# VUNANI GLOBAL EQUITY PRESCIENT FEEDER ACTIVELY MANAGED EXCHANGE TRADED FUND

South African Rand (ZAR)

## **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

The Vunani Global Equity Prescient Feeder Actively Managed Exchange Traded Fund is a feeder fund and an actively managed ETF that will, apart from assets in liquid form, consist solely of participatory interests in the Vunani Global Equity Fund a fund approved under the Prescient Global Funds ICAV. The investment objective of the Vunani Global Equity Fund is to provide investors with long-term capital growth.

# **INVESTMENT PROCESS**

The Vunani Global Equity Fund aims to achieve its objective by investing in global equity and equityrelated securities. The Fund will gain exposure to these companies primarily through direct investment in securities of such companies but may also invest indirectly in such securities through investment via collective investment schemes.

# WHO SHOULD INVEST

South African retail and institutional investors looking for long-term capital growth

## **FUND INFORMATION**

Fund Manager:	Vunani Fund Managers	
Fund Classification	Global Equity - General	
Benchmark	MSCI World Net Total Return Index	
Exchange:	JSE	
JSE Code:	VUNGLE	
ISIN:	ZAE000338786	
Fund Size:	R68,940,708	
No of Units:	6,435,014	
Unit Price (cpu):	R1,071.33	
Inception Date:	15 October 2024	
Fees:		
Management Fee:	0.85%	
Transaction Cost (TC):	0.40%	
Total Expense Ratio (TER):	1.25%	

TER figures are estimates due to the short life span of the fund and that accurate figures will be available a year after the fund's inception date.

Class:

Liquidity Provider:	Prescient Securities (Pty) Ltd
Income Distribution:	New fund – data will be available
	12 months after fund launch

## ANNUALISED FUND PERFORMANCE

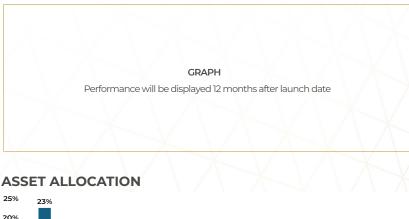
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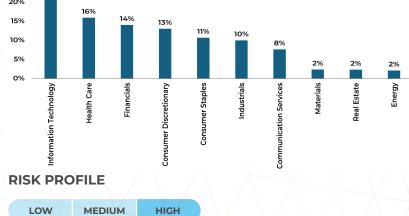
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Annualised Performance	Fund	Benchmark
1 Year	-	-
3 Years	-	-
5 Years	-	-
10 Years	-	-
Since Inception	-	-

# **RISK AND FUND STATS**





High Risk: This portfolio has a higher exposure to equities than any other risk profiled portfolio and therefore tend to carry higher volatility due to high exposure to equity markets. Expected potential long-term returns are high, but the risk of potential capital losses is high as well, especially over shorter periods. Where the asset allocation contained in this MDD reflect offshore exposure, the portfolio is exposed to currency risks, therefore, it is suitable for long term investment horizons.

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# Fund Commentary as at 30 June 2025 VUNANI GLOBAL EQUITY PRESCIENT FEEDER ACTIVELY MANAGED EXCHANGE TRADED FUND

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Trade policy uncertainty, geopolitical tensions and shifting central bank signals led to heightened volatility in a quarter which was characterised by a sharp equity market drop on "Liberation Day" followed by a strong recovery. The **S&P 500 Index** declined 12% in the first week of the quarter, as the Trump administration's trade policies threatened to ignite a full-blown trade war.

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While investors initially sought comfort in **US Treasuries**, with the yield on the 10-year sovereign bond declining to 4%, recognition of the likely inflationary impact of US tariffs, led to a sell-off in Treasuries, with yields backing up to 4.6% in late-May. The so-called bond vigilantes, therefore had the final say in tempering the administration's stance on tariffs, with a more measured outcome cheering equity investor's, resulting in a 24% rally in the **S&P 500 Index** from it's early April lows.

Lingering policy uncertainty, including the shifting signals from the **Federal Reserve** on monetary policy, reflected in the continued underperformance of the **US dollar.** Having declined by 4% in 1Q 2025, the dollar lost a further 7% on a trade weighted basis in the second quarter.

Currency weakness was also reflected in equity market returns. The **Nikkei 225 Index**, which gained 13.8% in local currency terms, was the best performing major global index, measured in US dollars, gaining 18.3% during the quarter. While US technology shares enjoyed a strong quarter, the **Nasdaq Composite** gained 17.9%, US equities more broadly, underperformed. The **Stoxx Europe 600 Index** gained 12.3%, the **MSCI Emerging Market Index** was 12.1% higher, while the **S&P 500** and **Russell 2000** indices gained just 10.9% and 8.5% in the quarter.

Amidst this volatility, the **Vunani Global Equity Fund (class C)** gained 9.1% net of fees during the quarter, while the Fund's benchmark, gained 11.4%. Underperformance, both quarter and year-to-date, only materialised in the last fortnight of the quarter as so-called "meme stocks" and unprofitable tech companies led the market rally. The **Morgan Stanley Unprofitable Tech** and **UBS Meme Stock indices** gained 6.7% and 6.9% respectively between 13th and 30th June, double the MSCI's 3.2% gain in the corresponding period.

The fund's underperformance was largely a function of our overweight position in more defensive sectors, notably **Health Care** and **Consumer Staples**, which both lagged the broader market. Positive stock selection results intra sector, however, largely offset the sector allocation call. This was not the case in **Information Technology**, where our meaningful underweight in **Nvidia** and lack of any exposure to **Broadcom**, accounted for -102bps and -58bps of relative performance, not enough to offset the positive contributions from our underweight in **Apple** (+55bps) and the off-benchmark position in **Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company** (+54bps). Other notable performers included **The Walt Disney Company** which, having fallen 12% in 1Q 2025, rallied 26% in the second quarter and more than 50% from it's early April lows where we took advantage of share price weakness to increase our holding.

# **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

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. CISs 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 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.

A Feeder Fund is a portfolio that invests in a single portfolio of a collective investment scheme which levies its own charges, and which could result in a higher fee structure for the feeder fund.

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.

Exchange traded funds are listed on an exchange and may incur additional costs.

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.

Performance has been calculated using net NAV to NAV numbers with income reinvested.

Exchange Traded Funds vs Unit Trusts: Whilst both unit trusts and ETFs are regulated and registered under the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act, ETFs trade on stock exchanges just like any other listed, tradable security. Unlike a unit trust, which can be bought or sold only at the end of the trading day, an ETF can be traded intraday, during exchange trading hours.

For any additional information such as fund prices, brochures and application forms please go to www.prescient.co.za.

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

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 South Africa.

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