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RISK DISCLOSURE

- Value Partners Japan REIT Fund (the "Fund") invests primarily in real estate investment trusts ("REITs") listed in Japan.
- The Fund is subject to concentration risk as a result of the concentration of its investments in the Japanese real estate sector. The Fund may be more volatile than other broad-based funds.
- Investing in REITs may also involve risks associated with the ownership of real estate, as well as other risks, e.g., operation and management risk, interest rate risk, liquidity risk, regulatory risk, and leverage risk.
- The Fund may also invest in financial derivative instruments for both hedging and investment purposes. These instruments can be highly volatile and expose investors to increased risk of loss.
- In respect of the distribution units for the Fund, 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 at the Manager's discretion. This 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 in the value of units of the relevant distribution units.
- The Fund is not authorized by the SFC under the Code on Real Estate Investment Trust but is authorized under the Code on Unit Trusts and Mutual Funds, such authorization does not imply official recommendation. You should not make investment decision on the basis of this material alone. Please read the explanatory memorandum for details and risk factors.

Value Partners Announces Distribution Partnership with BOCHK to Launch First Japan REIT Fund Authorized by the Securities and Futures Commission*

To help investors capture the income and growth potential of Japan's REIT market

(Hong Kong, 23 September 2024) – Value Partners Limited ("Value Partners") is pleased to announce a distribution partnership with Bank of China (Hong Kong) ("BOCHK") to launch Value Partners Japan REIT Fund for Hong Kong investors. This fund is the first Japan REIT fund authorized by the Securities and Futures Commission ("SFC") *, aiming to help investors achieve capital appreciation and income generation through investments in various types of Japanese REITs.

Japan's REIT market has developed for over 23 years and is the largest in the Asia-Pacific region, with a market capitalization exceeding USD 100 billion. The market targets major cities and is highly diversified across various sectors, including offices, logistics, retail, residential, hotels, and healthcare, offering investors abundant investment opportunities. In addition to rental income, active management can further enhance investment value through stock selection and trading.

Value Partners Japan REIT Fund aims to provide sustainable dividends income. Besides the Japanese Yen share class, the Fund also offers currency-hedged share classes in USD, HKD, and RMB. Given that Japanese interest rates remain relatively low compared to other currencies, investors can earn additional returns from the currency-hedged share classes, providing an attractive income source in the current investment environment.

Value Partners announces distribution partnership with BOCHK to launch Japan REIT Fund

Joyce Leung, Assistant General Manager of Personal Digital Banking Product Department at BOCHK, said, "BOCHK is dedicated to offering customers a diverse range of fund options and convenient investment services to fully meet their financial needs. We are delighted to collaborate with Value Partners as the retail bank distributor of 'Value Partners Japan REIT Fund', introducing the first Japan REIT fund to offer customers with a new investment option, making it easier for them to invest in Japan's REIT market. Customers can now purchase this fund through BOCHK's mobile banking, online banking, or by visiting a BOCHK branch."

Vincent Ching, Managing Director, Head of Intermediaries, Asia Pacific at Value Partners, said, "We are pleased to partner with BOCHK to launch the first SFC-authorized Japan REIT fund* to their clients. With Japan's thriving economy, property prices and rents are expected to continue their upward trend, presenting further growth potential. This strategy offers investors a compelling way to capitalize on the returns and growth potential fueled by Japan's economic recovery." He added that Value Partners has established a solid and long-term partnership with BOCHK over the years and is committed to developing more diversified investment products and bringing a wider array of quality investment options to investors.



BOCHK partners with Value Partners to launch Hong Kong's first SFC-authorized Japan REIT fund*. Pictured: (From left to right) Joyce Leung, Assistant General Manager of Personal Digital Banking Product Department at BOCHK and Vincent Ching, Managing Director, Head of Intermediaries, Asia Pacific at Value Partners.

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To access the Fund prospectus, please visit: <https://www.valuepartners-group.com/en/investment-solutions/institutional-funds/value-partners-japan-reit-fund/>

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Value Partners, one of Asia's leading independent asset management firms, seeks to offer world-class investment services and products. Since its establishment in 1993, the Company has been a dedicated, specialist value investor in Greater China and Asia. In November 2007, Value Partners Group became the first asset management firm to be listed on the Main Board of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange (Stock code: 806 HK). In addition to its Hong Kong headquarters, the firm operates in Shanghai, Shenzhen, Singapore and London. Value Partners' investment strategies cover equities, fixed income, multi-asset, alternatives, real estate and quantitative investment solutions, for institutional and individual clients in Asia Pacific, Europe and the United States. Value Partners is one of the leaders in ESG investing in Greater China and is committed to developing its ESG capabilities further. For more information, please visit www.valuepartners-group.com.

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