



# EF FACET Balanced Discretionary Portfolio Fund

Information in this factsheet is at the last valuation point in May 2018 (except where indicated).

# **Investment Aims**

The investment objective of the Fund is to provide a total return with an emphasis on providing capital appreciation. The portfolio will be actively managed and investments will be made on a multi asset basis with a portfolio of transferable securities (including investment trusts), collective investment schemes, deposits, money market instruments, derivatives and other alternative investments such as structured products, commodity and property funds. The investment manager has the absolute discretion to weight the portfolio towards any investment type or geographical and economic sector, including cash, at any time, provided such investment is compatible with the investment objective and policy of the Fund as a whole.

# Benchmark

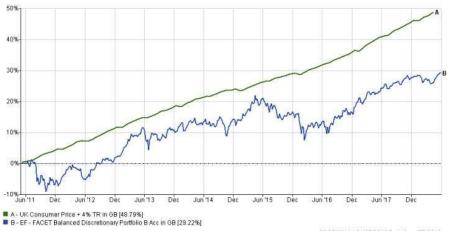
Consumer Price Index +4%

# **Fund Commentary**

The name of the fund was changed in April 2018 to EF FACET Balanced Discretionary Portfolio Fund in order to reflect the full change of management to FACET Fund Management. The fund continues to be managed in-line with the stated investment philosophy of FACET that strategic asset allocation is paramount to a well diversified portfolio, with underlying investment choice providing the outperformance.

Markets were again distracted by trade policy, mainly import tariffs, emanating from Washington and the chaotic aftermath of the Italian elections as the coalition's candidate for finance minister was rejected by the Italian President. Amid the confusion, eurozone bonds came under selling pressure, pushing up yields across the currency block. The US dollar was a natural beneficiary of the resulting market volatility and it gained against all major currencies. Stronger than expected first-quarter US corporate earnings helped further, as did data showing the US economy powering along on the back of lower taxes, rising manufacturing and a strong consumer confidence survey. US corporate profits grew 24% year-on-year. The exporter-heavy FTSE100, which typically benefits from Sterling weakness against the US dollar, was the best performing developed market. UK wages rose to gains in real terms but as the rate of inflation growth slowed, The Bank of England voted 7-2 in favour of keeping interest rates on hold. The fund rose 1.30% in May.

# Elite CAM Balanced Discretionary Fund performance since launch



<sup>09/05/2011 - 31/05/2018</sup> Data from FE 2018

#### Source: Financial Express 09.05.2011 to 31.05.2018 Total Return, Bid to Bid, Tax UK Net. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

# May 2018

# **Fund Manager-FACET**

FACET have been helping clients with their investments since 1985. Specialising in providing discretionary management services they currently run 4 in-house model portfolios. Historically FACET's model portfolios have consistently outperformed numerous established benchmarks and comparable indices.

# Fund Information (B share Class)

Fund Size	£22.2m
Launch Date	09.05.11*
IA Sector	Unclassified
OCF	1.79%
AMC	0.75%
Initial/Exit Charge	Nil
Min. Investment	£1,000 lump sum
Domicile	UK
Legal Structure	OEIC (NURS)
Eligible for ISA	Yes
Income Allocation	30 November
Sedol Codes	B Acc. B67JGM5
	B Inc. B3NHHK7

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\*FACET were appointed as Fund Adviser on the 28/11/2016 and as Manager on 10/02/2017.



# FACET's Investment Philosophy

The FACET investment philosophy is very much a 'top-down' approach and they firmly believe that asset sector allocation will provide the majority of the performance with the underlying investment choice providing the critical alpha over their peers. They aim to utilise collectives for the majority of the asset allocation, with direct investments, mainly bonds, being bought as and when appropriate opportunities arise.

#### **Key Portfolio Managers**

### John Richard Mitchell

John has over 40 year's experience in the financial services industry. The primary focus for the last 15 years has been in the fixed income market. While he was employed as the risk manager for Credit Suisse Securities, he was involved in many areas, including risk control of bond trading, setting and controlling the VaR limits on the trading book and monitoring trades to ensure clients received best execution. When at Royal London Asset Management, he was involved in starting their first geared fund, set up the management of the risk control, and agreeing these with the trustee in order to get the sign off for the fund to go live. This fund held both bonds and equities together with written traded option to enhance the income on the equity holding. Involved in the set-up of Newland Financial as compliance director of both the stockbroking/Wealth Management arm and the fund managers. The fund managers had a specialist resources fund, the broker had a corporate finance department that brought mainly resources companies to the market.

### **Chris Fernyhough**

Chris has been in the markets for almost 15 years now, 10 of which have been as a Wealth Manager, specialising in building multi-asset discretionary portfolios for High Net Worth and Corporate clients. These have consisted of both direct bond and equity exposure, as well as the use of collectives. Chris has worked for places such as WH Ireland, where he assisted in the set up and running of the Bristol office, and Newland Financial, where he set up their Wealth Management arm. Chris then moved to Beaufort Securities to assist in the set up of their stockbroking and Wealth Management arm. For the past four years, Chris has been the Managing Director of FACET who run bespoke discretionary money as well as model portfolios. He holds a distinction in the PCIAM exam and is a Chartered Wealth Manager as well as holding Chartered FCSI status with the CISI.

#### **Christian Holland**

Christian has over 25 years of experience in investment management. He managed Japanese equity funds for 16 years, initially with Provident Mutual but also with Cavendish Asset Management. He has also managed private client funds with Seymour Pierce. At UBS Wealth Management he looked after multi asset portfolios for IFAs and continued to do so at TAM Asset Management managing funds and developing new products in ethical portfolios. Christian has been on investment committees with Citywire and has been featured in the media with appearances on TV and radio.

#### Alex Young

Alex has been in Financial Services with FACET for 20 years. He is a qualified IFA as well as holding IMC, a certificate in Discretionary Investment Management, a certificate in Securities Advice and Dealing and a diploma in Technical Analysis. He is currently also studying for Investment Advice Diploma with the CISI. Alex has a very broad range of knowledge regarding multi asset model portfolios and his expertise in Volatility analysis is exceptional. Alex specialises in Technical Analysis and brings a chart based point of view to the Investment Management Committee.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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#### **RISK WARNINGS**

The Elite CAM Balanced Discretionary Portfolio fund is subject to normal stock market fluctuations and other risks inherent in such investments. The value of your clients' investment and the income derived from it can go down as well as up, and your client may not get back the money that they invested. Investments in overseas equities may be effected by changes in exchange rates, which could cause the value of your clients investment to increase or diminish. Your client should regard their investment as medium to long term. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Every effort is taken to ensure the accuracy of this data, but no warranties are given.