## **PHILLIP INVESTMENT FUNDS**

## Semi-annual report

For the period ended 30 June 2019 (unaudited)



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#### PHILLIP INVESTMENT FUNDS

#### **Directory**

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#### **Manager's Investment Reports**

#### **Phillip Money Market Fund**

For the half year ended 30 June 2019, the fund generated a net return of 0.67% and 1.29% for the 6-month and 1-year period respectively.

As of 30 June 2019, the portfolio's Weighted Average Maturity ("WAM") stood at 49 days while liquidity profile remains strong with a one-month liquidity of 26%. The portfolio is well-diversified across different economic sectors and geographical regions. The fund was primarily invested in fixed-rate issues of the Asian region and bank deposits.

Economic data released by the Ministry of Trade and Industry ("MTI") in mid-August 2019 indicated that the Singapore economy grew by just 0.1% year-on-year("YoY") for the second quarter of the year. This represented a slowdown from the 1.1% YoY expansion during the first quarter. On a quarter-on-quarter ("QoQ") basis, the economy shrank by 3.3% for the second quarter compared with a 3.8% expansion in the first quarter. The slowdown was mainly driven by a decline in manufacturing and wholesale & retail trade sectors. Given the escalation in US-China trade tensions, weakening global growth outlook and global electronics cycle downturn, the MTI downgraded its 2019 growth forecast to be around the midpoint of the 0.0%-1.0% range, down from the previous estimated range of 1.5%-2.5%.

In the second quarter, the construction sector expanded 2.9% YoY primarily supported by public sector construction works. Transportation and storage also expanded 2.2% YoY benefiting from the air transport and water transport segments which experienced higher passenger flow and sea cargo volumes respectively. Manufacturing declined by 3.1% YoY due to lower output from electronics, transport engineering and precision engineering clusters. Demand for electronics and precision engineering clusters do not look promising given the continued deterioration in the outlook for global semiconductor demand. The services sector expanded 1.1% YoY; mainly driven by growth from transportation & storage, accommodation & food services, information & communications and finance & insurance segments.

According to MAS, Singapore's overall consumer price index rose 0.6% YoY in June, moderating lower from 0.9% YoY in May. Easing inflation was due to lower private road transport, services and retail inflation, accommodation and electricity & gas costs. The MAS forecasts core and headline inflation to come in around the lower half of the 1%-2% and 0.5%-1.5% range respectively for 2019. Inflation pressures are expected to be benign due to more stable global energy prices, slower economic growth outlook, uncertainties in the global economy and existing restraining effects of monetary policy tightening undertaken by the MAS in 2018. In the presence of falling inflationary pressure and uncertainty surrounding the global macroeconomic backdrop, there is an increasing possibility that the MAS will ease its monetary policy stance at its upcoming policy meeting in October 2019.

Falling USD London Interbank Offered Rates ("LIBOR") saw the 3-month SGD Swap Offer Rate ("SOR") trailing lower, while the Singapore Interbank Offered Rates ("SIBOR") climbed higher over the half year. As at end June 2019, the 3-month LIBOR fell to 2.32% from the 2.81% six months earlier. Over the same period, the 3-month SOR declined from 1.92% to 1.83%, while the 3-month SIBOR rose from 1.89% to 2.00%. Subsequent to the reporting period, the Federal Reserve's Open Market Committee (FOMC) implemented a cut to its federal funds target rate by 25bps for the first time since the Global Financial Crisis during the July meeting from 2.5% to 2.25%. The Federal Reserve labelled the cut as a mid-cycle policy adjustment serving as insurance against downside risks from a gloomier global growth outlook and trade policy uncertainty. Opinions within the Committee were divided with individual policymakers pushing for a range of outcomes from keeping rates unchanged to a 50bps cut.

In 2019, we predict lower short-term interest rates in Singapore given that inflationary pressure is expected to be within the lower bounds of the official forecast range of 1-2%, and the exchange

rate-centered monetary policy ensures domestic interest rates will trend lower in line with falling US Federal Fund rate.

The fund will continue to focus its deposits with banks of high-credit rating and investments in high-quality short-term corporate papers of issuers with strong balance sheets, robust business models and steady operating cash flows.

### Report to Unitholders For the period ended 30 June 2019 (unaudited)

The following contains additional information relating to the Sub-Funds.

#### 1. Distribution of investments

Please refer to the Statements of Portfolio on pages 15 to 18.

## 2. Schedule of investments by asset class

## **Phillip Money Market Fund**

Asset Class	Fair value at 30 June 2019 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 30 June 2019 %
Debt securities	217,438,589	27.50
Fixed deposits	541,625,330	68.49
Cash and cash equivalents	28,473,665	3.60
Other net assets	3,221,273	0.41
Net assets attributable to unitholders	790,758,857	100.00

## **Types of Money Market Instruments and Debt Securities**

Asset Class	Fair value at 30 June 2019 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 30 June 2019
Fixed rate notes Accrued interest on fixed rate notes securities	216,244,547	27.35
Accided interest on fixed rate notes securities	1,194,042 217,438,589	0.15 27.50

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## 3. Credit rating

## i) Debt securities

## **Phillip Money Market Fund**

	Fair value at 30 June 2019 S\$	total net assets attributable to unitholders at 30 June 2019 %
Aaa	25,858,792	3.27
A1	60,125,360	7.60
A2	1,515,999	0.19
A3	2,012,754	0.26
Not rated	126,731,642	16.03
Accrued interest on debt securities	1,194,042	0.15
Portfolio of investments	217,438,589	27.50

Source of credit rating is from Moody's

## ii) Fixed deposits

## **Phillip Money Market Fund**

	Fair value at 30 June 2019 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 30 June 2019 %
P-1	432,029,651	54.63
P-2	108,404,732	13.71
Accrued interest on fixed deposit	1,190,947	0.15
·	541,625,330	68.49

Source of credit rating is from Moody's

Percentage of

## Report to Unitholders For the period ended 30 June 2019 (unaudited)

## 4. Top 10 holdings

10 largest holdings at 30 June 2019	Fair value at 30 June 2019 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 30 June 2019 %
Monetary Authority of Singapore Bill 0% due 05/07/2019	20 002 271	3.79
Ascott Capital Private Limited/The 3.78% due	29,993,271	3.19
16/08/2019	19,036,381	2.41
China Construction Bank Corporation/Singapore 2.643% due 21/09/2020	16,544,155	2.09
Monetary Authority of Singapore Bill 0% due 19/07/2019	14,985,536,	1.90
Monetary Authority of Singapore Bill 0% due 23/08/2019	14,955,612	1.89
Singtel Group Treasury Private Limited 3.4875% due 08/04/2020	14,131,469	1.79
Capitaland Treasury Limited 4.35% due 31/10/2019	14,094,872	1.78
Temasek Financial I Limited 3.265% due 19/02/2020	13,849,547	1.75
China Construction Bank Corporation/Singapore 2.08% due 26/10/2020	12,193,938	1.54
Monetary Authority of Singapore Bill 0% due 12/07/2019	9,993,832	1.26

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## 4. Top 10 holdings (continued)

10 largest holdings at 30 June 2018	Fair value at 30 June 2018 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 30 June 2018 %
Joynote Limited 3.408% due 20/07/2018 Wharf MTN Singapore Private Limited 4.3% due	32,769,650	3.96
28/10/2018 Henderson Land MTN S Private Limited 4% due	27,665,825	3.34
19/09/2018 Mapletree Treasury Services Limited 3.88% due	25,098,250	3.03
04/10/2018 Korea Development Bank/Singapore 1.64% due	21,338,612	2.58
10/04/2019 Industrial & Commercial Bank of China	20,000,000	2.42
Limited/Sydney 1.5% due 02/11/2018 Industrial & Commercial Bank of China	19,996,655	2.42
Limited/Sydney 1.9% due 08/05/2019 Monetary Authority of Singapore Bill 0% due	19,984,962	2.42
11/09/2018	19,927,800	2.41
CDL Properties Limited 1.98% due 18/04/2019 Cagamas Global Public Limited Company 1.52%	19,847,824	2.40
due 20/09/2018	16,421,715	1.98

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#### 5. Maturity profile of investments

#### **Phillip Money Market Fund**

Maturity profile of underlying investments	Fair value at 30 June 2019 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 30 June 2019
Up to 30 days	211,218,900	26.71
31 - 90 days	104,396,453	13.20
91 - 180 days	340,153,701	43.02
181 - 365 days	52,014,435	6.58
366 - 732 days	48,895,441	6.18
Non-interest bearing	2,384,989	0.30
	759,063,919	95.99

#### 6. Exposure to financial derivatives as at 30 June 2019

Nil.

#### 7. Global exposure to financial derivatives

The global exposure relating to derivative instruments is calculated using the commitment approach. The global exposure of each sub-fund is calculated as the sum of:

- a. the absolute value of the exposure of each individual financial derivative not involved in netting or hedging arrangement;
- b. the absolute value of the net exposure of each individual financial derivative after netting or hedging arrangements; and
- c. the sum of the values of cash collateral received pursuant to:
  - i. the reduction of exposure to counterparties of OTC financial derivatives; and
  - ii. EPM techniques relating to securities lending and repurchase transactions,

and that are reinvested.

## 8. Amount and percentage of total fund size invested in other unit trusts, mutual funds and collective investment schemes

Please refer to the Statement of Portfolio on pages 15 to 18.

### 9. Amount and percentage of borrowings of total fund size as at 30 June 2019

Nil.

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#### 10. Amount of units created and cancelled for the financial period ended 30 June 2019

#### **Phillip Money Market Fund**

S\$

Total amount of redemptions	(1,220,774,336)
Total amount of subscriptions	1,314,074,993

#### 11. Turnover ratio

#### **Phillip Money Market Fund**

		30 June 2019	30 June 2018
Lower of total value of purchases or sales	S\$	1,260,225	-
Average daily net asset value	S\$	732,592,572	830,821,830
<b>Total turnover ratio</b> <sup>Note</sup>	%	0.17	-

Note: The portfolio turnover ratio is calculated in accordance with the formula stated in the Code on Collective Investment Schemes. The calculation of the portfolio turnover ratio was based on the lower of the total value of purchases or sales of the underlying investments, divided by the average daily net asset value. Total value of purchases or sales does not include brokerage and other transaction costs. The total value of bonds matured during the year was not included in the computation of portfolio turnover ratio.

### 12. Expense ratio

#### **Phillip Money Market Fund**

Class A Units		30 June 2019	30 June 2018
Total operating expenses Average daily net asset value Total expense ratio Note	S\$	3,508,968	3,953,917
	S\$	732,374,573	803,204,595
	%	0.48	0.49
Class I Units Total operating expenses Average daily net asset value Total expense ratio Note	S\$	15,254	1,924
	S\$	5,572,436	2,786,013
	% _	0.27	0.29

note: The expense ratio has been computed based on the guidelines laid down by the Investment Management Association of Singapore ("IMAS"). The calculation of the expense ratio is based on total operating expenses divided by the average net asset value for the period. The total operating expenses do not include (where applicable) brokerage and other transactions costs, performance fee, interest expenses, distribution paid to unitholders, foreign exchange gains/losses, front or back end loads arising from the purchase or sale of other funds and tax deducted at source or arising out of income received. The Sub-Fund does not pay any performance fee. The average net asset value is based on the daily balances.

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#### 13. Performance of Sub-Fund as at 30 June 2019

#### **Phillip Money Market Fund**

	3	6	1	3	5	10	Inception
	months	months	year	years	years	years	
Class A Cumulative returns (%)	0.36	0.67	1.29	3.05	4.48	7.71	21.24
Class A Annualised returns (%)	-	1	1.29	1.01	0.88	0.75	1.06
Class I Cumulative returns (%)	0.40	0.78	1.50	-	-	-	1.80
Class I Annualised returns (%)	-	1	1.50	-	-	-	1.46
Benchmark							
Cumulative returns (%)	0.04	0.08	0.17	0.49	0.75	1.39	4.36
Annualised returns (%)	-	-	0.17	0.16	.0.15	0.14	0.23

Note: Cumulative returns are calculated in Singapore dollars on a bid to bid basis, with

net dividends reinvested. Inception dates for Class A and Class I were 16 April

2001 and 3 April 2018 respectively.

Benchmark: Bank deposit rate

Source: Bloomberg

#### 14. Related party transactions

In the normal course of the business of the Sub-Fund, management fees and trustee fees have been paid or are payable to the Manager and the Trustee respectively as noted in the Statement of Total Return.

In addition, the bank holding company and related parties of the Trustee have also provided custodian, banking, foreign exchange, fund administration and brokerage services to the Sub-Fund in the normal course of business at terms agreed between the parties and within the provisions of the Trust Deed.

Other than as disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements, the following significant transactions took place between the Sub-Fund and its related parties during the period:

Phillip Money Market Fund 30 June 2019 31 December 2018 S\$ S\$

Cash and bank balances held with a related party of the Trustee 28,115,593 47,900,935

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The manager may also use the services of related parties to carry out transactions involving the purchase and sale of securities

15. Any other material information that will adversely impact the valuation of the Sub-Fund.

Nil

- 16. For schemes which invest more than 30% of their deposited property in another scheme, the following key information on the second-mentioned scheme ('the underlying scheme') should be disclosed as well.
  - (i) Top 10 holdings at market value and as percentage of NAV as at 30 June 2019 and 30 June 2018.

Not applicable.

(ii) Expense ratios for the period 30 June 2019 and 30 June 2018.

Not applicable.

(iii) Turnover ratios for the period 30 June 2019 and 30 June 2018.

Not applicable

#### 17. Soft dollar commissions

The Manager shall be entitled to and intends to receive or enter into soft-dollar commissions or arrangements. The Manager will comply with applicable regulatory and industry standards on soft-dollars. The soft-dollar commissions which the Manager may receive include research and advisory services, economic and political analyses, portfolio analyses including valuation and performance measurements, market analyses, data and quotation services, computer hardware and software or any other information facilities to the extent that they are used to support the investment decision making process, the giving of advice, or the conduct of research or analysis and custodial services in relation to the investments managed for clients. The soft dollar credits utilised are not allocated on a specific client basis. The brokers also execute trades for other funds managed by the Manager.

The Manager will not accept or enter into soft dollar commissions/arrangements unless such soft-dollar commissions/arrangements would, in the opinion of the Manager, assist the Manager in its management of clients' funds, provided that the Manager shall ensure at all times that transactions are executed on the best available terms taking into account the relevant market at the time for transactions of the kind and size concerned, and that no unnecessary trades are entered into in order to qualify for such soft-dollar commissions/arrangements.

The Manager does not, and is not entitled to retain cash rebates for its own account in respect of rebates earned when transacting in securities for account of clients' funds.

#### **Phillip Money Market Fund**

The Manager did not receive any soft dollar services in respect of the sub-fund during the period.

## Statement of Total Return Period ended 30 June 2019 (unaudited)

	Phillip Money 30 June 2019 S\$	
Income	6.044.904	7 056 507
Interest	6,944,804	7,256,527
	6,944,804	7,256,527
Less:		
Expenses		
Management fees	1,629,983	1,855,036
Trustee fees	36,363	41,254
Custody fees	44,942	56,855
Valuation fees	4,236	4,227
Audit fee	6,447	5,144
Other expenses	79,556	50,550
	1,801,527	2,013,066
Net income	5,143,277	5,243,461
Net losses on value of investments		
Net losses on investments	(63,638)	(1,428,051)
	(63,638)	(1,428,051)
Total return for the period before income tax Less: Income tax	5,079,639	3,815,410
Total return for the period after income tax before distribution		
	5,079,639	3,815,410

# Statement of Financial Position As at 30 June 2019 (unaudited)

Phillip Money Market Fund		
30 June 2019 31 December 2018		
S\$	S\$	
- •	- •	
759,063,919	609,669,126	
5,431,314	7,482,438	
28,473,665	83,210,651	
792,968,898	700,362,215	
654,555	7,983,654	
1,555,486	-	
2,210,041	7,983,654	
790,758,857	692,378,561	
	30 June 2019 31 S\$ 759,063,919 5,431,314 28,473,665 792,968,898 654,555 1,555,486	

## Statement of Movements of Unitholders' Funds For the period ended 30 June 2019 (unaudited)

	Phillip Money Market Fund 30 June 2019 31 December 20 S\$	
Net assets attributable to unitholders at the beginning of financial period / year	692,378,561	733,509,987
Operations Change in net assets attributable to unitholders resulting from operations	5,079,639	9,042,973
Unitholders' contributions / (withdrawals) Creation of units	1,314,074,993	2,968,078,133
Cancellation of units	1,314,074,993 (1,220,774,336)	(3,018,252,532)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders resulting from net creation and cancellation of units	93,300,657	(50,174,399)
Total increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unitholders	98,380,296	(41,131,426)
Net assets attributable to unitholders at the end of financial period / year	790,758,857	692,378,561

		Percentage of
Holdings at 30 June 2019	Fair value at 30 June 2019 S\$	total net assets attributable to unitholders at 30 June 2019
		,,
2,750,000	2,773,659 2,773,659	0.35 0.35
12,250,000	12,193,938	1.54
16,500,000	16,544,155	2.09
30,000,000	29,993,271	3.79
10,000,000	9,993,832	1.26
15,000,000	14,985,536	1.90
15,000,000 8,750,000	14,955,612 8,749,492	1.89 1.11
8,500,000	8,506,307 115,922,143	1.08 14.66
1,500,000	1,513,435 1,513,435	0.19 0.19
2,250,000	2,266,719	0.29
	2,266,719	0.29
13,750,000	13,849,547 13,849,547	1.75 1.75
1,000,000 2,000,000 3,000,000	1,003,984 2,010,298 3,010,124 6,024,406	0.13 0.25 0.38 0.76
	at 30 June 2019  2,750,000  12,250,000  16,500,000 30,000,000 15,000,000 15,000,000 8,750,000 8,750,000 1,500,000 1,500,000 1,500,000 1,500,000 1,000,000 2,000,000	at 30 June 2019     at 30 June 2019 \$\$       2,750,000     2,773,659

By Industry (Primary) (continued)			Percentage of total net assets
	Holdings at	Fair value at	attributable to unitholders at
	30 June 2019	30 June 2019 S\$	30 June 2019
Quoted Debt Securities (continued)		Jψ	76
REAL ESTATE			
Ascendas Private Limited 2.965% due 16/03/2021 Ascott Capital Private Limited/The 3.78% due	2,000,000	2,009,705	0.25
16/08/2019	19,000,000	19,036,381	2.41
Capitaland Treasury Limited 4.3% due 31/08/2020	4,000,000	4,083,679	0.53
Capitaland Treasury Limited 4.35% due 31/10/2019	14,000,000	14,094,872	1.78
Hongkong Land Treasury Services Singapore Private			
Limited/The 3.43% due 14/05/2020	1,500,000	1,515,999	0.19
UOL Treasury Services Private Limited 2.5% due			
29/09/2020	5,000,000	5,000,534	0.63
		45,741,170	5.79
REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS (REITS) Ascendas Real Estate Investment Trust 2.95% due			
03/08/2020	2,000,000	2,012,754	0.25
		2,012,754	0.25
Sovereign			
Housing & Development Board 2.288% due			
19/09/2019	7,000,000	7,011,961	0.89
Singapore Government Bond 1.625% due 01/10/2019	5,000,000	4,997,284	0.63
		12,009,245	1.52
Telecommunications			
Singtel Group Treasury Private Limited 3.4875% due			
08/04/2020	14,000,000	14,131,469	1.79
		14,131,469	1.79
Accrued interest on debt securities		1,194,042	0.15
Total Quoted Debt Securities		217,438,589	27.50
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By Industry (Primary) (continued)  Fixed Deposits  Banks	Holdings at 30 June 2019	Fair value at 30 June 2019 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 30 June 2019 %
China Construction Bank Credit Suisse First Abu Dhabi Bank Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Singapore Branch Maybank Singapore Quatar National Bank Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation Sumitomo Trust and Bank United Overseas Bank The Bank of East Asia Ltd Accrued interest on fixed deposits Total Fixed Deposits		60,000,000 68,911,920 18,000,000 65,548,332 55,133,202 70,277,997 68,873,378 70,418,024 10,000,000 53,271,530 1,190,947 541,625,330	7.59 8.70 2.28 8.29 6.97 8.89 8.71 8.91 1.26 6.74 0.15
Portfolio of investments Other net assets Net assets attributable to unitholders		759,063,919 31,694,938 790,758,857	95.99 4.01 100.00

# Phillip Money Market Fund By Industry (Summary)

By Industry (Summary)	Fair value at 30 June 2019 %	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 30 June 2019 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2018 %
Airlines	2,773,659	0.35	-
Banks & Financials	656,356,526	83.00	73.37
Commercial Services	1,513,435	0.19	0.72
Engineering and Construction	2,266,719	0.29	-
Investment Companies	13,849,547	1.75	3.70
Lodging	6,024,406	0.76	0.91
Real Estate	45,741,170	5.79	4.71
Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITS)	2,012,754	0.25	-
Sovereign	12,009,245	1.52	4.27
Telecommunications	14,131,469	1.79	-
Accrued interest on debt securities	1,194,042	0.15	0.21
Accrued interest on fixed deposits	1,190,947	0.15	0.17
Portfolio of investments	759,063,919	95.99	88.06
Other net assets	31,694,938	4.01	11.94
Net assets attributable to unit holders	790,758,857	100.00	100.00

Phillip Money Market Fund By Geography (Secondary)	Fair value at 30 June 2019 %	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 30 June 2019 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to unitholders at 31 December 2018 %
China	28,738,093		7.80
Japan	17,255,799		2.93
Singapore	710,685,038	89.87	74.06
South Korea Accrued interest on debt securities	- 1,194,042	0.15	2.89 0.21
Accrued interest on fixed deposits	1,190,947		0.21
Portfolio of investments			88.06
	759,063,919		
Other net assets	31,694,938		11.94
Net assets attributable to unitholders	790,758,857	100.00	100.00

#### PHILLIP INVESTMENT FUNDS

#### **Important Information**

Phillip Money Market Fund (the "Sub-Fund") is sub-fund of Phillip Investment Funds (the "Fund"), an open-ended umbrella unit trust authorised under the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289, by the Monetary Authority of Singapore.

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