

# Premium Asia Fund

## Top 10 Portfolio Holdings as at 31 August 2021

### Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing (Semiconductors)

Market Cap: USD 575.5 Billion



- Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing is the world's largest independent semiconductor foundry. The company provides process design, wafer manufacturing and testing services to designers of integrated circuits, which are micro-chips used for electronic devices.
- Being the exclusive supplier of the pioneering A11 chip, used in the iPhone 8 and iPhone X, its clientele includes many global giants such as Apple, Qualcomm, Nvidia and Huawei Technologies. The companies market cap in 2017 exceeded that of its competitor Intel for the first time.
- With more than a 50% share of the outsourcing market, the company has been effective in supporting its growth by diversifying its customer base, outperforming its peers in terms of technology and profits.

### Samsung Electronics (Technology Hardware)

Market Cap: USD 50.3 Billion



- Samsung Electronics manufactures a wide range of consumer and industrial electronic equipment and products, most notably their mobile handset—Galaxy series. However prior to their entry in the mobile device market, the company was a leading global technology and home-hardware company, manufacturing semiconductors, personal computers, peripherals, monitors, televisions, and home appliances.
- Looking forward, Samsung aims to use its cash to fund growth including acquisitions and new developments, as creating further value for investors through stronger products remaining the top priority for the company.

### Tencent (Media & Entertainment)

Market Cap: USD 594.0 Billion



- Tencent, a world leader in the internet-related services space, provides services across instant messaging, social media, email, web-portals, e-commerce, advertising, online payment as well as multiplayer games.
- With offerings including QQ Instant Messenger and WeChat, Tencent is providing similar services to the likes of Facebook, Twitter and WhatsApp. By the end of Q2 2018, QQ had 803 million monthly active user accounts, whilst WeChat, since its launch in 2011, accommodates for over 1 Billion monthly active users.
- In November 2017, Tencent's market value reached US\$528 billion, surpassing Facebook's market value at the time, which resulted in it being recognised as one of the world's top 5 most valuable public companies.

### ASE Technology Holding (Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment)

Market Cap: USD 20.4 Billion



- Founded in 1984, ASE Technology Holding was established in Kaohsiung, Taiwan, engaging in the provision of semiconductor manufacturing. They offer development and turnkey solutions for the front-end engineering test, wafer probing and final testing, as well IC packaging, materials and electronic manufactures services.
- In 2020 they achieved double CDP 'A' listing for Global Climate and Water Stewardship, tackling climate change as well as acting to protect water security, two of the three environmental themes covered by CDP.

### China Tourism Group Duty Free (Retailing)

Market Cap: USD 69.0 Billion



中国免税品(集团)有限责任公司  
CHINA DUTY FREE GROUP

- China Tourism Group Duty Free Corp, founded in 1984, is the largest duty-free retailer in China with more than 90% market shares, mainly operates duty free shops in Hainan island and the major international airports in China.
- The Company sees the favorable domestic spending momentum, boosted by the central government's dual circulation agenda and the renewed duty-free policies.
- Over the last 30 years, the Company have established long-term partnerships with over 1000 top luxury brands in the world and has established over 200 retail stores in more than 90 cities across 30 provinces, including Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macao.

## China Merchants Bank (Banks)

Market Cap: USD 194.3 Billion



- Established in 1987, China Merchants Bank is a commercial bank, providing services ranging from deposits, loans, wealth management, asset custody, finance leasing, investment banking, and other banking services. It was the first joint-stock commercial bank wholly owned by corporate legal entities. As well as being the first bank to issue the "All-in-One Card" as well as first Dual-currency international credit card.
- As of 2017 the company opened its first Sydney office to expand its operations and scope of its business. Looking into the future the company aims to position itself as a "Digital "Bank", increasing the companies focus on technology integration for customers.

## Giant Manufacturing (Consumer Durables & Apparel)

Market Cap: USD 4.5 Billion



- Giant Manufacturing Co. Ltd. (commonly known as Giant) is a Taiwanese bicycle manufacturer, recognized as the world's largest bicycle manufacturer. Giant has manufacturing facilities in Taiwan, the Netherlands, China, and Hungary.
- By 2018, Giant had sales in over 50 countries, in more than 12,000 retail stores. Its total annual sales in 2017 reached 6.6 million bicycles with revenue of US\$1.9 billion.
- In 2010 won its fourth consecutive Eurobike Award; CityStorm (2007), CitySpeed (2008), Accend (2009), and MIO and Twist Esprit (2010) are all recognized by the International Forum Design group for their innovative designs.

## Meituan (Retailing)

Market Cap: USD 196.2 Billion



- Meituan Dianping is China's leading e-commerce platform service, operating well-known apps such as Meituan, Dianping, Meituan Waimai and Mobike.
- With services across 200 categories, Meituan's businesses encompass catering, on-demand delivery, car hailing, bike sharing, hotel and travel bookings, movie ticketing and others entertainment services.
- The company's services spread across 2,800 cities and counties, reaching total revenue streams of RMB 515.6 billion in 2018.

## United Microelectronics Corp (Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment)

Market Cap: USD 28.3 Billion



- United Microelectronics Corporation (UMC) is Taiwan's first semiconductor company in 1980. UMC is best known for its semiconductor foundry business, manufacturing integrated circuits wafers for fabless semiconductor companies
- It has four 300 mm fabs, in Taiwan, Singapore, China, and Japan. UMC has 12 manufacturing facilities worldwide, employing approximately 19,500 people with a combined capacity close to 800,000 per month, all certified with IATF-16949 automotive quality standard.

## Kweichow Moutai (Food, Beverage & Tobacco)

Market Cap: USD 302.9 Billion



- Kweichow Moutai is China's largest and most revered liquor producer. Its premium spirits serve as prestigious gifts and are often consumed during special occasions.
- With its premium brand positioning and effective channel management, Moutai has successfully expanded its market share in private consumption in light of overall decline in the public sector arising from government clampdowns on lavish spending.
- Brand-driven margins help the company to ensure stable cash flows, which are expected to grow in 2018 through stronger volume growth.

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