

# Flagship IP Worldwide Flexible Fund of Funds

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## FUND MANAGERS

Flagship Global Investment Team

NAV 958.7c

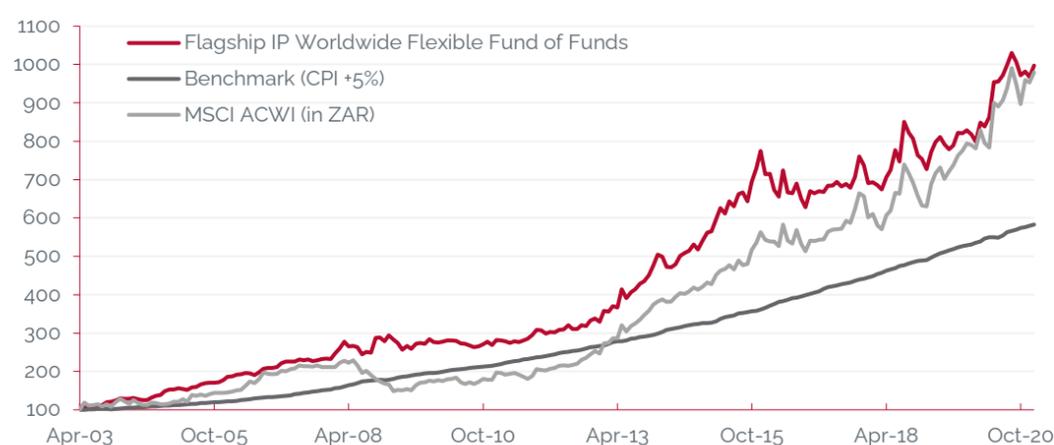
Launch date	03 April 2003
Fund size	R300m
NAV - A Class	958.7c
Benchmark	CPI +5%
Dealing	Daily

No. of participatory interests	31 286 263
Minimum lump sum investment	R 5 000
Base currency	ZAR
Income declaration - Mar '20	0.00cpu
Income declaration - Sep '20	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>81.4%</b>
Sands Capital Global Growth Fund Benchmark: MSCI World Index   Style: Growth	
Mondrian Global Equity Fund Benchmark: MSCI World Index (Net)   Style: Value	
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>81.4%</b>
<b>Strategic Income</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
Domestic	0.0%
Foreign	0.0%
<b>Cash</b>	<b>18.6%</b>
Domestic	3.7%
Foreign	14.9%
<b>Commodities</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
Gold	0.0%
<b>TOTAL PORTFOLIO</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

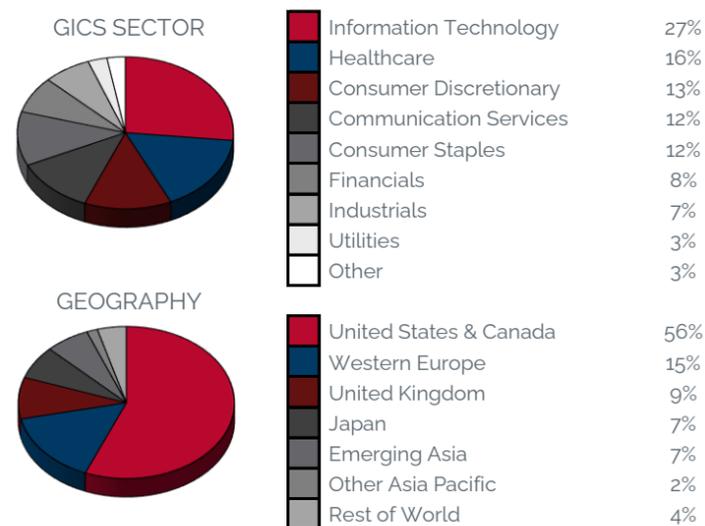
## PERFORMANCE AND RISK

Performance (net of fees)	Fund	Benchmark	Inflation
Since inception	936.5%	479.5%	140.4%
Since inception (annualised)	14.0%	10.3%	5.0%
10 Years (annualised)	13.5%	10.4%	5.1%
7 Years (annualised)	10.2%	10.1%	4.8%
5 Years (annualised)	6.9%	9.9%	4.6%
3 Years (annualised)	12.9%	9.2%	3.9%
1 Year	17.6%	8.3%	3.1%
Year-to-date	3.1%	0.6%	0.2%

### Risk Measures (since inception)

Risk Measure	Fund	Benchmark	Inflation
Annualised monthly volatility	13.3	2.9	2.0
Sharpe ratio	0.13	0.37	0.20
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

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
<b>Fund</b>	-2.4%	11.1%	10.4%	44.7%	18.0%	37.8%	-14.2%	4.0%	4.9%	5.9%	21.1%
<b>CPI +5%</b>	8.6%	11.5%	11.0%	10.7%	11.2%	10.1%	12.0%	10.0%	9.8%	8.8%	8.4%

## 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>	0.68%	0.67%
<b>Transaction Costs (incl. VAT)</b>	0.11%	0.40%
<b>Total Investment Charge (incl. VAT)</b>	<b>2.51%</b>	<b>2.79%</b>

## FUND COMMENTARY - JANUARY 2021

Your fund returned +3.1% for the month. Over the past year the fund returned +17.6% after all fees, versus its benchmark of +8.3%. The top performing investee fund for the month returned +3.6%. GQG Partners Global Equity rose +0.9% in USD, bringing its annual return to 13.9%. The largest contributor over the past year remains Sands Capital, with a total return of +49.1%. There were no changes to the fund manager line-up in the month.

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

## MARKET COMMENTARY

### International

The MSCI All Country World Index returned 0.1% for the month in USD and 3.4% in ZAR. Emerging Markets stocks and the Nasdaq both outperformed this, returning 5.0% and 1.7% in USD respectively. The oil price climbed 9.4% for the month (now at \$56 per barrel), up 48% over the past three months.

The first deliveries of vaccines and the trading fiasco at GameStop dominated January headlines. Smaller nations like Israel, Bahrain and the UAE have predictably done better in delivering vaccines, while the rollout in the UK and Europe has been problematic. We note that U.S. vaccination progress is leading to rapidly falling new cases and hospitalization data. This will continue, and we celebrate both the efforts of medical teams around the world to immunize the vulnerable, as well as a significantly improving economic outlook for the second half of the year.

Of most interest were the GameStop headlines. The trading frenzy in GameStop shares over the past week has not only provided grand theatre, but also a pertinent lesson in market price formation and risk management. Already, the results of the GameStop short squeeze have raised questions about market efficiency, regulation and financial stability, and it is clear that, notwithstanding Trump having left office with a blocked Twitter account, social media has not lost its influence on markets.

### South Africa

South African equities returned 5.5% in ZAR in January. While local equities got off to a strong start, the SA index has underperformed emerging market peers by 19% over the past 12 months, to say nothing of developed market peers. It has become clear that the risks facing South Africa are now well understood by market participants, with the MSCI SA multiple (10.9x) now at a 32% discount to emerging markets.

Despite the government's best efforts to foil it, the economy continues to try and resuscitate itself. Unsurprisingly, the President's plan of fighting the pandemic, corruption and a financial disaster with words and posturing have not borne fruit, and have instead exposed how hollowed out the capabilities of the state have become. In the words of Exxaro's frustrated CEO: "*what is now needed urgently is decisive action from the president. Words and vague intentions simply do not cut it*". The President will appear appropriately shocked.

Elsewhere, a much-needed prosecution of former president Jacob Zuma continues to be gobsmackingly out of reach, with the organs of State unable to act on his clear disregard for the law of the land. Should he not be prosecuted, it would send a clear signal that South Africa has "*neither a political nor economic environment for investment in the country*", according to Business Unity SA president Siphos Pityana. We agree.

## 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 October 2017 to 30 September 2020 2.40% of the value of the fund was incurred as expenses relating to the administration of the fund. 0.39% of the value of the fund was incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the assets underlying the fund. Therefore, 2.79% 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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