# BROMPTON ASSET MANAGEMENT

# **EF Brompton Global Conservative Fund**

An EF Brompton Multi-Manager OEIC sub-fund



Gill Lakin Fund manager

#### Fund manager's commentary

Jerome Powell, the Federal Reserve chairman, turned dovish, pronouncing interest rates "just below" neutral against previous guidance describing them "a long way" from neutral. Global equities rose 1.66% in sterling. Fundsmith Equity, the EF Brompton Global Conservative Fund's second-largest equity holding on November 1, outperformed thanks to its quality stock focus, rising 3.29%. US stocks rose 2.19% in sterling while equities in Asia excluding Japan and emerging markets did even better as investors anticipated advances in US-Sino trade talks, rising 5.47% and 4.28% respectively in sterling. Fears about oversupply, however, pushed oil prices down 21.96%, a fall that benefited oil-importing economies. Blackrock Asia Special Situations was added, initiating the portfolio's Asia ex-Japan equity allocation. The Bank of England's assumption of a bank rate rise to 5.5% if there were no Brexit deal contributed to weakness for sterling bonds, with UK government bonds and sterling corporate bonds falling 1.28% and 1.73% respectively. The fund benefited from its low bond allocation while the iShares \$ Treasury Bond 1-3 Years exchange-traded fund and the sterling-hedged Legal & General Global Inflation Linked Bond holding made gains, returning 0.31% and 0.14% respectively. UK equities fell 1.51% but Liontrust UK Special Situations rose 0.28% against the trend. Among the portfolio's daily-traded long/short equity investments, the sterling-hedged Artemis US Absolute Return holding and Man GLG UK Absolute Value did best, rising 0.85% and 0.35% respectively, but Man GLG European Mid-Cap Equity Alternative fell 0.89%. The EF Brompton Global Conservative Fund rose 0.25% † in November while the sector fell 0.32%. Financial data source: Thomson Reuters 30 November 2018. † B Acc shares

## Key facts

Investment objective

To achieve modest growth

 Fund size
 £14.2 million

 Launch date
 8 April 2014

 Launch price
 100p

 IA sector
 Mixed Investment 0-35% Shares

 Base currency
 Sterling

 Valuation point
 Noon

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

 Price at 30/11/18
 121.61p

 Minimum investment
 £1,000

 Minimum top-up
 £500

 Minimum regular savings
 £100

 Investment management fee
 0.75%

 Initial charge
 2%

 Total expense ratio
 1.76%

#### I Shares (Institutional)

 Price at 30/11/18
 120.30p

 Minimum investment
 £100,000

 Minimum top-up
 £10,000

 Investment management fee
 1%

 Total expense ratio
 2.01%

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

#### Portfolio breakdown \*

#### 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 3i Infrastructure Man GLG UK Absolute Value Man GLG European Mid-Cap Equity Alternative Artemis US Absolute Return (£-hedged)

#### UK equity

Liontrust Special Situations Schroder Recovery Chelverton UK Equity Income

#### Europe ex-UK equity Schroder European

Threadneedle European Smaller Companies

#### US equity

iShares Core S&P 500

## Japanese equity

Lindsell Train Japanese Equity GLG Japan CoreAlpha

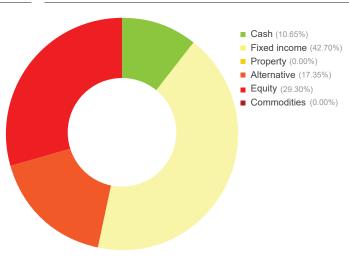
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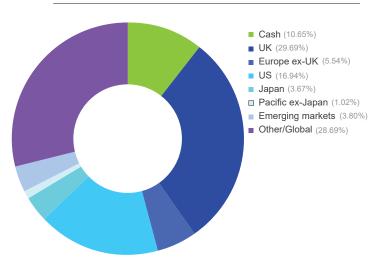
#### Global equity

Fundsmith Equity

#### **Asset allocation**



#### **Geographic allocation**



Please see overleaf for performance and other important information

<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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#### **Performance**

Percentage growth, 8 April 2014 to 30 November 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 30 Nov 2018	Year to 30 Nov 2017	Year to 30 Nov 2016	Year to 30 Nov 2015
EF Brompton Global Conservative B Acc	-1.46	7.08	8.20	3.63
IA Mixed Investment 0-35% Shares	-1.47	5.80	6.75	0.94
Quartile ranking	2	1	1	1

Cumulative performance (%) to 30 November 2018	1 month	3 months	6 months	12 months	Since launch
EF Brompton Global Conservative B Acc	0.25	-2.50	-1.77	-1.46	21.28
IA Mixed Investment 0-35% Shares	-0.32	-2.31	-1.94	-1.47	17.05
Quartile ranking	1	3	2	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.

#### Past performance is not an indicator of future performance.

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