

PRESCIENT GLOBAL BALANCED FEEDER FUND (A2)

MINIMUM DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

INVESTMENT AND RETURN OBJECTIVE

The Fund aims to achieve long term capital growth appreciation over a full market cycle by maintaining meaningful exposure to growth assets like equities, with returns converted to rands.

INVESTMENT PROCESS

The Fund invests in a diversified portfolio of global equity securities, debt and debt-related securities, money market instruments and global currencies. The Fund can invest directly or indirectly (through the use of Regulated Funds or derivatives) in these asset classes.

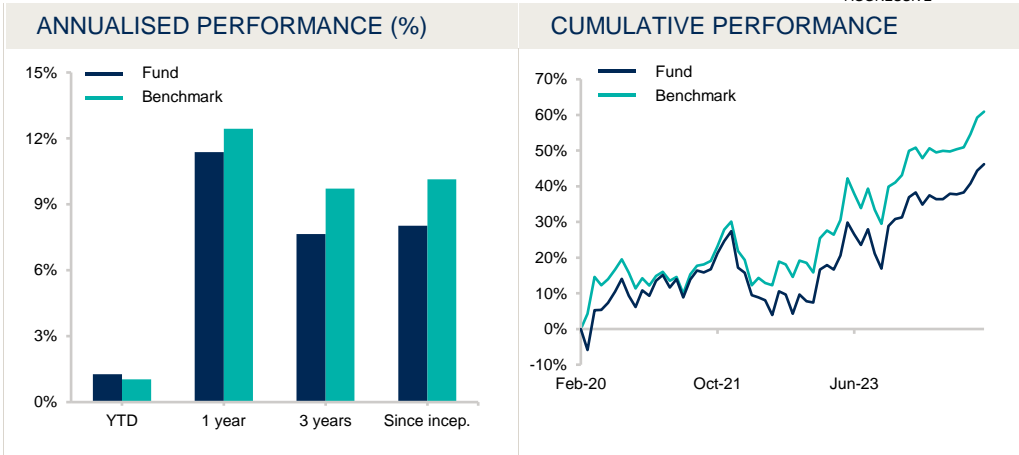
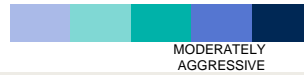
WHO SHOULD INVEST

Investors seeking capital growth and a hedge against Rand depreciation by having exposure to a diversified mix of offshore assets. The Fund is suitable for investors with a medium to long-term investment horizon who wishes to invest in a rand denominated fund.

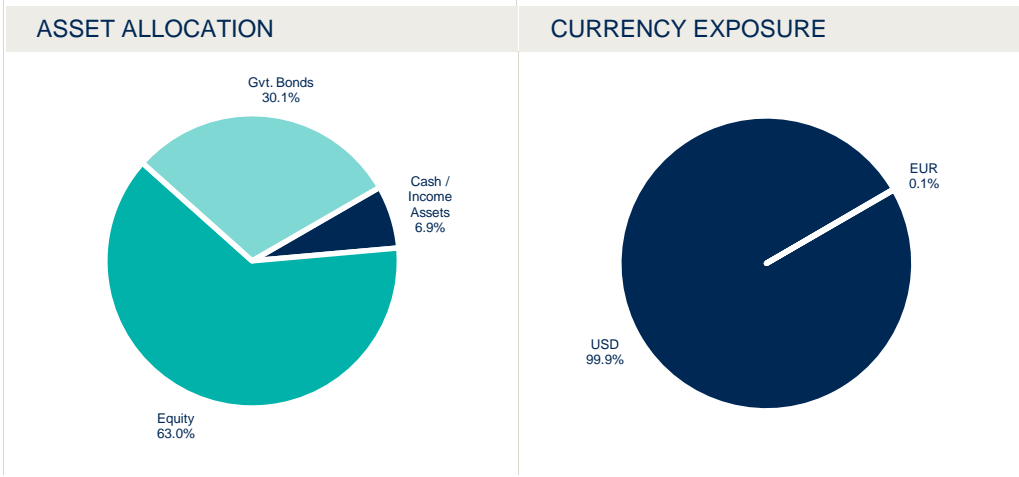
RISK INDICATOR DEFINITION

These portfolios typically exhibit more volatility and potential for capital losses due to higher exposure to equities and exposure to offshore markets where currency fluctuations may result in capital losses. These portfolios typically target returns in the region of 5% - 6% above inflation over the long term.

RISK INDICATOR



ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE (%)	RISK AND FUND STATS	
	Fund	Benchmark
1 year	11.38	12.45
3 years	7.65	9.72
Since incep.	8.03	10.16
Highest rolling 1 year	21.75	26.00
Lowest rolling 1 year	-15.66	-10.93
	Since inception (p.a.)	
	Fund	Benchmark
Alpha	-2.11%	
Sharpe Ratio	0.17	0.37
Standard Deviation	13.41%	11.93%
Max Drawdown	-18.43%	-13.72%
Max Gain	11.84%	9.87%
% Positive Months	57.63%	61.02%



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INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

31 JANUARY 2025

ABOUT THE FUND

Fund Manager:

Prescient Balanced Team

Fund Classification:

Global - Multi Asset - High Equity

Benchmark:

40% MSCI World Index
30% US Treasuries
25% MSCI Emerging Market Index
5% US Cash

JSE Code:

PRGFA2

ISIN:

ZAE000284170

Fund Size:

R10 m

No of Units:

6,081,685

Unit Price (cpu):

147.38

Inception Date:

29 February 2020

Minimum Investment:

R10 000 lump-sum
R1 000 per month

Initial Fee:

0.00%

Annual Management Fee:

0.22% (excl VAT)

Fee Class:

A2

(All performance figures are net of TIC)

Fee Breakdown:

Management Fee	0.22%
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Performance Fees	0.00%
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Other Fees*	1.56%
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Total Expense Ratio (TER)	1.78%
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Transaction Costs (TC)	0.00%
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Total Investment Charge (TIC)	1.78%
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*Other fees includes underlying fee (where applicable): Audit Fees, Custody Fees, Trustee Fees and VAT

Income Distribution:

Does not distribute

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FUND MONTHLY RETURNS

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YTD
2020			-5.88%	11.84%	0.11%	1.88%	2.89%	3.23%	-4.16%	-2.84%	4.33%	-1.33%	9.33%
2021	3.83%	1.44%	-3.02%	2.06%	-4.51%	4.63%	2.23%	-0.49%	0.78%	3.84%	2.86%	2.19%	16.55%
2022	-8.03%	-1.23%	-5.39%	-0.63%	-0.69%	-3.82%	6.37%	-0.84%	-4.83%	5.15%	-1.75%	-0.30%	-15.66%
2023	8.54%	1.11%	-1.10%	3.39%	7.71%	-2.61%	-2.33%	3.56%	-5.28%	-3.49%	10.21%	1.50%	21.75%
2024	0.33%	4.32%	0.97%	-2.46%	1.95%	-0.83%	0.05%	1.07%	-0.13%	0.39%	1.87%	2.52%	10.35%
2025	1.27%												1.27%

Source: Performance calculated by Prescient Fund Services verified by the FSP
Date: 31 January 2025

FUND COMMENTARY

On the global stage, the United States imposed further sanctions on Russia, intensifying pressure on Moscow in the final days of the Biden administration. Following Donald Trump's inauguration on January 20, he pledged to address inflation by declaring a national energy emergency aimed at reducing costs for Americans. His plans focus on boosting domestic production through policy changes that would enable new oil and gas development on federal lands, while also rolling back climate regulations introduced during the Biden administration. Trump has expressed opposition to climate change mitigation efforts, including withdrawing the U.S. from the Paris Climate Agreement and pledging to revoke the electric vehicle mandate. While Trump did not announce China-specific tariffs on his first day in office, he indicated that federal agencies would review policies related to levies on China.

While the Federal Reserve's independence remains a key pillar of economic stability, the policy actions under Trump and the ongoing risks associated with inflation are creating a challenging environment for markets, particularly in terms of bond investments and inflation hedges like gold. Although the Fed has signaled the potential for two rate cuts this year, it opted to keep rates steady at its first meeting of the year, as persistent inflation remains well above the central bank's 2% target. Economists suggest that Trump's economic policies, coupled with geopolitical uncertainties, could drive higher prices, potentially prompting the Fed to delay rate cuts for the remainder of the year or even consider raising rates to combat inflationary pressures.

The final week of January saw Chinese company DeepSeek's artificial intelligence (AI) model make waves on Wall Street, causing significant declines in major tech stocks like Nvidia and sparking concerns about the future of America's dominance in AI. Despite these developments, Donald Trump views AI advancements as potentially beneficial for the U.S., suggesting that cheaper AI development could provide the same results at a lower cost, ultimately benefiting the country.

Despite these concerns, equity indices globally showed mostly positive performance for the month, with the S&P 500 gaining +2.78%, the tech-heavy Nasdaq gaining +1.64%, the UKX up +6.13%, and the EuroStoxx 50 rising +7.98%. However, some major indices posted losses, including the Shanghai SE Composite Index and Nikkei 225, which saw declines of -3.02% and -0.81%, respectively. Meanwhile, the US Treasury Index saw a gain of 0.52%, likely driven by increased market uncertainty following Trump's return to office.

The Fund currently holds a moderately negative view on developed market equity and developed market bonds, as well as a neutral view on emerging market equities.

The Fund was positive for the month, largely due to the strong performance of developed market equities.

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