# Cogence Global Equity Prescient Fund of Funds

## Minimum Disclosure Document & General Investor Report

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Fund Details		
Investment manager	Cogence (Pty) Ltd	
Asset allocation advised by	BlackRock	
Launch date	22 August 2022	
ASISA classification	(ASISA) - Global - Equity - General	
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	MSCI World USD (Unhedged)	
Risk profile	Very High	
Fund size	R51 404 871	
Income declaration	Bi Annually (End March and September)	
Regulation 28 compliant	No	
Currency	South African Rands	
NAV price at month	145.07c	
Inception NAV price	100c	
Number of units	35 078 990	
Annual fees (Incl. VAT)	0.89%	
Perfomance fees	None	
Total expense ratio (TER)	1.01%	
Transaction costs (TC)	0.10%	
Total investment charges (TIC)	1.11%	
JSE code	COGPFA	
ISIN number	ZAE000312310	
Transaction cut-off time:	16:00	

#### Notes

### Illustrative cumulative performance for a R100 lump-sum investment since launch



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 and income is reinvested on the reinvestment date.

#### Investment policy

The objective of this fund is to achieve long-term total returns and growth comprising of both capital and income. This will be achieved by investing in various collective investment scheme portfolios that have a bias to international equities. The portfolio will be actively managed in line with an aggressive risk profile and will have exposure to various asset classes. Investments will include offshore domiciled equity that offers long-term returns.

The fund has adhered to its policy objectives as stated in the supplemental deed.

#### Who this investment may be suitable for

This investment is suitable for investors seeking high exposure to global equities and looking for a fund aiming for high long-term returns in US dollars. Although the fund investment universe is global, the fund is priced and traded daily in SA rands. These investors are willing to withstand higher levels of short-term volatility.

Historical Performance		
Period	Fund	Benchmark
1 month	6.49%	5.99%
3 months	4.14%	5.57%
YTD	14.41%	18.86%
1 year	15.92%	20.22%
3 year	-	-
5 year	-	-
Since Launch (Ann.)	17.75%	18.14%
Since Launch (Cum.)	45.07%	46.15%

Performance data longer than 1 year is annualised.

Risk Statistics (Since launch)		
Statistic	Fund	Benchmark
Volatility	15.51%	15.62%
Maximum drawdown	-8.61%	-9.91%
Highest one-year return	33.04%	31.51%
Lowest one-year return	12.57%	12.72%
Sharpe ratio (Rf = 0%)	1.11	1.13

Performance is calculated using the Total Returns Index (TRI), net of fees, with all dividend and/or income declarations reinvested on the declaration date at the net asset value price at that time. Investment performance is for illustrative purposes only.

Benchmark and performance data is provided by Cogence (Pty) Ltd. The benchmark is a combination of global market index prices, first measured in US Dollars, and then converted into South African Rands.

<sup>2.</sup> There have been no material changes to the fund details displayed above since the fund launch.

Fund Holdings	
Name	Allocation
BR Sustainable Equities Factor Plus	50.1%
BR Global Uncontrained Equities	29.4%
Ishares Core MSCI World UCITS ETF	19.4%
Cash USD	0.8%
Cash South African Rand	0.3%

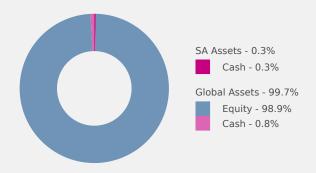
May not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Top 10 Holdings	
Microsoft Corp	6.5%
Apple Inc	3.7%
Novo Nordisk AS Class B	3.4%
ASML Holding NV	3.1%
NVIDIA Corp	3.1%
S&P Global Inc	2.3%
Meta Platforms Inc Class A	2.2%
Mastercard Inc Class A	2.2%
Lvmh Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton SE	1.6%
Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc	1.6%

#### **Income Distribution (Last 12 Months)**

No income declared in the last 12 months.

#### Asset allocation chart



#### Portfolio composition

There have been no material changes to the composition of the fund over the last quarter.

#### Monthly market commentary

November presented a mixed performance for financial markets. In equity markets, US shares outperformed following Donald's Trump's victory in the Presidential election. Emerging market equities, however, performed negatively amid worries over trade tariffs. Fixed income markets delivered slight positive returns over the month. In equities, developed markets increased by 4.9% and remained up by 23.9% year-to-date. At a regional level, European equities returned -0.1% over the month (YTD 8.4%), while US equities and Japanese equities ended the month at 6.3% and -0.8%, respectively (with YTD returns of 28.3% and 16.2%). Emerging market equities were also challenged over the period, leading to a negative return of 3.6%. In fixed income markets, developed market bonds delivered slight positive returns. US treasuries and UK gilts both increased by 0.8% and 1.7%, respectively. In currencies, the Euro depreciated by 2.7% relative to the USD, while Sterling depreciated by 1.1% against the USD.

In the US, headline inflation rose to 2.6% year-on-year from 2.4%, while the core inflation remained steady at 3.3% year-on-year in October. The Federal Reserve decreased interest rates by 25bps to 4.50-4.75%, as the labor market conditions have generally eased, and inflation has made progress towards the 2% target but remained elevated. In Europe, headline inflation rose to 2.3% year-on-year, while core inflation remained steady at 2.7% year-on-year in November. The ECB is meeting on 12 December and is expected to lower interest rates. Towards the end of November, the French government approached collapse over attempts at proposing changes to the budget, aiming to lower their deficit. In the UK, headline inflation rose to 2.3% year-on-year in October, while core inflation rose from 3.2% to 3.3% year-on-year. The Bank of England cut by 25bps bringing current Bank Rate to 4.75%.

Fixed income markets performed positively in general despite volatility earlier in November around the US elections. The US 10-year fell from 4.28% to 4.19% and the 2-year rose from 4.17% to 4.18%. Germany's 10-year yield decreased from 2.39% to 2.09% and the 2-year decreased from 2.32% to 1.96%. In the UK, the yield on 10-year and 2-year Gilts both decreased from 4.45% to 4.25% and 4.44% to 4.24%, respectively. US and European high yield delivered positive results. Global investment grade credit performed positively. Emerging market debt performed positively in both local currency and in USD. Crude oil remained flat while gold depreciated by 3.0%.

#### General

Collective investment schemes (Unit Trusts) are generally medium to long-term investments. The value of participatory interests (units) or the investment may go down as well as up. Past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. Collective investment schemes are traded at ruling prices and can engage in borrowing and scrip lending (i.e. borrowing and lending of assets). The manager does not provide any guarantee, with respect to the capital or the return of a portfolio. Prescient retains full legal responsibility for the third-party-named portfolio. Any forecasts and/or commentary in this document are not guaranteed to occur. Different classes of participatory interests apply to these portfolios and are subject to different fees and charges. A schedule of all fees and charges, inclusive of VAT and maximum commissions, is available on request from us or from your financial adviser. Forward pricing is used.

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#### **Yields**

The yield for bond and income portfolios is historic and is calculated quarterly.

#### Important information

The collective investment scheme may borrow up to 10% of the market value of the portfolio to bridge insufficient liquidity. The ability of the portfolio to repurchase is dependent upon the liquidity of the securities and cash of the portfolio. A manager may suspend repurchases for a period, subject to regulatory approval, to await liquidity, and the manager must keep the investors informed about these circumstances.

A fund of funds is a portfolio that invests in portfolios of collective investment schemes that levy their own charges. This could result in a higher fee structure.

Lump-sum performance returns are being quoted. Income distributions, prior to deduction of applicable taxes, are included in the performance calculations. NAV to NAV figures have been used for the performance calculations, as calculated by the manager at the valuation point defined in the deed, over all reporting periods. Investment performance calculations are available for verification upon request by any person. Reinvestment of income is calculated on the actual amount distributed per participatory interest, using the ex-dividend date NAV price of the applicable class of the portfolio, irrespective of the actual reinvestment date. The performance is calculated for the fee class. The individual investor performance may differ, as a result of initial fees, the actual investment date, the date of reinvestment and dividend withholding tax.

The rate of return is calculated on a total return basis, and the following elements may involve a reduction of the investor's capital: interest rates, economic outlook, inflation, deflation, economic and political shocks or changes in economic policy. Annualised returns are period returns re-scaled to a period of one year. This allows investors to compare returns of different assets that they have owned for different lengths of time. All period returns greater than one year have been annualised. Returns for periods less than one year have not been annualised. A cumulative return is the aggregate amount an investment has gained or lost over time, independent of the period of time involved. Actual annual figures are available to the investor on request. Illustrative investment performance is for illustrative purposes only.

#### Specific fund risks

Derivatives
 Exposure to foreign securities
 Drawdown
 Bond
 Bond

For a detailed description of these risks, and other risks that are relevant to the portfolio, please refer to the CIS and other Risk Disclosure Documents, available at www.cogence.co.za.

#### Glossary

Annualised - An annualised return is the weighted average compound growth rate over the period measured.

Highest & Lowest return - The highest and lowest returns for any one year over the period since inception have been shown.

Volatility - Volatility (also called standard deviation) is a measure of how widely the returns varied over the period measured.

Maximum drawdown - A maximum drawdown is the maximum loss from a peak to trough of the portfolio over the period measured, before a new peak is attained.

Sharpe ratio - The sharpe ratio is a measure of risk-adjusted returns. The sharpe ratio reflectes the extent to which an investment compensates for extra risk.

NAV - The net asset value represents the assets of a fund less its liabilities.

#### What is the total investment charge (TIC)

Total expense ratio (TER) is the percentage of the value of the portfolio that was incurred as expenses relating to the administration (charges, levies and fees) of the portfolio. TER is calculated over rolling 3 years (or since inception, where applicable), and is annualised, to the most recent calendar quarter-end. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a good return. The current TER may not necessarily be an accurate indication of future TER's. Transaction costs (TC) is the percentage of the value of the portfolio that was incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the assets underlying the portfolio. Transaction Costs are a necessary cost in administering the portfolio and impacts portfolio 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 financial product, the investment decisions of the investment manager, and the TER. Calculations are based on actual data, where possible, and best estimates, where actual data is not available. Total investment charges (TIC) is the percentage of the value of the portfolio that was incurred as costs relating to the investment of the portfolio. It is the sum of the TER and TC.

For additional information on the portfolio, refer to the application forms, quarterly investment report and minimum disclosure documents, available on our website, www.cogence.co.za, from your financial adviser, or on request from the manager, free of charge.

The complaints policy and procedure, as well as the conflicts of interest management policy, are available on our website www.cogence.co.za. Associates of the manager may be invested within certain portfolios, and the details thereof are available from the manager. The manager has the right to close certain portfolios to new investors, in order to manage them more efficiently, in accordance with their manadates.

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.

- Performance data reflected in the MDD was sourced from morningstar as at 10th December 2024.
- This document was published on 18 December 2024.

Please note that all documents, notifications of deposit, investment, redemption and switch applications must be received by Prescient by or before 13:00 (SA), 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 either 3pm or 5pm depending on the nature of the Fund. Prices are published daily and are available on the Prescient website.

This portfolio operates as a white label fund under the Prescient Unit Trust Scheme, which is governed by the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act.

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