

# Value Partners Greater China High Yield Income Fund

NAV per unit: Class P Acc USD - USD16.23 | Class P MDis USD - USD7.33

Fund size : USD3,672.9 million

December 2020

- Value Partners Greater China High Yield Income Fund (the "Fund") primarily invests in a portfolio of fixed and floating rate bonds and other debt securities, including convertible bonds, in the Greater China region.
- The Fund may invest in high yielding securities which may be unrated or below investment grade and debt securities issued by special purpose vehicles. The Fund is therefore exposed to higher credit/insolvency risk and default risk.
- The Fund primarily invests in the Greater China region and therefore is subject to emerging market and concentration risks. Generally, investments in emerging markets are more volatile than investments in developed markets due to additional risks relating to political, social, economic and regulatory uncertainty. Adverse development in such region may affect the value of the underlying securities in which the Fund invests.
- In respect of the distribution shares for the Fund, the Manager currently intends to make monthly dividend distribution. However, the distribution rate is not guaranteed. Distribution yield is not indicative of the return of the Fund. Distribution may be paid from capital of the Fund. Investors should note that where the payment of distributions are paid out of capital, this represents and amounts to a return or withdrawal of part of the amount you originally invested or capital gains attributable to that and may result in an immediate decrease of the net asset value per share of the Fund.
- The Fund may also invest in derivatives which can involve material risks, e.g. counterparty default risk, insolvency or liquidity risk, and may expose the Fund to significant losses.
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## Investment objective

The Fund aims to provide capital appreciation by primarily investing in Greater China debt securities, including but not limited to high yield, convertible and mainland Chinese offshore bonds.

## Commentary

### Portfolio review:

Asian credits finished the year with a stable and supportive tone in December, with lower-rated credits outperforming the higher-quality ones. The U.S. Treasury return was between flat and slightly negative. In our portfolio, Chinese property names continued to post steady performance, and certain names in Indonesia and the Chinese industrial sector also added to performance. For the year, the majority of the Asian credit performance was predominantly from the massive U.S. Treasury rally. On a credit spread basis, it has only posted moderate performance.

### Outlook:

Year 2021 could be a year of normalization. We expect a benign global risk backdrop and consistent low yields in developed markets to serve as a catalyst to drive global flow into Asian credits, in particular the high yield market. Asian credit spreads remain wider than at the beginning of the year. These wide credit spreads could serve as a potential driver for spread compression in 2021. That said, the global economy is still fragile and the world's political landscape is still very sensitive to rising populism domestically and geopolitical risks regionally. We will stick to our strategy to focus on strong income generation and liquidity management as we navigate through time of market uncertainty.

## Performance since launch



## Performance update

|                                  | The Fund (P Acc USD) |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| Year-to-date                     | -0.3%                |
| One month                        | +3.0%                |
| One year                         | -0.3%                |
| Three years                      | +3.8%                |
| Five years                       | +32.4%               |
| Total return since launch        | +62.3%               |
| Annualized return since launch ^ | +5.7%                |

## The Fund – P Acc USD: Monthly performance from 27 Mar 2012 to 31 Dec 2020

| Year | Jan   | Feb   | Mar    | Apr   | May   | Jun   | Jul   | Aug   | Sep   | Oct   | Nov   | Dec   | Annual |
|------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| 2012 | N/A   | N/A   | -0.3%  | +1.2% | -1.7% | +2.7% | +1.6% | +1.0% | +1.4% | +2.1% | +2.3% | +2.1% | +13.0% |
| 2013 | +0.0% | +1.3% | -0.6%  | +1.4% | -1.1% | -5.0% | +0.5% | -0.8% | +2.6% | +2.1% | +0.2% | +0.9% | +1.2%  |
| 2014 | -0.7% | +0.7% | -0.7%  | +0.8% | +1.3% | +2.3% | +1.0% | +0.9% | -2.2% | +0.8% | -2.2% | -2.9% | +1.1%  |
| 2015 | +0.3% | +2.0% | +0.3%  | +3.5% | +1.6% | -0.2% | -0.8% | -3.6% | -1.1% | +5.5% | -0.2% | -1.0% | +6.1%  |
| 2016 | -1.5% | +0.2% | +3.6%  | +2.2% | +0.6% | +1.8% | +2.9% | +1.8% | +1.6% | +1.5% | -0.2% | +0.6% | +15.9% |
| 2017 | +2.8% | +2.6% | +0.7%  | +1.6% | -1.9% | -0.3% | +0.9% | +0.7% | +0.7% | +1.7% | -0.4% | +0.6% | +10.1% |
| 2018 | +1.8% | -0.6% | -0.3%  | -1.0% | -1.2% | -1.7% | +0.7% | -0.2% | -2.5% | +0.1% | +0.1% | -4.9% |        |
| 2019 | +2.5% | +1.5% | +3.0%  | +0.3% | -0.4% | +1.1% | +0.4% | -1.4% | -0.4% | +1.1% | +0.4% | +0.9% | +9.4%  |
| 2020 | +0.8% | +0.2% | -15.1% | +3.2% | +2.1% | +3.2% | +1.5% | +1.0% | -1.3% | +0.7% | +1.9% | +3.0% | -0.3%  |

^ Annualized return is calculated from inception based on published NAV.

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## NAVs & Codes

| Classes <sup>1</sup> | NAV   | ISIN         | Bloomberg  |
|----------------------|-------|--------------|------------|
| P Acc USD            | 16.23 | KYG9319N1097 | VPGCPUA KY |
| P Acc HKD            | 16.08 | KYG9319N1253 | VPGCPHA KY |
| P MDis USD           | 7.33  | KYG9319N1170 | VPGPUMD KY |
| P MDis HKD           | 7.28  | KYG9319N1337 | VPGPHMD KY |
| P MDis SGD Hedged    | 7.92  | KYG9319N1824 | VPPSHMA KY |
| A Acc EUR Hedged     | 10.18 | KYG9319N3804 | VPGAHA KY  |
| A MDis AUD Hedged    | 7.09  | KYG9319N2327 | VPGCAUD KY |
| A MDis CAD Hedged    | 7.23  | KYG9319N2400 | VPGCCAD KY |
| A MDis GBP Hedged    | 7.41  | KYG9319N3317 | VPGCAGH KY |
| A MDis EUR Hedged    | 7.79  | KYG9319N3499 | VCHAMEH KY |
| A MDis NZD Hedged    | 7.41  | KYG9319N2574 | VPGCHNZ KY |

## Dividend information – Class MDis <sup>2</sup>

| Classes <sup>1</sup> | Dividend amount / unit | Annualized yield <sup>3</sup> | Ex-dividend date |
|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| P MDis USD           | 0.0522                 | 8.5%                          | 31-12-2020       |
| P MDis HKD           | 0.0518                 | 8.5%                          | 31-12-2020       |
| P MDis SGD Hedged    | 0.0560                 | 8.5%                          | 31-12-2020       |
| A MDis AUD Hedged    | 0.0506                 | 8.6%                          | 31-12-2020       |
| A MDis CAD Hedged    | 0.0510                 | 8.5%                          | 31-12-2020       |
| A MDis EUR Hedged    | 0.0498                 | 7.7%                          | 31-12-2020       |
| A MDis GBP Hedged    | 0.0521                 | 8.4%                          | 31-12-2020       |
| A MDis NZD Hedged    | 0.0539                 | 8.7%                          | 31-12-2020       |

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### Top holdings

| Name   | Sector <sup>4</sup> | Country / region | %   |
|--|---------------------|------------------|-----|
| Persephone Co Pty Ltd Note 11% due Oct 2021                  | Real estate         | Australia        | 2.0 |
| Panda Green Energy Group Ltd 8% 01/20/2022                   | Utilities           | China/Hong Kong  | 2.0 |
| Mongolian Mining Corp/ Energy Resources LLC 9.25% 04/15/2024 | Materials           | Mongolia         | 1.9 |
| Fantasia Holdings Group Co Ltd 11.75% 04/17/2022             | Real estate         | China/Hong Kong  | 1.7 |
| Kaisa Group Holdings Ltd 11.25% 04/09/2022                   | Real estate         | China/Hong Kong  | 1.4 |
| Innovate Capital Pte Ltd 6% 12/11/2024                       | Energy              | Indonesia        | 1.3 |
| Fantasia Holdings Group Co Ltd 15% 12/18/2021                | Real estate         | China/Hong Kong  | 1.3 |
| Redsun Properties Group Ltd 11.5% 03/04/2021                 | Real estate         | China/Hong Kong  | 1.2 |
| Modern Land China Co Ltd 12.85% 10/25/2021                   | Real estate         | China/Hong Kong  | 1.2 |
| Indika Energy Capital IV Pte Ltd 8.25% 10/22/2025            | Energy              | Indonesia        | 1.2 |

### Portfolio characteristics

|  | The Fund (P Acc USD) |
|--|----------------------|
| Annualized volatility (3 years) <sup>5</sup> | 10.3%                |
| Average duration                             | 1.7 years            |
| Yield to worst <sup>6</sup>                  | 11.8%                |
| Number of bond issuers                       | 168                  |

### Geographical exposure <sup>7</sup>

|                   |       |
|-------------------|-------|
| China/Hong Kong   | 78.5% |
| Indonesia         | 8.8%  |
| Australia         | 4.1%  |
| Mongolia          | 1.9%  |
| India             | 1.4%  |
| Others            | 4.9%  |
| Cash <sup>8</sup> | 0.4%  |

### Sector exposure <sup>4,7</sup>

|                                  |       |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| Real estate                      | 60.2% |
| Diversified financials           | 14.5% |
| Energy                           | 7.5%  |
| Materials                        | 3.5%  |
| Transportation                   | 3.1%  |
| Utilities                        | 2.5%  |
| Media                            | 1.6%  |
| Technology, hardware & equipment | 1.2%  |
| Others                           | 5.5%  |
| Cash <sup>8</sup>                | 0.4%  |

### Credit ratings

|                        |       |                                     |       |
|------------------------|-------|-------------------------------------|-------|
| A                      | 1.2%  | Investment grade                    | 2.4%  |
| BBB                    | 1.2%  | High yield                          | 74.5% |
| BB                     | 16.7% | Average credit rating <sup>10</sup> | B     |
| B & Below              | 57.8% |                                     |       |
| Non-Rated <sup>9</sup> | 22.7% |                                     |       |
| Cash <sup>8</sup>      | 0.4%  |                                     |       |

### Currency breakdown

|     |       |
|-----|-------|
| USD | 89.2% |
| AUD | 3.1%  |
| CNY | 2.3%  |
| HKD | 2.1%  |
| IDR | 1.8%  |
| EUR | 1.4%  |
| SGD | 0.1%  |

### Fund facts

|                                |  |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Manager:                       | Value Partners Hong Kong Limited   |
| Base currency:                 | USD  |
| Administrator:                 | HSBC Trustee (Cayman) Limited  |
| Custodian:                     | HSBC Institutional Trust Services (Asia) Limited   |
| Launch date:                   | P Acc & MDis USD/HKD – 27 Mar 2012<br>A MDis AUD/CAD/NZD – 23 Sep 2013<br>P MDis SGD – 26 Sep 2014<br>A MDis EUR – 5 Feb 2015<br>A MDis GBP – 14 Apr 2015<br>A Acc EUR – 16 Jul 2018 |
| Dividend policy <sup>2</sup> : | MDis – Aim at Monthly distribution, subject to Manager's discretion  |

### Fee structure (Class A and Class P)

|                                 |                                    |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Minimum subscription            | HK\$80,000/USD10,000 or equivalent |
| Minimum subsequent subscription | HK\$40,000/USD5,000 or equivalent  |
| Subscription fee                | Up to 5%                           |
| Management fee                  | 1.5% p.a.                          |
| Performance fee                 | Nil                                |
| Dealing day                     | Daily                              |

### Senior investment staff

**Co-Chairmen & Co-Chief Investment Officers:**  
**Cheah Cheng Hye;** Louis So  
**Senior Investment Directors:** Norman Ho, CFA; Renee Hung  
*Fixed income investment team:*  
**Chief Investment Officer, Fixed Income:** Gordon Ip, CFA  
**Senior Fund Managers:** Elaine Hu; Edwin Kam, CFA

### Key awards



**Best Fund Provider – High Yield Bond <sup>11</sup>**  
 ~ Asian Private Banker Asset Management Awards for Excellence 2021

**Best Total Return – Greater China Fixed Income (5-Year, Winner) <sup>12</sup>**  
 ~ HKCAMA & Bloomberg, Offshore China Fund Awards 2020

**Best USD High Yield (5-Year) <sup>13</sup>**  
 ~ Refinitiv, Lipper Fund Awards 2020 (Hong Kong)

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Source: HSBC Institutional Trust Services (Asia) Limited and Bloomberg, data as at the last valuation date of the month as stated above, unless stated otherwise. Performance is calculated on NAV to NAV in base currency with dividend reinvested and net of fees. All indices are for reference only. Our portfolio disclosure policy can be obtained from the Investment Manager upon request to email [fi@vp.com.hk](mailto:fi@vp.com.hk).  
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