

## Fund description and summary of investment policy

The Fund is a feeder fund and invests only in the Orbis Global Equity Fund, managed by Allan Gray's offshore investment partner, Orbis Investment Management Limited. The Orbis Global Equity Fund invests in shares listed on stock markets around the world and aims to be fully invested at all times. Returns are likely to be volatile, especially over short- and medium-term periods. Although the Fund is fully invested outside South Africa, the units in the Fund are priced and traded daily in rands.

**ASISA unit trust category:** Global – Equity – General

## Fund objective and benchmark

The Fund aims to outperform global stock markets over the long term, without taking on greater risk. Its benchmark is the FTSE World Index, including income.

## How we aim to achieve the Fund's objective

The Fund invests only in the Orbis Global Equity Fund. The Orbis Global Equity Fund is managed to remain fully invested in selected global equities. Orbis uses in-house research to identify companies around the world whose shares can be purchased for less than Orbis' assessment of their long-term intrinsic value. This long-term perspective enables Orbis to buy shares which are shunned by the stock market because of their unexciting or poor short-term prospects, but which are relatively attractively priced if one looks to the long term. This is the same approach as that used by Allan Gray to invest in South African equities, except that Orbis is able to choose from many more shares, listed internationally.

## Suitable for those investors who

- Seek exposure to diversified international equities to provide long-term capital growth
- Wish to invest in international assets without having to personally expatriate rands
- Are comfortable with global stock market and currency fluctuation and risk of capital loss
- Typically have an investment horizon of more than five years
- Wish to use the Fund as a fully invested global equity 'building block' in a diversified multi-asset class portfolio

## Minimum investment amounts

|                                       |         |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Minimum lump sum per investor account | R20 000 |
| Additional lump sum                   | R500    |
| Minimum debit order*                  | R500    |

\*Only available to investors with a South African bank account.

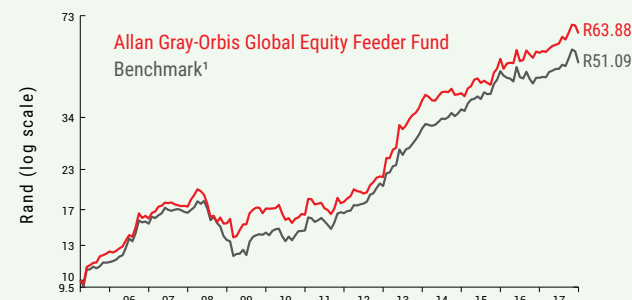
## Fund information on 31 December 2017

|                                  |             |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Fund size                        | R19.4bn     |
| Number of units                  | 305 124 809 |
| Price (net asset value per unit) | R63.62      |
| Class                            | A           |

1. FTSE World Index including income (source: Bloomberg), performance as calculated by Allan Gray as at 31 December 2017.
2. This is based on the latest numbers published by IRESS as at 30 November 2017.
3. Maximum percentage decline over any period. The maximum rand drawdown occurred from 6 June 2008 to 10 March 2009 and maximum benchmark drawdown occurred from 5 June 2008 to 6 March 2009. Drawdown is calculated on the total return of the Fund/benchmark (i.e. including income).
4. The percentage of calendar months in which the Fund produced a positive monthly return since inception.
5. The standard deviation of the Fund's monthly return. This is a measure of how much an investment's return varies from its average over time.
6. These are the highest or lowest consecutive 12-month returns since inception. This is a measure of how much the Fund and the benchmark returns have varied per rolling 12-month period. The Fund's highest annual return occurred during the 12 months ended 31 December 2013 and the benchmark's occurred during the 12 months ended 31 December 2013. The Fund's lowest annual return occurred during the 12 months ended 31 March 2009 and the benchmark's occurred during the 12 months ended 31 March 2009. All rolling 12-month figures for the Fund and the benchmark are available from our Client Service Centre on request.

## Performance net of all fees and expenses

Value of R10 invested at inception with all distributions reinvested



| % Returns                                  | Fund  |       | Benchmark <sup>1</sup> |       | CPI inflation <sup>2</sup> |      |
|--|-------|-------|------------------------|-------|----------------------------|------|
| Cumulative:                                | ZAR   | US\$  | ZAR                    | US\$  | ZAR                        | US\$ |
| Since inception (1 April 2005)             | 538.8 | 223.1 | 410.9                  | 158.4 | 106.7                      | 28.2 |
| Annualised:                                |       |       |                        |       |                            |      |
| Since inception (1 April 2005)             | 15.7  | 9.7   | 13.6                   | 7.7   | 5.9                        | 2.0  |
| Latest 10 years                            | 13.9  | 7.4   | 11.9                   | 5.5   | 5.9                        | 1.6  |
| Latest 5 years                             | 24.1  | 15.2  | 20.3                   | 11.7  | 5.4                        | 1.4  |
| Latest 3 years                             | 16.1  | 13.7  | 12.2                   | 9.9   | 5.3                        | 1.5  |
| Latest 2 years                             | 10.0  | 23.9  | 3.1                    | 16.1  | 5.6                        | 2.0  |
| Latest 1 year                              | 15.7  | 28.7  | 11.6                   | 24.1  | 4.6                        | 2.2  |
| Year-to-date (not annualised)              | 15.7  | 28.7  | 11.6                   | 24.1  | 4.6                        | 2.2  |
| Risk measures (since inception)            |       |       |                        |       |                            |      |
| Maximum drawdown <sup>3</sup>              | -34.1 | -52.8 | -38.0                  | -57.6 | n/a                        | n/a  |
| Percentage positive months <sup>4</sup>    | 64.7  | 60.8  | 63.4                   | 63.4  | n/a                        | n/a  |
| Annualised monthly volatility <sup>5</sup> | 15.0  | 16.6  | 13.5                   | 15.3  | n/a                        | n/a  |
| Highest annual return <sup>6</sup>         | 78.2  | 63.0  | 54.2                   | 58.4  | n/a                        | n/a  |
| Lowest annual return <sup>6</sup>          | -29.7 | -44.8 | -32.7                  | -47.3 | n/a                        | n/a  |

## Meeting the Fund objective

Since inception and over the last 10 years and five-year periods the Fund has outperformed its benchmark. The fund has provided returns significantly in excess of CPI inflation for all three periods. The Fund experiences periods of underperformance in pursuit of its objective of creating long-term wealth for investors, without taking on greater risk of loss than the global stock market. The maximum drawdown and lowest annual return numbers, in the 'Performance net of all fees and expenses' table, show that the Fund has successfully reduced downside risk in periods of negative market returns.

## Income distributions for the last 12 months

|   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| To the extent that income earned in the form of dividends and interest exceeds expenses in the Fund, the Fund will distribute any surplus annually. | <b>31 Dec 2017</b> |
| <b>Cents per unit</b>   | <b>0.5811</b>      |

## Annual management fee

Allan Gray does not charge an annual management fee but is paid a marketing and distribution fee by Orbis.

Orbis charges an annual management fee within the underlying Orbis Global Equity Fund. The fee rate is calculated based on the Orbis fund's performance relative to its benchmark. For more information please refer to the Orbis Global Equity Fund factsheet, which can be found at [www.allangray.co.za](http://www.allangray.co.za)

## Total expense ratio (TER) and Transaction costs

The annual management fee charged by Orbis is included in the TER. The TER is a measure of the actual expenses incurred by the Fund over a one and three-year period (annualised). Since Fund returns are quoted after deduction of these expenses, the TER should not be deducted from the published returns (refer to page 4 for further information). Transaction costs are disclosed separately.

| <b>TER and Transaction costs breakdown for the 1 and 3-year period ending 31 December 2017</b> | <b>1yr %</b> | <b>3yr %</b> |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| <b>Total expense ratio</b>   | <b>1.89</b>  | <b>1.86</b>  |
| Fee for benchmark performance  | 1.49         | 1.50         |
| Performance fees   | 0.34         | 0.30         |
| Other costs excluding transaction costs  | 0.05         | 0.05         |
| VAT  | 0.01         | 0.01         |
| <b>Transaction costs (including VAT)</b>   | <b>0.18</b>  | <b>0.14</b>  |
| <b>Total investment charge</b>   | <b>2.07</b>  | <b>2.00</b>  |

## Top 10 share holdings on 31 December 2017

| <b>Company</b>           | <b>% of portfolio</b> |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| XPO Logistics            | 6.4                   |
| AbbVie                   | 4.2                   |
| Charter Communications   | 3.7                   |
| NetEase                  | 3.6                   |
| Arconic                  | 3.3                   |
| Sberbank of Russia       | 3.3                   |
| Symantec                 | 3.2                   |
| Imperial Brands          | 2.8                   |
| Mitsubishi               | 2.8                   |
| British American Tobacco | 2.5                   |
| <b>Total (%)</b>         | <b>35.7</b>           |

## Asset allocation on 31 December 2017

This fund invests solely into the Orbis Global Equity Fund

|                    | <b>Total</b> | <b>North America</b> | <b>Europe</b> | <b>Japan</b> | <b>Asia ex-Japan</b> | <b>Other</b> |
|--------------------|--------------|----------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Net equity         | 99.2         | 49.1                 | 14.8          | 12.5         | 17.7                 | 5.1          |
| Hedged equity      | 0.0          | 0.0                  | 0.0           | 0.0          | 0.0                  | 0.0          |
| Fixed interest     | 0.0          | 0.0                  | 0.0           | 0.0          | 0.0                  | 0.0          |
| Net current assets | 0.8          | 0.0                  | 0.0           | 0.0          | 0.0                  | 0.8          |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>100.0</b> | <b>49.1</b>          | <b>14.8</b>   | <b>12.5</b>  | <b>17.7</b>          | <b>5.9</b>   |

### Currency exposure of the Orbis Global Equity Fund

|       |       |      |      |     |     |     |
|-------|-------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|
| Fund  | 100.0 | 50.6 | 25.7 | 9.5 | 9.0 | 5.2 |
| Index | 100.0 | 57.8 | 22.7 | 9.1 | 5.8 | 4.6 |

Note: There may be slight discrepancies in the totals due to rounding.

As strong returns in 2017 helped to keep the current bull market alive for a ninth year, future stock market returns do not look as appealing at current valuations. With its contrarian, bottom-up approach, Orbis sees the world differently and does not need to invest in 'the market'. Instead, the focus is entirely on finding the most compelling individual opportunities on offer. While even that exercise has become more challenging in recent years, it is a challenge that Orbis happily embraces. It is during times like these that blindly following an index can be particularly dangerous – and in which Orbis and Allan Gray's investment style can really earn its keep. The sections below discuss the thinking behind some of the Fund's holdings in two areas: financials and technology.

From a global perspective, few parts of the market have offered abundant bargains in recent years. Financial services is one exception. KB Financial Group, Korea's largest bank, and American International Group, a global insurer, are both reasonable quality businesses on firmer footing than they were in the past. Orbis anticipates profitability to improve at both companies over the long term, which should allow them to grow their book value per share by 10-15% per annum. Today, each trades for less than its book value.

Sberbank, the dominant retail bank in Russia, offers the kind of investment credentials that have become all too rare these days. How often does one find a dominant, competitively advantaged market leader with 20%+ return on equity trading at only seven times earnings? What puts investors off, of course, is the unquantifiable 'Russia risk'. While this deserves consideration and comes with some short-term volatility, Orbis believes the current discount is too severe.

A less traditional financial business is PayPal, the payments technology leader. As a newer business model, it is the hardest of the group to value. The stock looks expensive at first glance because heavy marketing and product development expenses repeatedly weigh down the company's profits. But Orbis regards these as investments that should produce benefits well beyond the short term. PayPal's true economic value creation, in Orbis' view, is considerably higher than what's captured by headline earnings in any given reporting period.

But along with greater online transaction activity, cybersecurity breaches are also becoming more common. Their cost to global economic activity is already comparable to that of narcotics, piracy and car crashes. As was recently seen with Equifax, the cost of a breach to a company can be devastating. Companies have rushed to plug gaps in their security, but despite a surplus of options, there is a scarcity of firms that can provide unified, high-quality expertise. We believe Symantec is an attractive exception.

Founded in 1982 by artificial intelligence researchers, Symantec grew into one of the world's largest cybersecurity firms. The company sells software to consumers under the Norton brand and to enterprises under a variety of product lines. Despite its initial leadership in security over the past decade, Symantec lost its focus, its product competitiveness, its growth, four CEOs and its premium valuation. The market started pricing the company as a 'legacy' business with its best days behind it. Today, at 15 times adjusted earnings, or a free cash flow yield to equity of 8%, Symantec trades at a notable discount to the US market and at a substantial discount to its technology peers.

Orbis views the company differently and believes the new CEO, Greg Clark, has reinvigorated the business. He has invested more than US\$80 million of his own money in Symantec and refocused the company on security by transitioning it to stickier subscription pricing and refreshing the product portfolio. Over the long term, Symantec should also benefit from the adoption of cloud computing as cybersecurity transitions away the old 'firewalled fortress' model to a decentralised model that requires broad, integrated coverage.

Individually, these shares represent some of the ideas that Orbis' investment professionals find most compelling on a bottom-up basis.

There have been few material changes to the Fund's geographical exposures or currency exposures in the last quarter. The Fund's weight in Japan has increased, as selected value shares there such as Mitsubishi and Honda appear attractive. With regards to individual holdings, NetEase, a Chinese internet company, re-entered the top 10 following strong outperformance over the past quarter. The Fund also established a significant position in UK-based tobacco company, Imperial Brands, making it a new top 10 holding. The tobacco sector has underperformed recently due to fears about potential regulatory actions, but Orbis believes these are unlikely to disrupt the sector's uniquely attractive business model, which (thus far) has enabled companies to raise prices fast enough to offset declines in cigarette consumption.

**Adapted from Orbis commentaries contributed by David Campos (San Francisco); Stanley Lu (Hong Kong); Michael Heap, Brett Moshal and Ben Preston, (London)**

**For the full commentary please see [www.orbisfunds.com](http://www.orbisfunds.com)**

**Fund manager quarterly commentary as at 31 December 2017**

The availability of the Fund is subject to offshore capacity constraints. Please contact our Client Service Centre for further information about any constraints that may apply.

## Management Company

Allan Gray Unit Trust Management (RF) Proprietary Limited (the 'Management Company') is registered as a management company under the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act 45 of 2002, in terms of which it operates 11 unit trust portfolios under the Allan Gray Unit Trust Scheme, and is supervised by the Financial Services Board ('FSB'). The Management Company is incorporated under the laws of South Africa and has been approved by the regulatory authority of Botswana to market its unit trusts in Botswana, however it is not supervised or licensed in Botswana. Allan Gray Proprietary Limited (the 'Investment Manager'), an authorised financial services provider, is the appointed Investment Manager of the Management Company and is a member of the Association for Savings & Investment South Africa (ASISA). The trustee/custodian of the Allan Gray Unit Trust Scheme is Rand Merchant Bank, a division of FirstRand Bank Limited. The trustee/custodian can be contacted at RMB Custody and Trustee Services: Tel: +27 (0)87 736 1732 or [www.rmb.co.za](http://www.rmb.co.za)

## Performance

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## Fund mandate

The Fund may be closed to new investments at any time in order to be managed according to its mandate. Unit trusts are traded at ruling prices and can engage in borrowing and scrip lending. The Fund may borrow up to 10% of its market value to bridge insufficient liquidity.

## Unit price

Unit trust prices are calculated on a net asset value basis, which is the total market value of all assets in the Fund including any income accruals and less any permissible deductions from the Fund divided by the number of units in issue. Forward pricing is used and fund valuations take place at approximately 16:00 each business day. Purchase and redemption requests must be received by the Management Company by 14:00 each business day to receive that day's price. Unit trust prices are available daily on [www.allangray.co.za](http://www.allangray.co.za)

## Fees

Permissible deductions may include management fees, brokerage, Securities Transfer Tax (STT), auditor's fees, bank charges and trustee fees. A schedule of fees, charges and maximum commissions is available on request from Allan Gray.

## Total expense ratio (TER) and Transaction costs

The total expense ratio (TER) is the annualised percentage of the Fund's average assets under management that has been used to pay the Fund's actual expenses over the past one and three-year periods. The TER includes the annual management fees that have been charged (both the fee at benchmark and any performance component charged), VAT and other expenses like audit and trustee fees. Transaction costs (including brokerage, Securities Transfer Tax [STT], STRATE and FSB Investor Protection Levy and VAT thereon) are shown separately. Transaction costs are a necessary cost in administering the Fund and impact Fund returns. They should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time including market returns, the type of financial product, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER. Since Fund returns are quoted after the deduction of these expenses, the TER and Transaction costs should not be deducted again from published returns. As unit trust expenses vary, the current TER cannot be used as an indication of future TERs. A higher TER ratio does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. Instead, when investing, the investment objective of the Fund should be aligned with the investor's objective and compared against the performance of the Fund. The TER and other funds' TERs should then be used to evaluate whether the Fund performance offers value for money. The sum of the TER and Transaction costs is shown as the Total investment charge.

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## Feeder fund

A feeder fund is a unit trust that invests in another single unit trust which charges its own fees. Allan Gray does not charge any additional fees in its feeder funds.

## Foreign exposure

The Fund invests in a foreign fund managed by Orbis Investment Management Limited, our offshore investment partner.

## Important information for investors

### Need more information?

You can obtain additional information about your proposed investment from Allan Gray free of charge either via our website [www.allangray.co.za](http://www.allangray.co.za) or via our Client Service Centre on **0860 000 654**.