AIA PHILAM LIFE ELITE BALANCED FUND

January 31, 2023

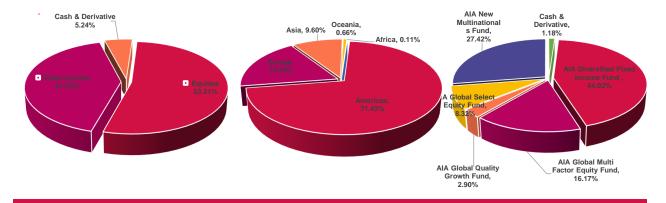
Fund Description

The AIA Philam Life Elite Balanced Fund seeks long-term total return (combination of capital growth and income) with moderate risk by investing in a portfolio of equities and fixed income securities. The ILP Sub-Fund's expected average direct and indirect exposure to equities will be approximately 60% over the long-term, however this exposure may vary from time to time. The other 40% will be invested in fixed income or money market instruments.

Historical Performance¹



Regional & Asset Allocation



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Equity: Sector Allocation





Top Holdings

Top 5 (Equities)		Top 5 (Fixed Income)	
Microsoft Corp	2.03%	General Motors Financial Co Inc 6.05% 10/10/2025	0.45%
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd	1.76%	Apple Inc 3.25% 08/08/2029	0.43%
Novartis AG	1.21%	Boeing CoThe 3.2% 01/03/2029	0.38%
Visa Inc	1.21%	United States Treasury NoteBond 2.875% 15/05/2032	0.38%
Home Depot Inc/The	1.18%	United States Treasury Bond 2.75% 31/05/2029	0.37%

Commentary:

Market Review

Global equities started the year strong. Slowing inflation in US and Europe raised hopes that central banks can end their interest rate hikes soon. The surprisingly quick end to China zero-Covid policy also gave market a boost, raising expectation of a Chinese economy recovery. The MSCI World index gai ned 6.1% while MSCI Emerging Markets index gained 9.2% for the month of January.

In Fixed Income, the Federal Reserve (Fed) unanimously approved a 25-basis point (bps) hike in their January meeting, slowing the pace of its increase in a sign that progress is gradually being made in its battle against inflation. Far from declaring victory, their stance remains that "infl ation has eased somewhat but remains elevated", signalling more rate hikes to come in 2023, although at a slower pace. Fed Chair Powell also warned market watchers that "the job is not fully done" and the current labour market still remains too tight. The Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Corporate Bond index gained 3.7% for the month.

Portfolio Review

Elite Balanced Fund:

- The portfolio gained 2.59% for the month, underperforming its benchmark by 1.16%.
- Positive absolute performance from all underlying funds contributed to performance

• In terms of relative performance, with the exception of AIA Global Multi-Factor Equity Fund, AIA New Multinationals Fund and AIA Diversified Fixed Income Fund, all other underlying funds outperformed their respective benchmark.

Outlook

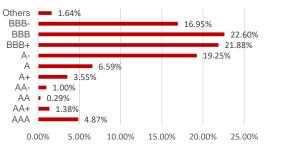
We think 2023 will be "a year of inflections" - inflections through a macro recovery, a Fed "pivot" and a turnaround in asset class performance compared to 2022. But every inflection point must first come with a weakening phase. On the macro front, we think US growth will stall, corporate profits will decline, and associated cost cutting should lead to higher unemployment rates, translating to a higher probability of a recession sometime near the middle of the year. E quity valuations, on the other hand, may test lower before recovering some ground in the latter half of 2023.

The Elite portfolios continue to place a tactical exposure to Asia Ex-Japan equities as its undemanding valuation offers a good entry point and China's end to its covid policy seems positive. We remain underweight equities (with a preference towards Asia Ex-Japan equities) while adopting a more constructive view on fixed income and advocate a neutral position towards Investment Grade bonds.

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Fixed Income: Ratings Allocation