



## BDO EQUITY INDEX FUND

## KEY INFORMATION AND INVESTMENT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Month Ended September 30, 2024

## FUND FACTS

<b>Classification:</b> Equity Fund	<b>Net Asset Value per Unit (NAVPU):</b> PHP100.0173
<b>Launch Date:</b> July 10, 2015	<b>Total Fund NAV:</b> PHP 7.545 Billion
<b>Minimum Investment:</b> PHP10,000.00	<b>Dealing Period:</b> Up to 2:30pm of any banking day
<b>Minimum Additional Investment / Maintaining Participation:</b> PHP10,000.00	<b>Redemption Settlement:</b> Three (3) banking days after the notice of redemption is received
<b>Minimum Holding Period:</b> 30 calendar days	<b>Early Redemption Fee:</b> 0.50% of Original Participation Amount

## FEES\*

Trustee Fees: <u>0.0837%</u>	Custodianship Fees: <u>0.0012%</u>	External Auditor Fees: <u>0.0001%</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 7.663 Billion.

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGY

The Fund aims to provide investors with a total return which reflects the return of the Philippine Stock Exchange Composite Index (PSEi) by investing in a diversified portfolio of stocks that so far as practicable consists of the component companies of the PSEi. 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 Equity Index Fund is primarily suitable for individual and corporate investors with balanced risk appetite 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.
- ♦Participants/trustors are recommended to stay invested in the Fund for more than three (3) years.

## 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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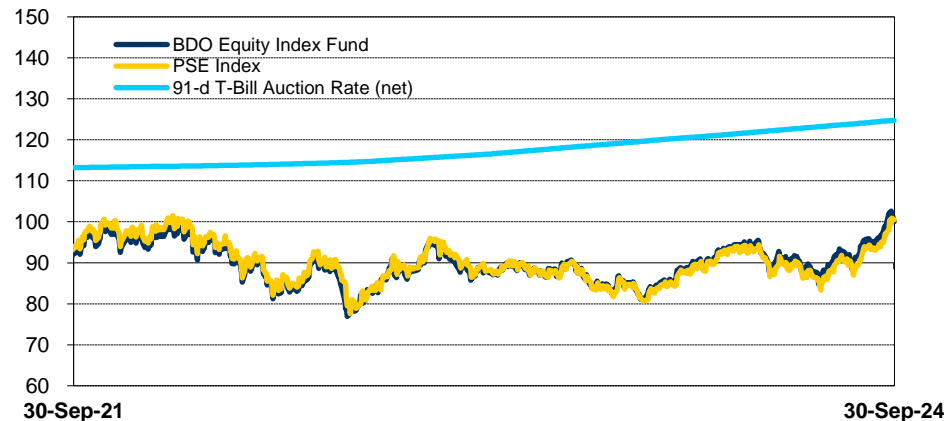
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**FUND PERFORMANCE AND STATISTICS**

As of September 30, 2024

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

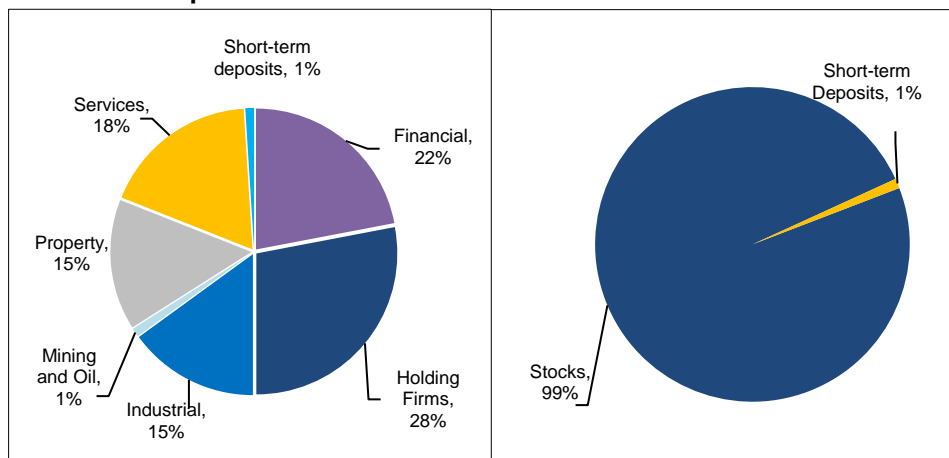
**Fund’s NAVPU vs Benchmark & Risk-Free Rate**



**Cumulative Performance (%)**

Period	1 mo	3 mos	6 mos	1 yr	3 yrs
BDO Equity Index Fund	5.42%	13.33%	5.82%	16.35%	7.88%
Benchmark - PSEi	5.44%	13.42%	5.35%	15.05%	4.60%

**Portfolio Composition**



**NAVPU over the past 12 months**

Highest	PHP 102.5972
Lowest	PHP 81.1598

**Statistics**

Tracking Error <sup>1</sup>	0.90%
Volatility, Past 1 Year <sup>2</sup>	14.22%
Sharpe Ratio <sup>3</sup>	0.81
Information Ratio <sup>4</sup>	0.69

<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.

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

Company Name	% of Portfolio
SM Investments	13.85%
ICTSI	10.37%
BDO Unibank	9.05%
BPI Bank	8.66%
SM Prime	8.62%
Ayala Land	6.40%
Ayala Corp	5.25%
Metro Bank	4.19%
Jollibee Foods	3.35%
Meralco	3.18%
<b>Total</b>	<b>72.92%</b>

<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	13.00
	Investment in Common Shares	689.14
<b>SM Group</b>	Investment in Common Shares	1,053.98
	Investment in Common Shares	656.29

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 market continued to rally in September with the PSEi finally crossing over the 7,000 psychological-mark. The PSEi Index soared 375 points, or 5.44% m/m largely on strong foreign buying. Total net foreign buying for the month was registered at \$346M, driving YTD net flows to positive territory. A handful of good news gave investors the confidence to load up on stocks which pushed share prices to higher ground. Data showed the continued downtrend in inflation, reflecting a 1.9% CPI print in September from 3.3% in August. The announcement of BSP to lower the reserve requirement ratio (RRR) to 7% from 9.5% effective October 25, 2024 was also a welcome development. Investors bought into bank stocks, making financials (+8.86% m/m) the best performing sector for the month. In addition, market sentiment was boosted by a relatively strong Peso which traded below Php56 as well as the strong rally in the US markets after the US Fed's decision to lower its key policy rate by 50 basis points. Moving forward, the expectation of further monetary easing should help support the equities market in the coming months.

**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 as may be deemed suitable for the Fund.

**OTHER BASIC FUND FACTS**

<b>Trust Fee:</b> 1.0% p.a.	<b>Bloomberg Ticker:</b> <BDOEQIF 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>• Available via the Easy Investment Plan (EIP), an investment build-up plan that enables investors to attain their financial goals and financial wellness through the twin habits of regularly saving and investing via selected BDO UITFs; subject to a non-completion fee of 0.50% of original participation amount.</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> Head Office, Invest Online, Local BDO Branches and selected One Network Bank (ONB) Branches under cross-selling arrangement.</li> </ul>	

**OTHER PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

Period	Fund	Benchmark	Risk-Free Rate <sup>6</sup>
Year to Date	13.79%	12.75%	3.54%
Five Years Ago	-3.27%	-6.51%	13.53%
Since Inception	0.02%	-1.62%	24.75%
CAGR <sup>7</sup> Since Inception	0.00%	-0.18%	2.42%

<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, Philippine residents and domestic corporations, 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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Cooling-Off Period – Subject to the exemptions under BSP regulations, a Participant/Trustor shall be entitled to cancel his/its initial subscription, without penalty, upon formal notice to the Trustee within a period of two (2) banking days immediately following the signing of the Omnibus Participating Trust Agreement of BDO UITFs. However, the Participant/Trustor shall bear the payment of all costs, expenses and early redemption fees arising from such termination, if any. If a Participant/Trustor wishes to exercise his/its rights under this provision, the Participant/Trustor should immediately call/send an email to/visit his/its assigned Trust Marketing Officer or the Branch Manager/ Marketing Officer of the Participant's/Trustor's BDO Servicing Branch.

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