

Tapping into the Global Markets' Growth Potential through Two New Funds

Public Bank's wholly-owned subsidiary, Public Mutual, is launching two new global funds namely Public Japan Global Equity Fund (PJGEF) and Public Islamic Global Balanced Fund (PISGBLF) on 3 December 2019.

PJGEF aims to achieve capital growth over the long term by investing 75% to 98% of its net asset value (NAV) in equities with at least 30% in the Japan market and the balance invested in the United States, Europe and Asia Pacific markets. This Fund will primarily invest in a portfolio of blue chips, index stocks and growth stocks in Japan and the global markets which are underpinned by resilient fundamentals, attractive growth prospects and reasonable valuations.

Japan, the world's third-largest economy, is supported by a healthy job market as well as robust inbound tourism. In addition, Japanese equities are underpinned by below-trend valuations, with the Tokyo Stock Price Index (TOPIX) trading at a prospective P/E ratio of 13.1x as at 31 October 2019, which is at a 23.4% discount to its 10-year historical average. Japanese companies are also poised to capitalise on opportunities in the U.S. and China markets due to the ongoing trade dispute between the two countries.

Meanwhile, PISGBLF will invest 40% to 60% of its NAV in Shariah-compliant equities while the balance is invested in sukuk and Islamic liquid assets. Up to 98% of its NAV may be invested in the global markets, including the United States, Europe and Asia Pacific. This Fund seeks to achieve capital growth over the long term through a balanced asset allocation approach which makes it less volatile than a portfolio comprised solely of equity investments.

The initial issue price for both PJGEF and PISGBLF is **RM0.2500 per unit** during the 21day initial offer period from **3 to 23 December 2019**. The minimum initial investment amount is **RM1,000** while the minimum additional investment amount is **only RM100**.

In addition, investors will also enjoy a special sales charge of 5% and stand a chance to win a pair of flight tickets to either Tokyo or Osaka, Japan by investing in either PJGEF or PISGBLF during the campaign period. Interested investors may find out more about the campaign at <u>www.publicmutual.com.my</u>. Terms and conditions apply.

Both PJGEF and PISGBLF are distributed by Public Mutual's unit trust consultants. Interested investors can contact any Public Mutual unit trust consultant, call our Customer Service Hotline at 03-2022 5000 or visit our website for more details on the funds.

Public Mutual is Malaysia's largest private unit trust company with more than 140 unit trust funds under its management. It is also an approved Private Retirement Scheme (PRS) provider, managing nine PRS funds. It has more than 30 branches/customer service centres nationwide and over 4.2 million accountholders. As at end-October 2019, the total fund size managed by the Company was RM85.3 billion.

You are advised to read and understand the contents of the Prospectus of Public Japan Global Equity Fund and the Prospectus of Public Islamic Global Balanced Fund dated 3 December 2019, as well as the funds' Product Highlights Sheet (PHS) before investing. The Prospectuses have been registered with Securities Commission Malaysia who takes no responsibility for the contents, and neither should their registration be interpreted to mean that Securities Commission Malaysia recommends the investment.

You should also note that there are fees, charges and risks involved when investing in unit trust funds; and that the prices of units and distribution(s) payable, if any, may go down as well as up. Please refer to the Prospectuses and PHS for information pertaining to the above. Past performance of a fund and/or a fund's benchmark is not an indication of the fund's future performance. Applications to purchase units must come in the form of a duly completed application form referred to in and accompanying the Prospectuses. A copy of the Prospectuses and PHS can be obtained from your attending unit trust consultant, nearest Public Mutual Branch/Customer Service Centre or viewed from our website.