



# **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**

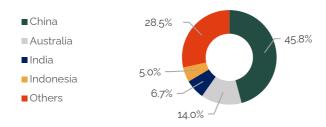
**Dynamic Risk Mitigation:** Financial crises are infrequent but inevitable. By managing risks in significant downturns, the strategy is designed to help investors endure systemic shocks and continue to invest with confidence.

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

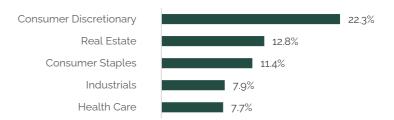
**Active Strategy:** Index funds tend to focus on less than 5% of the 33,000+ listed companies in Asia. By investing across the universe using Fundamental, Valuation, and Technical principles; the ability to be different provides outperformance potential.

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

## Geographical Breakdown



### **Sector Allocation**

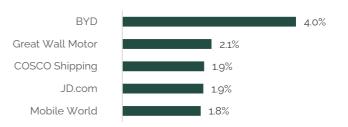


# Strategy Backtest Statistics

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	Dec5	YTD
2021	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.98%	-4.50%	1.66%	-3.90%	-1.94%	-5.78%4.5
USD B1	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec <sup>5</sup>	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%	-3.76%	-1.94%	-6.75% <sup>5</sup>
SGD A	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec <sup>5</sup>	YTD
2021	-	-	-	-	0.45%	-0.29%	-5.71%	3.00%	-4.63%	1.51%	-3.90%	-1.94%	-11.25% <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

#### 2021 Market Review

2021 saw a bifurcation in the performance of Developed Markets and Asian equities, as the latter was impacted by a double whammy of slowdown and government clampdown in China. Asian equities ended the year down 2.90%.

#### 2021 Main Contributors 'What did well'?

In 2021, our **Small-Cap** names contributed meaningfully to performance alongside the ongoing global recovery. Notably, our FVT process also led to investments in **Value** stocks with more favourable risk/reward – this helped us avoid sharp declines within certain growth segments over the year.

#### 2021 Main Detractors 'What underperformed?'

In general, concerns around a slowing economy (coming down from previously high levels) and government clampdown in China led to broader declines within the **Real Estate** and **Consumer** sectors. Consequently, positions here detracted from overall performance.

At the same time, recent volatility and divergence in performance have presented us with more attractive opportunities as companies with good fundamentals were over-sold. In general, we continue to add to positions as their margin of safety increases, and taking profits on the way up.

#### Outlook

We have started to observe more green shoots coming out of China with the recent easing of monetary conditions, which may be signalling an end to 2021's deleveraging cycle. As conditions turn more accommodative, this is expected to provide a strong tailwind for Asian equities to deliver better future returns, especially as valuations continue to be cheap compared to developed markets.

As always, we continue to be guided by our FVT (Fundamental, Valuation, Technical) process to invest in areas with better upside and a larger margin of safety for our investors. We also continue to emphasize effective diversification, by having differentiated positions in our portfolios that take turns to perform and complement each other.

#### **Fund Details**

Item	Class A	Class B			
Currency	USD,	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 Fee <sup>8</sup>	0%	20%			
Fund Name	Meranti Capital VCC				
Dealing Frequency	Asia Fund Monthly				
Base Currency	USD				
Inception Date	2 November 2020				
Fund Domicile	Singapore				
Investment Manager	Finexis Asset Management				
Fund Administrator	ASCENT Fu	ASCENT Fund Services (Singapore)			
Custodian	Standard Chartered Bank				
Auditor	KPMG LLP				
Broker	Goldman Sachs (Asia) L.L.C.				
Legal Advisors	BTPLaw LLC				

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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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