

## February 2024

#### **Fund Features**

## 1. Investment Objective

The fund is designed to provide investors with principal and enhanced profit protection via a systematic investment in a globally diversified multi asset (equities, currency, rates, commodities, property, hedge fund strategies) long short strategy.

## 2. Investment Strategy & Approach

The main investment strategy is executed via portfolio optimization methodology. The fund is open ended with defined maturity date. The investment execution is accomplished via a Floating Rate Negotiable Instrument of Deposits ("FRNID") issued by CIMB Bank Berhad.

The FRNID is principal protected at maturity by CIMB Bank. The FRNID dynamically adjusts its exposure to the strategy, such as to reduce exposure when the strategy has negative performance and increase exposure when it has positive performance.

## 3. Asset Allocation

The fund will invest in a FRNID.

### 4. Target Market

The fund is suitable for investors who wish to engage in long-term wealth-planning, such as for children's education, retirement planning or wealth-building for future generations, whereby the investor's return on their lifetime of investments will be safely locked at fund maturity.

#### **Fund Details**

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Fund Management Fee	:	HLA EverGreen 2023 Fund HLA EverGreen 2025 Fund HLA EverGreen 2028 Fund : 0%*p.a. HLA EverGreen 2030 Fund HLA EverGreen 2035 Fund						
Fund Manager	:	Hong Leong Assurance Berhad						
Fund Inception	:	28 Dec 2010						
Benchmark	1	3-month Klibor + 2.65%						
Frequency of Unit Valuation	:	Weekly						

The Company reserves the right to change the Fund Management Fee (% p.a.) by giving the Policy Owner three (3) months prior written notice.

\*The Company ceased to charge the Fund Management Fee for HLA EverGreen 2023, HLA EverGreen 2025, HLA EverGreen 2028, HLA EverGreen 2030 and HLA EverGreen 2035 with effect from 22 Jan 2016, 5 Jul 2016, 16 Jan 2019, 7 May 2019 and 14 Aug 2019 respectively.

## Other Details

Fund Name	Unit Price (29/02/2024)	Fund Size (29/02/2024)	Fund Maturity Date	Minimum Guaranteed Unit Price at Fund Maturity (before tax)
<b>HLA EverGreen 2023 Fund</b>	: RM1.2213	RM22.64mil	26 Dec 2023	1.2358
HLA EverGreen 2025 Fund	: RM1.1811	RM10.19mil	26 Dec 2025	1.2670
<b>HLA EverGreen 2028 Fund</b>	: RM1.0972	RM20.98mil	26 Dec 2028	1.3136
HLA EverGreen 2030 Fund	: RM1.0463	RM58.03mil	26 Dec 2030	1.3446
<b>HLA EverGreen 2035 Fund</b>	: RM0.9052	RM976.56mil	26 Dec 2035	1.4221

The Minimum Guaranteed Unit Price at Fund Maturity before tax will attract a portion of tax which has yet to be provided for. The further tax adjustment is the difference of tax payable on the capital gains of the funds determined at funds maturity and tax which has been provided for the funds through weekly unit pricing. The unit prices published weekly are on after tax basis.

## Market Review (by CIMB Bank Berhad)

Malaysia's GDP growth came in lower than expected at 3.0% year-on-year for 4Q23, bringing the full year growth to 3.7%, broadly in line with CIMB Treasury and Markets Research's (CIMBTMR) expectation. Looking ahead, data points to a recovery path ahead for exports and manufacturing while domestic demand is expected to be supported by speedier fiscal spending and labour market conditions. As such, CIMBTMR reiterated their 2024 GDP growth forecast at 4.9%. The inflation rate remained steady in January 2024, rising at 1.5%, with prices of restaurants and accommodation gaining at a slower pace while transport picked up. Core inflation however, slowed to 1.8% in January (December 2023: 1.9%). Total trade started the year with positive momentum, rebounding 13.3% with both exports and imports rising 8.7% and 18.8% respectively, bringing the trade surplus to RM10.12bio in January 2024. Exports were boosted by shipments of petroleum products, machinery, equipment and parts, as well as iron and steel products. Over in the US, January's FOMC minutes reaffirmed the view that the Federal Reserve will exercise caution and officials are wary of premature easing, with the market now seeing the first rate cut in June 2024 (CIMBTMR: July 2024). The Federal Reserve kept the Fed Funds Rate unchanged at the restrictive level of 5.25%-5.50% and removed references to further rate hikes, stating that risks to achieve its employment and inflation goals are moving into better balance. Although the Federal Reserve signaled an openness to cut interest rates, market expectations were crushed as the rate cut in March was pushed back. Malaysian interest rates sang the same tune as that of the US, with both short and long term rates rising in the month of February 2024. Sources: CIMB Treasury and Markets Research, CGS-CIMB Research, Bloomberg, The Edge Markets

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Net Exposure of HLA EverGreen Funds to CIMB EverGreen Index

Fund	HLA EverGreen 2023	HLA EverGreen 2025	HLA EverGreen 2028	HLA EverGreen 2030	HLA EverGreen 2035				
Avg Exposure of Maximum Assurance FRNID to Max InvestSave PSSIA-i 30Y	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%				
Exposure of MaxInvestSave PSSIA-i 30Y to CIMB EverGreen Index	Not Applicable								
Net Exposure of HLA EverGreen Funds to CIMB EverGreen Index in July 2020	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%				

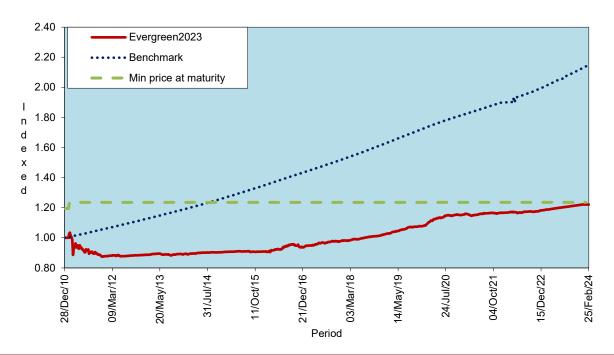
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## **Historical Performance**

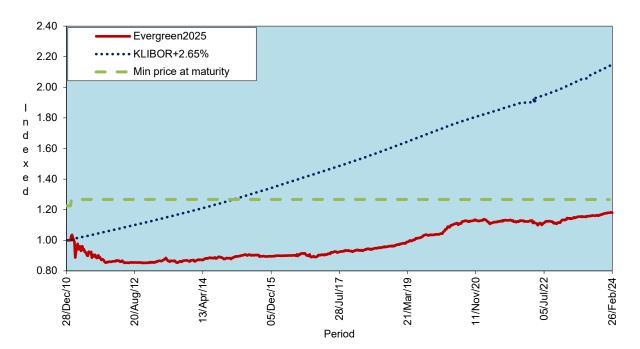
HLA EverGreen 2023 Fund									
As of 29/2/24	Year to-date	1 month	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception		
HLA EverGreen 2023	0.00%	0.00%	2.72%	5.83%	18.66%	36.47%	0.00%		
KLIBOR+2.65% p.a.*	1.11%	0.49%	6.37%	17.53%	31.16%	78.90%	1.11%		
Performance vs Benchmark	-1.11%	-0.49%	-3.66%	-11.70%	-12.49%	-42.42%	-1.11%		

Notice: Past performance of the fund is not an indication of its future performance.



HLA EverGreen 2025 Fund									
As of 29/2/24	Year to-date	1 month	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception		
HLA EverGreen 2025	0.39%	0.12%	3.61%	5.30%	20.75%	35.62%	18.11%		
KLIBOR+2.65% p.a.*	1.11%	0.49%	6.37%	17.53%	31.16%	78.90%	114.93%		
Performance vs Benchmark	-0.72%	-0.37%	-2.76%	-12.24%	-10.40%	-43.28%	-96.82%		

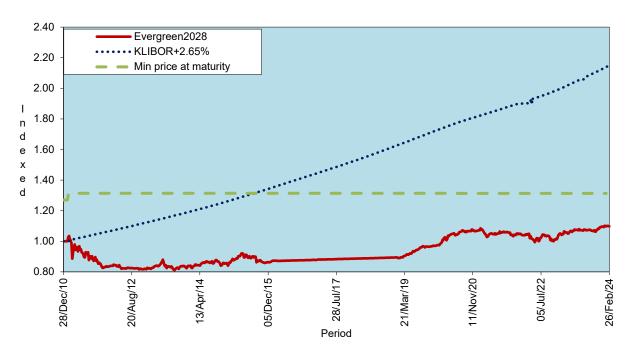
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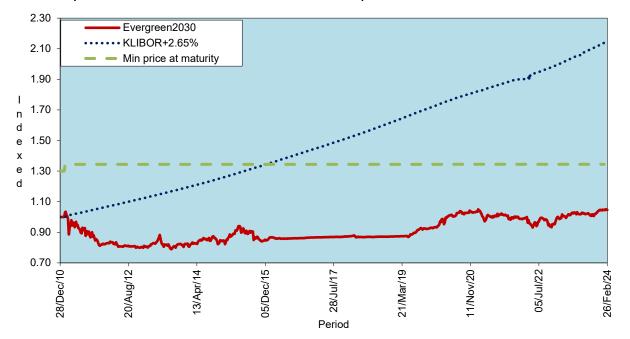
HLA EverGreen 2028 Fund									
As of 29/2/24	Year to-date	1 month	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception		
HLA EverGreen 2028	0.10%	-0.05%	4.59%	4.35%	22.44%	30.56%	9.72%		
KLIBOR+2.65% p.a.*	1.11%	0.49%	6.37%	17.53%	31.16%	78.90%	114.93%		
Performance vs Benchmark	-1.01%	-0.54%	-1.78%	-13.19%	-8.72%	-48.34%	-105.21%		

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HLA EverGreen 2030 Fund										
As of 29/2/24 Year to-date 1 month 1 Year 3 Years 5 Years 10 Years Since I										
HLA EverGreen 2030	-0.03%	0.06%	5.34%	4.13%	19.74%	26.81%	4.63%			
KLIBOR+2.65% p.a.*	1.11%	0.49%	6.37%	17.53%	31.16%	78.90%	114.93%			
Performance vs Benchmark	-1.14%	-0.43%	-1.04%	-13.40%	-11.42%	-52.09%	-110.30%			

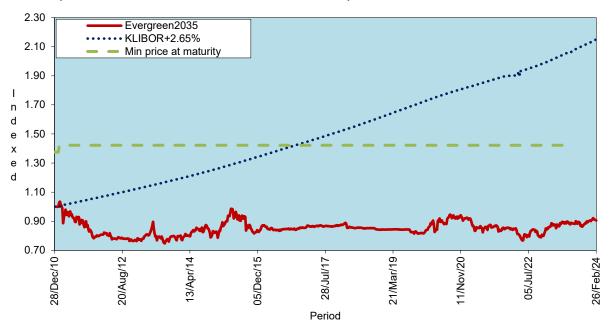
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As of 29/2/24	Year to-date	1 month	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
HLA EverGreen 2035	0.22%	-1.74%	3.38%	4.11%	7.33%	13.25%	-9.48%
KLIBOR+2.65% p.a.*	1.11%	0.49%	6.37%	17.53%	31.16%	78.90%	114.93%
Performance vs Benchmark	-0.89%	-2.23%	-2.99%	-13.43%	-23.83%	-65.65%	-124.41%

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\*Source: Bloomberg

Actual Annual Investment Returns for the Past Ten (10) Calendar Years

Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Benchmark	6.0%	6.3%	6.5%	6.5%	6.2%	6.4%	6.4%	5.4%	4.5%	5.3%
<b>HLA EVERGREEN 2023 – Gross</b>	2.4%	3.0%	1.7%	4.7%	6.5%	6.0%	6.1%	7.5%	1.3%	1.5%
HLA EVERGREEN 2023 – Net	0.9%	1.4%	0.3%	3.0%	4.7%	4.2%	5.6%	6.9%	1.2%	1.4%
<b>HLA EVERGREEN 2025 – Gross</b>	3.6%	3.6%	2.5%	0.8%	6.7%	5.9%	7.4%	9.4%	-0.1%	0.5%
HLA EVERGREEN 2025 – Net	2.0%	2.0%	1.0%	-0.6%	4.9%	4.1%	6.8%	8.6%	-0.1%	0.5%
<b>HLA EVERGREEN 2028 – Gross</b>	4.5%	4.5%	1.7%	2.9%	2.5%	2.4%	9.6%	10.9%	-2.3%	-0.2%
HLA EVERGREEN 2028 – Net	2.8%	2.8%	0.3%	1.4%	1.0%	0.9%	8.7%	10.1%	-2.1%	-0.2%
HLA EVERGREEN 2030 - Gross	4.8%	5.1%	1.4%	3.0%	2.6%	1.2%	7.9%	11.8%	-3.7%	-0.5%
HLA EVERGREEN 2030 – Net	3.1%	3.4%	0.0%	1.5%	1.1%	-0.2%	6.8%	10.8%	-3.4%	-0.5%
<b>HLA EVERGREEN 2035 – Gross</b>	6.4%	6.5%	1.9%	3.2%	4.1%	-2.5%	-1.6%	13.0%	-8.0%	0.6%
HLA EVERGREEN 2035 – Net	4.6%	4.7%	0.4%	1.6%	2.4%	-3.6%	-2.2%	11.9%	-7.4%	0.6%

Net returns are adjusted for tax and fund management fees.

Those are the actual returns in the past ten (10) years, or since inception if shorter, and are strictly the performance of the investment-linked fund. Thus, the returns are not earned on the actual premium paid of the investment-linked product.

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#### Investment Risks

All investments carry risks. Policy Owners must be prepared to accept certain degree of risk associated with this Investment. The following are the non-exhaustive list of risks associated to this fund.

#### 1. Market Risk

Market risk stems from the fact that there are other economy-wide perils, which threaten all businesses. It is mainly caused by uncertainties in the economy, political and social environment.

## 2. Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the fund invested cannot be readily sold and converted into cash. This may arise when the trading volume is low and/or where there is a lack of demand for the security.

#### 3 Credit Risk

This refers to the possibility that the issuer of a security will not be able to make timely payments of interest or principal repayment on the maturity date. The default may lead to a fall in the value of the funds.

#### 4. Interest Rate Risk

The level of interest rates has an impact on the value of investments. Any increase in rates will lead to a fall in the value of securities, thus affecting the value of the funds.

## 5. Country Risk

The foreign investment of a fund may be affected by the political & economic conditions of the country which the investments are made.

#### Deleverage Risk

Deleveraging may occur if the bond floor rises due to falling interest rates or due to nearing maturity, or due to sustained underperformance of the underlying asset. When this occurs, the Funds will unwind all allocation to the underlying asset and will effectively become a zero-coupon bond fund.

### 7. Currency Risk

This risk is associated with investments that are denominated in foreign currencies. Fluctuation in foreign exchange rates will have an impact on the value of the funds.

### 8. Performance Risk

This risk is associated with a feeder fund whereby the investments of such fund are not diversified. A feeder fund invests mainly into another collective investment scheme.

## **Risk Management**

The company has in place its Authorized Investment Framework which forms part of the Risk Management process. The authority framework covers the nature and scope of the investment authority that is exercisable by various parties in managing the Company's investments. The potential investment risks that are taken into consideration in managing the fund include economic conditions, liquidity, qualitative and quantitative aspects of the securities. The investment manager(s) have put in place the following controls to reduce the risks through:

- a) having a flexible tactical asset allocation
- b) investing in a wide range of companies across different sectors
- c) setting prudent investment limits on various exposures
- d) taking into account the liquidity factor in selecting securities
- engaging in the hedging of foreign currency exposure where appropriate

## **Basis of Unit Valuation**

- 1. The assets of every fund are to be valued to determine the value at which units of a particular fund can be liquidated or purchased for investment purposes.
- 2. The unit price of a unit of a fund shall be determined by the Company but in any event shall not be less than the value of fund of the relevant fund (as defined below), divided by the number of units of the given fund in issue on the business day before the valuation date, and the result adjusted to the nearest one hundredth of a cent.
- 3. The maximum value of any asset of any fund shall not exceed the following price:
  - a) The last transacted market price at which those assets could be purchased or sold on the business day before the valuation date; or
  - b) In the case of securities for which market values are not readily available, the price at which, in our Investment Manager's opinion, the asset may have been purchased on the business day before the valuation date;

plus any expenses which would have been incurred in its acquisition.

4. To ensure fair treatment to all unit holders, the cost of acquiring and disposing of assets is recouped by making a transaction cost adjustment to the net asset value per unit.

## **Exceptional Circumstances**

The Company reserves the right to defer the payment of benefits (other than death benefit) under this Policy for a period not exceeding six (6) months from the date the payment would have been normally effected if not for intervening events such as temporary closure of any Stock Exchange in which the fund is invested which the Company, in its discretion, may consider exceptional.

## Performance of Max InvestSave PSSIA-I 30Y

Not applicable

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## Performance of CIMB EverGreen Index Against Other Indices

Not applicable

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### **Basis of Calculation of Past Performance**

The historical performance of the fund is calculated based on the price difference over the period in consideration compared to the older price of the period in consideration.

Unit Price<sub>t-1</sub> Unit Price<sub>t-1</sub>

### **Others**

HLA EverGreen Funds are managed by Hong Leong Assurance Berhad (HLA). Allocated premiums of the policy invested in the fund are invested by HLA on behalf of the Policy Owner in a FRNID issued by CIMB Bank Berhad. The amount invested in the FRNID is guaranteed by the issuer if held to maturity. If the issuer of the FRNID defaults or becomes insolvent, the Policy Owner risks losing part or all of his/her allocated premium amounts that were invested into the FRNID on his/her behalf by HLA. Should the issuer/financial institutions default the above investment instrument, the Minimum Guaranteed Unit Price at Fund Maturity will not be applicable.

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#### Disclaimer:

Policy Owner must evaluate your options carefully and satisfy yourself that the investment-linked fund chosen meets your risk appetite. Past performance of the fund is not an indication of its future performance. The intention of this document is to enable Policy Owner to better understand the fund features and details in order to assist Policy Owner to making an informed decision. This document shall not be construed as professional advice on investment choices.

## **CIMB Evergreen Index Disclaimer:**

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