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MARKET REVIEW

The markets ignored data that suggests less optimism for global manufacturing activity and consumer sentiment and latched on to the possibility that the US Fed will cut interest rates before the year is out. Add to this a pause in the escalating trade tensions and you have the S&P 500 delivering one of the best June advances since the 1950s. US equities stormed ahead, with the S&P 500 delivering +7.1% in June, bringing the 12 months return to +10.4%.

The MSCI World index gained +6.6% over the month, restoring the year to date return to +17.4% after the losses experienced in May. Emerging markets also recovered lost ground with the MSCI Emerging Markets returning +6.3% and China's Hang Seng Index up +7.1%. Global bond yields continue to trend lower as markets price the potential for rate cuts and a more accommodative stance from the Fed and the ECB.

A lack of confidence, fixed investment, pressure on household incomes and poor business conditions can be cited as reasons for the disappointing state of the economy in Q1. The load shedding experienced across the country, however, dealt the most decisive blow, permeating across sectors as clearly seen in the extent of the downturn in activity across the board. The South African economy delivered growth of -3.2% (q/q, annualised) over the first quarter, contracting beyond the most conservative analysts' expectations. This brings growth over the last year to a paltry 0%, which set the scene for a difficult start to President Ramaphosa's new term.

The much-anticipated State of the Nation focused on growth enhancing initiatives, although many considered it light on detail on the most critical issues, in particular, the Eskom restructure. The rand benefited less from SONA and more from improved sentiment towards emerging market currencies as a truce of sorts between the US and China was struck during the G20. Despite a poor GDP print and continued unease about Eskom, the currency appreciated by circa 3.4% against the US dollar by month end.

SA nominal bonds priced benign inflation and the likelihood of more accommodative monetary policy, ending the month up +2.2%. The local bond yield curve remains steep as bond investors price for rate cuts on short/medium maturities, while longer dated bonds reflect concerns about the impact of Eskom support on the fiscus and the potential for a downgrade from credit ratings agency Moody's. The preference share index edged higher by +2.0% over the month, bringing the returns over the last 12 months to +19.7%. The property sector rebounded alongside other interest rate sensitive sectors, delivering +2.2% in June. This brings the 12-month performance into positive territory at +0.8%.

SA equities recovered some of the previous months losses alongside international trends, with the FTSE/JSE All Share up +4.8% in June. Resource counters had another strong month, with the Resource 10 Index surging +10.3% with support from platinum and gold miners. Gold mining companies benefitted from a resurgence in the gold price, as the allure of the metal increases in the face of declining interest rates and heightened geopolitical risk. SA mid-cap stocks benefitted from the momentum, delivering +2.5% in June, while small caps (-0.2%) remained out of favour.

FUND DEVELOPMENTS AND POSITIONING

It was a fairly quiet quarter in terms of portfolio changes. Early in June, SA bond valuations at the long end looked to us to be pricing in most of the risks on the table (Eskom refinancing, fiscal slippage and credit rating concerns) with starting yields close to 10%, well above anticipated inflation. The Fund took this opportunity to move overweight SA bonds and increase exposure to longer dated SA government bonds. In the short term this positioning has proved beneficial to investment results. On the SA equity front, the Fund continued to trim positions in Anglo American, BHP and Richemont on valuation grounds.

FUND PERFORMANCE

Over the quarter the Fund delivered a total return of 1.05%, just ahead of the Multi-Asset High Equity peer group average (+1.05%) but behind its benchmark (+2.59%). Year-to-date the Fund delivered a return of 7.67% versus 6.91% for the peer group and 8.93% for its benchmark.



RISK RATING



RISK REWARD PROFILE

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. The portfolio may be subject to currency fluctuations due to its international exposure.

GENERAL INFORMATION

BENCHMARK / TARGET RETURN

55% FTSE/JSE SWIX40, 5% ALBI, 5% SAPY, 15% STEFI, 20% International Composite

INVESTMENT MANAGER ASSET CLASS

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ASISA CATEGORY

South African Multi Asset High Equity

REGULATION 28 COMPLIANT

Yes

INCEPTION DATE

01 May 2004

FUND SIZE

R 260 Million

NET ASSET VALUE ¹

4947.22 cpu

MINIMUM INVESTMENT

Lump sum: R50,000

INCOME DISTRIBUTION

Frequency: Semi-annually

June 2019: 65.64 cpu

Previous 12 months: 135.84 cpu

FEES

Annual management fee (excluding VAT): 0.95%

Total expense ratio 1.75%

Transaction costs 0.24%

Total investment charges ³ 1.99%

INVESTMENT APPROACH

We utilise our depth of investment expertise and apply an active, valuation-driven process to construct diversified multi-asset class strategies. Our portfolios contain a foundation of quality assets. These are complemented by satellite investments that together aim to achieve defined, risk-managed investment outcomes for our clients.

PORTFOLIO PROFILE

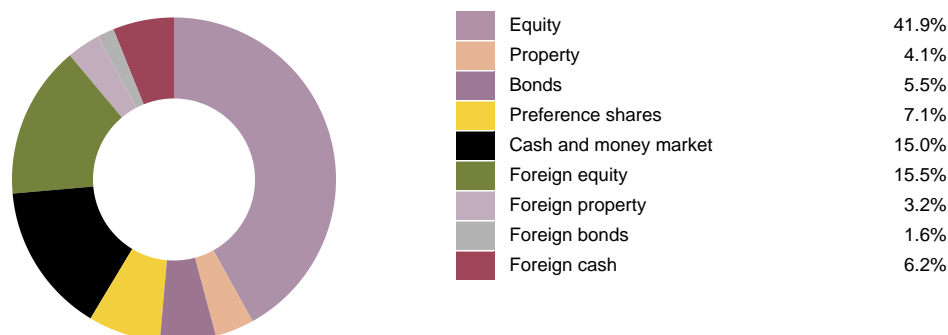
The portfolio will seek to balance income and real capital growth objectives through a blended allocation to risk assets and income yielding assets. Diversification across asset classes and a maximum equity exposure of 75% helps reduce risk and volatility relative to a general equity portfolio.

PERFORMANCE ²

Period	Portfolio	Benchmark
1 year pa	1.7%	3.7%
3 Years pa	3.1%	6.0%
5 Years pa	4.8%	6.5%
7 Years pa	9.6%	10.6%
10 Years pa	11.6%	12.2%
Lowest 1 year return	-7.7%	
Highest 1 year return	27.4%	

The annualized total return is the average earned by an investment each year over a given period of time.

PORTFOLIO STRUCTURE



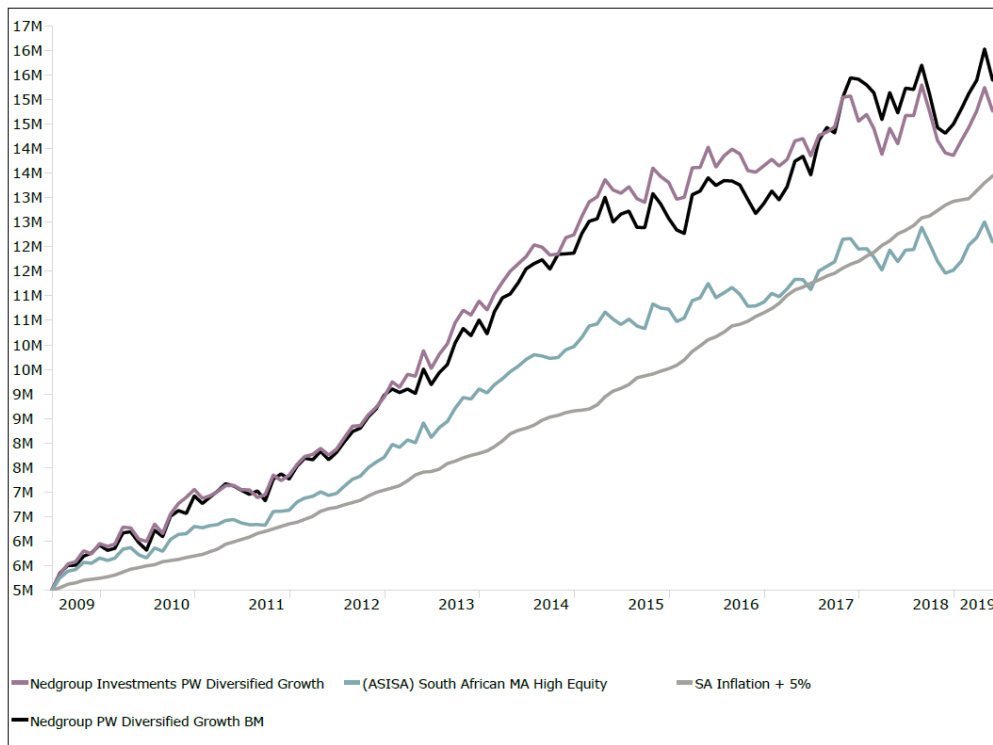
TOP 10 HOLDINGS

Share	Percentage
Naspers Ltd	5.2
BID Corporation Ltd	2.2
R2037 8.50% 310137	2.2
Remgro Ltd	2.2
Anheuser-Busch InBev SA	2.0
RMB Holdings Ltd	1.8
Netcare Ltd Pref Share	1.7
MTN Group Ltd	1.7
BHP Group Plc	1.6
PSG Financial Services Ltd Pref Share	1.5
Total	21.9



SINCE INCEPTION CUMULATIVE PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE

The graph shows growth of R5 000 000 invested in the portfolio plotted against the Fund's composite benchmark, as well as the average of the ASISA South African Multi-Asset High Equity category.



Source: Morningstar Direct

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1. Funds are valued daily at 15:00. Instructions must reach us before 14:00 (12:00 for Nedgroup Money Market Fund) to ensure same day value. Daily prices are available on request from your relationship manager.
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