## PRESCIENT GLOBAL ABSOLUTE RETURN FUND (A)

## MINIMUM DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

## INVESTMENT AND RETURN OBJECTIVE

The Fund's investment objective is to deliver US CPI +3% through time (denominated in USD) without risk of loss over any rolling twelve-month period. This real return objective of 3% will be targeted with strict downside risk management in place.

## **INVESTMENT PROCESS**

The Fund firstly seeks to maximize the investible yield, subject to strict credit risk considerations. Secondly, market risk taken in the portfolio will be quantified and limited, with the portfolio structured in a way as to best ensure that the risk benchmark for the total Fund is not compromised. Market risk is controlled for, and use is made of derivatives to create protected exposure positions to different assets held in the portfolio. Derivatives will not be used for leverage. The investment universe is broad, including global fixed, floating, real, and nominal money market and bond market investments, ETFs, property, equities, derivatives, and global currencies. The portfolio's exposure to emerging markets will not exceed 20% of its Net Asset Value.

## WHO SHOULD INVEST

Global investors seeking low-risk, long-term capital growth and who have a conservative to medium risk profile, wishing to capture upside returns while minimising downside volatility.

#### RISK INDICATOR DEFINITION

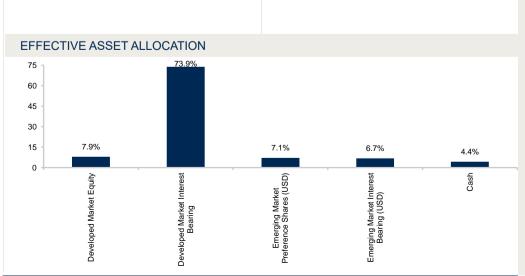
Whilst the portfolio is managed not to deliver negative performances over any twelve-month rolling period, there will still be volatility over the shorter term.

## **RISK INDICATOR**



# ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE (%) **CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE** Not available - New Fund, data will be available 12 months Not available - New Fund, data will be available 12 months after launch after launch. ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE (%) RISK AND FUND STATS Not available - New Fund, data will be available 12 months Not available - New Fund, data will be available 12 months after launch.





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INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

30 NOVEMBER 2024

## ABOUT THE FUND

#### Fund Manager:

Guy Toms, Martin Hammond

## Fund Classification:

GLOBAL-MIXED

## Legal Structure:

**UCITS** 

## Benchmark:

US Consumer Price Index + 3%

## **Bloomberg Code:**

PR74AUSD

ISIN:

IE00030LKXY5

**Fund Size:** 

\$2.1 m No of Units:

206,004

Unit Price (cpu):

1,027.75

**Inception Date:** 

30 June 2024

**Minimum Investment:** 

\$5,000

\$2 500 per month

**Initial Fee:** 

0.00%

## Annual Management Fee:

0.35%

## Fee Class:

(All performance figures are net of TIC)

## Fee Breakdown:

Total Investment Charge (TIC)	0.39%
Transaction Costs (TC)	0.00%
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	0.39%
Other Fees*	0.04%
Performance Fees	0.00%
Management Fee	0.35%

<sup>\*</sup>Other fees includes underlying fee (where applicable): Audit Fees, Custody Fees and Trustee Fees

The fees outlined above are preliminary estimates. The accurate fees will be available a year after the fund's inception date.

## Income Distribution:

Does Not Distribute

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## **FUND MONTHLY RETURNS**

Not available - New Fund, data will be available 12 months after launch.

## **FUND COMMENTARY**

The Fund continues to perform in line with the benchmark of the USA CPI + 3%. Risk exposure has been carefully managed, and the Fund delivered as expected during a volatile period.

The Fund is structured with a series of short-term U.S. Treasury bills, some short-duration emerging market bonds with a maturity of less than one year, preference shares, short-duration global investment-grade credit, and equity exposure through call options. Total emerging market exposure is limited to 20%

Equity markets remain volatile, and direct exposure to equity introduces too much risk for the Fund. Rather an equity call spread is held, to allow for more risk-controlled upside exposure. This holding was the largest contributor to fund return over the course of the month as developed markets were strongly positive due to the Federal Reserve cutting rates over the course of November.

In terms of interest-bearing assets, the Fund carries low credit and low bond duration risk. Longer-dated yields have already factored in significant cuts to interest rates, presenting a risk that these cuts may not materialize. Credit spreads are low, and credit exposure is kept short in this environment.

Volatility is expected to remain elevated in the short term as markets and Central Banks navigate concerns over recession and interest rates, while equity valuations are generally high.

The Fund will continue to operate according to its mandate, with a focus on achieving the target return while maintaining strict risk management.

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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.

Max Gain: Largest increase in any single month.

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

## **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.

Developing Market (excluding SA) risk: Some of the countries invested in may have less developed legal, political, economic and/or other systems. These markets carry a higher risk of financial loss than those in countries generally regarded as being more developed.

Foreign Investment risk: Foreign securities investments may be subject to risks pertaining to overseas jurisdictions and markets, including (but not limited to) local liquidity, macroeconomic, political, tax, settlement risks and currency fluctuations.

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.

Currency exchange risk: Changes in the relative values of individual currencies may adversely affect the value of investments and any related income.

Geographic / Sector risk: For investments primarily concentrated in specific countries, geographical regions and/or industry sectors, their resulting value may decrease whilst portfolios more broadly invested might grow.

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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## **DISCLAIMER**

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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 Global Funds ICAV by or before 10h00 (Irish Time), 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 17h00 (New York Time). Prices are published daily and are available on the Prescient website.

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