

STANLIB Multi-Manager (Pty) Ltd

STANLIB Multi-Manager (Pty) Ltd was established in 1999 and is the centre of excellence for multi-managed solutions within STANLIB. The investment team, led by Chief Investment Officer Joao Frasco, consists of an experienced team with a diverse set of investment skills. We have offices in Johannesburg and London, and currently have mandates in excess of R150 billion under stewardship.

What is the Fund's objective?

The Fund's objective is to provide modest long-term growth of capital and good income, with a low probability of capital loss over the short term. It aims to outperform CPI (South African Inflation) plus 3% p.a. (i.e. to provide a real return of 3% p.a.) over rolling 3-year periods.

Risk profile



■ Defensive assets ■ Growth assets

What are the investment guidelines?

The Fund adopts a specialist approach whereby exposure to each asset class is gained via a multi-managed building block.

The tactical exposure to each asset class is actively managed around a strategic asset allocation that has been designed to meet the long-term return and shorter term risk objectives of the Fund. The Fund's maximum equity exposure (including international equity) is 40% of the portfolio – as per the ASISA South African Multi-Asset Low Equity category as amended from time to time.

Fund's Composite Benchmark/Strategic Asset Allocation (SAA): SA Cash (STeFI Composite) – 25%, SA Bonds (JSEASSA All Bond) – 35%, SA Property (FTSE/JSE SAPY) – 5%, SA Equity (FTSE/ JSE Capped SWIX) – 15%, Global Equities (MSCI AC World IMI (ZAR)) – 10%, Global Bonds (Barclays Global Multiverse (ZAR)) – 7%, Global Cash (1-month USD LIBOR (ZAR)) – 1.5% and (1-month EUR LIBOR (ZAR)) – 1.5%.

The Fund complies with provisions of the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act, No. 45 of 2002 and the Regulations thereto, as amended from time to time, and complies with Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act.

How is the Fund managed?

The Fund is designed to deliver superior investment returns more consistently than through a single asset manager or mandate. Our approach allows investors' to outsource the fund / manager selection decision, which includes the ongoing due diligence of managers and construction of portfolios, to meet pre-defined objectives over time.

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	Growth assets vs defensive assets*	Indicative volatility range	Investment objective
STANLIB Multi-Manager Enhanced Yield Fund	0% 100%	0.3% - 0.6% p.a.	To outperform the STeFI Composite Index
STANLIB Multi-Manager Low Equity FoF	30% 70%	3% - 6% p.a.	CPI + 3% p.a. over 3-year rolling periods
STANLIB Multi-Manager Medium Equity FoF	55% 45%	5% - 10% p.a.	CPI + 4% p.a. over 4-year rolling periods
STANLIB Multi-Manager Medium-High Equity FoF	68% 32%	6% - 12% p.a.	CPI + 5% p.a. over 5-year rolling periods
STANLIB Multi-Manager High Equity FoF	78% 22%	7% - 14% p.a.	CPI + 6% p.a. over 6-year rolling periods
STANLIB Multi-Manager Diversified Equity FoF	100% 0%	10% - 20% p.a.	CPI + 7% p.a. over 7-year rolling periods

*Growth assets are defined as equities and listed property

How do we approach risk management in the Fund?

Risk management is a fundamental component of our investment philosophy and process and is therefore approached holistically. It permeates every part of our investment process, requiring participation and accountability from all individuals involved in the process.

As a multi-manager, our risk management process begins at the time of portfolio specification and design, because by the time securities are included in the portfolio by the underlying managers, one has already accepted the risks and has limited ability to mitigate them. Our process then moves to manager research and portfolio construction, where we seek to know the managers intimately and construct a portfolio to behave in line with our broader investment objectives.

"Risks Inherent in our Funds" is a document that classifies the sources of risk associated with the management of our Funds. It can be obtained from the website www.stanlibmultimanager.com.

The Portfolio Managers dedicated to the Fund



Vuyo Mkhathazo
Portfolio Manager
CA(SA)



Lubabalo Kenyane
Portfolio Manager
BBA, CIPM

Underlying manger/fund framework

The manager framework currently constitutes the following managers within the respective specialist building blocks:

Cash	Bonds	Income	Property	Equity	Offshore	
STANLIB	Futuregrowth	Investec	Catalyst	Coronation	Sands	Amundi
Aluwani Capital Partners	Aluwani Capital Partners	Prescient	STANLIB	STANLIB	Veritas	BlackRock (Alternative Beta)
Prescient	Prescient	Aluwani Capital Partners	Bridge	Foord	Hosking Partners	Brandywine
Investec	STANLIB		Sesfikile	Prudential	Sanders	Capital Group
	Coronation			Visio	Arrowstreet Capital	
				Truffle	Alliance Bernstein	

Information to be considered before investing

The STANLIB Multi-Manager Low Equity Fund of Funds (FoF) should be considered a medium to long-term investment. A FoF invests in other collective investment schemes, which levies its own charges and which could result in a higher fee structure for the FoF. The value of units (participatory interest) may go down as well as up and past performance is not necessarily a guide to the future. Where exposure to foreign investments is included in the portfolio, there may be additional risks, such as possible constraints on liquidity and the return of funds to South Africa, macroeconomic risks, political risks, tax risks, settlement risks and possible limitations on the availability of market information. The FoF is traded at ruling prices using forward pricing and can engage in borrowing up to 10% of the market value of the portfolio to bridge insufficient liquidity as a result of the redemption of participatory interests and may engage in scrip lending. A schedule of fees and charges and maximum commissions is available on request from STANLIB Collective Investments (RF) Pty Ltd (the Manco). Commission and incentives may be paid and if so, would be included in the overall costs. Fluctuations or movements in exchange rates may cause the value of underlying international investments to go up or down. Liberty is a full member of the Association for Savings and Investments of South Africa. The Manco is a member of the Liberty Group of Companies.

Unit price – how it works

Collective Investment Schemes (i.e. “Unit Trusts”) are traded at ruling prices set on every trading day. Forward pricing is used which means Fund valuations take place at approximately 15h00 each business day, and your instructions are therefore processed at prices that are not yet determined when your instructions are received. Instructions must reach the Management Company before 13h00 to ensure same day value. The 13h00 cut-off time only applies to investments and switches. Repurchases will receive the price of the same day if received prior to 15h00. The money market funds are valued at 12h00. The funds of funds and feeder funds are valued at 24h00 and 17h00.

The payment of withdrawals may be delayed in extraordinary circumstances, when the Manco with the consent of the Fund trustees deems this to be in the interest of all Fund investors. These circumstances may include periods when significant underlying markets suspend trading which will prevent accurate valuation of the instruments held in the Fund. When the suspension of trading relates to only certain assets held by the Fund, these assets may be side-pocketed. This process allows normal liquidity on the assets that can be valued, but will delay liquidity on the affected portion of the Fund. If the Fund is faced with excessive withdrawals, the affected withdrawals may be ring-fenced, which is the separation and delayed sale of the assets reflecting the interest of the liquidity seeking investors. It ensures that the sale of a large number of units will not force the Manco to sell the underlying investments in a manner that may have a negative impact on remaining investors of the Fund.

Performance information on the monthly factsheet

Performance is calculated by STANLIB Multi-Manager (Pty) Ltd as at month end for a lump sum investment using net asset value (NAV) prices with income reinvestments done on the ex-dividend date. All underlying price and distribution data is sourced from Morningstar. Performance figures are quoted after the deduction of all costs including manager fees, and trading costs incurred within the Fund. Note that individual investor performance may differ as a result of the actual investment date, the date of reinvestment of distributions and dividend withholding tax, where applicable. Annualised performance figures represent the weighted average compound growth rate over the performance period measured. Past investment returns are not indicative of future returns and no guarantee is provided with respect to capital or return of the Fund.

Total Expense Ratio (TER) and Transaction Costs (TC) = Total Investment Charge (TIC)

The TER is calculated as a percentage of the average net asset value of the portfolio incurred as charges, levies and fees in the management of the portfolio for a rolling 36-month period to the previous quarter end (December, March, June and September). This includes the TER charged by any underlying fund(s) held as part of this Fund. A high TER does not necessarily imply a poor return nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER should not be regarded as an indication of future TER's – expenses vary and the performance fee component can fluctuate over time.

Transaction costs are a necessary cost in managing a fund and impacts the fund's return. They should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time including market returns, the type of fund, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER. The sum of the TER and Transaction Costs is shown as the Total Investment Charge (TIC).

Management fee

The Fund charges a fixed annual management fee (i.e. fee class) as a percentage of the assets under management, to ensure a simple and understandable fee structure.

Underlying performance fees

STANLIB Multi-Manager (Pty) Ltd does not earn any performance fees. In addition to earning fixed fees, the underlying manager(s)/fund(s) may also earn performance-based fees if they outperform a specific benchmark. The performance-fee methodology of the underlying manager(s) / fund(s) is incorporated in their respective mandates. You can obtain more information on the underlying performance fee methodologies on the website www.stanlibmultimanager.com.

The annual management fee is accrued daily and performance fees are accrued monthly – both paid on a monthly basis (with the exception of some performance fees which are paid annually).

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If you appoint an adviser, advice fees are contracted directly between you and the adviser. We will facilitate the collection of advice fees (including initial advice fees up to a maximum of 3.00%) only upon receiving your instruction. You may cancel the instruction to facilitate the payment of advice fees at any time.

Where can I find additional information?

Additional information such as brochures, application forms and annual or quarterly reports, can be obtained from the websites: www.stanlib.com / www.stanlibmultimanager.com.

The prices of Funds are calculated and published on each working day. These prices are also available on the websites and in South African printed news media.