

# STANLIB Multi-Manager Defensive Balanced Fund

## Minimum Disclosure Document

As at 31.12.2018

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### STANLIB Multi-Manager (Pty) Ltd

STANLIB Multi-Manager (Pty) Ltd was established in 1999 and is the centre of excellence for multi-managed solutions within STANLIB. The investment team, led by Chief Investment Officer Joao Frasco, consists of an experienced team with a diverse set of investment skills. We have offices in Johannesburg and London, and currently have mandates in excess of R150 billion under stewardship.

#### What is the Fund's objective?

The Fund aims to provide modest long-term growth of capital and income with volatility at risk levels consistent with low equity (< 40% equity) portfolios.

The objective of the Fund is to outperform the average of investable peer's returns i.e ASISA Multi-Asset Low Equity category, at risk levels consistent with that of the sector. Given our standard assumptions\*, we expect the Fund to deliver real returns of 4% p.a. i.e. CPI+4% p.a. over the long term (net of fees). To minimise the chance of capital loss, investors should expect to invest over periods of at least four years.

\*The real return objectives are derived from our long-term real return expectations for a range of asset classes, our expected systematic exposure to those asset classes in each of the funds, and the alpha expected from the managers managing the funds (from security selection and asset allocation).

#### Risk profile



■ Defensive assets ■ Growth assets

#### What are the investment guidelines?

The Fund is a multi-asset class portfolio that is diversified across asset classes, sectors, various strategies and asset managers – both in South Africa and internationally.

This Fund's maximum equity exposure (including international equity) is capped at 40% and the maximum property exposure (including international property) is capped at 25% of the market value of the Fund – as per the ASISA South African – Multi Asset – Low Equity category as amended from time to time.

The Fund complies with provisions of the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act, No. 45 of 2002 and the Regulations thereto, as amended from time to time, and complies with Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act.

#### How is the Fund managed?

The Fund is designed to deliver superior investment returns more consistently than through a single asset manager or mandate. Our approach allows investors' to outsource the fund / manager selection decision, which includes the ongoing due diligence of managers and construction of portfolios, to meet pre-defined objectives over time.

#### The Portfolio Managers dedicated to the Fund



**Jennifer Henry**  
Head of Portfolio Management:  
Retail Clients  
BCom(Hons), CFA,  
FRM



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Portfolio Manager  
BCom(Hons)  
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#### How do we select managers?

STANLIB Multi-Manager (Pty) Ltd follows a rigorous and disciplined manager research and selection process that starts by analysing the sector for which the portfolio is being built, and determining the key drivers of outperformance.

The manager research team conducts thorough quantitative and qualitative analyses, culminating in an extensive investment due diligence to identify those managers that have the skill and ability to outperform. This results in the production of high conviction buy/hold/sell lists, as well as mandate performance expectations under different environments, defining events and sell triggers/disciplines.

The portfolio management team then constructs a framework for blending managers into the portfolio that targets the key areas of outperformance and promotes diversification. We only entrust our client's assets to the highest quality managers, who are then selected into this framework to provide the portfolio with exposure to these sources of market outperformance over the long term.

Passive alternative are considered in the process and where used, these help to lower portfolio costs.

On a regular basis the portfolio is reviewed to ensure it is delivering on its long term objectives. From time to time changes are made to improve the structure and or risk return profile of the portfolio.

**Global exposure** – we outsourced the management of the global component to specialist global managers. Gaining access to foreign markets via a specialist approach gives us greater control over the full investment process.

#### Who are the underlying managers/funds?

The portfolio construction currently includes the following managers/funds:

Underlying managers	Portfolio managers	Strategic allocation
Prudential Investment Management	Michael Moyle	25%
Investec Asset Management	Clyde Rossouw	20%
Coronation Asset Management	Charles de Kock	17.5%
STANLIB Absolute Plus	Marius Oberholzer	16.5%
Domestic cash/income		5.3%
STANLIB Multi-Manager Global (equities, bonds and cash)		15.7%

#### How we approach risk management in the Fund

Risk management is a fundamental component of our investment philosophy and process and is therefore approached holistically. It permeates every part of our investment process, requiring participation and accountability from all individuals involved in the process.

As a multi-manager, our risk management process begins at the time of portfolio specification and design, because by the time securities are included in the portfolio by the underlying managers, one has already accepted the risks and has limited ability to mitigate them. Our process then moves to manager research and portfolio construction, where we seek to know the managers intimately and construct a portfolio to behave in line with our broader investment objectives.

"Risks Inherent in our Funds" is a document that classifies the sources of risk associated with the management of our Funds. It can be obtained from the website [www.stanlibmultimanager.com](http://www.stanlibmultimanager.com).

### Information to be considered before investing

The STANLIB Multi-Manager Defensive Balanced Fund should be considered a medium to long-term investment. The value of units (participatory interests) may go down as well as up and past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. General market risks include a change in interest rates and economic conditions, share price volatility and a decline in property values. Where exposure to foreign investments is included in the portfolio, there may be additional risks, such as possible constraints on liquidity and the return of funds to South Africa, macroeconomic risks, political risks, tax risks, settlement risks and possible limitations on the availability of market information. The Fund is traded at ruling prices using forward pricing, and can engage in borrowing up to 10% of the market value of the portfolio to bridge insufficient liquidity as a result of the redemption of units and may engage in scrip lending. A schedule of fees, charges and maximum commissions is available upon request from STANLIB Collective Investments (RF) Pty Limited (the Manco). Commission and incentives may be paid and if so, would be included in the overall costs of the Fund. Fluctuations or movements in exchange rates may cause the value of underlying international investments to go up or down. Liberty is a full member of the Association for Savings and Investments South Africa (ASISA). The Manco is a member of the Liberty Group of Companies.

### Unit price – how it works

Collective Investment Schemes (i.e. “Unit Trusts”) are traded at ruling prices set on every trading day. Forward pricing is used which means Fund valuations take place at approximately 15h00 each business day, and your instructions are therefore processed at prices that are not yet determined when your instructions are received. Instructions must reach the Management Company before 13h00 to ensure same day value. The 13h00 cut-off time only applies to investments and switches. Repurchases will receive the price of the same day if received prior to 15h00. The money market funds are valued at 12h00. The funds of funds and feeder funds are valued at 24h00 and 17h00.

The payment of withdrawals may be delayed in extraordinary circumstances, when the Manco with the consent of the Fund trustees deems this to be in the interest of all Fund investors. These circumstances may include periods when significant underlying markets suspend trading which will prevent accurate valuation of the instruments held in the Fund. When the suspension of trading relates to only certain assets held by the Fund, these assets may be side-pocketed. This process allows normal liquidity on the assets that can be valued, but will delay liquidity on the affected portion of the Fund. If the Fund is faced with excessive withdrawals, the affected withdrawals may be ring-fenced, which is the separation and delayed sale of the assets reflecting the interest of the liquidity seeking investors. It ensures that the sale of a large number of units will not force the Manco to sell the underlying investments in a manner that may have a negative impact on remaining investors of the Fund.

### Performance information on the monthly factsheet

Performance is calculated by STANLIB Multi-Manager (Pty) Ltd as at month end for a lump sum investment using net asset value (NAV) prices with income reinvestments done on the ex-dividend date. All underlying price and distribution data is sourced from Morningstar. Performance figures are quoted after the deduction of all costs including manager fees, and trading costs incurred within the Fund. Note that individual investor performance may differ as a result of the actual investment date, the date of reinvestment of distributions and dividend withholding tax, where applicable. Annualised performance figures represent the weighted average compound growth rate over the performance period measured. Past investment returns are not indicative of future returns and no guarantee is provided with respect to capital or return of the Fund.

### Total Expense Ratio (TER) and Transaction Costs (TC) = Total Investment Charge (TIC)

The TER is calculated as a percentage of the average net asset value of the portfolio incurred as charges, levies and fees in the management of the portfolio for a rolling 36-month period to the previous quarter end (December, March, June and September). This includes the TER charged by any underlying fund(s) held as part of this Fund. A high TER does not necessarily imply a poor return nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER should not be regarded as an indication of future TER's – expenses vary and the performance fee component can fluctuate over time.

Transaction costs are a necessary cost in managing a fund and impacts the fund's return. They should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time including market returns, the type of fund, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER. The sum of the TER and Transaction Costs is shown as the Total Investment Charge (TIC).

### Management fee

The Fund charges a fixed annual management fee (i.e. fee class) as a percentage of the assets under management, to ensure a simple and understandable fee structure. The Fund invests primarily in segregated mandates but may also invest in other unit trusts i.e. “Underlying Fund Fees”, which are included in the Total Expense Ratio (TER).

### Underlying performance fees

STANLIB Multi-Manager (Pty) Ltd does not earn any performance fees. In addition to earning fixed fees, the underlying manager(s)/fund(s) may also earn performance-based fees if they outperform a specific benchmark. The performance-fee methodology of the underlying manager(s) /fund(s) is incorporated in their respective mandates. You can obtain more information on the underlying performance fee methodologies on the website [www.stanlibmultimanager.com](http://www.stanlibmultimanager.com).

The annual management fee is accrued daily and performance fees are accrued monthly – both paid on a monthly basis (with the exception of some performance fees which are paid annually).

### STANLIB Multi-Manager (Pty) Ltd does not provide financial advice

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If you appoint an adviser, advice fees are contracted directly between you and the adviser. We will facilitate the collection of advice fees (including initial advice fees up to a maximum of 3.00%) only upon receiving your instruction. You may cancel the instruction to facilitate the payment of advice fees at any time.

### Where can I find additional information?

Additional information such as brochures, application forms and annual or quarterly reports, can be obtained from the websites: [www.stanlib.com](http://www.stanlib.com) / [www.stanlibmultimanager.com](http://www.stanlibmultimanager.com).

The prices of Funds are calculated and published on each working day. These prices are also available on the websites and in South African printed news media.

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## Investment Description

This is a multi-asset class fund that is diversified across asset classes, sectors, various strategies and asset managers - both in South Africa and internationally.

The Fund also aims to achieve CPI plus 4% over rolling 4-years period.

## Suitable Investors

- Who want a multi-asset class solution where asset allocation decisions are outsourced to specialist managers
- Who seek a relatively defensive portfolio with a low capacity for capital loss, and wish to preserve the purchasing power of their capital over time
- Who typically has a medium to long-term investment horizon

## Risk Rating



■ Defensive assets ■ Growth assets

Please refer to the "Information to consider before investing" section on page 2 for further risk information.

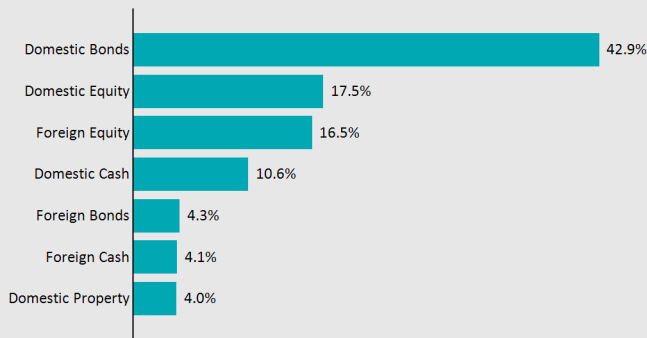
## Annualised Performance (%)

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Class A	0.11	3.19	0.00	0.00
Class B1	0.68	3.78	0.00	0.00
Benchmark	1.19	4.33	5.79	8.06
Sector Average	1.19	4.33	5.79	8.06

## Underlying Fund Managers / Funds

Coronation Fund Managers  
 Investec Asset Management  
 Prudential Investment Managers  
 STANLIB Asset Management  
 STANLIB Multi-Manager (Global)  
 STANLIB Multi-Manager Enhanced Yield Fund

## Physical See Through Asset Allocation %



## Income Distribution

	Declared in last 12 months	Declared during 2018
Class A	3.80 cpu	3.80 cpu
Class B1	4.42 cpu	4.42 cpu

## Portfolio Facts

**Portfolio Manager(s)** Richo Venter and Jennifer Henry  
**Portfolio Size (NAV)** R 2275 million  
**Sector** South African Multi-Asset Low Equity Average  
**Income Distribution** Net revenue is calculated on a daily basis and distributed quarterly.  
**Income Declaration** 31 March, 30 June, 30 September & 31 December  
**Benchmark** South African Multi-Asset Low Equity Average

**Class A**  
**Launch Date** 24 Oct 2014

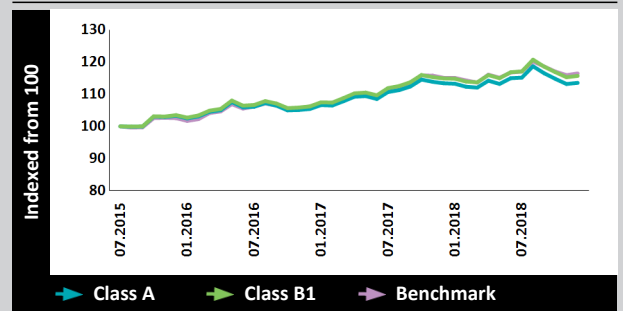
**Minimum Investment**  
 Lump Sum R10,000  
 Debit Order Per Month R500

**ISIN No.** ZAE000204657  
**JSE Code** SMMDF A

	Class A		Class B1	
	1 Year	3 Year	1 Year	3 Year
Advisor Fee <sup>1</sup>	0.50	0.50	0.00	0.00
Management Fee	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Underlying Fund Fees	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13
Underlying Performance Fees	0.05	0.03	0.05	0.03
Other <sup>2</sup>	-0.03	-0.04	-0.02	-0.03
VAT	0.25	0.25	0.17	0.17
<b>Total Expense Ratio (TER)<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>1.90</b>	<b>1.88</b>	<b>1.33</b>	<b>1.31</b>
<b>Transactional Costs (inc. VAT)<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>0.04</b>	<b>0.07</b>	<b>0.04</b>	<b>0.07</b>
<b>Total Investment Charges</b>	<b>1.94</b>	<b>1.95</b>	<b>1.37</b>	<b>1.38</b>

- The A Class includes an ongoing adviser fee, which will be charged in addition to a maximum 3% upfront fee
- Other includes: bank charges, custody fees, sundry income, audit & trustee fees
- The TER is a measure of the actual expenses incurred by the Fund over a 1 and 3-year period (annualised) ending 30 September 2018
- Transactional Costs include: brokerage, Securities Transfer Tax [STT], STRATE, Levies and VAT.

## Cumulative Returns - Since Inception



## Top 10 Equity Holdings

Naspers Ltd	1.44%
SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust	1.39%
British American Tobacco Plc	1.18%
Standard Bank Group Ltd	1.08%
Anglo American Plc	1.00%
Sasol Ltd	0.98%
NewGold Gold Bullion Debenture	0.71%
Compagnie Financiere Richemont SA	0.64%
iShares MSCI Emerging Markets	0.62%
Firststrand Ltd	0.61%

## FUND INFORMATION TO BE CONSIDERED BEFORE INVESTING

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### Market overview

'Ramaphoria' prospects were short-lived in 2018 as SA's structural deficiencies and the shackles of state capture became more evident. In addition, uncertainty surrounding the US-China trade war, Brexit and fears of a global growth slowdown in 2019 sparked a significant change in investor risk appetite. This resulted in disappointing equity returns. Global equity lost 9.4% in US dollar terms for the year, while the JSE All Share retreated 8.5%. Local bonds posted a 7.7% return. SA property was the worst performing asset class, losing 25.0%. The rand weakened 16.3% relative to the dollar, providing some relief for the Fund.

### Asset class performance and risk statistics

Asset class	Q4 2018	1 year	3 years p.a.	5 years p.a.
FTSE/JSE ALSI	-4.9%	-8.5%	4.3%	5.8%
Financials	-2.1%	-8.8%	5.1%	8.9%
Resources	-4.5%	15.7%	22.3%	-0.3%
Industrials	-6.5%	-17.6%	-1.9%	4.9%
FTSE/JSE Capped SWIX	-3.8%	-10.9%	3.0%	5.3%
Bonds ALBI	2.7%	7.7%	11.1%	7.7%
Cash STeFI Composite	1.8%	7.2%	7.4%	6.9%
All Property Index (ALPI)	-6.2%	-25.0%	-5.0%	4.2%

### Risk statistics since launch

Lowest rolling 12-month return -0.03% (12 months ended November 2018)

Highest rolling 12-month return 9.7% (12 months ended October 2017)

	Fund	Benchmark
Maximum drawdown	-4.5%	-3.5%
Portfolio volatility	4.2%	3.6%

Source: STANLIB Multi-Manager.

### Portfolio review

The Fund returned 0.7% for the year, while the average return for peer funds was 1.2%. A higher overall local equity allocation detracted from absolute and peer relative performance. In addition, the strategic inflation-linked bonds held by Prudential proved a detractor from performance.

STANLIB's Absolute Fund had a relatively good year, providing the capital protection we expect during a poor market environment. The manager remains defensively positioned with a low local equity and property allocation. They believe equity markets generally are still not cheap enough to confidently assert they are priced to return a fair equity risk premium and therefore, they favour SA nominal bonds and floating rate credit for the real yields on offer.

Coronation's domestic absolute mandate had a tough 2018 due to a high equity and property allocation as well as holdings in underperforming shares such as MTN and British American Tobacco. On Christmas eve MTN reported they had received notice from the Central Bank of Nigeria that it was reversing a potential claim for \$8 billion. This means MTN can proceed with the planned listing of MTN Nigeria and repatriate profits from Nigeria. The recent issues in Nigeria, however, could have a sentiment overhang on the stock price for some time.

Given the present risks in the global economy, Investec maintain their large allocation to high-quality global equities generating high and sustainable returns on invested capital. Apart from their excellent cash generation and returns on capital, such companies have the ability to grow with a lower dependence on the economic cycle than the average business. They have sought out locally-listed global businesses with little dependence on the local economy. Locally, the best opportunity according to Investec remains SA government bonds.

Prudential remains overweight SA equities given their positive view on valuations. They prefer resources shares with exposure to global growth such as Sasol and Anglo American, but also find value in financials such as Standard Bank and Old Mutual. They remain underweight retail stocks, while long duration bonds and inflation-linked bonds remain a key investment.

The Fund's global allocation performed well in rands, mainly due to rand depreciation.

### Portfolio positioning and outlook

The rate of global growth is likely to slow in 2019 and US interest rates are anticipated to rise further, although perhaps by not as much as initially expected. If the US interest rate hike cycle turns in response to lower economic growth concerns and the Chinese authorities embark on some form of stimulus, we may see better returns in 2019. An agreement between the US and China on trade negotiations will also help to alleviate fears in the market. We are attracted to the high dividend yield from local equities, while local bonds provide reasonable yields. Looking forward, although there are risks, in our opinion the market is providing areas of great investment opportunity for patient investors.

### Portfolio managers



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