

# Sage SCI\* Protection Solution Fund of Funds Class A2

July-2022

### **Fund Objective**

The objective of the Sage SCI Protection Solution Fund of Funds is to protect capital and to offer a return of at least CPI+3% over a rolling three year period. The portfolio will aim to never have a negative return over a one year period.

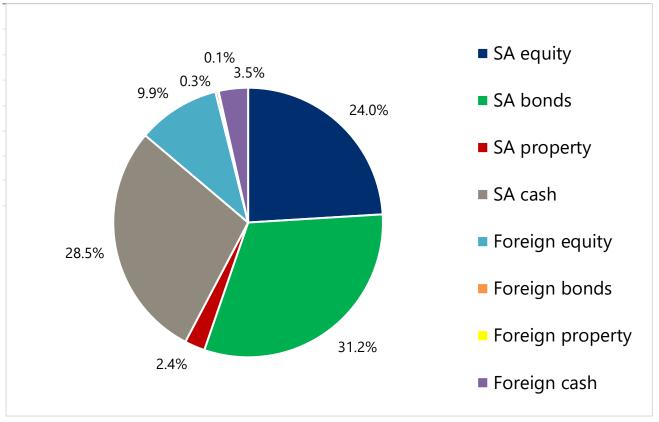
### **Fund Strategy**

The investment manager, Sage Multi Managers Proprietary Limited, follows the multi manager style of investing and will invest the portfolio in the participatory interests of various collective investment schemes managed by different specialist managers. The target of CPI+3% will be achieved through the construction of a portfolio with a strategic asset allocation appropriate for a CPI+3% objective.

# **Fund Information**

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ASISA Fund Classification	SA Multi Asset Low Equity	
Risk Profile	Cautious	
Benchmark	CPI+3% p.a.	
Fee Class Launch date	03-Jan-11	
Portfolio Launch date	01-Nov-06	
Minimum investment	Lump sum: R100 000   Monthly: R10 00	
Portfolio Size	R 232 million	
Quarterly Distributions	30/09/2021: 11.23 cents per unit	
	31/12/2021: 10.64 cents per unit	
	31/03/2022: 14.58 cents per unit	
	30/06/2022: 17.04 cents per unit	
Income decl. dates	30/09   31/12   31/03   30/06	
Income price dates	1st working day after declaration	
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Portfolio valuation time	17:00	
Transaction cut off time	15:00	
Daily price information	www.sanlamunittrusts.co.za	
Repurchase period	3 working days	
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### **Risk Profile (Cautious)**

This portfolio aims to protect capital in real (after inflation) terms, while providing a reasonable level of income. The portfolio displays low volatility levels, designed to reduce the probability of capital losses. This portfolio has limited exposure to equities (to a maximum of 40%) and is managed in compliance with Regulation 28. It is designed for maximum capital protection and aims to ensure a stable income and/or income growth.

#### Why choose this fund

- $\cdot$  The fund aims to provide investors with a steady growth in capital over the longer term.
- $\cdot$  The fund's asset allocation is appropriate for a conservative to cautious investor.
- · The underlying fund managers manage exposure to the various asset classes.
- · The fund is managed by a combination of leading South African investment managers.
- · The fund is diversified across the major asset classes.
- · Investing in this solution is a cost effective way of accessing the best investment expertise both locally and abroad.

#### **Fund Holdings**

Managers	Actual Allocation	
Ninety One Cautious Managed Fund	16.56%	
Nedgroup Investments Core Guarded Fund	16.55%	
Matrix - Amplify SCI Defensive Balanced Fund	16.44%	
Sasfin - PPS Defensive Fund	16.44%	
Sygnia Skeleton Balanced 40	16.41%	
Abax Absolute Fund	16.38%	
SA Cash	1.21%	

# **Annualised Performance**

Class A2	Fund	Benchmark
Year to date	-1.67%	6.47%
1 year	4.62%	10.40%
3 years	6.20%	7.81%
5 years	5.23%	7.70%
10 years	7.24%	8.17%
Inception^	6.92%	9.09%
^since Inception date 03/01/201	11	

# **Calendar Performance**

Class A2	Fund	Benchmark
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2017	7.82%	7.62%
2018	0.23%	8.18%
2019	7.81%	6.56%
2020	4.11%	6.18%
2021	14.21%	8.47%

# Risk Metrics (3 years)

Class A2	Fund
Standard deviation	6.15
Sharpe ratio	0.31
Maximum drawdown	-7.62
Percentage of positive months	75.00

# **Actual highest and lowest annual returns**

Highest Annual %	2021	14.21%
Lowest Annual %	2018	0.23%

Fees (Inclusive Of VAT)**	Class A2
Advice initial fee (max.)	3.45
Advice annual fee (max.)	1.15
Manager annual fee	0.75
Total expense ratio (TER)	1.62
Transaction costs (TC)	0.09
Total investment charge (TER + TC)	1.71



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<sup>\*\*</sup>TER Measurement period: 01 Apr 2019 to 31 Mar 2022

#### **Fee Information**

Total Expense Ratio (TER): The value of the Financial Product 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. TER includes the annual management fee, performance fee and administrative costs and includes VAT but excludes portfolio transaction costs (except in the case of an entry or exit charge paid by a fund when buying or selling units in another fund) expressed as a percentage of the average daily value of the Fund calculated over a rolling three year period (or since inception where applicable. Where funds invest in the participatory interests of foreign collective investment schemes, these may levy additional charges which are included in the relevant TER.

Transaction Cost (TC): The value of the Financial Product 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): The value of the Financial Product incurred as costs relating to the investment of the Financial Product. A fund of fund unit trust only invests in other unit trusts, which levy their own charges, which could result in a higher fee structure for these funds. The fund manager may borrow up to 10% of the market value of the portfolio to bridge insufficient liquidity. Fluctuations or movements in exchange rates may cause the value of underlying international investments to go up or down. This fund is also available via certain LISPS (Linked Investment Services Providers), who levy their own fees.

Advice fee: any advice fee is negotiable between the client and their financial advisor. An annual advice fee negotiated is paid via a repurchase of units from the investor.

Obtain a personalised cost estimate before investing by visiting www.sanlamunittrusts.co.za and using our Effective Annual Cost (EAC) calculator. Alternative, contact us at 0860 100 266.

# Portfolio Manager(s)

# Sage Investment Team

Registration Number: 2007/002035/07

FSP Number: 47866

# **Portfolio Manager Disclaimer**

The management of investments are outsourced to the Sage Investment Committee, FSP 47866, an authorised Financial Services Provider under the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act, 2002.

# **Trustee Information**

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#### **Portfolio Manager Commentary**

The FoF (Fund of Fund) is a combination of underlying managers all of whom have proven track records and the ability to generate significant outperformance over time. The look through asset allocation of the FoF (i.e. the split between equities and fixed interest, and South African and foreign assets) reflects the aggregate asset allocation decisions of underlying managers each of whom have the discretion to implement their best investment view.

There were no manager changes over the quarter, and the appointed managers have broadly persisted with their underlying asset allocations. In aggregate, the portfolio continues to reflect a preference for SA over foreign assets, especially SA bonds, but also SA equities, with just Ninety One Cautious Managed and Sygnia Skeleton 40 expressing an overweight to foreign equities relative to their underling strategic allocations.

At quarter-end, the FoF had approximately an equal allocation to SA bonds (at 31.0% of the portfolio) and SA equities (at 23.9%) and foreign equities (at 9.7%) combined, with a further 28.9% invested in SA cash. While foreign cash at an aggregate level remains low (at 3.5%), the Amplify SCI Defensive Balanced Fund has a meaningful allocation here.

The FoF has fallen short of its CPI+3% p.a. benchmark over recent rolling periods, despite protecting capital over the past twelve months. Over the three-year investment horizon of the FoF, most asset classes have underperformed CPI+3% p.a., with just foreign equities (up 11.7% p.a.) providing strong inflation-beating returns, despite short-term weakness (down -18.1% year-to-date).

Market concern with global inflationary pressures has resulted in multiple interest rate hikes being expected this year, a scenario most view as unlikely, especially if recessionary fears increase. Consequently, most managers remain relatively constructive on the underlying asset classes they are holding, despite the uncertain macro-economic outlook, given their assessment that recent price moves have made their holdings even more attractively priced.

In our view, the scenario of persistent global inflation, and higher than expected interest rate increases, remains a tail-risk rather than the most likely scenario. In fact, while a global recession looks increasingly possible in the next twelve months, and company earnings may well be under pressure in the short-term, earnings multiples today are far more attractive than a year ago, and managers should be finding increasingly attractive opportunities.

Consequently, while we continue to actively assess the combination of managers in the portfolio, and whether it remains fit-for-purpose, we are also excited about the prospect of future returns, given our view that the portfolio is well-positioned to benefit in future.



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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. 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. Sanlam Collective Investments (RF) (Pty) Ltd is a registered and approved Manager in Collective Investment Schemes in Securities. Collective investment schemes are generally medium- to long-term investments. Past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance, 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 from the Manager on request. Additional information of the proposed investment, including brochures, application forms and annual or quarterly reports, can be obtained from the Manager, free of charge.

Collective investments are traded at ruling prices and can engage in borrowing and scrip lending. The Manager does not provide any guarantee either with respect to the capital or the return of a portfolio. 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. Forward pricing is used. Performance is based on NAV to NAV calculations with income reinvestments done on the ex-div date.

Performance is calculated for the portfolio and the individual investor performance may differ as a result of initial fees, actual investment date, date of reinvestment and dividend withholding tax. The manager has the right to close the portfolio to new investors in order to manage it more efficiently in accordance with its mandate. The performance of the portfolio depends on the underlying assets and variable market factors. Lump sum investment performances are quoted.

The Manager retains full legal responsibility for this third-party-name 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 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. A fund of funds portfolio is a portfolio that invests in portfolios of collective investment schemes that levy their own charges, which could result in a higher fee structure for the fund of funds.

#### **Glossary Terms**

#### **Annualised total returns**

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

## **Capital growth**

Capital growth is the profit made on an investment, measured by the increase in its market value over the cost price. It is also called capital appreciation.

#### **Fund of funds**

A "fund of funds" is an investment strategy of holding a portfolio of other investment funds rather than investing directly in stocks, bonds or other securities. This type of investing is often referred to as multi-manager investment. Investing in a fund of funds may achieve greater diversification. The benefit of diversification is that it can reduce volatility and the overall risk in the portfolio, while maintaining returns.

### Liquidity

The ability to easily turn assets or investments into cash. Under normal market conditions, withdrawal can take up to seven working days.

### **LISP (Linked Investment Service Provider)**

A Linked Investment Service Provider is a financial institution which packages, distributes and administers a broad range of unit trust based investments. Any investment made through these products gives an investor a single point of entry into a selection of different investments.

#### Regulation 28

Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act sets out prudent investment limits on certain asset classes in investment funds. It applies specifically to investments in Retirement Annuities and Preservation Funds.

The allowed maximum exposures to certain asset classes are: 75% equities; 25% property; 45% foreign assets.

#### **Total Expense Ratio (TER)**

This is the total costs associated with managing and operating an investment (excluding administration, financial planning and servicing fees). These costs consist primarily of management fees and additional expenses such as trading fees, legal fees, auditor fees and other operational expenses. The total cost of the fund is divided by the fund's total assets under management to arrive at a percentage amount, which represents the TER.

# **Unit trusts**

Unit trusts (also called a collective investment scheme) are portfolios of assets such as equities, bonds, cash and listed property, in which investors can buy units. 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 of professional fund management, and reducing their costs.

# **Highest and Lowest Annual Returns**

The highest and lowest 12 month returns are based on calendar years since inception



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