

# **BPI INVEST BALANCED FUND**

**KEY INFORMATION AND INVESTMENT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT** 

As of December 31, 2021

## **FUND FACTS**

Balanced Fund **Net Asset Value per Unit (NAVPU):** Classification: Php 170.58 Total Fund NAV (Mn): Launch Date: April 4, 2005 Php 5,175.00 Minimum Investment: Php10,000.00 **Dealing Day:** Daily up to 2:30 PM Php1,000.00 **Redemption Settlement:** T+3 End-of-Day Additional Investment:

Minimum Holding Period: None Early Redemption Charge: None

FEES\*

Trustee Fees: 1.500%

Custodianship Fees: 0.0009%

External Auditor Fees: 0.0049%

Other Fees: 0.00%

HSBC

Isla Lipana

None

\* As a percentage of average daily \*Monthly rate: billings received for \*Billings received for 2018 NAV for the quarter valued at Php February 2021 divided by the divided by the average daily NAV

5,204.07 Million average daily NAV for the month

## **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGY**

The Fund aims to achieve long-term capital growth by investing in a diversified portfolio of equity and fixed income securities. The Fund aims to provide excess return over the composite benchmark, 50% Philippine Stock Exchange index (PSEi) and 50% return of the 91-day Philippine Treasury Bill, net of tax

## **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 BPI Invest Balanced Fund is suitable for investors who:

- Are at least classified as aggressive based on their risk profile
- Have an investment horizon 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   | Investors are exposed to adverse changes in the prices of domestic fixed income securities due to a rise in        | ı |
|------------|--|---|
| Rate Risk: | interest rates, which generally causes fixed income security prices to decline. Factors/ events that may lead to a | ı |
|            | rise interest rates include adverse market conditions, issuer-specific factors/ events and/ or negative            | ı |
|            | developments in domestic political and economic conditions.  | ı |

Equity Price Investors are exposed to adverse changes in the prices of stocks listed in the Philippine Stock Exchange, which Risk: may be brought about by adverse stock market conditions, unfavorable company earnings and valuations and/ or negative developments in domestic and global political and economic conditions.

Liquidity Investors are exposed to the risk of loss due to the fund's inability to convert fixed income and equity 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 Investors are exposed to actual or potential conflicts of interest in the handling of related party transactions by Party Risk: the Trustee, specifically, time deposit placements with the Trustee's own bank and/ or its subsidiary, purchase of debt and equity securities issued by related parties, as well as the execution of trade transactions with related counterparties.

Credit/ Investors are exposed to the risk of loss due to the failure of the borrower/ debt issuer to make timely interest and/ or principal payments on its deposit liabilities, loans, bonds or other debt instruments due to a deterioration in the borrower's/ issuer's financial condition or external factors and events that may affect its ability to repay financial obligations such as negative developments in domestic political and economic conditions.

In accordance with the provisions in the Declaration of Trust, the Fund employs a risk management policy based on duration. 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 DECEMBER 31, 2021**

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

| NAVPU | GRAPH  |
|-------|--|
| 195 - | Fund — Benchmark   |
| 175 - | The same of the sa |
| 155 - |  |
| 135   | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·  |
| Dec-  | -16 Dec-17 Dec-18 Dec-19 Dec-20 Dec-21 ark is 50% PSEi, 50% return of the 91-day T-Bill, net of tax  |

| NAVPu over the past 12 months            |        |
|--|--------|
| Highest                                  | 174.68 |
| Lowest                                   | 158.78 |
| STATISTICS                               |        |
| Portfolio Beta                           | 0.96   |
| Volatility, Past 1 Year (%) <sup>3</sup> | 9.72   |
| Sharpe Ratio <sup>4</sup>                | -0.14  |
| Information Ratio 5                      | -1.44  |
| Current Number of Holdings               | 55     |
|  |        |

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

<sup>2</sup>Since Inception

<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>Used to characterize how well the return of a Fund compensates the investor for the level of risk taken. The higher the number, the better.

<sup>5</sup>Measures reward-to-risk efficiency of the portfolio relative to the benchmark. The higher the number, the higher the reward per unit of risk.

<sup>6</sup>Includes accrued income, investment securities purchased, accrued expenses, etc.

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

|                                |       |       |       | ,     |       |                   |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------------|
| CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE (%) 1   |       |       |       |       |       |                   |
|                                | 1 mo  | 3 mos | 6 mos | 1 YR  | 3 YRS | S.I. <sup>2</sup> |
| Fund                           | -0.65 | 0.89  | 1.11  | -0.40 | -0.84 | 148.59            |
| Benchmark                      | -0.46 | 1.43  | 2.06  | 0.79  | 2.80  | 152.27            |
| ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE (%) 1   |       |       |       |       |       |                   |
|                                | 1 YR  | 2 YRS | 3 YRS | 4 YRS | 5 YRS | S.I. <sup>2</sup> |
| Fund                           | -0.40 | -1.92 | -0.28 | -1.85 | 0.85  | 5.59              |
| Benchmark                      | 0.79  | -0.76 | 0.92  | -0.56 | 2.04  | 5.68              |
| CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE(%) 1 |       |       |       |       |       |                   |
|                                | YTD   | 2020  | 2019  | 2018  | 2017  | 2016              |
| Fund                           | -0.40 | -3.42 | 3.08  | -6.39 | 12.42 | -0.89             |
| Benchmark                      | 0.79  | -2.29 | 4.38  | -4.86 | 13.10 | 0.31              |

| PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION                               |                 |  |  |  |  |
|---|-----------------|--|--|--|--|
| Allocation  | % of Fund       |  |  |  |  |
| Equities  | 55.21           |  |  |  |  |
| Cash  | 0.24            |  |  |  |  |
| Corporates  | 9.51            |  |  |  |  |
| Time Deposits and Money Market                      | 11.54           |  |  |  |  |
| Government  | 23.51           |  |  |  |  |
| Other Receivables – Net of Liabilities <sup>6</sup> | -0.01           |  |  |  |  |
| Sector Holdings                                     | Sector Holdings |  |  |  |  |
| Holding Firms                                       | 18.14           |  |  |  |  |
| Property  | 12.86           |  |  |  |  |
| Financials  | 9.64            |  |  |  |  |
| Services  | 6.15            |  |  |  |  |
| Industrials   | 8.43            |  |  |  |  |
| Mining and Oil                                      | 0.00            |  |  |  |  |

| TOP TEN HOLDINGS               |           |      |
|--------------------------------|-----------|------|
| Names                          | Maturity  | %    |
| SM Investments Corporation     |           | 7.19 |
| Time Deposit                   |           | 6.76 |
| Retail Treasury Bond           | 3/12/2024 | 6.27 |
| Retail Treasury Bond           | 2/11/2023 | 5.21 |
| SM Prime Holdings, Inc.        |           | 4.92 |
| Fixed Rate Treasury Note       | 9/10/2023 | 4.82 |
| Ayala Land, Inc.               |           | 4.28 |
| BDO Unibank, Inc.              |           | 3.69 |
| Ayala Corporation              |           | 3.58 |
| Bank of the Philippine Islands |           | 3.27 |

## **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS\***

The Fund has transactions and outstanding investments including deposit, investments in the share/s of stock, and/or debt issuances of the following companies related to the BPI Asset Management and Trust Corporation (BPI AMTC):

Ayala Corporation — Php 227.67 Mn, Ayala Land, Inc. — Php 312.39 Mn, Bank of the Philippine Islands — Php 169.11 Mn, Globe Telecom, Inc. — Php 46.95 Mn

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.

## **OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY**

**Market Review.** The local bourse index tumbled to end 2021 following the sharp rise in the number of COVID-19 cases. A suspected new variant called "Omicron", along with the traditional holiday gatherings propelled a new surge. The alarm bells sounded-off and the government swiftly responded by enforcing a stricter quarantine measure – Alert level 3 in the National Capital Region from January 3 to 15. The PSEi declined by declined by 1.09% month-on-month, to close 2021 at 7,122.63. For the year, the Philippines slipped by 0.24%.

In terms of market activity, the month of December gained more traction with Average Daily Turnover rising by 15.4% to US\$232.89 million. For foreign activity, foreigners continued to be net buyers with US\$1.72 Bn worth of inflows. Foreign participation was at 45%, lower than 49% recorded in November.

For this month's individual stock performance, the main advancers are as follows: MBT (+11.62%), AEV (+10.90%), and TEL (+7.86%) while the laggards were BLOOM (-19.13%), SMPH (-9.36%) and JFC (-7.90%).

In the local economic space, November inflation further eased to 4.2% year-on-year, with the rise in food prices slowing even as energy costs remained elevated. As inflation is seen to be tempered moving into next year, most analysts believe there is room for the central bank to keep rates accommodative. In early December, the Department of Health shortened the duration between the COVID-19 vaccine second dose and booster from six months to three months. This proved timely as the highly infectious COVID-19 Omicron variant continued its global spread. The BSP kept the policy rate at its record 2% low during the last meeting for 2021, but raised its inflation forecast of 4.4% and 3.4% for 2021 and 2022, citing potential supply constraints on key food items and transport hike petitions as upside risks.

**Fund Performance.** The fund returned 0.65% in December, underperforming its benchmark by 19 basis points. Year-to-date, it underperformed the benchmark by 119 basis points with a return of -0.40%.

**Fund Strategy.** We remain strategic long-term buyers of Philippine equities on the back of economic recovery, favoring quality names and position on cyclicals. We will continue to be nimble and take advantage of tactical opportunities.

For the fixed income portion of the fund, we continue to favor the safety of time deposits and short term securities. Expectations of continued accommodative monetary policy may depress rates in the near term.

## LIST OF PROSPECTIVE INVESTMENTS

The following are among the Fund's approved investment outlets, wherein the Trustee intends to invest depending on strategy, availability, or other market-driven circumstances:

- (a) Shares of Stock of selected corporations which are already listed or being offered publicly and soon to be listed in major capital markets.
- (b) Primarily medium term tradable fixed-income instruments issued or guaranteed by the Philippine government or the BSP; tradable fixed-income instruments issued by financial institutions or private corporations; exchange-listed securities; marketable instruments that are traded in an organized exchange; loans traded in an organized market; and, such other tradable investment outlets/ categories as the BSP may allow.
- (c) Primarily medium term tradable fixed-income securities issued, underwritten, or otherwise dealt by BPI and/or any of its subsidiaries, affiliates, their successors-in-interest or assignees, their directors, officers, stockholders, and related interest, and any of their trust and fund managed accounts, under such terms and conditions as the Trustee may deem to be in the best interest of the Fund.
- (d) 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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