

# ISLAMIC SMALL-CAP FUND

## MAY 2025



ALL DATA AS AT 30 APRIL 2025 UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

### FUND INFORMATION

Launch Date: 25 May 2017

Fund Category/Fund Type:  
Equity (small-cap Shariah) / Growth

Fund Size: RM82,837,940.07

Initial Offer Price: RM0.5000

NAV per Unit: RM0.5702

EPF Investment Scheme: Nil

ISIN No: MYU940000AW5

### FEES, CHARGES AND EXPENSES

Annual Management Fee:  
Up to 1.50% of the Fund's NAV per annumAnnual Trustee Fee:  
Up to 0.065% of the Fund's NAV per annum, subject  
to a minimum of RM15,000 per annumSales Charge:  
Direct: Up to 5.26% of the NAV per Unit of the Fund

Redemption charge: Nil

Redemption Payment Period: Seven (7) business  
days

### TRANSACTION DETAILS

Minimum Initial Investment:  
Lump Sum: RM1000\*  
Regular Investment: RM100\*Minimum Additional Investment:  
Lump Sum & Regular Investment: RM100\*\* The Manager reserves the right to change the minimum  
amounts stipulated above from time to time

### DISTRIBUTIONS

Income Distribution Policy:  
Subject to the availability of income, distribution of  
income, if any, will be incidental, after deduction of  
taxation and expenses

Fund NAV:	NAV	Date
52-Week High	0.6531	07-01-2025
52-Week Low	0.5091	09-04-2025

### FUND MANAGER

Manager's Delegate (External Investment Manager)  
- Eastspring Al-Wara' Investments Berhad

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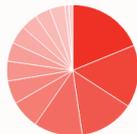
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### FUND OBJECTIVE

The Fund seeks to provide capital appreciation by investing in small market capitalisation Shariah-compliant securities of companies with growth potential.

### ASSET ALLOCATION\*



1. Manufacturing	18.78%	8. Plantation / Natural Resources	4.62%
2. Construction	15.41%	9. Trust	4.48%
3. Consumer	13.50%	10. Cash & cash equivalents	4.12%
4. Technology	11.95%	11. Banking & Finance	3.82%
5. Property	7.04%	12. Health Care	3.72%
6. Oil and Gas	5.71%	13. Conglomerate	0.99%
7. Automotive	4.88%	14. Power / Utilities	0.98%

\* as percentage of NAV.

### TOP HOLDINGS\*

1. Axis Real Estate Investment Trust	4.48%	4. Kerjaya Prospek Group Berhad	4.08%
2. Hong Leong Industries Berhad.	4.46%	5. Magni-Tech Industries Berhad	3.92%
3. Kelington Group Berhad	4.46%		

\* as percentage of NAV.

### FUND PERFORMANCE

Eastspring Investments Islamic Small-Cap Fund - Since Inception (SI) Return Vs Benchmark



The performance is calculated on NAV-to-NAV basis with gross income or dividend reinvested

Source: Lipper for Investment Management. Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance.

### PERFORMANCE TABLE

	1 month	6 months	YTD	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since Inception
Fund	-1.21%	-5.17%	-12.28%	-2.75%	11.15%	28.89%	n.a.	16.44%
Benchmark *	-1.58%	-9.25%	-15.27%	-14.44%	-9.32%	31.76%	n.a.	-13.24%
Lipper Ranking	3 of 13	4 of 13	6 of 13	4 of 13	3 of 12	11 of 12	n.a.	n.a.

Lipper Fund Category: Equity Malaysia Sm &amp; Mid Cap

\*FTSE Bursa Malaysia Small Cap Shariah Index

Fund performance and Lipper ranking are sourced from Lipper for Investment Management and the benchmark is from www.bursamalaysia.com, 30 April 2025. Performance is calculated on a Net Asset Value ("NAV") to NAV basis with gross income or dividend reinvested. Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance.

Note: The performance benchmark of the Fund was previously benchmarked against the composite benchmark of 80% FTSE Bursa Malaysia Small Cap Shariah Index + 20% FTSE Bursa Malaysia EMAS Shariah Index; however, it will be replaced with FTSE Bursa Malaysia Small Cap Shariah Index with effect from 1 February 2023.

### LIPPER LEADERS RATING (OVERALL)

Total Return	Consistent Return	Preservation	Lipper Leaders Key
5	5	4	Lowest Highest 1 5

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Lipper Leader ratings are derived from highly sophisticated formulas that analyse funds against clearly defined criteria. Each fund is ranked against its peers based on the metric used (such as Total Return or Expense), and then the top 20% of funds in that ranking receive the Lipper Leader designation. Lipper Leaders measures are not predictive of future performance, but they do provide context and perspective for making knowledgeable fund investment decisions.



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## FUND MANAGER'S COMMENTARY

The month of April kicked off with "Liberation" Day, as President Donald Trump declared a national economic emergency and announced a new set of reciprocal tariffs on April 2<sup>nd</sup>. A minimum of 10% tariff was announced on imports from all US trading partners and there was also additional reciprocal tariffs that was supposed to become effective from 9 April which was then put on hold for 90 days except for China which was imposed a higher tariff at 145%. Malaysia fared better than regional peers as other than Singapore and the Philippines, the announced reciprocal tariffs imposed by the US was relatively lower. China's President Xi Jin Ping was in Malaysia for a 3-day visit, where a total of 31 MoUs were signed across sectors such as communications, transport, education and artificial intelligence. During the month, foreign outflows continued for the 7th consecutive month since Oct 2024 of RM1.9b (Apr 2025), bringing YTD foreign outflows of RM11.9b. The FBM Emas Shariah Index closed the month at 11,274.29, up 1.35% mom. The FBM Small Cap Shariah index declined 1.58% for the month, underperforming the FBM Emas Shariah Index. The best performing sectors were Telecommunication (+4.9%) and Consumer (+4.2%). The worst performing sectors were Oil & Gas (-9.2%) and Transport (-5.3%). Average value traded on Bursa in April was RM2405m lower by 15.9% mom.

## OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE FUND

Year	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Annual Fund Performance (%)	3.93	-4.69	-4.19	5.58	26.85
Annual Benchmark Performance (%)	19.80	-0.89	-7.87	9.51	10.88
Date/Distribution (RM)	22 Dec, 0.0112	-	-	-	-
Distribution Yield (%)	2.04	-	-	-	-

Source: Distribution and Distribution Yield are sourced from the fund's Annual Report. Fund and Benchmark for current year are based on Year to Date (YTD) figures which is sourced from Lipper for Investment Management. Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Based on the Fund's portfolio returns as at 30 April 2025, the Volatility Factor (VF) for this Fund is 10.9 and is classified as "Moderate" (Source: Lipper). "Moderate" generally includes funds with VF that are higher than 9.185 but not more than 11.98. The VF means that there is a possibility for the Fund in generating an upside return or downside return around this VF. The Volatility Class (VC) is assigned by Lipper based on quintile ranks of VF for qualified funds. VF is subject to monthly revision. The VF for the Fund may be higher or lower than the VC, depending on the market conditions. The Fund's portfolio may have changed since this date and there is no guarantee that the Fund will continue to have the same VF or VC in the future. Presently, only funds launched in the market for at least 36 months will display the VF and its VC.

Investors are advised to read and understand the contents of the Eastspring Investments Islamic Small-cap Fund ("Fund") Prospectus dated 25 May 2017, the Fund's First Supplementary Prospectus dated 31 October 2018, the Fund's Second Supplementary Prospectus dated 2 January 2019, the Fund's Third Supplementary Prospectus dated 1 August 2019, the Fund's Fourth Supplementary Prospectus dated 30 September 2022, the Fund's Fifth Supplementary Prospectus dated 1 February 2023, the Fund's Sixth Supplementary Prospectus dated 2 February 2024 (collectively, "the Prospectuses") and the Fund's Product Highlights Sheet ("PHS") before investing. The Prospectuses and PHS are available at offices of Eastspring Investments Berhad or its authorised distributors and investors have the right to request for a copy of the Prospectuses and PHS.

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