Note	9/9/2025	4.42
$\frac{1}{1}$	Fixed Rate Treasury Note	5/4/2027	4.32
1	Fixed Rate Treasury Note	8/12/2028	4.26
1	Fixed Rate Treasury Note	12/16/2035	4.18
1	Fixed Rate Treasury Note	2/14/2026	3.78
1	Fixed Rate Treasury Note	4/22/2028	3.66

# **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS\***

The Fund has no investments but has trade transactions with BPI Wealth – A Trust Corporation (BPI Wealth).

Investments in the said outlets were approved by the BPI Wealth's Board of Directors. Likewise, all related party transactions are conducted on an arm's length and best execution basis and within established limits.

\* Related party in accordance with BPI Wealth's internal policy.

## **OTHER FUND FACTS**

Fund Currency: Philippine Peso

Benchmark: iBoxx ABF Philippines Index

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Since Inception as an Investment Management Arrangement (IMA) on April 26, 2005.

#### **OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY**

**Market Review.** The BPI Government Bond Index rose by 0.72% in August as Philippine government bond yields decreased by an average of seven basis points (bps). Average daily trading volume for the month reached Php41.3 billion, up from Php34.5 billion in July, with most trades concentrated in 5- to 10-year securities. The Bureau of the Treasury (BTr) held four FXTN auctions in August, fully awarding the 5-, 7-, 15-, and 20-year tenors. Auction highs generally aligned with, or came in slightly below, secondary market bids at the time, with the BTr awarding at 6.128%, 6.14%, 6.125%, and 6.22%, respectively.

On the domestic front, July headline inflation accelerated to 4.4% from 3.7% in June, exceeding economists' median estimate of 4.0%. The higher-than-expected inflation was driven mainly by increases in housing & utilities (2.3% vs 0.1% in June), education (5.8% vs 3.8%), transport (3.6% vs 3.1%), and food & non-alcoholic beverages (6.4% vs 6.1%). Despite the inflationary pressure, the BSP cut rates by 25 bps in August, marking the first reduction in four years. Economists forecast that inflation may have cooled to 3.7% in August.

Internationally, US inflation decelerated from 3.0% in June to 2.9% in July, slightly below the 3.0% expectation. US Federal Reserve officials highlighted the ongoing moderation in inflation and slowing economic data, supporting the case for eventual policy rate cuts.

**Fund Performance.** The Fund continued to track the returns and duration of the iBoxx ABF Philippines. The Fund returned 0.93% for the month, closely tracking the benchmark index.

**Fund Strategy.** The iBoxx index will see minimal changes for the month. The Fund will rebalance to reflect any changes to continue to closely track the duration of its benchmark.

#### LIST OF PROSPECTIVE INVESTMENTS

ABF Philippines Bond Index Fund may invest in the following:

- (a) Index securities consisting of peso-denominated debt obligations issued or guaranteed by the Philippine Government, by an agency or instrumentality of the Philippine Government, by a Philippine Government sponsored entity or quasi Philippine Government entity and peso-denominated debt obligations issued by supranational financial institution, or by an agency or instrumentality of any supranational financial institution or by an entity sponsored by any supranational financial institution, in each case as determined by the Index Licensor and which are for the time being constituent securities of the iBoxx ABF Philippines Index.
- (b) Non-index securities consisting of peso-denominated securities which are issued by an issuer of any Index Security and are similar to comparable Index Securities and are likely to behave in such a manner that is consistent with the Investment Objective.
- (c) Bank deposits and such other investments allowed under regulations issued by the BSP.

BPI Wealth is a subsidiary of the Bank of the Philippine Islands. For inquiries and comments, please send us a message through https://www.bpi.com.ph/contactus or call our 24-hour BPI Contact Center at (+632) 889-10000.

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