

# EF FACET Balanced Discretionary Portfolio Fund

August 2019

Information in this factsheet is at the last valuation point in August 2019 (except where indicated).

## Investment Objective

The investment objective of the Fund is to provide a long-term total return above that of the UK consumer price index. The Fund will be actively managed and invest in multiple asset classes with a portfolio of transferable securities which may include investment trusts, collective investment schemes, deposits, money market instruments, commodity and property funds. The investment manager has the discretion to weight the portfolio towards any investment type, or geographical region, at any time provided it is compatible with the investment objective, risk parameters and policy of the Fund as a whole.

## Benchmark

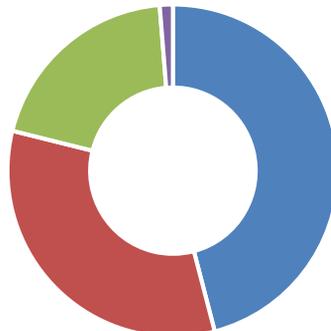
Consumer Price Index

## Top 5 Holdings

First Fleet Alternative Opportunity Fund	6.83%
Audley Float 23/06/2037 Corp	6.59%
Ishares MSCI World Minimum Volatility	5.17%
MAN International ICVC Cont. Europe C Acc	4.98%
Escher Marwick 8.5% 14/11/2021	4.59%
	28.16%

## Current Asset Allocation

Mutual Funds	45.93
Global Fixed Interest	32.93
Equities	19.86
Money Market	1.28



Breakdown figures to 30/08/2019. FE Analytics

## Performance

	3m	6m	1 year	3 year	5 year
EF FACET Balanced Discretionary Portfolio B Acc	0.2	3.3	1.1	16.1	16.1
IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares	3.3	5.0	3.3	13.2	25.0
Position	159/161	117/155	122/151	35/141	114/126
Quartile Ranking	4	4	4	1	4

Performance figures to 30/08/2019. FE Analytics

Facet were appointed fund advisers of the fund in November 2016

## Fund Manager-Facet

Established in 1979, FACET Investment Management Limited is a provider of investment management services to both individuals and corporate clients. Our multi-asset class portfolios give exposure to a wide variety of opportunities and help to manage risk within portfolios. Historically Facet's model portfolios have consistently outperformed numerous established benchmarks and comparable indices.

## Fund Information (B share Class)

Fund Size	£19.20m
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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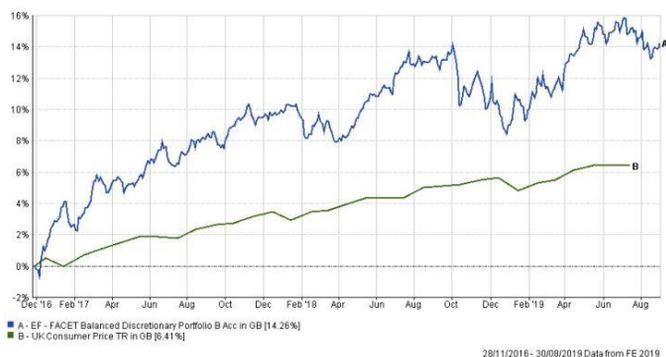
Sales: 01293 401 293  
Dealing: 0115 988 8284

Registered in England No 01931757

\*FACET were appointed as Fund Adviser on the 28/11/2016.

## Performance and commentary

### Performance since Facet appointed November 2016



### Performance since launch – May 2011



Source: Financial Express

### Portfolio activity and comment

August was an unusually volatile month for this time of the year when political distractions are normally absent. This year is different. The ongoing trade tensions between the USA and China, which appeared to have become more amicable during the recent G20 meeting, resurfaced when President Donald Trump announced a new raft of tariffs. China responded in kind. Although these were scaled back towards month end, the damage to investor confidence was done and a global flight to safety resulted in falling yields in the US, EU and UK as investors bought bonds of all types. In the UK the buying of Gilt bonds was compounded by the additional uncertainty over Brexit due to legal challenges to the very intention to leave the EU at all on 31<sup>st</sup> October. These ongoing political issues are undeniably impacting economic forecasts despite corporate profits and economic data being broadly in line with long term expectations. The all-important second-quarter US earnings season showed profits still growing around 5% despite the dented investor confidence. Analyst forecasts in 2020 will quite likely be lowered as a cautionary measure but we are far from negative growth. Similarly, concerns over the EU economies is really about a slowing of growth rather than outright decline. Germany, being the main economic engine of the EU is under scrutiny given the headwinds faced by its industrial sector. However, this is being offset by the services sector which is in reasonable shape. Again, this is being watched closely by the ECB which has reiterated its willingness to provide further stimulus should the need arise. The Balanced fund fell 0.34% in August.

### Key investment managers

**John Richard Mitchell** - John has a career spanning over 40 years in both equities and bonds. He managed risk at Credit Suisse before moving to Royal London where he implemented risk for their first geared fund. John was also involved in the founding of Newland Financial where he was the compliance director.

**Chris Fernyhough** – Chris has over 15 years experience managing multi-asset portfolios. Prior to becoming Managing Director of FACET, Chris worked at WH Ireland establishing their Bristol office. He also worked at Newland in the wealth management division. 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 30 years in the City. He managed Japanese equities for 16 years, initially with Provident Mutual. He has also managed multi-asset portfolios with UBS Wealth Management, Cavendish and TAM Asset Management where he also developed ethical portfolios. Christian has been regularly 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. Alex's expertise in volatility analysis and technical analysis underpins the investment approach of the fund.

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