



Precious Metals Securities

December 2020



Precious Metals Securities (the "Fund") aims to achieve capital appreciation by investing in a portfolio of global Shariah observant equity and equity-related securities (including, without limitation, depository receipts and convertible securities, but excluding preferred shares, bonds, convertible bonds and warrants) of companies engaged in activities related to gold, silver, platinum or other precious metals.

The Fund is suitable for investors :

- seeking global investment strategy that conforms to Shariah principles.
- seeking potential medium to long-term* capital appreciation.
- willing to invest in gold, silver, platinum and other precious metals equities, and their related equities.

Note: *Medium to long-term refers to a period of at least three (3) years.

Any material change to the investment objective of the Fund would require Unit Holders' approval.

Investment Strategy

- A minimum of 95% of the Fund's NAV will be invested in the share class denominated in USD of the DWS Noor Precious Metal Securities Fund (Target Fund).

Asset Allocation

- DWS Noor Precious Metal Securities Fund 94.91%
- Money market deposits and cash equivalents 5.09%

Source: AmFunds Management Berhad

Fund Details

Fund Category / Type	Feeder (Global Islamic equity) / Growth
Fund Launch Date	15 November 2007
Offer Price at Launch	MYR 1.0000
NAV Per Unit (30 Nov 2020)	MYR 0.5211
1-year NAV High (30 Nov 2020)	MYR 0.6723 (05 Aug 2020)
1-year NAV Low (30 Nov 2020)	MYR 0.3541 (16 Mar 2020)
Total Units (30 Nov 2020)	667.14 million
Fund Size (30 Nov 2020)	MYR 347.62 million
Annual Management Fee	Up to 1.80% p.a. of the NAV of the Fund
Annual Trustee Fee	Up to 0.08% p.a. of the NAV of the Fund
Entry Charge	Up to 5.00% of the NAV per unit for cash sales
Exit Fee	Nil
Redemption Payment Period	Within ten (10) days of receiving the redemption request.
Investment Manager	Amlsamic Funds Management Sdn Bhd
Income Distribution	Income distribution (if any) will be reinvested.

Source: AmFunds Management Berhad

Target Fund Manager's Commentary (as at 31 October 2020)

During the month of October, Silver was the only precious metal that had a positive return of 1.81%. Platinum, Palladium, and Gold each had negative returns of -5.12%, -4.11%, and -0.37%, respectively. Gold and precious metals equities, as measured by the S&P BMI Gold and Precious Metals Index (non-Sharia compliant), lost -3.78% during the period. Gold ETFs had net inflows of 0.19mm oz, or about 0.2% of total known gold ETFs.

Precious Metals commodities were down during October as U.S. Dollar strength weighed late in the month ahead of the U.S. election. Despite this, investor interest in Gold continued to build, with ETF holdings setting fresh new records. On the PGM side, Palladium (and Platinum) ceded gains made in recent weeks as uncertainty over a U.S. stimulus deal raised doubts over auto sales recovery in the near term. Chinese auto sales figures continue to surprise to the upside, which bodes well for demand in the long run. Overall, investor interest in Gold should remain strong with central banks continuing to affirm "lower for longer" interest rate policies globally. With the Fed moving towards an average rate target and signaling a willingness to keep inflation above a 2% target for some time, we would expect investors to continue to add Gold into their portfolios as a measure to hedge against sharp rises in inflation. The current level for Gold is attractive for investors who might want to hedge against market volatility as a result of a potentially contested U.S. election result. Platinum prices should continue to be well-supported in the near-term as the COVID-19 pandemic has curtailed a significant amount of production from South Africa, which accounts for 75% of the global supply. Gold and precious metals miners have also benefitted from an improving operational outlook as mines that were closed to slow the spread of COVID-19 are gradually allowed to re-open. We expect that the speed and extent of recovery in volumes is likely to be an additional source of differentiation among them.

We believe the closest proxy for the current environment is the Global Financial Crisis (GFC) when analyzing the relationship between Gold and broader equity market turmoil. In our view, there were likely three main phases during the GFC: (1) initial broad market sell off – equities fall, demand for risk hedges rises, and central bank policy response is to lower rates; (2) sell-off deepens and liquidity becomes constrained – equities fall further and easiest sources of liquidity are tapped first; (3) equity sell-off slows down or stops – easing measures by central banks to the economy begin to bear fruit and investors look to redeploy capital.

During Phase 1 of the GFC, Gold and gold equities outperformed the S&P by 50% and 42%, respectively as the heightened risk environment drove investors toward safe haven assets against a backdrop of rate cuts by the Federal Reserve, driving Gold prices higher. During Phase 2 of the GFC, as the sell-off deepens and liquidity becomes scarce, investors are forced to begin selling whatever they can. Given a large and highly liquid market for Gold, it can serve as a source of funds for investors. During this period, Gold and Gold equities can look more like risky assets and trade down with them. During Phase 3 of the GFC, markets stabilized and the selling pressure from investors looking for cash abated. In this period, attention shifted to the fact that the actions taken to support the economy led to conditions that were supportive of Gold and Gold equity prices, primarily by creating an environment of lower rates. During this period Gold and Gold equities returns far outpaced the S&P.

The recent behavior of Gold looks most like we are exiting Phase 3 of this cycle as evidenced by extraordinary steps taken by global central banks and a slowdown in the race for cash and margin related asset liquidations. We have seen Gold prices rebound materially and anticipate the price to stay well supported as all indications are that low rates and extraordinary policy measures will be here to stay for the foreseeable future. The decline in real yields has stabilized for now, but is something we continue to monitor closely as prolonged negative real yields are favorable for precious metals equities and would also signal a more gradual increase for Gold prices. From this point forward, we expect investors to focus on the supportive backdrop for gold prices and look for opportunities to add exposure. In our view, the gold and precious metals mining equities present a strong investment case in this environment on a combination of healthy balance sheets, high margins and reasonable valuations. Meanwhile, volatile price activity for Palladium and Platinum continue to reflect concerns over the speed of economic recovery.

Gold will likely continue to draw support from the accommodative fiscal and monetary environment in place across the globe. While there will likely be periods of consolidation and heightened price volatility, we believe the trend remains intact and anticipate Gold prices to continue rising over the medium to long term.

During the month of October, the Target Fund lost -5.66% in USD. The top 3 individual contributors to the Target Fund were Northern Star Resources Ltd, Saracen Mineral Holdings Limited, and Wesdome Gold Mines Ltd. The top 3 detractors were Centamin plc, Wheaton Precious Metals Corp, and Newcrest Mining Limited.

Source: DWS

Target Fund's Top 5 Holdings (as at 31 October 2020)

Wheaton Precious Metals Corp	8.85%
Newmont Corp	8.02%
Franco-Nevada Corp	7.82%
Barrick Gold Corp	7.10%
Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd	6.80%

Source: DWS

Target Fund's Sector Allocation* (as at 31 October 2020)

Gold	86.01%
Precious Metals & Minerals	7.32%
Silver	5.87%
Cash & Other Assets	0.81%

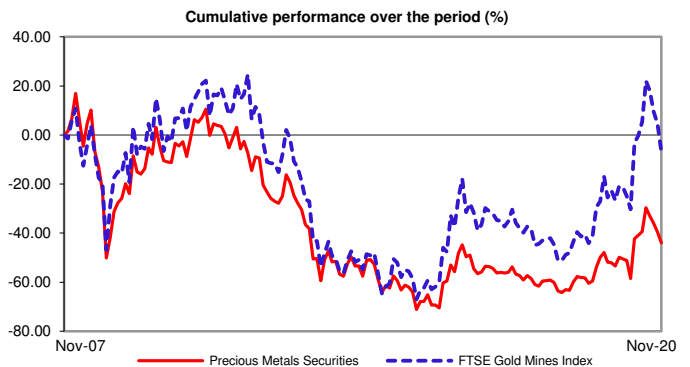
* As percentage of NAV. Please note that asset exposure for the Target Fund is subject to frequent change on a daily basis. Source: DWS

Target Fund's Country Allocation* (as at 31 October 2020)

Canada	52.51%
Australia	16.14%
United States	10.57%
South Africa	9.18%
Others	7.36%
Mexico	3.44%
Cash and other assets	0.81%

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Fund Performance (as at 30 November 2020)



The value of units may go down as well as up. Past performance is not indicative of future performance. Source: AmFunds Management Berhad

Performance Data (as at 30 November 2020)

	1 m	6 m	1 yr	3 yrs	5 yrs
Fund (%)	-7.48	-5.25	20.12	37.13	82.71
*Benchmark (%)	-10.99	-6.65	26.78	54.53	150.86

*FTSE Gold Mines Index

Source Benchmark: *AmFunds Management Berhad

Source Fund Return: Novagni Analytics and Advisory Sdn. Bhd.

The Fund Performance is calculated based on NAV-to-NAV using Time Weighted Rate of Return ("TWRR") method

Calendar Year Return

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Fund (%)	25.22	-6.26	-3.28	43.89	-18.35
*Benchmark (%)	39.73	-9.72	-1.24	66.36	-3.40

*FTSE Gold Mines Index

Source Benchmark: *AmFunds Management Berhad

Source Fund Return: Novagni Analytics and Advisory Sdn. Bhd.

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Most Recent Income Distribution History

Year	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Total Payout (Cent)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Source: AmFunds Management Berhad

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Based on the Fund's portfolio returns as at 30 October 2020, the Volatility Factor ("VF") for this Fund is 30.9 and is classified as "Very High" (Source: Lipper). "Very High" includes funds with VF that are more than 16.910 (Source: Lipper). 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 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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