



# **Strategy Description**

Meranti Asia Fund 'MAF' seeks long-term high growth of the portfolio by investing across Asia Pacific ex. Japan equity markets, while looking to mitigate risks during significant downturns. Instead of investing in flavour of the day concepts, the strategy focuses on structural characteristics that make sense and are backed by empirical research.

# **Key Features**

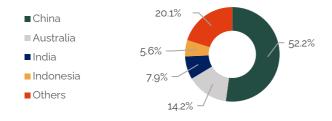
**Dynamic Risk Mitigation:** Financial crises are infrequent but inevitable. By managing risks in significant downturns, the strategy is designed to help investors endure systemic shocks and continue to invest with confidence.

**Asia Equities:** Invest into secular opportunities arising from the global shift of economic power to Asia.

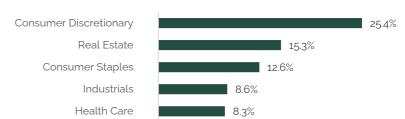
**Active Strategy:** Index funds tend to focus on less than 5% of the 33,000+ listed companies in Asia. By investing across the universe using Fundamental, Valuation, and Technical principles; the ability to be different provides outperformance potential.

# Asia Equities Fertile ground for investing into compelling growth opportunities Dynamic Risk Mitigation Risk management to mitigate risk of negative compounding Asia Equities Equities Physiology Risk Mitigation Risk Mitigation

# Geographical Breakdown



# **Sector Allocation**

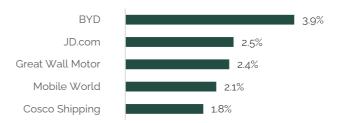


# Strategy Backtest Statistics

Annualised	Volatility	Positive	Upside/Downside
Return		Months	Capture
11.92%	18.84%	59%	95/77%

<sup>\*</sup> For illustrative purposes only. Calculated 29/8/2008 to 31/10/2020, inclusive of cost and fees as determined appropriate by the manager. These statistics may not be a good indication of actual performance which can differ meaningfully over shorter time periods.

# **Top Equity Holdings**



**Monthly Performance History** 

USD A	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2021	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.98%	-4.50%	1.66%	-3.93%5		-3.95%4.5
USD B1	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2020	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.15%	3.38%	11.81%²
2021	2.40%	0.94%	-1.34%	2.05%	0.08%	0.02%	-5.55%	3.13%	-4.36%	1.81%	-3.93%5		-5.07%5
SGD A	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2021	-	-	-	-	0.45%	-0.29%	-5.71%	3.00%	-4.63%	1.51%	-3.93 <sup>5</sup>		-9.52% <sup>3.5</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Performance based on the Lead Series. <sup>2</sup> Since inception of 2 Nov 2020. <sup>3</sup> Since inception of 3 May 2021. <sup>4</sup> Since inception of 2 August 2021. <sup>5</sup> Manager's estimated return. Actual return will be updated in the following month.

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# Market & Portfolio Developments

## **Market Review**

Asian equities were down 4.27% in November as the emergence of Omicron led to renewed anxiety that the economic recovery would be derailed. We are monitoring developments objectively, and remind investors not to pay undue emphasis on the negatives especially as there has also been some positive economic data i.e. China's PMI rose to 50.1 in November, signalling expansion.

## Main Contributors 'What did well'?

Our strategy is guided by FVT principles to invest into a portfolio of stocks that are well diversified, and expected to complement each other. This approach played out well last month; during stress and sell off, investors tends to take a flight to quality, companies with profits became the outperformer in November. i.e. JD.com rose +7.45%.

# Main Detractors 'What underperformed?'

Following a stretch of positive performance, our Small-cap and Value positions gave back some of the strong YTD gains on concerns over the newer COVID-19 Omicron variant. As explained in our <u>latest market commentary</u>, this reaction is a classic example of amplifying the bad and understating the good. On balance, these positions are expected to benefit from the broader economic growth which remains intact.

# Outlook

With the continued regulatory crackdown by the Chinese government, and now fresh concerns over the new COVID-19 variant, financial markets are expected to remain volatile and unpredictable. Rather than trying to predict the short-term ups and down of the market, we continue to emphasize effective portfolio diversification across strategies with better FVT (Fundamental, Valuation, Technical). Having differentiated and complementary strategies that take turns to perform in the portfolio lead to a smoother journey and better outcome for our investors.

# **Fund Details**

Item	Class A	Class B				
Currency		SGD				
ISIN (USD Class)	SGXZ99381758 (Distribution)	SGXZ76017904 (Accumulation)				
ISIN (SGD Class)	SGXZ64383987 (Distribution)	SGXZ78636883 (Accumulation)				
Projected Distribution <sup>6</sup>	4% p.a.	-				
Min. Subscription	USD 400,000 SGD 500,000	USD 40,000 SGD 50,000				
Account Opening Fee <sup>7</sup> (One-time)	USD 3,000 SGD 4,000	USD 3,000 SGD 4,000				
Min. Subsequent Subscription	USD 10,000 SGD 15,000	USD 10,000 SGD 15,000				
Redemption Fees						
1st Year of Investment	-	3%				
2nd Year of Investment	-	2%				
3rd Year of Investment	-	1%				
4th Year Onwards	-	0%				
Management Fee	1.78%	0%				
Performance Fee8	0%	20%				
Fund Name	Meranti Capital VCC Asia Fund					
Dealing Frequency	Monthly					
Base Currency	USD					
Inception Date	2 November 2020					
Fund Domicile	Singapore					
Investment Manager	Finexis Asset Management					
Fund Administrator	ASCENT Fund Services (Singapore)					
Custodian	Standard Chartered Bank					
Auditor	KPM	KPMG LLP				
Broker	Goldman Sac	Goldman Sachs (Asia) L.L.C.				
Legal Advisors	BTPLa	BTPLaw LLC				

About Meranti: The Meranti fund series is named after the Meranti tree, which is native to Singapore and the region. It is a canopy and emergent tree; providing shade from its place at the top layer of a rainforest where sunlight is plentiful. To reach such great heights, the trees have a strong and wide system of roots to help provide stability while also gathering more nutrients. Likewise, Meranti funds were developed around a Dynamic Risk Mitigation process so that investors can invest with confidence and harvest the full potential of capital growth through market cycles.

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