

**SYNTHETIC RISK REWARD INDICATOR**



Equity and property investments are volatile by nature and subject to potential capital loss. For credit and income instruments, while unlikely, capital loss may also occur due to an event like the default of an issuer.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**PERFORMANCE INDICATOR:** 3 month LIBID + 1% to 3% over a minimum 3 years

**APPROPRIATE TERM:** Minimum 3 years

**PEER GROUP:** 50/50 average of the Morningstar Moderate Allocation USD and Morningstar Cautious Allocation USD

**INVESTMENT MANAGER:** Nedgroup Investments (IOM) Limited; licensed by the Isle of Man Financial Services Authority. An Isle of Man based fund manager providing investment management services to assets in excess of USD 5bn. Licensed by the Isle of Man Financial Services Authority.

**FUND LEGAL STRUCTURE:** Irish OEIC UCITS IV

**INCEPTION DATE:** 19 August 2011

**MARKET VALUE:** USD 265.1m

**PRICES (as at 30 November 2021)**

USD CLASS C: USD 13.1913

GBP CLASS C: GBP 14.9588

**MANAGEMENT FEE CLASS C:** 0.50% p.a.

**ON-GOING CHARGES (as at 30 November 2021)<sup>2</sup>**

USD Class C: 1.26%

GBP Class C: 1.3%

**MINIMUM INVESTMENT CLASS C**

USD 1,500 / GBP 1,000

**DEALING**

Daily

**NOTICE PERIODS**

Subscriptions: Noon T-1

Redemptions: Noon T-1

**SETTLEMENT PERIODS**

Subscriptions: T+2

Redemptions: T+3

**ISIN / SEDOL**

CLASS C USD: IE00B9CBCV86 / B9CBCV8

CLASS C GBP: IE00B83TLZ10 / B83TLZ1

**MINIMUM DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT**

Please note: Differences may exist due to rounding

**FUND OBJECTIVE**

The Balanced MultiFund aims to provide moderate levels of growth with moderate levels of risk and volatility over the medium to longer-term.

The Sub-Fund is actively managed and is not managed in reference to any benchmark. It is managed by reference to a performance target which is to outperform USD LIBID +1% to 3% over a minimum three years.

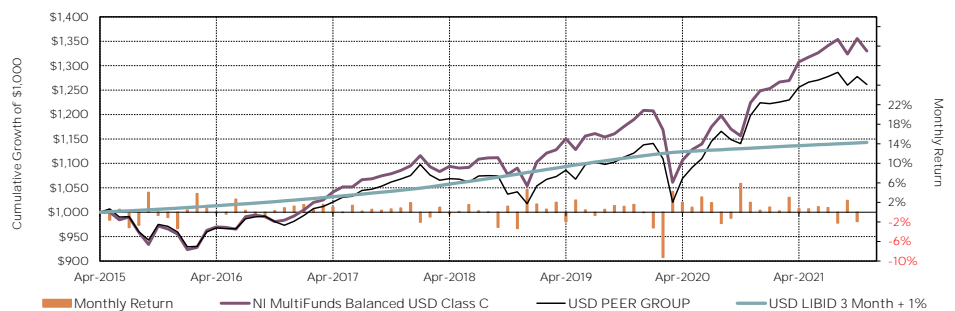
**SUITABILITY & RISK AND REWARD**

The Balanced MultiFund is suitable for clients with an investment time horizon of a minimum 3 years. Investing in the fund involves a risk to capital in order to achieve the desired return.

To achieve the investment objective, the portfolio invests across a range of asset classes within a strategic and tactical asset allocation framework designed to maximise diversification benefits. An absolute and relative valuation-based approach underpins this framework, resulting in a multilayered process to facilitate disciplined decision-making and risk management.

Portfolio construction combines exposures to active fund managers, who are expected to outperform their defined benchmarks and passive investment vehicles which provide low cost access to markets. This blend of active and passive funds is used to create a competitively priced investment solution.

**FUND PERFORMANCE<sup>1</sup>**



Class C USD monthly returns and cumulative growth of \$1,000

**DISCRETE YEAR PERFORMANCE % CHANGE NET OF FEES<sup>1</sup>**

SINCE FUND INCEPTION (19 August 2011)	FUND USD	USD PEER GROUP	3 Month LIBID		FUND GBP	GBP PEER GROUP	3 Month LIBID	
			USD LIBID 3 month + 1%	USD LIBID 3 month + 3%			GBP LIBID 3 month + 1%	GBP LIBID 3 month + 3%
2020	3.3%	7.6%	1.5%	3.5%	1.0%	5.6%	1.2%	3.2%
2019	14.7%	11.8%	3.2%	5.2%	11.8%	8.9%	1.7%	3.7%
2018	-3.7%	-5.4%	3.3%	5.3%	-2.8%	-4.5%	1.6%	3.6%
2017	10.3%	9.5%	2.2%	4.2%	5.9%	5.3%	1.2%	3.2%
2016	3.9%	2.3%	1.6%	3.7%	10.0%	8.5%	1.4%	3.4%
2015	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0%	-0.2%	1.5%	3.5%

**CUMULATIVE AND ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE % CHANGE NET OF FEES<sup>1</sup>**

SINCE FUND INCEPTION (19 August 2011)	FUND USD	USD PEER GROUP	3 Month LIBID		FUND GBP	GBP PEER GROUP	3 Month LIBID	
			USD LIBID 3 month + 1%	USD LIBID 3 month + 3%			GBP LIBID 3 month + 1%	GBP LIBID 3 month + 3%
1 Month	-1.9%	-1.3%	0.1%	0.3%	-0.7%	-0.2%	0.1%	0.3%
6 Months	1.0%	-0.4%	0.5%	1.5%	3.3%	1.9%	0.5%	1.5%
1 Year	8.7%	5.3%	1.0%	3.0%	8.8%	5.2%	1.0%	3.0%
3 Years Ann	6.9%	6.6%	2.0%	4.0%	5.5%	5.2%	1.3%	3.3%
5 Years Ann	6.2%	5.3%	2.2%	4.3%	4.8%	4.0%	1.3%	3.3%
YTD	6.5%	3.1%	0.9%	2.8%	7.6%	3.9%	0.9%	2.7%
Since inception *	4.4%	3.6%	2.1%	4.1%	4.7%	3.6%	1.4%	3.4%
Lowest 1 yr return	-5.9%				-5.8%			
Highest 1 yr return	19.6%				14.8%			

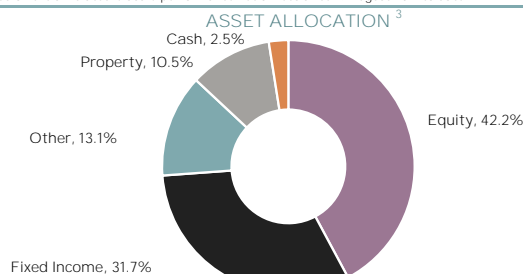
Class C performance net of fees as of 30 November 2021. \* Since inception annualised.

USD peer group is a 50/50 average of the Morningstar Moderate Allocation USD and Morningstar Cautious Allocation USD. The GBP is simulated performance based on the same competitor universe and returns are used as for the USD data, although a 65% hedge to sterling is applied net of fees, as per the fund's GBP share class. Past performance is not a guide to future returns.

**RISK MEASURE<sup>3</sup>**

SINCE FUND INCEPTION	FUND USD	FUND GBP
Annualised volatility	7.4%	6.0%
Sharpe ratio (annualised)	0.46	0.72
Lowest monthly return	-9.2%	-8.9%
Maximum drawdown	-12.2%	-10.8%
Months to recover	-	-

Risk measures presented based on the simulated Class C performance net of fees since 19 August 2011 to date.



<sup>1</sup> The annualised total return is the average return earned by an investment each year over a given time period. Performance is calculated for the portfolio and individual investment performance may differ as a result of initial fees, the actual investment, the actual investment date, the date of any reinvestment and dividend withholding tax. Data source Nedgroup Investments (IOM) Limited.

<sup>2</sup> The on-going fee is a measure of the actual expenses incurred in the management of the Classes of the Sub-Fund. The on-going fee shown is expressed as a percentage of the monthly average value of the portfolio calculated over a 12-month period as at the date shown. The current on-going fee cannot be used as an indication of future on-going fees. A higher on-going fee does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low on-going fee imply a good return.

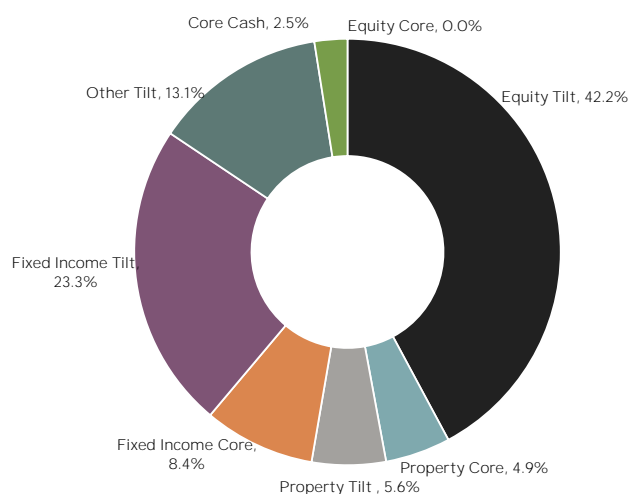
<sup>3</sup> Source: Underlying managers, Nedgroup Investments (IOM) Limited. Data point 30 November 2021

PORTFOLIO ANALYSIS

FULL PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS

Category	Sub-Category	Percentage
Equity	Dodge & Cox Global Stock Fund	42.2%
	SPDR® S&P 400 US Mid Cap ETF	6.5%
	Nedgroup Global Equity Fund	5.1%
	iShares Core S&P 500 ETF USD Acc	5.1%
	TT Emerging Markets Equity Fund	4.4%
	iShares EURO STOXX Mid ETF EUR Dist	4.3%
	Morgan Stanley Global Brands	3.7%
	Fundsmith Equity Fund	3.2%
	iShares Edge MSCI Wid Val Fctr ETF \$Acc	3.1%
	iShares FTSE 100 ETF GBP Acc	2.4%
	iShares Core MSCI Japan IMI ETF USD Acc	1.5%
	iShares FTSE 250 ETF GBP Dist	1.4%
	Property	Nedgroup Global Property Fund
Target Healthcare REIT		4.9%
BMO Commercial Property Trust		2.4%
Impact Healthcare REIT		2.0%
		1.2%
Fixed Income	Muzinich Short Duration High Yield	31.7%
	AXA US Short Duration High Yield	6.1%
	Vanguard US Government Bond Index Fund	6.0%
	PIMCO Low Duration Global IG Credit	5.9%
	iShares \$ Treasury Bond 1-3YR UCITS ETF	6.0%
	Lord Abbett Short Duration Income Fund	2.6%
	PIMCO Global IG Credit	2.5%
		2.5%
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Alternative	ATLAS Global Infrastructure	13.1%
	Greencoat UK Wind	2.1%
	3i Infrastructure Plc	1.8%
	GCP Asset Backed Income Fund	1.6%
	The Renewables Infrastructure Group	1.4%
	Hipgnosis Songs Ordinary Shares	1.4%
	John Laing Environmental Assets Group	1.2%
	Greencoat Renewables	1.0%
	Oakley Capital Investments	0.8%
	Round Hill Music Royalty Fund	0.8%
	Princess Private Equity	0.5%
	KKV Secured Loan Fund C Shares	0.4%
		0.4%
		0.4%
Cash	BlackRock Institutional USD Liquidity Fund /	2.5%
	Cash	1.0%
	Cash	1.5%
<b>Total</b>		<b>100.0%</b>

CHANGES IN ASSET ALLOCATION BY STRATEGY



EQUITY COMPONENT <sup>4</sup>

TOP TEN UNDERLYING HOLDINGS

Microsoft	2.8%
Alphabet	1.9%
Charter Communications	1.1%
Meta Platforms	1.1%
Amazon	1.0%
Philip Morris International	0.9%
Thermo Fisher Scientific	0.9%
Taiwan Semiconductor	0.8%
Unilever	0.8%
UnitedHealth Group	0.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>12.1%</b>

COUNTRY ALLOCATION

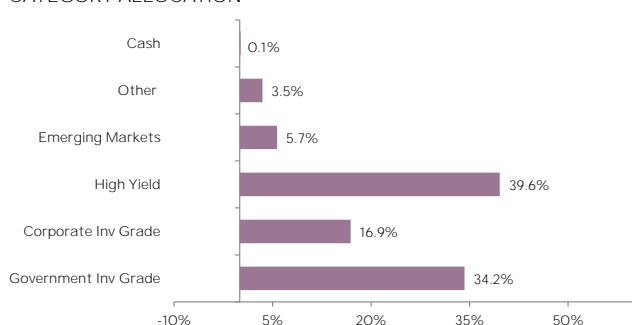
USA	48.8%
Europe ex-UK	19.5%
UK	10.1%
Emerging Markets	11.6%
Pacific ex-Japan	0.8%
Japan	5.5%
Canada	1.3%
Other	0.3%
Cash	2.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

SECTOR ALLOCATION

Information Technology	17.2%
Financials	16.9%
Health Care	13.9%
Industrials	11.9%
Consumer Discretionary	9.4%
Communication Services	8.0%
Consumer Staples	7.9%
Materials	5.2%
Real Estate	2.9%
Energy	2.6%
Utilities	2.2%
Cash	2.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

FIXED INCOME COMPONENT <sup>4</sup>

CATEGORY ALLOCATION

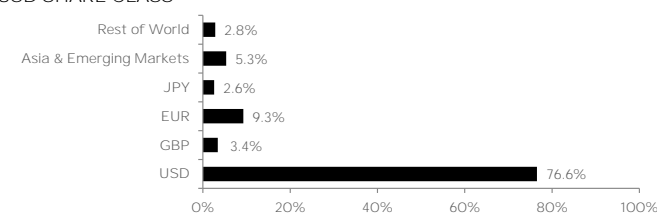


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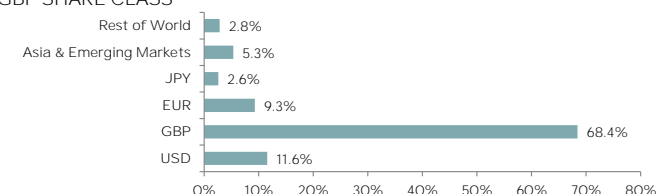
Yield To Maturity	2.7%
Average Weighted Maturity (in years)	4.8
Average Modified Duration (in years)	3.8

CURRENCY EXPOSURE <sup>4</sup>

USD SHARE CLASS



GBP SHARE CLASS <sup>5</sup>



<sup>4</sup> Source: Underlying managers, Nedgroup Investments (IOM) Limited. Data point 31 October 2021

Data point for underlying fund information on a look-through basis is one month in arrears.

<sup>5</sup> For the sterling Hedged share class a 65% hedge to sterling is applied

November 2021

## MARKET COMMENTARY

November looked like it was going to be another positive month for risk assets, but it all changed in the final week with the discovery of the Omicron variant of Covid-19. The significant number of mutations seen in this new variant translated into heightened concern regarding its transmissibility, virulence, and its ability to evade current vaccines than other previous variants. Whilst information regarding these areas of concern was very limited, anecdotal at best, the increased uncertainty put all risk assets under substantial pressure. Essentially, we saw a classic “flight to safety” with falling equity markets resulting in a sharp rally in government bonds.

Global equity markets were overall negative (-1.7%), with emerging market equities (-3.2%) lagging developed markets due to fears over the impact of Omicron on economic activity. In terms of style, growth stocks (-1.1%) outperformed the more value / cyclically (-3.8%) orientated equities. This was also reflected in sector performance with Information Technology stocks the only positive area, as these stocks benefited from more people potentially working from home, whilst more economically exposed Financials and Energy sectors lagged.

Within fixed income markets, concerns over Omicron meant investors moved into “safe haven” government bonds, with the expectation that the new variant would reduce the likelihood of any imminent rate hikes from central banks. Looking at the detail, higher quality global government bonds (+1.1%) and global investment grade credit (+0.2%) generated a positive return over the month, whilst at the riskier end of the spectrum global high yield (-1.0%) and emerging market hard currency debt (-1.4%) both declined.

In terms of real assets, property markets generated an equity-like return over the month with the global REITs index down -2.2% over the period. Commodities were down sharply, led mainly by crude oil (-19.1%) with oil demand seen as being under renewed risk due to the emergence of the Omicron variant.

## PORTFOLIO COMMENTARY

The end of November saw the Balanced MultiFund close the month down around -2.0% for the US dollar share class whilst the GBP share class fell -0.7% (the difference reflecting the strength of the US dollar over the month). This follows a strong period of growth with the year to date return comfortably ahead of both peer group and longer term cash (+) targets.

The drivers of absolute returns over the month were concentrated within risk assets such as: equities, real assets and alternatives as these were impacted the most by the Omicron variant concerns. Within equities the strongest relative returns (least negative) came from our more defensive holdings such as Fundsmith Equity Fund and Morgan Stanley Global Brands. These positions helped to reduce the overall impact of our exposure to more cyclical / economically sensitive sectors via Dodge & Cox Global Stock Fund and our emerging market equity holding in TT Emerging Markets Equity.

Fixed income positions were mixed on the month. Our overall bias towards short dated high yield corporate bonds was a headwind for absolute and relative performance, as the “flight to safety” caused government bond yields to fall (prices rise) but corporate spreads to widen. This meant the holdings in higher quality investment grade credit and US governments bonds posted the best (most positive) returns during the month.

Elsewhere, there were a wide range of performances within our real asset and alternative strategy space. Within property, BMO Commercial Property was down slightly (circa -1%) reflecting concern about the impact of Omicron on economic activity. Impact Healthcare, however, demonstrated its more defensive qualities by posting a small positive return for the month. Our overall exposure to renewable energy infrastructure was a drag on returns, as the sector was broadly seen as being negatively impacted from reduced electricity demand if the new variant impacted UK economic growth. The more traditional infrastructure holdings, posted mixed results with 3i Infrastructure generating a return of nearly +5% after revealing strong interim results, whilst our indirect exposure via Atlas Global Infrastructure fell around -4% as the re-imposition of international travel restrictions due to Omicron negatively impacted certain airport related holdings. Within our alternative positions it is also worth highlighting the performance

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## BALANCED MULTIFUND



of our two song royalty rights holdings, Hipgnosis Songs and Round Hill Music which were both positive despite the broad market sell-off, proving the diversification benefits of these exposures.

In terms of portfolio activity, we did not make any material strategy changes over the month.

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