

EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund

An EF Brompton Multi-Manager OEIC sub-fund



Gill Lakin Fund manager

Fund manager's commentary

President Trump announced tariffs on a further \$200 billion of Chinese exports although further negotiations will precede implementation later this year. Beijing threatened retaliation. The yuan fell 2.32% against sterling, improving China's export competitiveness. Global equities rose 3.72% in sterling terms and US equities outperformed, gaining 4.39% in sterling as the dollar rose 0.65% against the pound. Within the EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund, the iShares S&P 500 Financials exchange-traded fund did even better, gaining 5.92%. The portfolio benefited from purchases of the iShares \$ Treasury Bond 1-3 Years and Core S&P 500 ETFs in June and July. The increase in dollar-denominated assets within the portfolio may prove defensive if Brexit negotiations lead to a poor outcome for Britain's economy. UK equities lagged, rising 1.53%, while fears about protectionism and the stronger dollar proved headwinds for equities in Asia excluding Japan and emerging markets, which also lagged, rising 1.57% and 2.95% respectively in sterling. Goldman Sachs India Equity outperformed emerging market equities generally, rising 4.42%, although it lagged India's stockmarket, which gained 7.20% in sterling. The pound's weakness fuelled the 0.48% rise in global bonds in sterling but UK government bonds fell 0.34% as investors anticipated August's bank rate rise. The portfolio's bond holdings were mixed, with Schroder Strategic Credit returning 1.09% but Man GLG Global Emerging Markets Debt fell 0.94%. Among the alternative holdings, the 3i Infrastructure investment trust did best, rising 11.14%. The EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund gained 1.34%† in July while the sector gained 1.12%. Financial data source: Thomson Reuters 30 July 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 31/7/18 132.96p 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 31/7/18 131.28p 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 (£-hedged)

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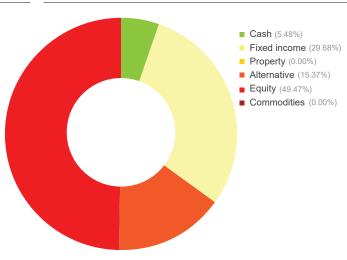
Hermes Asia ex Japan Equity

Emerging market equity

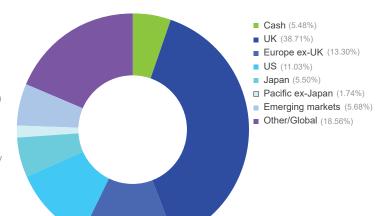
Goldman Sachs Emerging Markets Equity Goldman Sachs India Equity

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.

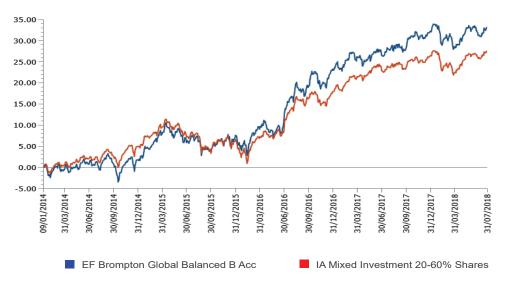
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Performance

Percentage growth, 9 January 2014 to 31 July 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 Jul 2018 | Year to 31 Jul 2017 | Year to 31 Jul 2016 | Year to 31 Jul 2015 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| EF Brompton Global Balanced B Acc | 4.11 | 9.38 | 9.50 | 5.27 |
| IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares | 3.12 | 8.38 | 5.86 | 5.28 |
| Quartile ranking | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |

| Cumulative performance (%) to 31 July 2018 | 1 month | 3 months | 6 months | 12 months | Since launch |
|--|------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|
| EF Brompton Global Balanced B Acc | 1.34 | 1.58 | 0.14 | 4.11 | 32.96 |
| IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares | 1.12 | 1.75 | 0.84 | 3.12 | 27.42 |
| Quartile ranking | 2 | 3 | 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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