# BPI INVEST EUROPEAN EQUITY FEEDER FUND

KEY INFORMATION AND INVESTMENT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Asset Management

As of January 29, 2021

and Trust Corporation

### **FUND FACTS**

Classification: Global Equity Feeder Fund

Launch Date: August 5, 2014<sup>1</sup>

USD 1,000.00 **Minimum Investment:** USD 500.00 **Additional Investment:** 

**Minimum Holding Period:** None

USD 125.46 NAVPU:

USD 4.64 Total Fund NAV (Mn):

**Dealing Day:** Daily up to 2:30 PM **Redemption Settlement:** 

Early Redemption Charge:

T+5 End-of-Day

None

Other Fees: 0.00%

None

**FEES** 

**Trustee Fees:** 0.75%

**BPI** Asset Management As a percentage of average daily NAV for the quarter valued at USD 4.64 Million

**Custodianship Fee: 0.00%** 

Billings for November 2020 divided by the average daily

NAV for the month

External Audit Fee: 0.0046%

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Billings in 2018 divided by the

average daily NAV

### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGY

The Fund, operating as a Feeder Fund, intends to achieve for its Participants long-term capital growth by investing in a Target Fund that aims to provide returns in excess of the MSCI Europe Index. Pursuant to existing BSP rules and regulations, as a Feeder Fund, this Fund is mandated to invest at least 90% of its assets in a single collective investment scheme.

### **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 European Equity Feeder Fund is for investors who:

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

Participation in the Fund shall be open to Participants with legal capacity to contract and who are not considered US persons under the US securities and tax laws, subject to the other conditions, rules or provisions stated in the Plan Rules and those established by the Trustee. No beneficial owner shall hold more than 10% of the Fund. Any investor who owns more than 10% shall be asked to redeem the amount (or its equivalent number of units) in excess of 10% within thirty (30) calendar days.

### **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.

Market/Price Risk:

Investors are exposed to adverse changes in the prices of large cap stocks in the Eurozone, which may be brought about by adverse market conditions, unfavorable company earnings and valuations, and negative developments in the political and economic conditions of countries where investee companies are domiciled.

Investors are exposed to the risk of loss due to the target fund's inability to convert security holdings to cash Liquidity Risk: immediately or in instances where conversion to cash is possible but at a highly disadvantageous price due to limited participants in the market, low trading volumes, market disruptions, among others.

**Country Risk:** 

Investors are exposed to the risk of loss arising from negative developments in the political, economic and social conditions of countries, primarily in Europe, which may adversely affect the value of the feeder fund.

FX Risk:

Investors are exposed to the risk of loss from a decline in the market value of the target fund when the market value of foreign currency denominated equity securities held by the target fund are translated to USD.

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 JANUARY 29, 2021**

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

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CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE (% ) <sup>2</sup>							
	1 mo	3 mos	6 mos	1YR	3YRS	S.I. <sup>3</sup>	
Fund	-2.12	19.90	11.72	11.62	6.57	25.46	
Benchmark	-2.12	20.75	13.81	6.53	3.83	24.48	
ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE (%) <sup>2</sup>							
	1YR	2YRS	3YRS	4YRS	5YR	S.I.³	
Fund	11.62	13.81	2.15	9.23	8.75	3.56	
Benchmark	6.53	9.83	1.26	7.71	8.50	3.43	
CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%) <sup>2</sup>							
	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	
Fund	-2.12	11.52	24.89	-17.65	32.40	-5.95	
Benchmark	-2.12	5.69	24.75	-15.20	26.62	-0.89	

PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION	
Allocation	% of Fund
Target fund	94.13
Cash	5.55
Time deposits and money market	1.08
Other receivables - net of liabilities 8	-0.76
Portfolio Allocation	% of Target Fund
United Kingdom	27.42
Germany	19.42
Sweden	12.55
Switzerland	12.40
France	11.69
Other countries	16.52

NAVPu over the past 12 months	
Highest	131.98
Lowest	81.74
STATISTICS	
Volatility, Past 1 Year (%) <sup>4</sup>	28.61
Sharpe Ratio <sup>5</sup>	0.40
Information Ratio <sup>6</sup>	1.24

<sup>1</sup>Originally launched as BPI European Equity Index Feeder Fund. The Target Fund was switched from SPDR Euro Stoxx 50 ETF to Wellington Strategic European Equity Fund on April 1, 2016.

- <sup>2</sup> Returns are net of fees.
- <sup>3</sup> Since Inception.
- <sup>4</sup> Measures the degree to which the Fund fluctuates vis-à-vis its average return over a period of time.
- <sup>5</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>6</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>7</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	% of Target Fund
Novartis AG	5.04
GlaxoSmithKline Plc.	4.42
UBS Group AG	4.35
UCB	4.09
Alfa Laval AB	3.30
Heineken NV	3.27
United Internet AG	3.20
Fresenius SE & Co.	3.09
Julius Baer Group Ltd.	3.01
Qiagen NV	2.86

### **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS\***

The Fund has no transactions and outstanding investments with entities related to BPI Asset Management and Trust Corporation (BPI AMTC).

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

**Equity Fund** 

## OTHER FUND FACTS

Fund Currency: **US** Dollar Fund structure: UCITS (Dublin, Ireland)

Benchmark\*: MSCI Europe Index **Inception Date:** March 7, 2014

Name of Target Fund: Wellington Strategic European

**Trustee and Custodian:** State Street Custodial Services

(Ireland) Limited

Regulator: Central Bank of Ireland **Total Expense Ratio:** 0.82%

Wellington Management International Ltd. Fund Manager:

The Fund Performance Report and relevant information about the Wellington Strategic European Equity Fund can be viewed and downloaded through www.wellington.com

### **OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY**

Market Review. Global equities had mixed returns in January. Markets started off the year strong on optimism due to the vaccine rollout and expectations of a large fiscal stimulus package in the US. However, markets faltered with emerging markets outperforming developed markets by almost 4%. Emerging market equities rose on the back of a weaker dollar and increased global export demand while developed markets equities ended the month negative due to the resurgence of new coronavirus strains and underwhelming pace of vaccine distribution. The US economy expanded at a faster pace both in the services and manufacturing sector driven by new orders and strong consumer demand. Meanwhile, Eurozone's composite PMI reflected a contraction in its economy as the reinstated lockdowns and new coronavirus strains continue to weigh on business activity and consumer confidence. China's recovery remained on track as its economy expanded albeit at a slower pace with its composite PMI decreasing to 52.8 from 55.1 last month. In commodity markets, oil prices rose as Saudi announced a large reduction of an extra million barrels a day in its February and March output, comprising most of the OPEC+ cuts. However, the commodity continues to face headwinds as new coronavirus strains threaten recovering demand.

**Fund Performance.** The fund returned -2.12% in January, in-line with the benchmark.

Fund Strategy. The fund will continue to invest at least 90% of its assets in the target fund.

### 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) Primarily in a single collective investment scheme whose investment objective is to provide investment results in excess of the return of the MSCI Europe Index; provided further that such CIS is approved or registered and supervised by a regulatory authority that is a member of the International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO) and managed by reputable fund manager/s; provided further that the investment in the said collective investment scheme should at least be ninety percent (90%) of the total assets of the Fund. The Target Fund must be recognized as a collective investment scheme in its home jurisdiction by a regulatory authority or any regulatory authority acceptable to the BSP to supervise this CIS. Such collective investment scheme must not have any investment exposure in other collective investment schemes.
- (b) Primarily short-term tradable fixed-income instruments issued or guaranteed by the Philippine government or the BSP; tradable securities issued by the government of a foreign country, any political subdivision/agency of a foreign country or any supranational entity; tradable fixed-income instruments issued by foreign or local 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 investments outlets/ categories as the BSP may allow. Provided, that, a financial instrument is regarded as tradable if two-way prices are quoted, readily available or regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis.
- (c) Primarily short-term tradable fixed-income instruments 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; and, any such other instruments as may be allowed under BSP regulations. Investment with related interests shall be in accordance with Subsection X410.12 (a) of the Manual of Regulations for Banks.
- (d) The principal investments of the Fund will be denominated in, but not limited to the U.S. Dollar.
- (e) Bank deposits, BSP special deposit account or tradable debt instruments issued by the BSP.
- (f) Such other investments allowed under regulations issued by the BSP.

### **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE OF TARGET FUND**

The Wellington Strategic European Equity Fund seeks long-term total return (that is capital gain and yield). The Portfolio seeks to achieve this objective by investing predominantly in a diversified portfolio of European-domiciled companies that enjoy earnings and cash flow growth that are greater than the average earnings and cash flow growth of constituents of the MSCI Europe Index.

BPI Asset Management and Trust Corporation (BPI AMTC) is a subsidiary of the Bank of the Philippine Islands. For any inquiries and complaints relating to our services and products you may call our hotline: 889-10000, or send an email at bpi\_asset\_management@bpi.com.ph or write a letter addressed to BPI Asset Management and Trust Corporation - Consumer Assistance Office, 7/F, BPI Buendia Center, Sen. Gil J. Puyat Avenue, Makati City 1209.

BPI AMTC as Trustee / Investment Manager is supervised by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) with telephone number (632) 8708-7087 and e-mail address: consumeraffairs@bsp.gov.ph.