

# Alexander Forbes Investments Global Fund

Minimum Disclosure Document

October 2024

# **Strategic Global Conservative Fund - Class A**

Fee class launch date<sup>9</sup>

1 July 2015

**Base currency** 

United States Dollar

Minimum investment

USD equivalent of GBP 2 500 (Classes D & A)

**Benchmark** 

Morningstar EAA Fund USD Cautious Allocation

**Fund size** \$ 4.0 million

Domicile

Jersey

Income distribution

Income received is accumulated and not distributed

Risk profile

Conservative

Liquidity

Daily

**Investment horizon** 

More than three years

Morningstar category

**EAA Fund USD Cautious** 

Allocation

### Portfolio objective

The investment objective of this Class Fund is to generate capital appreciation over the short to medium term by investing in a mix of collective investment

### Investment policy summary

The Strategic Global Conservative Fund is a Class Fund of the Alexander Forbes Investments Global Fund. The Fund is suitable for investors who are conservative in nature, and therefore prefer a limited exposure to equity markets and a short to medium term investment (less than two years). The Fund offers investors returns with low volatility managed within conservative investment parameters.

### Strategic asset allocation

The Class Fund will typically invest into between seven and 12 underlying managers with approximately 28% of the fund allocated to equity managers.



Equity Excluding Property 28%



Property 5%



**Bonds** 28%



23%



Cash



Alternatives 16%

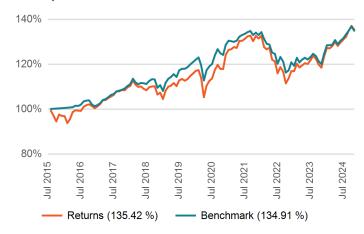
### Performance of Class A to October 2024

						Highest Ann (%)			Lowest Ann (%)		
	1 Month	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Launch	3 Years	5 Years	Since Launch	3 Years	5 Years	Since Launch
Dollar Portfolio	-1.22%	14.33%	0.71%	3.36%	3.30%	14.36%	20.82%	20.82%	-14.45%	-14.45%	-14.45%
Dollar Benchmark	-1.38%	12.35%	0.22%	2.39%	3.26%	12.73%	15.68%	15.68%	-12.57%	-12.57%	-12.57%
Rand Portfolio	1.27%	7.99%	5.64%	6.67%	7.53%	25.67%	27.58%	27.58%	-5.73%	-9.29%	-10.85%
Rand Benchmark	1.11%	6.12%	5.12%	5.67%	7.49%	24.28%	30.91%	30.91%	-4.99%	-12.61%	-15.24%
Sterling Portfolio	3.14%	7.99%	2.84%	3.50%	5.62%	8.34%	8.62%	31.26%	-3.79%	-3.79%	-5.85%
Sterling Benchmark	2.98%	6.12%	2.34%	2.52%	5.49%	7.54%	9.82%	28.18%	-6.40%	-6.40%	-6.40%

Source: Alexander Forbes Investments

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### Cumulative performance of Class A since launch to October 2024



Source: Alexander Forbes Investments

### Manager/portfolio weighting

Manager	Weight
Mercer USD Cash Fund	24.3%
Coronation Global Strategic USD Income Fund	21.2%
MGI Global Equity Fund	20.5%
Mercer Passive Global Equity Fund	8.7%
Colchester Global Bond Fund	7.5%
BlackRock iShares Global Government Bond Index Fund	7.4%
Mercer Global High Yield Bond Fund	5.1%
iShares Developed Real Estate Index Fund	4.8%
Cash	0.5%
Total	100.0%

### Asset allocation

Asset Class	Weight
Equity Excluding Property	28.1%
Property	5.3%
Bonds	29.8%
Cash	36.8%
Total	100.0%

### Market performance (United States Dollar)

	1 Month	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
MSCI World	-0.47%	37.01%	7.42%	12.89%	10.66%
US Treasury Bill	0.39%	5.34%	3.90%	2.46%	1.74%
FTSE WGBI	-3.62%	7.92%	-5.61%	-2.70%	-0.56%
FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global Real Estate	-3.49%	33.63%	-2.14%	1.19%	4.17%

Source: Bloomberg and MorningStar

### Total expense ratio and Transaction cost breakdown¹

## Period (Annualised, rolling three-year period): 01 Oct 2021 to 30 Sep 2024

Total Investment Charges (TER + TC) <sup>3</sup>	1.25%
Transaction Costs (TC) <sup>2</sup>	0.00%
Total Expense Ratio (TER) <sup>1</sup>	1.25%
Expenses	0.02%
Underlying Expenses	0.03%
Administration & Trustee Fee	0.10%
Management Fee	1.10%

### Fee Disclaime

- 1. Total Expense Ratio (TER): This percentage of the value of the portfolio that was incurred as expenses relating to the administration (charges, levies and fees) of the portfolio. TER is calculated over a rolling three-year period (or since inception, where applicable), to the most recent calendar month. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a good return. The current TER may not necessarily be an accurate indication of future TERs.
- 2. Transaction Costs (TC): This percentage of the value of the portfolio was incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the assets underlying the portfolio. TC are a necessary cost in administering the portfolio and affect its portfolio returns. It should not be considered in isolation, as returns may be affected by many other factors over time, including market returns, the type of financial product, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER.
- 3. Total Investment Charge (TIC): This percentage of the portfolio was incurred as costs relating to the investment of the portfolio. It is the sum of the TER and TC.

### **Important Notes**

- 1. Full details of all fees, charges, and expenses, and how they may be applied, are set out in the Prospectus and the schedules thereof.
- 2. These charges and expenses do not include any telegraphic transfer and banking charges that may be incurred on the purchase or redemption of units.
- 3. These charges will reduce the investment value.
- 4. All the above fees are current fees and may be subject to change as detailed in the Prospectus.
- 5. Any of the fees that the Manager is entitled to receive and retain pursuant to the Prospectus or any schedule thereof (including any management fee, trustee and administration fee or service fee) may, subject to the class of units held, be payable either:

  a) out of each class fund; or
- b) by way of a redemption of such investor's units as are required to meet such fees
- 6. Subject to any applicable law, the Manager may rebate all or any part of its fees to financial intermediaries.
- There may be differences in totals due to rounding.
- 8. You may agree to pay additional ongoing advice fees to your appointed financial adviser. From time to time the above Underlying Expenses figure may contain performance fees charged by the underlying asset managers.
- 9. The Portfolio inception date is 30 June 2006.

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#### Risks (portfolio specific)

<u>Derivatives</u>: There is no assurance that a portfolio's use of a derivative strategy will succeed. A portfolio's management may employ a sophisticated risk management process, to oversee and manage derivative exposures within a portfolio, but the use of derivative instruments may involve risks different from, and, in certain cases, greater than, the risks presented by the securities from which they are derived.

Exposure to foreign securities: Foreign securities within portfolios may have additional material risks, depending on the specific risks affecting that country, such as: potential constraints on liquidity and the repatriation of funds; macroeconomic risks; political risks; foreign exchange risks; tax risks; settlement risks; and potential limitations on the availability of market information. Fluctuations or movements in exchange rates may cause the value of underlying international investments to go up or down. Investors are reminded that an investment in a currency other than their own may expose them to a foreign exchange risk.

<u>Fund of funds</u>: A fund of funds is a portfolio that invests in portfolios of collective investment schemes (unit trusts) that levy their own charges, which could result in a higher fee structure for the fund of funds.

Drawdown: The potential magnitude of loss - the largest peak-to-trough decline in returns over the period, also known as the 'maximum drawdown.

Liquidity: The risk that a given security or asset cannot be traded quickly enough in the market to prevent a loss (or make the required profit).

Equities: The value of equities may vary according to company profits and future prospects, as well as more general market factors. In the event of a company default, the owners of their equity rank last in terms of any financial payment from that company.

Bonds: The value of fixed income investments (e.g. bonds) tends to decrease when interest rates and/or inflation rises. Bonds issued by major governments and companies, will be more stable than those issued by emerging markets or smaller corporate issuers. If an issuer experiences financial difficulty, there may be a risk to some, or all, of the capital invested. Any historical or current yields quoted should not be considered reliable indicators of future performance.

For a detailed description of these risks, and other risks that are relevant to the portfolio, please refer to the Prospectus, available on the website investdata.alexforbes.com/for-you/forms-and-docs/unit-trusts-offshore.

#### General disclosure

Collective investment schemes (unit trusts) are generally medium to long-term investments. The value of participatory interests (units) may go down as well as up. Past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. Collective investment schemes are traded at ruling prices and can engage in borrowing and scrip lending (i.e. borrowing and lending assets). The Manager does not provide any guarantee, either with respect to the capital or the return of a portfolio. Any forecasts and/or commentary in this document are not guaranteed to occur. Different classes of participatory interests apply to these portfolios and are subject to different fees and charges. A schedule of fees and charges and maximum commissions is available on request from the Manager, or is available on our website: <a href="https://investdata.alexforbes.com/for-you/forms-and-docs/unit-trusts-offshore.">https://investdata.alexforbes.com/for-you/forms-and-docs/unit-trusts-offshore.</a>
Forward pricing is used.

### Specific disclosures

### income distribution

This Class Fund is an accumulation fund and does not distribute income.

### Redemptions

If you disinvest from a Class Fund soon after you invested in the Class Fund, the charges you have paid may be more than the growth on the investment. Should this happen, you will not receive the full value of your original investment amount.

### Prices

Prices are published daily on our website: <a href="https://investdata.alexforbes.com/for-you/daily-unit-prices">https://investdata.alexforbes.com/for-you/daily-unit-prices</a>

### Performance fees

Performance fees are not levied on the portfolio.

### Performance returns

Lump-sum performance returns are being quoted. Income distributions, prior to deduction of applicable taxes, are included in the performance calculations. NAV to NAV figures have been used for the performance calculations, as calculated by the Manager at the valuation point defined in the deed, over all reporting periods. Investment performance calculations are available for verification upon request by any person. Reinvestment of income is calculated on the actual amount distributed per participatory interest, using the ex-dividend date NAV price of the applicable class of the portfolio, irrespective of the actual reinvestment date. The performance is calculated for the fee class. The individual investor performance may differ, as a result of initial fees, the actual investment date, the date of reinvestment and dividend withholding tax. The rate of return is calculated on a total return basis, and the following elements may involve a reduction of the investor's capital: interest rates, economic outlook, inflation, deflation, economic and political shocks or changes in economic policy. Annualised returns are period returns re-scaled to a period of one year. This allows investors to compare returns of different assets that they have owned for different lengths of time. All period returns greater than one year have been annualised. Returns for periods less than one year have not been annualised. A cumulative return is the aggregate amount an investment has gained or lost over time, independent of the period of time involved. Actual annual figures are available to the investor on request.

### Valuation and transaction cut-off times

The Valuation Point is close of business in all financial markets on the Subscription Day. The Subscription Price will be available at 4:30pm Jersey time on the following Subscription Day. The Manager must receive correctly completed application forms and notification of deposits before 11:00am Jersey time for the investment instruction to be carried out on that day. If received after the applicable cut-off time, the Manager will invest the money at the Unit Price of the following day. The 11:00am cut-off time also applies to redemptions and switches.

## Additional information

For additional information on the portfolio, refer to the following documents, available on our website investdata.alexforbes.com/for you/forms-and-docs/unit-trusts-offshore., or on request from the Manager, free of charge.

- Prospectus
- Application forms
- Annual report and half-yearly report
- Fee schedule
- Quarterly General Investor Report

### Complaints and conflict of interest

The Manager follows the Fund Administrator's complaints policy and procedure, as well as the conflicts of interest management policy, available at www.alexanderforbesinvestments.co.za/Risk- Compliance/Corporate-Governance. Associates of the Manager may be invested within certain portfolios, and the details thereof are available from the Manager.

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