## **Phillip International Funds**

## - Phillip Global Rising Yield Innovators Fund

**Semi–Annual Report**Period ended 31 December 2022 (Unaudited)



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#### Manager's Investment Report

The Phillip Global Rising Yield Innovators Fund delivered a negative performance for the half-year ending December 2022. The "B" class was down 11.2% while the "A" class was down 11.3%.

For the calendar year 2022, the rapid rise in inflation, exacerbated by the Russia-Ukraine conflict, has forced central banks globally, led by the US Federal Reserve, to recognize the dangers of non-transitory inflation and to tighten interest rates at a fast pace; what we are seeing today are the highest interest rates since the GFC (Global Financial Crisis) and the highest inflation rates in a generation.

Looking forward, for the calendar year 2023, the market continues to be focused on the inflation outlook and how the central banks respond to them. While evidence is increasing that several drivers of the dramatic inflation in 2022 are dissipating, such as commodity prices and shipping costs, trends of resilience in the services sector and labour market continue to trouble central banks, and from an inflation perspective these must be the key segments to monitor going forward in 2023.

We should expect the US Federal Reserve continues to hike, pivoting only when inflation is tamed or the financial markets seizes up. We reiterate that there is an emerging narrative that "peak rates" may be coming.

To recap, the Fund approach is to invest in global stocks with quality businesses who are resilient in economic downturns and generate long-term shareholders' returns. A focus will be on identifying companies that align strongly with the innovation theme, such as those that capitalise on innovation in offering faster, cheaper, more productive, more cost effective, more compelling products and services. Resilience is also a key criterion, along the lines of both business model resiliency and financial resiliency.

"Growth" stocks, including the type of innovation-driven stocks which the Fund invests in, have been affected by interest rate hikes as investors increasingly discount their future growth prospects. One needs only look at the US NASDAQ index which has had one-third of its value cut off within calendar year 2022, to appreciate this market impact of interest rates on "growth" stocks.

## Report to unitholders<sup>1</sup>

## a) I Investments classified by geography

By Geography (Summary)	Fair Value at 31/12/2022 S\$	Percentage of Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders at 31/12/2022 %
Australia	402,014	1.34
Belgium	271,393	0.91
Denmark	1,122,411	3.75
Finland	2,589,396	8.64
Germany	1,328,336	4.43
Italy	2,475,885	8.26
Japan	844,089	2.81
Singapore	4,237,657	14.14
Sweden	6,607,716	22.05
Switzerland	723,946	2.42
Taiwan	2,266,957	7.56
United Kingdom	1,071,250	3.57
Portfolio of investments	23,941,050	79.88
Other net assets	6,029,832	20.12
Net assets attributable to unitholders	29,970,882	100.00

<sup>1</sup> As required by the Code on Collective Investment Schemes

## a) II Investments classified by industry

By Industry (Summary)	Fair Value at 31/12/2022 S\$	Percentage of Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders at 31/12/2022 %
Communications	1 269 667	4.23
	1,268,667	_
Consumer, Cyclical	3,072,221	10.25
Consumer, Non-cyclical	7,867,012	26.24
Energy	402,014	1.34
Health Care	244,698	0.82
Industrial	4,283,975	14.30
Money Market Fund	4,237,657	14.14
Technology	2,564,806	8.56
Portfolio of investments	23,941,050	79.88
Other net assets	6,029,832	20.12
Net assets attributable to unitholders	29,970,882	100.00

## a) III Investments classified by asset class

	Fair Value at 31/12/2022 S\$	Percentage of Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders at 31/12/2022 %
Equities	19,703,393	65.74
Money Market Fund	4,237,657	14.14
Portfolio of investments	23,941,050	79.88
Other net assets	6,029,832	20.12
Net assets attributable to unitholders	29,970,882	100.00

## b) **Top Ten Holdings**

		Percentage of Net Assets
		Attributable to
	Fair Value at	Unitholders at
10 Largest Holdings at 31 December 2022	31/12/2022	31/12/2022
	S\$	%
Phillip SGD Money Market ETF	3,230,227	10.78
Pharmanutra SpA	1,783,519	5.95
E Ink Holdings Inc	1,756,401	5.86
Revenio Group Oyj	1,657,557	5.53
Eckert & Ziegler Strahlen- und Medizintechnik AG	1,328,336	4.43
MIPS AB	1,328,085	4.43
Biotage AB	1,193,881	3.98
cBrain A/S	1,122,411	3.75
Focusrite PLC	1,071,250	3.57
GARO AB	1,048,427	3.50
		Percentage of Net Assets Attributable to
10 Largest Holdings at 31 December 2021	Fair Value at 31/12/2021 S\$	Net Assets
10 Largest Holdings at 31 December 2021  Mips AB	31/12/2021	Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders at 31/12/2021
	31/12/2021 S\$	Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders at 31/12/2021 %
Mips AB	<b>31/12/2021</b> <b>\$\$</b> 4,241,955	Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders at 31/12/2021 % 11.35
Mips AB Swedencare AB	<b>31/12/2021</b> <b>\$\$</b> 4,241,955 3,895,755	Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders at 31/12/2021 % 11.35 10.43
Mips AB Swedencare AB Biotage AB	31/12/2021 \$\$ 4,241,955 3,895,755 2,925,948	Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders at 31/12/2021 % 11.35 10.43 7.83
Mips AB Swedencare AB Biotage AB Eckert & Ziegler Strahlen UN	31/12/2021 \$\$ 4,241,955 3,895,755 2,925,948 2,885,326	Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders at 31/12/2021 % 11.35 10.43 7.83 7.72
Mips AB Swedencare AB Biotage AB Eckert & Ziegler Strahlen UN Revenio Group Oyj	31/12/2021 \$\$ 4,241,955 3,895,755 2,925,948 2,885,326 2,554,940	Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders at 31/12/2021 % 11.35 10.43 7.83 7.72 6.84
Mips AB Swedencare AB Biotage AB Eckert & Ziegler Strahlen UN Revenio Group Oyj Garo AB	31/12/2021 \$\$ 4,241,955 3,895,755 2,925,948 2,885,326 2,554,940 2,412,232	Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders at 31/12/2021 % 11.35 10.43 7.83 7.72 6.84 6.46
Mips AB Swedencare AB Biotage AB Eckert & Ziegler Strahlen UN Revenio Group Oyj Garo AB Generic Sweden AB	31/12/2021 \$\$ 4,241,955 3,895,755 2,925,948 2,885,326 2,554,940 2,412,232 2,331,229	Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders at 31/12/2021 % 11.35 10.43 7.83 7.72 6.84 6.46 6.24

- c) (i) Exposure to Derivatives as at 31 December 2022.
- (ii) Gain on derivative contracts realised for the financial period ended 31 December 2022
   Nil
- c) (iii) Gain on outstanding derivative contracts marked to market as at 31 December 2022
  Nil
- d) Description of the method used to calculate the global exposure of financial derivatives

The global exposure relating to derivative instruments is calculated using the commitment approach. The global exposure of the sub-fund is calculated as the sum of:

- (i) the absolute value of the exposure of each individual financial derivative not involved in netting or hedging arrangements;
- (ii) the absolute value of the net exposure of each individual financial derivative after netting or hedging arrangements; and
- (iii) the sum of the values of cash collateral received pursuant to:
  - (a) the reduction of exposure to counterparties of OTC financial derivatives; and
  - (b) efficient portfolio management techniques relating to securities lending and repurchase transactions, and that are reinvested.
- e) Amount and percentage of total fund size invested in other unit trusts, mutual funds and collective investment schemes as at 31 December 2022.

Please refer to Statement of Portfolio on pages 13 to 17.

- f) Amount and percentage of borrowings of total fund size as at 31 December 2022.
   Nil
- g) Amount of redemptions and subscriptions for the period from 1 July 2022 to 31 December 2022.
   Total amount of redemptions S\$ 1,622,115
   Total amount of subscriptions S\$ 2,872,182
- h) Amount of related party transactions for the period from 1 July 2022 to 31 December 2022.

Bank balances held with a related party of the Trustee S\$ 6,117,067

### i) Performance of the Fund as at 31 December 2022

	Class A	Class B	Benchmark
	SGD	SGD	
Cumulative (%)*			
3 months	2.21%	2.28%	20.14%
6 months	-11.32%	-11.20%	5.30%
1 year	-46.75%	-46.35%	-7.21%
Since inception	-35.23%	-33.35%	36.21%
Annualised (%)			
1 year	-46.75%	-46.35%	-7.21%
Since inception	-16.94%	-15.92%	14.12%

<sup>\*</sup>Returns are in Singapore dollar calculated on a bid-to-bid basis, with net dividends reinvested. Source: Bloomberg

Inception dates for Class A and Class B were 1 September 2020 and 28 August 2020 respectively.

### j) Expense Ratio

		2022	2021
Class A SGD			
Total operating expenses	S\$	7,293	7,138
Average daily net asset value	S\$	359,486	304,701
Expense ratio (annualised) (Note 1)	%	2.03	2.34
Class B SGD			
Total operating expenses	S\$	561,903	779,920
Average daily net asset value	S\$	31,714,865	38,782,055
Expense ratio (annualised) (Note 1)	%	1.77	2.01

Note 1: The expense ratio has been computed based on the guidelines laid down by the Investment Management Association of Singapore ("IMAS").

The calculation of the expense ratio is based on total operating expenses divided by average net asset value for the year.

The total operating expenses do not include (where applicable) brokerage and other transaction costs, performance fee, interest expense, distribution paid out to unitholders, foreign exchange gains/losses, front or back end loads arising from the purchase or sale of other funds and tax deducted at source or arising out of income received. The average net asset value is based on the daily balances.

#### k) Turnover Ratio

		2022	2021
Lower of total value of purchases or sales	S\$	1,297,786	9,537,825
Average daily net asset value	S\$	30,970,560	37,862,216
Turnover ratio (Note 2)	% <u> </u>	4.19	25.19

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Note 2: The turnover ratio is calculated in accordance with the formula stated in the Code on Collective Investment Schemes under the Securities and Futures Act (Cap 289). The calculation of the turnover ratio is based on the total value of purchases (or sales) of the underlying investments divided by the weighted average daily net asset value. The total value of purchase (or sales) do not include brokerage and other transaction costs.

- Any material information that will adversely impact the valuation of the scheme such as contingent liabilities of open contracts.
   Nil
- m) For schemes which invest more than 30% of their deposited property in another scheme, the following key information on the second-mentioned scheme ('the underlying scheme") should be disclosed as well.
  - (i) Top 10 holdings at market value and as percentage of NAV as at 31 December 2022Not applicable.
  - (ii) Expense ratios for the period ended 31 December 2022Not applicable.
  - (iii) Turnover ratios for the period ended 31 December 2022

    Not applicable.

### n) Soft dollar arrangements

The Manager will comply with applicable regulatory and industry standards on soft-dollars. The soft-dollar commissions which the Manager may receive include research and advisory services, economic and political analyses, portfolio analyses including valuation and performance measurements, market analyses, data and quotation services, computer hardware and software or any other information facilities to the extent that they are used to support the investment decision making process, the giving of advice, or the conduct of research or analysis and custodial service in relation to the investments managed for clients. The soft dollar credits utilised are not allocated on a specific client basis. The brokers also execute trades for other funds managed by the Manager.

The Manager does not accept or enter into soft dollar commissions or arrangements unless such soft-dollar commissions or arrangements would, in the opinion of the Manager, assist the Manager in its management of clients' funds, provided that the Manager shall ensure at all times that transactions are executed on the best available terms taking into account the relevant market at the time for transactions of the kind and size concerned, and that no unnecessary trades are entered into in order to qualify for such soft-dollar commissions or arrangements.

The Manager does not, and is not entitled to, retain cash rebates for its own account in respect of rebates earned when transacting in securities for account of clients' funds.

## **Statement of Total Return**

Period ended 31 December 2022

	31/12/2022 S\$	31/12/2021 S\$
Income	·	·
Dividends	58,349	30,019
	58,349	30,019
Less:		
Expenses		
Management fees	195,786	239,068
Performance fees	-	416,843
Trustee fees	10,315	5,508
Custody fees	9,495	5,975
Administration fees	10,315	5,508
Transaction fees	4,716	40,746
Registrar fees	18,498	23,518
Audit fees	8,220	7,799
Interest expense	41	-
Other expenses	21,377	146,670
	278,763	891,635
Net loss	(220,414)	(861,616)
Net losses or gains on value of investments and financial derivatives		
Net (losses)/gains on investments	(3,353,535)	3,479,691
Net (losses)/gains on foreign exchange	(60,466)	40,530
	(3,414,001)	3,520,221
Total (deficit)/return for the period before income tax	(3,634,415)	2,658,605
Income tax expense	(13,715)	(11,746)
Total (deficit)/return for the period after income tax before distribution	(3,648,130)	2,646,859

## **Statement of Financial Position**

	31/12/2022 S\$	30/06/2022 S\$
Assets		
Portfolio of investments	23,941,050	25,978,070
Receivables	24,888	50,913
Cash and cash equivalents	6,117,067	8,339,472
Total assets	30,083,005	34,368,455
Liability		
Purchases awaiting settlement	-	1,803,118
Payables	112,123	196,392
Total liability	112,123	1,999,510
Equity		
Net assets attributable to unitholders	29,970,882	32,368,945

## Statement of Movement in Unitholders' Funds

Period ended 31 December 2022

	31/12/2022 S\$	30/06/2022 S\$
Net assets attributable to unitholders at the beginning of financial period	32,368,945	43,325,674
Operations		
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders resulting from operations	(3,648,130)	(13,760,101)
Unitholders' (withdrawals)/contributions		
Creation of units Cancellation of units	2,872,182 (1,622,115)	17,282,123 (14,478,751)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders resulting from net creation and cancellation of units	1,250,067	2,803,372
Total decrease in net assets attributable to unitholders	(2,398,063)	(10,956,729)
Net assets attributable to unitholders at the end of financial period	29,970,882	32,368,945

## **Statement of Portfolio**

	Holdings as at 31/12/2022	Fair value as at 31/12/2022 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders as at 31/12/2022
Global Rising Yield Innovators Fund By Geography (Primary)			
Quoted Equities			
Australia			
Imdex Ltd	200,000 _	402,014	1.34
	_	402,014	1.34
Belgium			
Lotus Bakeries NV	30 _	271,393	0.91
	_	271,393	0.91
Denmark			
cBrain A/S	37,000 _	1,122,411	3.75
	_	1,122,411	3.75
Finland			
Admicom Oyj	14,000	931,839	3.11
Revenio Group Oyj	30,000 _	1,657,557	5.53
	_	2,589,396	8.64
Germany			
Eckert & Ziegler Strahlen- und			
Medizintechnik AG	20,000 _	1,328,336	4.43
	_	1,328,336	4.43
Italy			
Brunello Cucinelli SpA	7,000	692,366	2.31
Pharmanutra SpA	20,000 _	1,783,519	5.95
	_	2,475,885	8.26
Japan			
Litalico Inc	5,000	117,302	0.39
Weathernews Inc	10,000 _	726,787	2.42
	_	844,089	2.81

	Holdings as at 31/12/2022	Fair value as at 31/12/2022	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders as at 31/12/2022
Global Rising Yield Innovators Fund		S\$	%
By Geography (Primary) (continued)			
Quoted Equities (continued)			
Sweden			
Biotage AB	50,000	1,193,881	3.98
GARO AB	75,000	1,048,427	3.50
Generic Sweden AB	190,000	831,533	2.77
HMS Networks AB	10,000	437,134	1.46
MIPS AB	24,000	1,328,085	4.43
Nibe Industrier AB SwedenCare AB	80,000	999,899	3.34
Vitrolife AB	170,000 4,000	672,886	2.25 0.32
VIIIOIIIE AD	4,000 _	95,871 6,607,716	22.05
	_	0,007,710	22.03
Switzerland			
Burckhardt Compression Holding AG	600	479,248	1.60
Ypsomed Holding AG	1,000	244,698	0.82
,	, <u> </u>	723,946	2.42
	_	,	
Taiwan			
E Ink Holdings Inc	250,000	1,756,401	5.86
ZillTek Technology Corp	50,000 _	510,556	1.70
	_	2,266,957	7.56
United Kingdom			
Focusrite PLC	80,000 _	1,071,250	3.57
	_	1,071,250	3.57
Total Equities	<u>-</u>	19,703,393	65.74
Quoted Money Market Fund			
Singapore  Phillip Investment Funds Menoy Market	000 600	1 007 420	2.26
Phillip Investment Funds - Money Market  Phillip SGD Money Market ETE	990,688 31,850	1,007,430	3.36
Phillip SGD Money Market ETF	31,850 _	3,230,227	10.78
	_	4,237,657	14.14
Total Quoted Money Market Fund		4,237,657	14.14
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Global Rising Yield Innovators Fund By Geography (Primary) (continued)	Holdings as at 31/12/2022	Fair value as at 31/12/2022 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders as at 31/12/2022 %
Portfolio of investments		23,941,050	79.88
Other net assets		6,029,832	20.12
Net assets attributable to unitholders		29,970,882	100.00

Global Rising Yield Innovators Fund By Geography (Summary)	Fair value as at 31/12/2022 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders as at 31/12/2022 %	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders as at 30/06/2022 %
Quoted Equities			
Australia	402,014	1.34	1.09
Belgium	271,393	0.91	-
Denmark	1,122,411	3.75	3.79
Finland	2,589,396	8.64	11.58
Germany	1,328,336	4.43	3.27
Italy	2,475,885	8.26	5.42
Japan	844,089	2.81	2.44
Sweden	6,607,716	22.05	28.42
Switzerland	723,946	2.42	-
Taiwan	2,266,957	7.56	8.76
United Kingdom	1,071,250	3.57	4.28
United States of America		-	1.32
Total Equities	19,703,393	65.74	70.37
Quoted Money Market Fund			
Singapore	4,237,657	14.14	9.89
Total Quoted Money Market Fund	4,237,657	14.14	9.89
Portfolio of investments	23,941,050	79.88	80.26
Other net assets	6,029,832	20.12	19.74
Net assets attributable to unitholders	29,970,882	100.00	100.00

	Fair value as at 31/12/2022 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders as at 31/12/2022	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders as at 30/06/2022
Global Rising Yield Innovators Fund By Industry (Secondary)	54	,0	.•
Quoted Equities			
Communications	1,268,667	4.23	6.62
Consumer, Cyclical	3,072,221	10.25	17.64
Consumer, Non-cyclical	7,867,012	26.24	21.05
Energy	402,014	1.34	1.09
Health Care	244,698	0.82	-
Industrial	4,283,975	14.30	14.24
Technology	2,564,806	8.56	9.73
Total Equities	19,703,393	65.74	70.37
Quoted Money Market Fund			
Money Market Fund	4,237,657	14.14	9.89
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#### **Important Information**

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