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TA Investment Declares Distribution for TA South East Asia Equity Fund

Kuala Lumpur, 1st December 2022 – TA Investment Management Berhad (“TAIM”) has declared a gross income distribution of 1.5 sen per unit for TA South East Asia Equity Fund (“TASEA”) to the registered unit holders of the fund as at 30th November 2022.

TA South East Asia Equity Fund aims to provide long-term capital growth of assets of the Fund by investing primarily in listed equities and equity related instruments (including Real Estate Investment Trusts, “REITs”) in South East Asia, particularly in Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand, and the Philippines. As of 31st October 2021, TASEA has achieved a total return of 180.6% since its inception.¹

Global equity markets continue to be driven by interest rate hikes to tame persistent inflation figures. While there are signs that inflation may soon be peaking, markets continue to remain concerned over the aggressive interest rate hikes and the ensuing impact on growth in the trade-dependent Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN). However, domestic consumption continues to improve in ASEAN even after their economies have fully re-opened, which should provide some buffer from the effects of slowing global growth. China’s reopening, when it happens, should also stand to benefit ASEAN.

TASEA’s Fund Managers² are positive on sectors that are beneficiaries of recovering domestic consumption and the higher interest rate environment. However, some risks remain over the Russia-Ukraine war, higher inflationary pressures, interest rate hikes and tapering resulting in stagflation or a recession. Potential headwinds could include new virus variants, further geopolitical strife such as deteriorating United States (US) – China relations and uncertainty over domestic politics in ASEAN.

Source: TA Investment Management Berhad, Janus Henderson Investors, as of November 2022.

¹ Lipper for Investment Management as of 30th October 2022. Inception date for TASEA was 28 November 2005.

² Lion Global Investors are the External Investment Managers of the Fund.

**The regular income could be in the form of units or cash.*

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Profile of TA Investment Management Berhad

TA Investment Management Berhad (TAIM), a subsidiary of TA Securities Holdings Berhad (TASH), was incorporated on 17 April 1995 and commenced operations on 1 July 1996. As of 31st October 2022, TAIM has total Assets Under Management (“AUM”) of RM9.7 billion, being a combination of unit trust funds and direct mandate portfolios under its management.

TAIM has more than twenty-five years of experience in managing unit trust funds with a total of forty-one (“41”) funds currently under its management, of which nine (“9”) are Shariah-compliant funds and thirty-two (“32”) are conventional funds. Its investment portfolio comprises a wide spectrum of funds ranging from low to high risk and caters to the different financial needs and objectives of investors.

TAIM funds are invested in both the local and international markets by an experienced investment team. These unit trust funds are distributed directly to customers as well as through appointed Institutional Unit Trust Advisers (IUTAs) and authorised consultants.

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