# ANAGEMENT

# **EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund**

An EF Brompton Multi-Manager OEIC sub-fund



Gill Lakin Fund manager

#### Fund manager's commentary

Global equities rose 0.72% in local currencies but only 0.07% in sterling because of the pound's strength. Developed markets outperformed, with equities in the US, Europe excluding the UK and the UK rising 1.72%, 1.48% and 0.26% in sterling. The European Central Bank shifted monetary policy, moving to a 2% average inflation target in line with the Federal Reserve and implying inflation might exceed 2% for some time before monetary policy tightened. Within the EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund, BlackRock European Dynamic and the WisdomTree Europe SmallCap Dividend exchange-traded fund outperformed, up 3.90% and 3.85% respectively. All UK equity holdings outperformed, with Aberforth UK Small Companies doing best, up 3.33%. Equities in Asia excluding Japan and emerging markets lagged, down 8.04% and 7.27% respectively in sterling, led lower by Chinese equities, which fell 14.36% as investors took fright after Beijing banned education companies from making profits. All holdings in these markets were relatively resilient. Matthews Asia ex Japan Dividend did best, down 4.21%, while Hermes Asia ex-Japan did worst, down 6.97%. Global bonds rose 0.68% in sterling. UK government bonds and sterling investment-grade corporate bonds outperformed, returning 2.84% and 1.42% respectively, while sterling high-yield bonds trailed, returning 0.42%. Within the portfolio, Henderson Fixed Interest Monthly Income and the sterling-hedged PIMCO Global Low Duration Real Return holding did best, returning 1.11% and 1.10% respectively, while Royal London Short Duration Global High Yield Bond gained only 0.11%. The EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund gained 0.53%† in July while the sector gained 0.60%

# 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

£25.0 million

Noon

**B Shares (Retail)** 

Valuation point

Price a 31/7/21 161.06p Minimum investment £1,000 Minimum top-up £500 £100 Minimum regular savings Investment management fee 0.75% Initial charge 2% Total expense ratio 1.71%

#### I Shares (Institutional)

Price at 31/7/21 157.84p Minimum investment £100,000 Minimum top-up £10,000 Investment management fee 1% 1.96% Total expense ratio

ACD admin charge 0.25% Ex-dividend date 1 August Income distribution date 30 September **OEIC** sub-fund Structure 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

Artemis Strategic Bond Schroder Strategic Credit Henderson Fixed Interest Monthly Income

Financial data source: Refinitiv 31 July 2021 † B Acc shares

### Global fixed income

TwentyFour Dynamic Bond Royal London Short Duration Global High Yield Bond Legal & General Global Inflation Linked Bond (£-hedged)

PIMCO Global Law Duration Real Return (£-hedged)

#### Alternative

3i Infrastructure

Man GLG UK Absolute Value

#### UK equity

Artemis UK Special Situations **Liontrust Special Situations** Chelverton UK Equity Growth Vanguard FTSE 250 Aberforth UK Small Companies

#### Europe ex-UK equity

BlackRock European Dynamic WisdomTree Europe SmallCap Dividend

US equity iShares Core S&P 500 Vulcan Value Equity

# Japanese equity

Man GLG Japan CoreAlpha T Rowe Price Japanese Equity

#### Pacific ex-Japan equity

Matthews Asia ex Japan Dividend Baillie Gifford Pacific Hermes Asia ex-Japan Equity

#### Emerging market equity

Goldman Sachs Emerging Markets Equity

#### Global equity

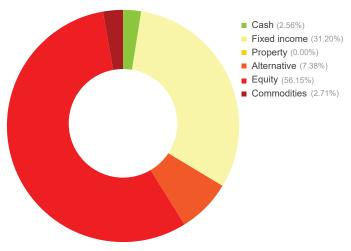
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Polar Capital Healthcare Opportunities Polar Capital Global Technology Dimensional Global Targeted Value

#### Commodities

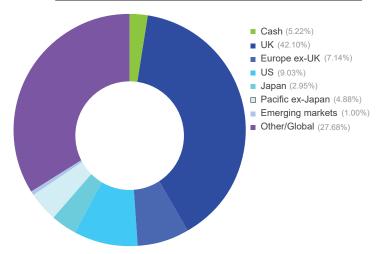
iShares Physical Gold

## \* excluding cash

#### Asset allocation



#### 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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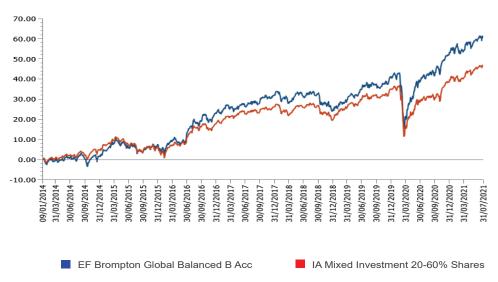
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#### **Performance**

Percentage growth, 9 January 2014 to 31 July 2021

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 Jul 2021	Year to 31 Jul 2020	Year to 31 Jul 2019	Year to 31 Jul 2018	Year to 31 Jul 2017
EF Brompton Global Balanced B Acc	14.93	1.29	4.05	4.11	9.38
IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares	13.24	-2.32	4.06	3.12	8.38
Quartile ranking	2	1	2	1	2

Cumulative performance (%) to 31 July 2021	1 month	3 months	6 months	12 months	Since launch
EF Brompton Global Balanced B Acc	0.53	1.76	5.44	14.93	61.06
IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares	0.60	2.02	5.62	13.24	46.70
Quartile ranking	3	3	3	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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