

# PRESCIENT POSITIVE RETURN QUANTPLUS® FUND (A2)

## MINIMUM DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

### INVESTMENT AND RETURN OBJECTIVE

The Fund aims to outperform CPI + 4% per annum over the medium term by generating consistent positive returns while protecting capital over rolling 12-month periods.

### INVESTMENT PROCESS

The Fund invests in cash, capital market instruments and equities with an active asset allocation overlay. The equity component of the Fund is protected to reduce the risk of capital loss. The Fund is thus structured to optimise returns in positive market cycles and to protect capital during negative periods/cycles.

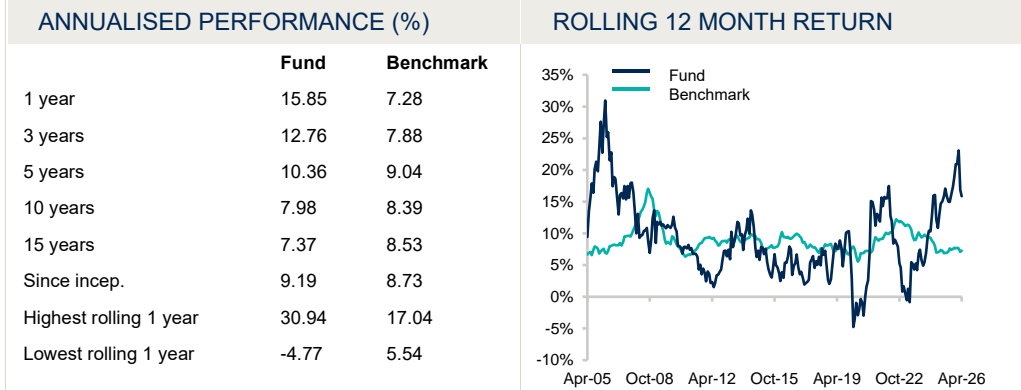
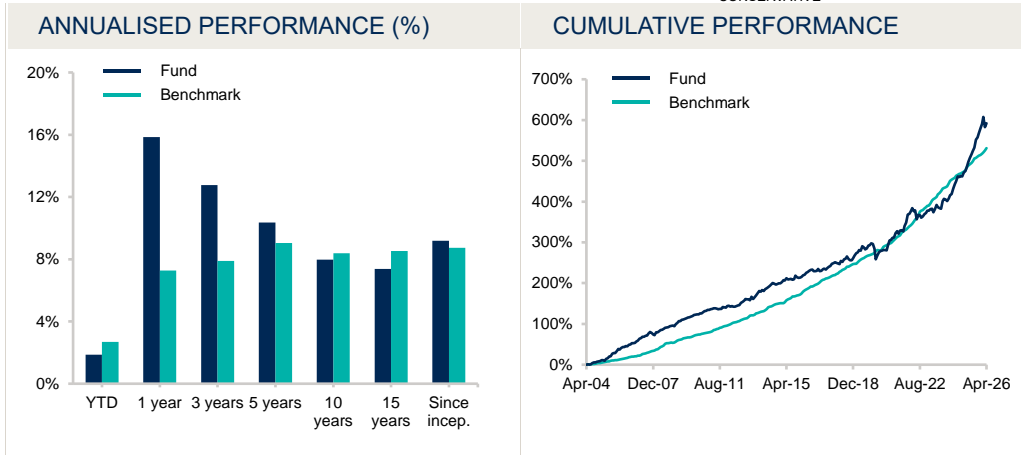
### WHO SHOULD INVEST

Investors seeking real returns above cash through the market cycle (typically 7 year periods) but also require capital preservation and downside protection over the shorter term (typically 1 year periods). This Fund is suitable to investors with a medium- to long-term investment horizon and is Regulation 28 compliant.

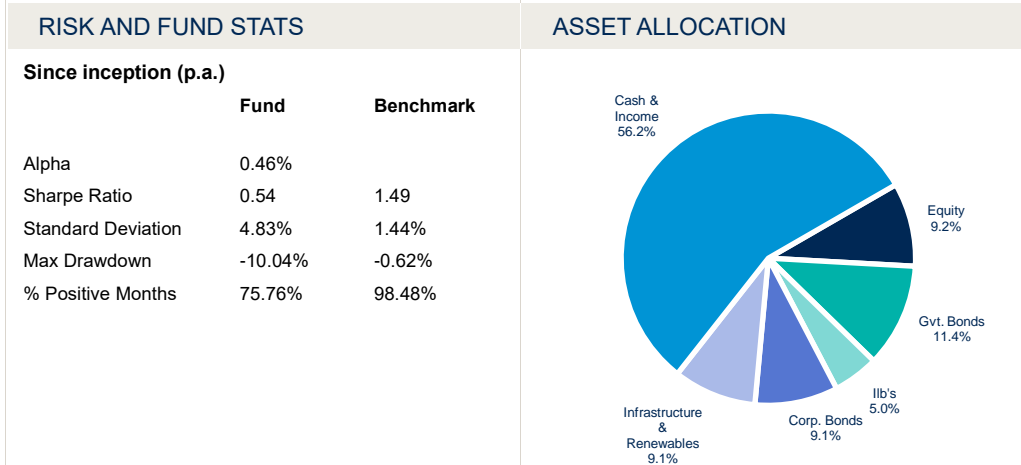
### RISK INDICATOR DEFINITION

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



\*Please note that the graph is showing the fund's performance after it's first year.



# Prescient

INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

30 APRIL 2026

## ABOUT THE FUND

**Fund Manager:**  
Prescient Balanced Team

**Fund Classification:**  
South African - Multi Asset - Medium Equity

**Benchmark:**  
CPI + 4%

**JSE Code:**  
PPRQA2

**ISIN:**  
ZAE000139952

**Fund Size:**  
R186.6 m

**No of Units:**  
7,711,335

**Unit Price (cpu):**  
248.70

**Inception Date:**  
30 April 2004

**Minimum Investment:**  
R10 000 lump-sum  
R1 000 per month

**Income Distribution:**  
31 March 2026 - 16.21 cpu

**Initial Fee:**  
0.00%

**Annual Management Fee:**  
0.75% (excl VAT)

(All performance figures are net of TIC)

Fee Breakdown:	
Management Fee	0.75%
Performance Fees	0.00%
Other Fees*	0.15%
<b>Total Expense Ratio (TER)</b>	<b>0.90%</b>
<b>Transaction Costs (TC)</b>	<b>0.04%</b>
<b>Total Investment Charge (TIC)</b>	<b>0.94%</b>

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

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## FUND MONTHLY RETURNS

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YTD
<b>2004</b>					0.91%	-0.68%	1.13%	2.52%	1.86%	-0.15%	1.68%	0.55%	8.04%
<b>2005</b>	0.54%	2.57%	-0.31%	-1.46%	4.62%	1.28%	3.03%	1.25%	5.10%	0.85%	0.40%	3.35%	23.15%
<b>2006</b>	4.18%	-1.36%	3.03%	1.72%	0.03%	1.87%	-0.59%	2.29%	0.55%	2.08%	0.15%	0.86%	15.71%
<b>2007</b>	1.71%	1.34%	3.28%	1.01%	1.71%	0.05%	1.24%	0.65%	2.56%	2.18%	-1.18%	-2.10%	13.05%
<b>2008</b>	-1.03%	4.16%	-0.19%	1.32%	1.84%	0.64%	1.29%	1.01%	0.71%	0.40%	0.90%	0.74%	12.35%
<b>2009</b>	0.10%	-0.57%	2.88%	0.97%	2.19%	0.12%	1.46%	0.63%	0.52%	0.86%	0.70%	0.52%	10.84%
<b>2010</b>	0.57%	0.56%	1.30%	0.44%	0.07%	0.05%	1.24%	-0.20%	1.52%	0.85%	0.44%	1.05%	8.17%
<b>2011</b>	-0.12%	0.78%	0.40%	0.56%	0.03%	-0.36%	-0.69%	0.52%	0.03%	1.74%	-0.27%	-0.18%	2.44%
<b>2012</b>	1.37%	0.41%	-0.97%	0.69%	-0.75%	0.22%	0.57%	0.58%	0.41%	2.16%	1.07%	1.27%	7.23%
<b>2013</b>	1.41%	-0.44%	0.04%	-0.76%	3.33%	-1.98%	1.59%	1.48%	2.17%	1.95%	-0.63%	1.38%	9.84%
<b>2014</b>	-0.85%	1.71%	0.85%	0.79%	1.15%	1.30%	0.98%	-0.29%	-0.84%	0.57%	0.30%	0.01%	5.81%
<b>2015</b>	1.09%	1.59%	-0.13%	1.60%	-0.86%	0.30%	0.15%	-0.77%	0.53%	2.76%	-1.29%	-0.34%	4.64%
<b>2016</b>	0.22%	0.33%	1.28%	0.69%	1.45%	0.29%	1.12%	0.69%	0.09%	-1.09%	0.06%	0.14%	5.37%
<b>2017</b>	1.44%	-1.53%	0.17%	1.10%	0.57%	-0.81%	1.32%	0.93%	0.43%	1.53%	0.52%	0.63%	6.43%
<b>2018</b>	-0.38%	-0.53%	-0.33%	2.31%	-0.72%	1.71%	0.37%	1.54%	-1.59%	-0.85%	-0.06%	1.29%	2.71%
<b>2019</b>	2.07%	1.37%	0.74%	1.48%	-0.56%	2.85%	-0.77%	-1.19%	0.66%	1.81%	0.13%	1.38%	10.35%
<b>2020</b>	-0.41%	-3.08%	-6.80%	2.67%	2.22%	0.79%	0.13%	0.55%	-0.04%	-0.18%	3.14%	3.02%	1.59%
<b>2021</b>	0.55%	1.17%	0.19%	2.54%	1.09%	-1.38%	1.81%	0.20%	-0.77%	3.21%	1.91%	4.36%	15.76%
<b>2022</b>	0.30%	1.21%	1.88%	-1.59%	0.36%	-4.51%	2.37%	-0.20%	-1.36%	0.70%	1.24%	0.60%	0.82%
<b>2023</b>	1.17%	0.06%	0.80%	0.20%	-1.75%	1.56%	2.14%	-1.08%	-0.48%	-0.31%	3.78%	1.17%	7.40%
<b>2024</b>	-0.37%	-0.75%	1.28%	1.57%	0.59%	2.48%	2.06%	1.43%	2.03%	-0.18%	0.34%	-0.08%	10.84%
<b>2025</b>	1.69%	0.62%	1.58%	2.28%	1.68%	1.40%	1.31%	1.40%	3.09%	0.81%	1.56%	1.74%	20.91%
<b>2026</b>	1.67%	2.45%	-3.56%	1.39%									1.86%

Source: Performance calculated by Prescient Fund Services verified by the FSP  
Date: 30 April 2026

## FUND COMMENTARY

Two months after the joint US-Israel attack on Iran, the situation remains unresolved, with no clear diplomatic breakthrough. Talks between the United States and Iran are effectively deadlocked despite ongoing engagement. Meanwhile, blockades around the Strait of Hormuz continue to disrupt global energy supplies, contributing to heightened market instability. The longer oil flows remain constrained, the greater the risk of deeper economic damage, including reduced consumer spending and slower global growth.

Globally, the conflict has worsened the economic outlook for several major economies, particularly Germany, the United Kingdom, and Japan, largely through surging energy prices. Germany remains especially vulnerable due to its reliance on energy imports, with approximately 6% sourced from the Middle East. Growth forecasts have been sharply revised downward, while inflation expectations have increased. In response, the government's large fiscal spending programme is now viewed as a critical support mechanism. In Japan, inflation has moderated across most categories, with core inflation remaining below the Bank of Japan's 2% target. In China, economic performance has remained relatively resilient. Strong exports of electrical and mechanical products supported growth in the first quarter, with GDP expanding by 5% year-on-year, up from 4.5% in the previous quarter.

The United States economy is expected to rely more heavily on government and business spending in 2026 as inflation, driven in part by the energy shock, weighs on consumers. The Federal Reserve is likely to keep interest rates on hold while assessing the impact on employment and inflation. Fed Chair Jerome Powell noted that the economy has remained relatively resilient despite the energy shock and is projected to grow at above 2% this year, supported by strong consumer spending and investment in data centres. He also reaffirmed the Fed's commitment to returning inflation to its 2% target, expecting price pressures to ease as the effects of earlier tariff-driven goods inflation fade.

Locally, the South African Reserve Bank (SARB) has maintained its 3% inflation target despite rising concerns that a global oil shock will push prices higher. Economists are now pricing in up to two potential interest rate hikes this year as fuel costs increase and household affordability deteriorates. The rand has weakened towards month-end as investors await key economic data releases from the SARB, South African Revenue Service, and the National Treasury.

Despite these pressures, some market segments have shown resilience. The Bloomberg Industrial Metals Index gained 4.67%, reflecting relatively firm global industrial demand and providing support to local resource companies. Developed market equities were up +9.59% and Emerging Market Equities up +14.53%, while US treasuries were flat.

Locally the FTSE/JSE Allshare index returned 1.65%, with the FTSE/JSE All Bond Index Total Return rising 3.27% and the FTSE/JSE Inflation-Linked Index Total Return gaining 4.32%.

The fund was up strongly this month largely due to the recovery in local bonds and ILBS.

The Fund currently holds a positive view on South African equities and a neutral view on SA Bonds.

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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.

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

**Sensitivity Analysis:** Shows the expected return of the Fund for the Performance Projection Period (label on vertical axis), at the end of the Performance Projection Period based on a range of potential moves in the equity market from this month-end to the end of the Performance Projection Period.

## 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.

**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.

**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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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 TERs. During the phase in period TERs 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 is 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. 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. The investor acknowledges the inherent risk associated with the selected investments and that there are no guarantees. Please note that all documents, notifications of deposit, investment, redemption and switch applications must be received by Prescient by or before 11:00 (SA) for money market funds and the Prescient Optimised Income Fund and by or before 13:00 for all other funds, 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, including actual initial and all ongoing fees, with income reinvested on the reinvestment date. 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.

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

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

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