# **PPS DEFENSIVE FUND**

#### As of 31 Jan 2024



#### **FUND DESCRIPTION**

Terebinth Capital has been appointed as the portfolio manager for the PPS Defensive Fund. Terebinth Capital combines their skill-sets in macroeconomic and quantitative analyses to construct diversified portfolios reflecting their best investment view to achieve appropriate risk-adjusted returns. As in our other partnership strategies our approach for the PPS Defensive Fund is to use our comprehensive research process to identify a best-in-class manager with the skill set and capabilities to successfully manage a strategy. A key differentiating factor is that partnership managers typically don't yet offer a similar strategy in the retail space.

The PPS Defensive Fund is aimed at investors looking for a low volatility diversified multi asset portfolio managed in line with Regulation 28 of the Pension Fund Act. The primary objective of the fund is to outperform the ASISA SA Multi Asset Low Equity category average. Simultaneously the aim is to deliver long-term capital growth with low short-term volatility. The investment horizon for this fund is greater than three years.

#### **FUND OVERVIEW**

List of classes\*\* Portfolio category Launch date Investment manager

Benchmark

Income distribution Investment horizon Portfolio size Market value (NAV price per unit) Number of units held Manager fee (excl. VAT) Trustee Risk profile

A & A2

South African - Multi Asset - Low Equity

1 November 2018 (A & A2)

PPS Multi-Managers Proprietary Limited

(authorised FSP)

South African - Multi Asset - Low Equity

(Category Average)

Half-yearly

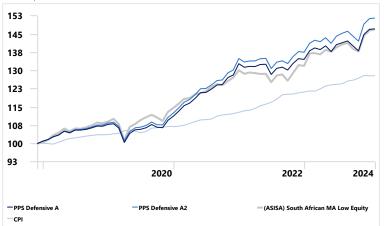
Medium term - three years and longer

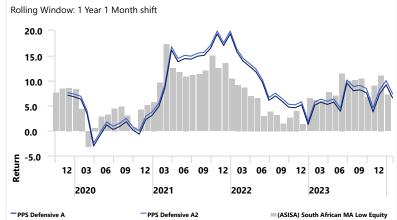
R696 724 292 116.75 (A); 116.90 (A2)

1 261 (A); 107 581 859 (A2) 1.35% (A); 0.90% (A2) Standard Chartered Bank

Low - Medium

# ILLUSTRATIVE PERFORMANCE



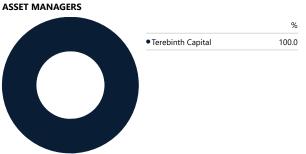


## **ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE**

	3 months*	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	7 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
PPS Defensive A	6.55%	6.53%	9.06%	7.68%	1	1	7.78%
PPS Defensive A2	6.68%	7.34%	9.72%	8.32%		_	8.40%
(ASISA) South African MA Low Equity	6.62%	7.24%	8.05%	7.66%	6.85%	6.90%	7.75%

	YTD 2024*	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
PPS Defensive A	0.12%	9.22%	1.33%	19.35%	3.19%	6.82%	_
PPS Defensive A2	0.15%	10.06%	1.91%	19.89%	3.85%	7.37%	_
(ASISA) South African MA Low Equity	0.32%	11.05%	1.36%	13.53%	5.17%	8.58%	1.24%

<sup>\*</sup>Periods less than one year are not annualised



## **RISK METRICS\*\*\***

Metric	А	A2	Benchmark
Annualised Standard Deviation	5.6%	5.6%	6.1%
Maximum Drawdown	-7.2%	-7.1%	-8.2%
Percentage of Positive months	75.8%	77.4%	71.0%
Information Ratio	0.01	0.30	_
Sharpe Ratio	0.37	0.49	_

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Risk metrics calculated over a 5 year period

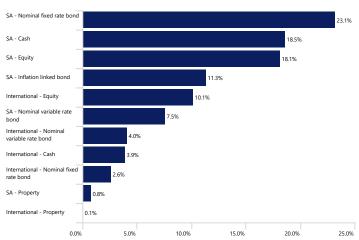
<sup>\*\*</sup>On PPS Investment platform, A2 class is available in Select range

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#### ASSET ALLOCATION



#### MATURITY ALLOCATION

Maturity	Allocation
< 1 year	25.5%
1 - 3 years	3.0%
3 - 7 years	36.6%
7 - 12 years	25.6%
12 and more years	9.3%

# **HIGHEST & LOWEST RETURNS SINCE INCEPTION** (12-month rolling performance)

	А	A2
Highest	19.4%	19.9%
Highest Month End Date	31 Oct 2021	31 Oct 2021
Lowest	-3.0%	-2.4%
Lowest Month End Date	31 Mar 2020	31 Mar 2020

#### 1 YEAR FEES (%) (INCLUSIVE OF VAT)

Fees	А	A2
Total expense ratio (TER)	1.63	1.10
Transaction costs (TC)	0.04	0.04
Total investment charge (TER+TC)	1.67	1.14

### 3 YEAR FEES (%) (INCLUSIVE OF VAT)

Fees	А	A2
Total expense ratio (TER)	1.61	1.08
Transaction costs (TC)	0.05	0.05
Total investment charge (TER+TC)	1.66	1.13

### **DISTRIBUTIONS**

Date	А	A2
31 Dec 2023	1.84	2.40
30 Jun 2023	3.18	3.53

#### **PORTFOLIO DETAIL**

Top 10 Holdings	Allocation
Vanguard Total World Stock ETF	10.1%
RSA ILB 2.00% 20250131	8.5%
Nedbank 9.1% 20241227	7.3%
RSA R209 6.25% 20360331	6.1%
RSA R2035 8.88% 20350228	5.9%
RSA ILB 1.88% 20290331	5.2%
RSA R2032 8.25% 20320331	5.2%
RSA R2030 8.00% 20300131	4.8%
FirstRand ILB 2.60% 20280331	4.2%
Standard Bank 5.95% 20240531	4.0%

#### DISCLOSURES

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Collective Investment Schemes in Securities (CIS) are generally medium-to long-term investments. The value of participatory interests (units) may go down as well as up, and past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. CIS are traded at ruling prices and can engage in borrowing and scrip lending up to 10% of the market value of the portfolio to bridge insufficient liquidity. The manager does not provide any guarantee either in respect of the capital or the return of a portfolio.

**Total Expense Ratio (TER)** is a measure that can be used by investors and advisers to determine how much of a CIS's underlying assets are relinquished as payment for services rendered in the administration of the CIS. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER may not necessarily be an accurate indication of future TER's.

Transaction Costs (TC) is a measure that can be used by investors and advisors to determine the costs incurred in buying and selling assets underlying the CIS. TC's are a necessary cost in administering the CIS and impact CIS's 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 CIS, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER.

Total Investment Charges (TIC) is a measure of total cost relating to the investment. TIC is the sum of the total expense ratio (TER) and the transaction cost (TC).

TER's and TC's are expressed as a percentage of the daily net asset value of the CIS calculated over the past one year and three-year period on an annualised basis. The TER and TC disclosed are estimates based on our best estimate of the underlying costs.

These performance figures are for lump sum investments with income distributions reinvested on the ex-dividend date. All PPS Multi-Managers performance figures and values are quoted after the deduction of costs and applicable taxes incurred within the Fund. Actual investment performance will differ based on the initial fees applicable, the actual investment date and the date of the reinvestment of income is calculated based on actual distributed amount and factors such as payment date and reinvestment date will be considered. Please note that performance over periods greater than one year is annualised. Annualised performance is the average return earned on an investment each year over a given time period. Performance is based on NAV to NAV calculations and calculated on a rolling monthly basis. The past performance is relevant to the investment or the service offered by the manager.

This fund is exposed to foreign securities and as such, it may be subject to the macroeconomic, settlement risks and political risks brought about by this exposure. It may also be subject to currency risk, which means the underlying investments of the fund could depreciate or appreciate against the reporting currency of the investor. Because these securities are listed on other exchanges, it may be subject to the relevant regulatory authority, and thus the tax implications and legislative changes of that particular entity. There may also be delays in realizing investments, due to system or liquidity issues experienced by the respective exchange. In addition, market and investment value fluctuations may occur. Overall, please be advised that, as indicated by the risk profile and potentially influenced by asset allocation, risks may be associated with this fund such as general market risk, company risk, credit risk, counterparty risk and third party operational risk.

Unit Trust prices are calculated on a Net Asset Value basis, which is the total market value of all assets in the portfolio including any income accruals and less any deductible expenses from the Fund divided by the number of units in issue. Transactions must be received by the Management Company (MANCO) by 2pm to receive the net asset value price for that day. Transaction requests received after this cut off time will only be processed on the next business day, and will receive the price of that day. Linked Investment Service Providers (LISP), specify their own transaction timelines and may take up to five business days to process. Portfolio valuations occur at 3 p.m. on business days, except the last business day of the month, when it will be 5pm. Prices are published daily and are available in the daily newspapers.

A schedule of fees, charges and maximum commissions are available on request. This fund does not charge performance fees

The manager may close the portfolio to new investors to ensure the portfolio is managed according to its mandate

Additional information of the proposed investment, including brochures, application forms and annual or quarterly reports, can be obtained from the Manager, free of charge.

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