



FUND OBJECTIVE & STRATEGY

The ClucasGray Equilibrium Prescient Fund is a Regulation 28 compliant, multi-asset high equity fund. The Fund aims to provide long term capital growth ahead of its peer group by delivering both income and capital growth in excess of inflation over time.

FUND INFORMATION

Table with 2 columns: Field (Portfolio Managers, Inception Date, Fund Size, etc.) and Value (Andrew Vintcent & Grant Morris, 16 January 2015, R1141 million, etc.)

WHO SHOULD INVEST

The Fund is an ideal wealth creation vehicle for investors with a medium to long-term investment horizon.

RISK INDICATOR

Generally, these portfolios hold more equity exposure than lower risk profiled portfolios. These portfolios therefore tend to carry more volatility. Expected potential long-term returns could be higher than other risk profiles, in turn potential losses of capital could be higher.

Risk indicator scale: LOW | LOW - MED | MED | MED - HIGH | HIGH

NET PERFORMANCE (ANNUALISED) AT 31 JANUARY 2024

Table showing annualised performance for 3-Months, 6-Months, 1-Year, 3-Year, 5-Year, and Since Inception for Fund\*, Class B2\*\*\*, Class B1, Class C\*\*, and Peer Group.

CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE

Table showing calendar year performance from 2015\* to 2024\*\* for Fund, Class B2\*\*\*, Class B1, Class C, and Peer Group.

\* Since inception 16 January 2015
\*\* Year to date
\*\*\* Class B2 Inception 31 May 2017

ROLLING 12 MONTH RETURN

Table showing rolling 12 month return for Fund Class C with columns for Highest, Average, and Lowest.

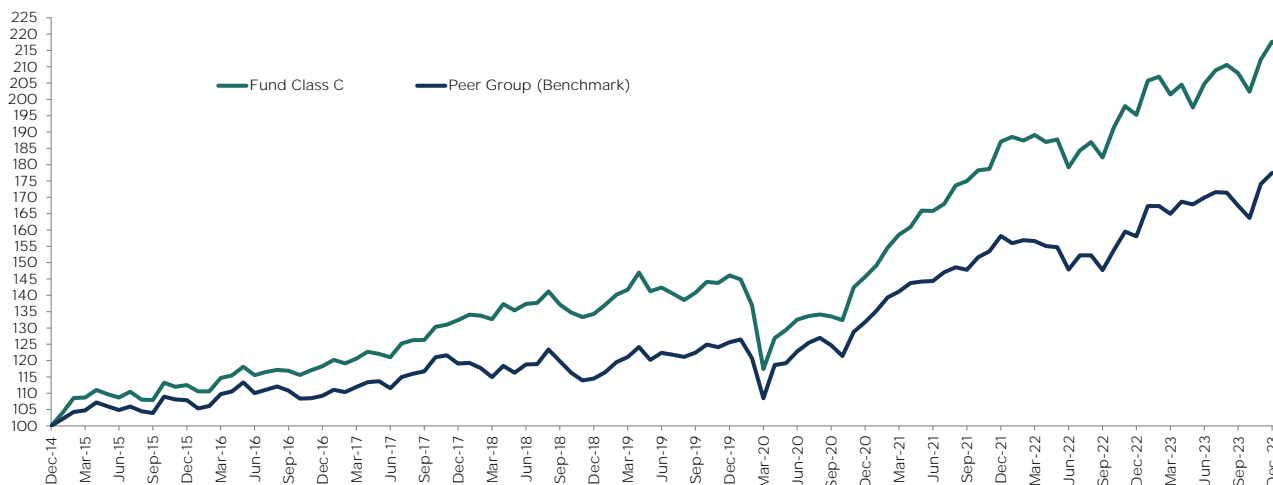
\* Fund performance is the net weighted average fee return for the fund
\*\* Highest Fee Class
\*\*\* Class B2 Inception 31 May 2017

RISK & FUND STATS (ANNUALISED SINCE INCEPTION)

Table showing risk and fund stats: Max Drawdown\* (-20.1%), Max Gain\*\* (8.1%), % Positive Months (64.2%)

\* The maximum peak to trough loss suffered by the Fund since inception.
\*\* Largest increase in any single month.

CUMULATIVE VALUE OF R100 INVESTED AT INCEPTION VS BENCHMARK (ILLUSTRATIVE PERFORMANCE)



Source: Prescient Fund Services 31 Jan 2024

The illustrative investment performance is shown for illustrative purposes only and is calculated by taking the actual initial fees and all ongoing fees into account for the amount shown. Income is reinvested on the reinvestment date.

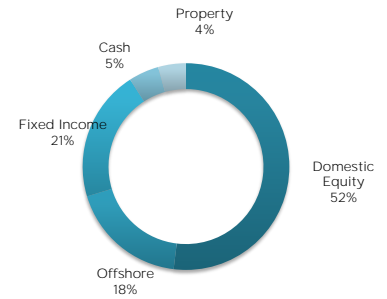

**TOP 15 SA EQUITY HOLDINGS**

ABSA	MTN
Adcock Ingram	Naspers
AECI	Old Mutual
African Rainbow Minerals	Premier
Anglo American	Reunert
British American Tobacco	Standard Bank
Firststrand	Foshini Group
Kaap Agri	

The Top 15 holdings make up 35% of the total fund.

**FUND ASSET ALLOCATIONS**

Asset Class	%
Domestic Equity	51.9%
Foreign Equity	18.2%
SA Cash	4.7%


**DISTRIBUTIONS**

Distribution Frequency	Annually
Distribution Date	01 April
Last Distribution	6.25 cents per unit

**FEE STRUCTURE**

TER	Class B2	Class B1	Class C
Annual Management Fee (excl. VAT)	0.75%	0.90%	1.20%
Other Cost	0.14%	0.14%	0.14%
VAT	0.13%	0.15%	0.20%
Total Expense Ratio (incl. VAT)	1.00%	1.17%	1.51%
Transaction Costs (incl. VAT)	0.13%	0.13%	0.13%
Total Investment Charge (incl. VAT)	1.13%	1.30%	1.64%

**QUARTERLY COMMENTARY | DECEMBER 2023**

The ClucasGray Equilibrium Prescient Fund gained 11.5% in 2023, ahead of its targeted objective of CPI +4%. Over the last 3 years, the fund has delivered compound annual returns of 14.3%, which compares favorably to the peer group of 10.4% and CPI of 6%. Since inception, nearly 9 years ago in January 2015, the fund has gained 9.1% per annum, outperforming the peer group returns of 6.6%.

2023 has brought with it a slew of issues, including, but sadly not limited to the unwelcome return of Stage 6 loadshedding, Transnet inefficiencies at our Ports and Rail network, a sluggish economy, a very weak currency and elevated interest rates. The sustained and elevated levels of loadshedding has been an economic standstill. Statistics show that by the middle of December, the country had endured 332 days of loadshedding – power filled days a rarity. The adverse consequences of loadshedding have been well documented by many, suffice to say that it presented a very difficult backdrop for households and businesses.

None of us know for certain when South Africa will have resolved its power issues, if ever. We do know that most large businesses, and a growing number of households, have invested in alternative energy sources, hence reducing the impact of loadshedding. Coupled with the forecast for a significant amount of power being imminently added to the grid, we believe the operating environment will become a little easier into 2024.

Given the significance of the impact on near term earnings, we believe investors are better served focusing on a more normalized earnings base to value companies. Less dramatic, but similar to the Covid crisis where 2020 earnings were of academic interest only, we believe the loadshedding impacted earnings of 2023/24 reporting season will be artificially suppressed for many companies. As the power crisis alleviates, we expect many of our companies to see an improvement in earnings over the next 2 years.

Guided by our investment process, we have endeavoured to buy good companies at what we think are very attractive prices. Our estimate is the weighted forward PE multiple of the South African equity carve out of the ClucasGray Equilibrium Prescient Fund is currently 8x, with the weighted Dividend Yield being 5.5%. In addition, more than half of the South African equity portfolio, by weighting, are busy with either share buy backs or special dividends. Our assessment of the potential prospective 3 year compound returns the carve out could deliver are well in excess of the equity risk premium. As written extensively over the last while, we believe catalysts will emerge to unlock what is, in our view, extraordinary value in select sectors and companies. The All Bond Index enjoyed a strong finish to the year, gaining 8.1% in the final quarter. The fund has been well exposed to South African bonds, so has benefited from some of the much anticipated reduction in yields.

Central banks globally remain very watchful of inflation trends, which encouragingly continue to show signs of easing in most economies. Whilst the Federal Reserve kept rates on hold at their December meeting, clearer indications of rate cuts into 2024 were provided. Our sense is that the specific timing of rates cuts is less important than the trajectory – we are now entering a phase of policy easing. Similarly, we are optimistic that South Africa will continue to see more modest inflation trends – these will ultimately result in lower funding costs for the South African economy by the end of 2024.

The fund maintained approximately 20% exposure to global assets, predominantly to equities. Strong contributions to the performance were delivered via the fund's exposure to US, Europe and Japanese equities.

Our view is that the ClucasGray Equilibrium Prescient Fund remains well positioned to benefit from the lower domestic interest rate environment. Our assessment of the prospective returns in South African equities and bonds, lead us to conclude that the portfolio is well placed to deliver attractive real returns for investors.

The Fund has adhered to its policy objective.

The number of participatory units as at 31 December 2023 was 734 621 656.

The current asset allocation versus the previous quarter is as follows:

Fund Asset Allocation	Q4 2023	Q3 2023
SA Equity	53%	53%
Offshore	19%	20%
Fixed Income	19%	17%
Property	4%	4%
Cash	5%	6%



DISCLAIMER

Collective Investment Schemes in Securities (CIS) should be considered as medium to long-term investments. The value may go up as well as down and past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance.

The Fund's Total Expense Ratio (TER) reflects the percentage of the average Net Asset Value (NAV) of the portfolio that was incurred as charges, levies and fees related to the management of the portfolio.

Transaction Costs(TC) is the percentage of the value of the Fund incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the Fund's underlying assets.

Where a current yield has been included for Funds that derive its income primarily from interest bearing income, the yield is a weighted average yield of all underlying interest bearing instruments as at the last day of the month.

The Manager retains full legal responsibility for any third-party-named portfolio. The investor acknowledges the inherent risk associated with the selected investments and that there are no guarantees.

Performance has been calculated using net NAV to NAV numbers with income reinvested. The performance for each period shown reflects the return for investors who have been fully invested for that period.

Max Gain: Largest increase in any single month.

Max Drawdown: The maximum peak to trough loss suffered by the Fund since inception.

% Positive Months: The percentage of months since inception where the Fund has delivered positive returns.

Equity investment risk: Value of equities (e.g. shares) and equity-related investments may vary according to company profits and future prospects as well as more general market factors.

Foreign Investment risk: Foreign securities investments may be subject to risks pertaining to overseas jurisdictions and markets, including (but not limited to) local liquidity, macroeconomic, political, tax, settlement risks and currency fluctuations.

Interest rate risk: The value of fixed income investments (e.g. bonds) tends to be inversely related to interest and inflation rates.

Property risk: Investments in real estate securities can carry the same risks as investing directly in real estate itself.

Currency exchange risk: Changes in the relative values of individual currencies may adversely affect the value of investments and any related income.

Liquidity risk: If there are insufficient buyers or sellers of particular investments, the result may lead to delays in trading and being able to make settlements, and/or large fluctuations in value.

Default risk: The risk that the issuers of fixed income instruments (e.g. bonds) may not be able to meet interest payments nor repay the money they have borrowed.

Developing Market (excluding SA) risk: Some of the countries invested in may have less developed legal, political, economic and/or other systems.

For any additional information such as fund prices, brochures and application forms please go to www.cgam.co.za

GLOSSARY SUMMARY

Annualised Performance:

Annualised performance show longer term performance rescaled to a 1 year period.

Highest & Lowest Returns:

The highest and lowest returns for any 1 year over the period since inception have been shown.

NAV:

The net asset value represents the assets of a Fund less its liabilities.

% Positive Months:

The percentage of months since inception where the Fund has delivered positive return.

Net Performance

Unit trust performance is net (after) management fees have been deducted.

CONTACT DETAILS

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The Management Company and Trustee are registered and approved under the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act (No.45 of 2002).

Investment Manager:

ClucasGray (Pty) Ltd, Registration number: 2005/012445/07 is an authorised Financial Services Provider FSP21117 under the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act (No.37 of 2002).

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This portfolio operates as a white label fund under the Prescient Unit Trust Scheme, which is governed by the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act.