

# **EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund**

An EF Brompton Multi-Manager OEIC sub-fund



Gill Lakin Fund manager

#### Fund manager's commentary

Global equities fell 2.38% in local currencies but the pound's weakness resulted in a 1.15% rise in sterling. The new Covid-19 Omicron variant spurred demand for safe-haven investments. The yen and dollar rose 4.05% and 3.61% respectively against sterling. US, UK and eurozone inflation rose to 6.8%, 5.1% and 4.9% respectively. Global bonds fell 0.29% in local currencies but gained 3.31% in sterling. UK government bonds and sterling investment-grade bonds returned 2.80% and 1.04% respectively but high-yield bonds fell 0.30%. US stocks outperformed, rising 2.89% in sterling, fuelled by the technology sector's 6.68% gain. Within the EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund, Polar Capital Global Technology gained 5.96% thanks to its US holdings but Vulcan Value Equity fell 1.56%. UK stocks fell 1.94% and small companies lagged, down 3.64%. The UK equity holdings underperformed, with Artemis UK Special Situations weakest, down 5.22%. Oil prices fell 16.65% in sterling after America cut its strategic reserves. In Japan, where equities gained 0.29% in sterling, Lindsell Train Japanese Equity and T Rowe Price Japanese Equity lagged, down 3.71% and 1.44% respectively. Equities in emerging markets and Asia excluding Japan fell 0.60% and 0.39% respectively in sterling. Within the portfolio, Matthews Asia ex Japan Dividend outperformed, rising 4.37%, while Hermes Asia ex-Japan Equity was weakest, down 1.47%. The iShares Physical Gold exchange-traded commodity rose 5.66%, fuelled by a strong gold price. Of the alternative holdings, 3i Infrastructure did best, up 4.91%. The EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund fell 0.09%† in November while the sector rose 0.03%.

Financial data source: Refinitiv 30 November 2021 † B Acc shares

#### Investment objective

To achieve moderate growth

# **Key facts** Fund size

Launch date

Launch price **Mixed Investment** IA sector and benchmark 20-60% Shares Base currency Sterling Valuation point Noon

£25.1 million

9 January 2014

#### **B Shares (Retail)**

Price a 30/11/21 162.28p Minimum investment £1,000 Minimum top-up £500 Minimum regular savings £100 Investment management fee 0.75% Initial charge 2% Total expense ratio 1.71%

## I Shares (Institutional)

Price at 30/11/21 158.91p 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 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 Henderson Fixed Interest Monthly Income

# Global fixed income

Legal & General Global Inflation Linked Bond (£-hedged)

PIMCO Global Law Duration Real Return (£-hedged)

TwentyFour Dynamic Bond

Royal London Short Duration Global High Yield Bond

#### Alternative

3i Infrastructure

Man GLG UK Absolute Value

# UK equity

Artemis UK Special Situations Liontrust Special Situations Man GLG Income Chelverton UK Equity Growth Vanguard FTSE 250

# Europe ex-UK equity

BlackRock European Dynamic WisdomTree Europe SmallCap Dividend

US equity iShares Core S&P 500 Vulcan Value Equity

# Japanese equity

Lindsell Train Japanese Equity 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

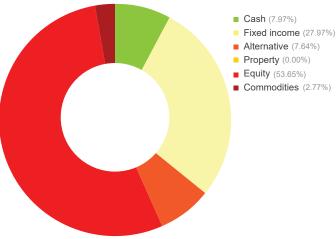
## Global equity

Fundsmith Equity Polar Capital Global Technology

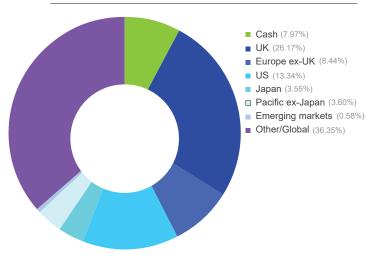
#### Commodities

iShares Physical Gold

# Asset allocation



# Geographic allocation





<sup>\*</sup> excluding cash



## **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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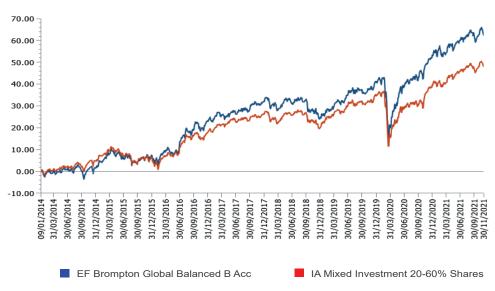
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#### Performance

Percentage growth, 9 January 2014 to 30 November 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 30 Nov 2021	Year to 30 Nov 2020	Year to 30 Nov 2019	Year to 30 Nov 2018	Year to 30 Nov 2017
EF Brompton Global Balanced B Acc	8.64	7.51	8.34	-2.17	9.33
IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares	8.19	2.81	8.03	-1.63	8.38
Quartile ranking	2	1	3	3	2

Cumulative performance (%) to 30 November 2021	1 month	3 months	6 months	12 months	Since launch
EF Brompton Global Balanced B Acc	-0.09	-0.83	2.64	8.64	62.28
IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares	0.03	-0.64	2.56	8.19	47.91
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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