



**Press Release**

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## **AmInvest Launches Global Dividend Fund**

AmInvest has launched its Global Dividend fund (“the Fund”), targeted at sophisticated investors seeking regular income and long term capital growth on their investments along with exposure to global equities.

Speaking at the Fund’s press launch today, Datin Maznah Mahbob, Chief Executive Officer of AmInvest said, “ The Fund is a collaboration between AmInvest with global asset manager, Fidelity to provide investors access into one of the top performing funds. Global Dividend will feed into Fidelity Funds – Global Dividend Fund (“Target Fund”). The Target Fund’s performance has outperformed its benchmark and peers during both bull and bear markets with an annualised return of around 10% versus its benchmark and peers’ average return of around 4% for a four-year period.<sup>1</sup>”

She added, “For investors who are looking for long-term investments and are not worried about the market’s volatility, the current bearish market can be viewed as an opportune time to invest as dividend yields would have risen given the fall in stock prices. Dividend yielding stocks are a favourable way to generate income which could potentially beat inflation.”

To date, the Target Fund’s income distribution has consistently increased since its inception on 30 January 2012.<sup>2</sup> The Fund targets to pay out quarterly income distribution.

The fund manager of the Target Fund handpicks companies that have simple and understandable business models, healthy balance sheets, transparent financial statements, the ability to generate reliable earnings across different stages of the business cycle and sensible capital allocation.<sup>3</sup> Companies that meet these



criteria can potentially provide more upside potential as they are linked to higher earnings growth.

Global Dividend fund has an offer period of 21 days until 1 May 2016. The Fund's base currency is United States Dollar (USD). The Fund offers various currency classes such as USD, Malaysian Ringgit, Singapore Dollar and Australian Dollar. The Fund is distributed by HSBC Bank Malaysia Berhad, Malayan Banking Berhad and AmInvestment Bank Berhad which includes AmPrivate Banking.

Since the start of the year, AmInvest has been the recipient for five awards which includes Malaysia's Best Institutional House and Best Pension Fund Manager for three years in a row.<sup>4</sup> For equity fund performance, AmASEAN Equity was recently awarded for Best Equity ASEAN (3 years), and AmCumulative Growth was awarded for Best Equity Asia Pacific Ex-Japan (10 years).<sup>5</sup>

#### **About AmInvest**

AmInvest is the brand for the funds management business of AMMB Holdings Berhad which manages both conventional and Shariah-compliant funds. It is one of the leading fund management houses in Malaysia and has an award-winning track record spanning more than three decades.

To date, AmInvest manages unit trust and wholesale funds, institutional mandates, exchange-traded funds (ETF) and Private Retirement Scheme (PRS) funds, encompassing both conventional and Shariah-compliant funds.

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- 1>Returns of Target Fund compared to benchmark's returns(represented by MSCI AC World Index) and industry average returns of its peers in the Lipper Global Classification Category – Equity Global Income, consisting 797 funds, Lipper Investment Management for the period 31 January 2012 to 29 February 2016 based on annualised total returns in United States Dollar (USD). Data extracted 14 March 2016.
  - 2.Gross income distribution of the Target Fund (Fidelity Funds- Global Dividend Fund) in United States Dollar (USD), Lipper Investment Management for the period 30 January 2012 to 28 March 2016. Data shown is that of Fidelity Funds – Global Dividend A-MINCOME (G)-USD monthly distribution share class. Please note that the income distribution amount and the resulting yield are not guaranteed, and could change according to prevailing market conditions. Past performance is not indicative of future performance. Data extracted 28 March 2016.
  - 3.The Telegraph: Dividend expert: 'Banks and miners do not pass my safety checks' published on 3 March 2016, Quote by Dan Roberts, fund manager of Fidelity Global Dividend Fund (Target Fund). Data extracted 14 March 2016.
  4. Asia Asset Management, Best of the Best Awards 2015, March 2016.
  5. The Edge | Thomson Reuters Lipper Fund Malaysia Awards 2016, March 2016.

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