# **Equilibrium Global Cautious Portfolio**

month ended 31 October 2024



## Managed portfolio details

Investment manager: Equilibrium Investment Management	Platform availability: Momentum Wealth International	Reporting currency: USD
Inception date: 01 January 2019	Investment timeframe: 3 years +	Investment manager fee: 0.25%
Investment target: Global Cash¹ +2.5%	Peer group: Morningstar Cautious Allocation <sup>2</sup>	Total investment charges (TIC)3: 0.62%

## Investment objective

The portfolio is designed to offer capital preservation with some opportunity for capital appreciation over the medium term through investment in a diversified range of international asset classes and currencies.

#### Risk appetite

The portfolio is ideally suited to investors with a low risk tolerance with an investment horizon of 3 years or longer.



#### Investment policy

The portfolio will invest primarily in participatory interests of collective investment schemes or other similar schemes whose underlying portfolios provide exposure to a diversified portfolio of investments across a broad range of asset classes, currencies and market sectors, in varying proportions over time. These asset classes include cash, equity, fixed income, money market instruments, property, and commodities. Asset allocation portfolios that provide an exposure to a combination of these asset classes may also qualify for inclusion in the portfolio. All holdings must be approved by the Financial Sector Conduct Authority in South Africa.

## Holdings

Holding	A	Weight
	Asset type	_
Equity		28.0%
Robeco Multi-Factor Global Equity i	Global equity	11.5%
Morgan Stanley Global Sustain i	Global equity	3.7%
Jennison Global Equity Opportunities i	Global equity	3.4%
Sands Capital Emerging Markets Growth	Emerging market equity	1.8%
Fidelity Emerging Markets	Emerging market equity	1.8%
Hotchkis & Wiley Global Value i	Global equity	1.3%
Artisan Global Value i	Global equity	1.2%
Paradice Global SMID Cap i	Global equity	1.0%
Granahan US Focused Growth i	US equity	0.7%
Contrarius Global Equity i	Global equity	0.7%
Rainier International SMID Cap Growth i	Global equity	0.6%
Morant Wright Fuji Yield <sup>i</sup>	Japan equity	0.3%
Fixed income		60.0%
iShares Global Government Bond	Government bonds	20.0%
Dodge & Cox Global Bond	Aggregate bonds	20.0%
Coronation Global Strategic Income	Strategic bonds	10.0%
STANLIB Global Bond	Aggregate bonds	10.0%
Property		1.8%
Catalyst Global Real Estate	Listed property	1.8%
Commodities		4.0%
Ninety One Global Gold	Gold & gold miners	4.0%
Cash & money market	-	6.2%
Ninety One US Dollar Money	Money market	6.2%

i Indirectly held in the Momentum GF Global Equity Fund

# Top 10 underlying security holdings (on a look-through basis)

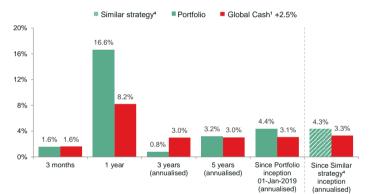
Underlying holding	Weight
Microsoft Corporation	0.8%
Apple Inc	0.7%
NVIDIA Corporation	0.7%
Alphabet Inc A	0.4%
Meta Platforms Inc A	0.4%
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd Sponsored ADR	0.4%
MercadoLibre Inc	0.4%
Amazon.com Inc	0.3%
Progressive Corporation	0.3%
Tencent Holdings Ltd	0.2%

Data as at 30.09.2024, updated quarterly. The Portfolio is exposed to securities such as stocks and bonds via the underlying collective investment schemes (CISs) in which it invests. The table shows the 10 biggest stock positions the Portfolio is exposed to, and is calculated by aggregating the stocks held by each of the underlying CISs.

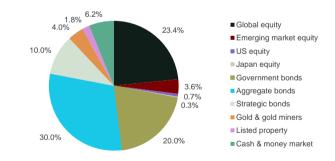
#### Cumulative returns



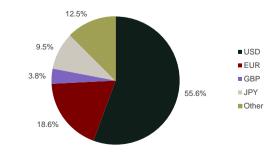
## Portfolio performance



## Strategy allocation<sup>5</sup>



# Currency allocation



Sources: Momentum Global Investment Management, Morningstar. Past performance is not indicative of future returns.

¹ Global Cash comprises two components: i) prior to 01.01.2022 Global Cash was a composite of 50% ICE LIBOR 3M USD; 25% ICE LIBOR 3M EUR; 10% ICE LIBOR 3M GBP; 15% ICE LIBOR 3M JPY; ii) from 01.01.2022 to present Global Cash is a composite of 50% ICE BoA 3M US Treasury Bill Index; 25% ICE BoA 3M German Treasury Bill Index; 10% ICE BoA 3M Sterling Government Bill Index; 15% ICE BoA Japan Treasury Bill Index.
² Peer group is Morningstar Global Category: Cautious Allocation. Filtered for: i) share class = Oldest; ii) registered for sale = South Africa; iii) domicile ≠ South Africa; iii) which Africa; iii) domicile ≠ South Africa; iii) which the Portfolio invests. The TIC has been calculated using the latest available data from Morningstar.
² Performance figures prior to the inception date of the Portfolio (shown dotted/striped green) correspond to a similar strategy managed by the same investment team since 01.01.2016. This strategy has the same investment objective and investment restrictions as the Portfolio. The Portfolio's Tive track record began on 01.01.2019 (shown in solid green).
⁵ Strategy allocation figures reflect the classification of the CISs (or similar schemes) held by the Portfolio and look through to the underlying holdings of such schemes.



#### Market commentary

In October, the most significant market shift was a substantial rise in bond yields, reversing much of the decline seen in Q3. Following the Fed's 50bps rate cut on September 18th, the 10-year Treasury yield, which had fallen to 3.7%, rose by almost 60bps by the end of October, reaching around 4.3%. This increase continued post-election, nearing 4.5%. Expectations for future rate cuts also changed significantly, with the Fed Funds rate now projected to be 3.78% by the end of 2025, up from 2.78% in mid-September.

Consequently, bonds had a poor month, with US Treasuries returning -2.3% and the JPM global government bond index -3.8%. Equities also faced challenges, with the MSCI World index of developed market equities down -2.0% and MSCI emerging markets down -4.4%. A strong dollar, up 3.2% on a trade-weighted basis, further impacted returns, particularly for emerging markets. Gold was a notable exception, rising by 4.2%.

The US economy continued to show strength, with Q3 GDP growing at an annualised rate of 2.8%. Labour market data was mixed but generally indicated resilience. This economic strength led the Fed to push back against market expectations for aggressive rate cuts.

Outside the US, the ECB made its second 25bps rate cut of the cycle, responding to a fall in Euro Area CPI to 1.7% in September and ongoing weakness in the manufacturing sector. In Japan, political uncertainty arose after the ruling coalition lost its majority in a snap election. And in the UK, the Labour government's first budget introduced significant tax increases and public spending, raising inflation risks and bond yields.

Overall, while the US showed economic resilience, high tax and regulatory regimes in Europe and the UK continued to stifle growth. Our investment strategy remains cautiously constructive, with plans to add to risk assets during periods of market weakness.

Source: Bloomberg Finance LP, Momentum Global Investment Management Limited.

#### Risk warnings and important notes

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