

Asset Management Maybank Asset Management Sdn Bhd 199701006283 Level 12 Tower C Dataran Maybank No.1 Jalan Maarof 59000 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia Telephone +603 2297 7888 Facsimile +603 2715 0071 www.maybank-am.com.my

MAMG GOLD FUND

Quarterly report For the financial period from 1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023

CORPORATE INFORMATION

MANAGER

Maybank Asset Management Sdn Bhd (199701006283)(421779-M)

BUSINESS OFFICE

Level 12 Tower C Dataran Maybank No.1 Jalan Maarof 59000 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia Telephone +603 2297 7888 Facsimile +603 2715 0071 www.maybank-am.com.my

TRUSTEE

SCBMB Trustees Berhad (201201021301)(1005793-T) Level 25, Equatorial Plaza Jalan Sultan Ismail 50250 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia Telephone +603 7682 9724

CONTENT	PAGE
Manager's report	(i) - (vi)
Unaudited statement of comprehensive income	1
Unaudited statement of financial position	2 - 3
Unaudited statement of changes net assets attributable to unitholders	4
Unaudited statement of cash flows	5

Manager's report For the financial period from 1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023

A. Fund Information

- 1. Name of Fund MAMG Gold Fund (the "Fund")
- 2. Type of Fund Growth
- 3. Category of Fund Wholesale feeder fund

4. Duration of Fund

The Fund is an open-ended fund.

5. Fund launch date

Share Class	Launch date	Commencement date
USD Class	3 June 2020	25 June 2020
MYR Class	3 June 2020	25 June 2020
MYR (Hedged) Class	3 June 2020	25 June 2020

6. Fund's investment objective

The Fund aims to maximise investment returns by investing in CH Precious Metals Fund ("Target Fund").

7. Fund distribution policy

Distribution shall be incidental and shall be made from the realised income/ gain of the Fund.

8. Fund's performance benchmark

Absolute return of 6.5% per annum ("p.a.") of the Fund's net asset value ("NAV").

9. Fund's investment policy and principal investment strategy

The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing a minimum of 90% of the Fund's NAV in the United States Dollar ("USD") class of the Target Fund. The Target Fund is a sub-fund of Pictet CH Precious Metals Fund established and domiciled in Switzerland. The Fund may employ currency hedging strategies by utilising currency forwards to fully or partially hedge the foreign currency exposure to manage the currency risk of the Classes being hedged (other than USD Class and Malaysia Ringgit ("MYR") Class).

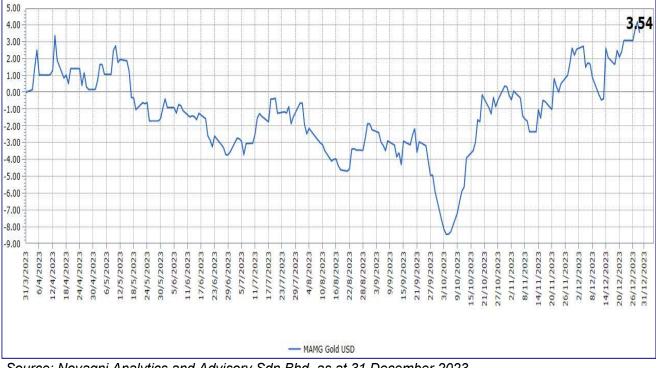
Manager's report For the financial period from 1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023 (cont'd)

B. Performance Review

Performance of MAMG Gold Fund - USD Class for the financial period from 1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023 are as follows:

USD Class	
Pariad	The Fund
Period	%
1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023	3.54

Performance of the USD Class for the financial period from 1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023:



Source: Novagni Analytics and Advisory Sdn Bhd, as at 31 December 2023

Investors are reminded that past performance of the Fund is not necessarily indicative of its future performance and that unit prices and investment returns may fluctuate.

The USD Class has generated a net return of 3.54% for the financial period from 1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023.

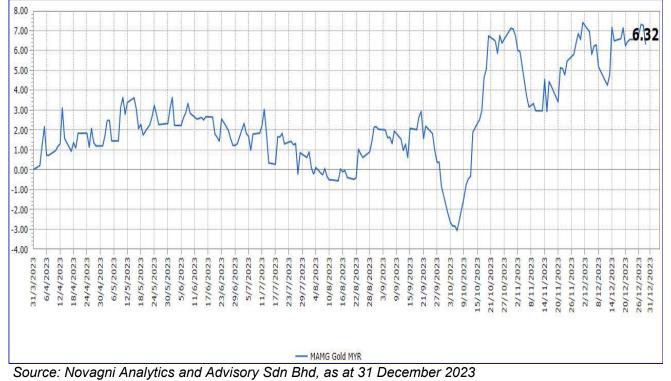
Manager's report For the financial period from 1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023 (cont'd)

B. Performance Review (cont'd)

Performance of MAMG Gold Fund - MYR Class for the financial period from 1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023 are as follows:

MYR Class	
Pariad	The Fund
Period	%
1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023	6.32

Performance of the MYR Class for the financial period from 1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023:



Investors are reminded that past performance of the Fund is not necessarily indicative of its future performance and that unit prices and investment returns may fluctuate.

The MYR Class has generated a net return of 6.32% for the financial period from 1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023.

Manager's report For the financial period from 1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023 (cont'd)

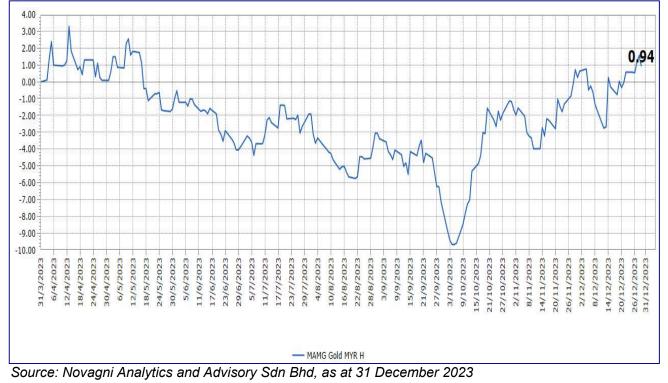
B. Performance Review (cont'd)

Performance of MAMG Gold Fund - MYR (Hedged) Class for the financial period from 1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023 are as follows:

MYR (Hedged) Class

Period	The Fund %
1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023	0.94

Performance of the MYR (Hedged) Class for the financial period from 1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023:



Investors are reminded that past performance of the Fund is not necessarily indicative of its future performance and that unit prices and investment returns may fluctuate.

The MYR (Hedged) Class has generated a net return of 0.94% for the financial period from 1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023.

Manager's report For the financial period from 1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023 (cont'd)

C. Market Review

In October 2023, gold rebounded by a significant 6.80% towards USD 2,000 an ounce, primarily driven by concerns surrounding the conflict in the Middle East. The attack by Hamas on Israel heightened tensions in a region that plays a crucial role in global energy supplies. The resulting upsurge in demand for safe-haven assets prevailed during the month despite economic data suggesting higher interest rates for longer and the bond sell-off that resulted from a substantial increase in supply. Gold exchange-traded-funds ("ETF") holdings extended their downward trend for the fifth consecutive month, indicating a decline in buying interest. In October 2023, ETF outflows reached 19 tonnes, taking the total stock down to 2,714 tonnes.

Gold continues to experience a gain, up 1.90% in November 2023, driven by optimism that the central bank's aggressive monetary tightening campaign has concluded. Initially, the metal saw a decline in the first part of the month due to diminishing concerns about an escalation in the Israel-Hamas conflict, which eroded its appeal as a safe-haven asset. However, gold rebounded significantly and reached its highest level since May 2023 as inflation slowed and indications of a cooling economy raised expectations of interest rate cuts by the Federal Reserve ("Fed") next year. Additionally, gold benefited from a decline in Treasury yields and a weaker dollar, as lower yields are typically favourable for non-interest-bearing assets like bullion. Although gold ETF holdings continued to decrease for the sixth consecutive month, the rate of decline was lower. In November 2023, ETF outflows amounted to 12 tonnes, resulting in a total stock decrease to 2,677 tonnes.

Gold ended the year at a record high, reaching USD 2,078.4 an ounce, marking a 14.60% increase in 2023. Throughout the year, the metal's price was significantly influenced by the rhetoric of central banks regarding inflation and interest rates. The "higher for longer interest rate" narrative dominated the first part of the year, but as time progressed expectations shifted towards less tightening and eventual interest rate cuts by the Fed in 2024. These evolving expectations provided support to the metal, particularly during the last quarter of 2023. Additionally, gold has experienced significant demand since October 2023 as a safe-haven asset due to concerns over the United States ("US") banking sector, tensions between the US and China, and the Hamas attack on Israel. Furthermore, the metal was bolstered by robust buying from central banks, which helped counterbalance persistent outflows from gold-backed ETFs. During the last quarter, gold received support from declining Treasury yields and a weakening US dollar. Although holdings in ETF fell from the end of May 2023, there have been indications of stabilisation since mid-October. This decrease in buying interest was reflected in ETF outflows of 69 tonnes for the quarter and 254 tonnes for the year, resulting in a total stock of 2,662 tons of gold held by ETFs.

Manager's report For the financial period from 1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023 (cont'd)

D. Market Outlook

Given the recent aggressive pricing of anticipated rate cuts, the metal remains susceptible to statements made by central bankers in response to positive economic data. Additionally, any decrease in inflation and increases in real interest rates could hinder gold investment in the first quarter of 2024. Furthermore, a slowdown in central bank purchases combined with prolonged erosion in demand for gold-backed ETFs may further impact the price of gold. As usual, a potential de-escalation of the conflict in the Middle East could also lead to a correction. Conversely, gold could still benefit from the perception of an early unwinding of the Fed's restrictive monetary policy due to reduced inflation or concerns about economic growth. An escalation of tensions in the Israel-Hamas war and geopolitical risks in general could continue to enhance gold's appeal as a safe haven asset. Finally, ongoing robust central bank purchases aimed at diversifying away from the US Dollar as well as robust retail demand in Asia could provide support for the metal's price.

E. Asset Allocation

The Fund's asset allocation as at 31 December 2023 is as follows:

Asset allocation	31.12.2023		31.03.2023	
	USD	%	USD	%
Investment in Target Fund	5,798,365	96.30	3,986,573	97.67
Cash, deposit with a licensed financial				
institution and other net assets	222,504	3.70	95,252	2.33
Total NAV	6,020,869	100.00	4,081,825	100.00

F. Soft Commissions and Rebates

The Manager and its delegates will not retain any form of soft commissions and rebates from or otherwise share in any commission with any broker in consideration for directing dealings in the investments of the Fund unless the soft commissions received are retained in the form of goods and services such as financial wire services and stock quotations system incidental to investment management of the Fund. All dealings with brokers are executed on best available terms.

During the financial period from 1 April 2023 to 31 December 2023, the Manager and its delegates did not receive any soft commissions and rebates from brokers or dealers but have retained soft commissions in the form of goods and services such as research materials and advisory services that assist in decision making process relating to the investment of the Fund (i.e. research materials, data and quotation services, computer hardware and software incidental to the investment management of the Fund and investment advisory services which were of demonstrable benefits to the unitholders.

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 APRIL 2023 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023

	01.04.2023 to 31.12.2023 USD	01.04.2022 to 31.12.2022 USD
INVESTMENT INCOME/ (LOSS)		
Profit/ Interest income Net gain/ (loss) on financial assets at fair value through profit and loss ("FVTPL")	2,855	1,471
- Realised gain	104,000	13,047
- Unrealised gain/ (loss)	177,792	(182,376)
Net loss on foreign exchange and forward		
currency contracts	(143,356)	(101,499)
	141,291	(269,357)
EXPENSES		
Manager's fee	17,697	12,419
Trustee's fee	753	529
Auditors' remuneration	1,470	1,609
Tax agent's fee	571	960
Administrative expenses	767	1,423
	21,258	16,940
Net results before taxation	120,033	(286,297)
Taxation	-	-
Net results after taxation, representing the total comprehensive income/ (loss) for the financial period	120,033	(286,297)
Net results after taxation is made up of the following:		
Net realised loss	(122,747)	(103,921)
Net unrealised income/ (loss)	242,780	(182,376)
	120,033	(286,297)
		· /

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	31.12.2023 USD	31.03.2023 USD
ASSETS		
Financial assets at FVTPL Deposit with a licensed financial institution Profit/ Interest income receivable Derivative assets Amount due from financial institution Cash at bank TOTAL ASSETS	5,798,365 145,244 35 40,619 - 54,043 6,038,306	3,986,573 101,343 8 9,440 20,000 <u>66,811</u> 4,184,175
LIABILITIES	0,000,000	1,101,110
Derivative liabilities Amount due to Manager Amount due to Trustee Other payables and accruals TOTAL LIABILITIES	- 13,326 99 4,012 17,437	33,743 63,551 697 4,359 102,350
NET ASSET VALUE ("NAV") OF THE FUND ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS OF THE FUND	6,020,869	4,081,825
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS OF THE FUND COMPRISE:		
Unitholders' contribution Retained earnings	5,845,612 175,257 6,020,869	4,026,601 55,224 4,081,825

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (CONT'D) AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	31.12.2023	31.03.2023
	USD	USD
NET ASSET VALUE		
- USD Class	668,305	855,854
- MYR Class	3,837,367	1,645,011
- MYR (Hedged) Class	1,515,197	1,580,960
	6,020,869	4,081,825
NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION (UNITS)		
- USD Class	609,479	808,188
- MYR Class	15,753,810	6,894,878
- MYR (Hedged) Class	6,849,147	6,925,579
	23,212,436	14,628,645

NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT IN RESPECTIVE CURRENCIES

- USD Class	USD 1.0965	USD 1.0590
- MYR Class	RM 1.1204	RM 1.0539
- MYR (Hedged) Class	RM 1.0176	RM 1.0084

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 APRIL 2023 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Unitholders' contribution USD	Retained earnings/ (Accumulated losses) USD	Net assets attributable to unitholders USD
At 1 April 2023	4,026,601	55,224	4,081,825
Total comprehensive income			
for the period	-	120,033	120,033
Creation of units	4,251,642	-	4,251,642
Cancellation of units	(2,432,631)	-	(2,432,631)
At 31 December 2023	5,845,612	175,257	6,020,869
At 1 April 2022 Total comprehensive loss	3,797,191	14,597	3,811,788
for the period	-	(286,297)	(286,297)
Creation of units	2,016,153	-	2,016,153
Cancellation of units	(1,445,217)	-	(1,445,217)
At 31 December 2022	4,368,127	(271,700)	4,096,427

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 APRIL 2023 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023

	01.04.2023 to 31.12.2023 USD	01.04.2022 to 31.12.2022 USD
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING AND INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Net proceeds for sales of financial assets at FVTPL Net payment for purchases of financial assets at FVTPL Profit/ Interest income received Net settlement on forward foreign exchange contracts Manager's fee paid Trustee's fee paid Payment of other fees and expenses Net cash used in operating and investing activities	1,574,000 (3,084,000) 2,838 (153,956) (16,970) (1,352) (2,891) (1,682,331)	1,349,000 (1,758,000) 1,452 (187,155) (12,394) (969) (4,843) (612,909)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Cash received from units created Cash paid on units cancelled Net cash generated from financing activities	4,253,234 (2,485,643) 1,767,591	2,061,005 (1,447,184) 613,821
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF FINANCIAL PERIOD Effect on foreign exchange CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	85,260 168,154 (54,127) 199,287	912 110,191 <u>26,971</u> 138,074
- Cash and cash equivalents comprise of: Deposit with a licensed financial institution Cash at bank	145,244 54,043 199,287	113,078 24,996 138,074