

## Nomura i-Cash Fund

April 2023

### Fund Manager's Commentary

Malaysia's headline inflation surprised to the downside, recording at +3.4% YoY in March (Feb-23: +3.7% YoY). Slower price growth was largely due to lower energy prices and year-ago high base effect. Notably, lower price inflation was observed in the transport, restaurants & hotels, furnishings & household maintenance, and alcoholic beverages & tobacco components while health, education, and recreation services & culture posted stronger price gains. Likewise, core inflation moderated to +3.8% YoY in March (Feb-23: +3.9% YoY), though still elevated. Meanwhile, deposit rates remained broadly stable over the month as Bank Negara Malaysia continued to signal its reluctance in hiking rates despite continuous rate hikes performed by the global central banks this year.

### Investment Objective

The Fund seeks to provide investors with regular income distributions through investments in Islamic deposits, Islamic placement of money at call, general investment accounts and Islamic negotiable instruments.

### Benchmark

Bank Negara Malaysia Islamic Interbank Overnight Rate

### Distribution Policy

Subject to the availability of realised income received from the investment, the Fund will distribute income at least once a month.

### Cumulative Fund Returns (%)

	YTD	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months
	31/12/2022	31/3/2023	31/1/2023	31/10/2022
	To	To	To	To
	30/4/2023	30/4/2023	30/4/2023	30/4/2023
<b>Fund</b>	1.11	0.26	0.82	1.58
<b>Benchmark</b>	0.90	0.22	0.66	1.36

### Cumulative Fund Returns (%)

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Commencement
	30/4/2022	30/4/2020	30/4/2018	8/11/2012
	To	To	To	To
	30/4/2023	30/4/2023	30/4/2023	30/4/2023
<b>Fund</b>	2.64	6.34	14.03	37.25
<b>Benchmark</b>	2.49	6.14	12.79	33.29

### Calendar Year Returns (%)

	2022	2021	2020	2019*	2018
<b>Fund</b>	2.05	1.71	2.38	3.53	3.59
<b>Benchmark</b>	2.16	1.74	2.10	3.09	3.24

Source: Refinitiv Lipper

#### Notes:

Performance data is calculated based on the changes in the Fund's NAV price per unit for the specified length of time and on the assumption that any dividends declared are reinvested into the Fund. Performance figures are presented in cumulative basis, unless indicated otherwise.

\* The Fund was launched as a wholesale fund on 7 November 2012. Following the approval obtained from the unit holders at a unit holders' meeting, the Fund was subsequently converted to a unit trust fund on 1 May 2019. Hence, performance data prior to 1 May 2019 as shown in this material reflects the performance of the Fund as a wholesale fund.

### Key Facts

Launch Date	07-Nov-12*
Fund Category	Islamic Money Market
Year End	30 April
Fund Size	MYR 163.53 million
Units in Circulation	155.75 million
NAV per Unit	MYR 1.0499
Transaction cut-off time	Daily; 12:00 pm
Redemption Period	T + 1 business day

### Sales charge

Nil

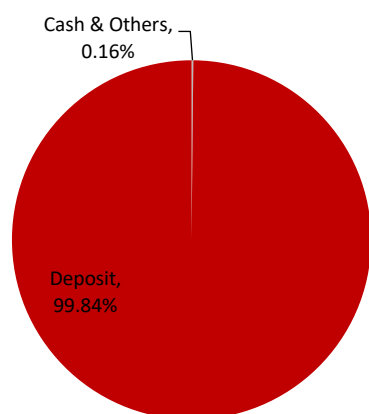
### Management fee

Up to 0.25% per annum of the NAV of the Fund.

### Trustee fee

Up to 0.025% per annum of the NAV of the Fund, subject to a minimum fee of RM12,000 per annum.

### Asset Allocation\*



### Top Holdings\*

KUWAIT FINANCE HOUSE (MALAYSIA) BERHAD	18.15%
AMBANK ISLAMIC BERHAD	18.11%
CIMB ISLAMIC BANK BERHAD	17.82%
BANK ISLAM MALAYSIA BERHAD	17.72%
HONG LEONG ISLAMIC BANK BERHAD	17.16%

\*Presented as a % of NAV as at 28 Apr 2023

Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Included in 'Cash & Others' are cash in hand and other net current assets/liabilities.

### Distribution By Financial Year

	2022	2021	2020	2019*
Distribution (RM)	0.0200	0.0310	0.0386	0.0191
Distribution Yield (%)	1.95	3.02	3.72	1.83

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#### Disclaimer:

Based on the Fund's portfolio returns as at 31 March 2023, the Volatility Factor (VF) for the Fund is 0.2 and is classified as "Very Low" (Source: Refinitiv Lipper). "Very Low" includes funds with VF that are above 0.00 but not more than 4.205. The VF means there is a possibility for the Fund in generating an upside return or downside return around this VF. The Volatility Class (VC) is assigned by Refinitiv Lipper based on quintile ranks of VF for qualified funds. VF is subject to monthly revision and VC will be revised every six months. The Fund's portfolio may have changed since this date and there is no guarantee that the Fund will continue to have the same VF or VC in the future. Presently, only funds launched in the market for at least 36 months will display the VF and its VC.

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