# ABF PHILIPPINES BOND INDEX FUND KEY INFORMATION AND INVESTMENT DISCLOSURE



As of September 30, 2022

**FUND FACTS** 

Classification:	Index Tracker Bond Fund	NAVPU:	PHP 240.25
Launch Date:	April 21, 2006	Total Fund NAV (Mn):	PHP 12,629.40
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% 0.0023% **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 quarter valued at PHP 12,885.00 million

As declared in the Billings received in 2018 Contractual amount divided by average daily

Rules NA

## **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**

Tracking

Risk:

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	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'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.

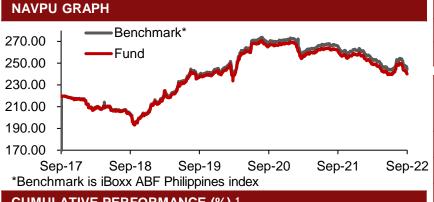
• THE UIT FUND IS NOT A DEPOSIT AND IS NOT INSURED BY THE PHILIPPINE DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORP. (PDIC).

the fund due primarily to operating and fund management expenses.

- 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 SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

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



CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE (%) 1						
	1 mo	3 mos	6 mos	1 YR	3 YRS	S.I. <sup>2</sup>
Fund	-3.43	0.19	-3.46	-7.75	1.28	140.25
Benchmark	-3.41	0.29	-3.32	-7.46	2.20	169.92
ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE (%) 1						
	1 YR	2 YRS	3 YRS	4 YRS	5 YRS	S.I. <sup>2</sup>
Fund	-7.75	-4.93	0.42	4.35	1.82	5.15
Benchmark	-7.46	-4.66	0.73	4.72	2.18	5.86

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CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%) 1						
	YTD	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Fund	-6.76	-3.97	10.68	19.04	-6.12	0.85
Benchmark	-6.55	-3.72	11.03	19.69	-5.84	1.18

Allocation	% of Fund				
Fixed Income	98.69				
Other receivables – net of liabilities <sup>5</sup>	0.97				
Time deposits and money market	0.34				
Cash	0.00				
Maturity Profile					
Cash and less than 1 year	4.57				
Between 1 and 3 years	16.78				
Between 3 and 5 years	17.56				
Between 5 and 7 years	18.96				
Between 7 and 10 years	22.36				
More than 10 years	19.77				

NAVPu over the past 12 months	
Highest	260.14
Lowest	239.97

STATISTICS	
Weighted Average Duration (Yrs)	5.35
Volatility, Past 1 Year (%) <sup>3</sup>	3.23
Portfolio Weighted Yield to Maturity (%)	5.17
Current Number of Holdings	45
Tracking Error (36-mo. Rolling, %) 4	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	8.33
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	9/9/2025	7.15
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	4/22/2028	6.39
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	4/8/2026	6.26
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	5/4/2027	6.16
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	12/16/2035	5.68
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	1/10/2029	4.95
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	8/12/2028	4.82
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	2/14/2026	3.92
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	7/22/2031	3.63

#### **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 lost 2.44% in September, with benchmark government yields rising by 74.12 basis points (bps) on average. Average daily trading volume fell to PHP10.62 billion from August's PHP14.46 billion with trades mostly seen on the belly (5- to 10-year papers) of the curve.

The Bureau of the Treasury (BTr) held four FXTN auctions in September. Of the four, only two were awarded. The reissuance of the 10-year FXTN1069 and the 7-year FXTN767 were both fully awarded at average yields of 6.703% and 6.588%, respectively, while the reissuance of 3.5-year FXTN301 and the 16-year FXTN2023 were both rejected. Participation across all auctions was mostly healthy, though the BTr opted to reject bids that were deemed too high, especially as it had just concluded a substantial Retail Treasury Bond issuance earlier during the month. Towards the end of the month, the October auction schedule was released with four FXTN issuances (3-, 6-, 10-, and 13-year tenors) and four Treasury Bill auctions.

In the local economic space, inflation for the month of August rose by 6.3% year-on-year, slightly lower than the 6.4% in July. Prices for food and fuel remained elevated as supply side pressures persisted. Consequently, the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas hiked rates by another 50 basis points to 4.25%. It likewise revised upward its local inflation forecasts for 2022 to 2024. The central bank will continue to monitor economic data and adjust policy settings as needed.

**Fund Performance.** The Fund continued to track the returns and duration of the iBoxx ABF Philippines. The Fund returned -3.43% 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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