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FINSOLNET CONSERVATIVE FUND

ABOUT THE PORTFOLIO

The Finsolnet Conservative Portfolio is a low risk balanced portfolio that aims to deliver superior real returns over the medium to longer term with a strong focus on active management of capital loss risk over the shorter term.

The portfolio is managed on a multi-manager basis and includes international exposure. The strategic allocation to various asset classes is set out below. Each manager appointed within a particular asset class has been selected on the basis of rigorous quantitative and qualitative analysis.

The underlying managers have been selected, mandated, monitored and reviewed by Amadwala Asset Consulting on behalf of their clients.

The portfolio complies with Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act, 1956 as amended.

The portfolio is offered on a pooled and unitised basis on the Sygnia Life license.

PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

Month	12 Months	Since Inception	Large Manager Median (12 Months)
2.2%	19.7%	16.0%	23.7%

PERFORMANCE COMMENTARY

October brought another market rally despite a slow start after the US government shut down for the first time in 17 years. Positive economic data from the Eurozone and China, and a growing expectation that the US Federal Reserve will continue the quantitative easing programme for longer, fuelled positive sentiment. The official appointment of the US Fed Vice-Chairwoman Janet Yellen as the successor to Ben Bernanke was also received positively.

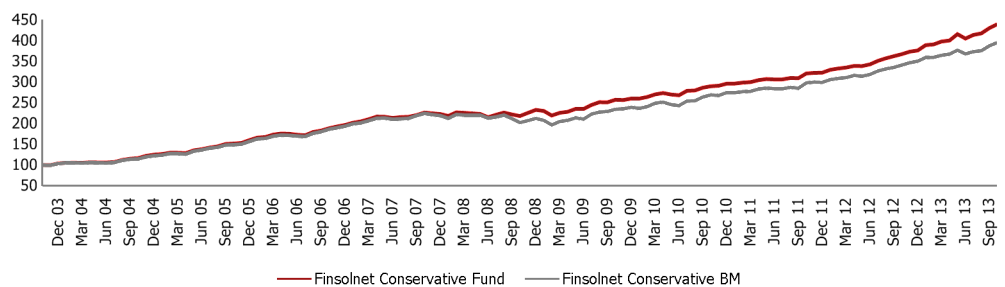
The JSE closed above 45 500 for the first time and the S&P500 reached consecutive record highs, as China released upbeat growth figures which showed that the economy grew by 7.8% year-on-year in the third quarter.

The October rally tapered off somewhat at month-end as the US Fed's statement following the meeting of its policy committee was interpreted as less alarmist and, as such, an indication that a policy change could be on the cards sooner than the expected March 2014.

The oil price hovered between US\$102 and US\$110 a barrel as violence in the Middle East fed concerns over oil supplies. Gold gained ground over the latter half of October to top US\$1 335 an ounce, but slipped again on the back of the US Fed's latest policy outlook.

In South Africa, economic indicators have started to reflect the effects of the costly strike action of past months. The trade deficit widened to the largest gap in seven months in August as strikes curbed commodity exports. Overall, the deficit for the year is 54% larger than it was in the same period last year. The Kagiso PMI fell to an eight-month low in September falling to 49.1 from August's 56.5. On a more positive note, retail sales grew more than expected, CPI inflation decreased to 6.0% year-on-year in September, and unemployment fell to 24.7% in the third quarter on a combination of people dropping out of the workforce and some job creation. The Medium Term Budget Policy Statement brought few surprises. The overall outlook is one of a low growth environment for the next three years with a modestly improving budget deficit and a rising level of public debt. The growth forecast has been revised downward to 2.1% for 2013. The FTSE/JSE All Share Index returned a stellar 3.6%, driven largely by Financials which rose by 7.5%, followed by the Resources sector at 2.9% and Industrial stocks at 2.6%. The bond market delivered a flat 0.4% while the rand weakened by 4.2% relative to the US dollar.

CUMULATIVE RETURNS



HISTORICAL PERFORMANCE

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
2009	-1.1%	-4.8%	3.0%	1.1%	3.1%	0.0%	4.1%	2.7%	-0.1%	2.4%	-0.2%	1.3%	11.7%
2010	0.0%	1.5%	2.4%	1.2%	-1.3%	-0.6%	4.0%	0.3%	2.4%	1.2%	0.4%	1.7%	13.8%
2011	0.0%	0.8%	0.4%	1.6%	0.9%	-0.3%	0.1%	1.1%	-0.1%	3.7%	0.5%	0.1%	8.9%
2012	2.1%	0.9%	0.7%	1.2%	-0.1%	1.2%	2.5%	1.8%	1.4%	1.4%	1.6%	0.8%	16.6%
2013	3.4%	0.5%	1.8%	0.6%	3.8%	-2.6%	2.2%	0.9%	3.0%	2.2%			16.8%

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FUND SUMMARY

Inception (back dated):	01-Nov-03	
Inception (actual):	12-Nov-09	
Number of Months	48	
	FUND	LMM
Sharpe Ratio	0.82	0.70
Sortino Ratio	1.35	1.06

RISK ANALYSIS

	FUND	LMM
% Positive Months	74.2%	70.0%
% Negative Months	25.8%	30.0%
Best Month	5.2%	7.3%
Worst Month	-4.8%	-7.7%
Avg Negative Return	-1.0%	-1.9%
Maximum Drawdown	-5.9%	-23.8%
Standard Deviation	6.2%	9.9%
Downside Deviation	3.8%	6.6%

CORRELATIONS

	FUND	LMM
FTSE/JSE All Share Index	0.80	0.94
BESA All Bond Index	0.41	0.20

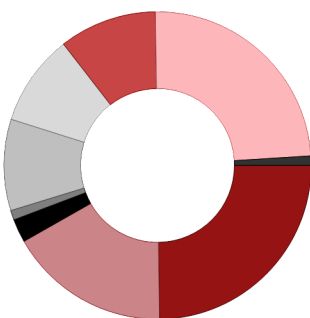
LMM = Global Large Manager Median

MARKET STRESS MONTHS

	FUND	ALSI
July 2008	2.7%	-8.7%
September 2008	-2.0%	-13.2%
October 2008	-1.7%	-11.6%
February 2009	-4.8%	-9.9%

Proforma performance numbers for periods prior to inception of the portfolio are based on actual performance of the underlying building blocks used in the portfolio. These risk and return numbers are shown to aid in the understanding of potential future performance and risk characteristics of the product.

ASSET ALLOCATION



- Domestic Equities - 24.8%
- Domestic Bonds - 17.0%
- Domestic ILB - 2.5%
- Domestic Property - 1.0%
- Domestic Money Market - 9.6%
- Domestic Cash Plus - 9.6%
- Domestic Alternatives - 10.3%
- International - 24.2%
- Africa - 1.0%

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

PERFORMANCE	FUND	BM	DIFFERENCE
Calendar Years			
2007	13.4%	13.2%	0.2%
2008	4.6%	-2.9%	7.5%
2009	11.7%	12.8%	-1.1%
2010	13.8%	14.7%	-0.9%
2011	8.9%	9.0%	-0.1%
2012	16.6%	17.1%	-0.5%

Periodic Performance

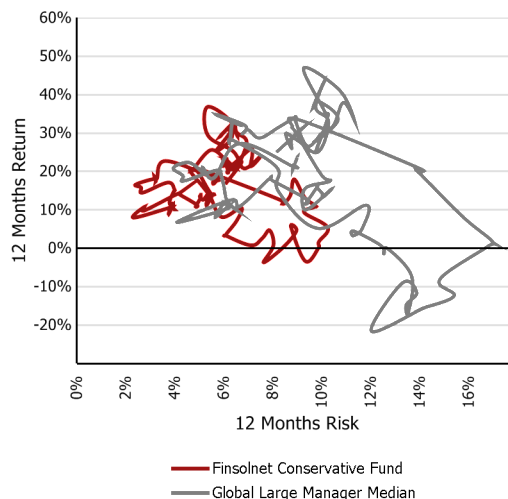
	FUND	BM	DIFFERENCE
1 month	2.2%	2.1%	0.1%
3 month	6.3%	5.9%	0.4%
6 month	9.8%	7.6%	2.2%
Year to date	16.8%	12.8%	4.0%
1 year	19.7%	15.9%	3.7%
2 year	17.1%	15.2%	1.9%
3 year	14.9%	13.7%	1.2%
5 year	15.0%	14.3%	0.7%

FUND SENSITIVITY TO EQUITY MARKET



This scatterplot indicates the extent to which fund returns are correlated with those of the equity market.

12 MONTHS RISK/RETURN SNAIL TRAIL



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