



# MAESTRO

Balanced Fund

PRESCIENT  
LIFE

August 2014

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Fund's objective is to produce above average long-term returns whilst simultaneously aiming to assume less risk than is inherent in the market itself. The Fund adopts a conservative investment philosophy and is Regulation 28 compliant.

## FUND BENCHMARK

The Fund measures itself against a benchmark consisting of 50% All Share Index, 20% All Bond Index (ALBI), 20% Short term fixed income (STEFI) index and 10% against a Global Benchmark.

## LEGAL STRUCTURE

The Fund is a pooled portfolio on the Prescient Life Limited balance sheet. The appointed portfolio manager of the Fund is Maestro Investment Management (Pty) Limited, an approved Financial Services Provider in terms of the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act, operating under licence number 739. Prescient Life Limited is a linked insurer governed by the Long Term Insurance Act. Prescient Life Limited issues investment linked policies. This Fund operates as a white label under the Prescient Life Licence.

## FEE STRUCTURE

There is no initial fee charged. The Maestro Balanced Fund is a Fund of Funds with an annual management fee of 1.5% (excl VAT). This is inclusive of investment consulting, all underlying managers, and administrative functions performed by Prescient Life.

## FUND SIZE

R 18 615 815

## LONG TERM INSURER

Prescient Life Limited  
(Reg no: 2004/014436/06)

## AUDITOR

KPMG Inc.

## PORTFOLIO MANAGER

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## MARKET OVERVIEW

During August, equity and bond markets were again influenced by Central Bank commentary, sanctions, macroeconomic data and, to a lesser degree, corporate earnings. A defining feature of global markets this year has been the rebound of emerging markets over developed ones as well as the continued strength in the fixed income space. At month end the S&P500 closed at record levels and above the 2000 for the first time in history. The US market rose 4.0% in August, proving to be the strongest developed market during the month. The US strength drove the MSCI World index up 2.0%, supported by France, UK and Germany markets which gained 3.2%, 1.3% and 0.7% respectively. What is even more remarkable is that it has been more profitable to be invested in emerging markets this year than developed ones – who would have thought! Brazil and India have been the star performers, rising 8.8% and 2.9% respectively in August. Global bond markets ended the month higher, increasing 0.6%, while the SA bond market rose an impressive 2.8%. On the currency front, the dollar firmed against virtually all other currencies; the rand bucked the trend, appreciating 0.8% against the greenback, while the euro and sterling both lost 1.6%.

The SA equity market unfortunately recorded its first negative month since January this year. The All share index declined 0.5%, led lower by the basic material sector, which ended 6.1% lower. The combination of a stronger dollar and weaker commodity prices was too much for the index to bear. Industrials ended the month 1.7% higher, while financials rose 0.4% despite our large commercial banks being downgraded by Moody's.

## MONTHLY FUND RETURNS

During August the Maestro Balanced Fund's NAV increased 0.5% versus the 0.5% return of the Fund benchmark.

The return on the [Maestro Equity Fund](#) was 0.4% versus the -0.5% return of the All Share Index.

The [Prescient Income Provider Fund](#) returned 1.3% against its benchmark of 0.5%.

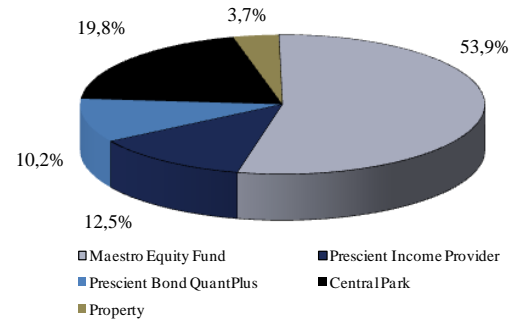
The [Prescient Bond QuantPlus Fund](#) returned 2.5% against its benchmark of 2.8%.

The [Maestro Central Park Global Balanced Fund](#) returned -0.5% in rands against its benchmark of 0.6%.

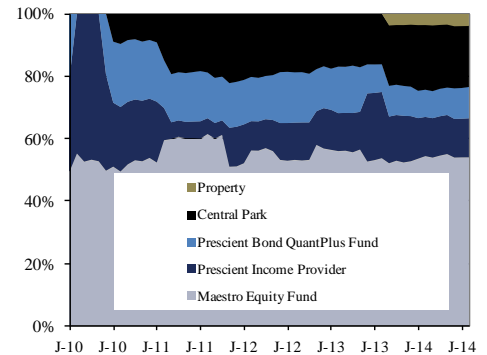
## LARGEST INDIVIDUAL HOLDINGS

MTN	4,1%
Steinhoff	3,9%
Sasol	3,7%
Naspers	3,4%
Aspen	3,3%
Billiton	3,0%
Richemont	2,9%
Mr Price	2,7%
OneLogix	2,3%
Prescient Flexible Income	2,2%
<b>Total percentage</b>	<b>31,5%</b>

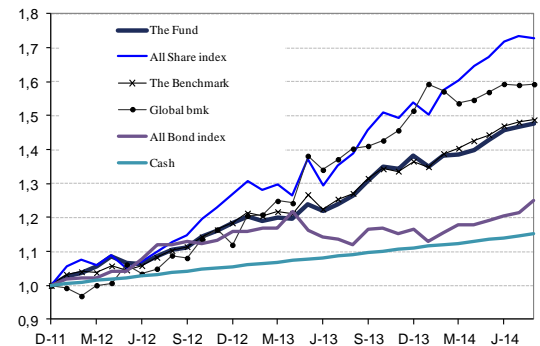
## ASSET ALLOCATION (% OF FUND)



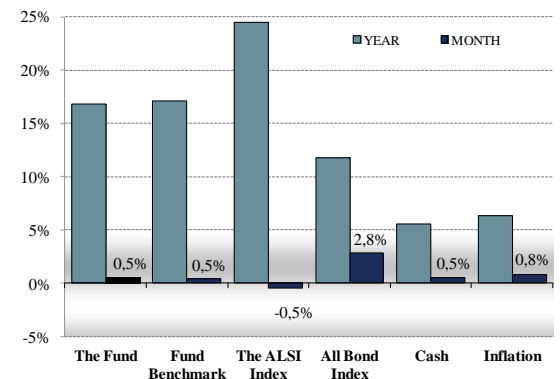
## HISTORIC ASSET ALLOCATION (% OF FUND)



## HISTORIC PERFORMANCE



## MARKET RETURNS





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**HISTORIC RETURNS – CLASS A2**

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
2009	NAV Fund <sup>1</sup>											1.0000	1.0138	N/A
	Maestro Balanced Benchmark												1.38%	N/A
2010	NAV Fund <sup>1</sup>	0.9929	1.0089	1.0375	1.0449	1.0217	1.0091	1.0417	1.0387	1.0746	1.1095	1.1166	1.1455	13.0%
	Maestro Balanced Benchmark	-2.06%	1.61%	2.83%	0.71%	-2.22%	-1.23%	3.23%	-0.29%	3.45%	3.25%	0.64%	2.59%	14.0%
2011	NAV Fund <sup>1</sup>	1.1170	1.1100	1.1070	1.1279	1.1268	1.1173	1.1107	1.1119	1.1116	1.1647	1.1482	1.1459	0.0%
	Maestro Balanced Benchmark	-2.48%	0.63%	-0.27%	1.88%	-0.09%	-0.84%	-0.59%	0.11%	-0.03%	4.78%	-1.42%	-0.20%	6.3%
2012	NAV Fund <sup>1</sup>	1.1780	1.1882	1.2123	1.2441	1.2218	1.2196	1.2437	1.2682	1.2731	1.3103	1.3309	1.3558	18.3%
	Maestro Balanced Benchmark	2.80%	0.87%	2.03%	2.62%	-1.79%	-0.18%	1.98%	1.97%	0.39%	2.92%	1.57%	1.87%	18.9%
2013	NAV Fund <sup>1</sup>	1.3796	1.3651	1.3761	1.3720	1.4191	1.3961	1.4215	1.4485	1.4996	1.5474	1.5385	1.5851	16.9%
	Maestro Balanced Benchmark	1.76%	-1.05%	0.81%	-0.30%	3.43%	-1.62%	1.82%	1.90%	3.53%	3.19%	-0.58%	3.03%	15.4%
2014	NAV Fund <sup>1</sup>	1.5453	1.5840	1.5868	1.6031	1.6383	1.6695	1.6833	1.6915					6.7%*
	Maestro Balanced Benchmark	-2.51%	2.50%	0.18%	1.03%	2.19%	1.90%	0.83%	0.49%					8.9%*

<sup>1</sup>Fund not available to the public

\*Year to date returns

Units in linked insurance policies should be considered as medium to long-term investments. The value of units may go up as well as down and past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. Unit prices are calculated on a net asset basis, which is the total value of all the assets in the portfolio including any income accruals and less any permissible deductions (Brokerage, Securities Transfer Tax, VAT, Auditor's fees, Bank Charges, Custodian fees and the annual Management fee) from the portfolio divided by the number of units in issue. Fluctuations or movements in exchange rates may cause the value of any underlying international investments to go up and down. Forward pricing is used. Maestro Investment Management (Pty) Limited and Prescient Life Limited are members of the Association for Savings and Investments of South Africa (ASISA).