

EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund

An EF Brompton Multi-Manager OEIC sub-fund



Gill Lakin Fund manager

Fund manager's commentary

UK equities gained 2.95%, outperforming the 0.95% gain in sterling from global equity markets as fears of a no-deal Brexit receded somewhat. With UK assets in demand, sterling rose 2.21% and 1.19% respectively against the euro and the dollar. Amongst the EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund's investments in UK equity funds, Schroder Recovery, which is managed in accordance with a value style of investing, outperformed, rising 4.94%. By contrast, Lindsell Train UK Equity and Liontrust Special Situations, which typically invest in quality growth stocks, underperformed, falling 0.34% and rising 1.25% respectively. The portfolio's UK equity allocation increased through the addition of the iShares FTSE 250 exchange-traded fund (ETF). Federal Open Markets Committee minutes revealed the decision to cut rates in September was not unanimous, with two of the 10 members voting to keep rates on hold. Global bonds fell 2.18% in sterling as expectations of further US interest rate cuts decreased. UK government bonds and sterling corporate bonds returned 0.50% and 0.03% respectively. The underperformance by growth stocks hurt Fundsmith Equity and Lindsell Train Global Equity, which fell 3.21% and 2.86% respectively, while the iShares Gold Producers ETF fell 10.62% as the gold price retreated 4.66% in sterling. Among the portfolio's alternative holdings, Man GLG UK Absolute Value returned 0.84% but the other holdings weakened, with 3i Infrastructure and the sterling-hedged holding in Artemis US Absolute Return doing worst, down 1.17% and 1.15% respectively. The EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund gained 0.12%† in September while the sector gained 0.77%.

Financial data source: Thomson Reuters 30 September 2019 † B Acc shares

Investment objective

To achieve moderate growth

Key facts Fund size

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

£27.6 million

B Shares (Retail)

Price at 30/09/19 137.53p 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 30/09/19 135.40p Minimum investment £100,000 Minimum top-up £10,000 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 *

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

TwentyFour Dynamic Bond

Vanguard Global Bond Index (£-hedged)

Alternative

Trojan 3i Infrastructure

Man GLG UK Absolute Value Man GLG European Mid-Cap Equity Alternative

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 FTSE 250

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

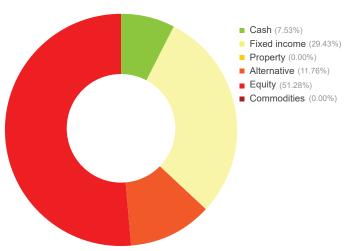
Pacific ex-Japan equity

Hermes Asia ex-Japan Equity Fidelity Asian Special Situations

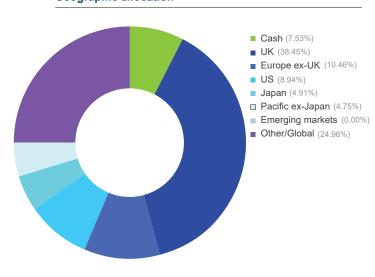
Global equity

Fundsmith Equity Lindsell Train Global Equity iShares Gold Producers

Asset allocation



Geographic allocation





^{*} 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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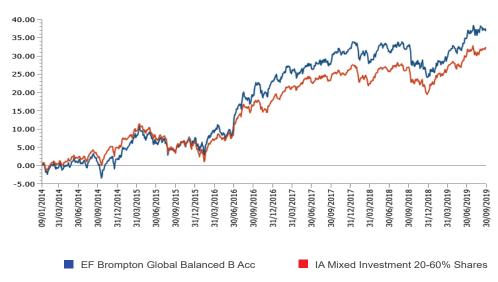
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Performance

Percentage growth, 9 January 2014 to 30 September 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 30 Sept 2019	Year to 30 Sept 2018	Year to 30 Sept 2017	Year to 30 Sept 2016	Year to 30 Sept 2015
EF Brompton Global Balanced B Acc	3.57	3.71	7.31	15.28	2.64
IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares	4.24	2.71	6.22	12.58	0.66
Quartile ranking	3	2	2	1	1

Cumulative performance (%) to 30 September 2019	1 month	3 months	6 months	12 months	Since launch
EF Brompton Global Balanced B Acc	0.12	2.03	6.18	3.57	37.53
IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares	0.77	1.90	4.99	4.24	32.32
Quartile ranking	4	2	1	3	2

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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