

# Cogence Fixed Interest Prescient Fund of Funds

## Minimum Disclosure Document & General Investor Report

31 March 2024



### Fund Details

Portfolio manager	Riscura Invest (Pty) Ltd
Investment manager	Cogence (Pty) Ltd
Launch date of portfolio	22 August 2022
Portfolio classification	South African – Multi Asset Income
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	70% ALBI, 20% SteFi Composite, 10% iGOV
Fund size	R254 759 700
NAV price	97.64c
Number of units	260 898 292
Annual fees (Excl VAT)	0.40%
Performance fees	None
Total expense ratio (TER)	0.94%
Transaction costs (TC)	0.01%
Total investment charges (TIC)	0.95%
JSE code	COGFFA
ISIN number	ZAE000312302
Transaction cut-off time:	16:00

#### Notes

1. Benchmark data provided by Prescient.

### Fund investment policy

The objective of this portfolio is to provide investors with a high level of income while seeking opportunities to maximize capital gains. This will be achieved by investing in collective investment schemes in accordance with the Act that have a bias to local and international bonds, corporate bonds and other securities that offer a high return of income. The portfolio will be actively managed and the Manager will be permitted to invest in offshore investments as legislation permits.

Risk Profile: Cautious

The fund has adhered to its policy objective.

### Who this investment may be suitable for

The fund is suitable for investors seeking a high level of income and stable capital growth, with a low tolerance for capital loss.

### Historical Performance

Period (annualised)	Fund	Benchmark
1 year	4.46%	5.21%
3 year	-	-
5 year	-	-
Since Inception (Ann.)	6.06%	6.98%
Since Launch (Cum.)	9.77%	11.27%

### Risk Statistics

Statistic	Fund
Volatility (last three years annualised)	6.33%
Maximum drawdown	-3.74%
Highest one-year return	8.72%
Lowest one-year return	4.46%
Sharpe ratio (Rf = 0%)	0.96

Performance is calculated using the Total Returns Index (TRI), net of fees, with all dividend and/or income declarations reinvested on the declaration date at the net asset value price at that time. Investment performance is for illustrative purposes only.

## Fund Holdings

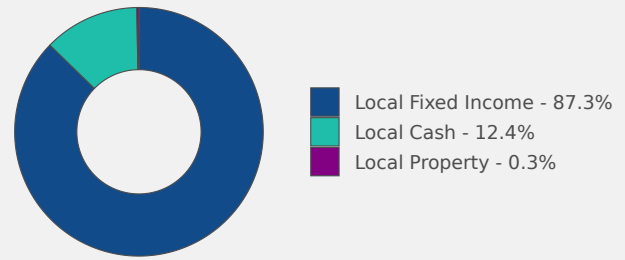
Name	Allocation
Discovery Strategic Bond Fund	29.6%
Vunani BCI Bond Fund	14.4%
Coreshares Yield Selected Bond Index Fund	11.8%
Satrix Bond Index Fund	11.5%
Nedgroup Collective Investments Money Market Fund	9.8%
Discovery Diversified Income Fund	9.8%
Laurium BCI Strategic Income	7.8%
1vest Inflation Linked Bond Index Tracker Fund	4.9%
Vunani BCI Bond Retention Fund A	0.4%
South African Rand	0.1%

May not add up to 100% due to rounding.

## Income Distribution (Last 12 Months)

September 2023	0.11c
October 2023	0.95c
November 2023	0.17c
December 2023	0.11c
January 2024	2.88c
February 2024	0.11c

## Asset allocation chart



## Monthly Market Commentary

March saw a rebound in South African Equity, buoyed by sharp rise in precious metal prices. The resources and industrials performed strongly while financials continued to struggle along with listed property. Fixed Income assets, on the other hand lost almost 2% over the month. Yields moved higher across different maturity buckets as Inflation print surprised to the upside in March. On a relative basis, both local equity and local bonds have underperformed their global counterparts. Local equity underperformed by C.0.5%, whereas local bonds underperformed by almost 3% in local currency terms. Despite a significant increase in rates, the Rand registered a modest gain, 1.8% relative to USD. On the Macro front, the latest data releases have been softer. Annual inflation rate rose to 5.6% in February 2024, up from January's 5.3%, slightly above market forecasts of 5.5%, and moving farther from the central bank's preferred 4.5% midpoint of the 3-6% target range. It was the highest reading in four months, mainly due to accelerated prices for transport, housing & utilities. Meanwhile, the annual core inflation, which excludes food and fuel prices, picked up to an eight month high of 5% from a prior 4.6%, and coming more than market estimates of 4.8%. Manufacturing PMI, too showed signs of weakness, dropping back down to contractionary territory after strong print in February. SARB will meet on May 30th, the day after the election. The Bank has maintained its cautious stance on policy rates, in light of upside inflation surprises, both locally but also in USA.

The outcome of the upcoming election will be key to determine if the administration can continue to implement on fiscal policy. Meanwhile, markets will remain volatile as ANC majority might be questioned on May 29th.

## Contact details

### Investment Manager

#### Cogence (Pty) Ltd

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## General

Collective investment schemes (Unit Trusts) are generally medium to long-term investments. The value of participatory interests (units) or the investment may go down as well as up. Past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. Collective investment schemes are traded at ruling prices and can engage in borrowing and scrip lending (i.e. borrowing and lending of assets). The manager does not provide any guarantee, with respect to the capital or the return of a portfolio. Prescient retains full legal responsibility for the third-party-named portfolio. Any forecasts and/or commentary in this document are not guaranteed to occur. Different classes of participatory interests apply to these portfolios and are subject to different fees and charges. A schedule of all fees and charges, inclusive of VAT and maximum commissions, is available on request from us or from your financial adviser. Forward pricing is used.

### CIS Manager

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Prescient is registered and approved under the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act.

### Trustee

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## Yields

The yield for bond and income portfolios is historic and is calculated quarterly.

## Important information

The collective investment scheme may borrow up to 10% of the market value of the portfolio to bridge insufficient liquidity. The ability of the portfolio to repurchase is dependent upon the liquidity of the securities and cash of the portfolio. A manager may suspend repurchases for a period, subject to regulatory approval, to await liquidity, and the manager must keep the investors informed about these circumstances.

A fund of funds is a portfolio that invests in portfolios of collective investment schemes that levy their own charges. This could result in a higher fee structure.

Lump-sum performance returns are being quoted. Income distributions, prior to deduction of applicable taxes, are included in the performance calculations. NAV to NAV figures have been used for the performance calculations, as calculated by the manager at the valuation point defined in the deed, over all reporting periods. Investment performance calculations are available for verification upon request by any person. Reinvestment of income is calculated on the actual amount distributed per participatory interest, using the ex-dividend date NAV price of the applicable class of the portfolio, irrespective of the actual reinvestment date. The performance is calculated for the fee class. The individual investor performance may differ, as a result of initial fees, the actual investment date, the date of reinvestment and dividend withholding tax.

The rate of return is calculated on a total return basis, and the following elements may involve a reduction of the investor's capital: interest rates, economic outlook, inflation, deflation, economic and political shocks or changes in economic policy. Annualised returns are period returns re-scaled to a period of one year. This allows investors to compare returns of different assets that they have owned for different lengths of time. All period returns greater than one year have been annualised. Returns for periods less than one year have not been annualised. A cumulative return is the aggregate amount an investment has gained or lost over time, independent of the period of time involved. Actual annual figures are available to the investor on request. Illustrative investment performance is for illustrative purposes only.

## Specific fund risks

- Derivatives
- Exposure to foreign securities
- Drawdown
- Liquidity
- Equities
- Bond

For a detailed description of these risks, and other risks that are relevant to the portfolio, please refer to the CIS and other Risk Disclosure Documents, available at [www.cogence.co.za](http://www.cogence.co.za).

## What is the total investment charge (TIC)

Total expense ratio (TER) is the percentage of the value of the portfolio that was incurred as expenses relating to the administration (charges, levies and fees) of the portfolio. TER is calculated over rolling 3 years (or since inception, where applicable), and is annualised, to the most recent calendar quarter-end. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a good return. The current TER may not necessarily be an accurate indication of future TER's. Transaction costs (TC) is the percentage of the value of the portfolio that was incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the assets underlying the portfolio. Transaction Costs are a necessary cost in administering the portfolio and impacts portfolio returns. It should not be considered in isolation, as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time, including market returns, the type of financial product, the investment decisions of the investment manager, and the TER. Calculations are based on actual data, where possible, and best estimates, where actual data is not available. Total investment charges (TIC) is the percentage of the value of the portfolio that was incurred as costs relating to the investment of the portfolio. It is the sum of the TER and TC.

For additional information on the portfolio, refer to the application forms, quarterly investment report and minimum disclosure documents, available on our website, [www.cogence.co.za](http://www.cogence.co.za), from your financial adviser, or on request from the manager, free of charge.

The complaints policy and procedure, as well as the conflicts of interest management policy, are available on our website [www.cogence.co.za](http://www.cogence.co.za). Associates of the manager may be invested within certain portfolios, and the details thereof are available from the manager. The manager has the right to close certain portfolios to new investors, in order to manage them more efficiently, in accordance with their mandates. This document was published on 17 April 2024.

Please note that all documents, notifications of deposit, investment, redemption and switch applications must be received by Prescient by or before 13:00 (SA), to be transacted at the net asset value price for that day. Where all required documentation is not received before the stated cut off time Prescient shall not be obliged to transact at the net asset value price as agreed to. Funds are priced at either 3pm or 5pm depending on the nature of the Fund. Prices are published daily and are available on the Prescient website.

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

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