

EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund

An EF Brompton Multi-Manager OEIC sub-fund



Gill Lakin Fund manager

Fund manager's commentary

America's economy continued to perform well. Core inflation accelerated to 2.4% in July, significantly higher than the Federal Reserve's 2% target and the highest level in almost a decade. Strong jobs growth and 3.9% unemployment encouraged investors to think the Fed would raise interest rates in September. US stocks rose 4.21%, outperforming the 1.76% gain for global equities in sterling. The EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund benefited from its holding in the iShares Core S&P 500 exchange-traded fund (ETF) and from its Fundsmith Equity holding, which outperformed global equities, rising 3.09%. Investment in both funds increased in August following partial sales of RobecoSAM Smart Materials and Schroder European. The iShares S&P 500 Financials ETF lagged, rising 2.27%, but the iShares Treasury Bond 1-3 Years ETF benefited from the dollar's 0.92% rise against sterling, returning 1.36%. Trade concerns and dollar-strength spurred capital flight from emerging markets. The US and Mexico agreed to overhaul Nafta but tariff negotiations with China remained unresolved. Equities in Asia excluding Japan and emerging markets fell 0.08% and 1.78% respectively in sterling. Hermes Asia ex-Japan Equity outperformed, rising 0.42%, and Goldman Sachs India Equity, down 0.69%, was also relatively resilient. The Bank of England raised interest rates in light of above-target inflation and near-full employment. UK government bonds rose 0.15% but UK equities fell 3.30% on Brexit fears. All three UK equity holdings outperformed, with Aberforth UK Smaller Companies, up 1.20%, doing best. The EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund gained 0.32%† in August while the sector fell 0.07% Financial data source: Thomson Reuters 31 August 2018 † B Acc shares

Key facts

Investment objective

To achieve moderate growth

£28.8 million Fund size Launch date 9 January 2014 Launch price IA sector **Mixed Investment** 20-60% Shares Base currency Sterling Valuation point Noon

B Shares (Retail)

Price at 31/8/18 133,39p Minimum investment £1,000 Minimum top-up £500 £100 Minimum regular savings Investment management fee 0.75% Initial charge 2% Total expense ratio 1.79%

I Shares (Institutional)

Price at 31/8/18 131.68p Minimum investment £100,000 £10,000 Minimum top-up Investment management fee 1% 2.04% 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

M&G UK Inflation Linked Corporate Bond 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 1-3 Years Man GLG Global Emerging Markets Debt

Alternative

Trojan 3i Infrastructure F&C Real Estate Equity Long/Short Man GLG UK Absolute Value Smith & Williamson Enterprise Man GLG European Mid-Cap Equity Alternative Artemis US Absolute Return (£-hedged)

UK equity

Schroder Recovery Liontrust Special Situations Aberforth UK Small Companies

Europe ex-UK equity

Schroder European Fidelity Germany

Threadneedle European Smaller Companies

US equity

iShares S&P 500 Financials iShares Core S&P 500

Japanese equity

Lindsell Train Japanese Equity (¥-quoted) GLG Japan CoreAlpha

Pacific ex-Japan equity

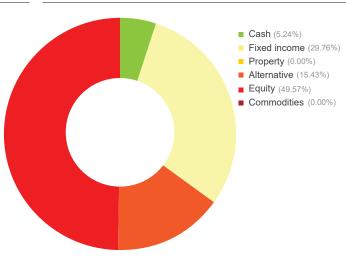
Hermes Asia ex Japan Equity

Emerging market equity

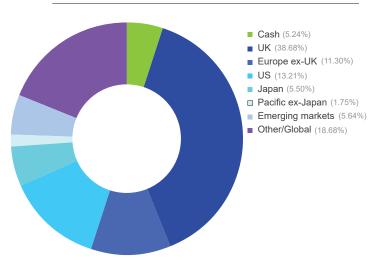
Goldman Sachs Emerging Markets Equity Goldman Sachs India Equity

Global equity RobecoSAM Smart Materials Fundsmith Equity

Asset allocation







^{*} excluding cash and cash funds



Investment policy

The Fund will invest mainly in collective investment schemes, exchange traded funds and unregulated collective investment schemes (which include limited partnerships) 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 equity funds will form part of the Fund's assets, although this will generally be limited to a maximum of 60% of the total Fund. However, investments will not be confined to any particular 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.

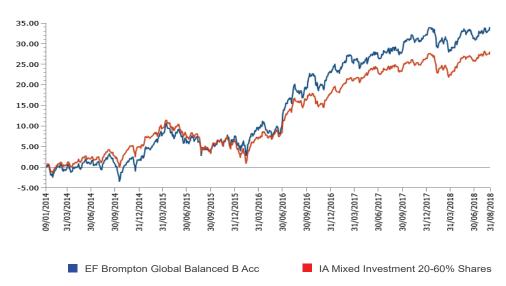
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Performance

Percentage growth, 9 January 2014 to 31 August 2018

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 2018	Year to 31 Aug 2017	Year to 31 Aug 2016	Year to 31 Aug 2015
EF Brompton Global Balanced B Acc	3.66	8.52	13.61	2.27
IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares	2.20	7.40	10.69	1.09
Quartile ranking	1	1	1	2

Cumulative performance (%) to 31 August 2018	1 month	3 months	6 months	12 months	Since launch
EF Brompton Global Balanced B Acc	0.32	0.91	1.51	3.66	33.39
IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares	-0.07	0.77	2.16	2.20	27.34
Quartile ranking	1	2	3	1	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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