MAESTRO GLOBAL BALANCED FUND





September 2019

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 61 880 101 as at 30 September 2019

NAV

Class A: 104.64

Long term insurer

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

Auditor

SNG Grant Thornton International

Investment manager

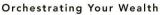
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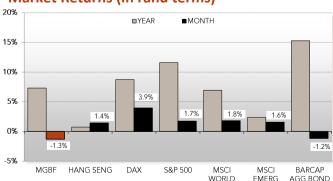
Market Overview

I will refrain from any lengthy "reflections" but point out that, for all of Brexit, Trump the US China trade war, and global economic slowdown, to mention but a few major issues, global, US and Chinese equity markets have risen 15.7%, 20.3%, and 16.5% respectively during the first nine months of this year. The global bond market is 6.3% higher over the same period. Most equity market returns are well up in the teens, with Greece up an astonishing 41.6%. The SA equity market is 7.1% higher. So for all the bad news and sabre-rattling that dominates the headlines, investors who placed their assets at risk in global markets at the end of December, have reaped rich rewards so far this year.

Turning to specific data on September's market behaviour, the MSCI World and Emerging Market indices rose 1.9% and 1.7% respectively. The Japanese, German, UK and US rose 5.8%, 4.1%, 2.8%, and 1.9% respectively. The US Mid and Small cap indices rose 2.9% and 3.2% during September. Within the emerging market space, returns from India (3.6%), Brazil (3.6), Russia (3.1%), and Turkey (8.6%) were notable.

Global bond markets retreated 1.0%, the dollar rose 0.5%, and the euro, fell 1.0% against the greenback. Within the commodity complex, monthly gains in palladium of 12.6% and iron ore and coal markets (8.6% each) were notable. Despite it being a volatile month, September ended with most markets higher.

Market Returns (In rand terms)







Investment Manager Comment

The Maestro Global Balanced Fund posted a below-average return this month on the back of a slightly firmer rand. The rand strengthened 0.1% this month. The Maestro Global Balanced Fund fell 1.3% in September, this can be compared to the benchmark and comparable sector returns of 0.6% and 0.9% respectively.

Turning to the specific drivers of the Global Balanced Fund's return this month: Shanghai Fosun declined 9.7%, Ctrip 9.5%, Visa 4.9%, Partners Group 4.6% and Alibaba 4.5% (Alibaba, one of our largest holdings, lost 7.7% on the last day of the month). Sunny Optical rose 6.0%, Helvetia 6.9%, ON Semi 7.9%, Charles Schwab 9.3% and Geely Automotive 9.7%.

At the end of September 1.0% of the Fund was invested in bonds, 19.1% was retained in cash and the balance of 79.9% was 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 Limited	6.7%
Visa Inc.	6.2%
Alibaba Group Holdings Limited	5.9%
New Oriental Education and Tech Group	5.0%
SAP AG	4.7%
Ping An Ins Group Co of China	4.6%
Alphabet Inc.	4.5%
Adobe Systems	4.4%
Partners Group Holdings AG	3.9%
CSPC Pharma Group Ltd	3.8%
Total	49.7%

Monthly and Annual Average Returns (%)

Investment	1 month	3 month	6 month	9 month	1 year
Maestro Global Balanced Fund	-1.3	4.2	3.8	24.0	7.3
Fund benchmark	0.6	7.9	9.2	18.3	10.6
Sector*	0.9	6.9	6.6	17.4	7.6

^{*} Morningstar ASISA Global Multi Asset Flexible Category

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Investment	Year-to-date	2018	2017	2016	2015
Maestro Global Balanced Fund	24.0	-5.6	NA**	NA**	NA**
Fund benchmark	18.3	8.4	4.0	-9.1	31.7
Sector*	17.4	4.6	5.3	-8.6	26.7

^{*} Morningstar ASISA Global Multi Asset Flexible Category

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).