

# MAESTRO GLOBAL BALANCED FUND



## 27four Life

28 February 2021

### Investment objective

To produce above average long-term returns by investing in global equity, bonds and cash markets, through the assumption of less risk than that of the underlying markets. The Fund acts as a feeder fund for Central Park Global Balanced Fund, which is also managed by Maestro Investment Management.

### The Fund benchmark

An index consisting of a 60% equity weighting (MSCI World Index), and a 40% weighting in bonds (Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index).

### Legal structure

The Fund is a pooled portfolio on the 27four Life Limited balance sheet. The appointed Investment 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 license number 739.

### Inception Date

15 November 2017

### Fee structure

The Fund incurs fees at two levels. Firstly, the investment management fee in Central Park Global Balanced Fund is 1.5% per annum, together with a 10% performance fee subject to a high water mark. Secondly, administration and other fees are charged by 27four Life on the following basis:

- For investments under R5m: 0.46%
- Investments between R5m and R10m: 0.41%
- For investments in excess of R10m: 0.39%

### Fund size

R 102 475 008 as at 28 February 2021

### NAV

Class A2: 1.3525

### Long term insurer

27four Life Limited  
(Reg no: 2004/014436/06)

### Auditor

SNG Grant Thornton International

### Investment manager

Maestro Investment Management (Pty) Limited

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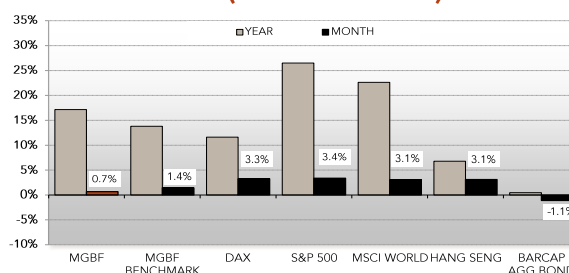
## Market Overview

Market participants probably feel like they have experienced a year of market activity so far during 2021 – yet we are only two months into the year. Investors further removed from markets can be forgiven for wondering what all the fuss is about – markets have been relatively calm so far, haven't they? My response would be "anything but!" I wouldn't want to over-dramatize the market movements, but they have been extreme – in both directions. Hardly a day has gone by without some significant development occurring, forcing us to keep our attention fixed on the present and the future, in the hope that we can navigate what are becoming increasingly nervous and volatile markets.

The MSCI World index rose 2.5% in February, ahead of the MSCI Emerging market index gain of just 0.7%. The dollar rose 0.3% during the month, which retarded the gains in emerging markets and currencies. The Japanese equity market rose 4.7%, the Hong Kong market 2.5%, the German market rose 2.6%, and the US 2.7%. Amongst emerging markets, the Indian market rose 6.1%, and Russia 3.2%, but the Brazilian market lost 4.4%. The S&P Mid and Small cap indices rose 6.7% and 7.6% in February respectively.

The Bloomberg Global Aggregate bond index lost 1.7% in February and the US Aggregate bond index lost 1.4%. Commodity prices were firm with oil up 18.1%, copper up 15.1%, iron ore 11.8%, and aluminium 9.0%.

## Market Returns (In rand terms)



"To achieve great things, two things are needed; a plan, and not quite enough time."

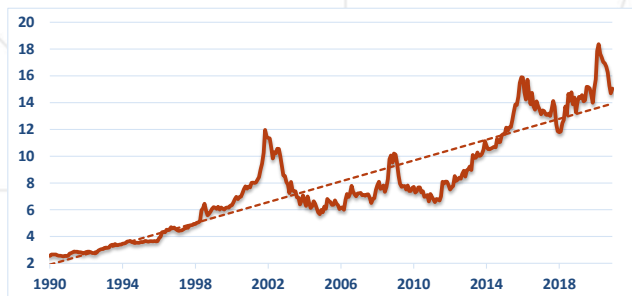
- Leonard Bernstein



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### The Rand Dollar Exchange rate



### Investment Manager Comment

The Maestro Global Balanced Fund posted a positive return this month on the back of a weak rand. The rand weakened 0.6% this month. The Maestro Global Balanced Fund rose 0.7% in February, this can be compared to the benchmark and comparable sector returns of 1.4% and 0.7 respectively.

Turning to the specific drivers of the Fund during the month; Yihai lost 16.8% during February, Mercadolibre 7.9%, NetEase 6.8%, Vifor Pharma 6.7%, Alibaba 5.8%, and Sunny Optical 5.0%. On a more positive note, Zur Rose gained 4.8%, TeamViewer 5.0%, New Oriental Education 6.0%, Visa 9.9%, Alphabet (Google's parent) 11.0%. Swiss Life and Helvetia Holdings rose 11.2% and 11.6% respectively.

At the end of February 5.3% of the Fund was invested in bonds, 4.1% was retained in cash and the balance of 90.6% invested in global equity markets.

### Note to Investors

The Fund is an investment-linked Endowment Policy, issued by 27four Life. Maestro Investment Management is the Fund's Investment Manager. All investments into the Fund are directed into Central Park Global Balanced Fund, the unit trust Maestro uses to manage its Clients' offshore assets.

### The Fund's Largest Holdings

Investment	% of Fund
Tencent Holdings	6.2%
Alibaba	5.7%
TAL Education Group	5.7%
New Oriental Education Group	5.6%
Visa Inc	5.4%
iShares China CNY Bond ETF	5.3%
Alphabet Inc	5.3%
Adobe Systems	5.2%
Aberdeen Palladium ETF	4.6%
Partners Group Holdings AG	4.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>53.3%</b>

### Monthly and Annual Average Returns

Investment	1 month	6 month	1 year	2 years	3 years
<b>Maestro Global Balanced Fund</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>-6.6</b>	<b>17.2</b>	<b>18.4</b>	<b>16.4</b>
Fund benchmark	1.4	-5.1	13.2	15.3	16.2
Sector*	0.7	-2.4	13.4	14.4	14.9

\* Morningstar ASISA Global Multi Asset Flexible Category

\*\* Inception Date 1 December 2017

Investment	YTD	2020	2019	2018	2017
<b>Maestro Global Balanced Fund</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>26.2</b>	<b>-5.6</b>	<b>NA**</b>
Fund benchmark	2.9	17.8	14.6	8.4	4.0
Sector*	3.8	14.4	15.5	4.6	5.3

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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 27Four Life Limited are members of the Association for Savings and Investments of South Africa (ASISA).