

# **EF Brompton Global Conservative 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 rose to 2.4% in July, the highest level in almost a decade and significantly higher than the Federal Reserve's 2% target. 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 Conservative Fund benefited from its holdings in the iShares Core S&P 500 exchangetraded fund (ETF) and Fundsmith Equity, which outperformed global equities, rising 3.09%. The Fundsmith Equity holding increased in August while Schroder European was reduced. The iShares Treasury Bond 1-3 Years ETF benefited from the dollar's 0.92% rise against sterling, rising 1.36%, while Henderson Fixed Interest Monthly Income rose 1.34%, outperforming sterling- denominated corporate bonds, which rose 0.50%. Trade concerns and dollar-strength affected Asian markets. America and Mexico agreed to overhaul Nafta but tariff talks with China remained unresolved. Tokyo equities lagged, rising 0.87% in sterling, but Lindsell Train Japanese Equity outperformed, rising 1.61%. 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. The portfolio's two UK equity holdings outperformed, with Liontrust Special Situations the stronger, up 0.55%. Returns from the alternative holdings were mixed: Man GLG European Mid-Cap Equity Alternative, up 0.71%, did best but Smith & Williamson Enterprise fell 0.73%. The EF Brompton Global Conservative Fund gained 0.26%† in August while the sector fell 0.04%. Financial data source: Thomson Reuters 31 August 2018. † B Acc shares

#### Portfolio breakdown \*

# Asset allocation

#### UK fixed income

M&G UK Inflation Linked Corporate Bond Artemis Strategic Bond Henderson Fixed Interest Monthly Income

### Global fixed income

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

Man GLG Global Emerging Markets Debt iShares \$ Treasury Bond 1-3 Years

#### Alternative

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

#### UK equity

Liontrust Special Situations Schroder Recovery

#### Europe ex-UK equity

Schroder European Threadneedle European Smaller Companies

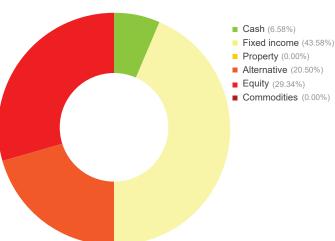
US equity iShares Core S&P 500

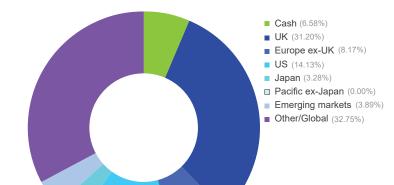
#### Japanese equity

indsell Train Japanese Equity GLG Japan CoreAlpha

#### Global equity

RobecoSAM Smart Materials Fundsmith Equity





Geographic allocation

#### Please see overleaf for performance and other important information

#### Investment objective

To achieve modest growth

#### **Key facts**

£14.1 million Fund size Launch date 8 April 2014 Launch price **Mixed Investment** IA sector 0-35% Shares Base currency Sterling

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

Valuation point

Price at 31/8/18 124.39n 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 31/8/18 123.12p Minimum investment £100,000 £10,000 Minimum top-up Investment management fee 1% Total expense ratio 1.98%

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 **BG6LVN8** B ISIN code GB00BG6LVN84 I SEDOL code **BG6LVP0** GB00BG6LVP09 I ISIN code

<sup>\*</sup> 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 cash, cash equivalents and fixed income investments will make up a significant part of the Fund's assets, in order to maintain its conservative risk profile. 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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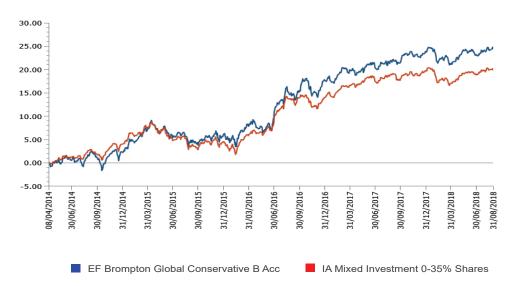
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#### Performance

Percentage growth, 8 April 2014 to 31 August 2018

EF Brompton Global Conservative B Acc v IA Mixed Investment 0-35% 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 Conservative B Acc	2.15	5.84	10.24	2.74
IA Mixed Investment 0-35% Shares	0.66	4.57	9.79	0.99
Quartile ranking	1	1	2	1

Cumulative performance (%) to 31 August 2018	1 month	3 months	6 months	12 months	Since launch
EF Brompton Global Conservative B Acc	0.26	0.75	1.37	2.15	24.39
IA Mixed Investment 0-35% Shares	-0.04	0.38	1.42	0.66	19.82
Quartile ranking	1	1	2	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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