# GLOBAL DEFENSIVE FUND (GBP) R SHARE CLASS

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

### Investment objectives & strategy

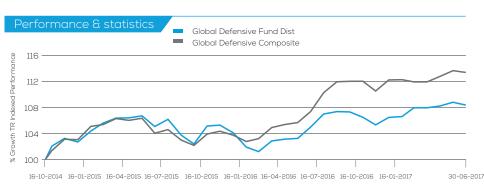
The primary aim is to provide investors with some growth in capital plus an income over the medium term, with below average volatility through a diversified range of asset classes consisting of a least 45% in a combination of fixed income securities, Money Market Instruments and cash whilst not exceeding a maximum equity exposure of 35%.

## Investor profile

This Fund is designed as a cautious risk strategy for clients who are prepared to accept a modest 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.



Annual average compound rate of return: 2.99%

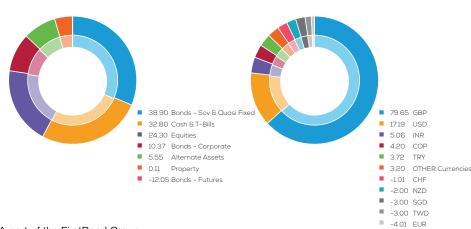
Source: Morningsta

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Growth (%)	Fund	Benchmark
YTD	1.98	3.51
1 Mth	0.20	0.61
3 Mths	0.33	1.15
6 Mths	1.85	3.47
1 Yr	1.48	2.57
Since launch	8.58	14.07

#### Asset allocation (%)

Currency weightings (%)





## International

# Key facts

**Head of Asset Allocation** Marianna Georgakopoulou

# Risk profile



### **General Information**

Launch date	08/10/14
Fund size	£9.62m
Minimum investment	The GBP equivalent of USD 10,000
Benchmark	Global Defensive Composite (GBP)
Domicile	Luxembourg
Dealing	Daily
ISIN	LU1109953932
Sedol	BQWJ8R9
Bloomberg ticker	AISGDSR LX
Nav price	£10.3492
Dividend policy	Distributing
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	1.00%
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	1.44%
Transaction Charges	0.38%
Total Investment Charges	1 82%

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

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Monthly perforr	nance his	tory (%)											
Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Calendar year
2017	0.13	1.06	0.21	0.25	0.53	-0.40	0.20	-	-	-	-	-	-
2016	-2.13	-0.67	1.62	0.26	0.12	1.67	1.93	0.34	-0.04	-0.76	-1.10	1.08	2.26
2015	1.65	1.14	0.75	0.03	0.29	-1.53	1.04	-2.29	-1.31	2.70	0.13	-1.11	1.39
2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.04	1.18	-0.54	2.69

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# Top 5 bond holdings (%)

	Sector	%
UK TREASURY 4.250 DEC 07 27	Sovereign & Quasi Fixed	7.42
GERMANY(FED REP) 2.500 AUG 15 46	Sovereign & Quasi Fixed	5.99
UNITED STATES TREAS 2.250 FEB 15 27	Sovereign & Quasi Fixed	5.55
MEXICO(UTD MEX ST) 5.000 DEC 11 19	Sovereign & Quasi Fixed	5.14
TURKEY(REP OF) 11.000 MAR 02 22	Sovereign & Quasi Fixed	4.84

#### Top 5 equity holdings (%)

	Sector	%
S&P500 EMINI	Futures	10.67
EURO STOXX 50	Futures	5.46
NIKKEI 225	Futures	2.84
INDIA EQ OPPS FUND	Internal Shares	1.93
GLOBAL ENERGY FUND	Internal Shares	1.75

#### Geographical weighting (%)

	ASIA	EU	JPN	UK	US	OTHER
Bonds - Corporate	-	-	-	3.3	5.0	2.1
Bonds - Index Linked	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bonds - Sov & Quasi Fixed	-	6.0	-	7.4	8.8	16.7
Equities	3.2	5.8	2.8	0.1	11.9	0.4
Alternate Assets	-	5.6	-	-	-	-

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

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