# Flagship IP Global Icon Feeder Fund

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NAV 811.7C

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**Fund type** Global equity feeder fund

**Fund size** R30.5m **NAV - A Class** 811.7c

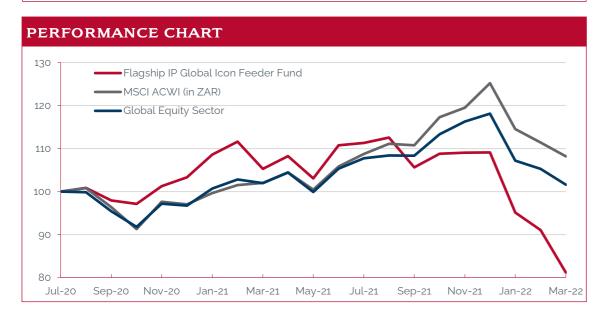
**Benchmark** MSCI All Country World Index (MSCI ACWI), in rands

(net total return USD index, converted into ZAR)

#### **FUND OBJECTIVE**

**FUND MANAGERS** 

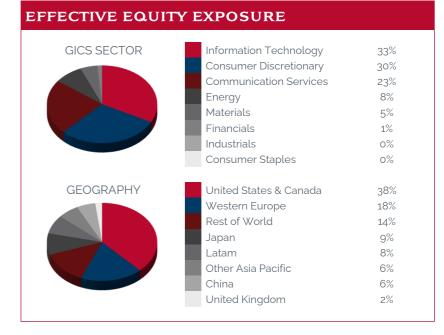
The Fund invests directly into the Flagship Global Icon Fund IC Limited, registered in Guernsey. That fund seeks to provide long-term capital appreciation by investing in high-quality companies that the Fund Manager believes will generate superior returns over the long-term. Such companies typically have a franchise in the form of a hard-to-replicate intangible asset (such as a brand, culture or intellectual property) that leads to an enduring competitive advantage and a dominant market position.



No. of participatory interests	3 759 441
Minimum lump sum investment	R 5 000
Base currency	ZAR
Income declaration - Mar '22	0.00C
Income declaration - Sep '21	0.00C
Dealing	Dailv

quity	96.4%
Capri Holdings	7.0%
Zalando SE	6.7%
Applied Materials	6.2%
Meta Platforms	5.4%
PagSeguro Digital Ltd	5.3%
Dicks Sporting Goods	5.0%
Informa PLC	5.0%
Hyprop Investments	4.5%
Amazon	4.4%
Microsoft Corp	4.2%
Other equity holdings	42.6%
ommodities	2.9%
Gold	2.9%
ash	0.7%
USD	-0.1%
ZAR	0.2%
Other	0.6%
DTAL	100.0%
DTAL	10

Annualised Performance (for periods > 1 year)	Fund	Benchmark	Sector
Since inception	-12.5%	5.2%	1.0%
10 Years			
7 Years			
5 Years			
3 Years			
1 Year	-22.9%	6.1%	-0.3%
6 Months	-23.2%	-2.3%	-6.2%
Year-to-date	-25.6%	-13.6%	-14.0%





FEES	
Total Expense Ratio (incl. VAT)	2.21%
Fund management fee (excl. VAT)	0.35%
VAT on fund management fee	0.05%
Fund expenses (incl. VAT)	1.50%
Transaction Costs (incl. VAT)	0.00%
Total Investment Charge (incl. VAT)	2.21%
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## FUND COMMENTARY - MARCH 2022

The Flagship IP Global Icon Feeder Fund returned -5.9% in USD and -10.9% in ZAR (due to the Rand strengthening by 5% against the dollar) as markets continue to be plagued by volatility, primarily driven by the ongoing war in Eastern Europe as well as inflationary concerns globally.

The biggest contributors were PagSeguro, Schlumberger and Hyprop, while the main detractors were Capri, Zalando and JD.com. During the month we entered new positions in Schlumberger and Suncor Energy, as well as re-entering a position in Adobe, while exiting our position in JD.com.

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

#### **MARKET COMMENTARY**

March capped off the first down-quarter for US markets since the start of the COVID pandemic in Q1 2020. The Dow Jones, Nasdaq and S&P 500 gained 2.3%, 3.5% and 3.7% for the month, however, for the quarter are down 4.6%, 8.9% and 4.6% respectively. The MSCI Emerging Markets index returned -2.3% for the month, a notable divergence from its developed market peers which were preferred by investors for their relative safety.

The Russian invasion of Ukraine continued to dominate headlines – shelling and tensions have increased significantly as evidence of war crimes start to mount, and Vladimir Putin tries to force countries to pay for Russian gas deliveries in Roubles. There appears to be some progress with peace talks, as Ukrainian president Zelensky indicated they are prepared to drop Ukraine's quest for NATO membership. Russia's decision to confiscate assets of foreign companies sets a dangerous precedent, making Russia even less investable. In the midst of it all, Putin's biggest domestic foe, Alexei Navalny, has been jailed for a further 9 years on trumped up corruption charges.

Oil and commodities had a rollercoaster month, reflecting current volatility in investor sentiment. Brent Crude fluctuated between \$100-\$140/barrel. Ultimately, it gained almost 7% during March. The price of natural gas shot up almost 30%, putting most of the (Russian-gas-dependent) EU in danger of

further inflationary pressure.

In other Emerging markets, China set its lowest GDP growth target in more than 3 decades (5.5%), and indicated more willingness to cooperate with US regulators in a bid to keep Chinese companies listed on US exchanges. Meanwhile, in Turkey, President Erdogan's controversial views on monetary policy are causing havoc, as inflation for March came in at 61%, following the 54% print seen in February.

The US CPI number was rampant yet again in March, coming in at 7.9%. Years of easy monetary policy, Covid-induced stimulus, and the Ukraine war, all contributed to US CPI coming in at 40-year highs. It therefore comes as no surprise that the US Federal Reserve implemented a rate hike of 25 basis points, and alluded to the possibility of sharper hikes in the months ahead.

Flagship's equity holdings had a tough month in March, as rising inflation levels in Europe affected retail shopper appetite, which led to weak performance from Zalando and Capri. Pagseguro, which has been a large detractor of late, saw a welcome reversal in its fortunes, gaining 30% during the month. While the short-term underperformance is disappointing, we continue to see a lot of value in all our stocks on a 3 to 5-year basis.

### **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 up 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 or call us on 021 673-1340
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- Additional information including the annual report of the Manager and detailed holdings of the portfolio as at the last quarter end are available, free of charge, from info@flagshipsa.com.
- 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 Global Icon Feeder Fund is in the Global - Equity - General sector and invests directly into the Flagship Global Icon Fund IC Limited, registered in Guernsey. That fund seeks to provide long-term capital appreciation by investing in high-quality companies that the Fund Manager believes will generate superior returns over the long-term. Such companies typically have a franchise in the form of a hard-to-replicate intangible asset (such as a brand, culture or intellectual property) that leads to an enduring competitive advantage and a dominant market position. The fund will, at all times, be fully invested in the master fund and, as such, does not allow for any asset allocation flexibility and will not invest in any financial instruments to implement specific investment views.

### **TER and Transaction Costs**

From 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021 2.21% of the value of the fund was incurred as expenses relating to the administration of the fund. 0.00% of the value of the fund was incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the assets underlying the fund. Therefore, 2.21% 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 fund managers seek to reduce risk by investing in a range of assets diversified across sectors and geographies, with the flexibility to vary exposures as market circumstances dictate.



- · 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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