# **Element Earth Equity Sanlam Collective Investments**

### **Minimum Disclosure Document**

As of 2022/10/31



## **Fund Objective**

The primary objective of the portfolio will be to achieve capital growth with a moderate level of income for investors through investments predominantly in the equity market and to a lesser extent in the fixed interest market and money market.

#### **Fund Strategy**

The Element Earth Equity Sanlam Collective Investments Fund is an actively managed, South African equity general fund that will also be allowed to invest in listed and unlisted financial instruments (derivatives) as allowed by the Act from time to time.

#### **Fund Information**

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Ticker	FEFA
Portfolio Manager	Terence Craig & Andrew Bishop
ASISA Fund Classification	South African - Equity - General
Risk Profile	Aggressive
Benchmark	FTSE/ JSE All Share Index
Fund Size	R 70 402 768
Portfolio Launch Date*	2001/10/01
Fee Class Launch Date*	2001/10/01
Minimum Lump Sum Investment	R 10 000
Minimum Monthly Investment	R 500
Income Declaration Date	June & December
Income Payment Date	1st business day of July & January
Portfolio Valuation Time	15:00
Transaction Cut Off Time	15:00
Daily Price Information	Local media & www.sanlamunittrusts.co.za
Repurchase Period	2-3 business days

Fees (Incl. VAT)	A-Class (%)		
Maximum Initial Advice Fee	3,45		
Maximum Annual Advice Fee	_		
Manager Annual Fee	1,73		
Total Expense Ratio	1,86		
Transaction Cost	0,53		
Total Investment Charges	2,39		
Performance Fee	_		
TER Measurement Period	01 October 2019 - 30 September 2022		

Total Expense Ratio (TER) is the percentage value of the Financial Product that was incurred as expenses relating to the administration of the Financial Product. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER may not necessarily be an accurate indication of future TER's.

Transaction Cost (TC) is the percentage value of the Financial Product that was incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the assets underlying the Financial Product. Transaction Costs are a necessary cost in administering the Financial Product and impacts Financial Product returns. It should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time including market returns, the type of Financial Product, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER.

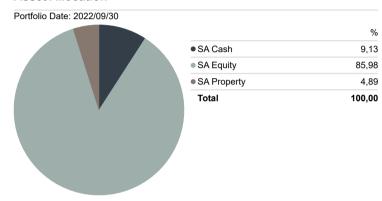
Total Investment Charges (TER + TC) is the total percentage value of the Financial Product that was incurred as costs relating to the investment of the Financial Product.

Performance fees are incentive fees earned by the manager for performance in excess of the benchmark. Performance fees form part of the cost structure of the fund and are included in the Total Expense Ratio. Please visit www.sanlamunittrusts.co.za for a detailed list of our funds that charge performance fees together with their calculation methodologies.

\*The Element Earth Equity Sanlam Collective Investments Fund transitioned to Sanlam Collective Investments (RF) (Pty) Ltd on 08 July 2017.

	MDD Issue Date:	2022/11/17
Top Ten Holdings		(%)
British American Tobacco Plc		6,16
Glencore Plc		6,09
Anglogold Ashanti Ltd		5,96
MTN Group Ltd		5,69
Absa Group Ltd		4,01
Standard Bank Group Ltd		3,89
Anglo American Plc		2,95
Hyprop Investments Ltd		2,85
Grindrod Ltd		2,82
Kap Industrial Holdings Ltd		2,77

#### **Asset Allocation**



## **Annualised Performance (%)**

	Fund	Benchmark
1 Year	-0,13	3,29
3 Years	5,31	9,79
5 Years	3,42	6,21
10 Years	3,18	9,54
Since Inception	10,75	13,97

## **Cumulative Performance (%)**

	Fund	Benchmark
1 Year	-0,13	3,29
3 Years	16,79	32,33
5 Years	18,30	35,18
10 Years	36,70	148,71
Since Inception	760,00	1 475,02

## **Highest and Lowest Annual Returns**

Time Period: Since Inception to 2021/12/31			
Highest Annual %	38,87		
Lowest Annual %	-17,08		

## **Risk Statistics (3 Year Rolling)**

Standard Deviation	17,60
Sharpe Ratio	0,11
Information Ratio	-0,45
Maximum Drawdown	-25,86

#### **Distribution History (Cents Per Unit)**

2022/06/3	30	3.55 cpu	2020/06/30	6.66 cpu	2018/06/30	2.54 cpu	
2021/12/3	31	7.80 cpu	2019/12/31	8.07 cpu	2017/12/31	0.68 cpu	
2021/06/3	30	15.69 cpu	2019/06/30	5.15 cpu	2017/07/07	0.82 cpu	
2020/12/3	31	1.49 cpu	2018/12/31	3.05 cpu	2017/03/31	1.61 cpu	

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## Risk Profile

#### Aggressive

You can afford to take on a higher level of risk (i.e., have a greater exposure to equities) because of your investment time horizon and/or your appetite for risk. You know that in taking the risk, you need to be patient if you want to achieve the results. So you are willing to invest for the long-term and are prepared to tolerate some volatility in the short term, in anticipation of the higher returns you expect to receive in five years or beyond.

#### **Glossary Terms**

#### **Annualised Returns**

Annualised return is the weighted average compound growth rate over the period measured.

#### Asset Allocation

Asset allocation is the percentage holding in different asset classes (i.e. equities, bonds, property, etc.). It is used to determine the level of diversification in a portfolio.

#### **Cumulative Returns**

Cumulative return is the total growth experienced over the period measured.

#### Distributions

The income that is generated from an investment and given to investors through monthly, quarterly, bi-annual or annual distribution pay-outs.

#### Diversification

This is a strategy designed to reduce risk within a portfolio by combining a variety of investments (or asset classes) such as equities, bonds, cash or property, which are unlikely to all move in the same direction at the same time. This is designed to reduce the risk (and protect against capital losses) within a portfolio. Diversification allows for more sistent performance under a wide range of economic conditions as it smoothes out the impact of negative market events. The positive performance of some investments or asset classes should neutralize the negative performance of others.

#### **Financial Instruments**

Derivatives also known as financial instruments (such as a future, option, or warrants) whose value derives from and is dependent on the change in value of an underlying asset (such as a commodity, currency, or security) to protect against risk (capital losses).

## Fund Objective

The fund objective is the portfolio's core goal.

#### Fund Strategy

The fund strategy is the way that the fund is managed to achieve the fund objective.

#### Information Ratio

The Information Ratio measures the market risk-adjusted performance of an investment or portfolio. The greater a portfolio's Information Ratio, the better its risk-adjusted performance has been compared to the market in general.

#### **Collective Investment Schemes**

Collective Investment Schemes (CIS) (also called unit trusts) are portfolios of assets such as equities, bonds, cash and listed property, in which investors can buyunits. They allow private investors to pool their money together into a single fund,thus spreading their risk across a range of investments, getting the benefit ofprofessional fund management, and reducing their costs.

### Market Capitalization

Market capitalization is the total value of the issued shares of a publicly traded company; it is calculated by multiplying the share price by the number of shares in issue.

#### Maximum Drawdown

The maximum drawdown measures the highest peak to trough loss experienced by the fund

## Participatory Interests

When you buy a unit trust, your money is pooled with that of many other investors. The total value of the pool of invested money in a unit trust fund is split into equal portions called participatory interests or units. When you invest your money in a unit trust, you buy a portion of the participatory interests in the total unit trust portfolio. Participatory interests are therefore the number of units that you have in a particular unit trust portfolio.

#### Sharpe Ratio

The Sharpe Ratio measures total risk-adjusted performance of an investment or portfolio. It measures the amount of risk associated with the returns generated by the portfolio and indicates whether a portfolio's returns are due to excessive risk or not. The greater a portfolio's Sharpe ratio, the better its risk-adjusted performance has been (i.e. a higher return with a contained risk profile, where the portfolio manager is not taking excessive risk to achieve those returns).

### Standard Deviation

Standard deviation (also called monthly volatility) is a measure of how much returns on an investment change from month to month. It is typically used by investors to gauge the volatility expected of an investment.

## **Portfolio Manager Comment**

#### As at 30 September 2022

#### **Quarterly Commentary**

The Element Earth Equity SCI Fund ("Fund") passed its 21-year track record on 1 October 2022, since its inception. A material achievement for Element Investment Managers. Statistics highlight that very few SA Unit Trust Funds reach a 10-year track record, never mind over 21 years!

Investors are reminded that the Fund is a SA-Equity-only unit trust, with <u>zero</u> offshore equity exposure. The Fund has been managed and invested in SA-Equities-only since inception on 1 October 2001 (i.e. for the entire duration of its >21 year track record). As a result, the recent increase in the offshore allowance for investment portfolios, from 30% to 45%, had zero portfolio management implications for the Fund.

However, we emphasise that the change in offshore investment allowance from 30% to 45%, will have material long-term implications for the **relative performance** of all SA-Equity only Funds, compared with those General Equity Funds that include allocations to offshore equities.

By definition, the performance of SA-Equity-only funds in the ASISA **SA-Equity-General-Funds** category, will diverge materially over the long-term, from those General Equity Funds that include allocations up to 40% in offshore equities. Straight performance comparisons, therefore, will become irrelevant with respect to portfolio manager ability, when comparing returns of SA-Equity-only fund, with those having offshore equity exposure. Like-for-like adjustments based on individual fund holdings will be essential when comparing fund returns.

The Fund realised a total return of +0.9% (<u>after</u> fees) for the quarter to the end of September 2022, ahead of its (FTSE/JSE All Share Index: "ALSI") benchmark's return of -1.9% for the quarter. A poor quarter for returns in SA and globally, particularly over the month of September.

The September 2022 quarterly performance brought the rolling one-year total return for the Fund to -2.1% (<u>after</u> fees), below its ALSI benchmark's return of +3.6% for the year to 30 September 2022. The Fund's zero holding in Prosus & Naspers cost it material relative performance over the last 6 months, compared with its benchmark.

#### **Portfolio Managers**

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#### **Additional Information**

All reasonable steps have been taken to ensure the information on this MDD is accurate. The information to follow does not constitute financial advice as contemplated in terms of the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act. Use or rely on this information at your own risk. Independent professional financial advice should always be sought before making an investment decision.

The Sanlam Group is a full member of the Association for Savings and Investment SA. Collective investment schemes are generally medium- to long-term investments. Please note that past performances are not necessarily a guide to future performances, and that the value of investments / units / unit trusts may go down as well as up. A schedule of fees and charges and maximum commissions is available onrequest from the Manager. Sanlam Collective Investments (RF) Pty Ltd, a registered and approved Manager in Collective Investment Schemes in Securities. Additional information of the proposed investment, including brochures, application forms and annual or quarterly reports, can be obtained on request from the Manager, free of charge. Collective investments are traded at ruling prices and can engage in borrowing and scrip lending.

Collective investments are calculated on a net asset value basis, which is the total market value of all assets in the portfolio including any income accruals and less any deductible expenses such as audit fees, brokerage and service fees. Actual investment performance of the portfolio and the investor will differ depending on the initial fees applicable, the actual investment date, and the date of reinvestment of income as well as dividend withholding tax.

Forward pricing is used. The Manager does not provide any guarantee either with respect to the capital or the return of a portfolio. The performance of the portfolio depends on the underlying assets and variable market factors. Performance is based on NAV to NAV calculations with income reinvestments done on the ex-div date.

Lump sum investment performances are quoted. The portfolio may invest in participatory interests of other unit trust portfolios. These underlying funds levy their own fees, and may result in a higher fee structure for our portfolio. All the portfolio options presented are approved collective investment schemes in terms of Collective Investment Schemes Control Act, No 45 of 2002 ("CISCA").

The Manager may borrow up to 10% the market value of the portfolio to bridge insufficient liquidity. The fund may from time to time invest in foreign countries and therefore it may have risks regarding liquidity, the repatriation of funds, political and macroeconomic situations, foreign exchange, tax, settlement, and the availability of information.

The Manager has the right to close any portfolios to new investors to manage them more efficiently in accordance with their mandates. Management of the portfolio is outsourced to Element Investment Managers (Pty) Ltd, (FSP) Licence No. 663, an Authorised Financial Services Provider under the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act, 2002.

Sanlam Collective Investments (RF) (Pty) Ltd retains full legal responsibility for the conamed portfolio. Standard Bank of South Africa Ltd is the appointed trustee of the Sanlam Collective Investments scheme.

Sources of Performance and Risk Data: Morningstar Direct, INET BFA and Bloomberg. The risk free asset assumed for the calculation of Sharpe ratios: STEFI Composite Index. The highest and lowest 12-month returns are based on a calendar year period over 10 years or since inception where the performance history does not exist for 10 years. Obtain a personalised cost estimate before investing by visiting www.sanlamunittrustsmdd.co.za and using our Effective Annual Cost (EAC) calculator. Alternatively, contact us at 0860 100 266

