# **FUND DETAILS AT 31 JANUARY 2008**

Sector: Domestic AA - Prudential - Variable Equity
Inception date: 1 October 1999
Fund managers: Stephen Mildenhall, Arjen Lugtenburg,
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Orbis Investment Management Limited

### Fund objective:

The Fund's investment strategy is to earn a higher rate of return than the market value-weighted average of its sector, excluding the Allan Gray Balanced Fund, without assuming greater risk.

### Suitable for those investors who:

- Seek long-term wealth creation.
- Have an appetite for risk similar to the average person investing in pension funds.
- Typically have an investment horizon of three years plus.
- Wish to delegate the asset allocation decision to Allan Gray.

## Compliance with Prudential Investment Guidelines:

Retirement Funds: The Portfolio is managed to comply with the limits of Annexure A to Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act. Exposures in excess of the limits will be corrected immediately except where due to market value fluctuations or capital withdrawals in which case they will be corrected within a reasonable time period. Allan Gray Unit Trust Management Limited does not monitor compliance by retirement funds with section 19(4) of the Pension Funds Act (item 9 of Annexure A to Regulation 28).

 Price:
 R 48.70

 Size:
 R 24 073 m

 Minimum lump sum:
 R 5 000

 Minimum monthly:
 R 500

 Subsequent lump sums:
 R 500

 No. of share holdings:
 52

 Income distribution: 01/01/07 - 31/12/07 (cents per unit)
 Total 100.45

 Annual management fee:

The annual management fee rate is dependent on the return of the Fund relative to its benchmark, the market value-weighted average of the domestic medium equity prudential unit trust sector excluding the Allan Gray Balanced Fund, over a rolling two-year period. The fee hurdle (above which a fee greater than the minimum fee of 0.5% is charged) is performance equal to the benchmark minus 5%. For performance equal to the benchmark a fee of 1.0% (excl. VAT) per annum is payable. The manager's sharing rate is 10% of the under- and outperformance of the benchmark over a rolling two-year period and a maximum fee of 1.5% (excl. VAT) applies. The annual management fee is calculated on the daily value of the Fund excluding any underlying assets invested in Orbis funds.

## **COMMENTARY**

The Fund has continued to deliver pleasing outperformance over the last three and five year periods. Over shorter time horizons its performance relative to its benchmark has been influenced by the severe volatility we currently experience in equity markets. We would expect this volatility, caused by severe swings in sentiment, to continue for the foreseeable future with a continued impact on the funds short-term relative performance. However, this volatility is causing significant differences in relative fundamental share valuations, a condition which the fund should be able to profitably exploit over the medium to longer term.

Two of the principal differences continue to be:

 We find better value in gold miners and paper manufacturers than we do in the two heavyweight resources companies, Anglo American and BHP Billiton, whose profits have been buoyed to above- normal levels by unsustainably high (in our view) base and ferrous metal prices;

2. We find better value in the big industrial companies such as Remgro, SABMiller, MTN and Richemont, which have substantial business interests outside South Africa, than we do in many other South African industrial companies.

Our longstanding clients will know by now that we don't shy away from different and contrarian investment portfolios, because while they may result in volatile performance relative to our peers in the short-term, this relative volatility has historically been handsomely rewarded by the compounding of superior returns over the long run.

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# **BALANCED FUND**

### **TOP 10 SHARE HOLDINGS AT 31 DECEMBER 2007\***

Company	% of portfolio		
Remgro	6.7		
SABMiller	6.1		
MTN Group	5.3		
Richemont	3.9		
Sanlam	3.8		
Sasol	3.5		
Anglogold Ashanti	3.0		
Sappi	2.7		
ABSA	2.4		
Stanbank	2.3		

<sup>\*</sup> The 'Top 10 Share Holdings' table is updated quarterly.

### **TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO\***

	Included in TER			
Total expense ratio	Trading costs	Performance component	Fee at benchmark	Other expenses
2.09%	0.22%	0.58%	1.25%	0.03%

\*A Total Expense Ratio (TER) is a measure of a portfolio's assets that are relinquished as operating expenses. It is expressed as a percentage of the average value of the portfolio, calculated for the year to the end of September 2007. Included in the TER is the proportion of costs that are incurred by the performance component, fee at benchmark, trading costs (including brokerage, VAT, UST, levy, strate and IT levy) and other expenses. These are disclosed separately as percentages of the net asset value. A higher TER ratio does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER can not be regarded as an indication of future TER's. The information provided is applicable to class A funds.

#### ASSET ALLOCATION

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Asset class	% of fund			
Net SA equities	52.2			
Hedged SA equities	9.5			
Listed property	1.4			
Commodities (Newgold ETF)	2.3			
Bonds	4.5			
Money market and cash	14.3			
Foreign	15.9			
Total	100.0			

Total net SA and foreign equity exposure: 61.2%.

### **PERFORMANCE**

Fund performance shown net of all fees and expenses as per the TER disclosure. Long-term cumulative performance (log scale)



% Returns	Fund	Benchmark*
Since inception (unannualised)	542.8	263.4
Latest 5 years (annualised)	24.4	21.4
Latest 3 years (annualised)	23.8	20.0
Latest 1 year	5.9	4.3
Risk measures		
(Since inception month end prices)		
Maximum drawdown**	-12.5	-19.2
Annualised monthly volatility	10.2	10.6

- The daily average return weighted by market value of funds in both the Domestic Asset Allocation Prudential Medium and Prudential Variable Equity categories excluding the Allan Gray Balanced Fund. Source: Micropal, performance as calculated by Allan Gray as at 31 January 2008.
- \*\* Maximum percentage decline over any period.

Collective Investment Schemes in Securities (unit trusts) are generally medium to long-term investments. The value of participatory interests (units) may go down as well as up and past performance is not necessarily a guide to the future. Unit trust prices are calculated on a net asset value basis, which is the total market value of all assets in the portfolio including any income accrual and less any permissible deductions from the portfolio divided by the number of units in issue. Declaration of income accruals are made bi-annually. Different classes of units apply to the Fund and are subject to different fees and charges. Fund valuations take place at approximately 16h00 each business day. Purchase and repurchase requests may be received by the manager by 14h00 each business day. Performance figures from Allan Gray Limited (GIPS compliant) are for lump sum investments using net asset value prices with income distributions reinvested. Permissible deductions may include management fees, brokerage, UST, auditor's fees, bank charges, trustee fees and RSC levies. The Fund may borrow up to 10% of the market value of the portfolio to bridge insufficient liquidity. A schedule of fees and charges and maximum commissions is available on request from Allan Gray Unit Trust Management Limited. Commission and incentives may be paid and off is o, would be included in the overall costs. Unit trusts are traded at ruling prices and can engage in borrowing and scrip lending. Forward pricipis used. This Fund may be capped at any time in order to be managed in accordance with the mandate. Member of the ACI. Total Expense Ratio (TER): When investing, costs are only a part of an investment decision. The investment objective of the Fund should be compared with the investor's objective and then the performance of the investment and whether it represents value for money should be evaluated as part of the financial planning process. All Allan Gray performance figures and values are quoted after the deduction of costs incurred within t