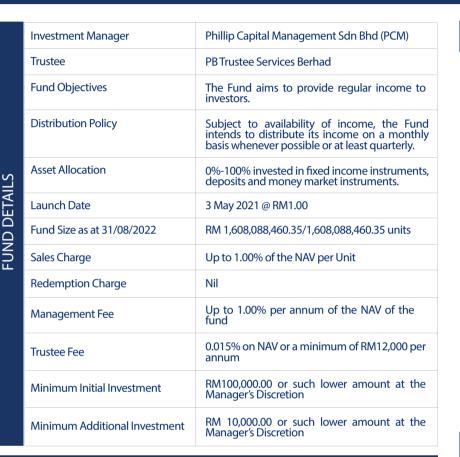
# Phillip Wholesale Income Fund (PWIF) SEPTEMBER 2022

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Benchmark

May 2022



May 2021

Deposit & Money Market Instrument
Fixed Income Instruments
Commercial Papers

0.89%

PWIF Return

Source: Phillip Capital Management

Aug 2022

98.95%

### **FUND INFORMATION**

a) An individual whose total net personal assets, or total net joint assets with his or her spouse, exceeds RM3 million or its equivalent in foreign currencies, excluding the value of the individual's primary residence.

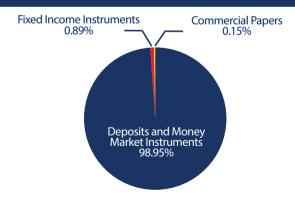
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- b) An individual who has a gross annual income exceeding RM300,000 or jointly with his or her spouse, has a gross annual income of RM400,000 or its equivalent in foreign currencies per annum in the preceding 12 months.
- c) An individual whose total net personal investment portfolio or total net joint investment portfolio with his or her spouse, in any capital market products exceeding one million ringgit or its equivalent in foreign currencies.
- d) A corporation with total net assets exceeding RM10 million or its equivalent in foreign currencies based on the last audited accounts.
- e) A partnership with total net assets exceeding RM10 million or its equivalent in foreign currencies.
- f) Any person who acquires unlisted capital market product where the consideration is not less that RM250,000 or its equivalent in foreign currencies for each transaction whether such amount is paid in cash or otherwise.

The Fund is suitable for members who:

- Conservative and low risk tolerance
- Prefer short to medium term investment horizon
- Seek regular income

### SECTOR ALLOCATION AS AT 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2022



Source: Phillip Capital Management

#### **NET INCOME MONTHLY DISTRIBUTION**

2.09% p.a. - 1.08.22 - 31.08.22 1.98% p.a. - 1.07.22 - 31.07.22 1.90% p.a. - 1.06.22 - 30.06.22 1.86% p.a. - 1.05.22 - 31.05.22 1.80% p.a. - 1.04.22 - 30.04.22 1.76% p.a. - 1.03.22 - 31.03.22

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#### **MARKET REVIEW**

Demand for US Treasuries (UST) was strong in early August 2022 as strong US job reports and US housing starts registered a deeper-than-expected contraction in July 2022 -9.6% (June 2022: -2.0%). However, the UST yields trended higher after The Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) minutes were released. The lower Consumer Price Index (CPI) for July 2022 at 8.5% (June 2022: 9.1%) also failed to calm the investors as the market continue to expect aggressive tightening by the Fed until inflation slowed substantially. The better-than-expected US 2Q22 Gross domestic product (GDP) released in the final week of August 2022 of -0.6% (estimate: -0.9%) managed to reverse earlier losses. However, it was only short-lived as yield jumped higher following the Fed Chair's statement at the Jackson Hole central banking conference. Powell said the Fed will raise borrowing costs as high as needed to restrict growth and would keep them there for some time. At the close, the 10-year UST yields were increased by 48bps while the 30-year UST yield was increased by 27bps to close at 3.15% and 3.27% respectively.

On the local front, Malaysian Government Securities (MGS) rallied in line with global bond yield movements in early August 2022. However, MGS yield traded range-bound as investors were expecting higher 2Q22 GDP. Demand for Ringgit bonds increased following the stronger-than-expected 2Q22 GDP growth of 8.9% (1Q22: 5.0%). Foreign investors were seen buying the Ringgit bonds after two consecutive months of outflow. The net inflow for Ringgit bonds in August 2022 was at +RM5.6bil (July 2022: -RM3.5 billion) with the total outstanding stood at RM255.4 billion at the end of August 2022 (July 2022: RM249.8 billion). As of August 2022, the yields on the 5-year, 7-year and 10-year MGS benchmarks rose 1-10 bps to close at 3.72%, 3.88% and 3.98% respectively, whereas the 3-year shed 16 bps to close

Malaysia is seeing some early signs of demand-driven inflation. The central bank's view remains unchanged as the economy continues on its recovery path with a growth of 6.9% in the first half of this year. It is very clear that we are no longer in a crisis. Growth will continue to be supported by firm domestic demand, amid better labour market conditions, a recovery in tourism activity and improved investment activity and prospects. As such, the recent Overnight Policy Rate (OPR) adjustments in July 2022 would also preemptively manage the risk of excessive demand on price pressures.

Looking ahead, we remain confident that the BNM will raise the OPR by another 25 basis points in September 2022. Meanwhile, the bond market will remain cautious in view of the aggressive US interest rate hikes and geopolitical tension. We will continue to monitor the bond yield movement closely to capture opportunities in selected bonds to lock in attractive yields.

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