

#### **Fund Objective**

This fund seeks to achieve medium to long-term capital appreciation, investing in Malaysian Small and Medium Market Capitalisation ("Small Mid Cap") equities. It may partially invest in foreign Small Mid Cap equities (Asia Pacific excluding Japan region) if and when necessary, to enhance the fund's returns.



#### Notice:

Actual return is based on net basis (net of tax and charges). Past Performance of the fund is not an indication of its future performance. This is strictly the performance of the unit fund, and not the returns earned on the actual premiums paid of the Investment-Linked insurance product.

#### Percentage Return (NAV to NAV) YTD 1-Mth 6-Mth 1Y 3Y 5Y Since Inception Lion Small Mid Cap 18.8% (0.8%)1.7% 23.1% 14.4% 41.4% 40.9% Fund Weighted 42.5% 18.5% 4.3% 20.1% 44.6% Benchmark\*

Source: Bloomberg - Bursa Malaysia

## **Investment Strategy**

The fund employs an active management strategy, targeting equities with good fundamentals and growth potential to provide consistent long-term return above the benchmark. The fund uses bottom-up approach which relies on qualitative and quantitative factors which are, but not limited to, financial position, valuation, company or industry risks and prospects.

The fund invests mainly in Malaysian equities with a market capitalisation that is equal to or lower than the largest market capitalisation of the FTSE Bursa Malaysia 70 index component. Although the fund invests mainly in Malaysia (50% to 100%), it may also partially invest in foreign Small Mid Cap securities that is equal to or lower than the largest market capitalisation of the MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex Japan Small Cap index component.

# Asset Allocation Equities: 60% - 100%

- Malaysia: 50% - 100%

- Asia Pacific excluding Japan region: up to 50%

Cash / Cash Equivalent: 0% - 40%

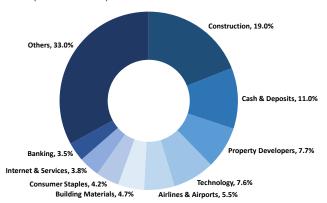
#### Top 5 Holdings (as at 31-Oct-2024)

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Name	% of NAV	
Gamuda Bhd	5.3%	
Malaysia Airport Holdings Bhd	4.1%	
IJM Corp Bhd	3.5%	
AMMB Holdings Bhd	3.5%	
MN Holdings Bhd	3.1%	

#### Fund Info (as at 31-Oct-2024)

Inception Date	10 October 2019	For Single Pricing Product
Fund Size (RM mil)	59.4	NAV per unit (RM) 1.339
Management Fee	1.40% p.a. on NAV	For Dual Pricing Product
Other Charges	Nil	Bid Unit Price (RM) 1.339
Fund Manager	GELM Investment	Offer Unit Price (RM) 1.409
Valuation	Daily based on market prices	Risk Profile High

### Sector Allocation (as at 31-Oct-2024)



The fund performance updates presented by Great Eastern Life Assurance (Malaysia) Berhad ("the Company") are to be used as an information source only.

Please read and understand the contents of the fund fact sheet before investing. The fund performance updates should be read in conjunction with the fund fact sheet, product brochure, Product Disclosure Sheet, sales illustration, and policy contract.

There can be no assurances that the fund will be able to maintain its net asset value per security at a constant amount or that the full amount of your investment in the fund will be returned to you. Customers should consider the fees and charges involved.

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<sup>\*</sup> Weighted benchmark derived from 75% weight on FBM70 Total Return and 25% weight on FBM Small Cap Total Return.



31 October 2024



#### Equity

#### **Market Review**

The KLCI declined 2.9% MoM to end at 1,602. MSCI MY outperformed MSCI APxJ by 1.9% in October (vs. September's -5.8%). MYR weakened 5.8% MoM at 4.38, while 10Y MGS increased 21bps to 3.92%. Meanwhile, Brent crude oil rose 1.1% MoM to US\$73/bbl. Foreign equities recorded -RM1.8bn net outflow in October 2024, compared to a net inflow of RM0.86bn in September 2024. Malaysia's bond market recorded 0.4% MoM net foreign inflow in September 2024. Foreign holdings of MGS decreased by RM0.7bn MoM to RM215bn, which is equivalent to 34.3% of total outstanding MGS. Gamuda has rallied 5.7% MoM on the back of its RM4.3bn mass rapid transit (MRT) project win in Taiwan. Meanwhile, YTL Corp declined -20.7% MoM and there has not been any new news around the name. Feedback from investors is still around nervousness on the group's Al-DC segment.

#### **Market Outlook**

As of October 2024, the FBM70 Index outperformed the performance of the FBM KLCI by 10.3%. The small cap space continued to show weakness with the FBM Small-Cap Index underperform the FBM KLCI by 6.5% as of end October. The small cap space has underperformed due to weak reporting numbers, high composition of RM strength detractors and reduced liquidity in the retail space. The strong local economic numbers and strong results among the big cap names also helped the FBM KLCI outperform its smaller counterparts.

Despite the fall in recent weakness of the mid-small cap space, Lion Small Mid-Cap Fund continues to outperform its relevant benchmarks. Although short term weakness may persist with a liquidity shift to larger caps and uncertainty on global geo-politics, we continue to pursue companies with strong growth fundamentals and attractive valuations for the fund.