

## AIA PHILAM LIFE ELITE CONSERVATIVE FUND

June 30, 2025

### **Fund Description**

The AIA Philam Life Elite Conservative Fund seeks long-term total return (combination of capital growth and income) and at the same time minimize short term capital 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 30% over the long-term, however this exposure may vary from time to time. The other 70% will be invested in fixed income or money market instruments.

### Historical Performance<sup>1</sup>

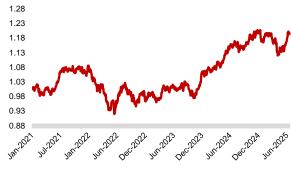


### Key Figures and Statistics

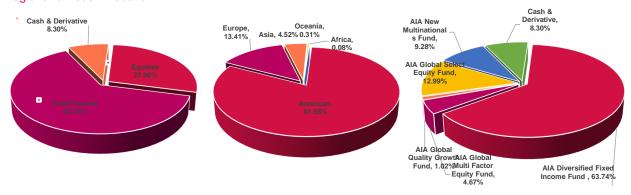
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1.189 18 January, 2021 Fixed Income Fund Conservative Philippine Peso Philippines

### Net Asset Value Per Unit (NAVPU) Graph



### Regional & Asset Allocation



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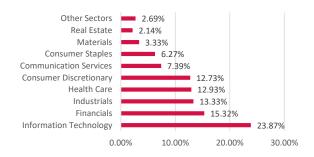
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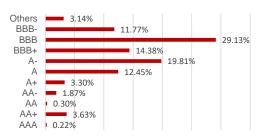


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### **Equity: Sector Allocation**



### Fixed Income: Ratings Allocation



0.00% 5.00% 10.00% 15.00% 20.00% 25.00% 30.00% 35.00%

### **Top Holdings**

# Top 5 (Equities) 1.46% Microsoft Corp 1.46% Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd 0.92% Meta Platforms Inc 0.67% ASML Holding NV 0.59% Visa Inc 0.53%

### Top 5 (Fixed Income)

United States Treasury NoteBond 4% 31/05/2030	1.33%
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Bank of America Corp 4.979% VRN 24/01/2029	0.72%
Deutsche Bank AGNew York NY 5.414% 10/05/2029	0.66%
Edison International 5.75% 15/06/2027	0.60%

### Commentary:

### Macro Review

The US economy remained resilient despite tariff uncertainties. Although GDP contracted in Q1 2025 at an annualised rate of 0.5%, driven by relatively broad-based declines in net exports, consumer and government spending, the economy looked to have recovered since Q1 2025 as real GDP growth forecast for Q2 2025 pointed to stronger economic growth in June 2025.

The US labour market remained solid, with June nonfarm payrolls rising by 147k, beating market expectations. Increase in payrolls was driven by state and local government hiring, while private payrolls growth was more subdued. The unemployment rate fell to 4.1%, reflecting both increased employment and a decline in size of labor force. In the US manufacturing sector, the ISM survey reading stayed in contractionary territory in June 2025 for the fourth consecutive month as new orders and employment in the sector continued to weaken. Conversely, the US services sector bounced back to expansionary territory in June 2025, with the ISM services survey reading rising to 50.8, driven by new orders and business activity.

US core PCE rate ticked up slightly to 2.7% in May 2025. Despite core PCE easing significantly from 2022 peak, contributions from housing, healthcare and financial services to core PCE inflation remain elevated. US core CPI rate also increased to 2.9% in June 2025. At the June 2025 FOMC meeting, the Federal Reserve stood pat on monetary policy and held rates steady at 4.25%-4.50%.

Economic releases in the Eurozone generally surprised to the upside as Citi's Economic Surprise Index for Eurozone increased in June 2025 and ended the month in positive territory. The HCOB Eurozone Manufacturing PMI reading edged up to 49.5, remaining in contractionary territory for the 35th consecutive month. In contrast, the HCOB Eurozone Services PMI reading rose to 50.5 in June 2025 from 49.7 in the previous month, bouncing back to expansionary territory after having been mostly in expansionary territory over the last 1 year. In May 2025, Eurozone headline HICP inflation declined to 1.9% YoY, driven by services unwinding from the Easter-related boost in April. Although services remains the primary driver of headline inflation, its contribution in May fell to the lowest level in nearly three years.

China's economic releases surprised to the upside overall as Citi's Economic Surprise Index for China ended June 2025 in positive territory. China's manufacturing sector showed signs of improvement as the official PMI reading rose to 49.7 though remained in contractionary territory for the third consecutive month. The increase was driven by gains in production and new orders, pointing to stronger industrial activity and demand. However, factory employment and inventory levels continued to decline. The non-manufacturing PMI reading, which includes services and construction, rose to 50.5 in June 2025, having been in expansionary territory since January 2023. While the services component dipped slightly, the construction sub-index climbed up due to continued momentum of infrastructure projects. China's headline CPI rate edged up to +0.1% YoY in June 2025 vs. -0.1% YoY in May 2025, as non-food goods prices picked up. Headline PPI declined to -3.6% YoY in June 2025 vs. -3.3% YoY in May 2025, due to deeper price declines in upstream sectors.

### Market Review

Global equities continued to rally in June 2025 and finished the first half of the year at record high. For the month ending June 2025, Information Technology, Communication Services, and Energy led while Consumer Staples, Consumer Discretionary and Utilities lagged. For June 2025, in terms of investment styles, Value led while High Dividend Yield lagged. Across the major geographic regions in USD terms, Japan equities led, while Europe equities lagged in June 2025.

The fixed income markets also rallied in June 2025. US treasuries, US investment grade corporate bonds and US high yield corporate bonds all delivered positive returns in June 2025. US 10-year yield fell in June 2025, halting the increase in government bond yield in May 2025. US high yield and US investment grade credit spreads both tightened in June 2025, with high yield credit spread tightening more than investment grade credit spread.

Broad commodities markets were up in June 2025. Gold as well as growth sensitive Oil and Copper were up in June 2025. The US Dollar depreciated against both DM currencies and Asia currencies in June 2025.

### Portfolio Review

### Elite Conservative Fund:

- The fund delivered positive PHP returns, underperforming its benchmark for the month of Jun 2025.
- In terms of currency movements, USD appreciated against the PHP for the month.

### SICAV funds

- In terms of absolute performance, AIA New Multinationals Fund, AIA Global Quality Growth Fund, AIA Global Select Equity Fund, AIA Global Multi-Factor Equity Fund and AIA Diversified Fixed Income Fund delivered positive USD returns for the month of Jun 2025.
- In terms of relative performance, AIA Global Select Equity Fund and AIA Global Multi-Factor Equity Fund outperformed while AIA New Multinationals Fund, AIA Global Quality Growth Fund and AIA Diversified Fixed Income Fund underperformed their respective benchmarks for the month of Jun 2025.

### Outlook

While equity markets and credit markets have rallied strongly since Liberation Day, the USD remains weaker. The direction of the USD is an important trend to watch as this development is a departure from recent years where US assets outperformed alongside USD strength. In terms of investment implications, the investment strategy is to invest in a diversified portfolio including Asia equities so as not to be too reliant on US equities as the driver of returns. On the Fixed Income front, we prefer Global corporate bonds over US corporate bonds.

We are constructive on the outlook for risk assets over the medium term. The rapid recovery in equity markets since the sharp sell-off in early April 2025 reflects the resiliency of equity markets. Equity markets look ahead and are supported by a benign macro environment with stable growth, moderating inflation and improving liquidity. Despite the benign backdrop, with President Trump at the helm, policy uncertainty is likely to remain elevated and there could be bouts of volatility as market participants react to policy measures announced by the US administration. Stewardship via active management and disciplined risk management is key to navigate the ever-evolving investment landscape.

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