# **PGWA Quant Asia Pacific** September 2025



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### PORTFOLIO OBJECTIVE

Discretionary portfolio that aims to provide investors with the opportunity to achieve capital gains over the long term period by investing in equities listed in Asia Pacific region through a quant-based strategy.

## **FEES & OTHER CHARGES**

Minimum Investment : RM50.000.00

subsequent investment amount RM10,000

Services Fee

: 3.00% for every capital injection.

**Annual Wrap Fee** 

Market Value	Annual Wrap Fee		
First RM50,000	1.50%		
RM50,001 to RM500,000	1.25%		
RM500,001 to RM5,000,000	1.00%		
Above PMF million	0.75%		

**Custodian Name** 

PHILLIP SECURITIES PTE LTD (Company Reg. No. 197501035Z)

Other Fee

Performance Fee: The Client shall pay to the Manager a Performance Fee at the rate of 10% of the Excess Returns provided that the portfolio return is more than 4% per annum.

The Performance Fee payable in each quarter shall be computed at 10% of the increase in market value (quarter) from the previous highest quarter market value where market value (quarter) is the market value of the portfolio at the end of March, June, September and December in a calendar year. The quarterly Performance Fee shall be deducted from the portfolio at the beginning of the following

## **COUNTRY ALLOCATION**



\*Actual holdings and allocation may vary from the model portfolio based on factors such as the amount invested, risk profile, and timing.

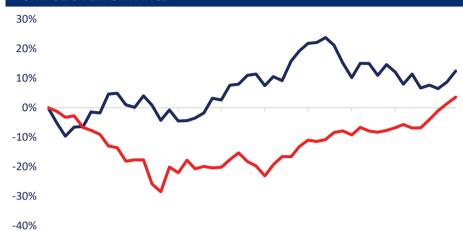
## **TOP 5 HOLDINGS**

Holdings	Percentage			
1. NINE DRAGONS	6.1%			
2. LONKING HOLDINGS	6.0%			
3. BANPU PCL-R	5.9%			
4. HOKURIKU ELECTRI	5.8%			
5. BANK OF QINGDAO	5.7%			

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Source: Phillip Capital Management

## PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE



Sep-21 Feb-22 Jul-22 Dec-22 May-23 Oct-23 Mar-24 Aug-24 Jan-25 Jun-25 Portfolio — MXAP

	1M	3M	6M	YTD	1Y	2Y	3Y	5Y
Portfolio	3.44%	4.45%	4.14%	-1.85%	2.03%	1.33%	8.11%	-
MXAP	2.20%	7.90%	9.80%	12.23%	14.10%	26.63%	25.73%	-

\*The portfolio performance is based on a composite of all individual portfolios under the same mandate type and does not represent any specific portfolio. Returns are calculated using a composite Time-Weighted Rate of Return (TWRR), with individual portfolio returns weighted by their beginning-of-period asset values to account for varying portfolio sizes and cash flows. For more details on how the composite return is derived, please refer to the article . titled "Understanding Private Mandate" on www.phillipinvest.com.mv. Source: Phillip Capital Management

## MANAGER'S COMMENTS

The MSCI Asia Pacific Ex-Japan Index (+1.4%) lagged the MSCI World Index (+2.5%) despite an exceptionally strong showing from regional corporates. China (+10.3%) staged a spectacular rally, fueled by increased buying activity from domestic investors as low interest rates and a lack of alternatives drove retail and institutional investors back into equities. Indonesia (+4.6%) continued its strong performance despite heated protests demanding government action on economic hardships. Malaysia (+4.1%) also surged strongly thanks to robust GDP growth and resilient corporate earnings. In contrast, Korea (-1.8%) underperformed as exports to the US declined double digits as tariff risks crystallized. The Philippines (-1.6%) continued its steady drop despite lower inflation and a policy rate cut. India (-1.4%) also caught the short end of the stick as the US' targeted tariffs took effect in response to India's trade relations with Russia.

On the monetary policy front, the Bank of England cut interest rates by 25 basis points to 4.00%. In Asia, the People's Bank of China (PBoC) maintained the one-year LPR at 3.0% and the five-year LPR at 3.5%. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) kept its key repo rate unchanged at 5.50% during its August meeting. Within ASEAN, Bank Indonesia (BI) cut its benchmark interest rate by 25 basis points to 5.00%, while the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas lowered its Target Reverse Repurchase (RRP) Rate by 25 basis points to 5.00%. The Bank of Thailand (BOT) cut its benchmark interest rate by 25 basis points

Globally, the US market outlook remains cautiously optimistic into late 2025, supported by resilient consumer spending and easing labour tightness, though inflationary pressures linger. At Jackson Hole, Fed Chair Jerome Powell indicated rate cuts could begin in September, potentially lifting equities, but stretched valuations—highlighted by the Warren Buffett Indicator—warrant caution. In China, August delivered a solid rally as exports and high-tech sectors underpinned growth. Policy signals and supply-side reforms aim to address overcapacity and stabilise profitability, but weak domestic demand and execution risks remain key challenges. We recommend a barbell strategy through 2025, combining quality growth opportunities with defensive income assets to navigate potential volatility.

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