

EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS WHOLESALE SUKUK EXTRA FUND

QUARTERLY REPORT

FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 28 MAY 2021 (LAUNCH DATE) TO 30 JUNE 2022



Dear Valued Investor,

Greetings from Eastspring Investments Berhad!

First and foremost, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for choosing to invest with Eastspring Investments Berhad.

We are pleased to enclose a copy of the Annual/Semi-annual/Quarterly Fund Reports of Eastspring Investments Berhad's fund(s) for the reporting period ended 30 June 2022.

You may also download these reports from our website at www.eastspring.com/my

Should you require any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact our Client Services at 03-2778 1000.

Yours sincerely,

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Raymond Tang Chee Kin Non-Independent, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer

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FUND INFORMATION

Name of Fund	Eastspring Investments Wholesale Sukuk Extra Fund (the "Fund")
Fund Category/ Type	Sukuk/Income
Fund Objective	 The Fund aims to provide regular income stream* and capital growth to Unit Holders. * Income distributed to a Unit Holder will be reinvested into additional Units unless Unit Holder opts for the distribution to be paid out. ANY MATERIAL CHANGE TO THE FUND'S OBJECTIVE
	WOULD REQUIRE UNIT HOLDERS' APPROVAL.
Performance Benchmark	Maybank 1-month Islamic Fixed Deposit-i Source : www.maybank2u.com.my
	Note: The risk profile of the Fund is not the same as the risk profile of the performance benchmark.
Fund Income Distribution Policy	Subject to the availability of income, distribution of income, if any, will be on quarterly basis, after deduction of taxation and expenses. Income distribution may also be distributed in any other periods as may be determined by the Manager from time to time.

KEY PERFORMANCE DATA FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED

Category	Since commencement 18.6.2021 to 30.6.2022
	(%)
Unquoted sukuk	50.80
Cash and other assets	49.20
Total	100.00
Net Asset Value (NAV) (RM'000)	18,785
Units In Circulation (Units '000)	18,801
Net Asset Value Per Unit (RM)	0.9992
Highest Net Asset Value Per Unit (RM)	1.0030
Lowest Net Asset Value Per Unit (RM)	0.9934
Total Return (%)	
- Capital Growth	(0.33)
- Income Distribution	-
Total Return (%)	(0.33)
Gross Distribution Per Unit (RM)	-
Net Distribution Per Unit (RM)	-
Management Expense Ratio (MER) (%)	-
Portfolio Turnover Ratio (PTR) (times)	-

KEY PERFORMANCE DATA (CONTINUED)

	Since commencement 18.6.2021 to 30.6.2022
	(%)
Average total return	(0.08)
Year ended	Since commencement 18.6.2021 to 30.6.2022
Year ended	commencement

Source: The above total return of the Fund was sourced from Lipper for Investment Management.

Bases of calculation and assumptions made in calculating returns:

Percentage growth	=	NAVt NAVo -1
NAVt	=	NAV at the end of the period
NAV ₀	=	NAV at the beginning of the period
Performance annualised	=	(1 + Percentage Growth) ^{1/n} - 1
		Adjusted for unit split and distribution paid out for the period
n	=	Number of years

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance and unit prices and investment returns may go down, as well as up.

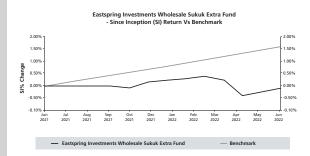
MANAGER'S REPORT

Fund Performance Since inception

Since inception, the Fund recorded a return of -0.08%, underperforming the benchmark return of 1.58% by 1.66%.

During the period under review, the Fund registered a return of -0.33%, underperforming the benchmark return of 0.41% by 0.74%.

The underperformance in the period under review was attributed to weakness in the domestic fixed income market, a mirror reflection to the higher yields seen in the global fixed income space as global central banks race towards tightening monetary policies on the back of persistent inflationary pressures, with Bank Negara Malaysia included.



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

Benchmark: Maybank 1-month Islamic Fixed Deposit-i

Source: Lipper for Investment Management and www.maybank2u.com.my, as at 30 June 2022.

Past performance of the Fund is not necessarily indicative of its future performance.

MANAGER'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

Analysis of Fund Performance	For the financial p	eriod ended 30) June 2022:	
1 chronnance	Income Return	Capital Return*	Total Return	Total Return of Benchmark
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
	0.00	(0.33)	(0.33)	0.41
	* Capital return c	omponents (NA	V per unit to	NAV per unit).
Distribution/ Unit Split	No distribution or ended 30 June 20		declared for t	he financial period
Investment Strategy During the Period Under Review		e cycle. We will nese volatile tim nt yields have tu ave reflected ful nile volatility mig ould still be sup for the Fund. I sentiment-driv hrough higher	continue to l nes. From hist irned attractiv Il domestic m ght still persis oported in the ren market, m cash allocatio	ook for trading prical valuation re on absolute onetary policy t in the near-term, longer-term which aintain our n, while tactically

MANAGER'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

Asset Allocation	30-Jun 2022	31-Mar 2022	Changes
	(%)	(%)	(%)
Unquoted sukuk Cash and other assets	50.80 49.20	43.75 56.25	7.05 (7.05)
Asset Allocatio	on as at 30	June 2022	
Unquoted sukuk 50.80%	\mathbf{D}		
There were no significant char for the period under review.	nges in asse	t allocation	of the Fund
of the Fund nor any circumsta	nces that m	aterially aff	ect any
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MARKET REVIEW

The Fed raised its federal funds rate by 125 bps during the quarter to 1.50%-1.75% as inflationary pressures continued to increase. Headline inflation chalked another record high in May 2022 at 8.6% y-o-y (April 2022: 8.3% y-o-y), quashing hope of a peak in inflation, and while core inflation moderated to 6.0% y-o-y (April 2022: 6.2% y-o-y) it is still highly elevated. After hiking by 75 bps during its Jun 2022 FOMC meeting the Fed did not rule out a similar move in the upcoming meeting. Meanwhile, Fed's latest economic projections suggest slower growth (+1.7%), higher unemployment rate (3.7%) and higher inflation (+5.2%) for 2022 compared to the previously forecasted 2.8%, 3.5% and 4.3%. The Fed's determination in fighting inflation is also reflected in the jump in its median FFR forecasts to 3.4% and 3.8% for 2022 and 2023 from 1.9% and 2.8% previously. On the fiscal front, the White House announced that it is reviewing the removal of some tariffs imposed on Chinese goods and called for a 3-month holiday of the federal gasoline tax.

The Russia-Ukraine war that started in February 2022 has exacerbated the global energy and food crisis and magnified a slowdown in global economy that is still struggling to recover from the Covid-19 pandemic. As a result, the World Bank lowered its 2022 global growth forecast by nearly a third to 2.9% while OECD slashed its 2022 global growth forecast to 3.0% from 4.5% previously.

The protracted Russia-Ukraine war and the delay in the conclusion of a new Iran nuclear deal is expected to keep the supply of oil tight. Meanwhile, President Zelensky warned of a more than 40% drop in Ukraine's grain harvest this year and indicated that no progress has been made on the multilevel negotiations to unblock Ukrainian ports where millions of tonnes of grain are trapped. Having said that, Ukraine has been granted the candidate status for accession to the EU and the G7 leaders have agreed to pursue an effort to impose a global price cap on Russian oil and pledged to support Ukraine for "as long as it takes".

BNM surprised the market with a 25bps OPR hike at its May 2022 MPC meeting, bringing the policy rate to 2.00%. The central bank also signaled more hikes, to be done in a measured and gradual manner, given the firmer footing of domestic growth, which in turn is supported by strengthening demand, sustained exports and a stronger labour market. On the global front, BNM noted the sustained re-opening of global economy and improving labour market conditions have helped cushion the Ukraine crisis and lockdowns in China. It also expects inflation pressures to cause central banks to adjust their monetary policy at a faster pace. That said, BNM indicated that risks to growth remain, which include weaker global growth and further escalation of geopolitical conflicts, worsening supply chain disruptions and adverse developments surrounding Covid-19.

Malaysia's May CPI increased to 2.8% y-o-y (April: 2.3%) whilst core inflation rose by 2.4% y-o-y (April: 2.1%), due mainly to higher inflation for both food away and food at home, rental, and repair and maintenance for personal transport. Higher imported food prices, driven by the war in Ukraine and poor weather conditions, an increase in demand during the festive season and the reopening of Malaysia's international borders contributed to inflation.

Malaysian subsidy rationalisation was again in focus, studies on replacing blanket petrol subsidies with a more targeted approach are already in progress. In June 2022, the government announced the revision of ceiling prices for chicken, eggs and cooking oil effective 1 July although cash assistance was offered to affected households. Meanwhile, the country's Fiscal Responsibility Bill that comes with guiding principles on broader revenue base and statutory debt limits will be tabled in the Parliament by end-2022. The development is timely given the country's projected record subsidy expenditure of RM77.3b for 2022.

On a more positive note, the World Bank opined that Malaysia is less impacted by the rapid rising interest rate in the US given the country's flexible exchange rate, lower USD-denominated debt and sizable international reserves. S&P affirmed Malaysia's sovereign credit rating at A- and revised its outlook to Stable from Negative citing the country's consistently strong growth trend that helps offset its fiscal vulnerabilities.

Malaysia posted a stronger-than-expected 1Q2022 GDP growth of 5.0% y-o-y (4Q2021: +3.6% y-o-y) as commendable performance of Services (+6.5% y-o-y) and Manufacturing (+6.6% y-o-y), following the re-opening of economy, helped offset the weak performance delivered by Mining (-1.1% y-o-y) and Construction (-6.2% y-o-y). By expenditure, domestic demand strengthened sharply at 4.4% y-o-y (4Q2021: +1.9% y-o-y), underpinned by strong public and private consumption. Despite the strong 1Q2022 performance, BNM maintains its GDP and inflation forecasts of 5.3% to 6.3% and 2.2% to 3.2% respectively for 2022.

Malaysian Government Securities (MGS) yields traded higher during the period with 3-, 5-, 10- and 15-year yields closed 33-58bps higher at 3.51%, 3.96%, 4.30% and 4.61%, respectively. The increase in yields was driven by supply concerns, monetary policy tightening both globally and domestically on the back of still commendable economic recovery and heightening inflationary pressure.

Similarly, Government Investment Issues ("GII") yields ended higher across the curve with the 3-, 5-, 10- and 15-year GII yields rose 34-64 bps to close at 3.57%, 4.13%, 4.26% and 4.67% respectively.

REBATES AND SOFT COMMISSIONS

During the period under review, the Manager and its delegates (if any) did not receive any soft commissions from stockbrokers.

SECURITIES LENDING OR REPURCHASE TRANSACTIONS

No securities lending or repurchase transaction have been carried out during the financial period under review.

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EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS WHOLESALE SUKUK EXTRA FUND

CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the financial period from 28 May 2021 (Launch date) to 30 June 2022

SHARIAH ADVISER'S REPORT TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS WHOLESALE SUKUK EXTRA FUND ("FUND"),

We hereby confirm:

- To the best of our knowledge, after having made all reasonable enquiries, Eastspring Investments Berhad has operated and managed the Fund for the period covered by these financial statements namely, the period ended 30 June 2022, in accordance with Shariah principles and requirements and complied with the applicable guidelines, rulings or decisions issued by the Securities Commission Malaysia pertaining to Shariah matters; and
- 2. The assets of the Fund comprise instruments that have been classified as Shariah compliant.

For and on behalf of the Shariah Adviser, **BIMB SECURITIES SDN BHD**

NURUSSA'ADAH NASARUDIN

Designated Shariah Officer

Kuala Lumpur Date: 19 August 2022

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 28 MAY 2021 (LAUNCH DATE) TO 30 JUNE 2022

	Note	Financial period from 28.5.2021 (launch date) to 30.6.2022
		RM
INVESTMENT INCOME Profit income from Islamic deposits with		
licensed financial institutions Profit income from unquoted sukuk Net loss on financial assets at		150,862 194,951
fair value through profit or loss	4	<u>(230,117)</u> 115,696
EXPENSES		
Management fee	2	(69,334)
Trustee fee	3	(11,055)
Audit fee Tax agent fee		(4,844) (3,651)
Other expenses		(42,431)
other expenses		(131,315)
LOSS BEFORE TAXATION		(15,619)
TAXATION		
LOSS AFTER TAXATION AND TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE LOSS		(15,619)
Loss after taxation is made up of the following:		
Realised amount		214,498
Unrealised amount		(230,117)
		(15,619)

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2022

	Note	2022
		RM
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Financial assets at fair value through	5	9,291,243
profit or loss TOTAL ASSETS	4	9,543,708 18,834,951
LIABILITIES Accrued management fee Amount due to Trustee Other payables and accruals TOTAL LIABILITIES		7,709 1,233 40,628 49,570
NET ASSET VALUE OF THE FUND		18,785,381
EQUITY Unit holders' capital Accumulated losses		18,801,000 (15,619)
NET ASSET ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS		18,785,381
NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION	7	18,801,000
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT (RM)		0.9992

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS

FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 28 MAY 2021 (LAUNCH DATE) TO 30 JUNE 2022

	Unit holders' capital	Accumulated losses	Total
	RM	RM	RM
Balance as at 28 May 2021 (launch date)	-	-	-
Movement in unit holders'			
Creation of units from applications Total comprehensive loss for	18,801,000	-	18,801,000
the financial period	-	(15,619)	(15,619)
Balance as at 30 June 2022	18,801,000	(15,619)	18,785,381

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 28 MAY 2021 (LAUNCH DATE) TO 30 JUNE 2022

	Note	Financial period from 28.5.2021 (launch date) to 30.6.2022
		RM
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Purchase of Shariah-compliant investments Profit income received Management fee paid Trustee fee paid Payment for other fees and expenses Net cash used in operating activities CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES Cash proceeds from units created		(9,724,600) 296,588 (61,625) (9,822) (10,298) (9,509,757) 18,801,000
Net cash generated from financing activities		18,801,000
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		9,291,243
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE LAUNCH DATE		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	5	9,291,243

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 28 MAY 2021 (LAUNCH DATE) TO 30 JUNE 2022

1. INFORMATION ON THE FUND

Eastspring Investments Wholesale Sukuk Extra Fund (the "Fund") was constituted pursuant to the execution of a Deed dated 26 April 2021 (the "Deed") entered into between Eastspring Investments Berhad (the "Manager") and Deutsche Trustees Malaysia Berhad (the "Trustee").

The Fund was launched on 28 May 2021 and will continue its operations until terminated by the Trustee or the Manager as provided under Part 12 of the Deed.

The Fund aims to provide regular income stream and capital growth to Unit Holders. The Fund seeks to achieve its objective by actively managing a portfolio of corporate sukuk, sukuk issued or guaranteed by Malaysian government or BNM, Islamic money market instruments, Islamic money market funds and/or Islamic deposits.

All investments will be subjected to the Securities Commission's ("SC") Guidelines on Unlisted Capital Market Products under the Lodge and Launch Framework, the Deed and the objective of the Fund.

The Manager is a company incorporated in Malaysia and is related to Prudential Plc., a public listed company in the United Kingdom. The principal activity of the Manager is the establishment and management of unit trust funds and asset management.

2. MANAGEMENT FEE

In accordance with the Deed, the Manager is entitled to a management fee at a rate not exceeding 2.00% per annum of the net asset value of the Fund, calculated on daily basis.

For the financial period ended 30 June 2022, the management fee is recognised at a rate of 0.50% per annum on the net asset value of the Fund, calculated on daily basis.

There will be no further liability to the Manager in respect of the management fee other than the amounts recognised above.

3. TRUSTEE FEE

In accordance with the Deed, the Trustee is entitled to an annual fee at a rate not exceeding 0.20% per annum of the net asset value of the Fund, subject to a minimum fee of RM15,000 per annum.

For the financial period ended 30 June 2022, the Trustee fee is recognised at a rate of 0.03% per annum on the net asset value of the Fund, inclusive of local custodian fee, calculated on daily basis.

There will be no further liability to the Trustee in respect of the trustee fee other than the amounts recognised above.

4. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

	2022
	RM
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss: Unquoted sukuk	9,543,708
Net loss on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:	
Change in unrealised fair value loss	(230,117) (230,117)

Unquoted sukuk

Name of counter	Nominal value	Aggregate cost	Fair value as at 30.6.2022	Percentage of net asset value of the Fund
	RM	RM	RM	%
3.47% Bank Simpanan Nasional Berhad 21.10.2026 (AAA)	3,200,000	3,221,600	3,117,344	16.59
4.99% PONSB Capital Berhad 30.6.2027 (AA3 (S))	1,500,000	1,500,205	1,507,510	8.02
4.05% BGSM Management Sdn Berhad 4.12.2026 (AA3)	2,000,000	2,026,475	1,966,926	10.47
3.83% Pengurusan Air SPV Berhad 11.11.2027 (AAA)	2,000,000	2,020,475	1,954,763	10.41
4.58% Point Zone (M) Berhad 7.3.2029 (AA- IS)	1,000,000	1,014,555	997,165	5.31
TOTAL UNQUOTED SUKUK	9,700,000	9,773,825	9,543,708	50.80
ACCUMULATED UNREALISED LOSS ON FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS	-	(230,117)		
TOTAL FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS	-	9,543,708		

5. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2022
	RM
Bank balance with a licensed bank	40,328
Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions	9,250,915
	9,291,243

6. SHARIAH INFORMATION OF THE FUND

The Shariah Adviser confirmed that the investment portfolio of the Fund is Shariah compliant, which comprises:

- a. Unquoted sukuk as per the list of unquoted sukuk available at Bond Info Hub and Fully Automated System for Issuing/Tendering of Bank Negara Malaysia; and
- b. Liquid assets in local market which are placed in Shariah-compliant instruments.

7. UNITS IN CIRCULATION

	Financial period from 28.5.2021 (launch date) to 30.6.2022
	No. of units
At the beginning of the launch date Creation of units arising from applications during the financial period	- 18,801,000
At the end of the financial period	18,801,000

8. UNITS HELD BY THE MANAGER AND PARTIES RELATED TO THE MANAGER

The related parties and their relationship with the Fund are as follows:

Related parties	Relationship	
Eastspring Investments Berhad	The Manager	
Prudential Plc	Ultimate holding company of the Manager	
Eastspring Investments Group Private Limited	Immediate holding company of the Manager	
Director of Eastspring Investments Berhad	Director of the Manager	

Units held by Manager:

		2022
	No. of units	RM
Eastspring Investments Berhad	1,000	999

The above units were transacted at the prevailing market price.

The units are held legally and beneficially by the Manager and are within the prescribed limit allowed by SC's Guidelines on Unlisted Capital Market Products under the Lodge and Launch Framework. Other than the above, there were no units held by the Directors or parties related to the Manager.

In addition to the related parties disclosure mentioned in the financial statements, there were no other significant related parties transactions and balances.

9. SIGNIFICANT EVENT DURING THE FINANCIAL PERIOD

The worsening macro-economic outlook as a result of COVID-19, both domestically and globally, could result in the deterioration of the Fund's net asset value in the future.

The Manager is monitoring the situation closely and will be actively managing the portfolio to achieve the Fund's objective.

CORPORATE DIRECTORY

THE MANAGER

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