

PRESCIENT GLOBAL POSITIVE RETURN FUND (E)

MINIMUM DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

INVESTMENT AND RETURN OBJECTIVE

The Fund aims to outperform US CPI in USD terms over time while aiming to limit capital losses.

INVESTMENT PROCESS

The Fund invests in money market instruments, capital market instruments and equities with an active asset allocation overlay. The equity component of the Fund is always protected. The Fund is available in Euro, US dollars, Sterling and Rand where the currency risk is hedged back to the pricing currency to reduce currency volatility.

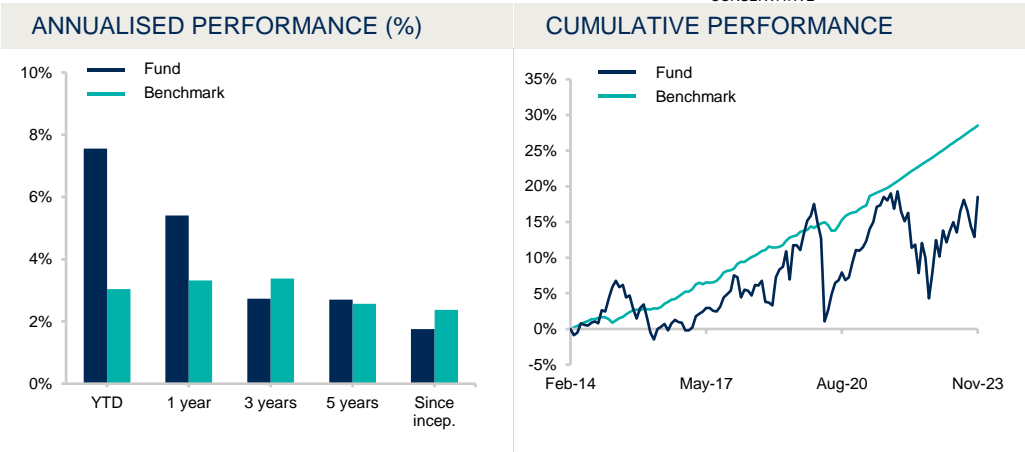
WHO SHOULD INVEST

Investors seeking a hedge against any rand depreciation while gaining exposure to a risk aware asset allocation offshore fund. This Fund is suitable to investors with a medium to long-term investment horizon.

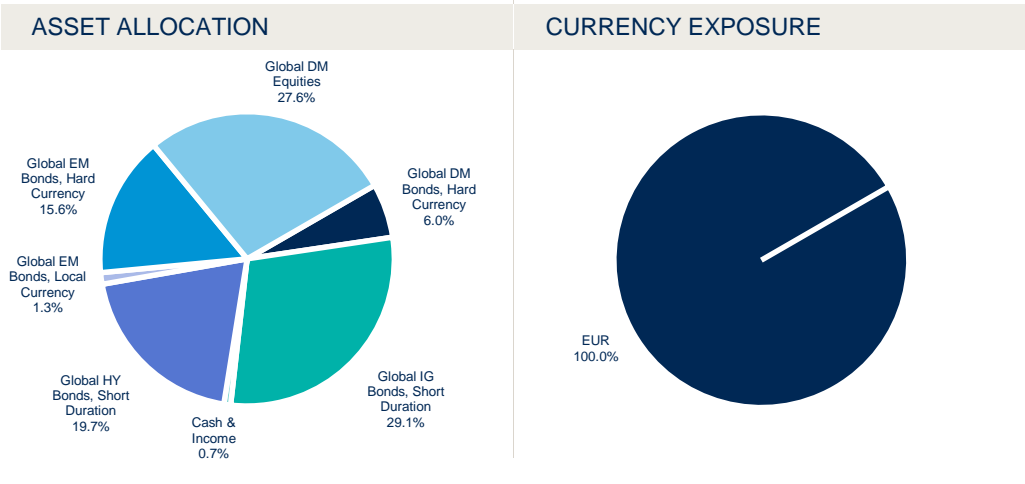
RISK INDICATOR DEFINITION

These portfolios typically have moderate equity exposure or in the case of bond funds, longer duration bond exposure, resulting in some capital volatility over the shorter term. They are managed in such a manner that the probability of capital losses over one year periods is unlikely. These portfolios typically target returns in the region of 3% - 4% above inflation over the long term.

RISK INDICATOR



ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE (%)			RISK AND FUND STATS		
	Fund	Benchmark	Since inception (p.a.)	Fund	Benchmark
1 year	5.40	3.32	Alpha	0.61%	
3 years	2.73	3.38	Sharpe Ratio	0.07	0.72
5 years	2.70	2.56	Standard Deviation	6.80%	1.49%
Since incep.	1.76	2.37	% Positive Months	57.27%	88.03%
Highest rolling 1 year	13.74	4.00	Max Drawdown	-14.00%	-1.52%
Lowest rolling 1 year	-11.62	0.80	Max Gain	9.16%	1.30%



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ABOUT THE FUND

Fund Manager:

Prescient Balanced Team

Fund Classification:

USD Cautious Allocation

Legal Structure:

UCITS

Benchmark:

EU Harmonised CPI + 1% Lagged

Bloomberg Code:

PR04EUSD

ISIN:

IE00B8F59V99

Fund Size:

EUR7.1 m

No of Units:

202,774

Unit Price (cpu):

110.90

Inception Date:

28 February 2014

Minimum Investment:

\$5 000

Initial Fee:

0.00%

Annual Management Fee:

1.25% (no VAT)

Fee Class:

E

(All performance figures are net of TIC)

Fee Breakdown:

Management Fee	1.25%
Performance Fees	0.00%
Other Fees*	0.56%
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	1.81%

*Other fees includes underlying fee (where applicable): Audit Fees, Custody Fees and Trustee Fees

Does Not Distribute

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FUND MONTHLY RETURNS

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YTD
2014			-0.88%	0.40%	1.28%	-0.19%	-0.10%	0.39%	0.19%	-0.29%	1.85%	-0.19%	2.45%
2015	1.82%	1.50%	0.83%	-0.83%	0.28%	-1.66%	0.28%	-1.78%	-1.33%	1.45%	0.48%	-1.89%	-0.96%
2016	-1.93%	-0.98%	1.49%	0.29%	0.39%	-0.88%	0.98%	0.49%	-0.29%	-0.10%	-1.07%	0.00%	-1.64%
2017	0.39%	1.56%	0.38%	0.29%	0.48%	0.00%	-0.38%	-0.10%	0.67%	1.23%	0.47%	0.47%	5.59%
2018	2.04%	-0.27%	-2.65%	1.03%	-0.09%	-0.65%	1.40%	-0.09%	0.65%	-2.75%	-0.09%	-0.38%	-1.95%
2019	3.79%	1.00%	0.36%	1.98%	-3.53%	4.49%	0.00%	-0.61%	2.03%	1.64%	0.60%	1.44%	13.74%
2020	-2.25%	-1.88%	-10.34%	1.55%	2.19%	1.49%	0.37%	1.01%	-1.00%	0.37%	1.92%	1.61%	-5.50%
2021	-0.09%	0.44%	0.79%	1.48%	0.86%	1.87%	0.17%	1.00%	-0.41%	0.83%	-1.81%	2.10%	7.41%
2022	-2.38%	-1.18%	1.02%	-4.21%	0.44%	-3.59%	3.91%	-1.84%	-5.16%	3.57%	4.08%	-2.00%	-7.64%
2023	3.29%	-1.46%	1.40%	1.12%	-1.28%	2.67%	1.34%	-1.24%	-1.93%	-1.28%	4.94%		7.56%

FUND COMMENTARY

In November, global stocks rebounded after three months of declines, following a change in sentiment sparked by Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell's suggestion that the US Central Bank might have completed its most aggressive tightening cycle in four decades. Notably, the US 10-year government bond yield experienced a significant decline of over 60 basis points, falling from a yield of 4.93% to 4.32% – the most significant drop since 2008.

Simultaneously, the US Dollar and Treasury yields both decreased, fuelled by growing expectations that the Federal Reserve would conclude its policy tightening and potentially initiate interest rate cuts in the coming year. The Dollar Index, measuring the greenback against major currencies, declined by 3.3%.

Shifting focus to inflation, the US consumer price index remained flat in October, with a -2.5% decrease in energy prices offsetting a 0.3% increase in the food index, resulting in a 3.2% year-on-year increase. The core CPI, excluding volatile food and energy prices, rose by 0.2% monthly and 4% annually, slightly below Wall Street estimates. In the UK, the headline consumer price index showed no change on a monthly basis, with year-on-year inflation dropping to 4.6% in October from 6.7% the previous month, marking a two-year low.

Tensions persist in the Middle East despite a brief humanitarian pause, as Israel's military expands operations in the Gaza Strip, heightening concerns of a potential ground invasion in southern Gaza. Warnings to evacuate have been issued to the territory's 2.2 million residents. Concurrently, gold has surged to an all-time high, experiencing a nearly 14% increase since early October. This upswing was initially driven by safe-haven buying during the Israel-Hamas conflict and later by expectations of a shift in Federal Reserve monetary policy towards a more accommodative stance next year.

The change in the Federal Reserve's monetary policy stance affects the opportunity cost of holding gold compared to interest-bearing assets, particularly government bonds. As the Federal Reserve contemplates lowering interest rates, investors may find non-interest-bearing assets like gold more attractive, contributing to its increased value. Furthermore, interest rate cuts can lead to a depreciation of the U.S. dollar. Since gold is priced in dollars globally, a weaker dollar makes gold more affordable for investors holding other currencies, potentially boosting demand and, consequently, the price of gold.

The MSCI World Total Return Index surged by +9.0%, and the emerging market equivalent gained +7.4%. Additionally, global bonds saw positive results, with the Bloomberg Aggregate Index rising by +5.5% and the US treasury index adding +3.9%.

Contributors to performance:

All asset class contributed positively.

Detractors from performance:

No detractors from performance.

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GLOSSARY

Annualised performance: Annualised performance shows longer term performance rescaled to a 1 year period. Annualised performance is the average return per year over the period. Actual annual figures are available to the investor on request.

Highest & Lowest performance: The highest and lowest performance for any 1 year over the period since inception have been shown.

NAV: The net asset value represents the assets of a Fund less its liabilities.

Current Yield: Annual income (interest or dividends) divided by the current price of the security.

CPU: Cents Per Unit to the Glossary

Alpha: Denotes the outperformance of the fund over the benchmark.

Sharpe Ratio: The Sharpe ratio is used to indicate the excess return the portfolio delivers over the risk free rate per unit of risk adopted by the fund.

Standard Deviation: The deviation of the return stream relative to its own average.

Max Drawdown: The maximum peak to trough loss suffered by the Fund since inception.

Max Gain: Largest increase in any single month.

% Positive Month: The percentage of months since inception where the Fund has delivered positive return.

Fund Specific Risks

Default Risk: The risk that the issuers of fixed income instruments may not be able to meet interest payments nor repay the money they have borrowed. The issuers credit quality is vital. The worse the credit quality, the greater the risk of default and therefore investment loss.

Derivatives risk: The use of derivatives could increase overall risk by magnifying the effect of both gains and losses in a Fund. As such, large changes in value and potentially large financial losses could result.

Developing Market (excluding SA) risk: Some of the countries invested in may have less developed legal, political, economic and/or other systems. These markets carry a higher risk of financial loss than those in countries generally regarded as being more developed.

Foreign Investment risk: Foreign securities investments may be subject to risks pertaining to overseas jurisdictions and markets, including (but not limited to) local liquidity, macroeconomic, political, tax, settlement risks and currency fluctuations.

Interest rate risk: The value of fixed income investments (e.g. bonds) tends to be inversely related to interest and inflation rates. Hence their value decreases when interest rates and/or inflation rises.

% Property risk: Investments in real estate securities can carry the same risks as investing directly in real estate itself. Real estate prices move in response to a variety of factors, including local, regional and national economic and political conditions, interest rates and tax considerations.

Currency exchange risk: Changes in the relative values of individual currencies may adversely affect the value of investments and any related income.

Geographic / Sector risk: For investments primarily concentrated in specific countries, geographical regions and/or industry sectors, their resulting value may decrease whilst portfolios more broadly invested might grow.

Derivative counterparty risk: A counterparty to a derivative transaction may experience a breakdown in meeting its obligations thereby leading to financial loss.

Liquidity risk: If there are insufficient buyers or sellers of particular investments, the result may lead to delays in trading and being able to make settlements, and/or large fluctuations in value. This may lead to larger financial losses than expected.

Equity investment risk: Value of equities (e.g. shares) and equity-related investments may vary according to company profits and future prospects as well as more general market factors. In the event of a company default (e.g. bankruptcy), the owners of their equity rank last in terms of any financial payment from that company.

Information Disclosure

The portfolio has adhered to its policy objective and there were no material changes to the composition of the portfolio during the quarter.

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DISCLAIMER

Collective Investment Schemes in Securities (CIS) should be considered as medium to long-term investments. The value may go up as well as down and past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. CIS's are traded at the ruling price and can engage in scrip lending and borrowing. The collective investment scheme may borrow up to 10% of the market value of the portfolio to bridge insufficient liquidity. A schedule of fees, charges and maximum commissions is available on request from the Manager. There is no guarantee in respect of capital or returns in a portfolio. A CIS may be closed to new investors in order for it to be managed more efficiently in accordance with its mandate. CIS prices are calculated on a net asset basis, which is the total value of all the assets in the portfolio including any income accruals and less any permissible deductions (brokerage, STT, VAT, auditor's fees, bank charges, trustee and custodian fees and the annual management fee) from the portfolio divided by the number of participatory interests (units) in issue. Forward pricing is used. The Fund's Total Expense Ratio (TER) reflects the percentage of the average Net Asset Value (NAV) of the portfolio that was incurred as charges, levies and fees related to the management of the portfolio. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER cannot be regarded as an indication of future TER's. During the phase in period TER's do not include information gathered over a full year. Transaction Costs(TC) is the percentage of the value of the Fund incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the Fund's underlying assets. Transaction cost are a necessary cost in administering the Fund and impacts Fund returns. It should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time including market returns, the type of Fund, investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER.

Where a current yield has been included for Funds that derive its income primarily from interest bearing income, the yield is a weighted average yield of all underlying interest bearing instruments as at the last day of the month. This yield is subject to change as market rates and underlying investments change.

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