

## Monthly Fund Fact Sheet as at 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017

### MIDF AMANAH STRATEGIC FUND

November 2017

#### FUND OBJECTIVE

The objective of the fund is to achieve long-term capital growth through investments in smaller, high growth companies.

#### THE FUND IS SUITABLE FOR INVESTORS WHO:

- Are seeking long term capital growth;
- Are prepared to take on a higher level of risk associated with investment in small-capitalized stocks.

#### FUND DETAILS (as at October 31, 2017)

Fund size	RM 23.553 million
Unit NAV	RM 1.2874
Fund Inception	1 June 1970
Financial Year End	15th day of January
Management Fee	1.5% p.a. of NAV
Trustee Fee	0.08% p.a. of NAV
Initial Service Charge	Up to 5.00% of NAV
Redemption Payment Period	Within 10 calendar days
Investment Manager	MIDF Amanah Asset Management Bhd

#### MANAGER'S COMMENTS

##### Review

The theme for the month of October was centered around the anticipation of the announcement for Budget 2018. The benchmark index's movement for the month was lackluster with the index experiencing a gradual descent throughout most of the month to reach a low of 1,736 pre-Budget. Overall, the Budget was deemed a prudent, people-centric one whereby it addressed Malaysians' immediate concerns of rising cost of living as well as affordable housing to shore up private consumption. This was coupled with aids given to SMEs to spur economic activity while keeping the upbeat domestic growth rate intact. It continues to preserve Government's direction in achieving sustainable fiscal path and narrowing the budget deficit to 2.8% of GDP for 2018. The market response towards the Budget was more or less muted but nonetheless, the slight cheer managed to shore up the index from the recent decline to close the month of October at 1,747 points. However, benchmark index still fell by a small 0.4% on a MoM basis on the back of outflow of foreign funds at approximately RM226.3m.

The broader market outperformed the benchmark KLCI whereby FBM Emas was up 0.5% MoM to close the month at level of 12,597 points. Small caps performed even better as FBM Small Cap ended the month at levels of 17,433 points gaining 2.8% MoM. Nonetheless, on an overall basis, average daily trading value fell a tad by 3% MoM to RM2.47bn for the month of October.

#### Investment Outlook & Strategy

We remain cautiously optimistic on the market for the remainder of 2017. This is premised on the fact that Q4 performance is seasonally stronger while the strengthening Ringgit and positive sentiment in the run up to the upcoming GE14 elections will help ensure the market stays supported. However, several downside risks like the ongoing geopolitical concerns in the Middle East and North Korea on top of the possibility of rate normalization by the Fed could cause potential capital outflows from emerging markets like ours and derail the market.

Hence, our tactical strategy is still to reduce exposure in small-cap stocks while increasing mid-big caps exposure, particularly laggard index-linked stocks while maintaining the overall portfolio weightings in order to capitalize on the market upswing which is expected to be led by

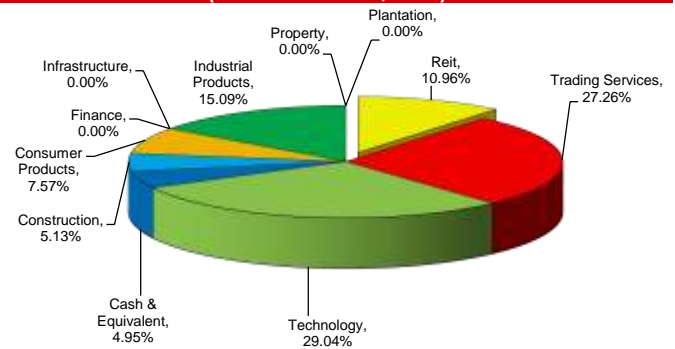
mid-big cap index-linked stocks before retracing towards its trading range.

Nevertheless, our long term focus will still be in value/growth driven, high dividend yielders, under-valued, recovery and thematic plays (E-Commerce, General Election, Renewable Energy, IOT, Tech-related, Telco, Tourism & Utilities) that will hopefully shield the portfolio relatively well during market corrections as we position the respective portfolios for 2018.

#### LARGEST HOLDINGS (as at October 31, 2017)

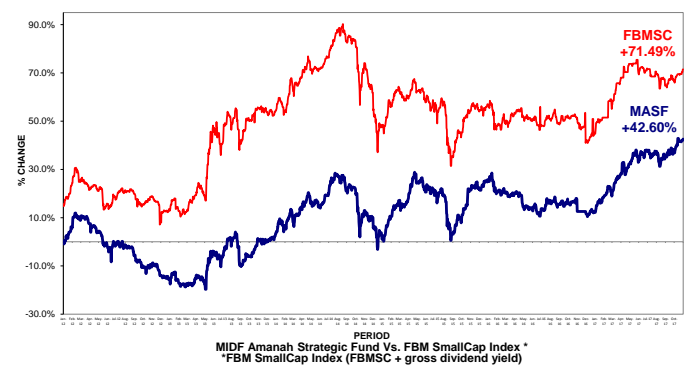
COMPANY	%
PERAK TRANSIT BHD	9.93%
VITROX CORP. BHD	8.93%
FOUNDPAC GROUP BHD	7.65%
YTL HOSP. REIT	5.91%
OPCOM HLDGS BHD	5.24%

#### ASSET ALLOCATION (as at October 31, 2017)



\*as percentage of NAV. Please note that asset exposures for the funds are subject to frequent change on a daily basis.

#### FUND PERFORMANCE (as at October 31, 2017)



#### CALENDAR YEAR RETURN % (as at October 31, 2017)

FUND	3M	6M	1YR	3YRS	5YRS
FBMSC	0.66	-0.83	12.96	-0.11	44.49

\*FBM SmallCap Index (FBMSC + gross dividend yield)

Source: Lipper Fund Table (The Edge, November 13, 2017)

(1) Based on the fund's portfolio returns as at 15 October 2017, the volatility Factor (VF) for this fund is 16.91 and is classified as "very high" (source:Lipper).

(2) Volatility Factor (VF) is subjected to monthly changes and Volatility Class (VC) will be revised every six months.

(3) The portfolio composition may change overtime, therefore there is no guarantee that the VF and VC to remain constant.