

# ABF PHILIPPINES BOND INDEX FUND

## KEY INFORMATION AND INVESTMENT DISCLOSURE



**BPI** Asset Management  
and Trust Corporation

As of August 31, 2022

### FUND FACTS

|                                |                         |                                 |                      |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Classification:</b>         | Index Tracker Bond Fund | <b>NAVPU:</b>                   | PHP 248.79           |
| <b>Launch Date:</b>            | April 21, 2006          | <b>Total Fund NAV (Mn):</b>     | PHP 13,095.83        |
| <b>Minimum Investment:</b>     | PHP10,000.00            | <b>Dealing Day:</b>             | Daily up to 12:00 PM |
| <b>Additional Investment:</b>  | PHP1,000.00             | <b>Redemption Settlement:</b>   | T+1 End-of-Day       |
| <b>Minimum Holding Period:</b> | None                    | <b>Early Redemption Charge:</b> | None                 |

### FEES\*

|  |  |  |   |
|--|--|--|---|
| <b>Management Fees (based on fund NAV):</b><br>Up to Php3 billion, 0.274%<br>> Php 3 billion up to Php 6 billion, 0.252%<br>> Php 6 billion up to Php 10 billion, 0.230%<br>> Php 10 billion, 0.186% | <b>Trustee Fees:</b> 0.08%                         | <b>External Audit Fees:</b><br>0.0023%                 | <b>Other Fees:</b><br><b>License Fee:</b> 0.01% |
| BPI Asset Management   | HSBC   | Isla Lipana  | Markit iBoxx                                    |
| As a percentage of average daily NAV for the quarter valued at PHP 12,862.20 million   | As declared in the Declaration of Trust/Plan Rules | Billings received in 2018 divided by average daily NAV | Contractual amount                              |

### 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 Rate Risk:** The fund invests in domestic government- issued/ guaranteed securities comprising the iBoxx ABF Philippines Index, 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.

**Liquidity Risk:** 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 Risk:** 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.

**Index Tracking Risk:** 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.

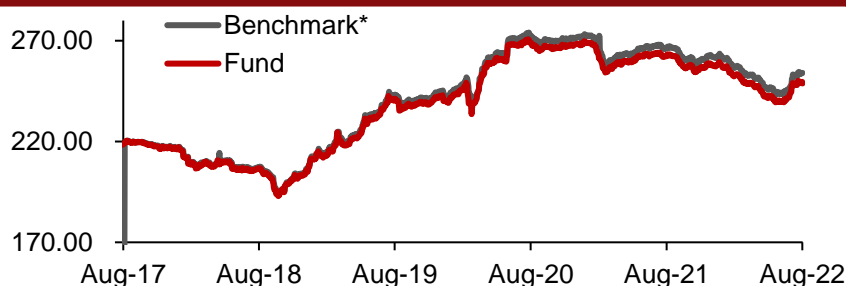
- **THE UIT FUND IS NOT A DEPOSIT AND IS NOT INSURED BY THE PHILIPPINE DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORP. (PDIC).**
- **RETURNS CANNOT BE GUARANTEED AND HISTORICAL NAVPU IS FOR ILLUSTRATION OF NAVPU MOVEMENTS/ FLUCTUATIONS ONLY.**
- **WHEN REDEEMING, THE PROCEEDS MAY BE WORTH LESS THAN THE ORIGINAL INVESTMENT AND 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.**

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## FUND PERFORMANCE AND STATISTICS AS OF AUGUST 31, 2022

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

### NAVPU GRAPH



\*Benchmark is iBoxx ABF Philippines index

### CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE (%)<sup>1</sup>

|             | 1 mo        | 3 mos       | 6 mos        | 1 YR         | 3 YRS       | S.I. <sup>2</sup> |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------------|
| <b>Fund</b> | <b>2.02</b> | <b>2.87</b> | <b>-1.36</b> | <b>-5.13</b> | <b>3.17</b> | <b>148.79</b>     |
| Benchmark   | 2.07        | 2.97        | -1.23        | -4.85        | 4.09        | 179.46            |

### ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE (%)<sup>1</sup>

|             | 1 YR         | 2 YRS        | 3 YRS       | 4 YRS       | 5 YRS       | S.I. <sup>2</sup> |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|
| <b>Fund</b> | <b>-5.13</b> | <b>-3.83</b> | <b>1.05</b> | <b>4.73</b> | <b>2.61</b> | <b>5.39</b>       |
| Benchmark   | -4.85        | -3.55        | 1.35        | 5.11        | 2.98        | 6.10              |

### CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%)<sup>1</sup>

|             | YTD          | 2021         | 2020         | 2019         | 2018         | 2017        |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| <b>Fund</b> | <b>-3.51</b> | <b>-3.97</b> | <b>10.68</b> | <b>19.04</b> | <b>-6.12</b> | <b>0.85</b> |
| Benchmark   | -3.30        | -3.72        | 11.03        | 19.69        | -5.84        | 1.18        |

### PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION

| Allocation  | % of Fund |
|---|-----------|
| Fixed Income  | 98.78     |
| Other receivables – net of liabilities <sup>5</sup> | 1.00      |
| Time deposits and money market                      | 0.22      |
| Cash  | 0.00      |

#### Maturity Profile

|                           |       |
|---------------------------|-------|
| Cash and less than 1 year | 1.22  |
| Between 1 and 3 years     | 12.53 |
| Between 3 and 5 years     | 23.70 |
| Between 5 and 7 years     | 19.36 |
| Between 7 and 10 years    | 22.01 |
| More than 10 years        | 21.18 |

### RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS\*

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.

### NAVPU over the past 12 months

|         |        |
|---------|--------|
| Highest | 263.30 |
| Lowest  | 239.97 |

### STATISTICS

|   |      |
|---|------|
| Weighted Average Duration (Yrs)                 | 5.55 |
| Volatility, Past 1 Year (%) <sup>3</sup>        | 3.05 |
| Portfolio Weighted Yield to Maturity (%)        | 4.44 |
| Current Number of Holdings                      | 43   |
| Tracking Error (36-mo. Rolling, %) <sup>4</sup> | 0.07 |

<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 | 7/19/2031  | 8.46 |
| Fixed Rate Treasury Note | 9/9/2025   | 6.99 |
| Fixed Rate Treasury Note | 4/22/2028  | 6.35 |
| Fixed Rate Treasury Note | 4/8/2026   | 6.16 |
| Fixed Rate Treasury Note | 5/4/2027   | 6.11 |
| Fixed Rate Treasury Note | 12/16/2035 | 5.91 |
| Fixed Rate Treasury Note | 1/10/2029  | 4.94 |
| Fixed Rate Treasury Note | 8/12/2028  | 4.79 |
| Fixed Rate Treasury Note | 2/14/2026  | 3.86 |
| Fixed Rate Treasury Note | 7/22/2031  | 3.70 |

### OTHER FUND FACTS

**Fund Currency:** Philippine Peso

**Benchmark:** iBoxx ABF Philippines Index

## OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY

**Market Review.** The BPI Government Bond Index returned 1.08% in August, with benchmark government yields falling 13 basis points (bps) on average. Average daily trading volume fell to PHP14.46 billion from July's PHP14.95 billion with trades mostly seen on the belly (5- to 10-year papers) of the curve.

The Bureau of the Treasury (BTr) held three FXTN auctions and five Treasury Bill auctions in August. The new issuance of the 3.5-year FXTN 3-01 was fully awarded with a coupon rate of 5.25%, while the re-issuance of the 7-year FXTN 10-64 and 10-year FXTN 10-68 were fully awarded at average rates of 5.791% and 5.813% respectively. Healthy auction participation was observed with tenders exceeding PHP100 billion across all tenors. The BTr cancelled the fourth FXTN auction giving way to the jumbo issuance of the 5.5-year Retail Treasury Bond (RTB 5-16). The government raised a total of PHP420.45 billion and set the coupon rate of RTB 5-16 at 5.75%. Towards the end of the month, the September auction schedule was released with four FXTN issuances (3.5-, 10-, 7-, and 16-year tenors) and four Treasury Bill auctions.

In the local economic space, July inflation rose by 6.4% year-on-year, the fastest pace since November 2018. Price pressures remain elevated for the month driven mostly by expensive food, transport, and utility costs. Consequently, the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) raised their policy rates by 50bps during their Monetary Board meeting on August 18. Moreover, the central bank revised their inflation forecast upward to 5.4% for 2022. BSP Governor Felipe Medalla kept a hawkish stance remarking further interest rate hikes not to be ruled out for the rest of the year.

**Fund Performance.** The Fund continued to track the returns and duration of the iBoxx ABF Philippines. The Fund returned +2.02% 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.

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