

# AFRICA EQUITY OPPORTUNITIES FUND

Minimum disclosure document (fact sheet) as at 30 June 2018

## Investment objectives & strategy

The investment objective of the Sub-Fund is to maximise risk-adjusted returns over the long run while preserving capital, regardless of market conditions, by investing in companies whose primary source of income is from, or whose major assets are based on, the African continent. It is anticipated that at least 80% of the Fund will be invested in companies listed on African stock exchanges and the balance on stock exchanges outside Africa. The Fund can also invest up to 10% in selected investment opportunities, such as pre-IPO opportunities or unlisted investments.

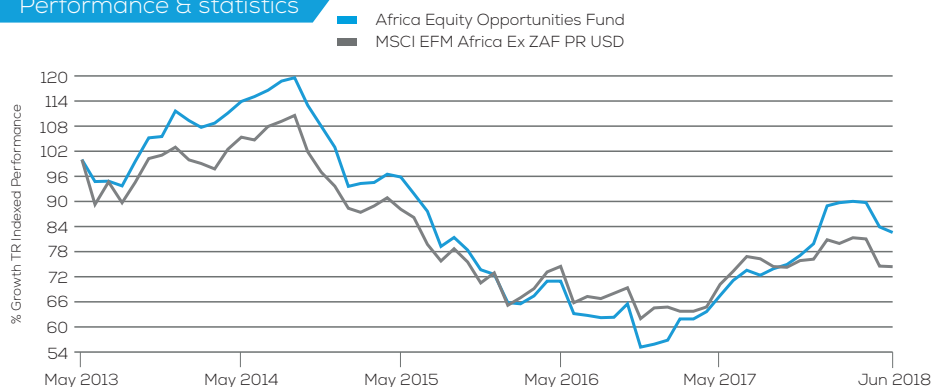
## Investor profile

This Fund is designed for investors wishing to participate in capital markets and may be most appropriate for investors with a medium to long term investment horizon, as losses may occur due to high market fluctuations.

## Fund activity

- African markets were slightly weaker in June. Morocco ended the month down 2.9% with general weakness across the sectors. Mauritius was also down 2.9%, with Greenbay Properties falling 10.9%. All the other markets largely counteracted this weakness with Nigeria being the stand out performer up 1.7% and largely driven by Brewing and Beverages (Nigerian Breweries +3.6%) and consumer stocks (Nestle Nigeria +3.6%).
- The Fund underperformed the Index due to its underweight Nigerian consumer and brewing stocks, its overweight Uganda (Umeme -16.8%) and overweight Botswana (Choppies - 21.1%). This was slightly counteracted by the Funds underweight Morocco position and overweight Egypt position (+1.8%) with off benchmark stocks doing particularly well, such as Ibsinsa Pharma (+18.5%) and Qalaa Holdings (+16.8%).

## Performance & statistics



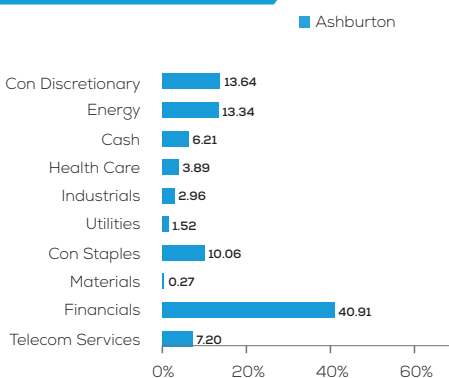
Annual average compound rate of return: **-3.68%**

Source: Morningstar

The investment performance is for illustrative purposes only and is calculated on a bid to bid basis. It does not take into account initial fees, but is presented net of all other fees, including annual management charge and performance fee accrual of the R class. Income is reinvested on the ex-dividend date. Actual performance will differ based on the initial fees applicable, the actual investment date and the date of reinvestment of income. Past performance is not necessarily an indication of future performance.

Growth (%)	Fund	Benchmark	Fund statistics	Beta	Sharpe ratio	Tracking error
YTD	3.36	-2.35	1 Yr	0.94	1.01	8.28
1 Mth	-1.59	-0.18	Since launch	0.26	-0.23	21.85
3 Mths	-8.27	-8.50				
6 Mths	3.36	-2.35				
1 Yr	16.10	1.50				
3 Yrs	-10.10	-13.63				
Since launch	-17.43	-25.59				

## Sector allocation (%)



## Largest holdings (%)

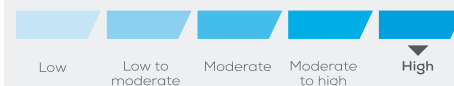
Company	Sector	Allocation (%)
SEPLAT Petroleum Development Co Plc	Energy	9.72
EFG HERMES HOLDING SAE	Financials	5.12
ZENITH BANK PLC	Financials	4.38
CENTUM INVESTMENT CO LTD	Financials	4.31
SONATEL	Telecom Services	4.29

## International

### Key facts

**Lead fund manager**  
Paul Clark

### Risk profile



### General Information

Launch date	22/05/13
Fund size	\$17.47m
Number of stocks	30-50
Minimum investment	\$10,000
Benchmark	MSCI Emerging Frontier Markets Africa ex SA index PR USD
Domicile	Luxembourg
Dealing	Weekly Wednesday
ISIN	LU0923646409
Sedol	B8DT3V1
Bloomberg ticker	AISAEOR LX
Nav price	\$8.2575
Yield	N/A
Dividend policy	Accumulation
Management Company	MDO Management Company S.A.
Investment manager	Ashburton (Jersey) Limited
Reporting fund	Yes
Administrator	State Street Bank Luxembourg S.C.A.
Fund Structure	UCITS
ISA eligible	Yes
FCA recognised	Yes

### Fee Structure (%)

Performance Fee	15.00%
Annual Management fee	2.00%
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	2.70%
Transaction Charges	0.06%
Total Investment Charges	2.76%

Initial Charges are subject to prescribed minimums. Please refer to the Fund Prospectus for full details.

\*\* Hurdle performance fee: equal to max 15% of outperformance (subject to high watermark) of Adjusted NAV Hurdle. See Prospectus for details.

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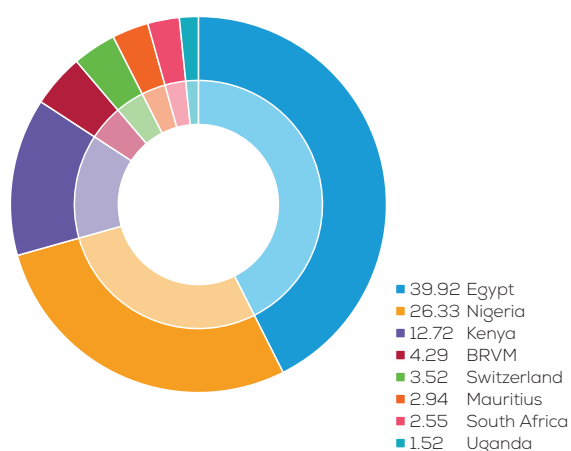
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## Monthly performance history (%)

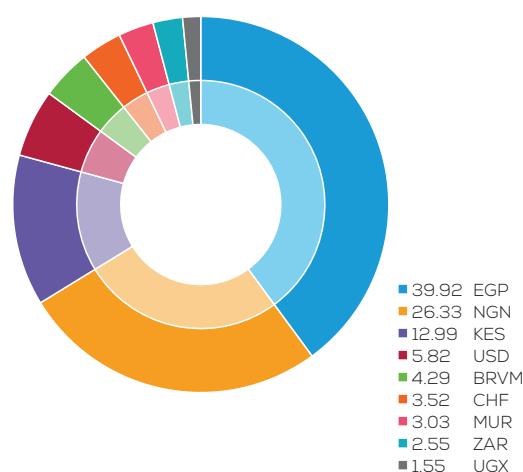
Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Calendar year
<b>2018</b>	11.34	0.85	0.35	-0.31	-6.50	-1.59	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>3.36</b>
<b>2017</b>	-0.80	7.73	1.10	2.24	6.03	5.37	2.22	-0.47	2.15	1.37	2.88	3.65	<b>39.43</b>
<b>2016</b>	-9.31	-0.43	2.88	5.22	0.02	-10.94	-0.68	-0.87	0.15	6.08	-16.52	3.84	<b>-21.04</b>
<b>2015</b>	-9.32	1.00	0.25	2.10	-0.71	-4.15	-4.58	-9.57	2.70	-3.69	-6.01	-1.50	<b>-29.52</b>
<b>2014</b>	-2.04	-1.49	0.94	2.20	2.51	1.02	1.32	1.88	0.67	-5.52	-4.42	-4.64	<b>-7.75</b>

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## Geographical weighting (%)



## Currency weightings (%)



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