



Semi-Annual Report 2023

For the period ended 30 June 2023

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Note: The unaudited interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs") issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") and the relevant disclosure provisions specified in Appendix E of the Code on Unit Trusts and Mutual Funds of the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong ("SFC"). The accounting policies applied are consistent with those of the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022, as described in Note 2 of the annual financial statements.

#### MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

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#### **REPORT OF THE MANAGER**

#### First half of 2023 Review

As 2023 kick-off, the Chinese equity market experienced an uptrend in January. Confidence was bolstered by recovery signals during Chinese New Year and the increased capital inflow from global investors. In February, the Chinese equity market saw a significant drawdown due to concerns over the US interest rate and US-China friction. In March, Chinese equity indices experienced gains, with the majority of the gains driven by a very limited number of companies under two hot trades - China's SOEs and Internet companies. In April, Chinese equity markets experienced a decline as investor sentiment deteriorated. Domestic investors were concerned about the sustainability of the economic recovery but generally believed that geopolitical tensions could be contained. On the other hand, overseas investors had the opposite view. May had been a challenging month for the Chinese equity market as negative sentiment prevailed. Investors were particularly worried about China's economic momentum, which had fallen short of expectations. In June, the Chinese equity market rose in the first half of June on optimism surrounding the potential easing of US-China geopolitical tensions and anticipated stimulus measures from Chinese policymakers. However, the market sentiment shifted in the second half of June as Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell hinted at the possibility of future rate hikes, causing a pullback in global equity markets. Throughout the month, major Chinese indices grinded higher, albeit with significant volatility driven by short-term factors.

#### Outlook

Overall, we believe that China's current situation is marked by weak credit demand, which stems from a lack of confidence. Both asset prices and GDP growth remain stable. The early repayment of mortgage loans can be attributed to the lower saving rate compared to the mortgage rate. Meanwhile, sluggish corporate credit demand is mainly due to the limited availability of high-quality investment opportunities at present.

We have also identified a new economic driver that we would like to highlight: companies expanding globally. As domestic growth slows and demographic challenges loom, exploring revenue opportunities in overseas markets can be a viable solution. We have observed B2B manufacturing goods making their way overseas, and gradually, B2C goods such as EVs are also gaining momentum in international markets.

#### Zeal Asset Management Limited

30 June 2023

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#### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (UNAUDITED)

As at 30 June 2023

	30 June 2023 HKD	31 December 2022 HKD
ASSETS		
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	1,502,964,263	1,777,610,257
Amounts due from brokers	40,341,806	57,577,352
Subscription proceeds receivable	2,385,893	3,105,113
Interest receivable	-	200,877
Dividend receivable	6,790,621	437,580
Cash and cash equivalents	85,228,809	117,176,339
Prepayments and other receivables	402	
TOTAL ASSETS	1,637,711,794	1,956,107,518
LIABILITIES (EXCLUDING NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS) Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss Amounts due to brokers	1,903,829	226,518 19,921,824
Redemption proceeds payable	8,957,519	8,291,105
Management fee payable	2,397,485	2,816,701
Trustee fee payable	171,931	369,440
Other accounts payable and accruals	299,884	458,829
TOTAL LIABILITIES	13,730,648	32,084,417
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS		
(calculated in accordance with IFRS)	1,623,981,146	1,924,023,101

#### STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)

For the period ended 30 June 2023

	Note	30 June 2023 HKD	31 December 2022 HKD
INCOME			
Dividend income		14,607,822	28,716,893
Interest income		1,730,581	5,199,226
Other income	-		
	-	16,338,403	33,916,119
EXPENSES			
Performance fees		-	-
Management fees		(16,130,986)	(35,063,834)
Transaction costs	1	(4,299,645)	(8,314,554)
Brokerage fees		(3,114,806)	(7,379,005)
Trustee fees		(1,132,524)	(2,428,617)
Custodian fees		(250,620)	(632,122)
Legal and professional fees		(42,992)	(132,157)
Dividend witholding tax		(312,694)	(1,014,932)
Audit fees		(141,882)	(285,806)
Other operating expenses	2	(473,175)	(1,068,494)
		(25,899,324)	(56,319,521)
Net Loss before investments and exchange differences	-	(9,560,921)	(22,403,402)
<b>INVESTMENT AND EXCHANGE DIFFERENCES</b> Net losses on financial assets and liabilities at fair	;		
value through profit or loss		(272,600,822)	(535,394,448)
Net foreign exchange differences	-	(1,873,810)	(1,640,018)
	-	(274,474,632)	(537,034,466)
DECREASE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS FROM OPERATIONS FOR		(004.005.550)	(550, 407, 000)
THE PERIOD/YEAR BEFORE DISTRIBUTION	-	(284,035,553)	(559,437,868)
FINANCE COST			
Distributions to unitholders	-		
DECREASE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE			
TO UNITHOLDERS FROM OPERATIONS FOR THE PERIOD/YEAR	=	(284,035,553)	(559,437,868)

#### STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED) (Continued)

For the period ended 30 June 2023

Note 1: During the period ended 30 June 2023 and the year-end 2022, the transaction costs paid to the Trustee were as follow:

	For the period from 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023 HKD	For the year ended 31 December 2022 HKD
BOCI-Prudential Trustee Limited	18,200	61,420

Note 2: During the period ended 30 June 2023 and the year-end 2022, the other operating expenses paid to the Trustee and its Connected Person of Trustee were as follow:

	For the period from 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023 HKD	For the year ended 31 December 2022 HKD
Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited	10,632	21,691
BOCI-Prudential Trustee Limited	4,958	10,000

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS (UNAUDITED)

For the period ended 30 June 2023

	30 June 2023 HKD	31 December 2022 HKD
Net assets attributable to unitholders at the beginning of		
the period / year	1,924,023,101	2,453,341,944
Proceeds from issue of units during the period / year	170,661,828	399,895,357
Payment on redeemed units during the period / year Decrease in net assets attributable to unitholders from	(186,668,230)	(369,776,332)
operations for the period / year	(284,035,553)	(559,437,868)
Net assets attributable to unitholders at the end of the period / year	1,623,981,146	1,924,023,101

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS (UNAUDITED) (Continued)

For the period ended 30 June 2023

#### **Changes in Units Issued**

Changes in Units Issued		
	30 June 2023 Units	31 December 2022 Units
HKD Units Class		
Units outstanding at the beginning of period / year	287,034,029.5804	312,644,523.3074
Units issued during the period / year	10,201,773.6897	32,756,233.0802
Units redeemed during the period / year	(26,066,800.0390)	(58,366,726.8072)
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Units outstanding at the end of period / year	271,169,003.2311	287,034,029.5804
HKD (dist) Units Class		
Units outstanding at the beginning of period / year	180,285,057.4825	188,705,195.7247
Units issued during the period / year	6,119,274.7549	12,884,201.4968
Units redeemed during the period / year	(15,580,331.4566)	(21,304,339.7390)
Units redeemed during the period / year	(13,360,331.4300)	(21,304,339.7390)
Units outstanding at the end of period / year	170,824,000.7808	180,285,057.4825
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USD Units Class		
Units outstanding at the beginning of period / year	100,902,873.6609	96,340,073.5837
Units issued during the period / year	10,651,156.1339	21,894,648.5198
Units redeemed during the period / year	(9,721,271.3209)	(17,331,848.4426)
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Units outstanding at the end of period / year	101,832,758.4739	100,902,873.6609
AUD (hedged) Units Class		
Units outstanding at the beginning of period / year	129,714.5602	77,951.0578
Units issued during the period / year	2,154.1744	233,450.3271
	2,104.1744	
Units redeemed during the period / year		(181,686.8247)
Units outstanding at the end of period / year	131,868.7346	129,714.5602
RMB (hedged) Units Class		
Units outstanding at the beginning of period / year	87,013,811.2549	73,073,018.9506
Units issued during the period / year	21,885,021.0715	45,814,025.7043
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Units redeemed during the period / year	(16,801,958.2381)	(31,873,233.4000)
Units outstanding at the end of period / year	92,096,874.0883	87,013,811.2549

#### **INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO (UNAUDITED)**

30 June 2023

Contemporary Amperex Technology Co., Limited – A107,28026,3Kweichow Moutai Co., Ltd. – A26,77548,3Shenzhen Mindray Bio-Medical Electronics Co., Ltd. – A187,40060,4Wanhua Chemical Group Co., Ltd. – A336,22731,3Wuliangye Yibin Co., Ltd. – A165,59329,3	284,952 2.4   454,160 1.6   799,039 3.0   553,520 3.7   831,939 1.9   193,341 1.8   116,951 14.6	63 00 73 96 80
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Antengene Corporation Ltd. – B $6,324,000$ $9;$ Bank of China Ltd. – H Shares $16,158,000$ $50;$ Bank of Communications Co., Ltd. – H Shares $8,393,000$ $43;$ BeiGene, Ltd. $288,300$ $30;$ China Construction Bank Corporation – H Shares $6,550,000$ $33;$ China Mengniu Dairy Co. Ltd. $2,247,000$ $66;$ China Merchants Bank Co., Ltd. – H Shares $1,121,000$ $39;$ China Resources Power Holdings Co. Ltd. $7,470,000$ $132;$ Country Garden Services Holdings Co. Ltd. $5,205,000$ $52;$ Galaxy Entertainment Group Ltd. $673,000$ $33;$ Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Ltd. $166,200$ $49;$ JD.com, Inc. – SW $257,800$ $34,$ Li Ning Co. Ltd. $8,059,000$ $38;$ Samsonite International Holdings Co. Ltd. $1,654,000$ $16;$ Samsonite International S.A. $1,827,600$ $40;$ Shenzhou International Group Holdings Co. Ltd. $1,302,200$ $97;$ Tencent Holdings Ltd. $1,302,200$ $97;$ WuXi Biologics (Cayman) Inc. $1,736,000$ $65;$	985,081 8.8   802,200 0.6   736,120 3.1   559,670 2.6   963,420 1.9   208,500 2.0   286,500 4.0   907,600 2.4   219,000 8.1   859,680 0.9   674,600 3.2   448,100 2.0   062,240 3.0   132,720 2.1   626,225 2.1   999,210 0.2   844,380 2.3   389,960 2.4   970,040 1.0   250,960 2.5   339,450 6.0   050,880 6.4   186,800 4.0   503,336 72.5	60 612 68 91 04 08 615 924 002 010 13 25 99 49 04 50 047 01

#### **INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO (UNAUDITED) (Continued)**

30 June 2023

COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEME	Number of shares/ Nominals	Fair Value as of 30 June 2023 HKD	% of Net Asset Value
Hong Kong Link Real Estate Investment Trust	1,493,858	64,982,823	4.00
		64,982,823	4.00
DEPOSITARY RECEIPT			
<b>United States</b> Zai Lab Ltd – ADR	102,920	22,361,153	1.38
		22,361,153	1.38
FOREIGN CURRENCY FORWARDS			
Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited - Buy AUD126,200.00/ Sell HKD656,795.28 14/07/2023 Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited - Buy CNY40,660,800.00/ Sell HKD45,296,131.20		(1,902)	_
14/07/2023 Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited		(1,434,369)	(0.09)
- Buy CNY14,419,300.00/ Sell HKD15,832,391.40 28/07/2023 Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited		(264,613)	(0.02)
- Buy CNY35,566,300.00/ Sell HKD38,632,115.06 11/08/2023		(202,945)	(0.01)
		(1,903,829)	(0.12)
Total financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit and loss (cost: HKD1,948,735,526)		1,501,060,434	92.43
Other net assets		122,920,712	7.57
Net assets as at 30 June 2023		1,623,981,146	100.00

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