# ABF PHILIPPINES BOND INDEX FUND KEY INFORMATION AND INVESTMENT DISCLOSURE



As of June 30, 2021

**FUND FACTS** 

Classification:	Index Tracker Bond Fund	NAVPU:	PHP 262.16
Launch Date:	April 21, 2006	Total Fund NAV (Mn):	PHP 13,217.12
Minimum Investment:	PHP10,000.00	Dealing Day:	Daily up to 12:00 PM
Additional Investment:	PHP1,000.00	Redemption Settlement:	T+1 End-of-Day
Minimum Holding Period:	None	Early Redemption Charge:	None

## FEES\*

Management Fees (based on fund NAV): Trustee Fees: 0.08% External Audit Fees: Other Fees:

Up to Php3 billion, 0.274% 0.0041% **License Fee:** 0.01%

> Php 3 billion up to Php 6 billion, 0.252%

> Php 6 billion up to Php 10 billion, 0.230%

> Php 10 billion, 0.186%

BPI Asset Management HSBC Isla Lipana Markit iBoxx

As a percentage of average daily NAV for the declared in the quarter valued at PHP 13,138.30 million Declaration of Trust/Plan divided by average daily

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## **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGY**

The Fund aims to achieve investment returns that closely track the total return of the iBoxx ABF Philippines index, before fees and expenses, by investing in a diversified portfolio of peso-denominated sovereign, quasi-sovereign, and supranational bonds.

#### **CLIENT SUITABILITY**

A client profiling process shall be performed prior to participating in the Fund to guide the prospective investor if the Fund is suited to his/her investment objectives and risk tolerance. Clients are advised to read the Declaration of Trust/Plan Rules of the Fund, which may be obtained from the Trustee, before deciding to invest.

The ABF Philippines Bond Index Fund is for investors who:

- Are at least classified as moderately aggressive based on their risk profile.
- Have an investment horizon of at least five (5) years

## **KEY RISKS AND RISK MANAGEMENT**

You should not invest in this Fund if you do not understand or are not comfortable with the accompanying risks.

Interest	The fund invests in domestic government- issued/ guaranteed securities comprising the iBoxx ABF Philippines Index,
Rate Risk:	exposing investors to the risk of loss arising from a rise in interest rates, which generally causes fixed income security
	prices to decline. Factors/ events that may lead to a rise interest rates include adverse market conditions, and/ or
	negative developments in domestic political and economic conditions.
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**Liquidity**Investors are exposed to the risk of loss due to the fund's inability to convert security holdings to cash immediately or in instances where conversion to cash is possible but at a highly disadvantageous price due to limited buyers/ sellers in the market, low trading volumes or market disruptions, among other reasons/ factors.

**Related**Party Risk:
Investors are exposed to actual or potential conflicts of interest in the handling of related party transactions by the Trustee, specifically, the execution of trade transactions with related counterparties.

**Down-grade** Investors are exposed to the risk of loss arising from adverse changes in the prices of domestic government-issued/ guaranteed securities due to a downgrade in the credit rating of the Philippines.

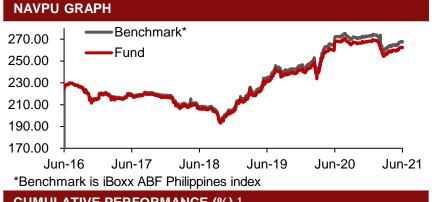
IndexTrackingRisk:Investors are exposed to the risk of not being able to achieve a level of return that matches the index being tracked by the fund due primarily to operating and fund management expenses.

The Fund's investment outlets undergo proper screening and evaluation in accordance with the Trustee's accreditation process. The Fund may also use financial derivatives to hedge the portfolio against market and credit risks.

- THE UIT FUND IS NOT A DEPOSIT AND IS NOT INSURED BY THE PHILIPPINE DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORP. (PDIC).
- RETURNS CANNOT BE GUARANTEED AND HISTORICAL NAVPU IS FOR ILLUSTRATION OF NAVPU MOVEMENTS/FLUCTUATIONS ONLY.
- WHEN REDEEMING, THE PROCEEDS MAY BE WORTH LESS THAN THE ORIGINAL INVESTMENT AND ANY LOSSES SHALL BE SOLELY FOR THE ACCOUNT OF THE CLIENT.
- •THE TRUSTEE IS NOT LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS UNLESS UPON WILLFUL DEFAULT, BAD FAITH OR GROSS NEGLIGENCE.

## **FUND PERFORMANCE AND STATISTICS AS OF JUNE 30, 2021**

(Purely for reference purposes and is not a guarantee of future results)



COMULATIVE PERFORMANCE (%)						
	1 mo	3 mos	6 mos	1 YR	3 YRS	S.I. <sup>2</sup>
Fund	1.08	2.14	-2.29	-2.04	27.19	162.16
Benchmark	1.11	2.22	-2.17	-1.71	28.61	193.47
ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE (%) 1						
	1 YR	2 YRS	3 YRS	4 YRS	5 YRS	S.I. <sup>2</sup>
Fund	-2.04	6.48	8.35	4.65	3.11	6.13

Benchmark	-1.71	6.83	8.75	5.03	3.52	6.88
CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%) 1						
	YTD	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Fund	-2.29	10.68	19.04	-6.12	0.85	2.15
Benchmark	-2.17	11.03	19.69	-5.84	1.18	2.63

Allocation	% of Fund				
Fixed Income	98.62				
Other receivables – net of liabilities <sup>5</sup>	1.08				
Time deposits and money market	0.30				
Cash	0.00				
Maturity Profile					
Cash and less than 1 year 1.38					
Between 1 and 3 years	18.15				
Between 3 and 5 years	23.91				
Between 5 and 7 years	10.58				
Between 7 and 10 years	12.62				
More than 10 years	33.36				

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Highest	270.74
Lowest	254.14

STATISTICS	
Weighted Average Duration (Yrs)	5.93
Volatility, Past 1 Year (%) <sup>3</sup>	4.04
Portfolio Weighted Yield to Maturity (%)	2.67
Current Number of Holdings	43
Tracking Error (36-mo. Rolling, %) 4	0.13

<sup>1</sup>Returns are net of fees.

<sup>2</sup>Since Inception as an Investment Management Arrangement (IMA) on April 26, 2005.

<sup>3</sup>Measures the degree to which the Fund fluctuates vis-à-vis its average return over a period of time.

<sup>4</sup>Measure of deviation between the Fund's return and benchmark returns. A lower number means the Fund's return is closely aligned with the benchmark.

<sup>5</sup>Includes accrued income, investment securities purchased, accrued expenses, etc.

\*Declaration of Trust is available upon request through branch of account.

TOP TEN HOLDINGS		
Name	Maturity	%
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	9/9/2025	8.39
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	7/19/2031	8.29
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	12/16/2035	7.31
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	1/10/2029	6.21
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	4/21/2023	5.37
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	5/4/2027	4.68
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	2/14/2026	4.65
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	9/9/2040	4.33
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	9/10/2023	3.92
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	8/20/2024	3.69

## **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS\***

**PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION** 

The Fund has no investments but has trade transactions with BPI Asset Management and Trust Corporation (BPI AMTC).

Investments in the said outlets were approved by the BPI AMTC's Board of Directors. Likewise, all related party transactions are conducted on an arm's length and best execution basis and within established limits.

\* Related party in accordance with BPI AMTC's internal policy.

## **OTHER FUND FACTS**

Fund Currency: Philippine Peso

Benchmark: iBoxx ABF Philippines Index

## **OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY**

**Market Review.** The BPI Government Bond Index returned 0.93% in June, with benchmark government yields dropping 15.48 basis points (bps) on average. The yield curve steepened somewhat, with rates on the short-end and belly of the curve declining while yields on the long-end of the curve rose. Average daily trading volume rose to PHP27.99bn from May's PHP21.01bn, as investors sought to deploy proceeds from the maturity of jumbo issuance RTB3-9. Trades were mostly seen on the short-end (Treasury Bills) and belly (3 to 7-year papers) of the curve.

The Bureau of the Treasury (BTr) held four FXTN auctions (20-, 7, 10- and 11.7-year tenors) and four Treasury Bill auctions in June. Demand was quite healthy across all four FXTNs, with bid volumes considerably higher than offered amounts. However, reception to the BTr's tap offerings were luke-warm to mixed. Average yields for the reissued FXTN25-11, FXTN7-64, FXTN10-65 and FXTN20-20 were awarded at 5.084%, 3.685%, 3.719% and 4.187%, respectively. Meanwhile, the Treasury Bills saw yields falling gradually across all three tenors, with average rates for the 91-, 182- and 364-day papers awarded at 1.031%, 1.332% and 1.563%, respectively, during the last auction of June. Towards month-end, the BTr released its July auction schedule, once again announcing five weekly FXTN issuances (11-, 7-, 20-, 10-, and 7-year tenors) and four weekly Tbill auctions. News of further supply caused the long-end of the curve to sell off slightly.

In the local economic space, May inflation came in at 4.5% year-on-year, unchanged from April and in-line with the median forecast. This marked the 5th straight month that inflation has been higher than the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas' (BSP) target band of 2-4% for the year. Bloated pork prices due to the African Swine Fever outbreak kept the food prices overall elevated. Transport costs likewise remained high due to global fuel prices. However, the BSP noted that this was still in line with its projection of elevated prices given supply side pressures on food, and that by 2022 prices should stabilize. Consequently, the central bank maintained its policy rates at the current record lows during its Monetary Policy meeting concluded last June 24. BSP Governor Benjamin Diokno has continuously reiterated that the central bank would utilize its full arsenal of tools to support growth and stability.

**Fund Performance.** The Fund continued to track the returns and duration of the iBoxx ABF Philippines. The Fund returned 1.08% for the month, closely tracking the benchmark index.

**Fund Strategy.** The iBoxx index will see minimal changes for the month. The Fund will rebalance to reflect any changes to continue to closely track the duration of its benchmark.

#### LIST OF PROSPECTIVE INVESTMENTS

ABF Philippines Bond Index Fund may invest in the following:

- (a) Index securities consisting of peso-denominated debt obligations issued or guaranteed by the Philippine Government, by an agency or instrumentality of the Philippine Government, by a Philippine Government sponsored entity or quasi Philippine Government entity and peso-denominated debt obligations issued by supranational financial institution, or by an agency or instrumentality of any supranational financial institution or by an entity sponsored by any supranational financial institution, in each case as determined by the Index Licensor and which are for the time being constituent securities of the iBoxx ABF Philippines Index.
- (b) Non-index securities consisting of peso-denominated securities which are issued by an issuer of any Index Security and are similar to comparable Index Securities and are likely to behave in such a manner that is consistent with the Investment Objective.
- (c) Bank deposits and such other investments allowed under regulations issued by the BSP.

BPI Asset Management and Trust Corporation (BPI AMTC) is a subsidiary of the Bank of the Philippine Islands. For inquiries and comments, please send an email to bpi\_asset\_management@bpi.com.ph or call us at (02) 8580-AMTC (2682).

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