

Prescient

30 September 2024

Minimum Disclosure Document & General Investor Report Investment objective

The Maestro Equity Prescient Fund will be a general equity portfolio. The Manager in selecting securities for the portfolio will seek to follow an investment policy which will secure for investors an optimum overall return, that is to say the steady growth of income and the preservation of capital in real terms. In order to achieve these main objectives, the investments to be acquired for the Maestro Equity Prescient Fund, shall comprise a mix of securities, financially sound ordinary shares, stock, financially sound preference shares, debenture stock, debenture bonds and unsecured notes as defined in the Act and the Deed, all to be acquired at a fair market value.

The Fund benchmark

The Fund will measure itself against the FTSE-JSE All Share Index. ASISA Classification: South African-Equity-General.

Legal structure

The Fund is a scheme in the nature of a trust known as a collective investment scheme. The portfolio manager is Maestro Investment Management (Pty) Ltd, an approved Financial Services Provider in terms of the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act, operating under license number 739. This portfolio operates as a white label fund under the Prescient unit Trust Scheme, which is governed by the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act.

Fee structure

The maximum initial fee is 2.0%. The annual investment management fee is 1.75%. The annual total expense ratio (TER) for period ended 30 June 2024, in respect of class A was 2.28%.

Income declaration (annually) 47.43 cents per unit 31 March 2024

Fund size R15 603 837

NAV

Class A: 4 022.81

Number of units in issue (A class) 315 368.6049

Fund inception date 1 July 2005

Management Company Prescient Management Company (RF) (Pty) Ltd PO Box 31142, Tokai, 7945

Trustee and auditor Trustee: Nedbank Limited Auditor: Ernst & Young incorporated

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Market Overview

The MSCI World and Emerging market indices rose 1.7% and 6.5% respectively. The Chinese authorities unleashed a barrage of fiscal and monetary support for their ailing economies and markets. Chinese equity markets posted unprecedented gains albeit off low bases – the Chinese equity market rose 25% in only a few days, but for the month as a whole, the Shanghai Composite index rose 17.4% and the Hong Kong index 17.5%. These returns boosted those from emerging markets.

The remaining large emerging markets didn't fare too well: India rose 2.4%, but Brazil declined 3.1%. It is worth highlighting here though that, aided by a strong (3.0%) rand, the All Share index rose 7.6% in dollar terms, bringing its annual return to end-September to 35.5% in dollar terms, the strongest major emerging market over this period. The Japanese equity market, having risen strongly so far this year, lost 1.9%. The UK market lost 1.7%. On the other hand, the German market rose 2.2%, the US market 2.1% and the tech-heavy NASDAQ market 2.7%. The Swiss equity market declined 2.2% in September.

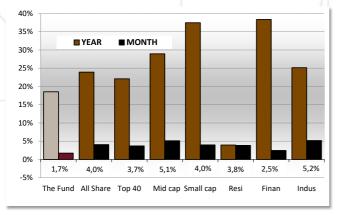
The Bloomberg Global Aggregate Bond index rose 1.7% in September, but its year-to-date return of 3.6% is still far off the MSCI World and S&P500 comparable returns of 17.5% and 22.0% respectively. The dollar declined 0.9%, partly on the back of the decline in US interest rates and the confirmation that further interest rate reductions lie ahead. The weaker dollar spurred an increase in the commodity price complex: the price of gold rose to a record high of \$2 661.85 per ounce, a monthly gain of 5.7%, although the oil price lost 6.3% despite the increased geopolitical tensions in the Middle East – it has now declined 21.8% during the past year.

"To achieve great things, two things are needed; a plan, and not quite enough time." - Leonard Bernstein

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Returns for periods ended 30 September 2024



Local market returns

The rand rose 3.0% against the dollar, following its 2.5% increase in August. Together with higher global markets and commodity prices, this boosted prices across the board. The All Share index rose 4.0%. The Basic Material, Financial, and Industrial indices posted monthly gains of 3.8%, 2.5%, and 5.2% respectively. Bond prices were firm, too, which had the All Bond index end 3.9%. The latter index has now risen 26.1% during the past year, which exceeds even the All Share index annual return of 23.9%.

Investment Manager comment

During September, the *Maestro Equity Prescient Fund rose* 1.7% in September, below the 4.0% gain in the All Share index. In the face of the rand's 3.0% rise against the dollar, the Fund's large (33.4%) offshore exposure retarded the returns during the month. Richemont declined 2.2% in rand terms, while the US and World index ETFs lost 1.0% and 0.7% respectively. Billiton rose 9.9%, and Discovery rose 12.3%.

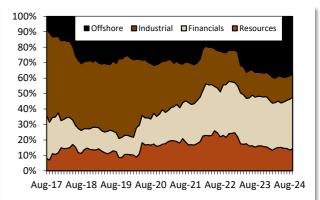
There were no material changes to the Fund's portfolio during September.

The Fund adhered to its Policy objective during the month.

Largest holdings as at 30 September 2024

Investment	% of Fund
Sygnia iTrix MSCI World ETF	16.6%
Sygnia iTrix US ETF	9.0%
Capitec Bank Holdings Ltd	8.4%
Satrix Resources (Resi) ETF	8.0%
CoreShares S&P500 ETF	7.8%
Afrimat Ltd	6.6%
Firstrand Ltd	6.6%
Discovery Ltd	6.2%
Standard Bank Group	5.9%
BHP Group Ltd	4.7%
Total	79.4%

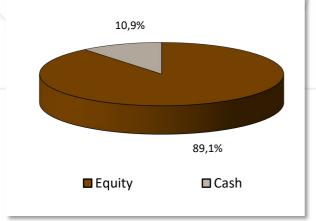
Historic sector allocation (% of Equity)



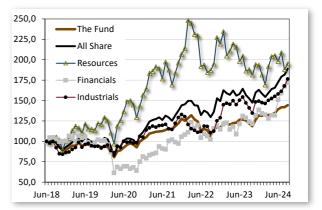
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Five-year cumulative performance*



*The cumulative performance is for illustrative purposes only. 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.

Month and annual average returns (%)

Investment	1 month	1 year	3 years	5 years	7 years	10 years	15 years
Maestro Equity Prescient Fund*	1.7	18.4	8.2	9.2	4.6	4.1	7.3
FTSE-JSE All share index	4.1	24.0	14.7	13.7	10.4	9.4	12.2
ASISA SA General Equity category ave.	3.8	21.9	11.6	11.6	8.2	7.3	10.0

*Performance is net of all fees and costs

Source: Financial Times, Morningstar; 30 September 2024

Calendar year performance (%)

Investment	YTD	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Maestro Equity Prescient Fund*	9.7	14.0	-9.1	24.6	10.7	4.4	-13.4
FTSE-JSE All share index	15.9	9.3	3.6	29.2	7.0	12.1	-8.5

*Performance is net of all fees and costs

Source: Financial Times; 30 September 2024

Rolling return (%)

Highest rolling 1-year return (since launch)	41.9%
Lowest rolling 1-year return (since launch)	-34.5%

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Glossary Summary

Annualized performance: Annualized performance shows longer term performance rescaled to a 1 year period. Annualized 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.

Total Expense Ratio (TER)

As at 30 June 2024 the TER for Class A units were as follows:

Management Fee	2.00%
Performance Fees	0.00%
Other Cost	0.65%
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	2.65%
Transaction Costs (TC)	0.01%
Total Investment Charge (TIC)	2.66%

Minimum investment:

Lump sum: R100 000 Debit order: R1 000

Risk Profile:

The Fund's risk profile is classified as high as listed equity investments make up the majority of the Fund's holdings. Generally, equities have a higher level of volatility compared with other asset classes, however the expected long term returns are higher than other classes.

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