

# **EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund**

An EF Brompton Multi-Manager OEIC sub-fund



Gill Lakin Fund manager

#### Fund manager's commentary

The Federal Reserve, Bank of England and European Central Bank raised interest rates by half a percentage point as inflation eased. Global equities fell 4.85% in sterling. US stocks were even weaker, down 6.70% in sterling as the Fed warned of further rate-rises to return inflation to its 2% target, with technology stocks worst hit, down 9.70%. Within the EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund's global equity allocation, Polar Capital Global Insurance was most resilient, down 0.96%, while Polar Capital Global Technology was the sole underperformer, falling 8.81%. Japanese stocks outperformed, down 0.08% in sterling as the yen rose 4.70% against the pound after the Bank of Japan tightened monetary policy. Within the portfolio, Lindsell Train Japanese Equity outperformed, up 3.81%, but Baillie Gifford Japanese Smaller Companies lagged, down 0.63%. UK stocks were also relatively resilient, down 1.37% as sterling rose 1.01% against the dollar. Within the portfolio, Chelverton UK Equity Growth, a small-company specialist, and Man GLG Income outperformed, gaining 0.62% and 0.24% respectively, but Liontrust Special Situations lagged, down 2.53%. Global bonds fell 0.46% in sterling and UK government bonds fell 4.40%. Within the bond allocation, TwentyFour Dynamic Bond returned 0.38% while the weakest investments were the sterling-hedged holdings in Vanguard Global Bond and the iShares \$ Treasury Bond 7-10 Years exchange-traded fund, down 1.63% and 1.57% respectively. Within the alternative allocation, Man GLG UK Absolute Value was the portfolio's best performer, returning 3.90%. The EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund fell 0.39%† in December while the sector fell 0.93%.

Financial data source: Refinitiv 31 December 2022. † B Acc shares

#### Investment objective

To achieve moderate growth

# Key facts Fund size

Launch date 9 January 2014

Launch price 100p

IA sector and benchmark 20-60% Shares

Base currency Sterling

Valuation point Noon

£23.9 million

#### B Shares (Retail)

 Price at 31/12/22
 148.13p

 Minimum investment
 £1,000

 Minimum top-up
 £500

 Minimum regular savings
 £100

 Investment management fee
 0.75%

 Initial charge
 2%

 Total expense ratio
 1.55%

## I Shares (Institutional)

 Price at 31/12/22
 144.66p

 Minimum investment
 £100,000

 Minimum top-up
 £10,000

 Investment management fee
 1%

 Total expense ratio
 1.80%

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 \*

# UK fixed income

Schroder Strategic Credit TwentyFour Dynamic Bond

# Global fixed income

Vanguard Global Bond (£-hedged) iShares \$ Treasury Bond 7-10 Years (£-hedged)

# Alternative Man GLG UK Absolute Value

3i Infrastructure Trojan BlackRock European Absolute Alpha CT Real Estate Equity Market Neutral

## UK equity

Liontrust Special Situations Man GLG Income Chelverton UK Equity Growth Aberforth UK Small Companies

### Europe ex-UK equity

Martin Currie European Unconstrained

#### US equity

iShares Core S&P 500

## Japanese equity

Lindsell Train Japanese Equity Baillie Gifford Japanese Smaller Companies

#### Pacific ex-Japan equity

Man GLG Asia (ex Japan) Equity Matthews Asia ex Japan Dividend Schroder Asian Total Return

#### Emerging market equity

Redwheel Global Emerging Markets

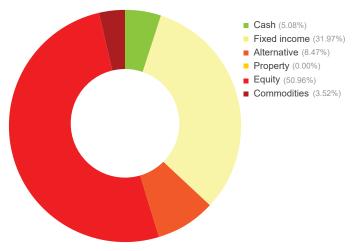
# Global equity

Guinness Global Equity
Polar Capital Global Technology
Polar Capital Global Insurance
Xtrackers MSCI World Health Care

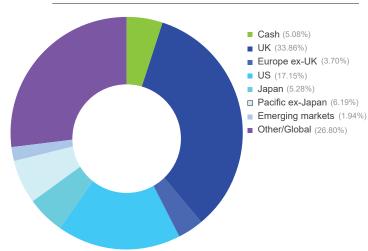
#### Commodities

iShares Physical Gold

# **Asset allocation**









<sup>\*</sup> excluding cash and cash equivalents



## **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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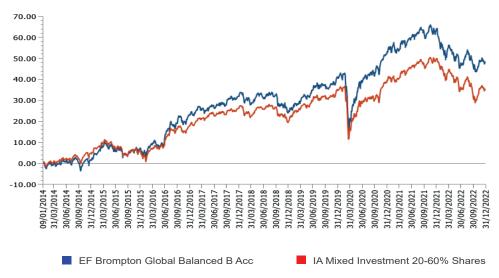
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#### Performance

Percentage growth, 9 January 2014 to 31 December 2022

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 Dec 2022	Year to 31 Dec 2021	Year to 31 Dec 2020	Year to 31 Dec 2019	Year to 31 Dec 2018
EF Brompton Global Balanced B Acc	-9.68	7.10	8.85	13.08	-5.91
IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares	-9.75	7.46	3.51	12.21	-5.11
Quartile ranking	3	3	1	2	3

Cumulative performance (%) to 31 December 2022	1 month	3 months	6 months	12 months	Since launch
EF Brompton Global Balanced B Acc	-0.39	1.47	0.69	-9.68	48.13
IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares	-0.93	3.12	-0.04	-9.75	35.15
Quartile ranking	1	4	2	3	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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