# Cogence Fixed Interest Prescient Fund of Funds

# Minimum Disclosure Document & General Investor Report

**30 September 2025** 



Fund details	
Portfolio manager	Riscura Invest (Pty) Ltd.
Investment manager	Cogence (Pty) Ltd.
Launch date	22 August 2022
ASISA classification	(ASISA) SA - Multi Asset - Income
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	70% ALBI, 20% SteFi Composite, 10% iGOV
Risk profile	Very Low
Fund size	R608,298,643
Income declaration	Monthly
Regulation 28 compliant	Yes
Currency	South African Rands
NAV price at month	110.17c
Inception NAV price	100c
Number of units	552,145,205
Annual fees (Incl. VAT)	0.40%
Performance fees	None
Total expense ratio (TER)	1.02%
Transaction costs (TC)	0.01%
Total investment charges (TIC)	1.03%
JSE code	COGFFA
ISIN number	ZAE000312302
Transaction cut-off time:	16:00

#### Notes

Notes
1. Benchmark and performance data is provided by Cogence (Pty) Ltd.

# Investment policy

The objective of this fund is to provide investors with a high level of income while seeking opportunities to maximize capital gains. This will be achieved by investing in collective investment schemes in accordance with the Act that have a bias to local and international bonds, corporate bonds and other securities that offer a high return of income. The fund will be actively managed and the Manager will be permitted to invest in offshore investments as legislation permits.

# Who this investment may be suitable for

The fund is suitable for investors seeking a high level of income and stable capital growth, with a low tolerance for capital loss.

The fund has adhered to its policy objectives as stated in the supplemental deed.

Historical performance* (net of fees)		
Period	Fund	Benchmark
1 month	2.87%	2.74%
3 months	5.95%	5.73%
YTD	11.14%	11.58%
1 year	11.51%	12.47%
3 year	12.73%	13.39%
5 year	-	-
Since Launch (Ann.)	11.67%	12.29%
Since Launch (Cum.)	40.96%	43.39%

Performance data longer than 1 year is annualised.

Risk statistics (since launch)		
Statistic	Fund	Benchmark
Volatility	5.85%	5.80%
Maximum drawdown	-3.74%	-4.06%
Highest one-year return	21.24%	21.19%
Lowest one-year return	4.46%	5.23%
Sharpe ratio (Rf = STeFl)	0.70	0.82

<sup>\*</sup> Performance is calculated using the Total Returns Index (TRI), net of fees, with all dividend and/or income declarations reinvested on the declaration date at the net asset value price at that time. Investment performance is for illustrative purposes only.

<sup>2.</sup> There have been no material changes to the fund details displayed above since the fund launch.

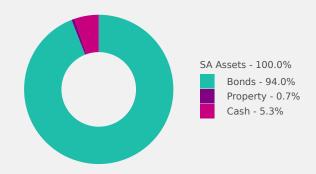
Fund holdings	
Name	Allocation
Discovery Strategic Bond Fund	20.5%
Discovery Diversified Income Fund	16.9%
10X Yield Selected Bond Index Fund	15.5%
Ashburton Bond Fund	14.8%
Satrix Bond Index Fund	11.9%
1NVEST ILB Index Tracker Fund	9.9%
Laurium BCI Strategic Income Fund	7.3%
Nedgroup Inv Money Market Fund	3.0%
Cash South African Rand	0.1%
Vunani BCI Bond Retention	0.1%

May not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Top 10 holdings	
South Africa (Republic of) 8.75%	8.6%
South Africa (Republic of) 9%	7.1%
South Africa (Republic of) 8.5%	6.8%
South Africa (Republic of) 8.75%	6.4%
South Africa (Republic of) 8.25%	4.3%
South Africa (Republic of) 6.5%	4.1%
South Africa (Republic of) 8%	3.1%
South Africa (Republic of) 6.25%	3.0%
South Africa (Republic of) 8.875%	2.7%
South Africa (Republic of) 11.625%	2.2%

Income distribution (last 12 months)	
October 2024	0.97c
November 2024	0.1c
December 2024	0.07c
January 2025	3.34c
February 2025	0.11c
March 2025	0.07c
April 2025	0.87c
May 2025	0.1c
June 2025	0.04c
July 2025	3.19c
August 2025	0.15c
September 2025	0.07c

#### Asset allocation



# Portfolio composition

This quarter, the Cogence Fixed Interest FoF introduced Ashburton Bond Fund, replacing the previously held Vunani exposure. The Ashburton fund was selected for its strong performance in nominal bond strategies and its ability to complement existing exposures. A reduction was also made to the Laurium BCI Strategic Income Fund, due to key personnel changes. The fund will go under a standard review post these changes. The adjustments aim to enhance yield, duration management, and liquidity, while maintaining robust risk controls.

# Monthly market commentary

September marked the month when the US Federal Reserve (Fed) cut rates (25 basis points) for the first time this year, motivated by worries about the softening labour market. Markets responded positively with most major global equity markets posting gains. Developed market equities moved higher (MSCI World Index +0.7%) led by Japan (Nikkei 225 +2.5%) and followed closely by the US (S&P500 +1.0%) as AI tailwinds drove the large tech names higher. UK equities (FTSE 100 -1.0%) and European equities (FTSE Europe ex-UK -2.0%) posted negative returns.

Standout performance came, however, from emerging markets equities (MSCI Emerging Markets +4.5%), driven largely by major gains in China (MSCI China +7.0%), where tech shares took centre stage. Brazil (BM&FBOVESPA Ibovespa IBOV - Brazil +2.8%) and South Africa (JSE All Share +6.6%) also drove markets higher, resulting in emerging markets outpacing developed peers YTD.

While the dollar trended lower, US bond yields fell, and prices rose. The short end of the curve has already priced in some rate cuts by the Fed in the months ahead, while the longer end has lagged recently due to worries over central bank independence. Elsewhere, central banks in the eurozone, UK, and Japan all kept their policy rates unchanged.

Gold continued to surge, reaching new records powered by the dip in the US dollar. Silver, palladium and platinum followed in the same vein, while oil was the outlier commodity, trading lower on news that OPEC+ will likely approve another production hike.

Record precious metal prices continued to drive South African markets. SA equities reached new highs (JSE All Share +6.6%) bolstered by commodity-linked shares (Resources +25.5%) as well as Naspers/Prosus which pushed higher as Tencent advanced (Industrials +1.3%). At the same time, the broader market was constrained by an underperformance in domestically focused (SA Inc) equities, with financials (-1.7%) and listed property (JSE All Property -1.0%) sectors down. The South African Reserve Bank kept rates unchanged at its September meeting and the rand ended the month up +2.6% against the US dollar.

Performance figures are quoted in ZAR.

#### General

Collective investment schemes (Unit Trusts) are generally medium to long-term investments. The value of participatory interests (units) or the investment may go down as well as up. Past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. Collective investment schemes are traded at ruling prices and can engage in borrowing and scrip lending (i.e. borrowing and lending of assets). The manager does not provide any guarantee, with respect to the capital or the return of a portfolio. Prescient retains full legal responsibility for the third-party-named portfolio. Any forecasts and/or commentary in this document are not guaranteed to occur. Different classes of participatory interests apply to these portfolios and are subject to different fees and charges. A schedule of all fees and charges, inclusive of VAT and maximum commissions, is available on request from us or from your financial adviser. Forward pricing is used.

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#### **Yields**

The yield for bond and income portfolios is historic and is calculated quarterly.

# Important information

The collective investment scheme may borrow up to 10% of the market value of the portfolio to bridge insufficient liquidity. The ability of the portfolio to repurchase is dependent upon the liquidity of the securities and cash of the portfolio. A manager may suspend repurchases for a period, subject to regulatory approval, to await liquidity, and the manager must keep the investors informed about these circumstances.

A fund of funds is a portfolio that invests in portfolios of collective investment schemes that levy their own charges. This could result in a higher fee structure.

Lump-sum performance returns are being quoted. Income distributions, prior to deduction of applicable taxes, are included in the performance calculations. NAV to NAV figures have been used for the performance calculations, as calculated by the manager at the valuation point defined in the deed, over all reporting periods. Investment performance calculations are available for verification upon request by any person. Reinvestment of income is calculated on the actual amount distributed per participatory interest, using the ex-dividend date NAV price of the applicable class of the portfolio, irrespective of the actual reinvestment date. The performance is calculated for the fee class. The individual investor performance may differ, as a result of initial fees, the actual investment date, the date of reinvestment and dividend withholding tax.

The rate of return is calculated on a total return basis, and the following elements may involve a reduction of the investor's capital: interest rates, economic outlook, inflation, deflation, economic and political shocks or changes in economic policy. Annualised returns are period returns re-scaled to a period of one year. This allows investors to compare returns of different assets that they have owned for different lengths of time. All period returns greater than one year have been annualised. Returns for periods less than one year have not been annualised. A cumulative return is the aggregate amount an investment has gained or lost over time, independent of the period of time involved. Actual annual figures are available to the investor on request. Illustrative investment performance is for illustrative purposes only.

# Specific fund risks

Derivatives
 Exposure to foreign securities
 Drawdown
 Bond
 Bond

For a detailed description of these risks, and other risks that are relevant to the portfolio, please refer to the CIS and other Risk Disclosure Documents, available at www.cogence.co.za.

### Glossary

Annualised return - An annualised return is the weighted average compound growth rate over the period measured.

Highest & Lowest return - The highest and lowest returns for any one year over the period since inception have been shown.

Volatility - Volatility (also called standard deviation) is a measure of how widely the returns varied over the period measured.

Maximum drawdown - A maximum drawdown is the maximum loss from a peak to trough of the portfolio over the period measured, before a new peak is attained.

Sharpe ratio - The sharpe ratio is a measure of risk-adjusted returns. The sharpe ratio reflectes the extent to which an investment compensates for extra risk.

NAV - The net asset value represents the assets of a fund less its liabilities.

# What is the total investment charge (TIC)

Total expense ratio (TER) is the percentage of the value of the portfolio that was incurred as expenses relating to the administration (charges, levies and fees) of the portfolio. TER is calculated over rolling 3 years (or since inception, where applicable), and is annualised, to the most recent calendar quarter-end. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a good return. The current TER may not necessarily be an accurate indication of future TER's. Transaction costs (TC) is the percentage of the value of the portfolio that was incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the assets underlying the portfolio. Transaction Costs are a necessary cost in administering the portfolio and impacts portfolio 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 financial product, the investment decisions of the investment manager, and the TER. Calculations are based on actual data, where possible, and best estimates, where actual data is not available. Total investment charges (TIC) is the percentage of the value of the portfolio that was incurred as costs relating to the investment of the portfolio. It is the sum of the TER and TC.

For additional information on the portfolio, refer to the application forms, quarterly investment report and minimum disclosure documents, available on our website, www.cogence.co.za, from your financial adviser, or on request from the manager, free of charge.

The complaints policy and procedure, as well as the conflicts of interest management policy, are available on our website www.cogence.co.za. Associates of the manager may be invested within certain portfolios, and the details thereof are available from the manager. The manager has the right to close certain portfolios to new investors, in order to manage them more efficiently, in accordance with their manadates.

The Manager retains full legal responsibility for any third party-named portfolio. Where foreign securities are included in a portfolio there may be potential constraints on liquidity and the repatriation of funds, macroeconomic risks, political risks, foreign exchange risks, tax risks, settlement risks, and potential limitations on the availability of market information.

- Performance data reflected in the MDD was sourced from morningstar as at 9th October 2025.
- This document was published on 22 October 2025.

Please note that all documents, notifications of deposit, investment, redemption and switch applications must be received by Prescient by or before 13:00 (SA), to be transacted at the net asset value price for that day. Where all required documentation is not received before the stated cut off time Prescient shall not be obliged to transact at the net asset value price as agreed to. Funds are priced at either 3pm or 5pm depending on the nature of the Fund. Prices are published daily and are available on the Prescient website.

This portfolio operates as a white label fund under the Prescient Unit Trust Scheme, which is governed by the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act.

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