## **ALLAN GRAY OPTIMAL FUND**

### Fact sheet at 31 March 2004



Sector: Domestic AA Targeted Absolute Return

Inception Date: 1 October 2002
Fund Manager: Stephen Mildenhall

Qualification: B Com(Hons), CA(SA), CFA

This is a long-term absolute return fund for the investor who wishes to avoid the volatility generally associated with stock and bond markets, but still wants exposure to specialist stock picking skills and to enjoy a positive rate of return which is higher than that of cash. This is a low risk fund.

# Fund Details Commentary

 Price:
 1170.92 cents

 Size:
 R 1 713 747 546

 Minimum lump sum:
 R 25 000

 Minimum monthly:
 R 2 500

 Subsequent lump sums:
 R 2 500

 No. of share holdings:
 68

 01/01/03-31/12/03 dividend (cpu):
 Total 41.18

 Interest 19.27, Dividend 21.91

**Annual Management Fee:** Fixed fee of 1% (excl. VAT) per annum. Performance-fee of 20% of the daily outperformance of the benchmark. In times of underperformance, no performance fees are charged until the underperformance is recovered.

The Fund invests in a portfolio of equities and substantially reduces stockmarket risk by using equity derivatives. As a result, the Fund's return should not be correlated with equity markets but is rather dependent on the level of short-term interest rates and the ability of the Fund's equity portfolio to outperform its underlying benchmark equity index. The Fund has increased its weight in selected banking shares which have become relatively more attractive. With short-term interest rates having fallen, the interest rate dependent portion of returns is expected to be lower.

### Top 10 Share Holdings at 31 March 2004\*

JSE Code	Company	% of portfolio
AGL	Anglo	14.30
BIL	Billiton	7.95
SOL	Sasol	5.89
SAB	SAB - Brews	4.36
MTN	MTN - Group	4.29
RCH	Richemont	4.17
SBK	Stanbank	3.86
HAR	Harmony	3.15
REM	Remgro	3.05
ASA	Absa	3.03

\* As of 29 February 2004, the 'Top 10 Share Holdings' table will only be updated quarterly.

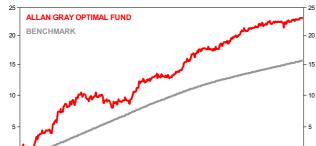
Long-term cumulative performance (log-scale)

Q103

### Asset Allocation

0.4.0.4
84.01
-76.84
7.17
76.84
15.99
100.00

Performance (net of fees, including income, assumes reinvestment of dividends, on a NAV to NAV basis)



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	% Returns	Optimal Fund	Benchmark*
5	Since Inception (unannualise	ed)** **	**
	Latest 5 years (annualised)	-	-
)	Latest 3 years (annualised)	-	-
	Latest 1 year	12.9	9.1
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	Risk Measures		
)	(Since incep. month end price	es)	
	Maximum drawdown***	-2.2	n/a
	Annualised monthly volatility	4.5	0.7

- \* The daily call rate of FirstRand Bank Limited
- \*\* For internal use only as this does not comply with the code of practice for advertising of collective investments.
- \*\*\* Maximum percentage decline over any period

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