

Senqu Worldwide Flexible Long Short Prescient RI Hedge Fund

December 2024



Investment Objective & Policy

Senqu Worldwide Flexible Long Short Prescient RI Hedge Fund objective is to generate superior returns for investors over the medium to long-term whilst assuming a moderate amount of investment risk. Subject to such restrictions as may apply under the Act, the Fund may invest in all financial instruments, including but not limited to equities, bonds, preference shares, money market instruments, commodities, ETF's, property shares, derivatives and debentures, whether listed or unlisted and in line with the conditions as determined by legislation from time to time. The fund will seek to leverage and manage risk through short positions and endeavours to deliver lower volatility over time. The fund will take long and short positions and may also retain amounts in cash or cash equivalent in order to maximise returns. The manager shall use the commitment method to calculate the Fund's total exposure.

Investment Manager:

Senqu Capital

Inception Date:

16-Jan-2017

Benchmark:

STeFi

Fund Size:

R689,587,880

Performance (net of fees)

	Fund	STeFi
Return for the month	-1.5%	0.7%
Year to date	+32.3%	8.2%
Rolling 12 months	+32.3%	8.2%
Latest 3 years (annualised)	6.8%	7.0%
Latest 5 years (annualised)	6.5%	5.8%
Since inception (annualised)	7.2%	6.1%
Return since inception	74.0%	60.3%
Highest rolling 12 months	40.1%	
Lowest rolling 12 months	-34.9%	
Gross exposure	71.6%	
Net exposure	63.6%	
Standard Deviation	14.0%	
Maximum Drawdown	-35.3%	

Minimum Investment:

R25,000 lump-sum

R1,000 debit order

Income Distribution (March):

2020: 146.35 cents per unit

2021: 2,494.04 cents per unit

2022: No distribution

2023: No distribution

2024: No distribution

Unit Price:

16,915.47 cents per unit

Units issued:

1,113,910

Service Charge:

1.25% (excl. VAT)

Performance Fee:

20% (excl. VAT) above hard hurdle with high watermark

Prime Broker:

RMB

Auditors:

Ernst & Young Incorporated.

Trustee:

Nedbank

ISIN:

ZAE000238978

Portfolio dealing:

Monthly

Redemption notice period:

Calendar month

Fund Classification:

Worldwide Portfolios - Long

Short Equity Hedge Funds -

Other Equity Hedge Funds

Sector Allocation

	Net	Long	Short
Consumer Discretionary	8.8%	8.8%	0.0%
Consumer Goods	2.2%	2.2%	0.0%
Consumer Services	19.0%	19.0%	0.0%
Property	4.3%	5.5%	-1.2%
Financials	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Healthcare	3.1%	3.1%	0.0%
Industrials	9.6%	9.6%	0.0%
Energy	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Technology	19.4%	19.4%	0.0%
Telecommunications	-1.6%	0.0%	-1.6%
Index Puts	-1.2%	0.0%	-1.2%
Total Equity	63.6%	67.6%	-4.0%

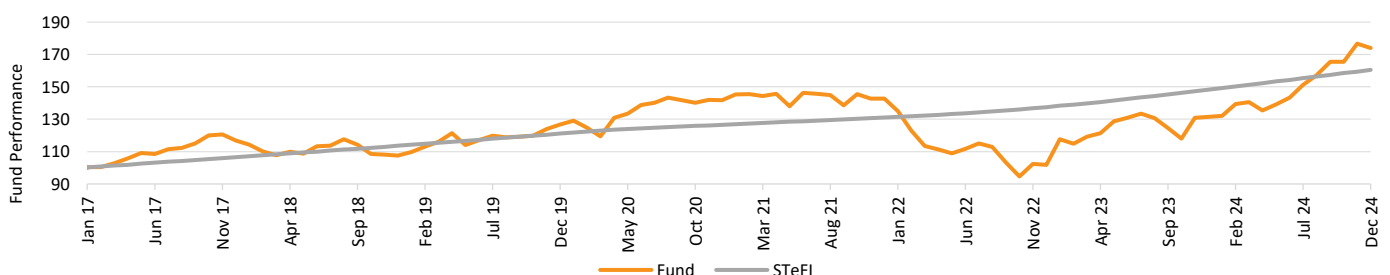
Asset Class (net exposure)

	Foreign	SA	Dec-24	Sep-24
Equity	56.4%	7.3%	63.6%	65.7%
Property	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.9%
Cash	8.1%	28.2%	36.4%	22.9%
Total	64.5%	35.5%	100.0%	100.0%

Monthly Net Returns (ZAR) - % Since Inception

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2017	0.5	-0.1	2.3	3.0	3.2	-0.6	2.7	0.8	2.4	4.3	0.6	-3.2	16.8
2018	-2.3	-3.6	-2.1	2.1	-1.0	4.2	0.3	3.4	-2.8	-5.0	-0.5	-0.5	-8.0
2019	2.0	3.1	2.7	4.6	-6.1	2.7	2.5	-1.0	0.3	0.6	3.4	2.2	17.9
2020	1.8	-3.3	-4.3	9.5	1.9	4.0	1.1	2.2	-1.0	-1.2	1.4	-0.3	11.8
2021	2.6	0.1	-0.8	0.9	-5.3	6.1	-0.4	-0.5	-4.3	4.9	-1.8	0.0	0.8
2022	-5.4	-8.9	-7.7	-2.1	-2.1	2.6	2.9	-1.8	-8.6	-8.3	8.2	-0.6	-28.7
2023	15.6	-2.4	3.8	1.9	6.0	1.6	2.0	-2.0	-4.7	-5.2	11.0	0.5	29.1
2024	0.4	5.6	0.8	-3.7	2.8	3.0	5.4	3.9	5.4	-0.1	6.8	-1.5	32.3

Illustrative Cumulative performance vs Hurdle*





General Information

Collective Investment Schemes (CIS) should be considered as medium to long-term investments. The value of your investment 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. 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 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 Service Charge) from the portfolio divided by the number of participatory interests (units) in issue. Forward pricing is used. Excessive withdrawals from the portfolio may place the portfolio under liquidity pressures and a process of ring-fencing of withdrawal instructions and managed pay-outs over time may be followed. The Manager retains full legal responsibility for any portfolio hosted on its CIS platform. 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. Prescient is a member of the Association for Savings and Investments SA.

Performance Fees

The Fund charges a base and performance fee. Performance fees are payable on outperformance of the benchmark using a participation rate of 20%. A permanent high watermark is applied, which ensure that performance fees will only be charged on new performance.

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 because 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. *The investment performance is for illustrative purposes only. The investment performance 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.

Total Expense Ratio (TER)

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)

Transaction Costs (TC) is the percentage of the value of the Fund incurred 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. The TER and the Transaction costs should not be deducted again from published returns.

Total Investment Charge (Estimated)

The sum of the TER and transaction costs is shown as the Total Investment Charge. Since Fund returns are quoted after the deduction of these expenses, the TER and Transaction costs should not be deducted again from published returns.

Service Charge (incl. VAT)	1.42%
Performance Fee (incl. VAT)	0.00%
Other Costs (incl. VAT)	0.13%
Total Expense Ratio (incl. VAT)	1.55%
Transaction Costs (incl. VAT)	0.16%
Total Investment charge (incl. VAT)	1.71%

Cut-off Times

Investing: hedge fund applications are processed on a monthly basis. Your application form together with proof of payment must be submitted to Prescient before 14h00 on the 2nd business day prior to the last day of the month. Your application will be processed on the 1st day of the following month.

Redemptions: hedge fund redemptions are processed at the end of each month and we require a months' notice. To receive month end prices, your redemption instruction must be submitted to Prescient before 14h00 on the last business day of the month, for processing at the end of the following month.

Glossary Summary

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 return: 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.

High Water Mark: The highest level of performance achieved over a specified period.

Correlation: A statistical measure of how two securities move in relation to each other. Correlation is computed into what is known as the correlation coefficient, which ranges between -1 and +1. Perfect positive correlation (a correlation co-efficient of +1) implies that as one security moves, either up or down, the other security will move in lockstep, in the same direction. If the correlation is 0, the movements of the securities are said to have no correlation.

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

Standard Deviation: It measures the variation of returns around the portfolio's average return

Sharpe ratio: Calculated by subtracting the risk-free rate - such as the STeFI - from the rate of return for a portfolio and dividing the result by the standard deviation of the portfolio returns. The greater a portfolio's Sharpe ratio, the better its risk-adjusted performance has been.

Risk Profiles

Moderate-Aggressive

These portfolios generally hold more equity exposure than low risk portfolios but less than high risk portfolios. In turn, the expected volatility is higher than low risk portfolios, but less than high risk portfolios. The probability of losses is higher than that of the low risk portfolios, but less than high risk portfolios. Expected potential long-term investment returns could therefore be lower than high risk portfolios due to lower equity exposure, but higher than low risk portfolios.

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Trustee

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Investment Manager

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The portfolio has adhered to its policy objective.



Fund Specific Risks

Leverage Risk

This means that the Fund borrows additional funds, or trades on margin, to amplify investment decisions. This means that the volatility of the hedge fund portfolio can be many times that of the underlying investments. The degree to which leverage may be employed in any given hedge fund portfolio will be limited by the mandate the client has with the Fund.

Market Capitalisation Risk

The securities of small-to-medium-sized (by market capitalisation) companies, or financial instruments related to such securities, may have a more limited market than the securities of larger companies and may involve greater risks and volatility than investments in larger companies. Accordingly, it may be more difficult to effect sales of such securities at an advantageous time or without a substantial drop in price than securities of a company with a large market capitalisation and broad trading market. In addition, securities of small-to-medium-sized companies may have greater price volatility as they are generally more vulnerable to adverse market factors such as unfavourable economic reports.

Settlement Risk

It is possible that settlement via a payment system will not take place as expected because payment or delivery by a counterparty fails to take place or is not in accordance with the initial conditions. This risk exists to the extent that the fund invests in regions where the financial markets are not yet well developed and includes stock exchanges or markets on which the fund may trade derivatives which may not be the same as those in more developed markets. This risk is limited, but still present, in regions where the financial markets are well developed.

Custodian Risk

It is possible that the assets of a fund that are held in custody may be lost as a result of insolvency, negligence or fraud on the part of the Custodian or any Sub-Custodian.

Concentration Risk

Certain funds may invest a large proportion of total assets in specific assets or in specific markets. This means that the performance of those assets or markets will have a substantial impact on the value of the fund's portfolio. The greater the diversification of the fund's portfolio, the smaller the concentration risk. Concentration risk will also be higher in more specialised markets (e.g., a specific region, sector or theme) than in widely diversified markets (e.g., a worldwide allocation).

Performance Risk

The risk of lower returns in a fund may vary depending on the choices made by the Manager or any Investment Manager, as well as the existence or non-existence of, or restrictions upon, any third-party security. The risk depends in part on the market risk and on how active the Manager is in the management of the Fund.

Capital Risk

The capital value of Shares of a fund may be affected by various risks to capital, including the potential risk of erosion due to the redemption of Shares and the distribution of profit in excess of the investment return. This risk can be limited by loss-mitigation, capital-protection or capital-guarantee techniques.

Repatriation Risk

It may not be possible for funds to repatriate capital, dividends, interest and other income from certain countries, or it may require government consents to do so. Funds could be adversely affected by the introduction of, or delays in, or refusal to grant any such consent for the repatriation of funds or by any official intervention affecting the process of settlement of transactions. Economic or political conditions could lead to the revocation or variation of consent granted prior to investment being made in any particular country or to the imposition of new restrictions. Repatriation Risk is higher in the case of funds or underlying investments subject to restrictive laws or regulations.

Inflation Risk

Some funds may invest in securities whose value can be adversely affected by changes in inflation, for example, bonds with a long term to maturity and a fixed coupon. Although many companies in which a fund may hold Shares may have operated profitably in the past in an inflationary environment, past performance is no assurance of future performance. Inflation may adversely affect any economy and the value of companies' Shares.

Liquidity Risk

Not all securities or instruments (including derivatives and sub-investment grade bonds) invested in by the funds will be listed or rated and consequently liquidity may be low. Moreover, the accumulation and disposal of holdings in some investments may be time consuming and may need to be conducted at unfavourable prices. The funds may also encounter difficulties in disposing of assets at their fair price due to adverse market conditions leading to limited liquidity.

Redemption Risk

Large redemptions of Shares in a fund might result in the fund being forced to sell assets at a time and price at which it would normally prefer not to dispose of those assets.

Currency Risk

Assets of a fund may be denominated in a currency other than the Base Currency of the fund and changes in the exchange rate between the Base Currency and the currency of the asset may lead to a depreciation of the value of the fund's assets as expressed in the Base Currency. It may not be possible or practical to hedge against such exchange rate risk. The fund's Investment Manager may, but is not obliged to, mitigate this risk by using financial instruments.

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.

Credit Risk

There can be no assurance that issuers of the securities or other instruments in which a Fund invests will not be subject to credit difficulties leading to the loss of some or all of the sums invested in such securities or instruments or payments due on such securities or instruments. Funds will also be exposed to a credit risk in relation to the counterparties with whom they transact or place margin or collateral in respect of transactions in financial derivative instruments and may bear the risk of counterparty default.

Correlation Risk

The prices of financial derivative instruments may be imperfectly correlated to the prices of the underlying securities, for example, because of transaction costs and interest rate movements. The prices of exchange traded financial derivative instruments may also be subject to changes in price due to supply and demand factors.

Foreign Exchange Risk

Where a fund utilises derivatives, which alter the currency exposure characteristics of transferable securities held by the fund the performance of the fund may be strongly influenced by movements in foreign exchange rates because currency positions held by the fund may not correspond with the securities positions held.

Counterparty Risk

Each fund will have credit exposure to counterparties by virtue of positions in swaps, repurchase transactions, forward exchange rate and other financial or derivative contracts held by the fund. To the extent that a counterparty defaults on its obligation and the fund is delayed or prevented from exercising its rights with respect to the investments in its portfolio, it may experience a decline in the value of its position, lose income and incur costs associated with asserting its rights.

Commitment Approach

A methodology for calculating exposure that considers the effective exposure of derivatives to, and takes an aggregate view of, securities with the same or similar underlying exposure, where the total commitment is considered to be the sum of the absolute value of the commitment of each individual position, including derivatives after taking into account netting and hedging.

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Source: All Performance data is from Prescient Fund Services & Bloomberg as at 31 December 2024