## MAESTRO EQUITY PRESCIENT FUND





## Prescient

30 June 2025

MANAGEMENT COMPANY

Minimum Disclosure Document & General Investor Report

#### Investment objective

The Maestro Equity Prescient Fund will be a general equity portfolio. The Manager in selecting securities for the portfolio will seek to follow an investment policy which will secure for investors an optimum overall return, that is to say the steady growth of income and the preservation of capital in real terms. In order to achieve these main objectives, the investments to be acquired for the Maestro Equity Prescient Fund, shall comprise a mix of securities, financially sound ordinary shares, stock, financially sound preference shares, debenture stock, debenture bonds and unsecured notes as defined in the Act and the Deed, all to be acquired at a fair market value.

#### The Fund benchmark

The Fund will measure itself against the FTSE-JSE All Share Index. ASISA Classification: South African-Equity-General.

#### Legal structure

The Fund is a scheme in the nature of a trust known as a collective investment scheme. The portfolio manager is Maestro Investment Management (Pty) Ltd, an approved Financial Services Provider in terms of the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act, operating under license number 739. This portfolio operates as a white label fund under the Prescient unit Trust Scheme, which is governed by the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act.

#### Fee structure

The maximum initial fee is 2.0%. The annual investment management fee is 1.75%. The annual total expense ratio (TER) for period ended 31 December 2024, in respect of class A was 2.82%.

## Income declaration (annually)

3.35 cents per unit 31 March 2025

## Fund size

R14 291 021.75

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Class A: 4 073.03

## Number of units in issue (A class)

287 941.1799

## Fund inception date

1 July 2005

## **Management Company**

Prescient Management Company (RF) (Pty) Ltd PO Box 31142, Tokai, 7945

## Trustee and auditor

Trustee: Nedbank Limited

Auditor: Ernst & Young incorporated

## Investment Manager

Maestro Investment Management (Pty) Ltd

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## **Publication date**

11 July 2025

## Market Overview

The MSCI World index rose 4.2% during June, led by the US technology sector; the NASDAQ rose 6.6%. The German market lost 0.4%, but it has risen 20.1% so far this year, compared to the US equity market, which is up "only" 6.2%. The US equity market rose 5.1% in June. The Swiss market lost 2.5% in June, but China (up 2.9%), India (2.7%), Hong Kong (3.4%), and Japan (6.6%) were all strong. The devil is in the detail though; monthly returns across different markets and regions have been very different and there has been plenty of room to "get it *very* wrong". A weak dollar supported emerging markets in general; the MSI Emerging market index ended the month 5.7% higher. It has now risen 13.7% so far this year.

A feature of the month was the (ongoing) decline in the dollar. It lost another 2.7% in June, bringing its loss for the year-to-date to 10.9%, the weakest start to a year in more than five decades. The euro rose 3.4% against the dollar, and pound sterling 1.6%. The strongest currency remains the Swiss franc though; it has risen 13.8% against the dollar so far this year, rising 3.2% in June alone. The rand rose 1.6%, bringing its year-to-date gain against the dollar to 6.2%.

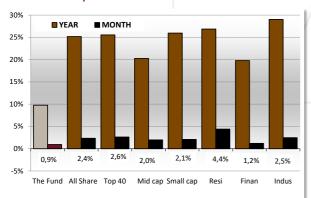
Turning to the global bond market, the Bloomberg Global Aggregated Bond index gained 1.9% in June, bringing its year-to-date gain to 7.3%. Commodity prices were supported by the weak dollar, although the commodity price complex ended mixed, having been affected by the conflict in the Middle East and different supply demand considerations of each respective commodity. The price of gold lost 1.2% in June, but the prices of platinum and palladium were particularly firm, rising 22.5% and 14.7% respectively in June alone. The price of oil rose 5.7% but it has still lost 22.1% during the past year.





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## Returns for periods ended 30 June 2025



## Local market returns

South African investments garnered support from the positive global environment. The All Share index rose 2.4%, bringing its year-to-date gain to 16.7%. The Basic Materials sector led the charge, rising 4.4% in June to bring its year-to-date gain to an astonishing 42.1% - despite the firm (6.2%) rand over the period. The Financial and Industrial indices rose 1.2% and 2.5% respectively, while the Large, Mid, and Small cap indices posted respective gains of 2.6%, 2.0%, and 2.1%. The All Bond index rose 2.3%, bringing its *annual* gain to 18.5%.

## **Investment Manager comment**

The Maestro Equity Prescient Fund rose 0.9% in June, versus the 2.4% gain of the All Share index. Afrimat lost 15.5% in June, Billiton lost 4.1%, Standard Bank 2.4% and Richemont 1.6%. Capitec rose 3.0%, the MSCI US tracker ETF rose 3.3%, the S&P tracker 3.6% and the Resource ETF 4.7%.

At the end of June, 8.9% (9.7% last month) of the Fund was being retained in cash.

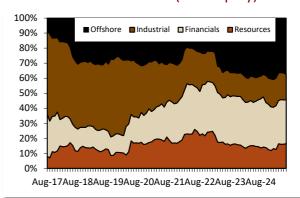
There were no material changes to the Fund's portfolio during May.

The Fund adhered to its Policy objective during the month.

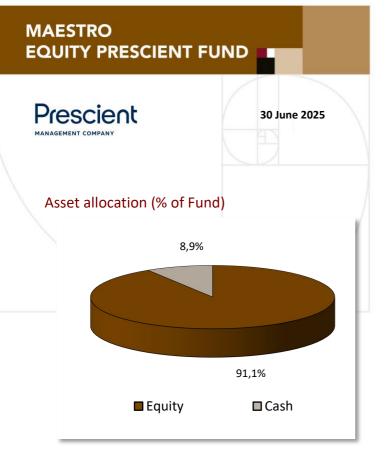
## Largest holdings at 30 June 2025

Investment	% of Fund
Sygnia iTrix MSCI World ETF	16.2%
Satrix Resources (Resi) ETF	11.1%
CoreShares S&P500 ETF	9.3%
Sygnia iTrix US ETF	8.7%
Capitec Bank Holdings	8.1%
Discovery Ltd	6.5%
Firstrand Ltd	6.1%
Standard Bank Group	6.0%
Afrimat Ltd	3.9%
BHP Group Ltd	3.9%
Total	79.6%

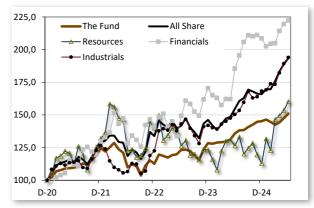
## Historic sector allocation (% of Equity)







## Five-year cumulative performance\*



\*The cumulative performance is for illustrative purposes only. Investment performance is calculated by taking the actual initial fees and all ongoing fees into account for the amount shown. Income is reinvested on the reinvestment date.

## Month and annual average returns (%)

Investment	6 months	1 year	3 years	5 years	7 years	10 years	15 years
Maestro Equity Prescient Fund*	2.6	9.8	10.7	10.7	6.4	3.6	7.8
FTSE-JSE All share index	16.7	25.2	17.8	16.4	11.6	10.1	12.7
ASISA SA General Equity category ave.	10.2	18.3	13.5	14.0	9.1	7.4	10.2

<sup>\*</sup>Performance is net of all fees and costs

Source: Financial Times, Morningstar; 11 July 2025

## Calendar year performance (%)

Investment	YTD	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Maestro Equity Prescient Fund*	2.6	14.0	-9.1	24.6	10.7	4.4	-13.4
FTSE-JSE All share index	16.7	9.3	3.6	29.2	7.0	12.1	-8.5

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## Rolling return (%)

Highest rolling 1-year return (since launch)	41.9%
Lowest rolling 1-year return (since launch)	-34.5%

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#### Risks

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. 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. 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.

#### Glossary Summary

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

Highest & Lowest return: The highest and lowest returns 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.

#### **Total Expense Ratio (TER)**

## As at 31 March 2025 the TER for Class A units were as follows:

Management Fee	2.00%
Performance Fees	0.00%
Other Cost	0.87%
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	2.87%
Transaction Costs (TC)	0.03%
Total Investment Charge (TIC)	2.90%

## Minimum investment:

Lump sum: R100 000 Debit order: R1 000

## Risk Profile:

The Fund's risk profile is classified as high as listed equity investments make up the majority of the Fund's holdings. Generally, equities have a higher level of volatility compared with other asset classes, however the expected long term returns are higher than other classes.

## **Contact Details**

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## Investment Manager:

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