

# PRESCIENT GLOBAL POSITIVE RETURN FUND

## MINIMUM DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

### INVESTMENT AND RETURN OBJECTIVE

The Fund aims to outperform G7 inflation in Euro terms over time while aiming to limit capital losses.

### INVESTMENT PROCESS

The Fund invests in money market instruments, capital market instruments and equities with an active asset allocation overlay. The equity component of the Fund is always protected. The Fund is available in Euro, US dollars, Sterling and Rand where the currency risk is hedged back to the pricing currency to reduce currency volatility.

### WHO SHOULD INVEST

Investors seeking a hedge against any rand depreciation while gaining exposure to a risk aware asset allocation offshore fund. This Fund is suitable to investors with a medium to long-term investment horizon.

### 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



ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE (%)			CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE		
ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE (%)			RISK AND FUND STATS		
	Fund	Benchmark	Since inception (p.a.)		
1 year	1.61	3.10		Fund	Benchmark
3 years	-0.90	2.16	Alpha	1.12%	
5 years	1.06	1.83	Sharpe Ratio	0.77	1.08
Since incep.	3.45	2.33	Standard Deviation	3.97%	1.82%
Highest rolling 1 year	15.97	3.99	Max Drawdown	-7.98%	-1.61%
Lowest rolling 1 year	-7.18	0.43	Max Gain	4.44%	
			% Positive Months	60.87%	

\*Please note name change from Global Positive Return Euro Fund to Global Positive Return on 1 Jan 2017

## FUND COMMENTARY

Global markets made a positive start to the second half of the year. The MSCI World index rose by an impressive 3.05% over the period and beat the MSCI Emerging Market index, which added 1.68%. Risk appetite returned to the market, but the fact that emerging market equities underperformed shows an element of caution was still in place. After the Trump Administration officially entered a trade war with China, initial expectations were for a tit-for-tat retaliation and, a race to the bottom. However, China had been keeping their cards close to their chest while all of this was taking place but when the time was right, they introduced an intensive fiscal stimulus programme to cushion uncertainty surrounding external trade. Global markets reacted favourably with the S&P500, DAX and Shanghai Composite indices closing the month 3.6%, 4.1% and 1.0% up respectively. On the other hand, safe haven assets lost their allure. The US 10Y Treasury Bond yield rising by 0.11% was evidence and a similar picture was painted over the Atlantic in European bond markets. The Global Positive Return Fund captured the upside and ended the month up more than one percent. The Fund held on to its overweight of Europe relative to the United States. We also continued to add emerging market exposure. We prefer emerging market equities to developed market equities due to more attractive valuations and the stage of the economic cycle. Tighter financial conditions across the globe, however, need to be monitored carefully.

**Contributors to performance:** Equities, short duration, corporate bonds, income assets

**Detractor from performance:** With markets moving higher and volatility dropping, the protection overlay detracted value

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## ABOUT THE FUND

### Fund manager:

Prescient Balanced Team

### Fund classification:

Asset Allocation Global Defensive (USD)

### Benchmark:

EU Harmonised CPI + 1% Lagged

### Fund Size:

EUR13.1 m

### No of units:

2,309,323

### Unit price:

104.70

### Inception date:

31 December 2008

### Minimum Investment:

\$5 000

### Initial Fee:

0.00%

### Annual management fee:

1.00%

### Fee class:

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### Fee breakdown:

Management Fee	1.00%
Performance Fees	0.00%
Other Fees*	0.33%
<b>Total Expense Ratio (TER)</b>	<b>1.33%</b>

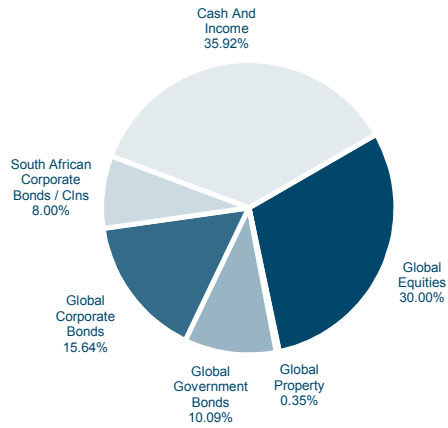
\*Other fees includes underlying fee (where applicable): Audit Fees, Custody Fees, Trustee Fees and VAT

### Income distribution:

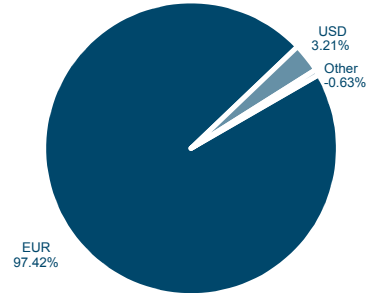
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## ASSET ALLOCATION



## CURRENCY EXPOSURE



## FUND MONTHLY RETURNS

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YTD
<b>2009</b>	2.65%	0.45%	0.64%	0.94%	2.93%	0.88%	4.44%	-0.87%	1.28%	-0.72%	1.51%	0.91%	15.97%
<b>2010</b>	-0.36%	-0.56%	1.75%	1.42%	3.22%	-0.06%	-1.23%	0.45%	-0.07%	-0.47%	1.51%	-0.81%	4.81%
<b>2011</b>	0.24%	0.36%	-0.23%	0.40%	0.45%	-0.39%	0.94%	-1.25%	0.03%	0.61%	-0.81%	0.44%	0.79%
<b>2012</b>	1.24%	0.77%	0.27%	0.49%	-0.17%	-0.03%	2.13%	-0.74%	0.84%	-1.13%	0.06%	-0.69%	3.04%
<b>2013</b>	1.12%	0.52%	1.49%	0.37%	2.03%	-2.40%	0.86%	-1.16%	1.39%	2.44%	0.74%	0.49%	8.07%
<b>2014</b>	-1.36%	1.42%	-0.92%	0.42%	1.31%	-0.13%	-0.07%	0.42%	0.07%	-0.38%	1.83%	-0.25%	2.34%
<b>2015</b>	1.42%	1.50%	0.86%	-0.78%	0.02%	-1.73%	0.57%	-1.74%	-1.37%	1.42%	0.41%	-1.95%	-1.46%
<b>2016</b>	-2.07%	-0.99%	1.24%	0.27%	0.27%	-0.94%	0.86%	0.47%	-0.41%	-0.18%	-1.18%	-0.18%	-2.84%
<b>2017</b>	0.22%	1.44%	0.25%	0.16%	0.37%	-0.16%	-0.42%	-0.26%	0.57%	1.04%	0.51%	0.22%	4.00%
<b>2018</b>	1.71%	-0.37%	-2.63%	0.96%	-0.29%	-0.77%	0.96%						-0.48%

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## GLOSSARY

**Annualised performance:** Annualised performance show 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.

**Alpha:** Denoted 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.

**Max Gain:** Largest increase in any single month.

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

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