

Key Information and Investment Disclosure Statement As of July 31, 2024



### **FUND FACTS**

Classification: Global Bond Fund-of-Funds

Launch Date: March 3, 2014<sup>1</sup> USD 500.00 **Minimum Investment:** USD 200.00 Additional Investment:

Minimum Holding Period: None NAVPU: USD 181.12

Total Fund NAV (Mn): USD 19.04 Daily up to 2:30 PM **Dealing Day:** 

**Redemption Settlement:** T+5 End-of-Day

**Early Redemption Charge:** None

### **FEES**

Trustee Fees: 0.0845%\* Custodianship Fees: 0.0002%\*\* External Auditor Fees: 0.0000% \*\*\* Other Fees: 0.0313%\*\*\*\*

1.00% per annum

Index Licensing **BPI** Wealth **BONY** Isla Lipana

Fees

\*Monthly rate: Billings received for July 2024 divided by the average daily NAV for the same month valued at USD18.64 Mn

\*\*Monthly rate: Billings received for June 2024 divided by the average daily NAV for the same month valued at USD17.63 Mn

\*\*\*Billing is received at the last quarter of the year

\*\*\*\*Billings received in July 2024

# **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGY**

The Fund, operating as a Fund-of-Funds, intends to achieve capital appreciation and income derived from a diversified portfolio of foreign currency-denominated fixed income collective investment schemes. The Fund aims to provide returns over the return of the Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Total Return Unhedged Index.

### **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 BPI Global Bond Fund-of-Funds is for investors who:

- Are at least classified as moderately aggressive based on their risk profile.
- Have an investment horizon of at least three (3) years

Participation in the Fund shall be open to Participants with legal capacity to contract and who are not considered US persons under the US securities and tax laws, subject to the other conditions, rules or provisions stated in the Plan Rules and those established by the Trustee. No beneficial owner shall hold more than 10% of the Fund. Any investor who owns more than 10% shall be asked to redeem the amount (or its equivalent number of units) in excess of 10% within thirty (30) calendar days.

# **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.

## Market/Price Risk:

Investors are exposed to adverse changes in the prices of foreign currency denominated fixed income collective schemes (target funds), due to a rise in interest rates as a result of adverse market conditions, unfavorable developments in the political and economic conditions of countries where the underlying securities of the target funds are issued or traded, or other issuer-specific factors.

Investors are exposed to the risk of loss due to the inability of the target funds to convert security holdings to Liquidity Risk: cash immediately or in instances where conversion to cash is possible but at a highly disadvantageous price due to limited participants in the market, low trading volumes or market disruptions, among others.

# Country Risk:

Investors are exposed to the risk of loss arising from negative developments in the political, economic and social conditions of the focus countries of the target fund which may adversely affect its value.

Investors are exposed to the risk of loss from a decline in the fund value when the market value of foreign

FX Risk:

currency denominated target funds are translated to USD.

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.

For more information, you may contact us at (632) 8580-2682 or email us at bpiwealth@bpi.com.ph.

### **FUND PERFORMANCE AND STATISTICS AS OF JULY 31, 2024**

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

NAVPU GRAPH								
200 190								
180	80							
170 -								
160 -								
150								
Fund — Benchmark* 140								
Jul-20	Jul-21	Jul-22 Jul		Jul-23	Jul-24			
CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE (%) <sup>2</sup>								
	1 mo	3 mos	6 mos	1YR	3YRS	S.I. <sup>3</sup>		
Fund	1.92	3.90	2.44	6.29	-4.36	16.24		
Benchmark	2.76	4.26	0.90	3.00	-14.40	3.43		
ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE (%) <sup>2</sup>								
	1YR	2YRS	3YRS	4YRS	5YRS	S.I. <sup>3</sup>		
Fund	6.29	3.11	-1.47	-0.09	0.52	1.46		
Benchmark	3.00	0.11	-5.04	-3.61	-1.40	0.32		
CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%) <sup>2</sup>								
	YTD	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019		
Fund	2.36	7.23	-11.88	-0.58	5.08	8.62		
	2.30	7.25	11.00	0.00	0.00	0.02		

PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION					
Allocation		%	% of Fund		
Bond funds			97.73		
Cash & Equivalents		2.15			
Other receivables - net of	f liabilities	8	0.12		
Allocation by Sect	or	Allocation by Region			
Corporate Bonds	25.89	North America	60.81		
Government Debt	29.82	Europe	18.82		
Securitized Debt	27.14	Asia Pacific/Other EM	17.66		
Emerging Market Debt	11.97	Other countries	-		
Loans	2.47	Cash and Equivalents	2.71		
Cash <sup>7</sup>	2.71				

NAVPu over the past 12 months				
181.12				
163.12				
5.15				
0.17				
1.31				
6.27				
12				

<sup>1</sup>Inception date is March 3, 2014, its conversion date to a fund-of-funds. It was originally launched as BPI International Fund Plus on Nov 2, 1998.

<sup>4</sup>Measures the degree to which the Fund fluctuates vis-à-vis its average return over a period of time.

<sup>5</sup>Used to characterize how well the return of a Fund compensates the investor for the level of risk taken. The higher the number, the better.

<sup>6</sup>Measures reward-to-risk efficiency of the portfolio relative to the benchmark. The higher the number, the higher the reward per unit of risk.

<sup>7</sup>Includes the cash held by the underlying funds.

<sup>8</sup>Includes accrued income, investment securities purchased, accrued expenses, etc.

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

TOP HOLDINGS					
Name	% of Holdings				
PIMCO Global Bond Fund	21.68				
Wellington Global Impact Bond Fund	19.10				
PIMCO Income Fund	14.86				
NB Strategic Income Fund	7.37				
Vanguard Long -Term Bond FTF	7 26				

# **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS\***

The Fund has no transactions and outstanding investments with entities related to BPI Wealth – A Trust Corporation ("BPI Wealth").

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

# **OTHER FUND FACTS**

Fund Currency: US Dollar

Benchmark\*: Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Total Return Unhedged Index

# **FOREIGN FUND MANAGERS OF TARGET FUNDS**

Neuberger Berman PIMCO Wellington Management Vanguard Group

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Returns are net of fees.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Since Inception.

### **OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY**

Market Review. Global fixed income markets saw gains in July, with the Bloomberg Global Aggregate Bond Index returning 2.8% with most sectors outperforming duration-equivalent government bonds as spreads narrowed and sovereign yields fell. The rally at the front end of the curve caused the yield curve to steepen, with the spread between the 2-year and 10-year US Treasury yield reducing to -22bps. US economic data increased investor expectations for a rate cut, with unemployment rising to 4.3%, nonfarm payrolls softening to 114K, and jobless claims increasing to 249K. Europe saw the Eurozone HCOB Manufacturing PMI drop to 45.6 and industrial production fall by 1.8%, driven by supply chain challenges in Germany and France. The Eurozone's stable economic backdrop left interest rates unchanged as there are still concerns of geopolitical tensions, weaker global growth, and weak consumer confidence. Central banks diverged as the Bank of Japan raised rates and hinted more hikes if inflation remains within their target. In Emerging Markets, central banks' easing cycles appeared to have stalled, as the unchanged monetary policy in the US seemed to slow down or pause rate cuts in EM countries. On a sector level, global credit outperformed duration-equivalent government bonds as spreads narrowed slightly. Agency mortgage-backed, commercial mortgage-backed, and asset-backed securities also outperformed duration-equivalent government bonds, while EM debt performance was positive at 1.9% driven by a decrease in US Treasury yields and appreciation in EM currencies.

**Fund Performance.** The fund returned 1.92% in July, outperforming the benchmark by 84 basis points. Allocation in corporate bonds helped performance.

**Fund Strategy**. We expect fixed-income markets to remain volatile in the near term but are of the view that while markets have already priced in peak interest rates, interest rates will continue to be relatively elevated as inflation remains above the central banks targets. Timing and magnitude of the expected rate cuts remains uncertain. Against this backdrop, the fund will continue to have a balanced allocation of safe fixed income assets (e.g. government bonds and high rated bonds) and riskier fixed income assets such as corporate and EM bonds for yield enhancement. In terms of corporate bonds, we continue to be selective on issuers with a preference for higher quality names in both investment grade and non-investment grade sectors.

### LIST OF PROSPECTIVE INVESTMENTS

The following are among the Fund's approved investment outlets, wherein the Trustee intends to invest depending on strategy, availability, or other market-driven circumstances:

- (a) Primarily in more than one collective investment schemes, that are approved or registered and supervised by regulatory authorities that is a member of the International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO) and managed by reputable fund manager/s the investment objectives and policies of which are generally consistent with those of the Fund; provided further that such combined investment in collective investment schemes should not fall below ninety percent (90%) of the net asset value of the Fund. The Target Fund/s must be recognized as a collective investment scheme in its home jurisdiction by a regulatory authority or any regulatory authority acceptable to the BSP to supervise this CIS. Such collective investment schemes must not have any investment exposure in other collective investment schemes.
- (b) Primarily short-term tradable fixed-income instruments issued or guaranteed by the Philippine government or the BSP; tradable securities issued by the government of a foreign country, any political subdivision/agency of a foreign country or any supranational entity; tradable fixed-income instruments issued by foreign or local financial institutions or private corporations; exchange-listed securities; marketable instruments that are traded in an organized exchange; loans traded in an organized market; and, such other tradable investments outlets/ categories as the BSP may allow. Provided, that, a financial instrument is regarded as tradable if two-way prices are quoted, readily available or regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis.
- (c) Primarily short-term tradable fixed-income instruments issued, underwritten, or otherwise dealt by BPI and/or any of its subsidiaries, affiliates, their successors-in-interest or assignees, their directors, officers, stockholders, and related interest, and any of their trust and fund managed accounts, under such terms and conditions as the Trustee may deem to be in the best interest of the Fund; and, any such other instruments as may be allowed under BSP regulations. Investment with related interests shall be in accordance with Subsection X410.12 (a) of the Manual of Regulations for Banks.
- (d) The principal investments of the Fund will be denominated in, but are not limited to, the following major currencies: U.S. Dollar, Euro, British Pound, Canadian Dollar, Australian Dollar, Swiss Franc, Danish Kroner, and Japanese Yen
- (e) Bank deposits, BSP special deposit account or tradable debt instruments issued by the BSP.
- (f) Such other investments allowed under regulations issued by the BSP.

BPI Wealth – A Trust Corporation ("BPI Wealth") is a subsidiary of the Bank of the Philippine Islands. For any inquiries and comments, please send an email to <a href="mailto:bpiwealth@bpi.com.ph">bpiwealth@bpi.com.ph</a> or call us at (02) 8580-2682.

BPI Wealth as Trustee / Investment Manager is regulated by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas. <a href="https://www.bsp.gov.ph">https://www.bsp.gov.ph</a>

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES OF TARGET FUNDS					
Name	Domicile	Regulator	Objective		
PIMCO Global Bond Fund	Ireland	Central Bank of Ireland	Aims to maximize total return while ensuring preservation of capital and adhering to prudent investment management. Invests primarily in US and non-US intermediate-maturity fixed-income securities rated from B to AAA		
Wellington Global Impact Bond Fund	Ireland	Central Bank of Ireland	Seeks long-term returns by investing primarily in investment grade rated global fixed income securities issued by organisations whose core business, in the opinion of the investment manager, aims to address some of the world's major social and environmental challenges.		
PIMCO Income Fund	Ireland	Central Bank of Ireland	Aims to seek high current income while adhering to prudent investment management by utilizing a multisector strategy diversified across a broad range of global fixed-income securities		
Neuberger Berman Strategic Income Fund	Ireland	Central Bank of Ireland	Aims to maximize total return from high current income and long-term capital appreciation through investing in debt securities issued by US and non-US governments and their agencies and corporations located globally.		
PIMCO Investment Grade Credit ESG Fund	Ireland	Central Bank of Ireland	Seeks to maximize total return by investing primarily in investment grade global corporate instruments, while focusing on environmental-, social-, and governance oriented (ESG) principles.		
Vanguard Long -Term Bond ETF	United States	SEC	Seeks to track the performance of the Bloomberg Long Government/Credit Index, which includes all medium and larger issues of U.S. government, investment-grade corporate and international bonds that have maturities of greater than 10 years.		
Vanguard Intermediate- Term Bond ETF	United States	SEC	Seeks to track the investment return of the Bloomberg U.S. 5–10 Year Government/Credit Float Adjusted Index, a market-weighted bond index that covers investment-grade bonds with a dollar-weighted average maturity of 5 to 10 years.		
Neuberger Berman Emerging Market Debt Hard Currency Fund	Ireland	Central Bank of Ireland	Aims to achieve attractive level of risk adjusted total return by investing primarily in debt securities and money market instruments issued by public or private issuers in Emerging Market Countries which are denominated in Hard Currency.		
Neuberger Berman Global Senior Floating Rate Income Fund	Ireland	Central Bank of Ireland	Aims to generate income while preserving capital by investing in a portfolio of North American and European Union senior secured corporate loans and select senior secured bonds.		
NB Short Duration High Yield SDG Engagement Fund	Ireland	Central Bank of Ireland	Aims to generate high current income by investing in short-duration, high-yield fixed income securities issued by corporations and governments either based in or predominantly conducting business in the US.		
Neuberger Berman Short Duration Emerging Market Debt Fund	Ireland	Central Bank of Ireland	Aims to provide a stable and attractive income by investing in a diversified selection of Emerging Market Hard Currency Sovereign and Corporate instruments		

# SPECIFIC RISKS IN INVESTING IN A FUND-OF-FUNDS

- The performance of the underlying Target Fund/s on an individual or collective basis impacts the performance of the BPI Global Bond Fund-of-Funds.
- The BPI Global Bond Fund-of-Funds incurs trust fee payable to the Trustee. Additionally, the Target Fund/s charge their own management fee/s. Such fees are already included in the computation of the Net Asset Value per Unit, which is the price at which investors subscribe and redeem units of the Fund