

Fund Information

Fund Name

Public Worldwide Equity Fund (PWEF)

Fund Category

Equity

Fund Investment Objective

To achieve capital growth over the medium to long-term period by investing in global markets.

Fund Performance Benchmark

The benchmarks of the Fund and their respective percentages are 50% Dow Jones Industrial Average, 30% STOXX Europe 50 Index, 10% TOPIX Core 30 Index and 10% 3-Month Kuala Lumpur Interbank Offered Rate (KLIBOR).

Note: Upon the issuance of master prospectus on 30 April 2016, Public Natural Resources Equity Fund (PNREF) has adopted its new name Public Worldwide Equity Fund (PWEF) to reflect the change in investment objective, investment policy, investment strategy and benchmark of the Fund.

Fund Distribution Policy

Incidental

Breakdown of Unitholdings of PWEF as at 30 November 2017

Size of holdings	No. of unitholders	% of unitholders	No. of units held (million)
5,000 and below	1,500	10.82	6
5,001 to 10,000	1,625	11.72	12
10,001 to 50,000	6,358	45.86	172
50,001 to 500,000	4,171	30.09	551
500,001 and above	209	1.51	202
Total	13,863	100.00	943

Note: Excluding Manager's Stock.

Fund Performance

Average Total Return for the Following Year Ended 30 November 2017

	Average Total Return of PWEF (%)
1 Year	14.29

Fund Performance

For the Financial Year Ended 30 November 2017

Annual Total Return for the Financial Years Ended 30 November

Year	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	
		30/4/16 - 30/11/15 - 30/11/16 29/4/16				
PWEF (%)	14.29	8.54*	0.25	-7.62	-5.57	9.80

* The figure shown is for period since PWEF commencement (30 April 2016).

The calculation of the above returns is based on computation methods of Lipper.

Notes:

1. **Total return** of the Fund is derived by this formulae:

$$\left(\frac{\text{End of Period FY}_{\text{Current Year}} \text{ NAV per unit}}{\text{End of Period FY}_{\text{Previous Year}} \text{ NAV per unit}} \right) - 1$$

(Adjusted for unit split and distribution paid out for the period)

The above total return of the Fund was sourced from Lipper.

2. **Average total return** is derived by this formulae:

$$\frac{\text{Total Return}}{\text{Number of Years Under Review}}$$

Other Performance Data for the Past Three Financial Years Ended 30 November

	2017	2016	2015	
Unit Prices (MYR)				
Highest NAV per unit for the year	0.2499	0.2150	0.2203	
Lowest NAV per unit for the year	0.2135	0.1795	0.1878	
Net Asset Value (NAV) and Units in Circulation (UIC) as at the End of the Year				
Total NAV (MYR'000)	231,550	194,741	147,932	
UIC (in '000)	942,921	906,200	749,105	
NAV per unit (MYR)	0.2456	0.2149	0.1975	
		30/4/16 to 30/11/15 to 30/11/16 29/4/16		
Total Return for the Year (%)	14.29	8.54**	0.25	-7.62
Capital growth (%)	14.47	8.49**	0.10	-9.04
Income (%)	-0.16	0.05**	0.15	1.56
Management Expense Ratio (%)	1.81	1.81	1.79	
Portfolio Turnover Ratio (time)	0.49	1.41	0.27	

** The figure shown is for period since PWEF's commencement (30 April 2016).

Notes: Management Expense Ratio is calculated by taking the total management expenses expressed as an annual percentage of the Fund's average net asset value.

Portfolio Turnover Ratio is calculated by taking the average of the total acquisitions and disposals of the investments in the Fund for the year over the average net asset value of the Fund calculated on a daily basis.

The Portfolio Turnover Ratio for the financial year 2017 dropped to 0.49 time from 1.41 time in the previous financial year on account of lower level of rebalancing activities performed by the Fund during the year.

Fund Performance

For the Financial Year Ended 30 November 2017

Distribution and Unit Split

No distribution and unit split were declared for the financial years ended 30 November 2017, 30 November 2016 and 30 November 2015.

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

Asset Allocation for the Past Three Financial Years

	As at 30 November (Per Cent of Net Asset Value)		
	2017 %	2016 %	2015 %
EQUITY SECURITIES			
Quoted			
Malaysia			
Agriculture	-	-	7.7
Building Materials / Agriculture	-	-	0.4
Chemicals	-	-	1.8
Electric	-	-	0.5
Food	-	-	2.5
Food / Agriculture	-	-	0.5
Healthcare - Products / Chemicals	-	-	2.7
Oil & Gas	-	-	0.9
Oil & Gas Services	-	-	0.7
Transportation	-	-	1.0
	-	-	18.7
Outside Malaysia			
Australia			
Consumer, Non-cyclical	-	1.5	-
Financial	-	1.3	-
Industrial	-	0.4	-
Mining	-	-	10.7
Oil & Gas	-	-	10.0
	-	3.2	20.7
France			
Consumer, Non-cyclical	-	1.4	-
Energy	-	0.3	-
	-	1.7	-
Germany			
Consumer, Non-cyclical	-	0.9	-
Great Britain			
Communications	-	1.0	-
Consumer, Non-cyclical	-	1.0	-
Energy	-	0.3	-
	-	2.3	-

Fund Performance

For the Financial Year Ended 30 November 2017

Asset Allocation for the Past Three Financial Years (cont'd)

	As at 30 November (Per Cent of Net Asset Value)		
	2017 %	2016 %	2015 %
Hong Kong			
Electric	-	-	0.7
Food / Agriculture	-	-	0.4
Oil & Gas	-	-	13.5
Pipelines / Gas	-	-	0.5
Transportation / Agriculture	-	-	1.0
	-	-	16.1
Indonesia			
Agriculture	-	-	3.7
Japan			
Consumer, Non-cyclical	-	1.8	-
Korea			
Iron / Steel	-	-	2.4
Singapore			
Agriculture	-	-	8.6
Commercial Services / Oil & Gas	-	-	0.6
	-	-	9.2
Switzerland			
Consumer, Non-cyclical	-	2.9	-
Thailand			
Oil & Gas	-	-	2.2
United States			
Basic Materials	1.1	1.0	-
Communications	2.8	4.7	-
Consumer, Cyclical	7.4	8.3	-
Consumer, Non-cyclical	8.8	8.4	-
Energy	3.1	3.5	-
Financial	10.4	9.6	-
Industrial	11.8	9.1	-
Technology	7.0	6.5	-
	52.4	51.1	-
TOTAL QUOTED EQUITY SECURITIES	52.4	63.9	73.0
COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT FUNDS			
Quoted			
Outside Malaysia			
France			
Funds	4.5	4.1	-

Fund Performance

For the Financial Year Ended 30 November 2017

Asset Allocation for the Past Three Financial Years (cont'd)

	As at 30 November (Per Cent of Net Asset Value)		
	2017 %	2016 %	2015 %
Germany			
Funds	16.6	9.1	-
Japan			
Funds	10.0	7.6	-
Netherlands			
Funds	8.6	3.6	-
TOTAL QUOTED COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT FUNDS	39.7	24.4	-
WARRANTS			
Quoted			
Malaysia			
Warrants	-	-	0.1
TOTAL QUOTED WARRANTS	-	-	0.1
FIXED INCOME SECURITIES			
Quoted			
Outside Malaysia			
Indonesia			
Redeemable Non-convertible Bonds	-	-	3.7
TOTAL QUOTED FIXED INCOME SECURITIES	-	-	3.7
DEPOSITS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS	3.0	3.9	16.4
OTHER ASSETS & LIABILITIES	4.9	7.8	6.8

Manager's Report

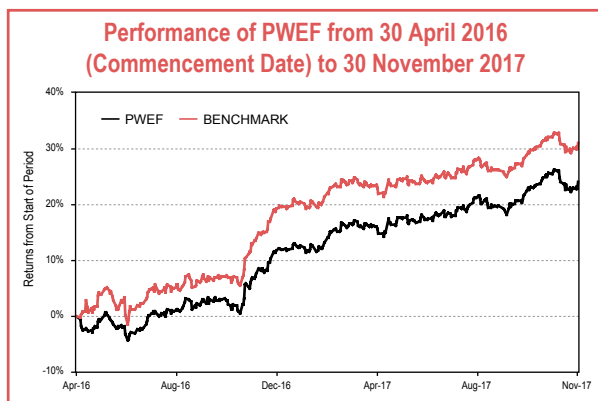
Overview

This Annual Report covers the financial year from 1 December 2016 to 30 November 2017.

Public Worldwide Equity Fund (PWEF or the Fund) aims to achieve capital growth over the medium to long-term period by investing in global markets.

For the financial year under review, the Fund registered a return of +14.29% as compared to its Benchmark's return of +13.92%. The Fund's equity portfolio registered a return of +17.24% while its money market portfolio registered a return of +3.05% during the financial year under review. A detailed performance attribution analysis is provided in the sections below.

From PWEF's commencement on 30 April 2016 to 30 November 2017, the Fund generated a total return of +24.04% as compared to its Benchmark's return of +31.01% over the same period. The Fund registered a lower return compared to its Benchmark since commencement as it was still in the process of rebalancing its investment portfolio following the change in investment mandate to a global equity fund effective 30 April 2016. Nevertheless, it is the opinion of the Manager that the Fund is positioned to meet its objective of achieving capital growth over the medium to long-term period.



The PWEF's Benchmark is a composite index of 50% Dow Jones Industrial Average, 30% STOXX Europe 50 Index, 10% TOPIX Core 30 Index and 10% 3-Month Kuala Lumpur Interbank Offered Rate (KLIBOR).

Effect of Distribution Reinvestment on Portfolio Exposures

There were no distributions declared for the year ended 30 November 2017.

Change in Portfolio Exposures from 30-Nov-16 to 30-Nov-17

	30-Nov-16	30-Nov-17	Change	Average Exposure
Equities & Related Securities	88.3%	92.1%	+3.8%	93.60%
Money Market	11.7%	7.9%	-3.8%	6.40%

Manager's Report

Returns Breakdown by Asset Class

	Returns On Investments	Market / Benchmark Returns	Benchmark Index Used	Average Exposure	Attributed Returns
Equities & Related Securities	17.24%	15.12%	Equity Benchmark Overnight Rate	93.60%	16.14%
Money Market	3.05%	2.98%		6.40%	0.20%
less: Expenses					-2.05%
Total Net Return for the Year					14.29%

Overnight Rate = Bank Negara Weighted Average Overnight Interbank Rate

Equity Portfolio Review

For the financial year under review, the Fund's equity portfolio registered a return of +17.24% as compared to the equity Benchmark's return of +15.12%. The Fund's equity portfolio outperformed the equity Benchmark as its selected investments in the Europe and Japan markets outperformed the broader markets during the financial year under review.

The Fund commenced the financial year under review with an equity exposure of 88.3%. The Fund progressively increased its equity weight to capitalise on investment opportunities in the global markets and ended the financial year under review with an equity exposure of 92.1%. Based on an average equity exposure of 93.60%, the Fund's equity portfolio is deemed to have registered a return of +16.14% to the Fund as a whole for the financial year under review. A full review of the performance of the equity markets is tabled in the following sections.

Country Allocation

In terms of country allocation within the equity portfolio, 5 countries accounted for 92.1% of the Net Asset Value (NAV) of the Fund and 100% of the Fund's equity portfolio. The weightings of the 5 countries are in the following order: The United States (52.4%), Germany (16.6%), Japan (10.0%), the Netherlands (8.6%) and France (4.5%).

Money Market Portfolio Review

During the financial year under review, the Fund's money market portfolio, which was invested primarily in deposits, yielded a return of +3.05%. In comparison, the Bank Negara Weighted Average Overnight Interbank Rate (Overnight Rate) registered a return of +2.98% over the same period.

During the financial year under review, the Fund's exposure to money market investments decreased from 11.7% to 7.9% as funds were mobilised into equity investments. Based on an average exposure of 6.40%, the money market portfolio is estimated to have contributed +0.20% to the Fund's overall return for the financial year under review.

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Stock Market Review

Commencing the financial year under review at 413.43 points, global equity markets, as proxied by the Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) World Index, firmed in December 2016 amid expectations of an improved U.S. economic outlook.

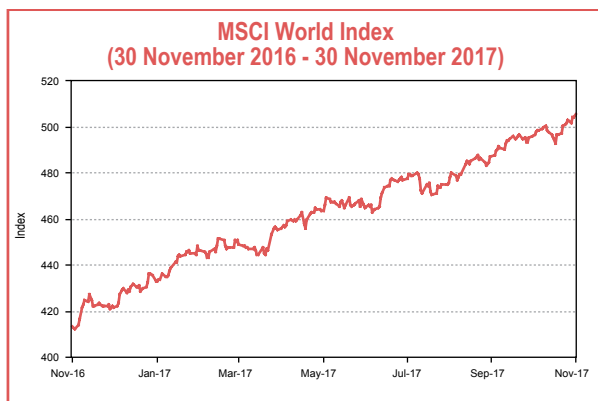
In January 2017, the MSCI World Index moved higher, led by gains in the Hong Kong and China markets, as solid macroeconomic data provided support to equities. The Index rose further in February 2017 after President Trump promised to release a tax reform plan in the near term.

Led by reduced political uncertainty following the market-friendly outcome of the French presidential election, coupled with strong U.S. corporate earnings, the Index moved higher from March through May 2017 before trading range-bound in June 2017 amid broad-based weakness in technology stocks.

The Index continued its climb in July and August 2017 on better-than-expected U.S. corporate earnings and economic data before edging higher in September 2017 amid easing geopolitical tensions in the Korean peninsula. The Index subsequently surged to new record highs in October and November 2017 on renewed optimism over the U.S. tax reform policy, as both chambers of the Congress passed their respective versions of the tax reform plan.

The MSCI World Index closed at 505.44 points in November 2017 to register an increase of 22.26% (+11.95% in Ringgit terms) for the financial year under review.

Global markets, namely the Germany, Netherlands, France, Japan, U.S., Great Britain and Australia markets registered returns of +25.99%, +21.59%, +20.79%, +13.71%, +10.26%, +7.15% and +3.24% (in Ringgit terms) respectively for the financial year under review.



Money Market Review

The Overnight Rate commenced the financial year under review at 2.99% and ranged between 2.90% and 3.00% over the 12-month period, before ending the financial year under review unchanged at 2.99%.

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Economic Review

Led by higher investment spending and export growth, U.S. GDP growth rose from 1.5% in 2016 to 2.2% in the first three quarters of 2017. Investment spending increased by 3.1% in the first three quarters of 2017 compared to a contraction of 1.6% in 2016 due to higher investment in equipment. Meanwhile, exports expanded by 2.9% compared to a decline of 0.3% over the same period.

At the Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) meeting on 31 October – 1 November 2017, the Federal Reserve maintained the Federal funds rate target range at 1.00%-1.25%.

After declining to 4.1% in October 2017 from 4.9% in 2016, the Federal Reserve projects the unemployment rate to be sustained at 4.2%-4.3% by the end of 2017. The U.S. Personal Consumption Expenditures (PCE) inflation rate of 1.5% in the first 10 months of 2017 remained below the Federal Reserve's target of 2.0%. Meanwhile, the Institute for Supply Management's manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) rose to an average of 57.3 points in the first 10 months of 2017 from 51.5 points in 2016 amid higher new orders and production levels.

Eurozone GDP growth gained pace from 1.8% in 2016 to 2.3% in the first three quarters of 2017 on the back of higher growth in Germany and France. At its monetary policy meeting on 26 October 2017, the European Central Bank (ECB) kept its main refinancing and deposit rates at 0.00% and -0.40% respectively. The ECB has extended its quantitative-easing program from January 2018 until September 2018 or beyond, if necessary. However, it will reduce the monthly pace of bond-buying from €60 billion to €30 billion with effect from January 2018.

In a referendum held on 23 June 2016, British voters voted in favour of exiting the European Union (EU). The United Kingdom (UK) formally notified of its exit from the EU under Article 50 on 29 March 2017, which commences a 2-year process of trade negotiations with the EU.

Japan's GDP growth gained pace from 1.0% in 2016 to 1.5% in the first three quarters of 2017 amid higher investment spending and export growth. Led by higher transportation costs, the inflation rate turned positive at +0.4% in the first 10 months of 2017 compared to -0.1% in 2016. To support economic growth and mitigate deflationary pressures, the Bank of Japan left its interest rate unchanged at -0.1%.

Down under, Australia's GDP growth eased from 2.5% in 2016 to 1.8% in 1H 2017 due to moderating consumer spending and export growth. Driven by higher housing and transportation costs, Australia's inflation rate rose to 2.0% in the first three quarters of 2017 from 1.3% in 2016. To support domestic demand, the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) maintained its cash rate at 1.50%.

Manager's Report

Outlook and Investment Strategy

After trading on a mixed note in 1H 2016, global and regional markets strengthened in 2H 2016 amid an improved outlook for the U.S. and global economies. Global and regional equity markets continued to trend higher in the first 11 months of 2017 on expectations that the global economy would grow at a resilient pace. Looking ahead, the performance of the equity markets will depend on the economic growth momentum and market valuations of the U.S., Europe and the Asia Pacific region.

U.S. economic growth is projected to edge up from 2.2% in 2017 to 2.5% in 2018, driven by higher investment spending.

In the Eurozone, economic growth is envisaged to ease from 2.2% in 2017 to 1.9% in 2018 on expectations of slower export growth.

Down under, Australia's economic growth is expected to rise from 2.3% in 2017 to 2.8% in 2018 due to higher investment spending. The financial and insurance services sector should maintain its current growth trajectory as low interest rates continue to underpin housing demand.

Japan's economic growth is projected to moderate from 1.5% in 2017 to 1.2% in 2018 on the back of slower consumer spending and export growth.

Among the regional markets, North Asian markets were generally trading at discounts to their historical averages following their respective performances over the same period.

Among the developed markets, the U.S. market was trading at a prospective P/E ratio of 19.8x, higher than its 20-year average of 17.3x. Meanwhile, the European market was trading at a prospective P/E ratio of 15.9x, which was above its 20-year average of 13.9x.

Given the above factors, the Fund will continue to rebalance its investment portfolio accordingly with the objective of achieving capital growth over the medium to long-term period by investing in global markets.

Note: H = Half

Policy on Soft Commissions

The management company may receive goods or services which include research materials, data and quotation services and investment related publications by way of soft commissions provided they are of demonstrable benefit to the Fund and unitholders.

During the financial year under review, PWEF has received data and quotation services by way of soft commissions. These services were used to provide financial data on securities and price quotation information to the Fund Manager during the financial year under review.

Statement Of Assets And Liabilities

As at 30 November 2017

	2017 MYR'000	2016 MYR'000
Assets		
Investments	213,277	172,037
Due from brokers/financial institutions, net	663	-
Due from the Manager, net	-	7,033
Tax recoverable	-	27
Other receivables	431	349
Deposits with financial institutions	6,891	7,617
Cash at banks	11,965	7,743
	233,227	194,806
Liabilities		
Due to the Manager, net	1,596	-
Due to the Trustee	12	9
Other payables	69	56
	1,677	65
Total net assets	231,550	194,741
Net asset value ("NAV") attributable to unitholders (Total equity)	231,550	194,741
Units in circulation (in '000)	942,921	906,200
NAV per unit (in sen)	24.56	21.49

Statement Of Income And Expenditure

For the Financial Year Ended 30 November 2017

	2017 MYR'000	2016 MYR'000
Income		
Interest income	355	1,191
Dividend income	4,737	2,758
Net gain from investments	31,457	15,644
Amortisation of premium, net of accretion of discount	-	(12)
Net realised/unrealised foreign exchange (loss)/gain	(307)	286
	36,242	19,867
Less: Expenses		
Trustee's fee	150	101
Management fee	4,236	2,867
Audit fee	7	7
Tax agent's fee	3	3
Brokerage fee	320	918
Administrative fees and expenses	112	85
	4,828	3,981
Net income before taxation	31,414	15,886
Taxation	(995)	(546)
Net income after taxation	30,419	15,340
Net income after taxation is made up as follows:		
Realised	10,230	(30,227)
Unrealised	20,189	45,567
	30,419	15,340

Statement Of Changes In Net Asset Value

For the Financial Year Ended 30 November 2017

	Unitholders' capital MYR'000	Accumulated loss MYR'000	Total MYR'000
As at 1 December 2015	209,545	(61,613)	147,932
Creation of units	39,943	-	39,943
Cancellation of units	(8,474)	-	(8,474)
Net income after taxation	-	15,340	15,340
As at 30 November 2016	241,014	(46,273)	194,741
As at 1 December 2016	241,014	(46,273)	194,741
Creation of units	46,943	-	46,943
Cancellation of units	(40,553)	-	(40,553)
Net income after taxation	-	30,419	30,419
As at 30 November 2017	247,404	(15,854)	231,550

Statement Of Cash Flows

For the Financial Year Ended 30 November 2017

	2017 MYR'000	2016 MYR'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Proceeds from sale/redemption of investments	110,523	206,189
Purchase of investments	(121,448)	(251,135)
Maturity of deposits	2,874,155	7,893,336
Placement of deposits	(2,873,429)	(7,876,694)
Interest income received	355	1,194
Net dividend income received	3,656	1,904
Trustee's fee paid	(147)	(100)
Management fee paid	(4,153)	(2,826)
Audit fee paid	(7)	(7)
Tax agent's fee paid	(3)	(5)
Taxation recovered	27	-
Payment of other fees and expenses	(95)	(70)
Net cash outflow from operating activities	(10,566)	(28,214)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Cash proceeds from units created	54,243	32,643
Cash paid on units cancelled	(39,307)	(8,598)
Net cash inflow from financing activities	14,936	24,045
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	4,370	(4,169)
Effect of change in foreign exchange rates	(148)	358
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year	7,743	11,554
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	11,965	7,743