

# Flagship IP Flexible Value Fund

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## FUND MANAGER

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NAV 3,279.6c

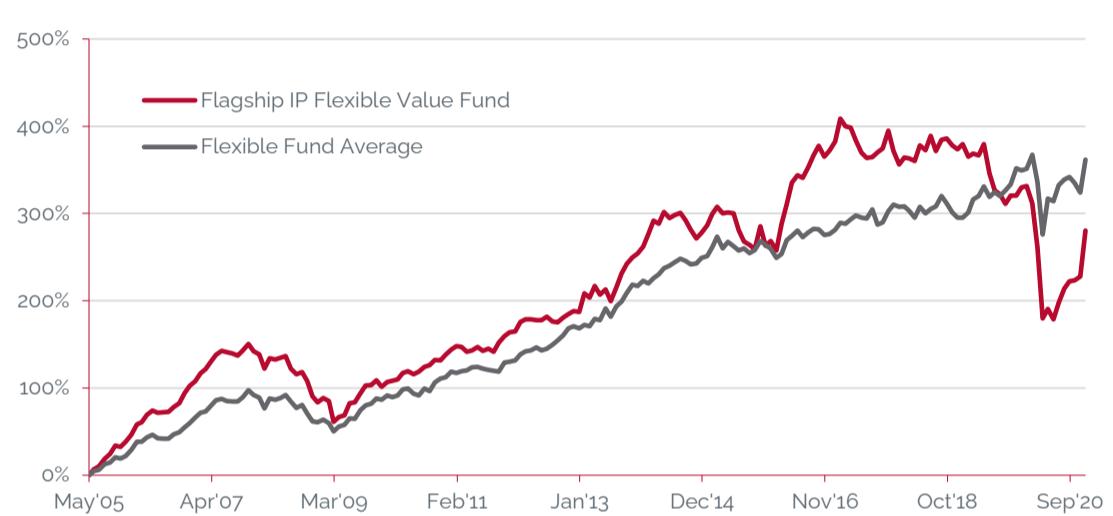
Launch date	04 May 2005
Fund size	R216m
NAV - A Class	3,279.6c
Sector	South African - Multi Asset - Flexible
Benchmark	Multi-Asset Flexible Sector Average

No. of participatory interests	6 587 832
Minimum lump sum investment	R 100 000
Base currency	ZAR
Income declaration - Mar '20	56.44cpu
Dealing	Daily

## FUND OBJECTIVE

The Flagship IP Flexible Value Fund aims to outperform both the JSE All Share Index and competing funds over the medium to long term. We rely on fundamental research to identify investments which are trading at a discount to their intrinsic value and to determine which asset classes are the most attractive. The fund will typically have a very different equity profile from that of the All Share Index. Risk is reduced through the fund's value oriented approach.

## PERFORMANCE CHART



## PERFORMANCE AND RISK

Performance (net of fees)	Fund	Benchmark	Inflation
Since inception	280.1%	361.6%	130.9%
Since inception (annualised)	9.0%	10.3%	5.5%
10 Years (annualised)	4.8%	8.4%	5.1%
7 Years (annualised)	1.0%	5.3%	4.8%
5 Years (annualised)	0.9%	3.3%	4.6%
3 Years (annualised)	-6.9%	0.9%	4.0%
1 Year	-11.6%	2.5%	3.3%
Year-to-date	-11.9%	1.6%	3.2%

### Risk Measures (since inception)

Annualised monthly volatility	13.3	9.7
Sharpe ratio	0.08	0.13
Maximum drawdown	-47.5%	-23.2%
Lowest actual annual return	-28.0%	4 May 2008 to 3 May 2009
Highest actual annual return	75.4%	4 May 2005 to 3 May 2006

## FUND EXPOSURES

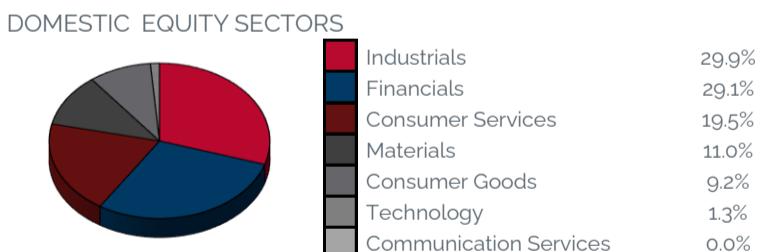
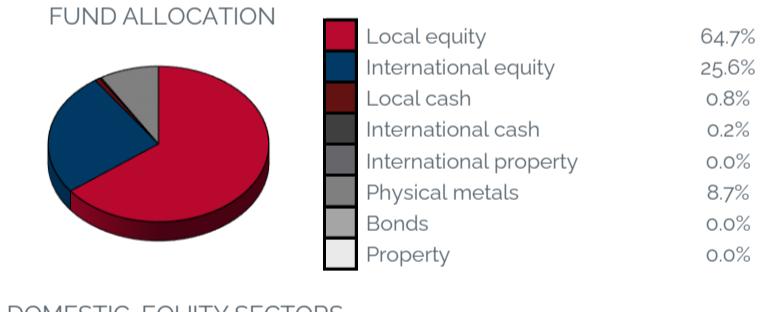
<b>Domestic Equity</b>	<b>64.7%</b>
Lewis Group	6.8%
African Rainbow Capital	4.9%
York Timbers	4.4%
Workforce	4.1%
British American Tobacco	3.5%
EPE Capital	3.4%
Caxton	3.2%
Nampak	3.2%
Reinet Investments	3.0%
Hulamin	2.9%
Other domestic holdings	25.3%
<b>Offshore Equity</b>	<b>25.6%</b>
Contrarius Global Equity Fund	25.6%
<b>Bonds</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
Domestic	0.0%
Offshore	0.0%
<b>Property</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
Domestic	0.0%
<b>Cash and Strategic Income</b>	<b>1.0%</b>
Domestic	0.8%
Offshore	0.2%
<b>Commodities</b>	<b>8.7%</b>
Platinum	4.8%
Gold	3.9%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## ANNUAL FUND PERFORMANCE

2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019

<b>Fund</b>	9.7%	17.9%	8.6%	8.5%	26.0%	6.7%	-4.6%	30.9%	-5.4%	5.1%	-10.0%
<b>Sector</b>	17.1%	14.9%	5.9%	18.6%	19.5%	10.5%	7.7%	2.0%	9.2%	-3.7%	8.5%

## ASSET ALLOCATION



## FUND COMMENTARY - NOVEMBER 2020

The fund gained a welcome 16% during November as world markets came alight and value stocks finally returned to favour. Our gold position was a drag on performance as the gold price retreated in the "risk on" environment, but this was more than offset by sparkling returns from equities. Our offshore equity exposure held via the Contrarius Global Equity Fund gained an impressive 32% in rand terms, and many of the extremely undervalued SA small cap value stocks that we have been patiently holding for some time, finally saw some investor interest. One example is Nampak which gained 76% in November and moved into the fund's top ten on the back of this price move. While a move of this magnitude is substantial, one must bear in mind that Nampak's month end share price of 155c is more than 96% off its all time high of 4500c achieved in 2014 – a staggering destruction of value. Nampak has just reported a massive loss for 2020, but we expect a strong return to profitability in the year ahead driven by a number of factors including the global move away from single use plastics, large new export orders and increased home consumption of beer in cans as consumers shun hospitality venues. Nampak's gearing is higher than desirable, but we don't believe a rights issue will be necessary, and the shares could well double or even treble from these levels if earnings come through as we expect. As required by legislation, we confirm that the fund has adhered to its policy objective and strategy.

## MARKET COMMENTARY

### International

November saw Biden triumph in the US election, notwithstanding that Trump remains reluctant to concede Biden's victory. Should the Democrats win the two Georgian Senate seats which are up for re-election in January, they will be in control of both the Congress and the Senate – and have their candidate installed as president.

It was also revealed that three Covid vaccines were shown to be effective in preliminary trials. The AstraZeneca vaccine demonstrates particular promise because it can be stored more easily and it will be made available at a lower price point. This caused markets to rally, despite the fact that the threat of further lockdowns looms ominously over Western Europe.

The S&P 500 rose 12.4% in dollars during the month, although the strong appreciation of the ZAR took some of the shine off rand-priced assets. The S&P 500 is now up almost 14% year-to-date, while the Nasdaq, with its higher tech weighting, is up a massive 37%. Who would have anticipated these year-to-date moves back in March '20?

In sympathy with the widespread risk-on appetite, Brent rose 27% during the month, while gold, which is a safe-haven asset, weakened by 5.4%.

Brexit negotiations create continued uncertainty with neither party prepared to give an inch on the "level playing field" as well as fishing rights within British waters. This uncertainty has seen the pound underperform other developed world currencies year-to-date. Most analysts, however, continue to expect a last-minute deal to be announced before the revised 31 December deadline.

### South Africa

South Africa was a beneficiary of the pervading risk-on appetite – even multiple credit-rating downgrades could not temper the prevailing positive sentiment. This was no doubt aided by the fact that an arrest warrant was issued for Ace Magashule. This is hopefully a good indication that justice will prevail for those implicated in corruption and state capture.

A further positive spin-off of the Ace Magashule saga is that it may weaken the Zuma faction within the ANC and give Cyril Ramaphosa sufficient political capital to implement much needed reforms.

The JSE's staggering 10.5% rally during the month resulted in the local market breaking even for the year to date. The rand also rallied by 4.8%, although it remains 10.5% lower since the start of the year.

## 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%.
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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 Flexible Value Fund is an asset allocation portfolio. The manager, in selecting securities for the portfolio, will seek to follow an investment policy which will secure for investors an optimum overall return, that is to say the steady growth of income and the preservation of capital in real terms. In order to achieve these main objectives the investments to be acquired for the Flagship IP Flexible Value Fund, shall comprise a mix of securities, which may include ordinary shares, preference shares, debentures, fixed interest instruments, gilts and money market instruments as defined in the Act and the Deed, all to be acquired at a fair market value. The portfolio may also include participatory interests or any other form of participation in portfolios of collective investment schemes or other similar schemes. Where the aforementioned schemes are operated in territories other than in South Africa, participatory interests or any other form of participation in these schemes will be included in the portfolio only where the regulatory environment is to the satisfaction of the manager and trustee and is of sufficient standard to provide investor protection at least equivalent to that in South Africa. The portfolio is permitted to invest in financial instruments in line with the conditions by the Registrar from time to time.

### Performance Fees

#### Performance Fee benchmark:

#### Median of the Domestic Asset Allocation Flexible Unit Trust Sector

Base Fees: 1.25% per annum Fee at Benchmark: 1.25% per annum Fee Hurdle: Median of the Domestic Asset Allocation Flexible Unit Trust Sector

#### Sharing Ratio:

10% Minimum Fee: 1.25% per annum Maximum Fee: No maximum

#### Fee Example:

0.1% for each 1% outperformance of portfolio benchmark on a high water mark basis

#### Method of Calculating:

If the fund underperforms the Fee Hurdle, then only the base fee is accrued until the high water mark is again reached.

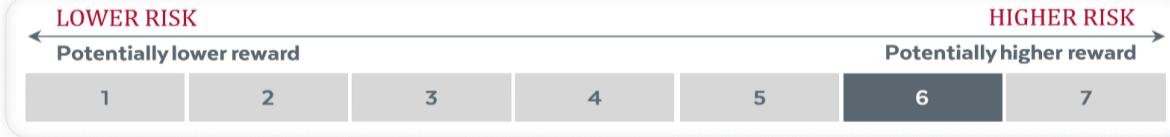
The Performance Fee Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document may be found on [www.ipmc.co.za](http://www.ipmc.co.za)

### TER and Transaction Costs

From 1 October 2017 to 30 September 2020, 1.70% of the value of the fund was incurred as expenses relating to the administration of the fund. 0.29% of the value of the fund was incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the assets underlying the fund. Therefore 1.99% of the value of the fund was incurred as costs relating to the investment of the fund. Inclusive in the TER of 1.70%, a performance fee of 0% of the Net Asset Value of the class of Financial Product was recovered. 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 fund is likely to have a very different equity profile to that of the All Share Index. Risk is reduced through the fund's value-orientated approach and a larger-than-average number of holdings.



- 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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