



## BDO PERA EQUITY INDEX FUND

## KEY INFORMATION AND INVESTMENT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Month Ended January 31, 2025

## FUND FACTS

<b>Classification:</b> Equity Fund	<b>Net Asset Value per Unit (NAVPU):</b> PHP87.9115
<b>Launch Date:</b> December 22, 2016	<b>Total Fund NAV:</b> PHP 169.179 Million
<b>Minimum Investment / Minimum Additional Investment / Minimum Maintaining Participation:</b> P10,000.00 or the minimum PERA initial contribution amount set by the PERA Administrator, whichever is lower	<b>Dealing Period:</b> Up to 2:30pm of any banking day
<b>Minimum Holding Period:</b> 30 calendar days	<b>Redemption Settlement:</b> Three (3) banking days after the notice of redemption is received
	<b>Early Redemption Fee:</b> 1.00% of Original Participation Amount

## FEES\*

Trustee Fees: <u>0.0859%</u>	Custodianship Fees: <u>0.0000%</u>	External Auditor Fees: <u>0.0000%</u>	PSEi Licensing Fees: <u>0.0000%</u>
BDO Trust and Investments Group	Deutsche Bank AG, Manila; PDTC	Punongbayan & Araullo	Philippine Stock Exchange, Inc.

\*As a percentage of average daily NAV for the month valued at PHP 181.342 Million.

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGY

The Fund aims to achieve investment returns that track the performance of the Philippine Stock Exchange Index (PSEi) by investing in a diversified portfolio of stocks. The Fund's benchmark is the Philippine Stock Exchange Composite Index (PSEi).

## CLIENT SUITABILITY

A client profiling process should be performed prior to participating in the Fund to guide the prospective investor if the Fund is suited to his/her investment objectives and risk tolerance. Clients are advised to read the Declaration of Trust/Plan Rules of the Fund, which may be obtained from the Trustee, before deciding to invest.

- ♦The BDO PERA Equity Index Fund is suitable for Participants with an aggressive risk profile and who seek potentially higher returns through stock market investments but are also aware of the possibility of capital losses that such investments may entail.
- ♦Participation in the Fund shall be open to Participants who are (a) individuals; (b) have legal capacity to contract; (c) who have a Philippine Tax Identification Number (TIN); and (d) whose funds are in a PERA.
- ♦Participants/trustors are recommended to stay invested in the Fund for more than three (3) years. The Fund is not suitable for short-term investing.

## KEY RISKS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

You should not invest in this Fund if you do not understand or are not comfortable with the accompanying risks.

**Market/Price Risk.** This is the possibility for an investor to experience losses due to changes in market prices of securities. It is the exposure to the uncertain market value of a portfolio due to price fluctuations.

**Liquidity Risk.** This is the possibility for an investor to experience losses due to the inability to sell or convert assets into cash immediately or in instances where conversion to cash is possible but at a loss.

All the Fund's investment outlets undergo evaluation in accordance with the Trustee's Investment Policy Manual. Regulatory exposure limits are monitored on a regular basis. The Fund may also use financial derivative instruments solely for the purpose of hedging risk exposures.

- ♦THE UIT FUND IS A TRUST PRODUCT AND NOT A DEPOSIT ACCOUNT, AND IS NOT INSURED BY THE PHILIPPINE DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION (PDIC).
- ♦RETURNS CANNOT BE GUARANTEED AND HISTORICAL NAVPU IS FOR ILLUSTRATION OF NAVPU MOVEMENTS/FLUCTUATIONS ONLY.
- ♦WHEN REDEEMING, THE PROCEEDS MAY BE WORTH LESS THAN THE ORIGINAL INVESTMENT AND ANY LOSSES WILL BE SOLELY FOR THE ACCOUNT OF THE CLIENT.
- ♦THE TRUSTEE IS NOT LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS UNLESS UPON WILLFUL DEFAULT, BAD FAITH OR GROSS NEGLIGENCE.

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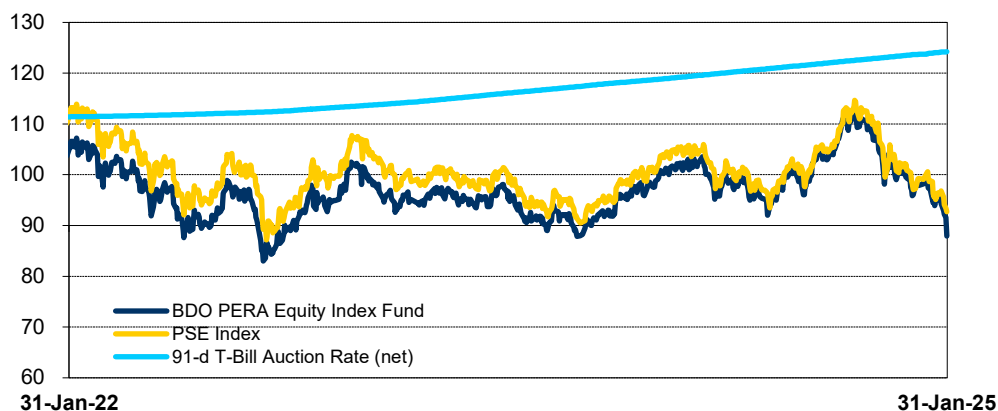
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**FUND PERFORMANCE AND STATISTICS**

As of January 31, 2025

(Purely for reference purposes and is not a guarantee of future results)

**Fund's NAVPU vs Benchmark & Risk-Free Rate**



**NAVPU over the past 12 months**

Highest	PHP 112.9335
Lowest	PHP 87.9115

**Statistics**

Tracking Error <sup>1</sup>	1.31%
Volatility, Past 1 Year <sup>2</sup>	16.25%
Sharpe Ratio <sup>3</sup>	-0.92
Information Ratio <sup>4</sup>	0.84

<sup>1</sup> Since inception

<sup>2</sup> Volatility measures the degree to which the Fund fluctuates vis-à-vis its average return over a period of time.

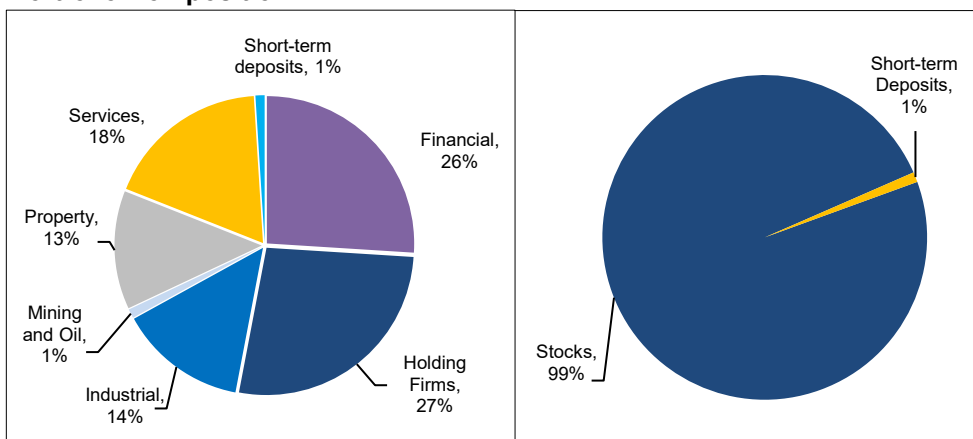
<sup>3</sup> Sharpe Ratio is used to characterize how well the return of a Fund compensates the investor for the level of risk taken. The higher the number, the better.

<sup>4</sup> Information Ratio measures reward-to-risk efficiency of the portfolio relative to the benchmark. The higher the number, the higher the reward per unit of risk.

**Cumulative Performance (%)**

Period	1 mo	3 mos	6 mos	1 yr	3 yrs
BDO PERA Equity Index Fund	-10.20%	-17.73%	-11.02%	-10.21%	-16.50%
Benchmark - PSEi	-10.20%	-17.92%	-11.43%	-11.79%	-20.36%

**Portfolio Composition**



**Top Ten Holdings<sup>5</sup> (%)**

Company Name	% of Portfolio
SM Investments	13.39%
ICTSI	10.60%
BDO Unibank	9.36%
BPI Bank	8.81%
SM Prime	7.26%
Ayala Corp	5.07%
Ayala Land	4.61%
Metro Bank	4.39%
Meralco	3.85%
China Banking	3.29%
Total	70.63%

<sup>5</sup> The complete list of portfolio holdings is available upon request

**OTHER DISCLOSURES**

**RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

The Fund has investments and trade transactions with BDO Unibank, Inc., its subsidiaries and related parties, as follows:

	Transaction	Market Value (Mln)
<b>BDO Unibank, Inc.</b>	Time Deposit Placement	0.20
	Investment in Common Shares	15.85
BDO Securities	Buy/Sell of Securities	
<b>SM Group</b>		
China Banking Corp.	Investment in Common Shares	5.58
SM Investments Corp.	Investment in Common Shares	22.68
SM Prime Holdings	Investment in Common Shares	12.30

Investments in the said outlets were approved by the Trust Committee. Likewise, all related party transactions are conducted on an arm's length and best execution basis and within established limits.

**OTHER DISCLOSURES****OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY**

The stock market fared poorly in January with the PSEI ending the month at 5,862.59, down 10.2% m/m. The uncertainty on Trump's tariffs have pushed investors to the sideline. The market was on risk-off mode amid concerns of fewer rate cuts by the Fed in 2025. The month saw the release of December inflation of 2.9% from 2.5% in November of last year and the 4Q24 GDP print of 5.2%. Both macro data showed unimpressive results and that added to the dismal performance of the equities market. What made it worse was the PSEi rebalancing which took place on the last trading day of January where the Index fell by 4.0%. The regular rebalancing of the PSEi happens twice a year in February and August. The month end also saw exaggerated buying on the new members of the PSEi namely China Bank (CBC) and Ayala REIT (AREIT) while a big sell off was seen in Wilcon (WLCON) and Nickel Asia (NIKL) as these two stocks were taken out of the constituents.

**INVESTMENT POLICY / PROSPECTIVE INVESTMENTS**

The Fund may invest in exchange-listed equities and fixed income securities, deposits in the Trustee's bank or in other banks, securities issued or guaranteed by the Philippine Government or the BSP and tradable securities issued by any supranational entity. Subject to BSP guidelines and the Trustee's Trust Committee approval, the Fund may also avail of financial derivative instruments solely for the purpose of hedging risk exposures, as well as invest in other tradable investment outlets/categories allowed for Personal Equity and Retirement Account (PERA) UITFs as may be deemed suitable for the Fund.

**OTHER BASIC FUND FACTS**

<b>Trust Fee:</b> 1.0% p.a.	<b>Bloomberg Ticker:</b> <BDOPERAEIF PM>
<b>Initial NAVPU:</b> PHP100.00	<b>NAVPU Availability:</b> Every trading day at 7:30 p.m.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Fund is exempt from income tax in accordance with, and subject to, the provisions of RA 9505, the PERA Act.</li> <li>A copy of the latest Audited Financial Statement is available in the BDO website (<a href="https://www.bdo.com.ph">https://www.bdo.com.ph</a>)</li> <li><b>Distribution Channels:</b> For BDO PERA clients, via Invest Online and Head Office Only. The Fund is also available via Seedbox.</li> </ul>	

**OTHER PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

Period	Fund	Benchmark	Risk-Free Rate <sup>6</sup>
Year to Date	-10.20%	-10.20%	0.43%
Five Years Ago	-14.51%	-18.58%	14.29%
Since Inception	-12.09%	-11.00%	24.28%
CAGR <sup>7</sup> Since Inception	-1.58%	-1.43%	2.71%

<sup>6</sup> Refers to 91-day T-Bill rates

<sup>7</sup> Compounded Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) measures how fast an investment would have grown over time if it grew at a steady rate instead of actual varying rates.

- This Fund is available to Filipino Citizens and Philippine residents, with capacity to contract.
- Prospective participants/clients should also consult their own tax advisors as to the specific Philippine tax consequences of acquiring, holding and redeeming of units of any Fund/investment outlet, as well as the consequences arising under the laws of any other taxing jurisdiction.

## **OTHER DISCLOSURES**

The Fund aims to provide a return that tracks the performance of the Philippine Stock Exchange index (PSEi), the Fund's benchmark. The stated benchmark is a measure that is used to compare the performance of the Fund. The benchmark also represents the Fund's portfolio as well as the movements in stock market prices affecting the Fund's investments. The PSEi is made up of the top 30 largest and most active listed companies, chosen to represent the general movement of the stock market. For more information, visit <https://www.pse.com.ph/composite-sector-indices/>.

The Fund's benchmark is a price return benchmark (gross of taxes).

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