

# Flagship IP Worldwide Flexible Fund of Funds

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## FUND MANAGERS

Flagship Global Investment Team

NAV 990.2c

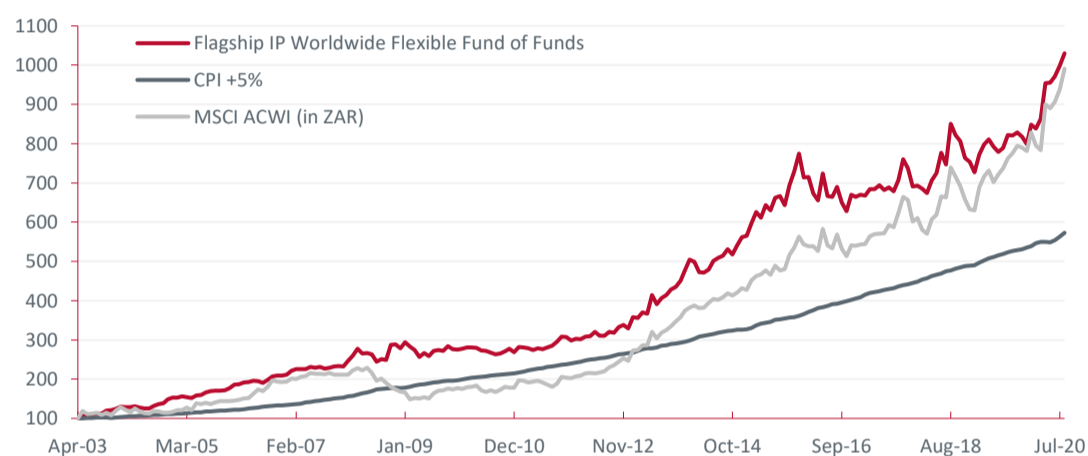
Launch date	03 April 2003
Fund size	R298m
NAV - A Class	990.2c
Benchmark	CPI +5%
Dealing	Daily

No. of participatory interests	30 090 467
Minimum lump sum investment	R 5 000
Base currency	ZAR
Income declaration - Mar '20	0.00cpu
Income declaration - Sep '19	0.00cpu

## FUND OBJECTIVE

The objective of the Flagship IP Worldwide Flexible Fund of Funds is to deliver long term capital growth by investing in a focused portfolio of stringently selected global equity fund managers. Investments, on a see-through basis, will be diversified across geographic regions, in both developed and emerging markets, and diversifies single manager and single style risk associated with investing through one asset manager only. The fund may invest across all asset classes, but, through the cycle, equity exposure will be maintained at around 80%, with the objective to outperform the MSCI World Index (in rands) over the long term (5 years). Our formal benchmark is CPI +5% and the fund is classified in the Worldwide - Multi Asset - Flexible sector.

## PERFORMANCE CHART



## FUND EXPOSURES

<b>Global Equity Funds</b>	<b>83.0%</b>
Mondrian Global Equity Fund Benchmark: MSCI World Index (Net)   Style: Value	
Sands Capital Global Growth Fund Benchmark: MSCI World Index   Style: Growth	
Lindsell Train Global Equity Fund Benchmark: MSCI World Index (Developed Markets)   Style: Quality	
Fund 4 Benchmark: MSCI World Index   Style: Quality	
Fund 5 Benchmark: MSCI World Index   Style: Growth	
Fund 6 Benchmark: MSCI World Index   Style: Growth	
<b>Exchange Traded Funds</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>TOTAL EQUITY EXPOSURE</b>	<b>83.0%</b>
<b>Strategic Income</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
Domestic	0.0%
Foreign	0.0%
<b>Cash</b>	<b>17.0%</b>
Domestic	0.1%
Foreign	16.9%
<b>Commodities</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
Gold	0.0%
<b>TOTAL PORTFOLIO</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

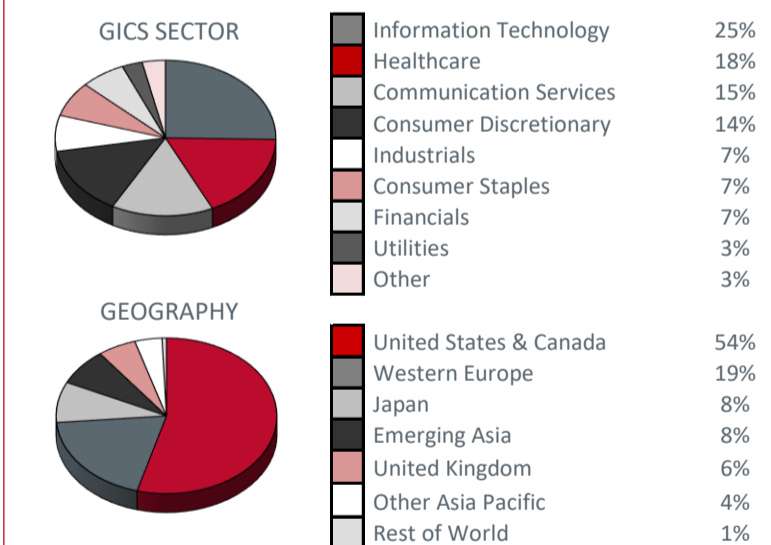
## PERFORMANCE AND RISK

Performance (net of fees)	Fund	Benchmark	Inflation
Since inception	970.6%	463.2%	138.5%
Since inception (annualised)	14.6%	10.4%	5.1%
10 Years (annualised)	14.6%	10.4%	5.1%
7 Years (annualised)	13.9%	10.2%	4.8%
5 Years (annualised)	9.1%	9.9%	4.6%
3 Years (annualised)	14.9%	9.4%	4.1%
1 Year	25.4%	8.5%	2.9%
Year-to-date	29.0%	6.0%	2.3%

Risk Measures (since inception)	Fund	Benchmark	Inflation
Annualised monthly volatility	13.2	2.9	2.0
Sharpe ratio	0.13	0.37	0.21
Maximum drawdown	-20.2%	-0.8%	-1.8%
Lowest actual annual return	-0.1%	2 April 2010 to 1 April 2011	
Highest actual annual return	+30.1%	2 April 2003 to 1 April 2004	

## EFFECTIVE EQUITY EXPOSURE



## ANNUAL FUND PERFORMANCE

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Fund</b>	1.1%	-2.4%	11.1%	10.4%	44.7%	18.0%	37.8%	-14.2%	4.0%	4.9%	5.9%
<b>CPI +5%</b>	11.6%	8.6%	11.5%	11.0%	10.7%	11.2%	10.1%	12.0%	10.0%	9.8%	8.8%

## FEES

	1 Year	3 Year
<b>Total Expense Ratio (incl. VAT)</b>	2.41%	2.40%
<b>Fund management fee (excl. VAT)</b>	1.50%	1.50%
<b>VAT on fund management fee</b>	0.23%	0.23%
<b>Fund expenses (incl. VAT)</b>	0.69%	0.67%
<b>Transaction Costs (incl. VAT)</b>	0.17%	0.50%
<b>Total Investment Charge (incl. VAT)</b>	<b>2.58%</b>	<b>2.90%</b>

## FUND COMMENTARY - AUGUST 2020

For the month ending 31 August, our Fund-of-funds strategy continued to deliver strong performance. As a reminder, the fund is between 80-100% invested in equities depending on our assessment of how equities as an asset class are priced. Although it is only 83% invested in equities currently, the funds in which it is invested cumulatively outperformed the MSCI ACWI. The dynamic of growth funds outperforming both quality and value funds continues to play out. This will not always be the case, however, and the fund's diversification across investment strategies is valuable when assessed on a "through-the-cycle" basis. Relative to its CPI +5% benchmark, the fund continues to outperform over all meaningful periods.

As required by legislation, we confirm that the fund has adhered to its policy objective and strategy.

## MARKET COMMENTARY

### International

Equities and selected commodities continued their rise in August. The S&P 500 ended the month at 3,580, its 22<sup>nd</sup> record close for 2020 while the Nasdaq ended at 12,056, its 43<sup>rd</sup> record close. The gold price ended the month down 1.7%, but still up nearly 28% year-to-date as fears of monetary debasement, and associated higher inflation, continue to rise.

The S&P 500 trailing 12-month PE Ratio ended the month at 30.3x, nearly double its average of 15.8x. Forward looking estimates for the market as a whole stand at 26.7x. While optically expensive, equities remain the only alternative for market participants to achieve growth and inflation protection.

U.S. government debt is set to exceed the size of the economy in 2021 for the first time since World War II. The U.S. passed the 100% debt-to-GDP mark, measured on a quarterly basis, in the April to June quarter, when government spending surged to combat the new coronavirus and tax revenue plunged.

The US 10-year treasury yield traded at a mere 65bp at month end as the bond market responded to the Fed chairman's promise to keep rates lower for longer.

Financial markets continue to anxiously watch the US presidential race with Biden

still leading the polls, but by an ever decreasing margin.

### South Africa

The ZAR:USD ended the month at 16.64, down -16% year-to-date. Against the Euro, the year-to-date decline is more notable at a heady -20.78%. Local economic activity is slowly recovering, but is 'spotty'. While the PMI rose in August, new-vehicle sales dropped more than expected, even as coronavirus lockdown restrictions were eased further.

The fiscal situation continues to deteriorate, with rising debt combined with still-high risk premiums and interest rates bound to keep debt servicing as a share of revenue elevated. The SA 10-year bond (2030) traded at 9.09% at month end. Rating agency Moody's sees "meaningful risk" of SA's fiscal deficit widening due to the government support provided for Eskom and other SOE's.

Equity valuations remain cheap, with the MSCI SA trading on 11.7x 12-month forward consensus multiples (a 16% discount to its 5-year average). Although optically cheap, we continue to believe that local equity earnings revisions, and growth, are subject to enormous uncertainty. South Africa remains unattractive for investment versus other regions.

## Risk Considerations and Important Information

- Collective Investment Schemes in Securities (unit trusts) are generally medium to long term investments.
- The value of participatory interests (units) may go down as well as up and past performance is not necessarily a guide to the future. The manager does not provide any guarantee either with respect to the capital or the return of a portfolio.
- Unit trusts are traded at ruling prices and can engage in scrip lending subject to the limits and conditions imposed by the Act.
- The manager may borrow up to 10% of the market value of the collective investment scheme portfolio to ensure liquidity.
- Unit trust prices are calculated on a net asset value basis, which is the total value of all assets in the portfolio including any income accruals and less any permissible deductions (brokerage, Uncertificated Securities Tax, VAT, auditor's fees, bank charges, trustee and custodian fees and the annual management fee) from the portfolio, divided by the number of units in issue.
- A schedule of fees, charges and maximum commissions is available on request. Commission and incentives may be paid, and if so, are included in the overall costs.
- The unit trust portfolios are priced daily at 15h00 (quarter end 17h00), using forward pricing. Dealing cut-off time is 14h30 daily.
- Units will be repurchased by the manager at the ruling price calculated in accordance with the requirements of the Act and the relevant deeds and paid to the investor only. Subject to occurrences beyond the control of Flagship Asset Management (FAM), transaction requests received by FAM before 14h30 will be actioned at that day's price. Monies from the repurchase of units will not be paid to third party bank accounts.
- FAM reserves the right to repurchase unit balances with a market value less than the minimum monthly investment amount and close the investment account. Investors will be notified beforehand should this be contemplated.
- Portfolio performance is calculated on a NAV to NAV basis and does not take any initial fees into account. Figures quoted are from Reuters and Moneymate for a lump sum using NAV-NAV prices with income distributions reinvested. Income is reinvested on the ex-dividend date. Actual investment performance will differ based on the initial fees applicable, the actual investment date and the date of reinvestment of income. Investment performance calculations are available for verification upon request.
- Income distributions for the fund occur bi-annually on 31 March and 30 September.
- Annualised returns are period returns re-scaled to a period of 1 year. This allows investors to compare returns of different assets that they have owned for different lengths of time. Actual annual figures are available to investors upon request.
- SARS requires us to pay over Dividend Withholding Tax (DWT) on your behalf where applicable. We will deduct this tax before we pay any dividends to you or reinvest into your account. Unless we receive information from you indicating otherwise, we will be obliged to withhold the default DWT of 20%.
- The EAC is a standard industry measure which has been introduced to allow you to compare the charges you incur and their impact on the investment returns over specific periods. Please visit <http://www.ipmc.co.za/effectiveannual-cost> to address the EAC illustrator. You can request an EAC calculation from [clientservices@ipmc.co.za](mailto:clientservices@ipmc.co.za) or call us on 021 673-1340
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- A statement of changes in the composition of the portfolio during the reporting period is available on request.
- Complaints should be in writing and clearly marked for the attention of the Compliance Officer and should be mailed to Private Bag X21, Constantia, 7848.

## Investment Policy

The Flagship IP Worldwide Flexible Fund of Funds is a Worldwide-Asset Allocation portfolio in the Flexible Portfolio Sector. The primary objective of the portfolio is to offer medium to long-term capital growth. The portfolio will invest in a range of participatory interests in equity, bond, money or property markets, in portfolios of collective investment schemes.

In order to achieve its objective, the investments normally to be included in the Flagship IP Worldwide Flexible Fund of Funds will, apart from assets in liquid form, consist of participatory interests of portfolios of collective investment schemes or other similar schemes, in equity, bond, money or property markets, registered in the Republic of South Africa, or of portfolios of collective investment schemes or other similar schemes operated in territories with a regulatory environment which is to the satisfaction of the Manager and the Trustee, and comply with the requirements of the Act and any regulations thereto.

## TER and Transaction Costs

From 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2020 2.40% of the value of the fund was incurred as expenses relating to the administration of the fund. 0.50% of the value of the fund was incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the assets underlying the fund. Therefore, 2.90% of the value of the fund was incurred as costs relating to the investment of the fund. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER may not necessarily be an accurate indication of future TER's. Transaction Costs are a necessary cost in administering the fund and impacts fund 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 fund, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER.

## Fund Risk Profile

- The investment philosophy is medium to long term in nature but with a conservative bias. The use of several managers diversifies the single-manager and single-style risk associated with investing through one asset manager only. Asset allocation is adjusted according to changes in market conditions..



- Shares are potentially volatile investments and there is a risk of capital loss over the short term.
- Foreign securities may have additional material risks, depending on the specific risks affecting that country, such as: 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.
- Fluctuations or movements in exchange rates may cause the value of underlying international investments to go up or down.

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