

## Fund description and summary of investment policy

The Fund invests in a mix of equity, absolute return and multi-asset class funds managed by Allan Gray's offshore investment partner, Orbis Investment Management Limited. The typical net equity exposure of the Fund is between 40% and 75%. The Orbis Optimal SA funds included in the Fund use exchange-traded derivative contracts on stock market indices to reduce net equity exposure. In these funds, the market exposure of equity portfolios is effectively replaced with cash-like exposure, plus or minus Orbis' skills in delivering returns above or below the market. Returns are likely to be less volatile than those of an international equity-only fund. Although the Fund's investment universe is global, the units in the Fund are priced and traded daily in rands.

**ASISA unit trust category:** Global – Multi Asset – High Equity

## Fund objective and benchmark

The Fund aims to create long-term wealth for investors without exceeding a maximum net equity exposure limit of 75%. It aims to outperform the average return of funds subject to similar constraints without taking on more than their average risk. The Fund's benchmark is a portfolio made up 60% by the FTSE World Index, including income, and 40% the JP Morgan Global Government Bond index.

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

The Fund invests in equity, absolute return and multi-asset class funds managed by our offshore investment partner, Orbis Investment Management Limited. Within all of the underlying funds, 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 them 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. Depending on our assessment of the potential returns on global stock markets relative to their risk of capital loss, we actively manage the Fund's net exposure to equities by varying its exposure to the underlying Orbis funds. By varying the Fund's overall exposure to equities and also its geographic exposure, through selecting between the Orbis regional equity funds, we seek to enhance the Fund's long-term returns and to manage its risk. The Fund's currency exposure is actively managed both within the underlying Orbis funds and through our selection of Orbis funds.

## Suitable for those investors who

- Seek long-term capital growth from a diversified international equity portfolio without being fully exposed to stock market risk
- Wish to invest in international assets without having to personally expatriate rands
- Are comfortable with taking on some risk of market and currency fluctuation and potential capital loss, but typically less than that of an equity fund
- Typically have an investment horizon of more than five years
- Wish to use the Fund as a foreign medium equity 'building block' in a diversified multi-asset class portfolio

## Fund information on 31 July 2018

Fund size	R13.6bn
Number of units	349 074 817
Price (net asset value per unit)	R38.99
Class	A

## Minimum investment amounts

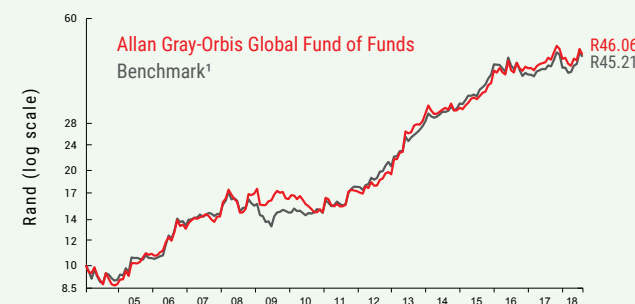
Minimum lump sum per investor account	R20 000
Additional lump sum	R500
Minimum debit order*	R500

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

- 60% of the FTSE World Index including income and 40% of the JP Morgan Global Government Bond Index (source: Bloomberg), performance as calculated by Allan Gray as at 31 July 2018.
- This is based on the latest numbers published by IRESS as at 30 June 2018.
- Maximum percentage decline over any period.  
The maximum rand drawdown occurred from 23 October 2008 to 14 October 2010 and maximum benchmark drawdown occurred from 23 October 2008 to 30 June 2009. Drawdown is calculated on the total return of the Fund/benchmark (i.e. including income).
- The percentage of calendar months in which the Fund produced a positive monthly return since inception.
- 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.
- 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 October 2010 and the benchmark's occurred during the 12 months ended 30 June 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>	
	ZAR	US\$	ZAR	US\$	ZAR	US\$
<b>Cumulative:</b>						
Since inception (3 February 2004)	360.6	146.4	352.1	141.9	122.3	34.7
<b>Annualised:</b>						
Since inception (3 February 2004)	11.1	6.4	11.0	6.3	5.7	2.1
Latest 10 years	12.2	5.8	11.9	5.6	5.4	1.4
Latest 5 years	11.9	5.9	12.4	6.3	5.5	1.5
Latest 3 years	10.5	9.1	8.3	6.9	5.3	1.9
Latest 2 years	6.7	10.0	4.6	7.8	4.8	2.2
Latest 1 year	2.2	2.5	6.5	6.8	4.6	2.8
Year-to-date (not annualised)	3.1	-3.5	8.2	1.3	3.3	1.4
<b>Risk measures (since inception)</b>						
Maximum drawdown <sup>3</sup>	-24.0	-34.1	-25.1	-37.5	n/a	n/a
Percentage positive months <sup>4</sup>	57.5	60.9	57.5	62.6	n/a	n/a
Annualised monthly volatility <sup>5</sup>	13.9	10.5	12.5	9.6	n/a	n/a
Highest annual return <sup>6</sup>	55.6	40.1	38.8	37.6	n/a	n/a
Lowest annual return <sup>6</sup>	-13.7	-27.3	-17.0	-31.7	n/a	n/a

## Meeting the Fund objective

Since inception and over the latest 10 and five-year periods, the Fund has performed in line with its benchmark and its returns have exceeded CPI inflation by a significant margin. 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 similar funds in the Global – Multi Asset – High Equity sector.

## 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>0.3731</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 annual management fees within the underlying Orbis funds. Each fund's fee rate is calculated based on the fund's performance relative to its own benchmark. For more information please refer to the respective Orbis Funds' factsheets, which can be found at [www.allangray.co.za](http://www.allangray.co.za)

## Total expense ratio (TER) and Transaction costs

The annual management fees charged by Orbis are 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 30 June 2018</b>	<b>1yr %</b>	<b>3yr %</b>
<b>Total expense ratio</b>	<b>2.17</b>	<b>2.04</b>
Fee for benchmark performance	1.44	1.41
Performance fees	0.67	0.56
Other costs excluding transaction costs	0.06	0.07
VAT	0.00	0.00
<b>Transaction costs (including VAT)</b>	<b>0.13</b>	<b>0.13</b>
<b>Total investment charge</b>	<b>2.30</b>	<b>2.17</b>

## Top 10 holdings on 31 July 2018

<b>Company</b>	<b>% of portfolio</b>
AbbVie	4.3
NetEase	3.5
BP	3.3
XPO Logistics	3.3
Treasury Note 1.125% 28 Feb 2019	3.1
Royal Dutch Shell	2.8
SPDR Gold Trust	2.6
Bristol-Myers Squibb	2.5
Taiwan Semiconductor Mfg.	2.4
Mitsubishi	2.3
<b>Total (%)</b>	<b>30.1</b>

## Fund allocation on 31 July 2018

<b>Funds</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Foreign multi-asset funds</b>	<b>74.8</b>
Orbis SICAV Global Balanced Fund	74.8
<b>Foreign equity funds</b>	<b>14.2</b>
Orbis Global Equity Fund	11.0
Orbis SICAV Emerging Markets Equity Fund	3.1
<b>Foreign absolute return funds</b>	<b>11.1</b>
Orbis Optimal SA Fund (US\$)	6.3
Orbis Optimal SA Fund (Euro)	4.8
<b>Total (%)</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## Asset allocation on 31 July 2018

	<b>Total</b>	<b>North America</b>	<b>Europe</b>	<b>Japan</b>	<b>Asia ex-Japan</b>	<b>Other</b>
Net equity	57.9	16.9	16.6	7.6	12.2	4.6
Hedged equity	24.0	14.3	4.1	2.6	2.0	1.1
Fixed interest	14.0	13.5	0.4	0.0	0.1	0.0
Commodity-linked	2.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.6
Net current assets	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>44.7</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>9.8</b>

### Currency exposure of the Orbis Funds

Funds	100.0	46.3	32.7	10.3	6.4	4.3
Index	100.0	55.2	28.5	12.9	1.0	2.3

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

As we look around the world for opportunities, markets appear plenty risky but insufficiently fearful. Investing is exciting, but it tends to be less exciting when fear and risk are aligned as the opportunity set presented to active investors is not as extraordinary. The best opportunities typically arise when investors are afraid but there is far less than usual to be afraid of – times like November 1987, or years 2003 and 2009. Such periods offer target-rich environments for analysts, but require investors not to be trigger-shy because of recent bad experiences.

However, today is not one of those times. The current environment of high risk and low fear environment makes for a dangerous cocktail for sanguine investors. What does this mean for the Fund?

### Scenarios and opportunities

While we aren't in the business of making macroeconomic forecasts, we cannot stick our heads in the sand either, so we look at multiple scenarios and assess how the portfolio might behave in each of them. Rather than betting heavily on any one scenario, we aim to ensure that our positioning isn't disastrous in any of the scenarios that appear most plausible. We are guided by a couple of pretty simple observations: 1) What are valuations telling us, and 2) What is everyone else worried about? We tend to worry most about what worries others least, and vice versa.

This approach tends to work over time because fear and valuations are linked. If everyone is worried about the same risk, that fear is likely priced into markets, making the feared outcome both less likely and less rewarding to guard against. For example, two years ago, investors were worried about a recession, and we found attractive opportunities among growth beneficiaries. Today investors appear to expect continued growth, and that makes us wary.

While attractive equity opportunities are harder to find when fear is low and risk is high, we are fortunate to have thousands of shares to choose from and our research team continues to find attractive ideas. In the current environment, typically one would expect to invest into defensive stocks, such as consumer staples (Nestlé, Coca-Cola) which are considered to be extra safe. However, these types of stocks are not attractively valued, have not grown over the past 10 years and we believe are riskier at their current valuations.

Two types of shares provide particularly good illustrations of what we're finding in the current environment: 'beta arbitrage' opportunities, and our wide footprint of idiosyncratic holdings.

### Beta arbitrage

Benjamin Graham and David Dodd are the godfathers of value investing. Their basic advice: buy shares of great businesses when they are temporarily thought not to be so.

In the Orbis SICAV Global Balanced Fund, we have found a moderate risk corollary: buy shares of safe businesses when they are temporarily thought not to be so. Over the past few years, we have rotated capital into integrated oil companies such as BP and then added selected pharmaceuticals such as AbbVie, both beta arbitrage opportunities.

A stock's beta measures its market sensitivity. Simply put, a stock with a beta of 1.2 is expected to move 1.2% for every 1% move up or down in the market. But the calculation period matters. When a sector is out of favour, its beta may increase, making it look more risky. When that happens, we find it valuable to consider how the near-term number stacks up against the company's long-term average.

For our selected 'beta arbitrage' shares, we believe temporarily high betas have tricked investors into thinking the companies have permanently lost their high-quality, stable fundamentals. If we are correct, the market will rediscover the stability of these companies and reward them by returning them to higher valuation levels.

### Wide footprint of idiosyncratic opportunities

Investing in attractive opportunities that have very little to do with the economic cycle is another way to deal with the risk of the economic cycle rolling over. Nexon, a video game company which is due to launch a mobile version of its blockbuster game *Dungeon Fighter*, and Navient, the US student loans administrator currently being sued for how they went about administering loan payments, are such examples. Each of these companies has risks, but uncorrelated risks that we believe are more than accounted for in their valuation levels. By combining these investments, we hope to accrue the long-term gains that come from buying on the cheap while diversifying down the overall risk.

### Staying the course

In short, we are managing risk by doing what we always do: hunting for attractively priced individual securities. It's not an easy environment, but by focusing on bottom-up opportunities, we believe we can provide an attractive balance of risk and return.

The Fund continues to hold no long-term government bonds. At the security level, the biggest additions over the quarter were Facebook, Californian utility PG&E, and oil and gas services company Schlumberger.

**Adapted from Orbis commentary contributed by Alec Cutler**

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

**Fund manager quarterly  
commentary as at  
30 June 2018**

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 Sector Conduct Authority ('FSCA'). 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)

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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 FSCA 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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## Fund of funds

A fund of funds is a unit trust that invests in other unit trusts, which charge their own fees. Allan Gray does not charge any additional fees in its funds of funds.

## Foreign exposure

The Fund invests in foreign funds 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**.