

# GLOBAL BALANCED FUND (USD HEDGED) R SHARE CLASS

Minimum disclosure document (fact sheet) as at 31 July 2017

## Investment objectives & strategy

The primary aim is to deliver medium to long-term capital growth through a balanced asset allocation across a diversified range of asset classes, regions and currencies with at least 30% of its assets in a combination of fixed income securities, Money Market Instruments and cash whilst not exceeding 60% of its assets in equity securities.

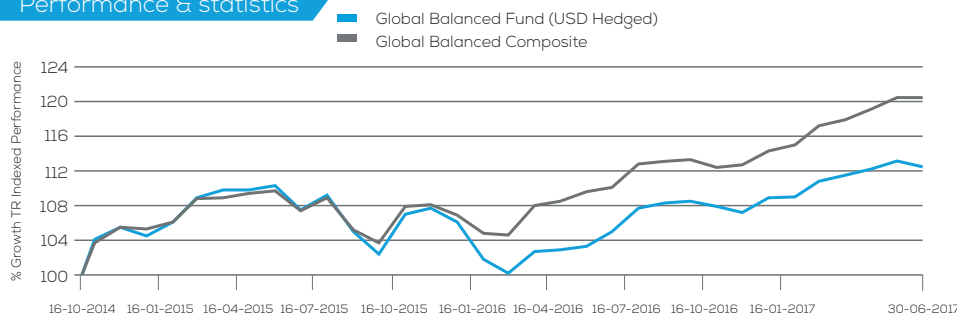
## Investor profile

This Fund is designed as a moderate risk strategy for clients who are prepared to accept a moderate degree of risk with their capital.

## Fund activity

- During July there was a "comeback" in the reflation theme as commodity prices, especially oil and base metals (iron ore, copper), recorded strong gains. In response, inflation expectations drifted higher. We used the strength in our G10 oil-linked currency positions (NOK, CAD) to take profits in our positive oil theme. The positive moves in these currencies were exacerbated by the hawkish turn by their respective central banks. Notably, Bank of Canada raised interest rates for the first time since 2010.
- The US dollar index was particularly weak, reacting to the monetary convergence between G10, the disappointing inflation trajectory in the US and lack of any meaningful policy change out of Washington. At this juncture, data indicates an extremely short US dollar positioning by historical standards and expectations are extremely low, making risk/reward for the currency attractive in our view.
- Emerging market (EM) central banks have been diverging from their developed market counterparts in running accommodative policies to combat disinflationary outlooks. We retain our constructive view on EM real rates in this environment, especially in light of EM inflation volatility structurally declining.

## Performance & statistics



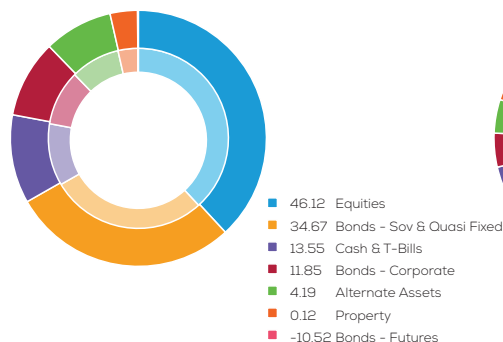
Annual average compound rate of return: **4.64%**

Source: Morningstar

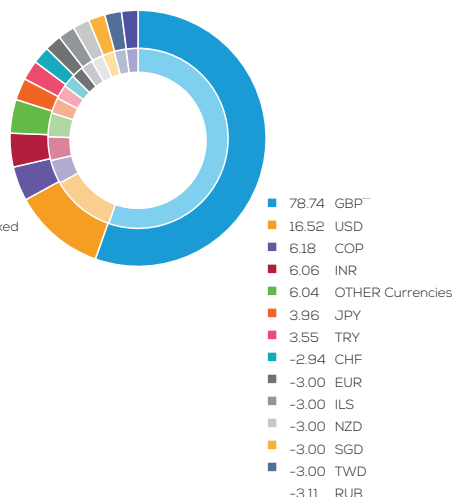
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Growth (%)	Fund	Benchmark
YTD	4.27	6.55
1 Mth	0.92	1.11
3 Mths	1.14	2.27
6 Mths	4.16	5.88
1 Yr	5.37	8.02
Since launch	13.50	21.79

## Asset allocation (%)



## Currency weightings\*\* (%)



## International

### Key facts

**Head of Asset Allocation**  
Marianna Georgakopoulou

### Risk profile



### General Information

Launch date	15/10/14
Fund size	£126.09m
Minimum investment	\$10,000 or foreign currency equivalent
Benchmark	Global Balanced Composite (USD)
Domicile	Luxembourg
Dealing	Daily
ISIN	LU1109954740
Sedol	BQWJ909
Bloomberg ticker	AIGBLRU LX
Nav price	\$11.3503
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
Umbrella fund	Ashburton Investments SICAV

### Fee Structure (%)

Annual Management fee	1.50%
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	1.83%
Transaction Charges	0.20%
Total Investment Charges	2.03%

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

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## Monthly performance history (%)

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Calendar year
2017	0.11	1.71	0.62	0.62	0.82	-0.60	0.92	-	-	-	-	-	-
2016	-4.06	-1.56	2.52	0.17	0.38	1.67	2.57	0.54	0.18	-0.52	-0.71	1.58	2.59
2015	1.46	2.67	0.87	-0.07	0.53	-2.59	1.58	-3.88	-2.39	4.41	0.71	-1.50	1.51
2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.11	1.38	-0.96	4.53

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## Top 5 bond holdings (%)

	Sector	%
<b>UK TREASURY</b> <b>4.250 DEC 07 27</b>	Sovereign & Quasi Fixed	7.61
<b>TURKEY(REP OF)</b> <b>11.000 MAR 02 22</b>	Sovereign & Quasi Fixed	6.67
<b>GERMANY(FED REP)</b> <b>2.500 AUG 15 46</b>	Sovereign & Quasi Fixed	6.13
<b>MEXICO(UTD MEX ST)</b> <b>5.750 MAR 05 26</b>	Sovereign & Quasi Fixed	4.04
<b>MEXICO(UTD MEX ST)</b> <b>5.000 DEC 11 19</b>	Sovereign & Quasi Fixed	3.53

## Top 5 equity holdings (%)

	Sector	%
<b>EURO STOXX 50</b>	Futures	11.75
<b>S&amp;P500 EMINI</b>	Futures	10.28
<b>NIKKEI 225</b>	Futures	7.59
<b>INDIA EQ OPPS FUND</b>	Internal Shares	6.64
<b>GLOBAL ENERGY FUND</b>	Internal Shares	2.08

## Geographical weighting (%)

	ASIA	EU	JPN	UK	US	OTHER
<b>Bonds - Corporate</b>	-	-	-	2.7	7.5	1.6
<b>Bonds - Index Linked</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Bonds - Sov &amp; Quasi Fixed</b>	-	6.1	-	7.6	2.2	18.7
<b>Equities</b>	7.8	12.4	7.6	0.2	17.0	1.1
<b>Alternate Assets</b>	-	4.2	-	-	-	-

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\*TERs are based on the 31/12/2016 calculations.

\*\*The currency exposure and Fund size shown reflects the base currency of the Ashburton Investments SICAV - Global Balanced GBP pool. This exposure is then hedged back to USD for the USD hedged share class.

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