#### **IP Interest Plus Fund**

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June 2025

#### **Fund Objectives, Investment Process & Policy**

The Fund is a specialist income portfolio with moderate risk limits that seeks diversity, reasonable yield enhancement, moderate liquidity and relatively low volatility through constrained interest rate positions The Fund shall at all times run in accordance with the limits, instructions and guidelines contained within Regulation 28 governing the behaviour of pension funds. MitonOptimal has mandated Anthea Gardner

## from Cartesian Capital to manage this Fund. This Fund is suitable for the very conservative investor who want to avoid the downside risk of capital losses. The IP Interest Plus Fund is an actively managed income fund which targets yields that will be higher than those of call accounts and money market funds over time. To achieve this, the portfolio invests in a range of cash, money market instruments, fixed deposits and other income securities. It adds performance by actively participating in the credit market, along with extending the maximum and average instrument maturity. The IP Interest Plus Fund aims to provide a stable income yield to investors and maintain capital stability over any rolling two-year period. The Fund will typically have a maximum duration of two years and aim not to lose capital over any rolling three-month period. To achieve this objective, the securities normally to be included in the Fund will comprise a combination of global bonds, interest bearing securities, including loan stock, preference shares, semi-gilts, debentures, debenture bonds and notes, money market instruments, other non-equity securities in line with the objective of the Fund and assets in liquid form.

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#### **Fund Information**

**Fund managers** 



Anthea Gardne CEO, Cartesian Capital

Latest price 101.70 cents R 152 m Fund size

149 677 365.36 Number of units

ASISA category SA Interest Bearing - Short Term

Regulation 28 compliant

STeFI Composite Index (Net of Fees) over Benchmark

a rolling 2 year period

28 December 2011 Inception

R10.000 Min lump sum investment Min monthly investment R1,000

Dates of income declarations 31 Mar / 30 Jun / 30 Sept / 31 Dec

2nd day of the following month or next Date of income payment business day if the 2nd does not fall on a

business day.



#### **Asset Allocation**



#### **Top 10 Counterparties**

ABSA Bank Limited	16.40%
Nedbank Limited	14.09%
Standard Bank Of South Africa	11.27%
Pan African Resources Plc	4.80%
Rand Merchant Bank	4.66%
Firstrand Bank Ltd	4.66%
African Bank Ltd	4.14%
Development Bank Of Sa	4.04%
Telkom SA Soc Limited	4.00%
Growthpoint Properties	3.35%

#### **Current Yield**

Nominal Yield 8.71% Effective Yield 9.06%

#### **Portfolio Fees**

Max initial manager fee 0.00% 2.00% (excl. VAT) Max initial adviser fee 0.60% (excl. VAT) Annual management fee

#### Total Expense Ratio (TER)1, Transaction Costs (TC) and Total Investment Cost (TIC) (01 Apr 2022 to 31 Mar 2025)

0.74% TER\* 0.00% (incl. VAT) TC 0.74% (incl. VAT)

TIC (incl. VAT) \*Includes the annual management fee of 0.60% (excl. VAT).

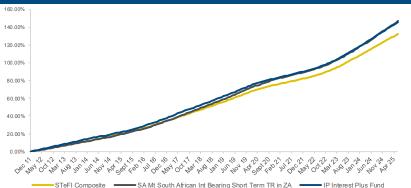
#### Annualised<sup>2</sup> Performance

Highest % (31 July 2017) Lowest % (30 June 2021) 4.22%

#### **Fund References**

ZAE000139010 ISIN MITINPL:SJ Bloomberg JSE TRCP

#### **Fund Performance**



Fund returns shown are based on Nav-Nav unit pricings calculated from IRESS (Fund Focus) Source: IRESS for a lump-sum investment with income distribution reinvested (after fees and cost).

Annualised Returns <sup>2</sup>	YTD	1- Year	3-Year	5-Year	Since inception 28-12-2011
IP Interest Plus	3.89%	8.53%	8.13%	6.55%	6.88%
Sector	4.24%	9.30%	8.58%	7.02%	6.98%
Benchmark	3.81%	8.07%	7.75%	6.27%	6.45%
Cumulative Returns	YTD	1- Year	3-Year	5-Year	Since inception 28-12-2011
IP Interest Plus	3.89%	8.53%	26.43%	37.35%	145.63%
Sector	4.24%	9.30%	28.02%	40.41%	148.71%
Benchmark	3.81%	8.07%	25.08%	35.53%	132.62%

The performance of this product was affected by the African Bank event, African Bank Instruments were transferred into a retention fund from which units were issued to impacted investors. The retention fund was in existence from August 2014 to June 2016. The composite performance of the retention fund and the main fund-comparative purposes—is indicated above.



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#### Quarterly Market Commentary (as at 30 June 2025)



The fund's Assets Under Management (AUM) stood at R152 million as at the end of the quarter. The fund outperformed the benchmark (STeFI composite) by 8 bps over the quarter, returning 1.94% (gross of fees) vs 1.86% generated by the benchmark. Over a rolling 12-month period the fund returned 9.385%, outperforming the benchmark by 132 bps which returned 8.068%. The fund's current gross yield was 9.45% as of the end of June 2025, returning 6.25% in real terms (over expected inflation of 3.2% in 2025). The fund had a Weighted Average Modified Duration of 0.15 years as at the end of the quarter.

South African Reserve Bank (SARB) governor Lesetja Kganyago announced a 25 basis point cut to the repo rate, bringing it down to 7.25% following the May Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) meeting. Five of the six MPC members supported the 25bp cut, while one voted for a deeper 50bp reduction. The SARB revised this year's inflation forecast down to 3.2% from 3.6% as a result of a stronger rand and lower global oil prices which are expected to offset the impact of the increased fuel levy announced in Budget 3.0. The prior inflation forecast also assumed a VAT increase which is now off the table. The SARB has revised its GDP forecast lower, now expecting 1.2% growth in 2025, rising gradually to 1.8% by 2027.

Local headline consumer inflation held steady at 2.8% year-on-year in May, matching April's five-year low and remaining below the SARB's 3%-6% target range. While overall price pressures remain subdued, an acceleration in food inflation presents a growing risk. The main drivers of annual inflation were food and non-alcoholic beverages (4.8%), housing and utilities (4.5%), and alcohol and tobacco (4.3%), while transport costs fell sharply by 4.8% due to ongoing fuel price disinflation. On a monthly basis, the consumer price index (CPI) rose just 0.2%, the smallest increase in five months. Core inflation remained unchanged at 3.0%, suggesting that underlying price trends are still well anchored. Risks remain tilted to the upside, with geopolitical tensions and trade-related uncertainty still potential threats to the inflation outlook.

South Africa's economy recorded slight growth of just 0.1% quarter-on-quarter in Q1 2025, highlighting the fragile state of the recovery. The marginal expansion was driven almost entirely by a 15.8% surge in agricultural output, while key sectors like mining (-4.1%) and manufacturing (-2.0%) posted declines. Only four of ten industries reported positive growth. Annual GDP growth came in at 0.8% year-on-year, slightly ahead of market expectations, but the broader picture remains weak. The economy continues to underperform, with structural challenges such as logistics bottlenecks and weak investment weighing on momentum. Statistics South Africa also revised down Q4 2024 growth to 0.4% (from 0.6%). Consumer activity showed modest improvement, aided by lower inflation and early access to pensions via the two-pot reform, but gross fixed capital formation fell 1.7%, reinforcing concerns about a lack of investment-led growth. Net exports detracted from GDP, as import growth outpaced exports. While business and consumer sentiment has improved following the formation of a Government of National Unity (GNU), this has yet to translate into stronger output.

In the USA, the Federal Reserve held its policy rate steady at 4.25%-4.5% in June, where it has remained unchanged since December 2024. In its updated Summary of Economic Projections (SEP), the Fed maintained its guidance for two rate cuts in 2025 but signalled a slower pace of easing thereafter, trimming one cut each from the 2026 and 2027 forecasts. The June SEP also reflected a more stagflationary outlook compared to the March update: GDP growth for 2025 was revised down to 1.4% (from 1.7%), while core PCE inflation was revised up to 3.1% (from 2.8%). The unemployment rate is now expected to rise slightly to 4.5%, up from the previous projection of 4.4%.



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#### Fund Distributions (cents per unit) Foreig

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30 Jun 2024	2.23		
30 Sep 2024	2.28		
31 Dec 2024	2.17		
31 Mar 2025	2.19		
30 June 2025	1.89		

#### **Foreign Disclosure**

The portfolio may include foreign investments and the following additional risks may apply: liquidity constraints when selling foreign investments and risk of non-settlement of trades; macroeconomic and political risks associated with the country in which the investment is made; risk of loss on foreign exchange transactions and investment valuation due to fluctuating exchange rates; risk of foreign tax being applicable; potential limitations on availability of market information which could affect the valuation and liquidity of an investment. All of these risks could affect the valuation of an investment in the fund.

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