

Key Information and Investment Disclosure Statement As of February 28, 2023

# **FUND FACTS**

Classification: Intermediate Bond Fund

Launch Date: April 4, 2005 Php 10,000.00 **Minimum Investment:** Php 1,000.00 **Additional Investment:** 

**Minimum Holding Period:** None NAVPU:

Php 199.35

Php 5,434.74 **Total Fund NAV (Mn):** 

Daily up to 1:30 PM7 **Dealing Day:** 

**Redemption Settlement:** T+0 End-of-Day

**Early Redemption Charge:** None

FEES\*

**BPI** Wealth

Trustee Fees: 0.1152% Custodianship Fees: 0.0004% External Auditor Fees: 0%

**HSBC** 

Other Fees: 0%

Isla Lipana none

\*Monthly rate: As a percentage of average daily NAV for the month valued at Php5,546.88 Million

\*Monthly rate: Billings received \*Billing is received at the last for January 2023 divided by the average daily NAV

quarter of the month

# **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGY**

The Fund intends to achieve for its Participants capital appreciation and income derived from a diversified portfolio of primarily medium-term fixed income instruments. The Fund aims to provide absolute returns in excess of the return of the BPI Philippine Government Bond 1-3 Year Index.

#### **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 Premium Bond Fund is suitable only for investors who:

- Are at least classified as moderately conservative based on their risk profile
- Have an investment horizon of at least one (1) year

# **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 an intermediate term portfolio of domestic government and corporate securities, 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, issuerspecific factors/ events and/ or negative developments in domestic political and economic conditions.

Investors are exposed to the risk of loss due to the 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 buyers/ sellers in the market, low trading volumes or market disruptions, among other reasons/ factors.

Risk:

Investors are exposed to the risk of loss due to the failure of the borrower/ debt issuer to make timely interest Credit/Default 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.

Risk:

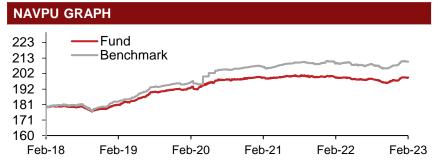
Investors are exposed to actual or potential conflicts of interest in the handling of related party transactions by the Related Party Trustee, specifically, time deposit placements with the Trustee's own bank and/ or its subsidiary, purchase of debt securities issued by related parties, as well as the execution of trade transactions with related counterparties.

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.**
- THIS PRODUCT CANNOT BE SOLD TO YOU UNLESS ITS BENEFITS AND RISKS HAVE BEEN THOROUGHLY EXPLAINED. IF YOU DO NOT FULLY UNDERSTAND THIS PRODUCT, DO NOT PURCHASE OR INVEST IN IT.

### **FUND PERFORMANCE AND STATISTICS AS OF FEBRUARY 28, 2023**

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



* Renchmark is	RPI Philippine	Government Bond 1-	3 Year Index

CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE (%) 1						
	1 mo	3 mos	6 mos	1 YR	3 YRS	S.I. <sup>2</sup>
Fund	-0.04	1.52	0.48	0.04	3.62	99.35
Benchmark	-0.09	1.89	0.85	0.50	7.16	65.15
ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE (%) 1						
	1 YR	2 YRS	3 YRS	4 YRS	5 YRS	S.I. <sup>2</sup>
Fund	0.04	80.0	1.19	2.47	2.11	3.93
Benchmark	0.50	0.90	2.33	3.49	3.19	2.84
CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%) 1						
	YTD	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Fund	1.14	-1.29	0.37	3.93	7.42	-0.80
Benchmark	1.25	-0.75	1.13	5.81	8.79	0.25

PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION		
Allocation	% of Fund	
Government	40.60	
Corporates	44.78	
Cash	0.24	
Time Deposits and Money Market	13.95	
Other Receivables – Net of Liabilities <sup>6</sup>	0.44	
Maturity Profile		
Cash and less than 1 year	27.93	
Between 1 and 3 years	60.71	
Between 3 and 5 years	5.59	
Between 5 and 7 years	5.76	
Between 7 and 10 years	-	
More than 10 years	-	
Portfolio Weightings		
Philippine Corporate Bonds	44.78	
Philippine Sovereign Bonds	40.60	

NAVPU over the past 12 months	
Highest	199.54
Lowest	195.60

STATISTICS	
Weighted Ave Duration (Yrs)	1.90
Volatility, Past 1 Year (%) <sup>3</sup>	1.28
Sharpe Ratio <sup>4</sup>	-1.65
Information Ratio <sup>5</sup>	-0.30
Portfolio Weighted Yield to Maturity (%)	4.51
Current Number of Holdings	46

<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-àvis 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.

<sup>7</sup>Effective March 1,2022, transaction cut off times of the Fund have been temporarily adjusted until further notice. Announcements for changes of Fund cut off times shall be available on our website.

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

TOP TEN HOLDINGS		
Name	Maturity	% of Fund
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	02/14/2026	14.35
Retail Treasury Bond	08/12/2025	13.05
SM Prime Holdings, Inc.	03/25/2025	6.83
Rizal Comm'l Banking Corp.	05/21/2024	5.42
Retail Treasury Bond	03/07/2028	4.84
Time Deposit		3.68
BDO Unibank, Inc.	01/28/2024	3.59
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	11/29/2025	3.47
Aboitiz Equity Ventures, Inc.	08/09/2025	2.97
Time Deposit		2.76

# **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

The Fund has investments and trade transactions with BPI Wealth – A Trust Corporation (BPI Wealth), its subsidiaries and related parties:

Ayala Corp. – Php211.80 Million, Ayala Land Inc. – Php138.06 Million, Bank of the Philippine Islands – Php179.71 Million, Globe Telecom, Inc – Php42.38 Million, ACEN Corporation – Php71.27 Million

Investments in the said outlets were approved by the BPI Wealth'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 Wealth's internal policy.

#### **OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY**

**Market Review**. The BPI Government Bond Index returned -0.47% in February, with benchmark government yields rising 21 basis points (bps) on average. Average daily trading volume fell to PHP11.91 billion from January's PHP17.55 billion with trades mostly seen on the long-end of the curve.

The Bureau of the Treasury (BTr) only held two FXTN auctions in February. The 13-year FXTN 25-7 and 10-year FXTN 10-69 were fully awarded at average yields of 6.197% and 6.258%, respectively. Two FXTN auctions were cancelled after the BTr announced its first Retail Treasury Bond (RTB) issuance for the year. The government priced the 5.5-year RTB (RTB5-17) at a coupon rate of 6.125% and raised Php283.71 billion from the sale. Towards the end of the month, the BTr released its March auction schedule with five Treasury Bill auctions and five FXTN issuances (6-, 10-, 13-, 20-, and 7-year tenors).

In the local space, January inflation exceeded expectations printing 8.7% year-on-year, the highest since November 2008. The inflation uptrend was mainly driven by housing, electricity, water, fuel, and food-related expenses. Consequently, the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) hiked its policy rate by 50 basis points to 6.00% during the first Monetary Board meeting of the year, to curb demand and limit inflation. The central bank raised its 2023 inflation forecast to 6.1% but maintained its 2024 forecast at 3.1%.

Fund Performance. The Fund returned -0.04% for the month, above its benchmark by 5 basis points.

**Fund Strategy**. The Fund looks to gradually add to its duration position as interest rates are expected to stabilize in the near term. Inflation remains above the government's target range, and the BSP will be vigilant in monitoring supply side pressures moving forward. Volatility may persist in the global space, and the portfolio will be actively managed to take advantage of this. Investors in a bond fund must be prepared to withstand volatility as higher investment value is typically achieved over the medium to long 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) Primarily medium-term tradable fixed-income instruments issued or guaranteed by the Philippine government or the BSP; tradable fixed-income 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.
- b) Primarily medium-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 X 410.12 (a) of the Manual of Regulations for Banks.
- c) Bank deposits, BSP special deposit account or tradable debt instruments issued by the BSP.
- d) Such other investments allowed under regulations issued by the BSP.

BPI Wealth – A Trust Corporation ("BPI Wealth") is a subsidiary of the Bank of the Philippine Islands. For inquiries and comments, please send an email to bpiwealth@bpi.com.ph or call us at (632) 8580-2682.

BPI Wealth as Trustee/Investment Manager is regulated by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP). https://www.bsp.gov.ph