# PPS EQUITY FUND

### FUND DATA AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2018

#### OUR APPROACH

The portfolio invests primarily in shares of listed companies. It may, however, also invest in listed and unlisted financial instruments, and it may also hold units in collective investment schemes. Ratios may vary.



#### QUARTERLY COMMENTARY

This is a multi-managed fund of funds with active manager selection. The managers in the portfolio are skilled stock pickers, each with a distinct approach to alpha generation, offering style diversification. This was a difficult quarter for the domestic equity market, with the JSE Capped SWIX declining overall. Though resources and financial stocks managed to gain ground during the quarter, industrial stocks fell sharply, offsetting gains in other areas of the market. The fund is ahead of its Capped SWIX benchmark year-to-date, but is lagging the peer group. Over the longer term, the PPS Equity Fund underperformed its benchmark during the most recent seven-year investment horizon but performed in line with its peer group average. The top 10 stocks in the portfolio currently make up 49% of the fund. Amongst the top ten stocks, Anglo American, Investec and British American Tobacco have the largest portfolio overweight positions, while FirstRand and Sasol both represent underweight positions relative to the Capped SWIX.

The PPS Equity Fund aims to provide investors with investment returns in excess of its benchmark while seeking to provide capital growth over the long-term.			
Range Select (A2 class)			
Portfolio category South African - Equity - General			
Launch date 14 May 2007			
Fee class launch date 02 January 2013			

Investment manager Benchmark Income distribution Investment horizon Portfolio size Market value (NAV price per unit) Number of units held Select (A2 class) South African - Equity - General 14 May 2007 02 January 2013 PPS Multi-Managers Proprietary Limited (authorised FSP) FTSE/JSE Total Return Capped SWIX Index Half-yearly Long-term - seven years and longer R 2 598 369 742 168.50 cents 74 522 724 (participatory interests) 1.05% Standard Chartered Bank

#### ASSET ALLOCATION

Trustee

Asset management fee (excl. VAT)

Asset	Allocation
Industrials	44.1%
Financials	29.0%
Resources	26.9%

#### ASSET MANAGERS

The investment manager uses a multi-manager approach, combining the strengths and expertise of experienced underlying asset managers (authorised FSPs).

	Asset Manager	Allocation	Portfolio Manager
	Coronation Fund Managers	30%	Neville Chester and Pallavi Ambekar
Investec Assar Management	Investec Asset Managers	30%	Chris Freund and Hannes van den Berg
PRIDENTIAL	Prudential Investment Managers	30%	Chris Wood, Simon Kendall and Johny Lambridis
Perpetua	Perpetua Investment Managers	10%	Delphine Govender, Lonwabo Maqubela and Patrick Ntshalintshali

#### PORTFOLIO DETAIL

Top 10 holdings	Fund	Benchmark
Naspers	10.3%	9.7%
Anglo American	6.1%	3.4%
Standard Bank	5.6%	4.6%
Sasol	5.4%	5.9%
British American Tobacco	5.2%	3.4%
MTN	4.3%	3.2%
Bhp Billiton	3.7%	2.1%
Old Mutual Ltd	2.9%	2.2%
Investec	2.8%	0.7%
FirstRand	2.6%	4.4%
As a % of total	49%	40%

#### PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

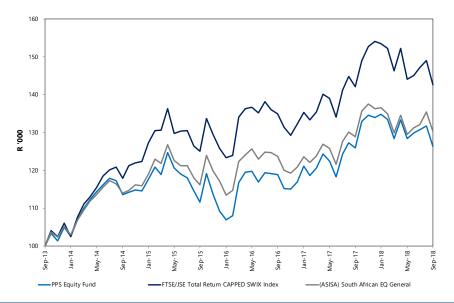
Three years	Five years	<b>Ten years</b>	Since inception
4.22%	4.78%	9.75%	6.65%
performance qu		rior to the launch of the	e year is annualised. The e A2 fee class is based



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#### ILLUSTRATIVE PERFORMANCE

The graph reflects illustrative growth of a R100 000 lump sum over five years, taking all initial and ongoing investment fees into account. It assumes income is reinvested on the reinvestment date. The investment performance is for illustrative purposes only.



ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE						
	YTD	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
PPS Equity Fund	-5.70%	0.32%	4.22%	4.78%	9.75%	6.65%
FTSE/JSE Total Return Capped SWIX Index	-7.42%	0.39%	4.48%	7.37%	12.12%	9.37%
Fund Category Average	-4.37%	1.05%	3.88%	5.44%	9.71%	7.06%
	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
PPS Equity Fund	14.51%	6.97%	-4.54%	9.11%	20.39%	25.18%
FTSE/JSE Total Return Capped SWIX Index	16.49%	5.16%	2.78%	15.42%	20.71%	29.09%
Fund Category Average	12.76%	3.12%	1.01%	10.31%	19.36%	19.98%

The performance quoted for the period prior to the launch of the A2 fee class is based on older classes, adjusted for fee differences. Please note that performance over periods greater than one year is annualised. From 1 May the benchmark changed from SWIX to CAPPED SWIX.

RISK METRICS			
	PPS Equity Fund	FTSE/JSE Total Return Capped SWIX Index	Fund Category Average
Annualised standard deviation	10.03%	10.22%	9.00%
Maximum drawdown	-14.24%	-9.58%	-10.51%
Positive months	53.33%	61.67%	53.33%

Actual annual figure	PPS Equity Fund	Period
Highest	29.38%	2009
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DISTRIBUTION DATES AND VALUES (LAST 12 MONTHS	)
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Date	Cents per unit
30-Jun-18	2.72
31-Dec-17	1.59

Please be advised that, as indicated by the risk profile and potentially influenced by asset allocation risks may be associated with this fund, as follows:

General market risk

Company risk •

- Credit risk
- Counterparty risk Third party operational risk

FEES (INCLUSIVE OF VAT)		
Fees	Percentage	
Total expense ratio (TER)	1.22	
Transaction costs (TC)	0.34	
Total investment charge (TER + TC)	1.56	

• A schedule of fees, charges and maximum commissions are available on request.

### Get in Touch

If you need more information or would like to make an investment, please consult your PPS Investments accredited adviser. Alternatively, feel free to contact us directly. We are ready to assist if you require any brochures, application forms or annual reports or with any queries you may have. Contact us on 0860 468 777 (0860 INV PPS) or at clientservices@ppsinvestments.co.za.

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

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Transaction Cost (TC) is a measure of the total costs incurred in buying and selling assets underlying the CIS. The TER is a measure that can be used by investors and advisers to determine how much of a Financial Product's underlying assets are relinquished as payment for services rendered in the administration of the Financial Product. TER's and TC's are expressed as a percentage of the daily net asset value of the CIS calculated over a period of three years on an annualised basis. 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. 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.

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Unit Trust prices are calculated on a NAV to NAV basis and do not take any initial fees into account, it is the total market value of all assets in the Fund including any income accruals and less any permissible deductions from the Fund divided by the number of units in issue. Portfolio valuations occur at 3pm on business days, except the last business day of the month, when it will be 5pm. The closing price on the day of the transaction is processed. In the case of management companies, requests must be received by the manager by 2pm to receive the same day's price. Linked Investment Service Providers specify their own timelines and may take up to five days to process. Prices are published daily and are available in the daily newspapers.

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