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# EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS GLOBAL EQUITY FUND

ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 29 FEBRUARY 2024



#### Dear Valued Investor,

Greetings from Eastspring Investments Berhad!

First and foremost, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for choosing to invest with Eastspring Investments Berhad.

We are pleased to enclose a copy of the Annual/Quarterly Fund Reports of Eastspring Investments Berhad's fund(s) for the reporting period ended 29 February 2024.

You may also download these reports from our website at www.eastspring.com/my

Should you require any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact our Client Services at 03-2778 1000.

Yours sincerely,

Raymond Tang Chee Kin

Non-Independent, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer

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# **FUND INFORMATION**

Name of Fund	Eastspring Investments Global Equity Fund (the "Fund")
Fund Category/ Type	Fund-of-Funds (Equity)/Growth
Fund Objective	The Fund seeks to provide investor with long-term capital appreciation by investing in a diversified portfolio of CIS.
	ANY MATERIAL CHANGE TO THE FUND'S OBJECTIVE WOULD REQUIRE UNIT HOLDERS' APPROVAL.
Performance Benchmark	MSCI All Country World Index USD Net Total Return (Hedged)
	Source: www.msci.com
	<b>Note:</b> The risk profile of the Fund is not the same as the risk profile of the performance benchmark.
Fund Income Distribution Policy	Distribution of income, if any, will be on annual basis, after deduction of taxation and expenses.

# KEY PERFORMANCE DATA

### FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED

Category	2024	16.12.2021 to 28.2.2023
	(%)	(%)
Collective investment schemes	74.23	76.40
Exchange - traded funds	24.71	20.17
Derivatives	1.10	(1.34)
Cash and other assets	(0.04)	4.77
Total	100.00	100.00
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	RM Hedged-	RM Hedged-
	RM Hedged- class	RM Hedged- class
Net Asset Value (NAV) (USD'000)	•	•
Net Asset Value (NAV) (USD'000) Units In Circulation (Units '000)	class	class
	<b>class</b> 117,006	<b>class</b> 125,888
Units In Circulation (Units '000)	class 117,006 1,153,701	class 125,888 1,363,234
Units In Circulation (Units '000) Net Asset Value Per Unit (USD)	class 117,006 1,153,701 0.1014	class 125,888 1,363,234 0.0923

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Total Return (%)
- Capital Growth

- Income Distribution Total Return (%)

Gross Distribution Per Unit (USD) Net Distribution Per Unit (USD) Total Expense Ratio (TER) (%)\*

Portfolio Turnover Ratio (PTR) (times)^

<sup>\*</sup> There were no significant changes to the TER during the period under review.

<sup>^</sup> There were no significant changes to the PTR during the period under review.

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(%)

(17.16)

# KEY PERFORMANCE DATA (CONTINUED)

	1 year 1.3.2023 to 29.2.2024	commencement 16.12.2021 to 29.2.2024
	(%)	(%)
Average total return	16.10	(1.75)
Year ended	1.3.2023 to 29.2.2024	Since commencement 16.12.2021 to 28.2.2023

**Source:** The above total return of the Fund was sourced from Lipper for Investment Management.

#### Bases of calculation and assumptions made in calculating returns:

Percentage growth =  $\frac{NAV_t}{NAV_0}$ -1

Annual total return

 $NAV_t = NAV$  at the end of the period

 $NAV_0$  = NAV at the beginning of the period

Performance annualised =  $(1 + Percentage Growth)^{1/n} - 1$ 

Adjusted for unit split and distribution paid out for the period

(%)

16.10

n = Number of years

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance and unit prices and investment returns may go down, as well as up.

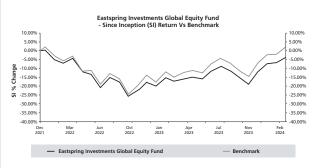
### MANAGER'S REPORT

#### **Fund Performance**

Since inception, the Fund recorded a return of -3.82%, underperforming the benchmark return of 1.99% by 5.81%.

During the period under review, the Fund registered a return of 16.10%, underperforming the benchmark return of 19.51% by -3.41%.

For the period under review, the Fund's performance was in tandem with the underlying global equity market but underperformed. Investors' pricing in of peak rate cycle and potential monetary policy pivot, as well as excitement over Artificial Intelligence created significant momentum in the rotation of funds into Growth strategies, boosting returns for Technology stocks. This in turn, resulted in the broad-based drag on Value style strategies, as well as negative securities selection on selected funds. Separately, certain tactical asset allocation exposures within underlying core target funds detracted as well. The weakening of Ringgit against the US Dollar by -5.4% during the review period also moderated performance as the Fund is currency hedged.



# MANAGER'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

# Fund Performance (continued)

The performance is calculated on NAV-to-NAV basis with gross income or dividend reinvested.

**Benchmark:** MSCI All Country World Index USD Net Total Return (Hedged)

**Source:** Lipper for Investment Management, www.msci.com, as at 29 February 2024.

Past performance of the Fund is not necessarily indicative of its future performance.

#### Analysis of Fund Performance

For the financial year ended 29 February 2024:

Total Return of	Total	Capital	Income
Benchmark	Return	Return*	Return
(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
19.51	16.10	16.10	0.00

<sup>\*</sup> Capital return components (NAV per unit to NAV per unit).

#### Distribution/ Unit Split

No distribution or unit split were declared for the financial year ended 29 February 2024.

#### Investment Strategy During the Period Under Review

The Fund maintained a balanced and diversified multi-factor portfolio approach by investing in a pool of diversified sleeves to achieve a low-to-medium risk active global equity portfolio, as macroeconomic headwinds continued to cloud investment outlook. Preference was towards funds with higher tilt to quality exposures and strong fundamentals on defensive play. The Fund also moved to overweight Growth strategy funds on the back of US Technology sector strength.

# MANAGER'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

#### **Asset Allocation**

Asset Allocation	29-Feb 2024	28-Feb 2023	Changes
	(%)	(%)	(%)
Collective investment schemes	74.23	76.40	(2.17)
Exchange - traded funds	24.71	20.17	4.54
Derivatives	1.10	(1.34)	2.44
Cash and other assets	(0.04)	4.77	(4.81)

#### Asset Allocation as at 29 February 2024



There were no significant changes in asset allocation of the Fund for the period under review.

# MANAGER'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

# State of Affairs of the Fund

There have been neither significant change to the state of affairs of the Fund nor any circumstances that materially affect any interests of the unit holders during the period under review.

We have issued the Second Supplementary Prospectus dated 2 February 2024 with the following changes:

- a) To revise the asset allocation of liquid assets by deleting the requirement of having at least 1% of the Fund's NAV in liquid assets;
- b) To amend the redemption timeline in which if we identify an existing unit holder to be qualified as a U.S. Person, there will be notice to be issued to the unit holder to redeem his/her investment within 30 days or transfer the remaining units to a non-U.S Person. The redemption proceeds will then be made to unit holder no later than seven (7) business days from the date that we repurchase all the units held by the unit holder;
- c) To enhance our disclosure in our prospectus of the Fund to indicate that we will notify Unit Holders by way of letter at least fourteen days (14) prior to any increase in the minimum amounts and number of units to be held by a unit holder of the Fund: and
- d) To implement auto-reinvestment enhancement for income distributions paid to unit holders should there be unclaimed income distribution payment for the last three (3) consecutive distributions.

With above, unit holders may refer to **Appendix 1** for the detailed list of changes.

#### MARKET REVIEW

For the period under review, global equities performed strongly as market sentiment improved, prompted by ongoing optimism that global central banks may cut rates sooner than expected with the "higher for longer" rate fears that had characterised much of 2023 subsiding in 4Q 2023. Softer inflation data and more dovish messaging from the Fed, as well as its projections for rate cuts in 2024, further supported sentiment. All major markets posted positive absolute returns in USD terms, except for China which declined on the continued weak economic data and lack of meaningful government support. Global equities represented by MSCI ACWI net TR Index gained 23.2%, in USD terms. The advance was driven by developed markets, notably the US, whilst emerging market lagged. Developed markets outperformed emerging markets with a gain of 24.9% versus 8.7%. The outperformance of developed markets on the back of the strong return in US equities was mainly due to the enthusiasm surrounding Artificial Intelligence, which boosted technology stocks. This in turn, resulted in significant outperformance of Growth relative to Value strategy by 21.2% for the period under review.

## REBATES AND SOFT COMMISSIONS

During the period under review, the Manager and its delegates (if any) did not receive any soft commissions from stockbrokers.

## SECURITIES LENDING OR REPURCHASE TRANSACTIONS

No securities lending or repurchase transaction have been carried out during the financial period under review.

# EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS GLOBAL EQUITY FUND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 29 FEBRUARY 2024

#### STATEMENT BY THE MANAGER

We, Tang Chee Kin and John Campbell Tupling, being two of the Directors of Eastspring Investments Berhad, do hereby state that, in the opinion of the Manager, the accompanying financial statements set out on pages 16 to 54 are drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Deeds and give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 29 February 2024 and of its financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows for the financial year ended on that date in accordance with the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards.

For and on behalf of the Manager,

#### **EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS BERHAD**

#### TANG CHEE KIN

Executive Director/Chief Executive Officer

#### JOHN CAMPBELL TUPLING

Independent, Non-Executive Director

Kuala Lumpur Date: 23 April 2024

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# TRUSTEE'S REPORT TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS GLOBAL EQUITY FUND ("Fund")

We have acted as Trustee of the Fund for the financial year ended 29 February 2024 and we hereby confirm to the best of our knowledge, after having made all reasonable enquiries, Eastspring Investments Berhad has operated and managed the Fund during the year covered by these financial statements in accordance with the following:-

- Limitations imposed on the investment powers of the management company under the deed, securities laws and the Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds;
- 2. Valuation and pricing is carried out in accordance with the deed; and
- 3. Any creation and cancellation of units are carried out in accordance with the deed and any regulatory requirement.

For Deutsche Trustees Malaysia Berhad

**Ng Hon Leong** Head. Fund Operations **Sylvia Beh** Chief Executive Officer

Kuala Lumpur Date: 23 April 2024

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS GLOBAL EQUITY FUND

#### REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

#### Our opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements of Eastspring Investments Global Equity Fund ("the Fund") give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 29 February 2024, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the financial year then ended in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards.

#### What we have audited

We have audited the financial statements of the Fund, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 29 February 2024, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the financial year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information, as set out on pages 16 to 54.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements" section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Independence and other ethical responsibilities

We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the By-Laws (on Professional Ethics, Conduct and Practice) of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants ("By-Laws") and the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) ("IESBA Code"), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the By-Laws and the IESBA Code

#### Information other than the financial statements and auditors' report thereon

The Manager of the Fund is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Manager's Report, but does not include the financial statements of the Fund and our auditors' report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements of the Fund does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements of the Fund, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements of the Fund or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Responsibilities of the Manager for the financial statements

The Manager of the Fund is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements of the Fund that give a true and fair view in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards. The Manager is also responsible for such internal control as the Manager determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements of the Fund that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements of the Fund, the Manager is responsible for assessing the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Manager either intends to liquidate the Fund or to terminate the Fund, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements of the Fund as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- a. Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements of the Fund, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- b. Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control.
- c. Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Manager.
- d. Conclude on the appropriateness of the Manager's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements of the Fund or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Fund to cease to continue as a going concern.

e. Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements of the Fund, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements of the Fund represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Manager regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

#### OTHER MATTERS

This report is made solely to the unit holders of the Fund and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility to any other person for the content of this report.

PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS PLT LLP0014401-LCA & AF 1146 Chartered Accountants

Kuala Lumpur Date: 23 April 2024

## STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 29 FEBRUARY 2024

	Note	Financial year ended 29.2.2024	Financial period from 25.11.2021 (date of launch) to 28.2.2023
		USD	USD
INVESTMENT INCOME/(LOSS) Interest Income Other income Net gain/(loss) on financial assets at fair	6	30 -	3,421 463
value through profit or loss	6 7	23,260,074	(18,040,958)
Net loss on forward foreign currency contracts Net foreign currency exchange (loss)/gain	/	(10,374,287) (69,185) 12,816,632	(8,515,044) 176,556 (26,375,562)
EXPENSES			
Management fee Trustee fee Audit fee Tax agent fee Other expenses Transaction costs	3 4	(2,234,639) (68,281) (1,467) (899) (7,444) (12,698) (2,325,428)	(2,609,727) (79,742) (1,548) (1,167) (14,732) (3,875) (2,710,791)
PROFIT/(LOSS) BEFORE TAXATION		10,491,204	(29,086,353)
TAXATION	5	(13)	
PROFIT/(LOSS) AFTER TAXATION AND TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS)		10,491,191	(29,086,353)
Profit/(loss) after taxation is made up of the following: Realised amount Unrealised amount		(15,897,379) 26,388,570 10,491,191	(14,071,978) (15,014,375) (29,086,353)

The accompanying material accounting policy information and notes to the financial statements form an integral part of these financial statements.

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 29 FEBRUARY 2024

	Note	2024 USD	2023 USD
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ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	8	78,850	4,511,316
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	6	115,771,078	121,565,647
Forward foreign currency contracts	O	113,771,076	121,505,047
at fair value through profit or loss	7	1,283,414	39,965
Amount due from Manager		-	286
Amount due from broker		-	2,570,000
Management fee rebate receivable		47,156	53,731
TOTAL ASSETS		117,180,498	128,740,945
LIABILITIES			
Forward foreign currency contracts	_		. === .==
at fair value through profit or loss  Accrued management fee	7	- 163,684	1,726,195 182,840
Amount due to Trustee		5,002	5,587
Amount due to broker		-	930,000
Other payables and accruals		5,834	8,211
TOTAL LIABILITIES		174,520	2,852,833
NET ASSET VALUE OF THE FUND		117,005,978	125,888,112
EQUITY			
Unit holders' capital		135,601,140	154,974,465
Accumulated losses		(18,595,162)	(29,086,353)
NET ASSET ATTRIBUTABLE			
TO UNIT HOLDERS		117,005,978	125,888,112
NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION	9	1,153,701,060	1,363,234,304
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT (USD)		0.1014	0.0923
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT			
(RM Hedged-class)		0.4809	0.4142

The accompanying material accounting policy information and notes to the financial statements form an integral part of these financial statements.

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 29 FEBRUARY 2024

	Unit holders' capital	Accumulated losses	Total
	USD	USD	USD
Balance as at 1 March 2023	154,974,465	(29,086,353)	125,888,112
Movement in unit holders' contribution: Creation of units from applications	2,205,179	_	2,205,179
Cancellation of units Total comprehensive income	(21,578,504)	-	(21,578,504)
for the financial year		10,491,191	
Balance as at 29 February 2024	135,601,140	(18,595,162)	117,005,978
Balance as at 25 November 2021 (date of launch)	-	-	-
Movement in unit holders' contribution:			
Creation of units from applications	157,876,302	-	157,876,302
Cancellation of units Total comprehensive loss	(2,901,837)	-	(2,901,837)
for the financial period		(29,086,353)	
Balance as at 28 February 2023	154,974,465	(29,086,353)	125,888,112

The accompanying material accounting policy information and notes to the financial statements form an integral part of these financial statements.

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 29 FEBRUARY 2024

	Note	29.2.2024	Financial period from 25.11.2021 (date of launch) to 28.2.2023
		USD	USD
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Proceeds from sale of investments Purchase of investments Net realised loss on forward foreign currency contracts Interest Income Other income received Management fee rebate received Management fee paid Trustee fee paid Tax paid Payment for other fees and expenses Net realised foreign currency exchange (loss)/gain Net cash generated from/(used in) operating activities		66,412,935 (36,358,257) (13,343,931) 30 - 633,843 (2,253,795) (68,866) (13) (12,188) (69,056)	25,714,907 (167,531,511) (6,828,814) 3,421 463 512,392 (2,426,887) (74,155) - (9,236) 176,577
Cash FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES Cash proceeds from units created Payments for cancellation of units Net cash (used in)/generated from financing activities		2,205,465 (21,578,504) (19,373,039)	157,876,017 (2,901,837) 154,974,180
NET (DECREASE)/INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS EFFECTS OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE DIFFERENCES CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR/LAUNCH DATE		(4,432,337) (129) 4,511,316	4,511,337 (21)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR/PERIOD	8	78,850	4,511,316

The accompanying material accounting policy information and notes to the financial statements form an integral part of these financial statements.

# MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 29 FEBRUARY 2024

The following accounting policies have been used in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the financial statements

#### A. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS") and International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of financial assets and financial liabilities (including derivative financial instruments) at fair value through profit or loss.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the MFRS and IFRS require the use of certain critical accounting estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reported financial year/period. It also requires the Manager to exercise their judgement in the process of applying the Fund's accounting policies. Although these estimates and judgement are based on the Manager's best knowledge of current events and actions, actual results may differ.

The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in Note J.

a. Standards and amendments to existing standards effective 1 January 2023:

There are no other standards, amendments to standards or interpretations that are effective for financial year beginning on 1 March 2023 that have a material effect on the financial statements of the Fund.

b. New standards, amendments and interpretations effective after 1 January 2023 and have not been early adopted:

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 March 2023 and have not been early adopted in preparing these financial statements. None of these are expected to have a material effect on the financial statements of the Fund

#### B. INCOME RECOGNITION

Interest income from short-term deposits with licensed financial institutions is recognised on an annual basis using the effective interest rate method.

Interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset except for financial assets that subsequently become credit-impaired. For credit-impaired financial assets, the effective interest rate is applied to the net carrying amount of the financial asset (after deduction of the loss allowance).

Realised gain or loss on sale of investments are accounted for as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of investments, determined on a weighted average cost basis for collective investment schemes.

#### C. TAXATION

Current tax expense is determined according to the Malaysian tax laws at the current rate based upon the taxable income earned during the financial year/period.

#### D. FUNCTIONAL AND PRESENTATION CURRENCY

Items included in the financial statements of the Fund are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Fund operates (the "functional currency"). The financial statements are presented in United States Dollar ("USD"), which is the Fund's functional and presentation currency.

#### E. FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

#### i Classification

The Fund classifies its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- those to be measured subsequently at fair value through profit or loss, and
- those to be measured at amortised cost

The Fund classifies its investments based on both the Fund's business model for managing those financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets. The portfolio of financial assets is managed and performance is evaluated on a fair value basis. The Fund is primarily focused on fair value information and uses that information to assess the assets' performance and to make decisions. The Fund has not taken the option to irrevocably designate any equity securities as fair value through other comprehensive income. Consequently, all investments are measured at fair value through profit or loss. Investments in CIS have contractual cash flows that do not represent SPPI, and therefore are classified as fair value through profit or loss.

The Fund classifies cash and cash equivalents, amount due from Manager, amount due from broker and management fee rebate receivable as financial assets at amortised cost as these financial assets are held to collect contractual cash flows consisting of the amount outstanding.

The Fund classifies accrued management fee, amount due to Trustee, amount due to broker and other payables and accruals as financial liabilities measured at amortised cost.

#### ii. Recognition and measurement

Regular purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the trade date, the date on which the Fund commits to purchase or sell the asset. Investments are initially recognised at fair value and transaction costs are expensed in the statement of comprehensive income.

Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the investments have expired or have been transferred and the Fund has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership.

Financial liabilities are recognised in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Fund becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the quoted financial instrument

Financial liabilities are derecognised when they are extinguished, i.e. when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged or cancelled or expired.

Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of the "financial assets at fair value through profit or loss" including the effects of currency translation are presented in the statement of comprehensive income within "net gain/(loss) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss" in the financial year/period in which they arise.

Investment in collective investment schemes are valued based on the last published net asset value per unit or share of such collective investment schemes or, if unavailable, on the average of the last published buying price and the last published selling price of such unit or share (excluding any sales charge included in selling in such selling price).

Derivative investment consists of forward foreign currency contracts. Financial derivative position will be "marked to market" at the close of each valuation day. Foreign exchange gains and losses on the derivative financial instrument are recognised in statement of comprehensive income when settled or at the date of the statement of financial position at which time they are included in the measurement of the derivative financial instrument.

Financial assets and other financial liabilities are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

#### iii. Impairment for assets carried at amortised costs

The Fund measures credit risk and expected credit losses using probability of default, exposure at default and loss given default. Management considers both historical analysis and forward looking information in determining any expected credit loss. Management considers the probability of default to be close to zero as these instruments have a low risk of default and the counterparties have a strong capacity to meet their contractual obligations in the near term. As a result, no loss allowance has been recognised based on 12 months expected credit losses as any such impairment would be wholly insignificant to the Fund.

#### iv. Significant increase in credit risk

A significant increase in credit risk is defined by management as any contractual payment which is more than 30 days past due.

#### v. Definition of default and credit-impaired financial assets

Any contractual payment which is more than 90 days past due is considered credit impaired.

#### vi. Write-off

The Fund writes off financial assets, in whole or in part, when it has exhausted all practical recovery efforts and has concluded there is no reasonable expectation of recovery. The assessment of no reasonable expectation of recovery is based on unavailability of debtor's sources of income or assets to generate sufficient future cash flows to repay the amount. The Fund may write-off financial assets that are still subject to enforcement activity. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off will result in impairment gains. There are no write-offs/recoveries during the financial year/period.

#### F. AMOUNT DUE FROM/(TO) BROKERS

Amount due from and to brokers represent receivables for securities sold and payables for securities purchased that have been contracted for but not yet settled or delivered on the statement of financial position date respectively. The amount due from brokers balance is held for collection

These amounts are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost. At each reporting date, the Fund shall measure the loss allowance on amount due from brokers at an amount equal to the lifetime expected credit losses if the credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition. If, at the reporting date, the credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition, the Fund shall measure the loss allowance at an amount equal to 12 months expected credit losses. Significant financial difficulties of the brokers, probability that the brokers will enter bankruptcy or financial reorganisation, and default in payments are all considered indicators that a loss allowance may be required.

If the credit risk increases to the point that it is considered to be credit impaired, interest income will be calculated based on the gross carrying amount adjusted for the loss allowance. A significant increase in credit risk is defined by management as any contractual payment which is more than 30 days past due.

Any contractual payment which is more than 90 days past due is considered credit impaired.

#### G. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

For the purpose of statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise bank balances that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

#### H. FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION

Foreign currency transactions in the Fund are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transaction. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year/period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income, except when deferred in other comprehensive income as qualifying cash flow hedges.

#### I. UNIT HOLDERS' CAPITAL

The unit holders' contributions to the Fund meet the criteria to be classified as equity instruments under MFRS 132 "Financial Instruments: Presentation". Those criteria include:

- the units entitle the holder to a proportionate share of the Fund's net asset value;
- the units are the most subordinated class and class features are identical;
- there are no contractual obligations to deliver cash or another financial asset other than the obligation on the Fund to repurchase; and
- the total expected cash flows from the units over its life are based substantially on the profit or loss of the Fund.

The outstanding units are carried at the redemption amount that is payable at each financial year/period if unit holder exercises the right to put the unit back to the Fund.

Units are created and cancelled at prices based on the Fund's net asset value per unit at the time of creation or cancellation. The Fund's net asset value per unit is calculated by dividing the net assets attributable to unit holders with the total number of outstanding units.

# J. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS IN APPLYING ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Fund makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, rarely equal the related actual results. To enhance the information contents on the estimates, certain key variables that are anticipated to have material impacts to the Fund's results and financial position are tested for sensitivity to changes in the underlying parameters.

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated by the Manager and the Trustee and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

In undertaking any of the Fund's investment, the Manager will ensure that all assets of the Fund under management will be valued appropriately, that is at fair value and in compliance with the Securities Commission's ("SC") Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds.

#### K. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

A derivative financial instrument is any contract that gives rise to both a financial asset of one enterprise and a financial liability or equity instrument of another enterprise.

A financial asset is any asset that is cash, a contractual right to receive cash or another financial asset from another enterprise, a contractual right to exchange financial instruments with another enterprise under conditions that are potentially favourable, or an equity instrument of another enterprise.

A financial liability is any liability that is a contractual obligation to deliver cash or another financial asset to another enterprise, or to exchange financial instruments with another enterprise under conditions that are potentially unfavourable.

The Fund's derivative financial instruments comprise forward foreign currency contracts. Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair value.

The fair value of forward foreign exchange contracts is determined using forward exchange rates at the date of statements of financial position with the resulting value discounted back to present value.

The method of recognising the resulting gain or loss depends on whether the derivative is designated as a hedging instrument, and the nature of the item being hedged. Derivatives that do not qualify for hedge accounting are classified as financial assets/liabilities at fair value through profit or loss and accounted for in accordance with the accounting policy set out in Note E to the financial statements.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 29 FEBRUARY 2024

#### 1. INFORMATION ON THE FUND

Eastspring Investments Global Equity Fund (the "Fund") was constituted pursuant to the execution of a Deed dated 25 August 2021 (the "Deed"), followed by First Supplemental Deed dated 6 April 2022 entered into between Eastspring Investments Berhad (the "Manager") and Deutsche Trustees Malaysia Berhad (the "Trustee") (collectively referred to as the "Deed").

The Fund was launched on 25 November 2021 and will continue its operations until terminated as provided under Clause 12 of the Deed.

The main objective of the Fund seeks to provide investor with long-term capital appreciation by investing in a diversified portfolio of collective investment schemes ("CIS").

The Fund seeks to achieve its objective by investing a minimum of 70% of the Fund's NAV in Equity CIS, a maximum 30% of the Fund's NAV in fixed income CIS and/or money market CIS, and a minimum- of 1% and up to 5% of the Fund's NAV in liquid assets. The Fund will at all times invests into at least five (5) CIS as the Fund aims to provide investor a diversified portfolio that has access to different geographical region for diversification purpose.

All investments will be subjected to the Securities Commission's ("SC") Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds, the Deed and the Fund's objective.

The Manager is a company incorporated in Malaysia and is related to Prudential Plc., a public listed company in the United Kingdom. The principal activity of the Manager is the establishment and management of unit trust funds and asset management.

#### 2. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Fund is exposed to a variety of risks which include market risk (inclusive of price risk and foreign exchange/currency risk), fund management risk, liquidity risk, credit/ default risk, country risk, non-compliance risk and capital risk.

Financial risk management is carried out through internal control processes adopted by the Manager and adherence to the investment restrictions as stipulated in the Deeds.

#### Financial instruments of the Fund are as follows:

	Note	Financial assets at amortised cost	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	Total
		USD	USD	USD	USD
2024 Cash and cash equivalents Collective investment schemes Exchange - traded funds Forward foreign currency contracts at fair value through profit or loss Management fee	8 6 6	78,850	- 86,854,208 28,916,870 1,283,414		78,850 86,854,208 28,916,870 1,283,414
rebate receivable		47,156 126,006	- 117,054,492	-	47,156 117,180,498

	Note	Financial assets at amortised cost	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	Total
		USD	USD	USD	USD
2023 Cash and cash equivalents Collective investment schemes Exchange - traded funds Forward foreign	8 6 6	4,511,316 - -	- 96,168,926 25,396,721	-	4,511,316 96,168,926 25,396,721
currency contracts at fair value through profit or loss Amount due from Manager Amount due from broker Management fee rebate receivable	7	286 2,570,000 53,731 7,135,333	39,965 - - - - 121,605,612	(1,726,195) - - - (1,726,195)	286 2,570,000 53,731

All liabilities except forward foreign currency contracts are financial liabilities which are carried at amortised cost.

#### Market risk

#### Price risk

Price risk arises mainly from the uncertainty about future prices of investments. It represents the potential loss the Fund might suffer through holding market positions in the face of price movements. The Manager manages the risk of unfavourable changes in prices by continuous monitoring of the performance and risk profile of the investment portfolio.

The table below shows assets of the Fund as at 29 February/28 February which are exposed to price risk.

	2024	2023
	USD	USD
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss: Collective investment schemes Exchange - traded funds	86,854,208 28,916,870 115,771,078	96,168,926 25,396,721 121,565,647

The following table summarises the sensitivity of the Fund's profit/(loss) after tax and net asset value to movements in prices of collective investment schemes and exchange - traded funds at the end of each reporting financial year/period. The analysis is based on the assumptions that the market price of the collective investment schemes and exchange - traded funds increased and decreased by 5% with all other variables held constant. This represents management's best estimate of a reasonable possible shift in the collective investment schemes and exchange - traded funds, having regard to the historical volatility of the prices.

		2024		2023
% Change in price	Market value	Impact on profit after tax and net asset value	Market value	Impact on loss after tax and net asset value
	USD	USD	USD	USD
+5% (2023: +5%) -5% (2023: -5%)	121,559,632 109,982,524	5,788,554 (5,788,554)	127,643,929 115,487,365	6,078,282 (6,078,282)

#### ii. Foreign exchange/Currency risk

Currency risk is associated with investments denominated in foreign currencies. When the foreign currencies fluctuate in an unfavourable movement against Ringgit Malaysia, the investments will face currency losses in addition to the capital gain/(loss). The Manager will evaluate the likely directions of a foreign currency versus Ringgit Malaysia based on considerations of economic fundamentals such as interest rate differentials, balance of payments position, debt levels and technical chart considerations.

The following table sets out the foreign exchange/currency risk concentrations and counterparties of the Fund.

	Forward foreign currency contracts USD	Cash and cash equivalents USD	Amount due from Manager USD	Other payables USD	Total USD
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<u>2024</u> MYR	1,283,414	554	-	(5,834)	1,278,134
2023 MYR	(1,686,230)	1,627	286	(8,211)	(1,692,528)

The table below summarises the sensitivity of the Fund's profit/(loss) after tax and net asset value to changes in foreign exchange movements at the end of each reporting financial year/period. The analysis is based on the assumption that the foreign exchange rate changes by each currency's respective historical volatility, with all variables remain constants. This represents management's best estimate of a reasonable possible shift in the foreign exchange rate having regard to historical volatility of this rate.

Disclosures below are shown in absolute terms, changes and impacts could be positive or negative.

	Change in price	Impact on profit/(loss) after tax	Impact on net asset value
	%	USD	USD
<u>2024</u> MYR	5.70	72,854	72,854_
<u>2023</u> MYR	5.49	(92,920)	(92,920)

#### Fund management risk

There is the risk that the management company may not adhere to the investment mandate of the respective Funds. With close monitoring by the investment committee, back office system being incorporated with limits and controls, and regular reporting to the senior management team, the management company is able to manage such risk. The Trustee has an oversight function over management of the Fund by the management company to safeguard the interest of unit holders.

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund will encounter difficulty in meeting its financial obligations. Generally, all investments are subject to a certain degree of liquidity risk depending on the nature of the investment instruments, market, sector and other factors. For the purpose of the Fund, the Manager will attempt to balance the entire portfolio by investing in a mix of assets with satisfactory trading volume and those that occasionally could encounter poor liquidity. This is expected to reduce the risks for the entire portfolio without limiting the Fund's growth potentials.

The Fund maintains sufficient level of liquid assets, after consultation with the Trustee, to meet anticipated payments and cancellations of units by unit holders. Liquid assets comprise bank balances and other instruments which are capable of being converted into cash within 7 days.

The table below summarises the Fund's financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period as at the statement of financial position date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	Less than 1 month	Between 1 month to 1 year	Total
	USD	USD	USD
2024			
Accrued management fee	163,684	-	163,684
Amount due to Trustee	5,002	-	5,002
Other payables and accruals	-	5,834	5,834
Contractual undiscounted cash outflows	168,686	5,834	174,520
2023 Forward foreign currency contracts			
at fair value through profit or loss	1,726,195	-	1,726,195
Accrued management fee	182,840	-	182,840
Amount due to Trustee	5,587	-	5,587
Amount due to broker	930,000	-	930,000
Other payables and accruals		8,211	8,211
Contractual undiscounted cash outflows	2,844,622	8,211	2,852,833

#### Credit/Default risk

Credit risk refers to the ability of an issuer or a counterparty to make timely payments of interest income, principals and proceeds from realisation of investments.

Credit risk arising from cash and bank balances is managed by ensuring that they are held by parties with credit rating of AA1 or higher.

The settlement terms of the proceeds from the creation of units receivable from the Manager are governed by the SC's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds. The settlement of amount due from broker are governed by relevant rules and regulations as prescribed by the respective stock exchanges. The credit/default risk is minimal as all transactions in collective investment scheme are settled/paid upon delivery using approved brokers.

The following table sets out the credit risk concentrations and counterparties of the Fund:

	Cash and cash equivalents	Amount due from Manager	Management fee rebate receivable	Amount due from broker	Forward Foreign currency contracts at fair value through profit or loss	Total
	USD	USD	OSD	USD	OSD	USD
<u>2024</u> Financial Services						
- AA1	78,850	1	•	•	1,283,414	1,283,414 1,362,264
- NR	'	'	47,156	1	'	47,156
	78,850	1	47,156	-	1,283,414	1,283,414 1,409,420
<u>2023</u> Financial Services						
- AA1	4,511,316	•	1	•	39,965	39,965 4,551,281
Other - NR	•	286	53,731	53,731 2,570,000	1	2,624,017
	4,511,316	286	53,731	53,731 2,570,000	39,965	39,965 7,175,298

None of these financial assets are past due or impaired.

## Country risk

The stock prices may be affected by the political and economic conditions of the country in which the stocks are listed. A unit trust fund that invests in foreign securities may experience more rapid and extreme changes in value than a unit trust fund that invests exclusively in securities of Malaysian companies. Nationalisation, expropriation or confiscatory taxation, currency blockage, political changes or diplomatic developments could adversely affect a unit trust fund's investment in a foreign country. In the event of nationalisation, expropriation or other confiscation, a unit trust fund could lose its entire investment in foreign securities. Careful consideration shall be given to risk factors such as liquidity, political and economic environment before any investments are made in a foreign country.

Adverse conditions in a certain region can adversely affect securities of other countries whose economies appear to be unrelated.

## Non-compliance risk

Non-compliance risk arises when the Manager and others associated with the Fund are not compliant to the rules set out in the Fund's constitution or the laws that govern the Fund or applicable internal control procedures, or acts of fraudulence or dishonesty.

Non-compliance may expose the Fund to higher risks which may result in a fall in the value of the Fund which in turn may affect its investment goals. However, the risk can be mitigated by the internal controls and compliance monitoring undertaken by the Manager.

## Capital risk

The capital of the Fund is represented by equity consisting of unit holders' capital of RM135,601,140 (2023: RM154,974,465) and accumulated losses of RM18,595,162 (2023: RM29,086,353). The amount of equity can change significantly on a daily basis as the Fund is subject to daily subscriptions and redemptions at the discretion of unit holders. The Fund's objective when managing capital is to safeguard the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for unit holders and benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain a strong capital base to support the development of the investment activities of the Fund.

#### Fair value estimation

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (i.e. an exit price).

The fair value of financial assets traded in active market (such as trading securities) are based on quoted market prices at the close of trading on the financial year/period end date. The Fund utilises the last traded market price for financial assets where the last traded price falls within the bid-ask spread. In circumstances where the last traded price is not within the bid-ask spread, the Manager will determine the point within the bid-ask spread that is representative of the fair value.

An active market is a market in which transactions for the asset or liability take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis

The fair value of financial assets that are not traded in an active market is determined by using valuation techniques.

#### i. Fair value hierarchy

The following table analyses financial instruments carried at fair value by valuation method.

The different levels have been defined as follows:

- Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active market for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are
  observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or
  indirectly (that is, derived from prices).
- Level 3: Inputs for the asset and liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs).

The level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement is categorised in its entirety is determined on the basis of the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. For this purpose, the significance of an input is assessed against the fair value measurement in its entirety. If a fair value measurement uses observable inputs that require significant adjustment based on unobservable inputs, that measurement is a Level 3 measurement.

Assessing the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgement, considering factors specific to the asset or liability.

The determination of what constitutes "observable" requires significant judgement by the Fund. The Fund considers observable data to be market data that is readily available, regularly distributed or updated, reliable and verifiable, not proprietary, and provided by independent sources that are actively involved in the relevant market

The following table analyses within the fair value hierarchy of the Fund's financial assets (by class) measured at fair value:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	USD	USD	USD	USD
2024 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss: Collective investment				
schemes Exchange - traded	86,854,208	-	-	86,854,208
funds	28,916,870	-	-	28,916,870
	115,771,078	_		115,771,078
2023 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss since inception: Collective investment schemes Exchange - traded	96,168,926	-	-	96,168,926
funds	25,396,721	-		25,396,721
	121,565,647	-		121,565,647

Investments whose values are based on quoted market prices in active markets, and are therefore classified within Level 1, include collective investment schemes. The Fund does not adjust the quoted prices for these instruments. The Fund's policies on valuation of these financial assets are stated in Note E to the financial statements.

ii. The carrying value of cash and cash equivalents, amount due from Manager, amount due from broker, management fee rebate receivable and all liabilities are a reasonable approximation of their fair values due to their short-term nature.

#### 3. MANAGEMENT FEE

In accordance with the Deed, the Manager is entitled to a management fee at a rate not exceeding 2.00% per annum of the net asset value of the Fund accrued on a daily basis for the financial period.

For the financial year ended 29 February 2024, management fee is recognised at a rate of 1.80% (2023: 1.80%) per annum on the net asset value of the Fund, calculated on a daily basis.

There will be no further liability to the Manager in respect of the management fee other than the amounts recognised above.

#### 4. TRUSTEE FEE

In accordance with the Deed, the Trustee is entitled to an annual fee, at a rate not exceeding 0.20% per annum of the net asset value of the Fund, subject to a minimum fee of RM15,000 per annum (excluding foreign custodian fees and charges).

For the financial year ended 29 February 2024, the Trustee fee is recognised at a rate of 0.055% (2023: 0.055%) per annum on the net asset value of the Fund, subject to a minimum fee of RM15,000 per annum, (excluding foreign custodian fees and charges), calculated on daily basis.

There will be no further liability to the Trustee in respect of the trustee fee other than the amounts recognised above.

### 5. TAXATION

	Financial year ended 29.2.2024	Financial period from 25.11.2021 (date of launch) to 28.2.2023
	USD	USD
Tax charged for the financial year/period: Current taxation Under provision of taxation in prior year	- 13	-

The numerical reconciliation between profit/(loss) before taxation multiplied by the Malaysian statutory tax rate and tax expense of the Fund is as follows:

	Financial year ended 29.2.2024	Financial period from 25.11.2021 (date of launch) to 28.2.2023
	USD	USD
Profit/(loss) before taxation	10,491,204	(29,086,353)
Tax at Malaysian statutory rate of 24% (2023: 24%)	2,517,889	(6,980,725)
Tax effects of: (Investment income not subject to tax)/ investment loss not deductible for tax		
purposes	(3,075,992)	6,330,135
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Restriction on the tax deductible	21,437	23,884
expenses for Unit Trust Funds	536,666	626,706
Under provision of taxation in prior year	13	
Taxation	13	

### 6. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

	2024	2023
	USD	USD
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss since inception:		
Collective investment schemes (i)	86,854,208	96,168,926
Exchange - traded funds (ii)	28,916,870	25,396,721
	115,771,078	121,565,647
	Financial year ended	Financial period from 25.11.2021 (date of launch)
	29.2.2024	to 28.2.2023
	•	•
Net gain/(loss) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:	29.2.2024	to 28.2.2023
3	29.2.2024	to 28.2.2023
through profit or loss:	29.2.2024 USD	to 28.2.2023 USD
through profit or loss:  Realised loss on disposals  Change in unrealised fair value gain/(loss)	29.2.2024 USD (786,249)	to 28.2.2023 USD

<sup>&</sup>quot;In arriving at the fair value of collective investment schemes, the management fee initially paid to the Manager of the collective investment schemes has been considered as part of its net asset value. In order to prevent the double charging of management fee which is not permissible under SC Guidelines, management fee charged on the Fund's investments in collective investment schemes has been refunded to the Fund. Accordingly, any rebate of management fee received from the Manager of collective investment scheme is reflected as an increase in the net asset value of the collective investment schemes. The rebate of management fee is 1.50% per annum, 1.30% per annum and 0.50% per annum or USD627,268 (2023: USD566,123) calculated on net asset value of Schroders Global Sustainable Growth Fund, Fidelity Funds - Global Focus Class A – Shares and JPMorgan Investment Funds - Global Select Equity Fund I (acc) (USD) respectively, on a daily basis.

## (i) Collective investment schemes

	Quantity	Aggregate cost	Fair value as at 29.2.2024	Percentage of net asset value of the Fund
	Units	USD	USD	%
Eastspring Investments Global Equity Navigator				
Fund Class D (USD) Eastspring Investments Global Growth Equity	312,845	7,662,041	8,101,118	6.92
Fund D (USD) Eastspring Investments World Value Equity	413,579	7,497,299	7,776,938	6.65
Class D (USD) Fidelity Funds - Global	501,996	18,604,796	20,362,966	17.40
Focus Class A - Shares JPMorgan Investment Funds - Global Select Equity Fund I	184,772	19,688,147	20,417,315	17.45
(acc) (USD) Schroders Global Sustainable	65,433	11,500,000	12,544,771	10.72
Growth Fund	48,322 1,526,947	14,322,497 79,274,780	17,651,100 86,854,208	15.09 74.23
ACCUMULATED UNREALISED GAIN ON FINANCIAL			-	

**ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS** 

7,579,428

**TOTAL FAIR VALUE** OF FINANCIAL **ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH** PROFIT OR LOSS

86,854,208

## (i) Collective investment schemes

	Quantity	Aggregate cost	Fair value as at 28.2.2023	Percentage of net asset value of the Fund
	Units	USD	USD	%
Eastspring Investments Global Equity Navigator Fund Class D (USD) Eastspring Investments Global Growth Equity	1,091,543	26,733,540	23,698,501	18.83
Fund D (USD) Eastspring Investments World Value Equity	237,525	4,320,500	3,406,589	2.71
Class D (USD)	760,974	28,280,877	25,701,140	20.42
Fidelity Funds - Global Focus Class A - Shares Schroders Global Sustainable	266,342	28,400,914	24,162,528	19.19
Growth Fund	64,334	18,435,121	19,200,168	15.25
	2,420,718	106,170,952	96,168,926	76.40

ACCUMULATED
UNREALISED LOSS
ON FINANCIAL
ASSETS AT FAIR
VALUE THROUGH
PROFIT OR LOSS

(10,002,026)

TOTAL FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

96,168,926

## (ii) Exchange - traded funds

**PROFIT OR LOSS** 

	Quantity	Aggregate cost	Fair value as at 29.2.2024	Percentage of net asset value of the Fund
	Units	USD	USD	%
iShares MSCI ACWI UCITS ETF USD (Acc) SPDR MSCI ACWI ETF	116,100 94,300 210,400	8,025,217 18,380,150 26,405,367	9,174,222 19,742,648 28,916,870	7.84 16.87 24.71
ACCUMULATED UNREALISED GAIN ON FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS	-	2,511,503		
TOTAL FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH				

28,916,870

## (ii) Exchange - traded funds

	Quantity	Aggregate cost	Fair value as at 28.2.2023	Percentage of net asset value of the Fund
	Units	USD	USD	%
iShares MSCI ACWI UCITS ETF USD (Acc) SPDR MSCI ACWI ETF	30,700 136,700 167,400	1,839,599 26,883,220 28,722,819	1,981,378 23,415,343 25,396,721	1.57 18.60 20.17
ACCUMULATED UNREALISED LOSS ON FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH				

**PROFIT OR LOSS** 

(3,326,098)

**TOTAL FAIR VALUE** OF FINANCIAL **ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS** 

25,396,721

2023

#### 7. FORWARD FOREIGN CURRENCY CONTRACTS

As at the date of statement of financial position, there is 1 (2023: 2) forward foreign currency contracts outstanding. The notional principal amount of the outstanding forward foreign currency contracts amounted to USD544,524,093 (2023: USD590,856,083). The forward foreign currency contracts entered into during the financial year/period were for hedging against the currency exposure arising from the creation and cancellation of units denominated in MYR. As the Fund has not adopted hedge accounting during the financial year/period, the change in the fair value of the forward foreign currency contract is recognised immediately in the statement of comprehensive income.

2027	2023
USD	USD
1,283,414	39,965
	1,726,195
Financial year ended 29.2.2024	Financial period from 25.11.2021 (date of launch) to 28.2.2023
USD	USD
(13,343,931)	(6,828,814)
2,969,644	(1,686,230)
(10,374,287)	(8,515,044)
	1,283,414  Financial year ended 29.2.2024 USD

2024

## Forward foreign currency contracts

Name of issuer	Receivables	Payables	Fair value as at 29.2.2024	Percentage of net asset value of the Fund
	USD	USD	USD	%
Deutsche Bank Malaysia Berhad	544,524,093	543,240,679	1,283,414	1.10

Name of issuer	Receivables	Payables	Fair value as at 28.2.2023	Percentage of net asset value of the Fund
	USD	USD	USD	%
Deutsche Bank Malaysia Berhad	590,856,083	592,542,313	(1,686,230)	(1.34)

## 8. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2024 USD	2023 USD
Bank balances with a licensed bank	78,850	4,511,316
The currency exposure profile of cash and cash equivalent	nts is as follows:	
MYR USD	554 78 206	1,627
ענט	78,296 78,850	4,509,689 4,511,316

## 9. UNITS IN CIRCULATION

	2024	2023
	No. of units	No. of units
RM Hedged-class At the beginning of the financial year/launch date Creation of units arising from applications	1,363,234,304	-
during the financial year/period  Cancellation of units during the financial	23,188,244	1,391,754,371
year/period At the end of the financial year/period	(232,721,488) 1,153,701,060	(28,520,067) 1,363,234,304

## 10. UNITS HELD BY THE MANAGER AND PARTIES RELATED TO THE MANAGER

The related parties and their relationship with the Fund are as follows:

Related parties	Relationship
Director of Eastspring Investments Berhad	Director of the Manager
Eastspring Investments Berhad	The Manager
Eastspring Investments Group Private Limited	Immediate holding company of the Manager
Eastspring Investments Global Equity Navigator Fund - Class D (USD)	Collective investment scheme managed by Eastspring Investments (Singapore) Limited
Eastspring Investments Global Growth Equity Fund - Class D (USD)	Collective investment scheme managed by Eastspring Investments (Singapore) Limited
Eastspring Investments World Value Equity - Class D (USD)	Collective investment scheme managed by Eastspring Investments (Singapore) Limited
Prudential Plc	Ultimate holding company of the Manager

## Units held by Manager:

		2024		2023
	No. of units	USD	No. of units	USD
RM Hedged-class Eastspring Investments				
Berhad	2,000	962	2,000	828

The above units were transacted at the prevailing market price.

The units are held legally and beneficially by the Manager and are within the prescribed limit allowed by the SC's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds. Other than the above, there were no units held by the Directors or parties related to the Manager.

In addition to the related parties disclosure mentioned in the financial statements, there were no other significant related parties transactions and balances.

## Significant related parties transactions

	Financial year ended 29.2.2024	Financial period from 25.11.2021 (date of launch) to 28.2.2023
	USD	USD
Purchase of units in collective investment schemes managed by Eastspring Investments (Singapore) Limited Sales of units in collective investment schemes managed by Eastspring Investments (Singapore)	5,555,000	112,460,000
Limited	29,872,000	19,850,000

## 11. TRANSACTIONS WITH BROKER

Details of transactions with the broker are as follows:

Name of broker	Value of trades	Percentage of total trades	Brokerage fees	Percentage of total brokerage fees
	USD	%	USD	%
2024 Eastspring Investments				
(Singapore) Limited# Schroder Investment	35,427,000	35.69	-	-
Management (Europe) S.A. JP Morgan Asset Management	18,138,354	18.27	-	-
(Asia Pacific) Limited Macquarie Capital (Europe)	11,500,000	11.58	-	-
Limited Jane Street Financial	11,967,802	12.06	5,984	47.13
Limited FIL Investments	8,891,442	8.96	4,446	35.01
International	8,810,000	8.87	-	-
Flow Traders B.V.	2,849,250	2.87	1,424	11.21
BofA Securities Inc	1,688,426	1.70	844	6.65
	99,272,274	100.00	12,698	100.00

Name of broker	Value of trades	Percentage of total trades	Brokerage fees	Percentage of total brokerage fees
	USD	%	USD	%
2023 Eastspring Investments (Singapore) Limited# HSBC Continental Europe Jane Street Financial	132,310,000 25,470,000	67.25 12.95	1 020	
Limited  Macquarie Capital  (Europe) Limited	18,147,865 11,713,779	9.22 5.95	1,839	47.46
Flow Traders B.V. Investment Technology	4,741,018	2.41	114	2.94
Group Limited	4,359,880 196,742,542	2.22 100.00	1,922 3,875	49.60 100.00

<sup>#</sup> Included in transactions by the Fund are trades conducted with Eastspring Investments (Singapore) Limited, a related party of the Manager amounting to USD35,427,000 (2023: USD132,310,000).

## 12. TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO ("TER")

	Financial year ended 29.2.2024	Financial period from 25.11.2021 (date of launch) to 28.2.2023
	%	%
TER	1.86	2.25

TER is derived from the following calculation:

TER = 
$$\frac{(A + B + C + D + E)}{F} \times 100$$

A = Management fee (excluding management fee rebate)

B = Trustee fee

C = Audit fee

D = Tax agent fee

E = Other expenses

F = Average net asset value of Fund calculated on a daily basis

The average net asset value of the Fund for the financial year/period calculated on a daily basis is USD124,177,812 (2023: USD120,081,488).

## 13. PORTFOLIO TURNOVER RATIO ("PTR")

	Financial year ended 29.2.2024	Financial period from 25.11.2021 (date of launch) to 28.2.2023
PTR (times)	0.40	0.82

PTR is derived from the following calculation:

(Total acquisitions for the financial year/period + total disposals for the financial year/period)  $\div$  2

Average net asset value of the Fund for the financial year/period calculated on a daily basis

#### where:

total acquisitions for the financial year/period = USD35,422,449 (2023: USD168,457,635) total disposals for the financial year/period = USD63,849,825 (2023: USD28,284,907)

#### 14. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements have been approved for issue by the Manager on 23 April 2024.

## CORPORATE DIRECTORY

#### **THE MANAGER**

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# APPENDIX 1 – LIST OF CHANGES FOR EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS GLOBAL EQUITY FUND

Unless otherwise stated, the following changes are affected via the Second Supplementary Prospectus dated 2 February 2024.

#### Section First Prospectus Second Supplementary Prospectus Fund 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph: 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph: Information Investment The Fund seeks to achieve its objective The Fund seeks to achieve its objective by investing a minimum of 70% of the by investing a minimum of 70% of the Strategy Fund's NAV in equity CIS, a maximum of Fund's NAV in equity CIS, a maximum of 30% of the Fund's NAV in fixed income 30% of the Fund's NAV in fixed income CIS and/or money market CIS, and a CIS and/or money market CIS, and minimum of 1% and up to 5% of the a minimum of 1% up to 5% of the Fund's NAV in liquid assets. Fund's NAV in liquid assets. Transaction 5th paragraph: 5th paragraph: Information Distribution If you fail to redeem or transfer your Units If you fail to redeem or transfer your Units within the stipulated period, we shall Channels within the stipulated period, we shall have the right to compulsorily repurchase have the right to compulsorily repurchase all the Units held by you after thirty (30) all the Units held by you after thirty (30) calendar days from the date of the said calendar days from the date of the said notice. The Manager shall pay you the notice. The Manager shall pay you the redemption proceeds via e-payment ONLY redemption proceeds via e-payment ONLY according to your bank account details according to your bank account details as stated in your myEastspring account as stated in your myEastspring account or in the master account opening form or in the master account opening form or redemption form, or in such other or redemption form, or in such other manner as determined by the Manager manner as determined by the Manager on a case to case basis, no later than ten on a case to case basis, no later than (10) calendar days from the date that the ten (10) calendar days seven (7) Business Manager repurchase all the Units held Days from the date that the Manager

by you.

repurchase all the Units held by you.

Section	First Prospectus		Second Supplemen	ntary Prospectus
Fund Information – Asset	Asset Allocation:		Asset Allocation:	
- Asset Allocation	Asset Class	% of the Fund's NAV	Asset Class	% of the Fund's NAV
	Equity CIS	Minimum of 70%	Equity CIS	Minimum of 70%
	Fixed Income CIS and/or money market CIS	Maximum of 30%	Fixed Income CIS and/or money market CIS	Maximum of 30%
	Liquid assets	Minimum of 1% and up to 5%	Liquid assets	Minimum of 1% and up to 5% and Up to 5%
Transaction Information	5 <sup>th</sup> paragraph:		5 <sup>th</sup> paragraph:	
- Transaction Details	The Manager reserves the right to change the minimum amounts and number of Units stipulated above from time to time. Should the Manager decide to increase the minimum amounts and number of units as stipulated under the transaction details section, the Manager shall notify the Unit Holders by way of a letter prior to the effective date of such change.		The Manager reserves the right to change the minimum amounts and number of Units stipulated above from time to time. Should the Manager decide to increase the minimum amounts and number of units as stipulated under the transaction details section, the Manager shall notify the Unit Holders by way of a letter at least fourteen (14) days prior to the effective date of such change. Investments made via digital platforms may have a lower minimum initial investment, minimum additional investment amount, minimum redemption and/or minimum holdings of Units of the Fund, subject to the respective digital platforms' terms and conditions, which may be amended from time to time.	
Transaction Information – Auto Reinvestment Policy			the income distributi "reinvestment" if the claim the income dis	es the right to change on instruction to e Unit Holder did not tribution payment for secutive distributions.