FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL PROSPECTUS

This First Supplemental Prospectus is dated 3 October 2023 and must be read together with the Prospectus dated 9 March 2017, for:-

BIMB-ARABESQUE MALAYSIA SHARIAH-ESG EQUITY FUND (BMSEF)

Constituted on 18 November 2016

| MANAGER | : | BIMB INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT BERHAD REGISTRATION NO.: 199301021508 (276246-X) |
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| TRUSTEE | : | CIMB ISLAMIC TRUSTEE BERHAD REGISTRATION NO.: 198801000556 (167913-M) |

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BMSEF IS A QUALIFIED SUSTAINABLE AND RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT (SRI) FUND UNDER THE GUIDELINES ON SUSTAINABLE AND RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT FUNDS. BMSEF INTEGRATES ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE (ESG) CONSIDERATIONS IN ITS CAPITAL ALLOCATION PROCESS, AND EMPLOYS NEGATIVE SCREENING FOR SHARIAH-COMPLIANCE AND ALIGNMENT WITH UNGC PRINCIPLES, IN ITS UNIVERSE CONSTRUCTION PROCESS.

INVESTORS ARE ADVISED TO READ AND UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS OF THIS FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL PROSPECTUS DATED 3 OCTOBER 2023 WHICH IS TO BE READ TOGETHER WITH THE PROSPECTUS DATED 9 MARCH 2017. IF IN DOUBT, PLEASE CONSULT A PROFESSIONAL ADVISER.

FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING CERTAIN RISK FACTORS WHICH SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BY PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS, SEE "RISK FACTORS" COMMENCING ON PAGE 28 OF THE PROSPECTUS DATED 9 MARCH 2017 AND PAGE 10 OF THIS FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL PROSPECTUS DATED 3 OCTOBER 2023.

Responsibility Statements

This First Supplemental Prospectus has been reviewed and approved by the directors of BIMB Investment Management Berhad and they collectively and individually accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information. Having made all reasonable enquiries, they confirmed to the best of their knowledge and belief, that there are no false or misleading statements, or omission of other facts which would make any statement in this First Supplemental Prospectus false or misleading.

Statements of Disclaimer

The Securities Commission Malaysia has authorised the Fund and a copy of this First Supplemental Prospectus has been registered with the Securities Commission Malaysia.

The authorisation of the Fund, and registration of this First Supplemental Prospectus, should not be taken to indicate that the Securities Commission Malaysia recommends the said Fund or assumes responsibility for correctness of any statement made, opinions expressed or reports contained in the Prospectus dated 9 March 2017 or this First Supplemental Prospectus.

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INVESTORS SHOULD RELY ON THEIR OWN EVALUATION TO ASSESS THE MERITS AND RISKS OF THE INVESTMENT. IF INVESTORS ARE UNABLE TO MAKE THEIR OWN EVALUATION, THEY ARE ADVISED TO CONSULT PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS.

Investors should note that they may seek recourse under the *Capital Markets and Services Act 2007* for breaches of securities laws including any statement in this First Supplemental Prospectus that is false, misleading, or from which there is a material omission; or for any misleading or deceptive act in relation to this First Supplemental Prospectus or the conduct of any other person in relation to the Fund.

BIMB-Arabesque Malaysia Shariah-ESG Equity Fund (BMSEF) has been certified as Shariah-compliant by the Shariah adviser appointed for the Fund.

This First Supplemental Prospectus does not constitute an offer or solicitation to anyone in any jurisdiction in which such offer or solicitation is not authorized or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation.

The Fund will not be offered for sale in the United States of America, its territories or possessions and all areas subject to its jurisdiction, or U.S. Person(s), except in transaction which does not violate the securities laws of the United States of America. Accordingly, investors may be required to certify that they are not U.S. Person(s) before making an investment in the Fund.

Unless otherwise provided in this First Supplemental Prospectus, all the capitalised terms used herein shall have the same meanings ascribed to them in the Prospectus dated 9 March 2017 ("Prospectus").

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This First Supplemental Prospectus is issued to inform investors of the following:

- (a) the information on the investment policy and strategy and investment restrictions and limits of the Fund have been amended;
- (b) the information on suspension of sale and redemption of units has been included;
- (c) the information on the policy on rebates and soft commission, incorrect pricing and cooling-off period have been amended;
- (d) the change in the Shariah Adviser and the Shariah investment guidelines of the Fund;
- (e) the tax adviser's letter has been updated; and
- (f) other updates which are general in nature.

A. GENERAL AMENDMENTS

- (i) The references to "interim", "BIMB Invest" and "Shariah Committee" in the Prospectus have been amended to "semi-annual", "BIMB Investment" and Shariah Adviser respectively.
- (ii) The reference to "GST" in the Prospectus has been deleted in its entirety.

B. GLOSSARY

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(i) The definition of "baitulmal" is hereby inserted as follows:

"baitulmal" Refers to the treasury of a State Islamic Religious Council.

(ii) The definition of "BEST Invest App" is hereby inserted as follows:

"BEST Invest App" BIMB Investment Electronic Shariah-Investing Tool, a

non-automated, discretionary robo-intelligence unit trust online investing platform approved by the SC and

fully managed by BIMB Investment.

(iii) The definition of "Cooling-off Right" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

"Cooling-off Right" Refers to your right to apply for and receive a refund for

every Unit that you paid for, provided that this is exercised within the Cooling-off Period and you are

investing in any funds managed by the Manager for the first time. This right is not applicable to you if you are:

- a) A staff of the Manager;
- b) A corporation or institutional investor; or
- c) A person registered with a body approved by the SC to deal in unit trusts.

You will be refunded within 7 Business Days from our receipt of the cooling-off request.

(iv) The definition of "Eligible Market" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

"Eligible Market"

An exchange, government securities market or an overthe-counter market that is regulated by a regulatory authority of that jurisdiction; that is open to the public or to a substantial number of market participants; and on which financial instruments are regularly traded.

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(i) The definition of "**Prospectus**" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

"Prospectus"

Means the prospectus of the Fund and includes any supplementary or replacement prospectus, as the case may be.

(ii) The definition of "SAC" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

"SAC"

The Shariah Advisory Council.

(iii) The definition of "Shariah" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

"Shariah"

Islamic law comprising the whole body of rulings pertaining to human conducts derived from sources of the Shariah namely the *Qur`an* (the holy book of Islam) and *Sunnah* (practices and explanations rendered by the Prophet Muhammad (pbuh)) and other sources of Shariah such as *Ijtihad* (exertion of individual efforts to determine the true ruling of the divine law on matters whose revelations are not explicit) of Shariah scholars.

(iv) The definition of "**Shariah Committee**" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

"Shariah Adviser"

The Shariah adviser appointed by the Manager to advise on all aspects of the Fund in accordance with Shariah principles.

(v) The definition of "Shariah Supervisory Boards" is hereby inserted as follows:

"Shariah Boards"

Supervisory

Refers to independent bodies of specialised jurists in *Fiqh al-mua'malat* (Islamic commercial jurisprudence).

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(i) The definition of "Sukuk" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

"Sukuk"

Means certificates of equal value which evidence undivided ownership or investment in the assets using Shariah principles and concepts endorsed by the SAC of the SC or any relevant Shariah Supervisory Boards and/or the Shariah Adviser.

(ii) The definition of "UNGC" is hereby inserted as follows:

"UNGC"

United Nation Global Compact.

(iii) The definition of "US (United States) Person" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

"US (United States) Person"

A citizen or resident of the United States of America, a partnership organized or existing under the laws of any state, territory or possession of the United States of America, or a corporation organised under the laws of the United States of America or of any state, territory or possession thereof, or any estate or trust, other than an estate or trust the income of which from sources outside the United States of America is not includable in gross income for purpose of computing United States income tax payable by it.

C. CORPORATE DIRECTORY

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(i) The telephone number of the registered address of the Manager is hereby inserted immediately after the registered address of the Manager:

Tel: +603-2088 8000

(ii) The information in relation to the "Shariah Committee" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

SHARIAH ADVISER

BIMB Securities Sdn Bhd [199401004484 (290163-X)]

Registered Office

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50450 Kuala Lumpur.

Tel: +603-2726 7814

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Business Office

Level 32, Menara Multi-Purpose, Capital Square,

No. 8, Jalan Munshi Abdullah,

50100 Kuala Lumpur. Tel: +603-2613 1600 Fax: +603-2613 1799

Email: shariah@bimbsec.com.my Website: www.bimbsec.com.my

(iii) The information in relation to business office of "CIMB Islamic Trustee Berhad" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Business Office

Level 21, Menara CIMB, Jalan Stesen Sentral 2, Kuala Lumpur Sentral, 50470 Kuala Lumpur.

Tel: 03 – 2261 8888 Fax: 03 – 2261 9894

Email: ss.corptrust@cimb.com

D. DETAILED INFORMATION OF THE FUND

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3.4 Investment Policy and Strategy

The information in relation to the first to third paragraphs in relation to "**Investment Policy and Strategy**" and section 3.4.3 are hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

First to third paragraphs of Investment Policy and Strategy:

The Fund will invest in listed Shariah-compliant equities (70% to 98% of the Fund's NAV) of which 70% of the portfolio is allocated to companies in Malaysia and 30% to foreign companies. The investment composition of Malaysia's companies and foreign companies is not restricted to the ratio 70:30 as the composition may change according to the market condition.

The Fund will maintain at least two-thirds (2/3) of its NAV in Shariah-compliant UNGC or ESG-compliant investments and the Fund's investment will be evaluated on a quarterly basis to ensure that the investments are in line with the principles of the UNGC and ESG and the overall impact on investments is consistent with any other sustainability considerations. If the Fund's investments become inconsistent with its investment policy and strategies, the Manager shall dispose the investment(s) at the next investment universe reassessment (i.e., quarterly). Please refer to Section 3.10 of this Prospectus for further details of the investment limit of the Fund and its treatment on breach of investment limit.

The Fund invests through a rules-based investment process into listed companies that are compliant with the principles of the United Nations Global Compact, and Shariah-compliant according to the SAC and AAOIFI rulebooks. The Fund is not actively managed as it employs

quantitative approach which will be rebalanced/traded monthly for the Malaysian for the Malaysian and foreign securities of the Fund.

The Fund will also invest in Islamic money market instruments and placement of Islamic deposits with Islamic financial institutions. The Manager will identify and select Islamic money market instruments and Islamic deposits based on the issuer's or the financial institution's ESG and UNGC scores. Please refer to "Section 3.4.3 – ESG Screening methodology" for more information on ESG and UNGC scores.

The Manager may take temporary defensive positions that may be inconsistent with the Fund's principal strategy in attempting to respond to adverse market conditions to protect the Unit Holders' interest. During the temporary defensive position, the Fund may hold higher Islamic liquid asset or cash portion. However, the Manager will ensure that at least two-thirds (2/3) of the Fund's NAV remains invested in Shariah-compliant UNGC or ESG-compliant investments at all times.

<u>Section 3.4.3 – ESG Screening methodology:</u>

The Manager utilises the ESG and UNGC scores as received from ESG Book. ESG Book is a global leader in sustainability data making available more than 300 ESG data points per company for 50,000 companies worldwide, while also providing in depth analytics assessing corporate sustainability performance across different dimensions.

Through its sustainability framework, ESG Book provides 124 metrics related to the environment (e.g., air quality, carbon pricing, water withdrawal, energy efficiency, supplier environmental Criteria, environmental investments), 130 metrics related to social (e.g., community relations, gender pay, diversity, employee turnover, human rights, injury rate, product withdrawal, low-priced products, customer data protection), and 84 metrics related to governance (e.g., board size, ESG materiality assessment, director remuneration, codes of conduct, corporate culture disclosure, anti-bribery/corruption training, and tax-related lawsuits). It also provides a comprehensive selection of emission metrics such as Scope 1, Scope 2 and Scope 3, as well as the fifteen Scope 3 categories and the Kyoto Protocol gas emissions. Kyoto Protocol gases refer to the six greenhouse gases (i.e. carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons and sulphur hexafluoride) that were initially targeted for reduction under the Kyoto Protocol, an international treaty aimed at addressing climate change. These gases were identified because of their significant contribution to global warming and their long-lived nature in the atmosphere.

The Scope 1, 2 and 3 system has been developed by the Greenhouse Gas Protocol:

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| Scope 1 | These are "direct" emissions – those that a company causes by operating the things that it owns or controls. These can be a result of running machinery to make products, driving vehicles, or just heating buildings and powering computers. |
| Scope 2 | These are "indirect" emissions created by the production of the energy that an organization buys. Installing solar panels or sourcing renewable energy rather than using electricity generated using fossil fuels would cut a company's Scope 2 emissions. |
| Scope 3 | These are also indirect emissions – meaning those not produced by the company itself, but they differ from Scope 2 as Scope 3 covers those emissions produced by customers using the company's products or those produced by suppliers making products that the company uses. |

Scope 3 emissions encompass all indirect emissions that occur in a company's value chain, excluding those covered in Scope 1 (direct emissions) and Scope 2 (energy indirect emissions). Given the vast range of activities and interactions a company might engage with

outside its direct operations, these emissions are further broken down into fifteen categories to provide a comprehensive view and to help organizations prioritize areas for emission reduction. The fifteen categories are:

- 1. Purchased goods and services;
- 2. Capital goods;
- 3. Fuel- and energy-related activities (not included in Scope 1 or Scope 2);
- 4. Upstream transportation and distribution;
- 5. Waste generated in operations;
- 6. Business travel;
- 7. Employee commuting;
- 8. Upstream leased assets;
- 9. Downstream transportation and distribution;
- 10. Processing of sold products:
- 11. Use of sold products;
- 12. End-of-life treatment of sold products;
- 13. Downstream leased assets;
- 14. Franchises: and
- 15. Investments.

ESG Book's ESG score is based on Sustainability Accounting Standards Board ("SASB")'s financial materiality framework and measures how well companies are managed. The UNGC score provides a normative assessment of companies based on the four pillars of the UNGC (i.e. human rights, labour rights, environment and anti-corruption).

The ESG score is calculated in four steps:

- Data Collection: Company reported data is collected, validated and standardised.
- Data Processing: Additional metrics are calculated, and the metrics are transformed to a uniformal scale.
- Category Score Calculation: Metrics are mapped to the 26 categories of SASB and Category Scores are calculated.
- Materiality Scores Calculation: Weights are calibrated and applied to the Category Scores to generate Total, Dimension and Pillar scores.

The UNGC score is calculated in the following steps:

ESG Book's UNGC scores provide a normative assessment of companies based on the four core principles of the United Nations Global Compact: human rights, labour rights, the environment and anti-corruption. With more than 15,000 corporate signatories from over 160 countries, the Global Compact is the world's largest corporate sustainability initiative. It calls on companies and stakeholders to conduct business responsibly and to pursue opportunities for the first time, with the potential to inspire more companies to take shared responsibility and join the Global Compact in its commitments to achieve a sustainable and inclusive global economy.

Category scores

The first step of computing the GC scores consists of mapping the relevant features into each of the four GC categories (see GC scores feature mapping below). A distinction is made between feature topics which are deemed to be "Core" to the UNGC principles, and those which are deemed to be less so, terms "Bonus" features. The former distinction takes precedence in the case of poor performance to avoid compensation. The category score is then calculated as a weighted average of the Core and Bonus features with the caveat that if a Core feature score drops below 50, its weighted contribution increases linearly. As alluded to above, this is to avoid compensation where companies can compensate for poor

performance in important topics with exceptional performance in those topics less important to the Global Compact principles.

GC scores feature mapping:

| Human Rights | Human Rights (Core), Labour Rights (Core), Occupational | | | |
|-----------------|---|--|--|--|
| | Health and Safety (Core), Employment Quality (Bonus), | | | |
| | Diversity (Bonus), Product Quality and Safety (Core), Product | | | |
| | Access (Bonus), Community Relations (Bonus). | | | |
| Labour Rights | Labour Rights (Core), Occupational Health and Safety (Core), | | | |
| | Diversity (Core), Compensation (Bonus), Training and | | | |
| | Development (Bonus), Employment Quality (Bonus). | | | |
| Environment | Emissions (Core), Waste (Core), Environmental Stewardship | | | |
| | (Core), Environmental Management (Core), Resource Us | | | |
| | (Core), Water (Core), Environmental Solutions (Core). | | | |
| Anti-Corruption | Business Ethics (Core), Corporate Governance (Core), | | | |
| | Transparency (Bonus). | | | |

Total score

In addition to the four GC category scores, ESG Book also computes an aggregate GC score using a non-compensatory aggregation approach that reflects the nature of the GC principles. Every GC category starts with a weight of 25% but gets more weight allocated as the score starts dropping below 50 (i.e., the neutral centre). As a result, a company cannot compensate for poor performance in one category with exceptional performance in another. As performance deteriorates for any of the GC categories, more weight gets shifted to that category, which will be driving the overall GC score.

Both the four GC score category scores and the total GC score are scaled between 0 and 100, with higher scores indicating better performance. The Manager believe the GC score can be used to approximate reputational risk facing companies with lower scores correlating with a higher likelihood of a company losing its license to operate in the future (e.g., due to a major scandal or controversy).

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3.6 Asset Allocation

The information in relation to "**Asset Allocation**" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

- 70% to 98% of the Fund's NAV will be invested in Malaysia and foreign Shariahcompliant equities that are ESG-compliant; and
- At least 2% of the Fund's NAV in Islamic deposits and Islamic money market instruments.

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3.8 Benchmark

The information in relation to "**Benchmark**" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

70:30 ratio of FBM Emas Shariah Index and FTSE Shariah All-World Index.

The rationale of the combined benchmark is to reflect the Fund's portfolio composition of which 70% of the portfolio is to be invested in Malaysia's companies and 30% in foreign companies. The information on the combined benchmark can be obtained from the Fund's semi-annual or annual report or BIMB Investment by contacting our toll-free number at 1-800-88-1196.

Source: www.bursamalaysia.com and https://www.ftserussell.com/products/indices/global-shariah

The above benchmark is only used as a reference for the purpose of investment performance comparison. The Fund is not managed against the benchmark. Please note that the risk profile of the Fund may be higher than the risk profile of the benchmark.

Note:

The performance benchmark of the Fund will be changed from 70:30 ratio of FBM KLCI Index and MSCI All Countries World Index to 70:30 ratio of FBM Emas Shariah Index and FTSE Shariah All-World Index effective as per the date of this First Supplemental Prospectus due to the discontinuance of MSCI index licensing.

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3.9 Permitted Investments

The information in relation to "**Permitted Investments**" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

The Fund may invest in the following:

- Islamic negotiable instruments of deposits, accepted bills-i, Malaysian currency deposits with Islamic Financial Institutions including investment certificates, commodity murabahah deposit and/or other Islamic deposit instruments as may be permitted by the SC:
- ii. Shares or units in Islamic collective investment schemes of an Eligible Market;
- iii. Shariah-compliant securities of companies listed on Bursa Malaysia;
- iv. Shariah-compliant securities listed or traded on Eligible Markets;
- v. Shariah-compliant securities not listed or quoted on a stock exchange but have been approved by the relevant regulatory authority for such listing and quotation, and are offered directly to the Fund by the issuer;
- vi. Shariah-compliant warrants that derived from corporate action entitlements which the Shariah-compliant securities are held by the Fund and traded in or under the rules of an Eligible Market; and
- vii. Other Shariah-compliant investments traded in or under the rules of an Eligible Market as permitted by the SC from time to time.

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3.10 Investment Restrictions and Limits

The information in relation to "Investment Restrictions and Limits" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Investment Spread Limits

- a. The value of the Fund's investment in Shariah-compliant ordinary shares issued by any single issuer must not exceed 10% of the Fund's NAV.
- b. The value of the Fund's investments in Shariah-compliant transferable securities and Islamic money market instruments, issued by any single issuer must not exceed 15% of the Fund's NAV (single issuer limit).
- c. The aggregate value of the Fund's investments in, or exposure to, a single issuer through Shariah-compliant transferable securities, Islamic money market instruments and Islamic deposits, must not exceed 25% of the Fund's NAV (single issuer aggregate limit).
- d. The value of the Fund's investments in Shariah-compliant transferable securities and Islamic money market instruments issued by any group of companies must not exceed 20% of the Fund's NAV (group limit).

Investment Concentration Limits

- a. The Fund's investment in Shariah-compliant shares or Shariah-compliant securities equivalent to shares must not exceed 10% of the Shariah-compliant shares or Shariahcompliant securities equivalent to shares, as the case may be, issued by a single issuer.
- b. The Fund's investments in Islamic money market instruments must not exceed 10% of the instruments issued by any single issuer. This limit does not apply to Islamic money market instruments that do not have a pre-determined issue size.

Placement of Islamic Deposits

The value of the Fund's placement in Islamic deposits with any single financial institution must not exceed 20% of the Fund's NAV. This single financial institution limit does not apply to placements of Islamic deposits arising from:

- (i) subscription monies received prior to the commencement of investment by the Fund:
- (ii) liquidation of investments prior to the termination of the Fund, where the placement of Islamic deposits with various financial institutions would not be in the best interests of Unit Holders; or
- (iii) monies held for the settlement of redemption or other payment obligations, where the placement of Islamic deposits with various financial institutions would not be in the best interest of Unit Holders.

The investment restrictions and limits mentioned herein must be complied with at all times based on the most up-to-date value of the Fund's investments. The Manager will notify the SC within seven (7) Business Days of: (i) any breach of investment limits and restrictions stated above; (ii) where the Fund breaches the two-thirds (2/3) asset allocation threshold in Shariah-compliant UNGC or ESG-compliant investments; or (iii) if the Fund's investments become inconsistent with its investment policy and strategies, with the steps taken to rectify

and prevent such breach from recurring. However, any breach as a result of any appreciation or depreciation in the value of the Fund's investments or repurchase of Units or payment made out of the Fund, change in capital of a corporation in which the Fund has invested in or downgrade in or cessation of a credit rating, need not be reported to the SC and must be rectified as soon as practicable within three (3) months from the date of the breach. The three (3) months period may be extended if it is in the best interests of Unit Holders and the Trustee's consent is obtained. Such extension will be subject to a monthly review by the Trustee.

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3.16 Cross Trade Policy

The following information is hereby inserted immediately after Section 3.15 as follows:

3.16 CROSS TRADE POLICY

Cross trading can only be undertaken provided that:

- i. sale and purchase decisions are in the best interests of both clients;
- ii. transactions are executed through a stockbroker or a financial institution on an arm's length and fair value basis; and
- iii. justifications for such transactions are documented prior to execution of the trades.

Cross trading between the following are strictly prohibited:

- i. employee of BIMB Investment and the clients; or
- ii. BIMB Investment for its proprietary trading and its clients.

All cross trading done shall be reported to the Investment Committee.

E. RISK FACTORS

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4.1 General Risk of Investing in the Fund

The following risk is hereby inserted immediately after "Market Risk" as follows:

ii. **Performance Risk** – The performance of the Fund depends on the financial instruments that the Fund invest. If the instruments do not perform within expectation or if there is a default, then the performance of the Fund will be impacted negatively. The performance of the Fund may also be impacted if the allocation of assets is not properly done. On that basis, there is never a guarantee that investing in the Fund will produce the desired investment returns.

The information in relation to "Shariah Non-Compliance Risk" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

iv. Shariah Non-Compliance Risk – This risk refers to the risk that the Fund not conforming to Shariah guidelines. The Manager (as advised by the Shariah Adviser) would be responsible for ensuring that the Fund is managed and administered in accordance with Shariah guidelines.

Any Shariah non-compliant investment made by the Fund due to error of the administration shall be disposed of or withdrawn with immediate effect, if possible, or otherwise within one (1) calendar month of knowing the status of the investment. Any gain resulting from the said disposal shall be channelled to *baitulmal* and/or charitable bodies as advised by the Shariah Adviser whilst any loss is to be borne by the Manager.

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4.2 Specific Risks Associated with Investing in the Fund

The following risks are hereby inserted immediately after "Warrant Risk" as follows:

ix. **Sustainability Risk** – Sustainability risk means an environmental, social or governance event or condition that, if it occurs, could cause an actual or a potential material negative impact on the value of the investment and potentially a total loss of its value and therefore an impact on the net asset value of the Fund. The Fund Manager's objective is making sustainable investments and/or have environmental and/or social characteristics, which can be achieved by applying sustainability criteria to the selection of investments.

The Manager will evaluate the Fund's investments on a bi-monthly basis to determine whether the Fund's investments are consistent with UNGC principles and ESG factors. If the Fund's investments become inconsistent with UNGC principles and ESG factors, the Manager shall dispose of the investments if the value of the investments held exceeds or is equal to the original investment cost (which may include transaction cost).

On the other hand, the Fund is allowed to hold the investments if the value of the investments is below the original investment cost. It is also permissible for the Fund to retain the profit received during the holding period until such time the market value of the investments is equal to the original investment cost.

- x. **SRI Investments Risk** This is the risk that the Manager may not correctly apply the relevant criteria resulting out of the ESG analysis or that the Fund may have indirect exposure to investments which do not meet the relevant criteria (based on UNGC principles and ESG factors). This may result in potential losses to the Fund in the event that such investments are disposed at unfavourable prices due to the violation of the investment policy and strategies of UNGC principles and ESG factors. If the Fund's investments become inconsistent with its investment policy and strategies of UNGC principles and ESG factors, the Manager shall deal with the investment(s) in accordance with Section 3.4 of this Prospectus.
- xi. Shariah Status Reclassification Risk This risk refers to the risk of a possibility that the currently held Shariah-compliant equities or Islamic deposits or Islamic money market instruments invested by the Fund may be reclassified or declared as Shariah non-compliant by the relevant authority or the Shariah Adviser. If this occurs, the Manager will take the necessary steps to dispose of or withdraw such investments. There may be opportunity loss to the Fund due to the Fund not being allowed to retain the excess capital gains derived from the disposal of the said investments.

F. INTRODUCTION TO SHARIAH-COMPLIANT FUND

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The information in relation to "Introduction to Shariah-Compliant Fund" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

5. SHARIAH INVESTMENT GUIDELINES, CLEANSING PROCESS AND ZAKAT FOR THE FUND

5.1 Shariah Investment Guidelines

The following guidelines are adopted by the Shariah Adviser in determining the Shariah status of investments of the Fund.

- The Fund must at all times and all stages of its operation comply with Shariah requirements as resolved by the SAC of the SC or in cases where no specific rulings are made by the SAC of the SC, the decisions of the Shariah Adviser or the approved Shariah Supervisory Boards of relevant Islamic indices.
- The Fund must be established and operated by the Manager, and finally redeemed by the investors on the basis of contracts which are acceptable in Shariah. The banking facilities and short-term money market instruments used for the Fund have to be Shariahcompliant. Similarly, all the other investment instruments must be Shariah-compliant.
- For Shariah-compliant securities listed on Bursa Malaysia, the Fund's investments must be strictly confined to those Shariah-compliant securities on the List of Shariah-Compliant Securities by the SAC of the SC.
- For Islamic money market instruments and Islamic deposits, they shall be based on the data readily available on Bank Negara Malaysia and the financial institutions' websites respectively.
- The SAC of the SC has adopted a standard methodology to determine the Shariah compliance for the securities of companies listed on Bursa Malaysia. This methodology takes into consideration both the quantitative and qualitative aspects of the listed companies.

(a) Quantitative Analysis

The quantitative part is a two-tier benchmark applied to the business activities of the companies and to the financial ratios of the companies. The business activity benchmarks consist of a 5% benchmark and a 20% benchmark.

(i) Business activity benchmarks

For the business activity benchmarks, the revenue or income contribution of Shariah non-compliant business activities to the group revenue or group profit before taxation of the listed companies will be computed and compared against the relevant business activity benchmarks, and must be less than the 5% or the 20% benchmarks.

The 5% benchmark would be applicable to the following business activities:

- · Conventional banking and lending;
- Conventional insurance;
- Gambling;
- Liquor and liquor-related activities;
- · Pork and pork-related activities;
- Non-halal food and beverages;
- Shariah non-compliant entertainment;
- Interest income¹ from conventional accounts and instruments (including interest income awarded arising from a court judgement or arbitration);
- Dividends¹ from Shariah non-compliant investments;
- Tobacco and tobacco-related activities: and
- Other activities deemed non-compliant according to Shariah principles as determined by the SAC of the SC.

¹Interest income and dividends from Shariah non-compliant investments will be compared against the group revenue. However, if the main activity of the company is holding of investment, the dividends from Shariah non-compliant investments will be compared against the group revenue and group profit before taxation.

The 20% benchmark would be applicable to the following activities:

- Share trading in Shariah non-compliant securities;
- Stockbroking business other than Islamic stockbroking company;
- Rental received from Shariah non-compliant activities; and
- Other activities deemed non-compliant according to Shariah principles as determined by the SAC of the SC.

(ii) Financial Ratio Benchmarks

In addition, the financial ratios for cash in conventional accounts and instruments as well as interest bearing debts over the total assets of the listed companies are also considered in the analysis carried out by the SAC of the SC to determine their Shariah compliance status.

The financial ratios applied are as follows:

- Ratio of cash over total assets
 Cash will only include cash placed in conventional accounts and instruments, whereas cash placed in Islamic accounts and instruments will be excluded from the calculation.
- Ratio of debt over total assets
 Debt will only include interest-bearing debt whereas Islamic financing or sukuk will be excluded from the calculation.

Both benchmark ratios, which are intended to measure *riba* and *riba*-based elements within a company's balance sheet, must be less than 33%.

(b) Qualitative analysis:

As for qualitative aspect of the Shariah compliance analysis, an additional criterion will be considered namely the public perception or image of the listed company which must be acceptable from the Shariah perspective.

- The SAC of the SC had considered the following criteria for a Special Purpose Acquisition Company to be classified as Shariah-compliant:
 - The proposed business activity should be Shariah-compliant;
 - The entire proceeds raised from the initial public offering should be placed in Islamic accounts; and
 - In the event that the proceeds are invested, the entire investment should be Shariahcompliant.
- Shariah-compliant securities include ordinary shares and warrants (issued by the
 companies themselves). This means that warrants are classified as Shariah-compliant
 securities provided the underlying shares are also Shariah-compliant. On the other hand,
 loan stocks and bonds are Shariah non-compliant securities unless they are structured
 based on SAC of the SC's approved Shariah rulings, concepts and principles.
- For investment in foreign Shariah-compliant equities, the Fund is only allowed to invest in Shariah-compliant equities which are on the approved lists by the Shariah Adviser. In the event of reclassification of foreign Shariah-compliant equities to be Shariah non-compliant, the Fund is to abide by the rules as laid down by the SAC of the SC and by this Shariah Investment Guidelines. In the event that the Fund wishes to invest in foreign Shariah-compliant equities not covered by the approved lists by the Shariah Adviser, the Manager must submit to the Shariah Adviser the latest information pertaining to the issuer's business activities, its complete financial statements and other related information to enable the Shariah Adviser to carry out Shariah screening. The Shariah Adviser applies the screening methodology of the SAC of the SC in this Shariah screening.
- For investments in unlisted Shariah-compliant equities, the Shariah Adviser also applies the screening methodology of the SAC of the SC in its Shariah screening. As such, the Manager must submit to the Shariah Adviser the latest information pertaining to the issuer's business activities, its complete financial statements and other related information to enable the Shariah Adviser to carry out the Shariah screening.
- The decision of the Shariah Adviser shall be final.
- To facilitate the purchase and sale of foreign Shariah-compliant securities and Shariah-compliant investment instruments, there may be a need to have cash placement in a conventional bank account outside Malaysia. In such circumstances, the conventional account should be non-interest bearing and the sole purpose is only to facilitate purchase and sale of foreign Shariah-compliant securities and Shariah-compliant investment instruments. In the event that such a non-interest bearing account is unavailable, all interests earned shall be cleansed and that shall be undertaken annually if not earlier.

5.2 Cleansing Process for the Fund

(a) Wrong Investment

(i) Investment in Shariah non-compliant equity securities

The said investment shall be disposed of or withdrawn with immediate effect, if possible, or otherwise within one (1) calendar month of knowing the status of the investment. In the event that the investment resulted in any gain in the form of capital gain or dividend received before or after the disposal of the investment, it has to be channelled to *baitulmal* and/or charitable bodies as advised by the

Shariah Adviser. The Fund has a right to retain only the investment cost. The Shariah Adviser advises that this cleansing process (namely, channelling of income from wrongful investment to *baitulmal* and/or charitable bodies as advised by the Shariah Adviser) shall be carried out within two (2) calendar months from the said disposal or withdrawal date. If the disposal of the investment resulted in losses to the Fund, the losses are to be borne by the Manager.

(ii) Investment in other Shariah non-compliant instruments (namely, money market instruments or deposits)

The said investment shall be disposed of or withdrawn with immediate effect, if possible, or otherwise within one (1) calendar month of knowing the status of the investment. In the event that the investment resulted in Shariah non-compliant income received before or after the disposal or withdrawal of the investment, it has to be channelled to *baitulmal* and/or charitable bodies as advised by the Shariah Adviser. The Fund has a right to retain only the investment cost. The Shariah Adviser advises that this cleansing process (namely, channelling of income from wrongful investment to *baitulmal* and/or charitable bodies as advised by the Shariah Adviser) shall be carried out within two (2) calendar months from the said disposal or withdrawal date. If the disposal of the investment resulted in losses to the Fund, the losses are to be borne by the Manager.

(b) Reclassification of Shariah Status of the Fund's Investments

(i) Shariah-compliant equity securities

Reclassification of Shariah status refers to securities which were earlier classified as Shariah-compliant securities but due to failure to meet the set benchmark criteria, are subsequently reclassified as Shariah non-compliant by the SAC of the SC, the Shariah Adviser or the Shariah Supervisory Boards of relevant Islamic indices. If on the reclassification effective date, the value of the securities held exceeds or is equal to the investment cost, the Fund which holds such Shariah non-compliant securities must liquidate them. To determine the time frame to liquidate such securities, the Shariah Adviser advises that such securities should be disposed of within one (1) calendar month of reclassification.

Any dividends received up to the reclassification effective date and capital gains arising from the disposal of the said reclassified Shariah non-compliant securities made with respect to the closing price on the reclassification effective date can be kept by the Fund. However, any dividends received and excess capital gain derived from the disposal after the reclassification effective date at a market price that is higher than the closing price on the reclassification effective date shall be channelled to *baitulmal* and/or charitable bodies as advised by the Shariah Adviser. The Shariah Adviser advises that this cleansing process should be carried out within two (2) calendar months from the above disposal date.

The Fund is allowed to hold the Shariah non-compliant securities if the market price of the said securities is below the investment cost. It is also permissible for the Fund to keep the dividends received during the holding period until such time when the total amount of the dividends received and the market value of the

Shariah non-compliant securities held equal the investment cost. At this stage, the Fund is advised to dispose of their holdings. In addition, during the holding period, the Fund is allowed to subscribe to:

- any issue of new securities by a company whose Shariah non-compliant securities are held by the Fund such as rights issues, bonus issues, special issues and warrants [excluding securities whose nature is Shariah noncompliant such as irredeemable convertible unsecured loan stock (ICULS)]; and
- securities of other companies offered by the company whose Shariah noncompliant securities are held by the Fund,

on conditions that the Fund expedites the disposal of the Shariah non-compliant securities. For securities of other companies [as stated in the second bullet above], they must be Shariah-compliant securities.

(ii) Islamic money market instruments or Islamic deposits

This refers to the instruments which were earlier classified as Islamic money market instruments or Islamic deposits but due to certain factors such as changes in the issuers' business direction and policy or failure to carry out proper Shariah contracts' transactions, which render the instruments Shariah non-compliant by the relevant authority or the Shariah Adviser. If this occurs, the Manager will take the necessary steps to dispose of or withdraw such money market instruments or deposits.

If on the reclassification effective date, the value of the Shariah non-compliant instruments held exceeds or is equal to the investment cost, the Fund which holds such Shariah non-compliant instruments must liquidate them. To determine the time frame to liquidate such instruments, the Shariah Adviser advises that such reclassified Shariah non-compliant instruments should be disposed of within one (1) calendar month of reclassification.

Any income received up to the reclassification effective date and capital gains arising from the disposal of the said reclassified Shariah non-compliant instruments made on the reclassification effective date can be kept by the Fund.

However, any income received and excess capital gain derived from the disposal after the reclassification effective date at a price that is higher than the price on the reclassification effective date shall be channelled to *baitulmal* and/or charitable bodies as advised by the Shariah Adviser. The Shariah Adviser advises that this cleansing process should be carried out within two (2) calendar months from the above disposal date.

5.3 Zakat for the Fund

The Fund does not pay zakat on behalf of both Muslim individuals and Islamic legal entities who are investors of the Fund. Thus, investors are advised to pay zakat on their own.

THE SHARIAH ADVISER CONFIRM THAT THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO OF THE FUND COMPRISES INSTRUMENTS WHICH HAVE BEEN CLASSIFIED AS SHARIAH-COMPLIANT BY THE SAC OF THE SC AND, WHERE APPLICABLE BY THE SAC OF

BANK NEGARA MALAYSIA OR BY THE SHARIAH SUPERVISORY BOARDS OF RELEVANT ISLAMIC INDICES. AS FOR THE INSTRUMENTS WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN CLASSIFIED AS SHARIAH-COMPLIANT BY THE SAC OF THE SC AND, WHERE APPLICABLE BY THE SAC OF BANK NEGARA MALAYSIA NOR BY THE SHARIAH SUPERVISORY BOARDS OF RELEVANT ISLAMIC INDICES, THE SHARIAH STATUS OF THE INSTRUMENTS HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND DETERMINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULING ISSUED BY THE SHARIAH ADVISER.

G. FEES, CHARGES AND EXPENSES

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6.1 Charges Directly Incurred

The note is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

*Note: The above fees and charges are subject to any applicable taxes and/or duties as may be imposed by the government or other authorities from time to time.

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6.3 Fees Indirectly Incurred

(i) The information in relation to "Administrative Fees" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

| Administrative Fees | These would include (but are not limited to) the following: | | |
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| | i. cost of printing of semi-annual and annual reports for the Fund; ii. commissions or fees paid to dealers in effecting dealings in the investments of the Fund, shown on the contract notes or confirmation notes; iii. where the custodian function is delegated by the Trustee, charges or fees paid to foreign sub-custodian for taking into custody any foreign assets or investments of the Fund; iv. taxes and other duties charged on the Fund by the government and other authorities; v. fees and expenses properly incurred by the auditor appointed for the Fund; vi. fees for the valuation of any Shariah-compliant investment of the Fund; vii. costs, fees and expenses incurred for any modification of the Deed save where such modification is for the benefit of the Manager and/or the Trustee; viii. costs, fees and expenses incurred for any meeting of the Unit Holders save where such meeting is convened for the benefit of the Manager and/or the Trustee; ix. costs, commissions, fees and expenses of the sale, purchase, takaful and any other dealing of any Asset of the Fund; | | |

- x. costs, fees and expenses incurred in the preparation and audit of the taxation, returns and accounts of the Fund:
- xi. any tax now or hereafter imposed by law or required to be paid in connection with any costs, fees and expenses incurred by the Fund; and
- xii. other related Fund's administrative expenses as permitted by the Deed.

Note:

Any administrative expenses are applicable to all Classes of Units based on the multi-class ratio. For illustration, please refer to a table disclosed in section 7.1.1.

(ii) The information on "Goods and Services Tax" is deleted in its entirety.

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6.4 Policy on Rebates and Soft Commission

The information in relation to the "Policy on Rebates and Soft Commission" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Any rebates or soft commissions shall be directed to the Fund concerned. Soft commissions may be retained by the Manager or the fund manager if:

- (a) the soft commissions bring direct benefit or advantage to the management of the Fund and may include research and advisory related services;
- (b) any dealing with the broker or dealer is executed on terms which are the most favourable for the Fund; and
- (c) the availability of soft commissions is not the sole or primary purpose to perform or arrange transactions with such broker or dealer, and the Manager or fund manager shall not enter into unnecessary trades in order to achieve a sufficient volume of transactions to qualify for soft commissions.

There are fees and charges involved and investors are advised to consider the fees and charges before investing in the Fund.

The fees and charges are subject to any applicable taxes and/or duties as may be imposed by the government or other authorities from time to time.

H. Transaction Information

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7.1.2 Pricing of Units and Mode of Transaction Payments

The second paragraph of the "**Purchase of Units**" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Investors are required to fill up and complete the necessary application form and other related documents required by the Manager. A bank validated fund transfer form must be presented to the Manager as evidence of payment. Investors may submit the purchase application, which are available at the office of BIMB Investment, at our authorised unit trust consultant (UTC), any sales offices as listed in **Section 18 "Directory of Sales Offices"**, or offices of our authorised distributors. Investors may also obtain the application form and other related forms from our website at https://bimbinvestment.com.my. Alternatively, investors may invest via our BEST Invest App. You may download the application from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store and start your investment journey with us.

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7.1.2 Pricing of Units and Mode of Transaction Payments

The first paragraph of the "**Redemption of Units**" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Unit Holders may redeem their investments in the Fund at any point in time by completing the redemption form or such other manners as we may accept and returning it to us on any Business Day. The redemption form is available at our head office and also offices of the authorized distributors. Investors who invest via our BEST Invest App may redeem their investments in the Fund via our BEST Invest App. There is no limit on the frequency of redemption.

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7.1.2 Pricing of Units and Mode of Transaction Payments

The information in relation to "Cooling-off transactions" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

A cooling-off period of six (6) Business Days is accorded to an investor who is investing with BIMB Investment for the first time. During the Cooling-off Period, the investor, upon changing his mind about the unit trust investment that he has made, may proceed to exercise his Cooling-off Right by submitting a cooling-off request to BIMB Investment, at the nearest Bank Islam branches or from our authorized IUTAs.

Under the cooling-off request, the refund for every Unit held by the investor will be as follows:-

- a. if the original price of a Unit is higher than the price of a Unit at the point of exercise of the cooling-off right ("market price"), the market price at the point of cooling-off; or
- b. if the market price is higher than the original price, the original price at the point of cooling-off; and
- c. the sales charge imposed on the day the Units were purchased.

The Manager shall refund to Unit Holder within seven (7) Business Days from the date of receipt of the cooling-off application from the Unit Holder is received by the Manager. The Cooling-off Right is accorded to an individual investor other than those listed below:-

- a. Staff of the Manager: and
- b. Persons registered with a body approved by SC to deal in unit trusts.

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7.1.3 Incorrect Pricing

The information in relation to "Incorrect Pricing" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Subject to any relevant law, if there is an error in the pricing of the NAV per Unit of the Fund, the Manager will take immediate remedial action to correct the error. Rectification shall, where necessary, extend to the reimbursements of money as follows if the error is at or above the significant threshold of 0.50% of the NAV per Unit attributable to a Class of Units:

- i. if there is an over valuation and/or pricing in relation to the purchase and creation of Units, the Fund shall reimburse the Unit Holder;
- ii. if there is an over valuation and/or pricing in relation to the redemption of Units, the Manager shall reimburse the Fund;
- iii. if there is an under valuation and/or pricing in relation to the purchase and creation of Units, the Manager shall reimburse the Fund; and
- iv. if there is an under valuation and/or pricing in relation to the redemption of Units, the Fund shall reimburse the Unit Holder or former Unit Holder.

By investing in the Fund, investors agree that the Manager retains the discretion whether or not to reimburse if the error is below 0.50% of the NAV per Unit or where the total impact on an individual account is less than RM10.00 or in the case of a foreign currency Class of Unit, less than 10.00 denominated in the respective foreign currency denomination. This is because the reprocessing cost may be greater than the amount of the adjustment.

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7.3.2 Payment of Redemption upon Receipt of Redemption Application

The information in relation to "Payment of Redemption upon Receipt of Redemption Application" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Within 7 Business Days after the redemption application is received and processed by the Manager.

7.4 Distribution Channel

The information in relation to the "Distribution Channel" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Units can be purchased and redeemed during normal business hours at the business office of BIMB Investment, at the nearest Bank Islam branches or any of our authorized IUTAs and/or unit trust consultants. Please refer to Section 18: "*Directory of Sales Offices*". Alternatively, investors may invest via our BEST Invest App.

For further information, please call our help-desk at a Toll-Free- number: 1-800-88-1196 at any time during our office hours: Mondays to Fridays from 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. or email

your enquiries to marketing.bimbinvest@bankislam.com.my or visit our website at www.bimbinvestment.com.my

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The following information is hereby inserted immediately after Section 7.5 as follows:

7.6 CUSTOMER IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM

Pursuant to the relevant laws of Malaysia on money laundering, the Manager have an obligation to prevent the use of the Fund for money laundering purposes. As such, the Manager and/or its authorised distributors have put in place a "Know Your Customer" ("KYC") policy where procedures are in place to identify and verify the investor's identification through documents such as identity card, passport, constituent documents or any other official documents.

The Manager and/or its authorised distributors reserve the right to request such information, either at the time an application is made or thereafter, as is necessary to verify the identity of an investor (or each of the investors in the case of joint investors) and/or to periodically update our records. You are required to provide us with your information and information of beneficial owner such as name, date of birth, national registration card number, residential and business address, (and mailing address if different), name of beneficial owner, address of beneficial owner, national registration card number of beneficial owner, date of birth of beneficial owner or other information and official identification.

For corporate clients, you are required to provide us the name of the company, principal place of business, source of income/asset, identification documents of the directors/shareholders/partners, board resolution pertaining to the investment and the person authorised to operate the account, all of which as per requirements under regulation when you open or re-open an account.

The Manager and/or its appointed distributors also reserve the right to request additional information including the source of the funds, source of wealth, net worth, annual income and identity of any beneficial owners as may be required to support the verification information and to allow us to complete adequate due diligence. In the event of delay or failure by the investor to produce any information required for verification purpose, we and/or our authorised distributors may refuse to accept an application request. In relation to a subscription application, any monies received will be returned without profit to the account from which the monies were originally debited, and in relation to redemption application, no units will be redeemed to the investor. The Manager and/or its authorised distributors also reserve the right to place restrictions on transactions or redemptions on your account until your identity is verified.

In the event of any breaches to the applicable laws on money laundering, the Manager and its appointed distributors have a duty to notify the relevant authority of the said breaches.

7.7 ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING ("AML")/KYC OBLIGATION ON OUR AUTHORISED DISTRIBUTOR

If you have invested in the Fund via an authorised distributor, there may be additional information that the authorised distributor may need to provide to us, which may include the release of your particulars and details of ultimate beneficiaries / ultimate beneficial owners investing in the Fund to us. Without such information being provided, we reserve the discretion

to reject your subscription or redemption request until such information is provided by the authorised distributor to us.

7.8 SUSPENSION OF SALE AND REDEMPTION OF UNITS

The Manager may, in consultation with the Trustee and having considered the interests of Unit Holders, suspend the dealing in Units of the Fund due to exceptional circumstances, where there is good and sufficient reason to do so, considering the interest of Unit Holders. If we have exhausted all possible avenues to avoid a suspension of the Fund, we may as a last resort, in consultation with the Trustee and having considered the interests of the Unit Holders, suspend the sale (if applicable) and redemption of Units where it is impractical for us to calculate the NAV of the Fund due to but not limited to the following:

- (i) an emergency or other state of affairs (such as natural disaster, state of war, etc); or
- (ii) the realization of the material portion of the assets of the Fund not being able to be effected at prices which would be realised if such material portion of the assets of the Fund were realised in an orderly fashion over a reasonable period in a stable market.

In such case, Unit Holders will not be able to redeem their Units and will be compelled to remain invested in the Fund for a longer period of time. Hence, their investments will continue to be subject to the risks inherent to the Fund.

Please note that during the suspension period, there will be no NAV per Unit available and hence, we will not accept any transactions for the applications, redemptions, switching and/or transfers of Units. If we have earlier accepted your request for redemptions and switching of Units, please note that the requests will only be processed on the next Business Day after the cessation of suspension of the Fund. You will be notified of the suspension and when the suspension is lifted.

I. CLIENT COMMUNICATION

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The information in relation to "Newspapers and Website" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Website

Units are valued at the end of each Business Day. Unit Holders may obtain the daily Fund price from our website at https://bimbinvestment.com.my.

J. THE MANAGEMENT COMPANY

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9.3 Board of Directors

The information in relation to "Board of Directors" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

The list of our board of directors are available on our website at https://bimbinvestment.com.my/ourleadership/.

9.4 Investment Committee

The information in relation to the "Investment Committee" is hereby deleted in its entirety.

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9.5 Shariah Committee

The information in relation to the "Shariah Committee" is hereby deleted in its entirety.

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9.6 Investment Team

The information in relation to the "Investment Team" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

The investment team meets frequently to discuss investment related matters.

| Name | ABD RAZAK SALIMIN (Designated Fund Manager) | | |
|----------------|--|--|--|
| Position | Head of Investment | | |
| Experience | He joined BIMB Investment Management Berhad in May 2019 and was formerly an equity fund manager with Permodalan Nasional Berhad. He has more than ten (10) years of experience in investment management and research. He is responsible for leading and managing the Investment Department, overseeing domestic and global equities, sukuk and Islamic money market instruments. | | |
| Qualifications | Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Financial Risk Manager (FRM) Bachelor of Mathematics, Operational Research, Statistics and Economics (MORSE), University of Warwick, United Kingdom Holder of SC's CMSRL | | |

| Name | THONG YONG LING, STANLEY |
|----------------|--|
| Position | Senior Fund Manager |
| Experience | He joined BIMB Investment as a Fund Manager in 2012. He has more than ten (10) years of working experience in equity research and investment. He was previously attached with UOB-OSK Asset Management Berhad and Hong Leong Assurance Berhad. As a fund manager at UOB-OSK Asset Management, he was in charge of managing various unit trust and investment link insurance funds for clients. |
| Qualifications | Master of Commerce, Macquarie University, Australia Bachelor of Business Administration, National Cheng Chi University, Taiwan Holder of SC's CMSRL |

| Name | AHMAD RIZAL UJANG |
|----------|-------------------|
| Position | Fund Manager |

| Experience | He joined BIMB Investment in January 2017 and previously worked in BIMB Investment from 2011 to 2014. He has more than ten (10) years of working experience in Islamic money market and fixed income investment. He was previously attached to <i>i</i> -VCAP Management Sdn Bhd, MNRB Holdings Berhad and Syarikat Takaful Malaysia Berhad. |
|----------------|--|
| Qualifications | Master of Finance, Curtin University of Technology, Australia Holder of SC's CMSRL |

Further information on the Manager and key management is available on the Manager's website: https://bimbinvestment.com.my

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9.7 Material Litigation and Arbitration

The information in relation to the "Material Litigation and Arbitration" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

As at 28 April 2023 save for the suit mentioned herein below, the Manager is not engaged in any material litigation and arbitration either as plaintiff nor as defendant, and the Manager is not aware of any proceedings, pending or threatened or of any other facts likely to give rise to any proceedings which might materially and adversely affect its financial position or business.

Perbadanan Harta Intelek Malaysia ("MyIPO"), has initiated a suit against BIMB Investment in October 2021. MyIPO, vide its solicitors, had issued a Writ and Statement of Claim dated 18 October 2021, alleging BIMB Investment for fraudulent misrepresentation, negligent misrepresentation, breach of duty of care and negligence against MyIPO. BIMB Investment had categorically denied all the allegations and set out the actual factual matrix by filing a Statement of Defence dated 8 December 2021. The present status of the legal proceedings is as follows:

- (a) On 24 May 2022, BIMB Investment has filed and served its Statement of Claim against Dato Ahmad Azwan as the Third Party:
- (b) On 8 June 2022, Dato Ahmad Azwan as the Third Party has filed and served his Statement of Defence against BIMB Investment's Statement of Claim;
- (c) On 21 June 2022, BIMB Investment has filed and served its Reply to the Third Party's Statement of Defence;
- (d) On 14 October 2022, BIMB Investment filed its Notice of Application seeking discovery of the original copies of the forged or falsified documents as pleaded in the Statement of Claim (documents in question) for the purpose of Forensic Examination and to obtain an expert opinion so as to prove the assertions made by BIMB Investment in its Statement of Defence;
- (e) The said application was filed in the Kuala Lumpur Sessions Court seeking discovery of the documents in question, as some of the impugned documents had already been adduced in the ongoing criminal trial against the Third Party whilst the other documents are in possession of MACC. The order in terms of the application was obtained before Sessions Court on 23 November 2022:
- (f) The full trial of this suit has been scheduled on 27th, 28th and 29th of May 2024;
- (g) The next case management is fixed on 26 April 2024 and the parties are required to comply with all pretrial getting ups, under Order 34. The High Court has made an Unless Order wherein the Parties, well before 26 April 2024 must have complied with the pre-

- trial requirements including filing of statement of agreed facts, statement of issues to be tried and common bundle of documents.
- (h) The Parties are also been directed to exhaust all interlocutory applications well before the next case management date.

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The information in relation to the "SHARIAH ADVISER – BIMB SECURITIES SDN BHD" is hereby inserted immediately after Section 9 as follows:

9A SHARIAH ADVISER – BIMB SECURITIES SDN BHD

BIMB Securities Sdn Bhd ("BIMB Securities") has been appointed as the Shariah Adviser for the Fund. BIMB Securities will provide Shariah advisory services on the management and operations of the Fund to ensure the operations of the Fund comply with Shariah requirements.

About BIMB Securities Sdn Bhd

BIMB Securities is a stockbroking subsidiary of Bank Islam Malaysia Berhad incorporated on 21 February 1994 and is licensed by the SC. The corporate mission of BIMB Securities is to be an active participant in a modern, innovative and dynamic Islamic capital market in Malaysia, catering for the needs of all investors, Muslims and non-Muslims, looking for Shariah-compliant investment products and services.

Experience in Shariah Advisory Services

BIMB Securities is registered with the SC to act as a Shariah adviser for Islamic products and services regulated by the SC, which include Islamic collective investment schemes. BIMB Securities is independent from the Manager and does not hold office as a member of the committee undertaking the oversight function of the Fund or any other funds managed and administered by the Manager. As at 28 April 2023, BIMB Securities is a corporate Shariah adviser to eighty-three (83) Islamic funds including two (2) Islamic real estate investment trusts.

Roles and Responsibilities of BIMB Securities Sdn Bhd as a Shariah Adviser

As the Shariah Adviser for the Fund, the role of BIMB Securities is to ensure that the investment operations and processes of the Fund is in compliance with Shariah requirements. BIMB Securities will review the Fund's investments on a monthly basis to ensure Shariah compliance and it will also review the semi-annual and annual reports of the Fund.

Notwithstanding the role played by the Shariah Adviser, the ultimate responsibility for ensuring Shariah compliance of the Fund in all aspects of operations and processes rests solely with the Manager.

In line with the SC Guidelines on Islamic Capital Market Products and Services, the roles of BIMB Securities as the Shariah Adviser are:

1. to advise on the Shariah aspects of the Fund and Fund's operations and processes to ensure they are in accordance with Shariah requirements;

- 2. to provide Shariah expertise and guidance in all matters relating to the Fund, particularly on the documentation i.e., the Fund's deed and prospectus, structure, investments and related operational matters;
- 3. to ensure that the Fund is managed and operated in accordance with Shariah requirements and the applicable Shariah rulings, principles and concepts endorsed by the SAC of the SC as well as the advice given by the Shariah Adviser are complied with:
- 4. to review the Fund's compliance reports as provided by the Manager's compliance officer and investment transaction reports provided or duly approved by the Trustee to ensure that the Fund's investments are in line with Shariah:
- 5. to prepare a report to be included in the semi-annual and annual reports of the Fund stating the Shariah Adviser's opinion whether the Fund has been operated and managed in compliance with Shariah requirements in its investment, operations and processes for the financial period concerned;
- 6. to apply *ljtihad* (intellectual reasoning) to ensure all aspects relating to the Fund are in compliance with Shariah, in the absence of any rulings, principles and concepts endorsed by the SAC of the SC;
- 7. to consult the SC where there is ambiguity or uncertainty as to an investment, instrument, system, procedure and/or process; and
- 8. to meet with the Manager on a quarterly basis (or as and when required by the Manager and/or the Shariah Adviser) for the review of the Fund's operations and processes.

Profiles of the Shariah Personnel

Ir. Dr. Muhamad Fuad bin Abdullah ("Dr. Muhamad Fuad")

Dr. Muhamad Fuad is the designated person in-charge of all Shariah matters in BIMB Securities.

He graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering in 1977 and a Master of Philosophy Degree in Electrical Engineering in 1982, both from the University of Southampton, England. He also obtained a Bachelor of Arts (Jayyid) Degree in Shariah from the University of Jordan in 1994 and a Doctor of Philosophy in Muslim Civilization from the University of Aberdeen, Scotland in 1996.

He is a registered individual Shariah adviser with the SC. He is the chairman of the Shariah Advisory Committee of BIMB Securities and the Shariah Supervisory Council of Bank Islam Malaysia Berhad. He sits on the Shariah committee of AIA-Public Takaful Berhad.

He is also the non-executive chairman of Gagasan Nadi Cergas Berhad and a board member of Universiti Tun Abd Razak Sdn Bhd (UniRAZAK).

Nurussaádah binti Nasarudin ("Nurussaádah")

Nurussaádah joined BIMB Securities in June 2015 as the Shariah executive and has been promoted as the head of Shariah section effective 1 May 2021. She is also the Designated

Shariah Officer registered under the BIMB Securities' Shariah adviser registration, responsible for the Shariah advisory services offered by BIMB Securities.

Nurussaádah graduated with a Bachelor of Shariah majoring in Islamic Banking and Economics from the University of Yarmouk, Jordan.

Currently, she is responsible in providing Shariah inputs on the advisory, consultancy and research functions with regards to Islamic capital market and Islamic collective investment schemes, including but not limited to, conducting surveillance on the non-financial institution activities.

She is experienced in product development and review for Islamic capital market products specifically on Islamic stockbroking services.

K. THE INVESTMENT ADVISER – ARABESQUE ASSET MANAGEMENT LTD

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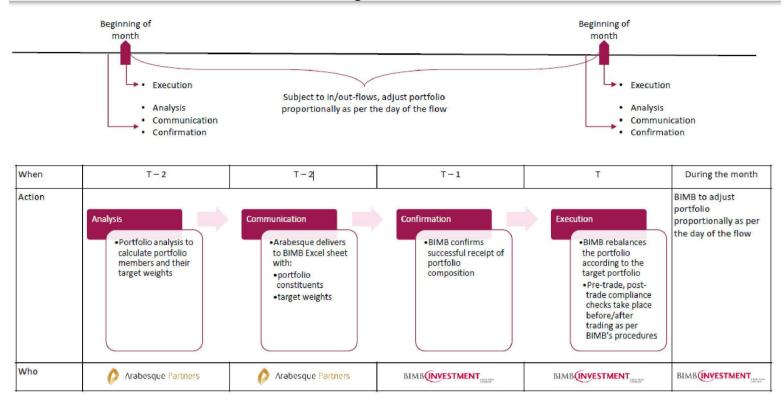
The information in relation to "The Investment Adviser – Arabesque Asset Management Ltd" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

10.1 PROFILE OF ARABESQUE ASSET MANAGEMENT LTD

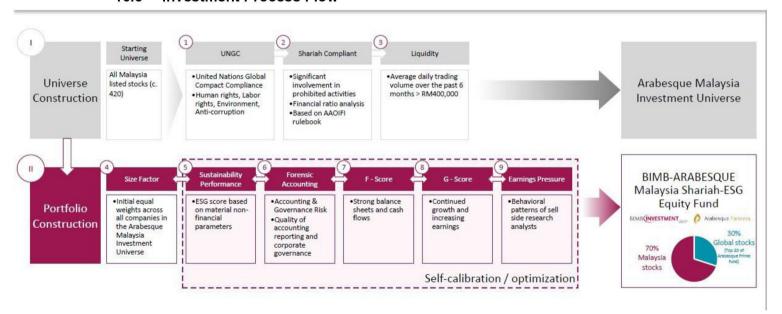
Arabesque Asset Management Ltd is authorised and regulated by the UK Financial Conduct Authority (FCA). It is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Arabesque Holding Limited and part of the Arabesque Group. Arabesque is headquartered in London. Arabesque offers socially responsible equity funds and bespoke investment products. Arabesque uses a rules-based investment approach.

Omar Selim is the CEO and founder of Arabesque. He has 20 years experience in international banking, having held senior positions at UBS, Morgan Stanley and Credit Suisse. His last position was as Head of Institutional Business for Europe, Middle East and Africa at Barclays Capital.

10.2 Co-operation and Responsibility between Arabesque Asset Management Ltd and BIMB Investment Management Berhad



10.3 Investment Process Flow



L. SALIENT TERMS OF DEED

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12.6 Permitted Expenses Payable by the Fund

The information in relation to "**Permitted Expenses Payable by the Fund**" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Only the expenses (or part thereof) which is directly related and necessary in operating and administering the Fund may be charged to the Fund. These would include (but are not limited) to the following:

- (a) commissions or fees paid to dealers in effecting dealings in the investments of the Fund, shown on the contract notes or confirmation notes;
- (b) taxes and other duties charged on the Fund by the government and/or other authorities;
- (c) fees and expenses properly incurred by the auditor;
- (d) fees incurred for the valuation of any Shariah-compliant investment of the Fund;
- (e) costs, fees and expenses incurred for any modification of the Deed save the where such modification is for the benefit of the Manager and/or the Trustee;
- (f) costs, fees and expenses incurred for any meeting of Unit Holders save where such meeting is convened for the benefit of the Manager and/or the Trustee;
- (g) costs, commissions, fees and expenses of the sale, purchase, takaful and any other dealing of any Asset of the Fund;
- (h) costs, fees and expenses incurred in engaging any specialist approved by the Trustee for investigating or evaluating any proposed Shariah-compliant investment of the Fund;
- (i) costs, fees and expenses incurred in engaging any adviser for the benefit of the Fund;
- (j) costs, fees and expenses incurred in the preparation and audit of the taxation, returns and accounts of the Fund;
- (k) costs, fees and expenses incurred in the termination of the Fund or a Class of Units or the removal or retirement of the Trustee pr the Manager and the appointment of a new trustee or management company:
- (I) costs, fees and expenses incurred in relation to any arbitration or other proceedings concerning the Fund or any Asset of the Fund, including proceedings against the Trustee or the Manager by the other for the benefit of the Fund (save to the extent that legal costs incurred for the defence of either of them are not ordered by the court to be reimbursed by the Fund);
- (m) remuneration and out of pocket expenses of the person(s) or members of a committee undertaking the oversight function of the Fund, unless the Manager decides otherwise;
- (n) costs, fees and expenses deemed by the Manager to have been incurred in connection with any change or the need to comply with any change or introduction of any law, regulation or requirement (whether or not having the force of law) of any governmental or regulatory authority;
- (o) costs, expenses incurred in relation to the distribution of income (if any);
- (p) (where the custodial function is delegated by the Trustee) charges and fees paid to subcustodians taking into custody of any foreign assets or investments of the Fund;
- (q) fees, charges, costs and expenses relating to the preparation, printing, posting, lodgement of documents and reports which the Manager and/or the Trustee may be obliged to prepare, print, post and/or lodge in relation to the Fund by virtue of any relevant law: and
- (r) any tax now or hereafter imposed by law or required to be paid in connection with any costs, fees and expenses incurred under sub-paragraphs (a) to (q) above.

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12.8 Termination of the Fund

The following information is hereby inserted immediately after the first paragraph of Section 12.8 as follows:

The Manager may, in consultation with the Trustee, terminate and wind up the Fund if the termination of the Fund is in the best interest of the Unit Holders and the Manager deems it to be uneconomical for the Manager to continue managing the Fund.

The Manager shall also be entitled to terminate the Fund if the Fund is left with no Unit Holders.

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12.9 Termination of a Class of Units

The following information is hereby inserted to the end of Section 12.9 as follows:

The Manager may also, in consultation with the Trustee, terminate any Class of Units if the termination of the Class of Units is in the best interest of Unit Holders and the Manager deems it to be uneconomical for the Manager to continue managing the Class of Units.

The Manager shall be entitled to terminate a Class of Units if that particular Class of Units is left with no Unit Holders.

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12.10 Meeting of Unit Holders

- (i) The information in relation to the "Quorum Required for a Unit Holders' Meeting" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:
 - (a) The quorum required for a meeting of the Unit Holders of the Fund or a Class of Units, as the case may be, shall be five (5) Unit Holders, whether present in person or by proxy; however, that if the Fund or a Class of Units, as the case may be, has five (5) or less Unit Holders, the quorum required for a meeting of the Unit Holders of the Fund or a Class of Units, as the case may be, shall be two (2) Unit Holders, whether present in person or by proxy.
 - (b) If the meeting has been convened for the purpose of voting on a special resolution, the Unit Holders present in person or by proxy must hold in aggregate at least twenty five per centum (25%) of the Units in circulation of the Fund or a Class of Units, as the case may be, at the time of the meeting.
 - (c) If the Fund or a Class of Units, as the case may be, has only one (1) remaining Unit Holder, such Unit Holder, whether present in person or by proxy, shall constitute the quorum required for the meeting of the Unit Holders of the Fund or a Class of Units, as the case may be.
- (ii) The information in relation to the "**Meeting Convened by the Unit Holders**" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

The Unit Holders may direct the Manager to summon a meeting for any purpose including, without limitation, for the purpose of:

- a. requiring the retirement or removal of the Manager;
- b. requiring the retirement or removal of the Trustee;
- c. considering the most recent financial statements of the Fund;
- d. giving to the Trustee such directions as the meeting thinks proper; or
- e. considering any matter in relation to the Deed,

provided always that the Manager shall not be obliged to summon such a meeting unless direction has been received from not less than fifty (50) or one-tenth (1/10), whichever is less, of all the Unit Holders of the Fund or all the Unit Holders of a particular Class of Units.

Unless otherwise required or allowed by the relevant laws, the Manager shall, within twenty-one (21) days of receiving a direction from not less than fifty (50) or one-tenth (1/10), whichever is less, of all the Unit Holders of the Fund or all the Unit Holders of a particular Class of Units, as the case may be, at the registered office of the Manager, summon a meeting of the Unit Holders of the Fund or of that Class of Units, as the case may be, by:

- a. sending by post at least seven (7) days before the date of the proposed meeting a notice of the proposed meeting to all the Unit Holders of the Fund or of that Class of Units, as the case may be, at the Unit Holder's last known address or, in the case of jointholders, at the jointholder whose name stands first in the records of the Manager to the jointholder's last known address;
- b. publishing at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the proposed meeting an advertisement giving notice of the proposed meeting in a national language newspaper published daily and another newspaper approved by the relevant authorities; and
- c. specifying in the notice the place and time of the meeting and the terms of the resolutions to be proposed at the meeting.

M. CONFLICT OF INTEREST/RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

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The fourth paragraph of Section 14 is hereby deleted in its entirety.

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N. TAX ADVISER'S LETTER

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The tax adviser's letter is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:



KPMG Tax Services Sdn. Bhd. (Co. No. 96860-M) Level 10, KPMG Tower 8, First Avenue, Bandar Utama 47600 Petalling Jaya Selangor Darul Ehsan, Malaysia Telephone +60 (3) 7721 3388 Fax +60 (3) 7721 7288 Website www.kpmg.com.my

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The Board of Directors
BIMB Investment Management Berhad
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50450 Kuala Lumpur

Our Ref NBG/ALC/NUAD/X2

Contact Ext. 7284 / 7077

22 May 2023

Dear Sirs/Madams

Re: Taxation of the Fund and Unit Holders

This letter has been prepared for inclusion in this First Supplemental Prospectus of BIMB-Arabesque Malaysia Shariah-ESG Equity Fund in connection with the offer of units in the BIMB-Arabesque Malaysia Shariah-ESG Equity Fund ("the Fund").

Taxation of the Fund

Income Tax

The Fund is a unit trust for Malaysian tax purposes. The taxation of the Fund is therefore governed principally by Sections 61 and 63B of the Income Tax Act, 1967 ("the Act").

Subject to certain exemptions, the income of the Fund in respect of investment income derived from or accruing in Malaysia is liable to income tax at the rate of 24% effective Year of Assessment ("YA") 2016.

The Fund may receive dividends, interest and other income from investments outside Malaysia. Income derived from sources outside Malaysia and received in Malaysia was previously exempt from Malaysian income tax. However, such income may be subject to tax in the country from which it is derived.

Based on the Finance Act 2021, income derived by a resident unit trust from foreign sources and received in Malaysia from 1 January 2022 onwards will be subject to Malaysian income tax. A transitional tax rate of 3% is accorded on the gross amount of the foreign income received in Malaysia from 1 January 2022 to 30 June 2022. From 1 July 2022, the prevailing tax rate of 24% will apply to the chargeable income computed in respect of the foreign source income remitted into Malaysia by the Fund.

Where the same foreign income has been taxed in both Malaysia and the foreign country, a tax credit in the form of bilateral relief under a Double Tax Agreement ("DTA") or unilateral relief under the domestic law (if there is no available DTA or a limited DTA which does not provide such relief) may be given in respect of such income, subject to conditions.

KPMG Tax Services Sdn. Bhd., a company incorporated under Malaysian law and a member firm of the KPMG global organization of independent member firms affiliated with KPMG International Limited, a private English company limited by guarantee. .



Gains from the realisation of investments by the Fund will not be subject to income tax in Malaysia. However, such gains may be subject to tax in the country from which it is derived.

Interest income earned by the Fund from the following are exempt from tax:-

- any savings certificates issued by the Government; or
- securities or bonds issued or guaranteed by the Government; or
- debentures or sukuk, other than convertible loan stock, approved or authorized by, or lodged with, the Securities Commission; or
- Bon Simpanan Malaysia issued by the Central Bank of Malaysia; or
- a bank or financial institution licensed under the Financial Services Act 2013 or Islamic Financial Services Act 2013N1; or
- any development financial institution regulated under the Development Financial Institutions Act
- sukuk originating from Malaysia, other than convertible loan stocks, issued in any currency other than Ringgit and approved or authorized by, or lodged with, the Securities Commission, or approved by the Labuan Financial Services Authority^{N2}.

Discounts earned by the Fund from the following are also exempt from tax: - securities or bonds issued or guaranteed by the Government; or

- debentures or sukuk, other than convertible loan stock, approved or authorized by, or lodged with, the Securities Commission; or
- Bon Simpanan Malaysia issued by the Central Bank of Malaysia.

Tax deductions in respect of the Fund's expenses such as manager's remuneration, expenses on maintenance of register of unit holders, share registration expenses, secretarial, audit and accounting fees, telephone charges, printing and stationery costs and postage ("permitted expenses") are allowed based on a prescribed formula subject to a minimum of 10% and a maximum of 25% of the total permitted expenses.

Single tier Malaysian dividends received by the Fund are exempt from tax and expenses in relation to such dividend income are disregarded.

Real Property Gains Tax ("RPGT")

Gains on disposal of investments by the Fund will not be subject to income tax in Malaysia. However, such gains may be subject to RPGT in Malaysia, if the gains are derived from sale of Malaysian real properties and shares in Malaysian real property companies (as defined). Such gains would be subject to RPGT at the applicable rate depending on the holding period of the chargeable assets.

N1 Effective from 1 January 2019, the exemption shall not apply to the interest paid or credited to a unit trust that is a wholesale fund which is a money market fund.

 $^{^{}N2}$ Effective from YA 2017, income tax exemption shall not apply to interest paid or credited to a company in the same group, licensed banks and prescribed development financial institutions. Based on the Finance Act 2021, income tax exemption shall also not apply to interest paid or credited by a special purpose vehicle to a company pursuant to the issuance of asset-backed securities lodged with the Securities Commission or approved by the Labuan Financial Services Authority from 1 January 2022 where the company and the person who established the special purpose vehicle solely for the issuance of the asset-backed securities are in the same group.



Sales Tax and Service Tax

The Goods and Services Tax ("GST") has been replaced by Sales Tax and Service Tax effective from 1 September 2018.

Under the Sales Tax Act 2018, Service Tax Act 2018 and subsidiary legislation, the sales tax rate for taxable goods is 5% or 10% while the service tax rate for taxable services is generally 6%. There are certain goods which are exempted from sales tax.

The issue, holding or redemption of any unit under a trust fund does not fall within the list of taxable services under the First Schedule of the Service Tax Regulations 2018 and hence, is not subject to service tax. The investment activities of the Fund such as buying and selling of securities and deposits in financial institutions are also not subject to service tax. As such, if the Fund is only deriving income from such activities, the Fund is not liable to be registered for service tax.

However, certain expenses incurred by the Fund such as legal fees, consultancy fees and management fees may be subject to service tax at 6%. For management fees, this specifically excludes fees charged by any person who is licensed or registered with the Securities Commission for carrying out the regulated activity of fund management under the Capital Markets and Services Act 2007. The service tax incurred by the Fund is a cost to the Fund and is not recoverable, unlike the GST input tax which was claimable under the GST regime.

Based on the Finance Act 2018, the imposition and scope of service tax has been widened to include any imported taxable service. This is effective from 1 January 2019.

Taxation of Unit Holders

Income Tax

Unit holders are taxed on an amount equivalent to their share of the total taxable income of the Fund, to the extent that this is distributed to them. The income distribution from the Fund may carry with it applicable tax credits proportionate to each unit holder's share of the total taxable income in respect of the tax paid by the Fund. Unit holders will be entitled to utilise the tax credit as a set off against the tax payable by them. Any excess over their tax liability will be refunded to the unit holders.

Corporate unit holders, resident or non-resident in Malaysia, would be taxed at the corporate tax rate of 24% (effective from YA 2016), on distributions of income from the Fund to the extent of an amount equivalent to their share of the total taxable income of the Fund. Corporate unit holders in Malaysia with paid-up capital in the form of ordinary shares of RM2.5 million and below will be subject to a tax rate of 17% on chargeable income of up to RM600,000, effective from YA 2020. This concessionary income tax rate is given only to corporate unit holders having gross business income for the relevant year of assessment of not more than RM50 million, in addition to the share capital requirement. For chargeable income in excess of RM600,000, the tax rate of 24% is still applicable.

However, the said tax rate of 17% on chargeable income of up to RM600,000 would not apply if more than 50% of the paid up capital in respect of ordinary shares of that corporate unit holder is directly or indirectly owned by a related company which has a paid up capital exceeding RM2.5 million in respect of ordinary shares, or vice versa, or more than 50% of the paid up capital in respect of ordinary shares of both companies are directly or indirectly owned by another company.

Based on the Finance Bill 2023, the tax rate for chargeable income of up to RM150,000 has been reduced from 17% to 15%. While the tax rate for chargeable income from RM150,001 up to RM600,000 is remain unchanged at 17%. For chargeable income in excess of RM600,000, the tax rate is 24%. This is effective from YA 2023.

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In addition to the current conditions as mentioned above, the preferential tax rate would not apply if more than 20% of the paid-up capital in respect of ordinary shares of the company at the beginning of the basis period for a YA is directly or indirectly owned by a company or companies incorporated outside Malaysia or an individual or individuals who are not Malaysian citizens. The amendments will be effective from YA 2024.

Based on the Finance Act 2021, a corporate tax rate of 33% ("Cukai Makmur") will be levied on corporate unit holders with chargeable income exceeding RM100 million. Corporate unit holders with chargeable income below RM100 million will still be taxed at tax rate of 24%. However, the chargeable income in respect of foreign source income received in Malaysia from 1 July 2022 is exempted from the application of Cukai Makmur, computed based on a prescribed formula. The Cukai Makmur is effective for YA 2022 only.

The tax rate of 33% on chargeable income exceeding RM100 million would not apply to corporate unit holders in Malaysia that qualify for the preferential tax rate of 17% on chargeable income of up to RM600 000.

Individuals and other non-corporate unit holders who are resident in Malaysia will be subject to income tax at scale rates. The scale tax rates range from 0% to 30% with effect from YA 2020.

Individuals and other non-corporate unit holders who are not resident in Malaysia, for tax purposes, are subject to Malaysian income tax at the rate of 30% with effect from YA 2020. Non-resident unit holders may also be subject to tax in their respective jurisdictions and depending on the provisions of the relevant tax legislation and any double tax treaties with Malaysia, the Malaysian tax suffered may be creditable in the foreign tax jurisdiction.

The distribution of single-tier Malaysian dividends and tax exempt income by the Fund will not be subject to tax in the hands of the unit holders in Malaysia. Units split by the Fund will also be exempt from tax in Malaysia in the hands of the unit holders.

However, based on the Finance Act 2021, the income distributed to a unit holder other than an individual, out of the interest income exempt from tax of a unit trust that is a retail money market fund which is paid or credited by a bank or financial institution licensed under the Financial Services Act 2013 or Islamic Financial Services Act 2013, or any development financial institution regulated under the Development Financial Institutions Act 2002, will be subjected to tax. This is effective from 1 January 2022. Further, a new withholding tax mechanism is applicable on the above distribution. The income distributed to the unit holder other than an individual will be subject to withholding tax at the rate of 24% and the tax deducted can be utilised to set off against the tax payable by a tax resident unit holder. Withholding tax deducted on the income distributed to a non-individual unit holder who is not a tax resident in Malaysia will be regarded as a final tax. This is effective from 1 January 2022.

Any gains realised by the unit holders (other than financial institutions, insurance companies and those dealing in securities) from the transfer or redemption of the units are generally treated as capital gains which are not subject to income tax in Malaysia. However, certain unit holders may be subject to income tax in Malaysia on such gains, due to specific circumstances of the unit holders.

Service Tax

Only taxable services listed in the First Schedule of the Service Tax Regulations 2018 are subject to service tax, which exclude investment income or gains.

However, certain expenses such as legal fees, consultancy fees and management fees may be subject to service tax at 6%. For management fees, this specifically excludes fees charged by any person who is licensed or registered with the Securities Commission for carrying out the regulated activity of fund management under the Capital Markets and Services Act 2007.

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Based on the Finance Act 2018, the imposition and scope of service tax has been widened to include any imported taxable service. This is effective from 1 January 2019.

The tax position is based on our understanding and interpretation of the Malaysian tax legislations and proposals as they stand at present. All prospective investors should not treat the contents of this letter as advice relating to taxation matters and are advised to consult their own professional advisers concerning their respective investments.

Yours faithfully

Neoh Beng Guan Executive Director

KPMG Tax Services Sdn Bhd

O. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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(i) The information in relation to "Deed(s) that govern the Fund" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

| Deed(s) that govern the | 1. | Deed dated 18 November 2016 |
|-------------------------|----|---|
| Fund | 2. | First Supplemental Deed dated 12 April 2023 |

(ii) The information in relation to "Consent" is hereby inserted immediately after the section "Deed(s) that govern the Fund" as follows:

The Trustee, the Shariah Adviser and the Tax Adviser have given their written consent to act in their respective capacity. They have also given their consent for the inclusion of their names and/or statements and/or reports in this Prospectus in the form and context in which it appears and have not subsequently withdrawn their consent to the inclusion of their names and/or statements and/or reports in the form and context in which it appears in this Prospectus.

P. DIRECTORY OF SALES OFFICE

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The information in relation to "Directory of Sales Offices" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Branches of BIMB Investment Management Berhad

| JOHOR BAHRU | KELANTAN |
|--|------------------------|
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| 2 nd Floor, Taman Bukit Indah | Jalan Padang Garong |
| 79100 Nusajaya | 15000 Kota Bharu |
| Johor. | Kelantan. |
| Tel: +607-239 5608 | Tel : +609 -740 6118 / |
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- Please refer to BIMB Investment's website at https://bimbinvestment.com.my. for the list of licensed consultants.
- Please refer to Bank Islam's website at <u>www.bankislam.com.my</u> for the list of its branches nationwide.