



#### Investor Profile

The Fund is suitable for individuals, charities, trusts and companies that seek an actively managed balanced portfolio which invests in direct equity instruments and collective investment schemes, both locally and offshore. The Fund is subject to currency risk as a result. The Fund is suitable for retirement funding purposes as a stand-alone option and complies with Reg 28.



#### Investment Objective and Strategy

The objective of the Fund is to achieve total returns in excess of the composite benchmark over the medium-term, whilst actively managing capital through economic cycles.

The Fund will invest in equity, cash, bond, credit, alternative and property instruments as well as 3rd party funds and other instruments as determined by the Authority from time to time that conform with the Fund objectives.

The Fund will be positioned according to the portfolio manager's assessment of prevailing investment prospects for each asset class and when deemed appropriate, the portfolio manager may invest up to 45% in offshore assets and up to a maximum of 75% of the portfolio in equities in line with Regulation 28 parameters.

#### Highest / lowest rolling 1 year return since inception

Class A1:	Highest	33.7%	Lowest	-10.4%
Class A2:	Highest	33.1%	Lowest	-10.7%

#### Net Annualised Performance Return (%) Class A1

	Benchmark	CBFA1	Relative
Inception (unannualised)	151.7	102.5	-49.2
Inception (annualised)	10.9	8.2	-2.7
5 Years (annualised)	12.1	12.1	0.0
3 Years (annualised)	9.8	8.3	-1.5
2 Years (annualised)	14.1	13.0	-1.2
1 Year	15.4	12.6	-2.8

Source of all performance data : Morningstar Direct (06.01.2025)

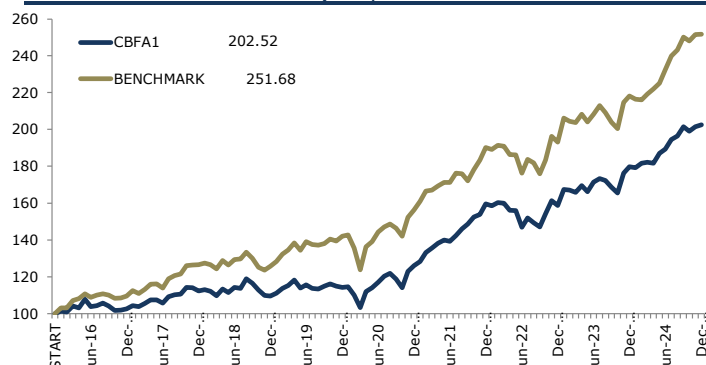
#### Fund & unit information

	Class A1	Class A2
Pricing Daily at:	17:00	17:00
Min Lump Sum:	R 10 000 000	R 10 000
Min Debit Order:	n/a	R 1 000
Unit Price (cents):	156.39	155.92
Units in issue:	73 489 030	64 130 991
Distributions:	Annually in Cents Per Unit (cpu)	
Distribution History (March 2024):	5.49	4.93
Distribution History (March 2023):	5.99	5.42

#### Notes on performance charts and tables

The actual investment performance which is depicted and tabulated in this MDD is for illustrative purposes and is calculated by taking the actual initial fees and all ongoing fees into account. Income is reinvested on the reinvestment date.

#### Value of R100 invested at inception, income reinvested. NAV-NAV



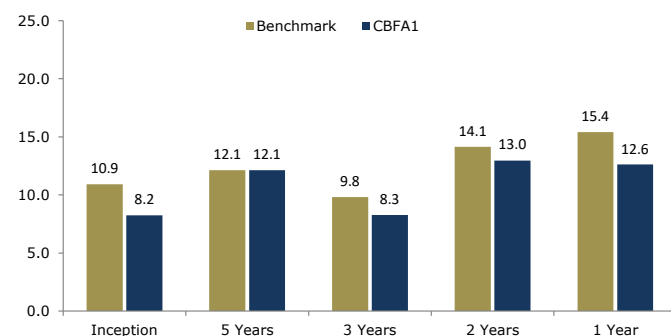
#### Top 10 Fund Holdings

Top 10 Fund Holdings	%
Cordatus Worldwide Flexible Prescient Fund B3	19.6
Coronation Bond Fund P	9.3
PIM Flexible Bond Fund B1	9.2
Coronation Strategic Income Fund P	3.9
Naspers Ltd - N Shares	3.1
Discovery Holdings Ltd	3.1
Standard Bank Group Ltd	2.9
Glencore Xstrata Plc	2.4
British American Tobacco Plc	2.2
Anglogold Ashanti PLC	2.2

#### Asset Allocation %

Asset Class	Domestic	Offshore	Total
Equity	45.5	25.2	70.8
Property	0.1	0.7	0.8
Bonds	18.4	0.9	19.3
Preference Shares	2.8	0.3	3.1
Cash	4.2	1.8	6.0
Hedged	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other (Gold ETF)	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>71.0</b>	<b>29.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

#### % annualised returns over discreet rolling periods & since inception



#### About the Fund

Portfolio Manager:	Craig McKay, B.Com(Hons), CFA
Benchmark*:	50% FTSE/JSE All Share Index [TR] + 25% BESA All Bond Index [TR] + 10% SteFi Cash 15% MSCI World Index [TR]
Base Currency:	SA Rands
ASISA Sector:	SA - Multi Asset - High Equity
Fund NAV (R'm):	214.9
JSE Code:	A1: CBPA1
ISIN Code:	A1: ZAE000213856
Dealing:	Daily
Inception Date:	January 18, 2016
Administration:	Prescient Fund Services (Pty) Ltd
Custodians:	Nedbank Investor Services
Bankers:	Nedbank
Auditors:	Ernst & Young Incorporated
Regulator:	Financial Sector Conduct Authority (FSCA)
Cordatus FSP No:	21263
Regulation 28:	Compliant
TFSA:	Tax Free Savings Account Compliant

## FAIS: potential conflict of interest disclosure

Please note that where a Cordatus-branded portfolio is proposed within any recommendations made to investors and, or when a Cordatus-branded portfolio forms part of a discretionary wealth offering, the investment division within Cordatus earns a fee for the day-to-day investment management of that portfolio. This is not an additional fee and is included in the portfolio TER, which is disclosed in the latest Minimum Disclosure Document (MDD) applicable to the solution offered and or utilised as part of a wider wealth management portfolio.

## Fund charges (incl VAT)

	Class A1	Class A2
Base Fee:	0.75	1.15
Other Fees:	0.16	0.17
<b>Total Exp Ratio (TER):</b>	<b>0.91</b>	<b>1.32</b>
Transaction Costs (TC):	0.15	0.15
<b>Total Inv Charge (TIC):</b>	<b>1.06</b>	<b>1.47</b>

TIC Data: 01 October 2023 to 30 September 2024

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. **Transaction Costs (TC)** is the percentage of the value of the Fund incurred as 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. The **Total Investment Charge (TIC)** 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.

## Specific risks that may apply to the fund

**Default risk:** The risk that the issuers of fixed income instruments (e.g. bonds) may not be able to meet interest payments, nor repay the money they have borrowed. The issuers credit quality is vital as 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:** The counter-party 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.

## Contact

### Investment Manager:

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Forward pricing is used. Where a current yield has been included for a Fund that derives 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.

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.

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**Medium / Moderate Risk Portfolios:** Generally, these portfolios hold more equity and offshore exposure than lower risk portfolios and less equity and less offshore exposure than higher risk portfolios.

## Glossary

### Annualised performance:

An annualized total return is the geometric average amount of money earned by an investment each year over a given time period. It is calculated as a geometric average to show what an investor would earn over a period of time if the annual return was compounded.

### NAV:

The Net Asset Value (NAV) represents the assets of the Fund less its liabilities.

### Highest / Lowest 1 year return:

These figures represent the highest and lowest rolling 12-month returns on each unit class of the Fund since inception.

### Medium Risk Portfolios:

Generally, these portfolios hold more equity and offshore exposure than lower risk portfolios (thereby showing a higher level of volatility) and less equity and less offshore exposure than higher risk portfolios (thereby showing a lower level of volatility in returns over the recommended holding period).

## Investor Signature & Date



December 2024

# General Investor Report

## Cordatus Balanced Prescient Fund A1



### Return for the quarter ending 31 December 2024 %

CORDATUS	BALANCED FUND A1	0.5
SA Equity	FTSE/JSE All Share	-2.1
SA Property	FTSE/JSE SA Listed Property	-0.8
SA Bonds	BEASSA All Bond	0.4
SA Preference shares	FTSE/JSE Preference Share	5.1
SA Cash	STeFI Call Deposit	1.9
SA Inflation	Urban, All Areas	0.0

### Change in Top 10 holdings over quarter 12.2024 09.2024

Cordatus Worldwide Flex Prescient Fund B3	19.6	18.3
Coronation Bond Fund P	9.3	9.2
PIM Flexible Bond Fund B1	9.2	9.0
Coronation Strategic Income Fund P	3.9	6.1
Naspers Ltd - N Shares	3.1	3.1
Discovery Holdings Ltd	3.1	2.7
Standard Bank Group Ltd	2.9	3.1
Glencore Xstrata Plc	2.4	2.9
British American Tobacco Plc	2.2	2.0
Anglogold Ashanti PLC	2.2	2.3

### Top & Bottom 5: contribution % for quarter Return Contri

Cordatus Worldwide Flexible Prescient Fund B3	5.9	1.1
Discovery Holdings Ltd	14.3	0.4
Alphabet Inc Class A	25.1	0.3
WESCO International Inc	18.2	0.2
Pepkor Holdings Limited	20.2	0.2
Anglogold Ashanti PLC	-8.3	-0.2
Standard Bank Group Ltd	-8.5	-0.3
Grindrod Ltd	-20.8	-0.4
Glencore Xstrata Plc	-15.5	-0.4
Anheuser-Busch InBev SA/NV	-17.8	-0.5

### Asset Allocation % 12.2024 09.2024

Equity	70.8	68.0
Property	0.8	0.9
Bonds	19.3	19.7
Prefs	3.1	3.1
Cash	6.0	8.3
Other	0.0	0.0
Domestic	71.0	72.0
Offshore	29.0	28.0

### Risk: Drawdown



### Risk: Rolling period returns over 5 yrs 3 yrs 1 yr

Maximum return	12.1	17.1	33.7
Average return	8.3	8.0	8.2
Minimum return	4.8	-0.7	-10.4

### All figures in ZAR %

Offshore Equity	MSCI World Index	9.3
Offshore Property	FTSE EPRA Nareit Global	-1.3
Offshore Bonds	FTSE WGBI	3.6
Offshore Inflation	US BLS Urban All Areas	2.5
Offshore Cash	ICE BofA Overnight	10.8
ZAR	vs USD	-9.4
ZAR	vs GBP	-2.1

### Activity during the quarter

The period under review was relatively quiet with a new direct offshore stock purchase in the form of Alphabet (GOOGL) which was deemed to be trading on an attractive valuation and a large enough margin of safety to justify entering the position. Locally, we added to our existing position in Southern Sun, increasing our travel & leisure exposure. A reduction in the Coronation Strategic Income Fund funded these positions.

### Contributions to Fund quarterly return

As expected from a stock, asset class and geographically diversified portfolio, the source of both contributors to and detractors from absolute returns was diverse. From banks (SBK) taking a breather after a stellar run, slowing Chinese growth (GLN) to riots in Mozambique affecting port operations in Maputo (GND). Contributors were just as diverse, from discount SA retailers (PPH) to US industrials (WCC). The Worldwide Fund holding is showing the impact of low US tech exposure, with the manager finding a higher margin of safety in diversified financials, industrials and energy stocks.

### Changes in asset allocation

Equity, both domestic and offshore, was increased slightly during the period. Cash resources funded the new positions.

### A note on portfolio risk

Drawdown measures the peak-to-trough decline during a specific period, quoted as a percentage between the latest peak and subsequent trough of the FoF, before a new peak is achieved. It is instructive when measuring the loss to the portfolio during a period and the subsequent return required to return to the previous peak of the portfolio. The drawdown profile shown alongside depicts the increased volatility being experienced in risk markets over the past 5 years. Asset allocation intervention during such periods is necessary to compress the recovery time factor and/or limit further downside. The appropriate period over which to measure performance of the Fund is rolling 3-year periods, given the risk profile and recommended holding period. Shorter measurement periods are linked to a higher variance in returns (see table below left).

### Adherence to Fund Policy Objective

The Fund has adhered to its Policy Objective, as stated in the Supplemental Deed, in all respects during the quarter. There are no unresolved breaches to report from prior periods.

### Annual Total Investment Charge (TIC) % 09.2024 09.2023 09.2022

Cordatus Balanced Fund Class A 1	1.06	1.02	1.04
Cordatus Balanced Fund Class A 2	1.46	1.43	1.45

### Annual Income Distribution (cpu) 03.2024 03.2023 03.2022

Cordatus Balanced Fund Class A 1	5.49	5.99	3.18
Cordatus Balanced Fund Class A 2	4.93	5.42	2.65

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