

# SBM Universal Fund

31 December 2018

NAV per Share

MUR 26.19

## Fund Objective

SBM Universal Fund is an open-ended fund constituted as a Trust under the SBM Unit Trust. It is duly authorised under the Securities Act 2005 and regulated by the Financial Services Commission. The fund invests in equities and fixed income instruments in the domestic and international market whilst keeping a balanced-risk strategy. The overall objective of the fund is to provide regular income and maximise returns on a long term basis for the benefit of the unit-holders.

## Risk Profile



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Inception Date:	Jun-02
Currency:	MUR
Fund Size:	MUR 411M
Issue / Redemption :	Daily
Distribution:	Yearly
Management Fee:	1.0% p.a
Entry Fee:	1.0%
Exit Fee:	1.0%

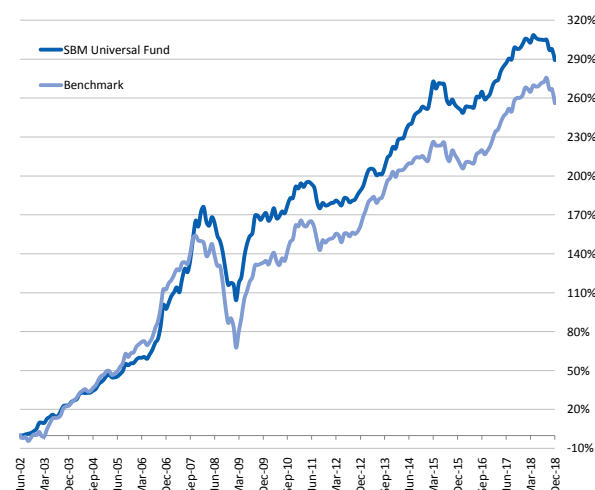
## Fund Facts

Fund Manager	SBM Mauritius Asset Managers Ltd
Benchmark	35% SEMDEX + 30% 1 yr Govt of Mauritius Bill + 35% MSCI World (MUR)
Fund Administrator	SBM Fund Services Ltd
Auditors	Ernst & Young
Custodian	SBM Bank (Mauritius) Ltd

## Top 10 Holdings

	% Net Assets
MCB Group Limited	10.2%
Mutual Aid - Fixed Deposit	8.5%
MHC - Fixed Deposit	5.8%
SIT Bond	4.9%
SBM Holdings Ltd	4.5%
Fidelity America Fund	3.5%
Afrexim Depository Receipts	3.4%
IBL Ltd	3.4%
ARK Innovation ETF	2.7%
Omnicanne Bond	2.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>49.5%</b>

## Cumulative Performance



## Cumulative Return

	1M	3M	6M	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	Inception	Annualized
Fund	-2.1%	-3.9%	-4.0%	-3.0%	-3.0%	10.3%	20.8%	289.2%	8.6%
Benchmark	-2.9%	-5.2%	-3.6%	-1.7%	-1.7%	13.8%	17.4%	256.0%	8.0%

## Financial Year Return

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Fund	13.0%	9.3%	-5.0%	9.7%	4.7%
Benchmark	10.9%	4.5%	-4.3%	12.4%	6.1%

\*Financial year as at June

## Dividend per unit (MUR)



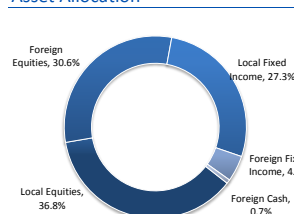
## Risk Metrics

Volatility p.a.	1Y	3Y	5Y
Fund	3.5%	3.6%	4.1%
Benchmark	4.7%	4.1%	4.3%

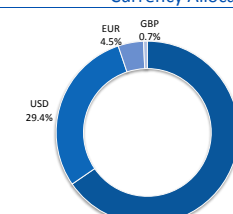
  

Tracking Error p.a.	1Y	3Y	5Y
	1.6%	1.5%	1.9%

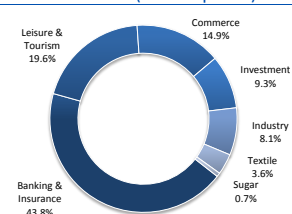
## Asset Allocation



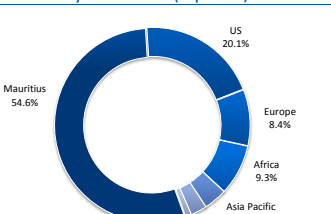
## Currency Allocation



## Sector Allocation (Local Equities)



## Country Allocation (Equities)



## Fund Manager Commentary

The Net Asset Value (NAV) of the Fund fell from MUR 26.75 to MUR 26.19 during the month, equivalent to a return of -2.1%, while the benchmark posted a performance of -2.9% over the same period.

Local equity indices registered negative returns over the month with the SEMDEX and DEMEX closing at 2,218.52 points and 235.44 points, thereby both posting -0.7% and -0.1% MoM, respectively. The top three gainers for the month were Automatic Systems Ltd (25.2%), CIM Financial Services Ltd (15.6%) and United Docks Ltd (7.5%). The top three losers were Omnicanne Ltd (-6.5%), Gamma Civic Ltd (-5.2%) and Belle Mare Holding Ltd (-4.9%).

On global markets, deteriorating investor sentiment from interest rate hike in the US by 0.25%, trade outlook and economic growth concerns negatively impacted equities. The MSCI World Index and MSCI Emerging indexes registered corresponding performances of -7.7% and -2.9%.

US equities fell sharply during the month with S&P 500 shedding -9.2% in USD terms with increased investor risk aversion. US labour market data remained strong with the unemployment rate hovering around 3.7%. Manufacturing activities slowed in December with a Purchasing Managers Index (PMI) reading of 53.8 against 55.3 in November, equivalent to a 15-month low.

In Europe, equities declined amid weakening business surveys and political tensions with Stoxx Europe 600 registering a fall of -5.5% in EUR terms. Data continued to disappoint with the Eurozone's composite PMI falling from 52.7 to 51.3 in December. Domestic political tensions have been a drag during the month, with the Italian budget being the epicentre of investors' worries. However, by month end, Italy reached a deal with the EU over its 2019 budget after it was initially rejected. In the UK, FTSE 100 fell by -3.6% in GBP terms with the ongoing uncertainty over Brexit. Following the publication of the draft EU withdrawal agreement, worries over a "no deal" Brexit intensified leading to the disappointing performance of many UK domestic-focused sectors.

Japanese equities ended the month in negative territories with the Nikkei 225 returning -10.5% in JPY terms pressured by trade worries. Business confidence fell and is expected to further decline due to trade tensions, natural disasters and higher raw material costs.

With the worrying global economic outlook, persistent trade concerns along with the US interest rate hikes, Chinese equities ended in negative territories as the Shanghai Composite Index generated a return of -3.6% in CNY terms. In India, BSE Sensex shed -0.3% in INR terms as the decline in crude oil prices eased inflation concerns.

## Investment options & Contact details

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