

EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund

An EF Brompton Multi-Manager OEIC sub-fund



Gill Lakin Fund manager

Fund manager's commentary

The Sino-US trade war escalated and both sides raised tariffs. Chinese policymakers were dubbed "currency manipulators" as the renminbi fell against the dollar. Global equities fell 1.80% in sterling, with equities in emerging markets and Asia excluding Japan underperforming, down 4.33% and 3.83% respectively. Among safe-haven assets, global bonds returned 2.59% in sterling while UK government bonds and sterling corporate bonds gained 3.76% and 1.40% respectively. The EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund's bond holdings rose but all but two of them underperformed. Gold rose 7.12% in sterling and the iShares Gold Producers exchange-traded fund was the portfolio's best performer, rising 11.87%. Among the other global equity holdings, Lindsell Train Global Equity rose 0.88% against the trend because of its focus on quality and growth. UK equities underperformed, falling 4.15% on fears of a no-deal Brexit. Schroder Recovery did worse, down 5.99% because of its bias towards "value" stocks, but Lindsell Train UK Equity fell only 0.09% thanks to its quality focus. All but one of the alternative funds delivered positive returns, with the 3i Infrastructure investment trust doing best, up 4.91%, while the sterling-hedged Artemis US Absolute Return holding rose 1.42%. Investment in infrastructure stocks increased through the purchase of First State Global Listed Infrastructure. Sterling fell 2.77% and 0.54% respectively against the yen and dollar. Yen-strength was reflected in the 2.82% rise by the Goldman Sachs Yen Liquid Reserves holding. The EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund fell 0.72%† in August while the sector fell 0.99%.

Financial data source: Thomson Reuters 31 August 2019 † B Acc shares

Investment objective

To achieve moderate growth

Key facts Fund size

Launch date 9 January 2014 Launch price **Mixed Investment** IA sector and Benchmark 20-60% Shares Base currency Sterling

£27.6 million

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B Shares (Retail)

Valuation point

Price at 31/08/19 137.36p Minimum investment £1,000 Minimum top-up £500 £100 Minimum regular savings Investment management fee 0.75% Initial charge 2% Total expense ratio 1.73%

I Shares (Institutional)

Price at 31/08/19 135.27p Minimum investment £100,000 £10,000 Minimum top-up Investment management fee 1% 1.98% Total expense ratio

ACD admin charge 0.25% Ex-dividend date 1 August Income distribution date 30 September Structure **OEIC** sub-fund Year end 31 July B SEDOL code **BG6LVS3** B ISIN code GB00BG6LVS30 I SEDOL code **BG6LVT4** GB00BG6LVT47 I ISIN code

Portfolio breakdown *

Asset allocation

Cash funds

Goldman Sachs ¥ Liquid Reserves Goldman Sachs £ Liquid Reserves

UK fixed income

Artemis Strategic Bond Henderson Fixed Interest Monthly Income Schroder Strategic Credit

Global fixed income

Royal London Short Duration Global High Yield Bond iShares \$ Treasury Bond 7-10 Years TwentyFour Dynamic Bond

Vanguard Global Bond Index (£-hedged)

Alternative

Troian 3i Infrastructure Man GLG UK Absolute Value Man GLG European Mid-Cap Equity Artemis US Absolute Return (£-hedged) BlackRock European Absolute Alpha

UK equity

Schroder Recovery Liontrust Special Situations Lindsell Train UK Equity Chelverton UK Equity Growth iShares Core FTSE 100

Europe ex-UK equity

BlackRock European Dynamic Threadneedle European Smaller Companies Fidelity Germany

US equity

iShares Core S&P 500

Japanese equity

Lindsell Train Japanese Equity (¥-quoted) T Rowe Price Japanese Equity

Pacific ex-Japan equity

Hermes Asia ex-Japan Equity Fidelity Asian Special Situations

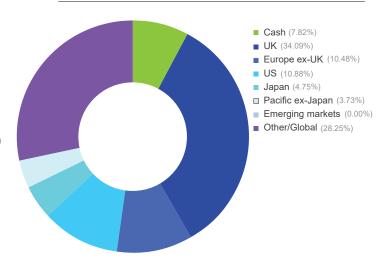
Global equity

Fundsmith Equity Lindsell Train Global Equity iShares Gold Producers First State Global Listed Infrastructure

* excluding cash

■ Cash (7.82%) Fixed income (32.42%) Property (0.00%) Alternative (10.82%) Equity (48 94%) ■ Commodities (0.00%)

Geographic allocation







Investment policy

The Fund will typically invest a minimum of 80% of its net asset value in collective investment schemes, exchange traded funds, unregulated collective investment schemes, and may also include transferable securities (including investment trusts and similar instruments), money-market instruments, fixed income instruments, deposits and foreign exchange contracts.

It is expected that exposure to equity markets will typically range from a minimum of 20% to a maximum of 60% of the total Fund, with the aim of achieving the Fund's objective. However, investments will not be confined by industrial, economic or geographical sector.

The Fund may also hold, on a temporary basis, all or part of its assets in cash or other ancillary liquid assets.

The Fund may utilise derivatives for the purposes of efficient portfolio management (typically hedging, including investing in hedged share classes, which attempts to mitigate against falls in the value of the Fund's assets and the effects of changes in currency exchange rates against the Fund's base currency, which is pounds sterling).

The Fund's benchmark is IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares. This represents a comparator benchmark because the Fund's performance can be compared to funds which also sit within this industry sector.

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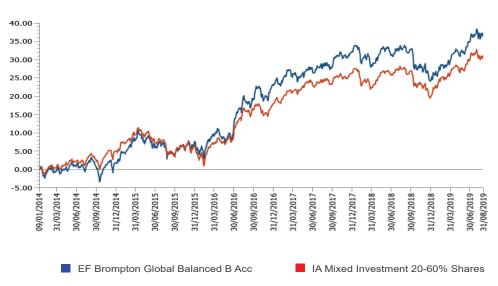
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Performance

Percentage growth, 9 January 2014 to 31 August 2019

EF Brompton Global Balanced B Acc v IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares since launch



Source: Lipper, NAV-NAV, sterling, net income reinvested Past performance is not an indicator of future performance

Discrete period performance (%)	Year to 31 Aug 2019	Year to 31 Aug 2018	Year to 31 Aug 2017	Year to 31 Aug 2016	Year to 31 Aug 2015
EF Brompton Global Balanced B Acc	2.98	3.66	8.52	13.61	2.27
IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares	3.08	2.21	7.40	10.69	1.09
Quartile ranking	2	1	2	1	2

Cumulative performance (%) to 31 August 2019	1 month	3 months	6 months	12 months	Since launch
EF Brompton Global Balanced B Acc	-0.72	4.11	7.62	2.98	37.36
IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares	-0.99	3.30	5.47	3.08	31.27
Quartile ranking	2	2	1	2	1

Source: Lipper, NAV-NAV, sterling, net income reinvested 1st quartile means the fund is ranked in the top 25% of funds in its sector

Important information

For full details of the fund and its risks please refer to the prospectus or Key Investor Information and Supplementary Information Document, which can be found on the Brompton Asset Management website, www.bromptonam.com. The value of assets and income generated from them may fall as well as rise. Investors may not get a steady income flow and, on disposal, may not receive all their capital back.

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