

**RHB EQUITY TRUST****RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT**

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**PRODUCT HIGHLIGHTS SHEET**

**This Product Highlights Sheet only highlights the key features and risks of RHB Equity Trust. Investors are advised to request, read and understand the Fund's prevailing prospectus and its supplementary(ies) (if any) before deciding to invest.**

<b>Name of Fund</b>	RHB Equity Trust ("Fund").	<b>Fund Category</b>	Equity fund.
		<b>Fund Type</b>	Growth.
<b>Manager</b>	RHB Asset Management Sdn Bhd.	<b>Launch Date</b>	8 August 1996.
<b>Trustee</b>	HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad.	<b>Financial Year End</b>	31 December.

**PRODUCT SUITABILITY**

This Fund is suitable for investors who:

- (i) wish to participate in the upside of the Asia ex-Japan markets;
- (ii) are willing to accept moderate to high risk in their investments; and
- (iii) prefer capital growth rather than income over a medium to long term\* period.

**KEY PRODUCT FEATURES****INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

This Fund aims to provide investors with capital growth through investments in stocks with high growth potential over a medium to long term\* period.

\*Note: "medium to long term" in this context refers to a period of between 3 – 7 years.

**INVESTMENT STRATEGY**

This Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by structuring a portfolio as follows:

90% - 98% of Net Asset Value ("NAV") - Investments in securities of companies that have good growth potential. In managing these investments, the Fund may invest up to 50% of the NAV in Asia ex-Japan markets.

2% - 10% of NAV - Investments in liquid assets including bonds, money market instruments and deposits with financial institutions.

Subject to the range stipulated above, the asset allocation will be reviewed from time to time depending on the judgement of the Manager as to the general market and economic conditions. Although the Fund is actively managed, how active or the frequency of its trading strategy will very much depend on market opportunities.

For investments in foreign markets, the Manager in managing the principal risks such as country risk and currency risk, will always take into consideration the reference benchmark as well as its evaluation of the historical developments and its prior experience in such markets. Such practice will be managed through active management and constant review of the economic and political developments of the countries invested. Investments will ultimately be made based on the risk-reward principle.

The risk management strategies and techniques employed by the Manager include diversification of the Fund's investments in terms of its exposure to various industries, sectors, countries and asset classes and/or type of investments (i.e. equity, fixed income, money market instruments). Financial derivatives may also be used for hedging purposes where appropriate. Generally, the assets of the Fund will be invested over a medium to long term period with disposal of the investments when necessary to control risk as well as to optimise capital gains. This is especially so when the full growth potential of an investment is deemed to have been reduced over a prolonged rise in equity value and other available equity investments may present cheaper valuations and potential higher returns. The Fund also complies with the permitted investments and restrictions imposed by the Securities Commission Malaysia. Adherence to these permitted investments and restrictions also helps the Manager to risk-manage the Fund's portfolio in terms of diversification. Moreover, the Manager in making its investment decisions shall at all times comply with the investment restrictions of the Fund and requirements as set out in the deed of the Fund.

The Manager may take temporary defensive positions that may be inconsistent with the Fund's principal strategy in attempting to respond to adverse economic, political or any other market conditions. In such circumstances, the Manager may reallocate the Fund's equity investments into other asset classes such as fixed income securities, money market instruments and deposits with any financial institutions, which are defensive in nature. These are deposits that are not embedded with or linked to financial derivative instruments and (where applicable) these are current accounts, short term money market deposits and short term deposits with financial institutions. In its reallocation, the level of equity investments would normally not be below 20% of the NAV.

**BENCHMARK**

70% FTSE Bursa Malaysia Kuala Lumpur Composite Index ("FBM KLCI") and 30% Morgan Stanley Capital International All Country Asia Ex-Japan Index ("MSCI AC Asia Ex-Japan Index").

**DISTRIBUTION**

**DISTRIBUTION POLICY** - Consistent with the Fund's objective to achieve capital growth, distributions will therefore be of secondary importance. Distributions, if any, after deduction of taxation and expenses, are generally declared annually and will be reinvested.

**DISTRIBUTION MODE** - Distribution, if any, after deduction of taxation and expenses (i.e. net distribution) will be reinvested to purchase additional units of the Fund based on the NAV per unit as at the first Business Day when units in the Fund are quoted ex-entitlement. Allotment of such units shall be within two (2) weeks thereafter. No sales charge will be imposed for any reinvestment of distribution into the Fund.

**KEY RISKS**

As this Fund may invest up to 50% of its NAV in foreign markets, it may be subject to further risks, such as currency risk and country risk, when compared to a portfolio which concentrates its holdings in a single market or economy. The country risk and currency risk are as elaborated below:

**CURRENCY RISK** - Where a percentage of the value of the Fund is invested in foreign currency or assets denominated in a foreign currency, the Fund may be exposed to currency risk. Fluctuation in foreign exchange rates will affect the value of the Fund's foreign investments when converted into local currency and subsequently the value of the investments of the unit holders of the Fund ("Unit Holder(s)"). This risk can be mitigated through investing in a wide range of foreign currency denominated asset thus diversifying the risk of single currency exposure. Hedging may be applied to mitigate the currency risk, if necessary.

## KEY RISKS

**COUNTRY RISK** - In addition to currency risk, the Fund is also subject to country risk, for example, the value of the assets of the Fund may also be affected by the economic and political climate, restriction on currency repatriation or other developments in the law or regulations of the countries in which the Fund may invest. Further, when investing in foreign markets, there are countries which may require prior approvals before investment can take place. For example, if and when the Fund invests in countries such as China, Taiwan, South Korea, India and Vietnam, such countries require the application of an investment licence or registration of an investor code before any investment can be made in these countries. As such, if investments in such countries are undertaken, there may be a risk that such registration or license may be revoked or not renewed by the relevant authority and the Fund's investments in these countries may be affected. The effect on the Fund's investments will depend on the regulatory requirements of the respective countries. For example, if a foreign market requires the Fund to obtain an investment licence which is subject to renewal and if such investment licence is not renewed in a timely manner, this may result in the Fund's investment account in that country being frozen by the regulator resulting in investment activities for the Fund in that country being suspended. To mitigate this, the Manager will monitor closely the adherence of investment regulatory requirements in such countries.

Furthermore, share investments are susceptible to the movements of share prices which can rise or fall for a number of reasons, such as industry trends, economic factors, changes in a company's operations, management and financial performance as well as market perception of that particular company. Other risks associated with investments in equities are as elaborated below:

**MARKET RISK** - Market risk is a risk that arises when the prices of investments in the marketplace are affected by circumstances such as political or economic events. These circumstances, which may be a local or global event can affect the markets where the Fund is invested in or global markets and subsequently the value of the Fund's investments.

**PARTICULAR SECURITIES RISK** - The fluctuation in the performance of each individual security that the Fund invests in will affect the price of the units of the Fund. Not all companies issuing these securities are successful. The success or failure of the companies will cause its securities value to rise or fall. Valued collectively, the performance of individual securities will cause the Fund's unit price to rise or fall accordingly.

*Note: If your investments are made through an institutional unit trust scheme adviser ("IUTA") which adopts the nominee system of ownership, you would not be deemed to be a Unit Holder under the deed of the Fund and as a result, you may not exercise all the rights ordinarily conferred to a Unit Holder (e.g. the right to call for Unit Holders' meetings and the right to vote at a Unit Holders' meeting). Accordingly, the Manager will only recognise the IUTA as a Unit Holder and the IUTA shall be entitled to all the rights conferred to it under the deed of the Fund.*

## FUND PERFORMANCE

The Fund has been in operation since 8 August 1996 and its financial year end is on 31 December. At the end of August 2005, the Fund started investing in foreign markets. As such, the benchmark was changed from KLCI to a composite benchmark of 70% KLCI and 30% MSCI AC Asia Ex-Japan Index to reflect the same. On 6 July 2009, Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad replaced the KLCI with the FBM KLCI. As such, the Fund's composite benchmark of 70% KLCI and 30% MSCI AC Asia Ex-Japan Index was accordingly changed to 70% FBM KLCI and 30% MSCI AC Asia Ex-Japan Index, which is used in all performance reporting.

### AVERAGE TOTAL RETURNS OF THE FUND

Average total returns for the following periods ended 31 December 2022

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
RHB Equity Trust (%)	-9.60	1.96	-6.82	-3.57
Benchmark <sup>^</sup> (%)	-8.62	-1.47	-2.62	0.46

### ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS OF THE FUND

Annual total returns for the following financial years ended 31 December

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
RHB Equity Trust (%)	-9.60	4.74	11.95	-4.36	-30.72	1.81	-15.77	-2.46	-1.07	19.69
Benchmark <sup>^</sup> (%)	-8.62	-2.84	7.73	0.22	-8.67	12.76	0.17	-0.84	-2.82	9.84

For the latest financial year, the Fund recorded a return of -9.60% while its benchmark recorded a return of -8.62%.

*Source: Lipper IM, 16 January 2023. <sup>^</sup> Composite benchmark comprising 70% FBM KLCI and 30% MSCI AC Asia Ex-Japan Index. The abovementioned Fund performance is computed on NAV to NAV basis and has been adjusted to reflect distributions and unit splits, if any and are annualised.*

### PORTFOLIO TURNOVER RATIO ("PTR")

PTR (times)	Financial Year Ended 31 December		
	2022	2021	2020
	1.70	1.33	1.53

The PTR for the latest financial year was higher compared with the previous financial year due to more investment activities for the latest financial year.

### DISTRIBUTION RECORD

	Financial Year Ended 31 December		
	2022	2021	2020
Gross distribution per unit (sen)	-	-	-
Net distribution per unit (sen)	-	-	-

For the latest financial year, no distribution has been proposed by the Fund.

## PAST PERFORMANCE OF THE FUND IS NOT AN INDICATION OF ITS FUTURE PERFORMANCE.

### FEES & CHARGES

*This table describes the charges that you may directly incur when you buy or redeem units of this Fund:*

Charges	
Sales charge <sup>1</sup>	Up to 6.38% of investment amount. An investor can expect differing sales charge to be levied when buying units of the Fund from the various distribution channels and within each distribution channel, subject to the maximum sales charge stipulated herein. This is due to the different levels of services provided by each distribution channel and/or the size of the investment undertaken. <i>Note: If the Fund is an Employees Provident Fund ("EPF") Members' Investment Scheme ("MIS") approved fund and you invest via EPF-MIS, you will be levied a sales charge of up to 3.00% of the investment amount or any other rate as may be determined by the EPF from time to time.</i>
Repurchase charge	None.
Dilution fee or transaction cost factor	None.
Other charges payable directly by the investors	
Switching fee <sup>1</sup>	RM25.00 per switch or the difference in sales charge between switching funds, where applicable. The Manager reserves the right to vary this switching fee or to vary the terms of the switching facility.
Transfer fee <sup>1</sup>	RM5.00 per transfer.

## FEES & CHARGES

***This table describes the fees that you may indirectly incur when you invest in the Fund:***

### Fees and Expenses

Annual management fee <sup>1</sup>	1.50% per annum of the NAV of the Fund calculated on a daily basis before deducting the Manager's and Trustee's fees for that particular day.
Annual trustee fee <sup>1</sup>	Up to 0.07% per annum of the NAV of the Fund calculated on a daily basis before deducting the Manager's and Trustee's fees for that particular day.
Expenses directly related to the Fund	Auditors' fees and other relevant professional fees, custodial charges, cost of distribution of semi-annual and annual reports, tax certificates, reinvestment statements or distribution cheques (where applicable) and other notices to Unit Holders, commissions paid to brokers, other transaction costs and taxes.
Other fees payable indirectly by an investor (if any)	None.

<sup>1</sup> All fees and charges payable to the Manager and the Trustee are subject to any applicable taxes and/or duties and at such rate as may be imposed by the Malaysian government from time to time.

Note 1: The Manager may, for any reason at any time, waive or reduce the amount of its management fee only or all charges directly payable by the Unit Holder and/or investor in respect of the Fund, either generally (for all Unit Holders and/or investors) or specifically (for any particular Unit Holder and/or investor) and for any period or periods of time at its absolute discretion.

Note 2: Any bank charges imposed by the relevant financial institutions will be borne by the Unit Holders.

## TRANSACTION INFORMATION

Minimum Initial Investment	RM100 or such other amount as the Manager may from time to time accept.
Minimum Additional Investment	RM100 or such other amount as the Manager may from time to time accept.
Minimum Investment Balance	100 units or such other lower quantity as the Manager may from time to time decide.
Minimum Redemption of Units	Any number of units.
Frequency of Redemption of Units	No restriction.
Switching Facility and Frequency of Switching	Available. Unit Holders may switch to units of any unit trust fund under the management of the Manager that are of the same currency and that allows for switching. The minimum amount for a switch to another fund is RM100.00 or such other amount as the Manager may from time to time decide. There is no restriction as to the number of switches a Unit Holder may perform or the frequency of switching. The minimum investment balance must be at least one hundred (100) units or such other lower quantity as the Manager may from time to time decide after the switch. Following a switching transaction, if the quantity of units held by a Unit Holder in the Fund falls below its minimum investment balance, the Manager can switch the entire investment and forward the proceeds to the fund that the Unit Holder intends to switch into. The Manager however, reserves the right to vary these terms.
Transfer Facility	Available. Unit Holders may transfer their holdings of units to another investor by forwarding the completed form of transfer to the Manager's registered/principal office or any of its branches or to any of its participating IUTAs and any other authorised distributors before their respective cut-off times on any Business Day. However, the Manager may refuse to register any partial transfer of units if the registration would result in the transferor or the transferee holding less than the minimum investment balance of one hundred (100) units or such other lower quantity as the Manager may from time to time decide. The Manager may also refuse an entry of transfer during the fourteen (14) days preceding an income distribution date.
An investor may request for a lower minimum initial investment, lower minimum additional investment, lower minimum investment balance or lower minimum amount for a switch which the Manager may accept at its absolute discretion from time to time. Note: If the Fund is an EPF-MIS approved fund and you invest via EPF-MIS, the minimum initial investment shall be RM1,000.00 (or any other amount as may be determined by EPF).	
Subscription Settlement	Payment must be made on the subscription date.
Redemption Settlement	Units of the Fund can be redeemed by forwarding the completed form of request to repurchase to the Manager's registered/principal office or any of its branches, or to any of its participating IUTAs and any other authorised distributors before their respective cut-off times on any Business Day. All redemption requests will be processed in accordance with the redemption conditions for the Fund. The redemption monies will be paid within seven (7) Business Days after receipt by the Manager of the request to repurchase. Note: If you have invested via the EPF-MIS, the redemption monies will be credited back into your EPF accounts.
Cooling-off Period	Unit Holders have the right to request for a refund of their investment within six (6) Business Days which shall be effective from the date of receipt of the application by the Manager, subject to eligibility. Note: If you have invested via the EPF-MIS, the cooling-off period shall be subject to EPF's terms and conditions.
Business Day	A day (other than Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays) in which the stock exchange managed and operated by Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad is open for trading.
Dealing Hours	9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Malaysia time) on any Business Day or such later time as the Manager may determine provided always that complete applications for the Fund are received before the next valuation point. The Manager may also vary the dealing hours as it may deem appropriate. Investors will be notified on the change of dealing hours via email or notification published on the Manager's website.
Other Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>US Person is not eligible to subscribe to the units of the Fund. If a Unit Holder is a US Person or subsequently becomes a US Person, the Manager will issue a notice to that US Person requiring him/her to either redeem all the units of the Fund or transfer all the units of the Fund to a non-US Person, within thirty (30) days from the date of the notice. The Manager shall have the right to compulsorily redeem all the units held by the said US Person after thirty (30) days from the date of notice if the US Person fails to redeem or transfer his/her units within the stipulated period.</li> <li>If the Fund is eligible to be invested via the EPF-MIS and you transfer your moneys from your EPF account to invest in the Fund, the investments made by the Fund as well as your investment in the Fund from your EPF account will be subject to the EPF's requirements. Please refer to the website at <a href="http://www.kwsp.gov.my">http://www.kwsp.gov.my</a> for updated information.</li> </ul>

**YOU SHOULD NOT MAKE PAYMENT IN CASH TO A UNIT TRUST CONSULTANT OR ISSUE A CHEQUE IN THE NAME OF A UNIT TRUST CONSULTANT.**

## VALUATIONS AND EXITING FROM INVESTMENT

### VALUATION OF ASSETS

The Fund must be valued at least once every Business Day. However, certain foreign markets in which the Fund may invest in have different time zones from that of Malaysia. The valuation of the Fund for a Business Day will be conducted by 5:00 p.m. (or such other time as may be determined by the Manager from time to time) on the following day on which the Manager is open for business. Accordingly, the price of the Fund for a particular Business Day will not be published online on the Manager's website on the next day but will instead be published the next following day (i.e. price will be two (2) days old). This will be specifically indicated on the Manager's website. Investors may obtain the most current computed price by contacting the Manager directly or visiting the Manager's website, [www.rhbgroup.com](http://www.rhbgroup.com).

### EXITING FROM THIS INVESTMENT

The repurchase price shall be the NAV per unit as at the next valuation point of the Fund's relevant Business Day after the request for repurchase is received by the Manager ("forward pricing"). The Manager will not impose any repurchase charge on the redemption amount. Units of the Fund can be redeemed by forwarding the completed form of request to repurchase to the Manager's registered/principal office or any of its branches, or to any of its participating IUTAs and any other authorised distributors before their respective cut-off times on any Business Day. All redemption requests will be processed in accordance with the redemption conditions for the Fund. The redemption monies will be paid within seven (7) Business Days after receipt by the Manager of the request to repurchase. Where applicable, if you have invested via the EPF-MIS, the redemption monies will be credited back into your EPF accounts.

For partial redemption, the balance of units held after the redemption must be at least one hundred (100) units or such other lower quantity as the Manager may from time to time decide (the "minimum investment balance"). There is no restriction on the minimum number of units a Unit Holder can redeem out of the Unit Holder's investments or the frequency of redemptions in a year. If the balance of units held after the redemption is less than the minimum investment balance, the Manager can withdraw the entire investment and forward the proceeds to the Unit Holder.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

To contact the Manager or to find out about the distribution channels of the Fund, you may call us at 03-9205 8000 at any time during office hours: Mondays through Fridays from 9.00 a.m. – 5.00 p.m. or e-mail your enquiries to [rham@rhbgroup.com](mailto:rham@rhbgroup.com).

#### HOW DO YOU LODGE A COMPLAINT?

1. For internal dispute resolution, you may contact:

❖ **via phone to:**

03-9205 8000

❖ **via Unit Holders Services Toll-Free**

**Hotline at:** 1-800-88-3175

❖ **via fax to:**

03-9205 8100

❖ **via e-mail to:** [rham@rhbgroup.com](mailto:rham@rhbgroup.com)

❖ **via letter to:** RHB Asset Management Sdn Bhd, Level 8, Tower 2 & 3, RHB Centre, Jalan Tun Razak, 50400 Kuala Lumpur

2. If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal dispute resolution process, please refer your dispute to the Securities Industry Dispute Resolution Center (SIDREC):

❖ **via phone to:** 03-2282 2280

❖ **via fax to:** 03-2282 3855

❖ **via e-mail to:** [info@sidrec.com.my](mailto:info@sidrec.com.my)

❖ **via letter to:** Securities Industry Dispute Resolution Center (SIDREC), Unit A-9-1, Level 9, Tower A, Menara UOA Bangsar, No. 5, Jalan Bangsar Utama 1, 59000 Kuala Lumpur

3. You can also direct your complaint to the Securities Commission Malaysia ("SC") even if you have initiated a dispute resolution process with SIDREC. To make a complaint, please contact the SC's Consumer & Investor Office:

❖ **via phone to the Aduan Hotline**

**at:** 03-6204 8999

❖ **via fax to:**

03-6204 8991

❖ **via e-mail to:**

[aduan@seccom.com.my](mailto:aduan@seccom.com.my)

❖ **via online complaint form available at:** [www.sc.com.my](http://www.sc.com.my)

❖ **via letter to:** Consumer & Investor Office, Securities Commission Malaysia, 3 Persiaran Bukit Kiara, Bukit Kiara, 50490 Kuala Lumpur.

4. Federation of Investment Managers Malaysia (FIMM)'s Complaints Bureau:

❖ **via phone to:**

03-7890 4242

❖ **via e-mail to:**

[complaints@fimm.com.my](mailto:complaints@fimm.com.my)

❖ **via online complaint form available**

**at:** [www.fimm.com.my](http://www.fimm.com.my)

❖ **via letter to:** Legal, Secretarial & Regulatory Affairs, Federation of Investment Managers Malaysia, 19-06-1, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Wisma Tune, No. 19 Lorong Dungun, Damansara Heights, 50490 Kuala Lumpur.