

AIA Japan Equity Fund (the “ILP Sub-Fund”)



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Fund Summary (IFPS)
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FUND FACTS

Manager of ILP Sub-Fund	Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited
Underlying Fund	Nikko AM Shenton Japan Fund
Country of Domicile of Underlying Fund	Singapore
Manager of Underlying Fund	Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited
Inception Date	9 March 2006
Annual Management Fee ¹ (p.a.)	1.50% (max 3.00%) of its Net Asset Value
Source of Fund	Cash, SRS & CPFIS OA
CPFIS Risk Classification	Higher Risk – Narrowly Focused – Country – Japan

¹ The Annual Management Fee is payable through deduction from asset value of the ILP Sub-Fund.

The ILP Sub-Fund is a single fund. The units in the ILP Sub-Fund are not classified as Excluded Investments Products.

PAST PERFORMANCE (as at 31 January 2021)

Annualized Returns	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since Inception
AIA Japan Equity Fund	9.04%	0.80%	7.64%	5.23%	-1.81%
Benchmark [^] : TOPIX ¹ Index (With effect from 1 July 2011)	10.31%	3.39%	7.82%	5.65%	1.16%

[^]Previous Benchmark:

Inception to 30 June 2011 - MSCI Japan DTR Net

¹Prior to 1 May 2017, the performance returns of the benchmark is calculated using price index methodology. With effect from 1 May 2017, it is calculated using net total return index methodology.

Notes:

1. Performance of the ILP Sub-Funds are calculated in SGD on a bid to bid basis with any income or dividends reinvested, but excluding such fees and/or charges which may be payable through deduction of premium or cancellation of units.
2. Past performance of an ILP Sub-Fund is not necessarily indicative of its future performance.

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE OF ILP SUB-FUND

This fund seeks to achieve long term capital appreciation through investment primarily in equities and equity-related securities of Japanese companies.

INVESTMENT APPROACH OF ILP SUB-FUND

The ILP Sub-Fund follows the investment approach of the underlying fund of Nikko AM Shenton Japan Fund as the ILP Sub-Fund feeds 100% into the underlying fund.

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INVESTMENT APPROACH OF UNDERLYING FUND

Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited has appointed Nikko Asset Management Co., Ltd (“Nikko AM”) of Midtown Tower, 9-7-1 Akasaka, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan 107-6242, a company domiciled in Japan, to act as the Sub-Managers of the Nikko AM Shenton Japan Fund (“Fund”).

Nikko AM has been managing collective investment schemes and/or discretionary funds for over 5 decades. Nikko AM is regulated by the Financial Services Agency, the Securities and Exchange Surveillance Commission and the Kanto Local Finance Bureau.

Investment Objective, Focus and Approach:

The investment objective of the Fund is to achieve medium to long-term capital appreciation by investing in a diversified portfolio of equity investments listed in Japan.

The Fund may also invest in bonds, money market and other instruments (including instruments included under the Central Provident Fund (“CPF”) Investment Scheme (“CPFIS”)). There is no target industry or sector.

The Managers believe that active investment management can add value to investors. They seek to add value by selectively over/under weighting benchmark components to achieve relative out-performance and carefully blending the mix with a selection of non-benchmark components to deliver absolute out-performance.

The SGD Class of the Scheme is included under the CPFIS – Ordinary Account and is classified under the Higher Risk – Narrowly Focused – Country – Japan category by the CPF Board.

The benchmark against which the Fund’s performance is measured is the TOPIX Index. There was a change in benchmark from the Nikkei 225 Stock Average to the Tokyo Stock Price Index or TOPIX Index on 1 June 2004 as the TOPIX Index, which comprises equities from a greater diversity of companies and industries than the Nikkei 225 Stock Average, would more accurately reflect the investment objective of the Fund. Prior to 1 May 2017, the performance returns of the benchmark of the Fund was calculated using price index methodology. With effect from 1 May 2017, the performance returns of the benchmark is calculated using net total return index methodology. Net total return index methodology incorporates into its returns calculation the reinvestment of a constituent company’s dividend distributions net of tax credits or charges.

INFORMATION ON THE MANAGER OF ILP SUB-FUND

Nikko Asset Management is Asia’s premier global asset manager, with approximately US\$249.1 billion* in assets under management as of September 30, 2020. The firm offers world-class asset management strategies and solutions for global investors, capitalizing on opportunities in markets around the world. With more than 200** investment professionals, the firm leverages its extensive global resources across 11 countries/regions representing around 30 nationalities. Headquartered in Asia for over 60 years, Nikko Asset Management’s vantage point – extending east to west – makes its investment approach distinctive among asset managers.

In Singapore, Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited (“Nikko AM Asia”) is a leading asset manager which combines the strengths of two award-winning asset managers formerly known as DBS Asset Management Ltd and Nikko Asset Management Singapore Limited. Nikko AM Asia has managed collective investment schemes or discretionary funds in Singapore since 1982.

* Consolidated assets under management and advice of Nikko AM, including subsidiaries but excluding minority affiliates and minority joint ventures, as of 30 September 2020.

** As at 30 September 2020, including employees of Nikko AM and its subsidiaries, but excluding minority affiliates and minority joint ventures

If the Managers go into liquidation, the Trustee may remove the Managers or terminate the Fund in accordance with the provisions of the trust deed of the Fund. The Fund’s assets are held by the Trustee for your behalf and are ring-fenced and segregated in separate accounts maintained by the Custodian.

INFORMATION ON THE MANAGER OF UNDERLYING FUND

Please refer to the Information on the Manager of ILP Sub-Fund.

RISKS

General Risk

The value of the ILP Sub-Fund and the Underlying Fund(s)’ assets may be affected by uncertainties and risks associated with investments. The Net Asset Value of the ILP Sub-Fund and the Underlying Fund(s) will be influenced by the prices of these investments. This will in turn have an impact on the value of Units of the ILP Sub-Fund. Past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance and investment in the ILP Sub-Fund should be regarded as a medium to long-term investment.

Interest Rate

Bonds and other fixed income securities are interest rate sensitive, which means that their values and consequently, the Net Asset Value of the ILP Sub-Fund which invest in such securities directly or through Underlying Fund(s), will fluctuate as interest

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rates fluctuate. An increase in interest rates will generally reduce the value of the fixed income securities. The performance of the ILP Sub-Fund which invests in bonds and other fixed income securities directly or through Underlying Fund(s), therefore will depend in part on the ability of the Manager of the ILP Sub-Fund or the Underlying Fund(s) to anticipate and respond to such fluctuations in market interest rates and to utilise appropriate strategies to maximise returns to you while attempting to minimise the associated risks to its investment capital.

Credit Risk

Bonds and other fixed income securities and bank deposits are subject to credit risks, such as deterioration in the credit quality of the issuers, default by issuers and banks and general widening of credit spreads. This means that their values and consequently, the Net Asset Value of the ILP Sub-Fund which invest in such securities directly or through Underlying Fund(s), will fluctuate depending on the credit risk of the securities. A deterioration in the credit quality of the issuers, default by issuers or increase in credit risk premiums will generally reduce the value of the fixed income securities. The performance of the ILP Sub-Fund which invests in bonds and other fixed income securities and bank deposits directly or through Underlying Fund(s), therefore will depend in part on the ability of the Manager of the ILP Sub-Fund or the Underlying Fund(s) to anticipate and respond to such changes in credit risk and to utilise appropriate strategies to maximise returns to you while attempting to minimise the associated risks to its investment capital.

Equity Risk

The value of the equity securities which the ILP Sub-Fund invests directly in or through Underlying Fund(s), will fluctuate depending upon the general trends of stock markets, prevailing interest rates as well as the financial and operating performance of the issuers of those equity securities. The economic environment of the countries and the performance of the industries which the ILP Sub-Fund invests in directly or through Underlying Fund(s) will have an impact on the value of the equity securities acquired. The value of the ILP Sub-Fund and the Underlying Fund(s) are affected by such changes in the market conditions and interest rates.

Market Risk

The value of the ILP Sub-Fund and the Underlying Fund(s)' assets may be affected by uncertainties such as international political developments, changes in government policies, taxation, restrictions on foreign investment and currency repatriation, currency fluctuations and other developments in the laws and regulations of countries in which investments may be made. Furthermore, it should be noted that the legal infrastructure and accounting, auditing and reporting standards in certain countries in which investments may be made do not provide the same degree of investor protection or information to you as would generally apply in major securities markets. As the ILP Sub-Fund and Underlying Fund(s) invest in securities in various markets, e.g. global, Asia ex-Japan, etc, the Net Asset Value of the ILP Sub-Fund and Underlying Fund(s) will be influenced by the prices of these investments. This will in turn have an impact on the value of Units of the ILP Sub-Fund.

Counterparty Risk

There is a risk of counterparty defaulting in some markets as there may be no secure method of delivery against payment. It may be necessary to make payment on a purchase or delivery on a sale before receipt of the securities or, as the sale may be, sale proceeds.

Regulatory Risk

You should be aware that some of the industries which the ILP Sub-Fund and the Underlying Fund(s) invest in may be subject to greater government regulations than many other industries in certain countries. Changes in government policies and the need for regulatory approval may have a material adverse effect on these industries. The companies which the ILP Sub-Fund invests in directly or through Underlying Fund(s) may also be subject to risks of developing technology and communications, competitive pressures and other factors and are dependent upon consumer and business acceptance as new technologies evolve. Trading in such securities may be subject to more abrupt price movements.

Political Risk

Investments in countries with less stable political and economic environments may be more volatile than those in the developed countries. The prices of investments in these markets may be influenced by economic and political conditions and interest rates.

Investment Risk

There can be no guarantee against loss, nor any assurance that the ILP Sub-Fund's investment objective will be attained. The value of investments and the income from them and therefore the value of, and income from, the Units of each ILP Sub-Fund can fall as well as rise and you may not realize the same amount that you invested. Investment in the ILP Sub-Fund may only be suitable for you if you can accept the associated volatility and risks and are prepared to take a medium to longer term view of your investment.

Specialized Investment Risk

You should be aware while specialized investments, i.e. investments in a single country, specific industries, sectoral or regional fund may present greater opportunities and potential for capital appreciation, they may also be subjected to higher risks as they may be less diversified than a global portfolio. The legal infrastructure and accounting, auditing and reporting standards in certain countries in which investments may be made do not provide the same degree of investor protection or information to you as would generally apply in major securities markets.

Derivative Risk

The ILP Sub-Fund and the Underlying Fund(s) are authorised to use derivative instruments from time to time. Derivative instruments are financial contracts whose values are "derived" from the value of the underlying assets. While the professional use of derivatives may be beneficial to the overall investment portfolio, derivatives in themselves involve different risks which may be greater than those of more traditional investments.

As the volatility of prices of derivative instruments may be higher than that of their underlying stocks, commodities or other benchmarks, these derivative instruments are riskier.

Currency / Exchange Rate Risk

The Net Asset Value per unit of the ILP Sub-Fund are computed in Singapore Dollars, whereas certain Underlying Fund(s) and the securities which the ILP Sub-Fund invests in are denominated in foreign currencies. Changes in the exchange rate of the Singapore Dollar against the currencies of denomination of the Underlying Fund(s) and the securities which the ILP Sub-Fund invests in will have an impact on the value of the units.

The investments of the ILP Sub-Fund and the Underlying Fund(s) may each be denominated in a number of different currencies and hence be subjected to fluctuations in currency exchange rates and in certain cases, exchange control regulations. Further, the underlying investments of the Underlying Fund(s) may be acquired in a wide range of currencies, some of which may not be freely convertible currencies. It may not be possible or practicable to hedge against the consequent currency risk exposure and in certain instances the Manager may not consider it desirable to hedge against such risk. The Manager will enter into hedging transactions at its sole discretion.

If you are a non-Singaporean, there may be state regulations governing the outward remittance of your share of net profits and dividends and the repatriation of your investments in a foreign currency.

Liquidity Risk

There is no secondary market for the ILP Sub-Fund. All redemption requests should be made to AIA Customer Service Centre or through your AIA Financial Services Consultant or Insurance Representative. If you are a non-Singaporean, there may be state regulations governing the outward remittance of your share of net profits and dividends and the repatriation of your investments in a foreign currency.

You should note that there may be a limit on the number of units that can be redeemed on any Dealing Day and an investor may not be able to redeem on a Dealing Day if the redemption limit is imposed.

Some investments made in smaller markets may be less liquid and the limited liquidity of these markets may therefore affect the respective underlying funds' ability to acquire or dispose of securities at the price and time it desires.

Taxation

You should note that the proceeds from the sale of securities in some markets or the receipt of any dividends or some other income may be or may become subject to tax, levies, duties or other fees or changes imposed by the authorities in that market, including taxation levied by withholding at source.

EXPENSE RATIO

The expense ratio for the period 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020 is 1.61%.

The expense ratio is calculated in accordance with the Investment Management Association of Singapore's guidelines on the disclosure of expense ratios and based on the figures in the ILP Sub-Fund's latest audited account.

The following expenses are excluded from the calculation of the expense ratio:

- (a) charges for insurance coverage;
- (b) brokerage and other transaction costs;
- (c) performance fees;
- (d) foreign exchange gains and losses;
- (e) front or back-end loads arising from the purchase or sale of other funds; and
- (f) tax deducted at source or arising from income received.

TURNOVER RATIO

The turnover ratio of the ILP Sub-Fund follows that of the Underlying Fund as the ILP Sub-Fund invests all or substantially all of its assets into its Underlying Fund.

The unaudited turnover ratio of the Underlying Fund for the one year period ending 31 December 2020 is 29.90%.

SOFT DOLLAR ARRANGEMENT

In their management of the Nikko AM Shenton Japan Fund, the Managers and the Sub-Managers currently do not receive or enter into any soft dollar commissions or arrangements.

Risk Disclosure Statement for Funds

US Tax Withholding and Reporting under the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act ("FATCA")

Under the FATCA provisions of the U.S. Hiring Incentives to Restore Employment ("HIRE") Act, where a Fund invests directly or indirectly in U.S. assets, payments to the Fund of U.S.-sourced income after 30 June 2014, gross proceeds of sales of US property by the Fund after 31 December 2016 and certain other payments received by the Fund after 31 December 2016 will be subject to 30% U.S. withholding tax unless the Fund complies with FATCA.

FATCA compliance can be achieved by entering into an agreement with the U.S. Secretary of the Treasury under which the Fund agrees to certain U.S. tax reporting and withholding requirements as regards holdings of and payments to certain investors in the Fund. Certain governments may enter into agreements directly with the U.S. government concerning U.S.-sourced income and the regulations and rules which are issued following these agreements will determine how the Fund can achieve FATCA compliance.

If the Fund is unable to satisfy the obligations imposed to avoid the imposition of the withholding tax, certain U.S.-sourced payments to the Fund may be subject to 30% withholding tax, which could reduce the cash available for investors. Any amounts of U.S. tax withheld may not be refundable by the Inland Revenue Service.

You are advised to consult your professional advisors on the impact of FATCA on any Fund that you have selected for allocation of any part of your Policy premium(s) and AIA Singapore makes no representation or warranty that a Fund is FATCA-compliant.

In the context of the above, a "Fund" means a collective investment scheme within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Act (Cap. 289), Singapore and the Notice No. MAS 307 applicable to Investment-Linked Policies issued by the Monetary Authority of Singapore.

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