

A Prudential plc company

# ISLAMIC CHINA A-SHARES FUND **APRIL 2025**



5.94%

ALL DATA AS AT 31 MARCH 2025 UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

#### **FUND INFORMATION**

Launch Date: 13 September 2021

Fund Category/Fund Type: Equity (Shariah-compliant) / Growth

Fund Size: RM59 348 073 74 Initial Offer Price: RM0.5000

NAV per Unit: RM0.3151 EPF Investment Scheme: Nil ISIN No: MYU0100A1615

### FEES, CHARGES AND EXPENSES

Annual Management Fee: Up to 1.80% of the Fund's NAV per annum

Annual Trustee Fee:

Up to 0.065% of the Fund's NAV per annum, subject to a minimum of RM15,000 per annum (excluding foreign custodian fees and charges)

Sales Charge: Up to 5.50% of the NAV per unit

Redemption charge: Nil

Redemption Payment Period: Seven (7) business days

## TRANSACTION DETAILS

Minimum Initial Investment Lump Sum: RM1000\* Regular Investment: RM100\*

Minimum Additional Investment: Lump Sum & Regular Investment: RM100\* \* The Manager reserves the right to change the minimum amounts stipulated above from time to time

# **DISTRIBUTIONS**

Income Distribution Policy: Distribution of income, if any, will be incidental, after deduction of taxation and expenses

### Fund NAV

	NAV	Date
52-Week High	0.3566	08-10-2024
52-Week Low	0.2627	23-09-2024

## **FUND MANAGER**

**External Investment Manager** 

- Eastspring Al-Wara' Investments Berhad

# **FUND OBJECTIVE**

The Fund seeks to provide investor with capital appreciation in the long-term

Consumer Discretionary

### **ASSET ALLOCATION\***



Industrials 41.42% 6. Consumer staples 4.89% Consumer Goods 13.66% 7 Cash & cash equivalents 4 32% 2 3 Technology 12.74% 8. Exchange Traded Fund 3.82% 4 Health care 9.83% 9 3.37%

5.95%

\* as percentage of NAV

# **TOP HOLDINGS\***

1. Contemporary Amperex Technology Co. Limited

5.

- BYD Co Ltd 3. Midea Group Co., Limited
- \* as percentage of NAV
- 4. Jiangsu Hengrui Pharmaceuticals Co..Itd
- Shenzhen Inovance Technology Co., Ltd

5.86%

5.95%

10.26%

9.23%

### **FUND PERFORMANCE**

Eastspring Investments Islamic China A-Shares Fund - Since Inception (SI) Return Vs Benchmark



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

Source: Lipper for Investment Management. Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance.

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### PERFORMANCE TABLE

	1 month	6 months	YTD	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since Inception
Fund	-1.27%	0.70%	2.78%	2.51%	-25.39%	n.a.	n.a.	-36.36%
Benchmark *	-1.10%	0.72%	0.28%	4.13%	-26.62%	n.a.	n.a.	-38.16%
Lipper Ranking	3 of 3	3 of 3	2 of 3	3 of 3	3 of 3	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

Lipper Fund Category: Equity China MYR & Islamic

# LIPPER LEADERS RATING (OVERALL)

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Total Return	Consistent Return	Preservation	Lipper Leaders	s Key
(2)	(2)	(1)	Lowest Highest	① <b>5</b>

The Lipper Leaders Ratings System is a set of tools that guide investors and their advisors to select funds that suit individual investment styles and goals. It uses investors-centred criteria to deliver a simple, clear description of a fund's success in meeting certain goals, such as preserving capital or building wealth through consistent strong returns.

Lipper Leader ratings are derived from highly sophisticated formulas that analyse funds against clearly defined criteria. Each fund is ranked against its peers based on the metric used (such as Total Return or Expense), and then the top 20% of funds in that ranking receive the Lipper Leader designation. Lipper Leaders measures are not predictive of future performance, but they do provide context and perspective for making knowledgeable fund investment decisions.

### **FUND MANAGER'S COMMENTARY**

In the month of March, Chinese equity indices rose on better-than-expected corporate results but gave up gains mid- month onwards following risk off mode on the back of tariff concerns heading into April. DeepSeek fervour passed and investors locked in profits ahead of Trump's tariff announcement in early -April.

China's Two Sessions meeting in March outlined several key economic targets and policies for the year and set the stage for China's economic policies in 2025, with a focus on stability, growth, and innovation. In line with expectations, the GDP growth target was set at "around 5%" whilst official fiscal deficit ratio increased from 3% to 4% of GDP, the highest in 30 years. The CPI target was adjusted lower to 2%. Boosting consumption was a top priority for 2025 with emphasis on its role as the "primary driver" and "stabilising anchor" of economic growth. Fiscal policies were also highlighted, with plans to issue ultra-long-term special sovereign bonds and local government special bonds to support various projects and initiatives. One notable aspect of the Two Session meetings was the emphasis on granting more autonomy to local governments, particularly in real estate and debt issuances with aims to drive infrastructure recovery and address overcapacity issues. Emerging industries such as AI and commercial aerospace were identified as areas of focus, with policies anticipated to encourage their development. On the back of this, on March 16, the State Council published an action plan on special initiatives to boost consumption, vowing to better meet housing demand.

Tariff concerns also rose, and investors are in the risk-off mode heading April, and Trump announced that he would impose both broad reciprocal tariffs and additional sector-specific tariffs on April 2. Both China's official manufacturing and non-manufacturing PMIs picked up in March as the economic recovery continues amid frontloading of government stimulus. However, weaker employment and deflationary pressures in both the manufacturing and non-manufacturing sectors continued to prevail. China's manufacturing PMI was stronger than expected, rising 0.3 ppts to 50.5 in March, marking a second straight month of expansion (of >50). Non-PMI data also rose on activity resumption after the Lunar New Year holiday break.

The Dow Jones Greater China Islamic Market Index fell 3.14 % in USD terms in March. MSCI China rose 1.96%, Hong Kong's Hang Seng index rose 0.74% whilst the Shanghai Shenzhen 300 was flat at 0.19 % in USD terms. All Chinese indices outperformed the Taiwan's stock market which fell 11.25% in the month. During the month, the Fund fell 1.27 % underperforming the benchmark by 17 bps in the month. Key detractors were overweight positions in selected industrial and information technology names in China which were impacted by profit taking and concerns on data centre demand post DeepSeek launch. Underweight position in selected Healthcare names also detracted performance.

### OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE FUND

Year		2022	2023	2024
Annual Fund Performance (%)		-27.32	-19.54	3.17
Annual Benchmark Performance (%)		-29.37	-18.13	4.37
Date/Distribution (RM)		-	-	-
Distribution Yield (%)		-	-	-

Source: Distribution and Distribution Yield are sourced from the fund's Annual Report. Fund and Benchmark for current year are based on Year to Date (YTD) figures which is sourced from Lipper for Investment Management. Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance.

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Based on the Fund's portfolio returns as at 31 March 2025, the Volatility Factor (VF) for this Fund is 19.5 and is classified as "Very High" (Source: Lipper). "Very High" generally includes funds with VF that are higher than 16.46. The VF means that there is a possibility for the Fund in generating an upside return or downside return around this VF. The Volatility Class (VC) is assigned by Lipper based on quintile ranks of VF for qualified funds. VF is subject to monthly revision. The VF for the Fund may be higher or lower than the VC, depending on the market conditions. The Fund's portfolio may have changed since this date and there is no guarantee that the Fund will continue to have the same VF or VC in the future. Presently, only funds launched in the market for at least 36 months will display the VF and its VC.

Investors are advised to read and understand the contents of the Eastspring Investments Islamic China AShares Fund ("Fund") Prospectus dated 13 September 2021, the Fund's First Supplementary Prospectus dated 2 February 2024 (collectively, "the Prospectuses") and the Fund's Product Highlights Sheet ("PHS") before investing. The Prospectuses and PHS are available at offices of Eastspring Investments Berhad or its authorised distributors and investors have the right to request for a copy of the Prospectuses and PHS.

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<sup>\*</sup> Dow Jones Islamic Market China A 100 Index
Fund performance and Lipper ranking are sourced from Lipper for Investment Management and benchmark is from www.spindices.com, 31 March 2025. Performance is calculated on a Net Asset Value ("NAV") to NAV basis with gross income or dividend reinvested. Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance.