

**FUND OBJECTIVE & STRATEGY**

The ClucasGray Equilibrium Prescient Fund is a Regulation 28 compliant, multi-asset high equity fund. The Fund aims to provide long term capital growth ahead of its peer group by delivering both income and capital growth in excess of inflation over time. The Fund aims to achieve these objectives through an active approach to asset allocation, and via superior stock selection. Fundamental analysis, a valuation discipline and a belief that inefficient markets create opportunities in mispriced assets underpin both our asset allocation and stock selection process.

**FUND INFORMATION**

Portfolio Managers:	Andrew Vincent & Grant Morris
Inception Date:	16 January 2015
Fund Size:	R1338.1 million
Unit Price:	172.46 cents
ASISA Category:	South African Multi-Asset High Equity
Benchmark:	Market value-weighted average return of ASISA category
Min Lump Sum:	R10 000
Min Monthly Investment:	R1 000
Issue Date:	11 March 2025
ISIN:	ZAE000243838

**WHO SHOULD INVEST**

The Fund is an ideal wealth creation vehicle for investors with a medium to long-term investment horizon.

**RISK INDICATOR**

Generally, these portfolios hold more equity exposure than lower risk profiled portfolios. These portfolios therefore tend to carry more volatility. Expected potential long-term returns could be higher than other risk profiles, in turn potential losses of capital could be higher.

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**NET PERFORMANCE (ANNUALISED) AT 28 FEBRUARY 2025**

	3-Months	6-Months	1-Year	3-Year
Fund*	-0.3%	3.5%	17.4%	10.4%
Class B2***	-0.3%	3.5%	17.3%	10.3%
Class B1	-0.4%	3.4%	17.1%	10.1%
Class C**	-0.5%	3.2%	16.7%	9.8%
Peer Group	1.5%	4.9%	13.4%	8.9%

	5-Year	7-Year	10-Year	Since Inception
Fund*	13.0%	9.5%	8.8%	9.6%
Class B2***	12.9%	9.4%	8.5%	9.5%
Class B1	12.7%	9.2%	8.2%	9.3%
Class C**	12.3%	8.8%	8.2%	8.9%
Peer Group	10.9%	8.1%	6.9%	7.2%

**ROLLING 12 MONTH RETURN**

	Highest	Average	Lowest
Fund Class B2***	34.9%	9.9%	-17.2%
Fund Class B1	34.7%	9.1%	-17.4%
Fund Class C**	34.2%	8.7%	-17.6%

\* Fund performance is the net weighted average fee return for the fund

\*\* Highest Fee Class

\*\*\* Class B2 Inception 31 May 2017

**CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE**

	Fund	Class B2***	Class B1	Class C	Peer Group
2015*	12.5%	0.0%	12.2%	11.8%	7.9%
2016	5.1%	0.0%	4.9%	4.6%	1.2%
2017	11.9%	7.8%	11.6%	11.3%	9.1%
2018	1.4%	1.3%	1.2%	0.8%	-3.8%
2019	8.8%	8.7%	8.6%	8.2%	9.7%
2020	-0.3%	-0.5%	-0.6%	-0.9%	4.9%
2021	28.4%	28.4%	28.2%	27.7%	20.0%
2022	4.4%	4.3%	4.1%	3.8%	-0.1%
2023	11.5%	11.4%	11.2%	10.8%	12.3%
2024	16.7%	16.7%	16.5%	16.1%	13.2%
2025**	-0.8%	-0.8%	-0.8%	-0.9%	0.9%

\* Since inception 16 January 2015

\*\* Year to date

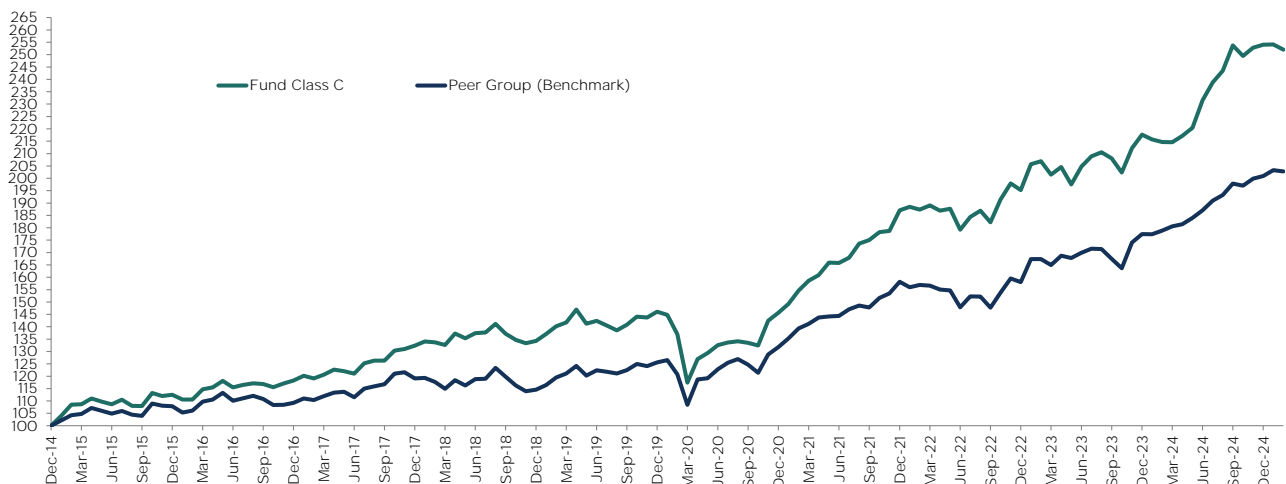
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**RISK & FUND STATS (ANNUALISED SINCE INCEPTION)**

Max Drawdown*	-20.1%
Max Gain**	8.1%
% Positive Months	64.8%

\* The maximum peak to trough loss suffered by the Fund since inception.

\*\* Largest increase in any single month.

**CUMULATIVE VALUE OF R100 INVESTED AT INCEPTION VS BENCHMARK (ILLUSTRATIVE PERFORMANCE)**

Source: Prescient Fund Services 28 Feb 2025

The illustrative investment performance is shown for illustrative purposes only and 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.

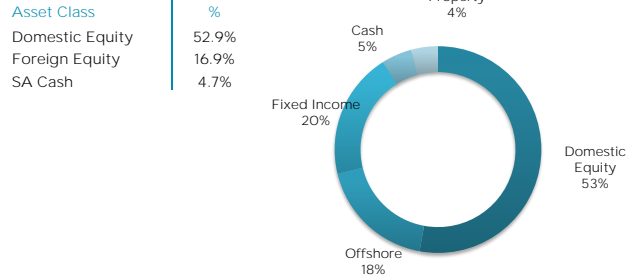


## TOP 15 SA EQUITY HOLDINGS

ABSA	KAL Group
AECI	MTN
African Rainbow Minerals	Naspers
Anglo American	Old Mutual
Anheuser-Busch	Premier Group
British American Tobacco	Reunert
Exxaro Resources	Standard Bank
Firststrand	

The Top 15 holdings make up 35% of the total fund.

## FUND ASSET ALLOCATIONS



## DISTRIBUTIONS

Distribution Frequency	Annually
Distribution Date	02 April
Last Distribution	6.2 cents per unit

## FEE STRUCTURE

TER	Class B2	Class B1	Class C
Annual Management Fee (excl. VAT)	0.75%	0.90%	1.20%
Other Cost	0.16%	0.16%	0.16%
VAT	0.12%	0.14%	0.19%
Total Expense Ratio (incl. VAT)	1.03%	1.20%	1.55%
Transaction Costs (incl. VAT)	0.09%	0.09%	0.09%
Total Investment Charge (incl. VAT)	1.12%	1.29%	1.64%

## QUARTERLY COMMENTARY | DECEMBER 2024

On the back of an eventful 9 months, the final quarter of 2024 was a little bit disappointing for South African equity investors. The JSE Swix declined by just over 2% in the quarter – the calendar year returns of 13.5% are nonetheless very respectable. South African fixed income also delivered strong returns, with the All Bond Index gaining over 17% in the year. Both local equities and bonds performed exceptionally well in the wake of the formation of the GNU, and the more constructive outlook for economic growth in South Africa over the next few years.

Global equity markets were even stronger, with the MSCI World Index gaining nearly 20% in US Dollars in 2024, slightly more in Rands with the currency weakening modestly against the Dollar in the year. As has been well documented, global returns have once again been dominated by the US indices, with the S&P 500 gaining over 25% in Dollars this year.

Against this backdrop, the ClucasGray Equilibrium Prescient Fund enjoyed a good year, gaining 16.7% in 2024. These returns compare favourably against both the peer group (12.8%) and inflation.

Balanced funds have over the decades proved to be good vehicles through which to deliver real returns – their ability to actively invest in different asset classes and underlying securities, depending on potential prospective returns, has proven appeal. Looking back on all the major periods since the ClucasGray Equilibrium Prescient Fund was launched in January 2015, it is encouraging to note that the fund has managed to deliver on its investment objective of delivering industry leading real returns to investors over sustained periods. We have shown a summary of these key performance metrics below:

Period	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	7 Years	Since Inception
ClucasGray Equilibrium Fund	16.7%	10.7%	11.7%	9.8%	9.8%
SA Multi Asset High Equity	14.8%	9.2%	10.0%	7.4%	7.2%
Inflation	2.9%	5.3%	4.9%	4.7%	4.9%
Real Returns	13.8%	5.4%	6.8%	5.1%	4.9%

The asset allocation positioning of the fund remains well exposed to the South African capital markets. Whilst Bond yields have reduced somewhat from their pre election highs in the second quarter, they remain elevated compared to our expectations of South African inflation. Hence we believe the opportunity still exists to deliver real Rand returns from local bonds, and have positioned the portfolio to benefit from these high yields.

South African equities remain selectively attractive. It has always been tough to form a generic view on the JSE, given both the disparate make up of the index, and the dominance of larger global companies. We invest broadly, across the market cap spectrum, in mispriced opportunities. Whilst some companies and sectors have rallied hard post the formation of the GNU, we believe there are numerous companies that remain materially mispriced.

Globally, the landscape remains extremely dislocated. The dominance of US equities has been well documented – we remain concerned about the ability of large cap US equities to continue their stellar performance. Prospective Rand returns from many of the larger global indices look modest, and warrant some level of caution – however we do believe there are areas that do look relatively attractive, and have positioned the fund to benefit from these opportunities.

The year ahead is filled with potential opportunities and pitfalls – geopolitics, politics and the ever present economic risks that global economies face. We are of the view that South Africa will show an improved level of economic growth, with positive spin offs for corporate earnings and the country's fiscal positioning. We do naturally acknowledge that none of us can know for certain what the year will bring. However, given the portfolio composition, with elevated bond yields, and undemanding equity valuations, we believe the ClucasGray Equilibrium Prescient Fund is well positioned to continue to deliver on its long term objective of generating attractive real returns for investors over sustained periods of time.

The Fund has adhered to its policy objective.

The current asset allocation versus the previous quarter is as follows:

Fund Asset Allocation	Q4 2024	Q3 2024
SA Equity	54%	54%
Offshore	18%	18%
Fixed Income	20%	19%
Property	4%	5%
Cash	4%	4%

**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 costs 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.

The Manager retains full legal responsibility for any third-party-named portfolio. The investor acknowledges the inherent risk associated with the selected investments and that there are no guarantees. A list of fund specific risks is provided below. 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.

Performance has been calculated using net NAV to NAV numbers with income reinvested. The performance for each period shown reflects the return for investors who have been fully invested for that period. Individual investor performance may differ as a result of initial fees, the actual investment date, the date of reinvestments and dividend withholding tax. Full performance calculations are available from the manager on request.

Max Gain: Largest increase in any single month.

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

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

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.

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.

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.

Default risk: The risk that the issuers of fixed income instruments (e.g. bonds) 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.

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.

For any additional information such as fund prices, brochures and application forms please go to [www.cgam.co.za](http://www.cgam.co.za)

**GLOSSARY SUMMARY****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 Returns:**

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.

**% Positive Months:**

The percentage of months since inception where the Fund has delivered positive return.

**Net Performance**

Unit trust performance is net (after) management fees have been deducted.

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The Management Company and Trustee are registered and approved under the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act (No.45 of 2002). Prescient is a member of the Association for Savings and Investments SA.

**Investment Manager:**

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