

# PPS STABLE GROWTH FUND

As of 31/03/2021



INVESTMENTS

## FUND DESCRIPTION

Laurium Capital has been appointed as the exclusive portfolio manager for our single-managed PPS Stable Growth Fund. Laurium Capital has an absolute return mindset and a longstanding track record in fixed interest, multi-asset high, and alternative offerings. In the PPS Stable Growth Fund (and in our other single-managed strategies) our approach is to identify a manager, through our comprehensive research process, with the skill set and capabilities to successfully manage a strategy, but who does not yet offer such a fund in the retail space.

The PPS Stable Growth Fund aims to achieve moderate returns while preserving capital over the medium to long term. The primary objective of the fund is to outperform the ASISA SA Multi Asset Medium Equity category average. The investment horizon for this fund is greater than five years.

## FUND OVERVIEW

<b>List of classes*</b>	A & A2 class
<b>Portfolio category</b>	South African - Multi Asset - Medium Equity
<b>Launch date</b>	1 October 2018 (A & A2)
<b>Investment manager</b>	PPS Multi-Managers Proprietary Limited (authorised FSP)
<b>Benchmark</b>	Category Average
<b>Income distribution</b>	Half-yearly
<b>Investment horizon</b>	Long term - five years and longer
<b>Portfolio size</b>	R1 365 163 388
<b>Manager fee (excl. VAT)</b>	1.40% (A) ; 0.95% (A2)
<b>Trustee</b>	Standard Chartered Bank
<b>Risk profile</b>	Medium

\*On PPS Investments platform, A2 class is available in Select range

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

	A	A2
Highest	24.7%	25.5%
Highest Month End Date	31/03/2021	31/03/2021
Lowest	-7.9%	-7.4%
Lowest Month End Date	31/03/2020	31/03/2020

## RISK METRICS

Metric	A	A2	Benchmark
Annualised Standard Deviation	10.3%	10.3%	9.6%
Maximum Drawdown	-10.8%	-10.7%	-11.3%
Percentage of Positive months	66.7%	66.7%	70.0%
Information Ratio	-0.78	-0.60	—
Sharpe Ratio	0.02	0.08	—

## ASSET ALLOCATION

Asset	Allocation
SA - Equity	42.6%
SA - Nominal fixed rate bond	17.6%
International - Equity	16.8%
SA - Cash	7.8%
International - Cash	5.4%
SA - Inflation linked bond	5.0%
SA - Commodity	2.0%
SA - Property	1.2%
SA - Nominal variable rate bond	0.8%
International - Property	0.5%
International - Nominal variable rate bond	0.3%

## MATURITY ALLOCATION

Maturity	Allocation
< 1 year	6.4%
1 - 3 years	7.5%
3 - 7 years	37.7%
7 - 12 years	1.8%
12 and more years	46.6%

## ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE

	3 months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	7 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
PPS Stable Growth A	7.01%	24.72%	—	—	—	—	7.86%
PPS Stable Growth A2	7.16%	25.46%	—	—	—	—	8.41%
(ASISA) South African MA Medium Equity	5.52%	24.18%	7.18%	5.53%	6.21%	8.11%	7.91%

\*Please note the Since Inception performance figures on the MDD as at 31 March 2021 for the PPS Stable Growth Fund published on 24 April 2021 were incorrect. The March MDD has been amended to reflect the correct figures.

	YTD 2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
PPS Stable Growth A	7.01%	4.57%	7.87%	—	—	—	—
PPS Stable Growth A2	7.16%	5.24%	8.35%	—	—	—	—
(ASISA) South African MA Medium Equity	5.52%	5.38%	9.47%	-1.77%	9.28%	1.54%	7.40%

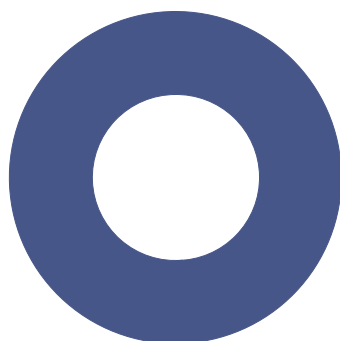
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## ASSET MANAGERS



• Laurium Capital ^ 100.0

^Tantalum Capital merged with Laurium Capital effective 1 February 2021. The key decision makers for the PPS Stable Growth Fund remain unchanged with no impact on the investment approach of the fund.

## PORTFOLIO DETAIL

Top 10 Holdings	Allocation
Naspers	5.5%
RSA R209 6.25% 20360331	5.5%
RSA I2025 CPI 2% 20250131	5.0%
RSA 8.5% 20370131	4.1%
RSA 10.50% 20261221	3.9%
British American Tobacco	3.7%
Anglo American	2.7%
AngloGold	2.7%
Anglo American Platinum	2.3%
New Gold Platinum ETF	2.0%

## DISTRIBUTIONS

Date	A	A2
31/12/2020	1.57	1.90
30/06/2020	2.40	2.72

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

Fees	A	A2
Total expense ratio (TER)	1.65	1.12
Transaction costs (TC)	0.36	0.36
<b>Total investment charge (TER+TC)</b>	<b>2.01</b>	<b>1.48</b>

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

Fees	A	A2
Total expense ratio (TER)	1.34	0.94
Transaction costs (TC)	0.41	0.41
<b>Total investment charge (TER+TC)</b>	<b>1.75</b>	<b>1.35</b>

\*\*The TER and Transaction Costs cannot be determined accurately because of the short life span of the Financial Product. Calculations are based on actual data where possible and best estimates where actual data is not available.

## MANAGER COMMENTARY

The PPS Stable Growth Fund ended the quarter up strongly, outperforming the peer group by more than 1.5%. From an asset allocation perspective most of the return was delivered by equities over the quarter. The fund's domestic equity positions in Naspers/Prosus, MTN, PGM miners Impala and Anglo-American Platinum, all contributed positively to performance, whilst positions in AngloGold, Liberty Life and Ethos Capital detracted from performance.

The funds exposure to the longer dated portion of the South African government bond yield curve also detracted from performance, with the fund's positions in the 2044 and 2035 expiry instruments impacting the most by the pickup in yields in Q1 2021.

Our positions in the miners - Anglo Platinum, Anglo American, Northam Platinum, Impala Platinum and BHP – Naspers, Sasol and MTN contributed positively to performance, whilst positions in AngloGold and financials stocks – Liberty, Standard Bank, Firststrand and Absa - detracted from performance. For PPS Stable Growth that has an offshore allocation, we had positive performance from our offshore portion of the portfolio. Our fixed income positioning detracted marginally from performance.

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## DISCLOSURES

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 advisers 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 and dividend withholding tax. 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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