

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

#### **FUND FACTS**

Classification: Equity Fund-of-Funds NAVPU:
Launch Date: January 8, 2014<sup>1</sup> Total Fund NAV (Mn):

Minimum Investment:USD 100Dealing Day:Daily up to 2:00 PMAdditional Investment:No MinimumRedemption Settlement:T+5 End-of-Day

Minimum Holding Period: None Early Redemption Charge: None

FEES

Trustee Fees: 0.1229%\* Custodianship Fees: 0.0003%\*\* External Auditor Fees: 0.0000% Other Fees: 0.0138%

USD 572.52

USD 198.03

1.50% per annum

BPI Wealth Various Isla Lipana Index Licensing Fee

\*Monthly rate: Billings received for September 2024 divided by the average daily NAV for the same month valued at USD195.25 Mn

\*\*Monthly rate: Billings received for August 2024 divided by the average daily NAV for the same month valued at USD191.65 Mn

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

\*\*\*\*Billings received in September 2024

#### **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGY**

The Fund, operating as a Fund-of-Funds, intends to achieve long-term capital growth by investing in a diversified portfolio of global equity collective investment schemes. The Fund aims to provide excess return over the Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) World Index (USD).

#### **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 Equity Fund-of-Funds is for investors who:

- Are at least classified as aggressive based on their risk profile.
- Have an investment horizon of more than five (5) 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 global equity collective schemes (target funds) due to adverse market conditions, unfavorable company earnings and valuations, and negative developments in the political and economic conditions of the focus countries of the target funds.

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, market disruptions, among others.

Investors are exposed to the risk of loss arising from negative developments in the political, economic and **Country Risk:** social conditions of the focus countries of the underlying securities of the target funds, which may adversely

affect the value of the Fund.

FX Risk: Investors are exposed to the risk of loss from a decline in the market value of the target fund when the

underlying securities of the 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 SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**

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

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| Sep-20     | Sep-21  | Sep-22      | Sep-23   | Sep-24 |

|  | 1 mo  | 3 mos | 6 mos  | 1YR   | 3YRS  | S.I. <sup>3</sup> |
|--|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------------------|
| Fund                                       | 1.23  | 4.07  | 6.79   | 29.69 | 10.00 | 120.08            |
| Benchmark                                  | 1.69  | 6.02  | 8.32   | 30.48 | 23.83 | 125.62            |
| ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE (%) <sup>2</sup>    |       |       |        |       |       |                   |
|  | 1YR   | 2YRS  | 3YRS   | 4YRS  | 5YRS  | S.I. <sup>3</sup> |
| Fund                                       | 29.69 | 22.77 | 3.23   | 7.23  | 9.00  | 7.63              |
| Benchmark                                  | 30.48 | 25.11 | 7.38   | 11.99 | 11.30 | 7.87              |
| CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%) <sup>2</sup> |       |       |        |       |       |                   |
|  | YTD   | 2023  | 2022   | 2021  | 2020  | 2019              |
| Fund                                       | 16.33 | 19.65 | -24.50 | 13.46 | 18.15 | 28.15             |
| Benchmark                                  | 17.48 | 21.33 | -19.18 | 20.49 | 13.42 | 26.41             |

| PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION                    |           |  |  |
|--|-----------|--|--|
| Allocation                               | % of Fund |  |  |
| Equity funds                             | 99.82     |  |  |
| Cash and Equivalents                     | 0.78      |  |  |
| Other receivables - net of liabilities 8 | -0.60     |  |  |
| Allocation by Geography                  |           |  |  |
| North America                            | 68.28     |  |  |
| Japan                                    | 6.06      |  |  |
| Asia Pacific/Other EM                    | 6.21      |  |  |
| Europe                                   | 18.40     |  |  |
| Cash and equivalents <sup>7</sup>        | 1.05      |  |  |

| NAVPu over the past 12 months  |        |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| Highest                        | 575.38 |
| Lowest                         | 422.83 |
| STATISTICS                     |        |
| Volatility, Past 1 Year (%) 4  | 11.73  |
| Sharpe Ratio <sup>5</sup>      | 2.07   |
| Information Ratio <sup>6</sup> | -0.22  |
| Current Number of Holdings     | 12     |
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<sup>1</sup>Inception date is January 8, 2014, its conversion date to a fund-of-funds. It was originally launched as BPI Global Equity Fund on August 30, 1994.

<sup>2</sup>Returns are net of fees.

<sup>3</sup>Since Inception.

<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 |
| Wellington Global Quality Growth Fun | nd 28.83      |
| JPMorgan Global Select Equity Fund   | 22.85         |
| SPDR S&P 500 ETF                     | 19.90         |
| Capital Group New Perspective Fund   | 7.51          |
| Wellington Global Innovation Fund    | 6.53          |

### **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS\***

The Fund has transactions and outstanding investments with entities related to BPI Wealth – A Trust Corporation ("BPI Wealth").

Bank of the Philippine Islands – Php0.10 Mn

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

#### OTHER FUND FACTS

Fund Currency: US Dollar

Benchmark\*: Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) World USD Index

### **FOREIGN FUND MANAGERS OF TARGET FUNDS**

 State Street Global Advisors
 Wellington Management
 Schroder Investment Management
 Principal Global Investors

 Capital Group
 Neuberger Berman Group
 UBS Asset Management
 JP Morgan Asset Management

<u>Janus Henderson</u> <u>WisdomTree Investments</u>

## **OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY**

Market Review. Global equities posted positive returns in September with the MSCI All Country World Index returning 2.4%. In the US, the S&P 500 reached new record highs, gaining 2.1%. The rally was driven by investor optimism that the Federal Reserve's 50 basis point rate cut could help achieve a soft landing for the economy. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) inflation rate fell to 2.5% from 2.9% in August, closer to the Fed's 2% target. The labor market showed mixed results, with 142,000 jobs added in August lower than 165,000 estimates, while unemployment declined to 4.2% from 4.3%. In Europe, the MSCI Europe Index declined by 0.4%. Despite inflation decreasing to 1.8% in September, economic growth appeared to slow down with the Eurozone Composite PMI falling into contractionary territory from 51.0 to 49.6. Japanese equities also declined, with the TOPIX ending the month down 1.6%. Markets were concerned by the presidential appointment of Shigeru Ishiba's to the Liberal Democratic Party as he advocated tax increases on corporate and financial income. Emerging market equities were the strongest performers, with the MSCI Emerging Market Index rising by 6.7%. This was fueled by the People's Bank of China's announcement of a stimulus package, which included cutting short-term interest rates and reducing bank reserve requirements to boost the economy.

**Fund Performance.** The fund returned 1.23% in September, underperforming the benchmark by 46 basis points. Security selection within the fund detracted from performance.

**Fund Strategy.** While markets have priced in peak interest rates in 2024 with possible rate cut in the last quarter of the year, we continue to be conscious of the continued higher interest rate environment and its effect on global growth, corporate earnings and consequently, global equities moving forward. Against this backdrop, we prefer to be in higher quality and larger capitalization stocks. In terms of regional allocation, the fund is constructive in US and Japan while remaining mindful of its valuations. In the long term, we like stocks with sustainable characteristics as the world transitions towards net zero carbon emission targets.

#### 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. Such collective investment schemes must not have any investment exposure in other collective investment schemes.
- (b) Shares of Stock of selected corporations which are already listed or being offered publicly and soon to be listed in major capital markets.
- (c) 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.
- (d) 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 UX 410.12 (a) of the Manual of Regulations for Banks and Other Financial Institutions.
- (e) The principal investments of the Fund will be in equity instruments 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.
- (f) Bank deposits, BSP special deposit account or tradable debt instruments issued by the BSP.
- (g) Such other investments allowed under regulations issued by the BSP.

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BPI Wealth as Trustee / Investment Manager is regulated by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas. https://www.bsp.gov.ph

| INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES OF TARGET FUNDS                     |                  |                               |   |  |
|---|------------------|-------------------------------|---|--|
| Name  | Domicile         | Regulator                     | Objective   |  |
| Wellington Global Quality Growth Fund                     | Luxembourg       | CSSF                          | Aims to achieve longer-term total returns   |  |
| JP Morgan Global Select Equity<br>Fund                    | Luxembourg       | CSSF                          | Seeks to achieve a return in excess of the global equity markets by investing primarily in companies, globally.   |  |
| SPDR S&P 500 ETF  | United<br>States | SEC                           | Tracks the performance of the S&P 500 Index composed of 500 predominantly large-capitalization US stocks  |  |
| Schroder ISF Global Sustainable<br>Growth                 | Luxembourg       | CSSF                          | Aims to provide capital growth by investing in equities worldwide which meet the manager's sustainability criteria. The manager believes that companies demonstrating positive sustainability characteristics are better-placed to maintain growth & returns.   |  |
| Capital Group New Perspective Fund                        | Luxembourg       | CSSF                          | Aims to provide long-term growth of capital and future income. The fund invests in common stocks that have the potential for growth and the potential to pay dividends in the future.   |  |
| Wellington Global Innovation<br>Fund                      | Luxembourg       | CSSF                          | Seeks long term capital appreciation. The fund invests primarily in equity securities issued by companies worldwide, including emerging markets, which the investment manager believes to be drivers of or beneficiaries of innovation.   |  |
| Neuberger Berman Global<br>Sustainable Equity Fund        | Ireland          | Central<br>Bank of<br>Ireland | Aims to achieve a minimum excess annualised return of 2% over<br>the Benchmark. The Fund primarily invests in equity securities that<br>are traded on Recognised Markets globally, issued by companies<br>under ESG criteria.   |  |
| Wellington Asia Technology Fund                           | d Luxembourg     | CSSF                          | Seeks long-term total returns. The fund invests in the equity securities of technology and technology related companies listed or operating in the Asia region.   |  |
| Janus Henderson Horizon Global<br>Sustainable Equity Fund | Luxembourg       | CSSF                          | The Fund aims to provide capital growth over the long tern (5 years or more) by investing in companies whose products and services are considered by the Investment Manager as contributing to positive environmental or social change and thereby have an impact on the development of a sustainable global economy. |  |
| Wellington Strategic European<br>Equity Fund              | Ireland          | Central<br>Bank of<br>Ireland | Seeks long-term total return from both capital gain and yield by investing predominantly in a diversified portfolio of European-domiciled companies.  |  |
| WisdomTree Japan Equity<br>UCITS ETF                      | Ireland          | Central<br>Bank of<br>Ireland | Seeks to track the price and yield performance, before fees and expenses, of the WisdomTree Japan Hedged Equity Index, composed of Japanese dividend paying companies with an exporter tilt.  |  |

# 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 Equity Fund-of-Funds.
- The BPI Global Equity 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.