

PPS GLOBAL EQUITY FUND



INVESTMENTS

Prescient
GLOBAL FUND

As of 31/03/2021

FUND DESCRIPTION

The PPS Global Equity Fund is an actively managed, global equity fund that aims to provide investors with long-term capital growth. It takes advantage of investment opportunities in listed equities of companies in both developed and emerging market economies, utilizing a bottom-up and research driven approach.

The Fund's primary investment objective is to outperform the MSCI All Country World Index (or an equivalent index) after fees. Income is a secondary objective for this fund and is achieved by investing in companies with a strong potential to pay dividends in the future.

FUND OVERVIEW

Fund type	UCITS
Class*	A (USD)
Portfolio category	Global Equity
Launch date	30 January 2020
Sub-manager	Capital Group
Benchmark	MSCI All Country World Index (ACWI)
Income distribution	No distributions
Investment horizon	Long-term
Portfolio size	US\$ 282 920 231.90
ISIN code	IE00BJXT2G67
Minimum investment	US\$ 10 000
Manager fee (excl. VAT)	1.25%
Trustee	Northern Trust Fiduciary Services Limited
Risk profile	Med-High
Investment manager	PPS Multi Managers Proprietary Limited

PORTFOLIO DETAIL

Top 10 Holdings	Allocation
Tesla Inc.	6.1%
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing	3.0%
Microsoft Corp	2.9%
Facebook Inc.	2.8%
Amazon	2.7%
Alphabet Inc.	2.1%
JP Morgan Chase & Co.	1.7%
PayPal Holdings Inc.	1.6%
ASML Holdings	1.4%
Mastercard Inc.	1.3%

MSCI SECTOR ALLOCATION

Top 5 MSCI Sector	Allocation
Information Technology	20.5%
Consumer Discretionary	18.0%
Financials	13.7%
Health Care	11.4%
Industrials	10.9%

RISK METRICS

Metric	Fund	Benchmark
Annualised Standard Deviation	20.3%	17.7%
Maximum Drawdown	-10.5%	-9.4%
Percentage of Positive months	75.0%	75.0%
Information Ratio	-1.34	—
Sharpe Ratio	1.59	—

ASSET ALLOCATION

Asset	Allocation
International - Equity	95.2%
International - Cash	3.1%
International - Property	1.0%
SA - Equity	0.7%

ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE^

	3 months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	7 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
PPS Global Equity A	1.79%	64.87%	—	—	—	—	28.51%
MSCI All Country World Index	4.68%	55.31%	12.66%	13.81%	9.98%	9.73%	20.21%

*Please note the performance figures on the MDD as at 31 January 2021 for the PPS Global Equity Fund published on 18 February 2021 were incorrect. The January MDD has been amended to reflect the correct figures.

	YTD 2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
PPS Global Equity A	1.79%	—	—	—	—	—	—
MSCI All Country World Index	4.68%	16.82%	27.30%	-8.93%	24.62%	8.48%	-1.84%

^Performance is not available due to the short lifespan of the fund. Annualised performance will be available after 1 year.

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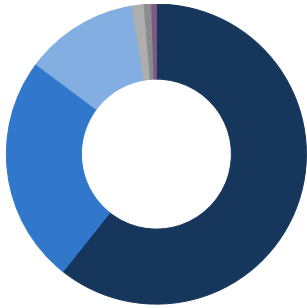


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REGIONAL ALLOCATION



	%
● North America	60.7
● Europe	24.5
● Asia	12.2
● South America	1.3
● Africa	0.8
● Oceania	0.5
● Middle East	0.0

FEES (%)**

Fees	1 Year
Management Fee	1.25
Other Fees*	0.42
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	1.67

FUND COMMENTARY

A rotation into cyclical and value-oriented stocks drove equity markets higher, led by sectors that lagged in the prior year. Energy and financial stocks posted the largest gains as government stimulus measures and the widespread rollout of COVID-19 vaccinations combined to boost the global economic outlook. Value stocks outpaced growth stocks by a wide margin.

US equities continued to rally. President Joe Biden signed a US\$1.9 trillion coronavirus relief package and also unveiled plans for a US\$2 trillion infrastructure bill. The size of the stimulus measures raised expectations for a quicker economic recovery but also stoked concerns about rising inflation and government debt. The US Federal Reserve upgraded its GDP growth and inflation forecasts, but indicated that it does not expect to hike interest rates until at least 2023.

European stocks rose amid investor optimism for an economic recovery and enhanced stimulus measures from the European Central Bank (ECB). In response to rising global bond yields, ECB officials pledged to accelerate the bank's €1.85 trillion bond-buying programme to help ease borrowing costs.

Asia-Pacific stocks posted strong returns in local currency terms, particularly Singapore and Hong Kong. Japan's state of emergency weighed on activity, but equity markets generated strong returns in Japanese yen.

Emerging market stocks advanced, helped by signs of an economic recovery, strong semiconductor demand and rising commodity prices. Gains for Chinese stocks slowed after outsized returns in 2020. While China's economic recovery continued to show signs of strength, government authorities announced plans to withdraw some stimulus measures and voiced concern about debt excesses.

Areas that helped in Q1 include strong stock selection in information technology. Semiconductor-related stocks were key positive contributors on an absolute and relative basis. Semiconductor equipment maker ASML rose 30%, after it posted earnings above market estimates for Q4 and guided towards robust demand, driven by continued technological innovation across consumer and industrial markets. A relatively small position in Apple also helped on a relative basis as its share price fell 8%.

Select cyclical exposure including positions in JPMorgan Chase and DSV Panalpina were significant contributors, with their share prices up 20% and 22%, respectively. Bank shares were buoyed by higher Treasury yields, while logistics specialist DSV Panalpina benefited from growth in freight volumes as economies began to open.

Relatively low exposure to consumer staples also contributed positively to returns. As a sector, consumer staples were COVID-19 beneficiaries. However, amid expectations of an economic recovery, the sector lagged the index and the portfolio's low exposure added value on a relative basis.

After a strong start to 2021, which saw the share price trade as high as US\$900, Tesla shares gave back some gains, returning -5% for the quarter. Shares in MercadoLibre, which operates Latin-America's largest e-commerce and fintech platform, were also weaker in Q1, down 12%. Following strong revenue growth in 2020, the company reported a lower gross profit margin in its quarterly results due to an increase in costs.

Relatively light exposure to the financial sector and a position in London Stock Exchange Group (LSE) weighed on relative returns. Shares in LSE fell after it unveiled higher-than-expected expenses relating to the integration of data provider Refinitiv.

Health care stocks were weaker across the board. Shares in surgical robotics specialist Intuitive Surgical slid after it warned that the pandemic could continue to weigh on procedure volumes during the first quarter. Seagen (previously Seattle Genetics) shares also fell following lowered guidance for 2021.

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