

Fund manager: Andrew Lapping
Inception date: 1 July 1998
Class: A

Fund information on 30 April 2014

Fund currency: US\$¹
Fund size: US\$323m
Fund price: US\$227.36
Number of share holdings: 52
Dealing day: Weekly (Thursday)

Fund description

The Fund invests in a focused portfolio of companies with significant business interests in Africa, regardless of the location of the stock exchange listing. The Fund price is reported in US dollars but the underlying holdings are denominated in various currencies. Returns are likely to be volatile.

Fund objective and benchmark

The Fund aims to outperform African equity markets over the long term without taking on greater risk of loss. The Fund's benchmark is the MSCI Emerging and Frontier Markets (EFM) Africa Index (total returns).

How we aim to achieve the Fund's objective

We invest in shares that we believe offer superior fundamental value while taking into account risk and return. We research companies and assess their intrinsic value based on long-term fundamentals; we then invest in businesses where our assessment of intrinsic value exceeds the share price by a margin of safety. This approach allows us to identify shares that may be out of favour with the market because of poor near-term prospects, but offer good value over the long-term. The Fund's holdings will deviate meaningfully from those in the index both in terms of individual holdings and sector exposure.

Suitable for those investors who

- Seek exposure to African equities
- Are comfortable with stock market and currency fluctuations
- Are prepared to take the risk of capital loss
- Typically have an investment horizon of more than five years

The Fund is not available to South African residents.

Minimum investment amounts

Minimum initial investment: US\$50 000
Minimum subsequent investment: US\$1 000

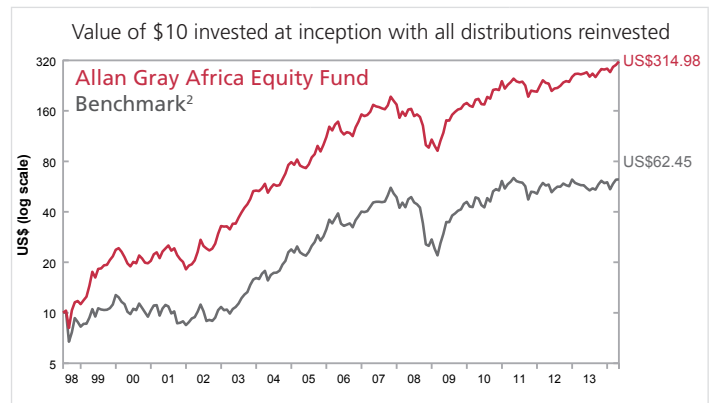
Annual management fee

The annual management fee ranges from 0.5% to 2.5% depending on the relative return of the Fund to the benchmark, before fees. The fee is calculated on a base of 1.5% plus one twenty-fifth of the cumulative three-year relative performance, subject to a floor of 0.5% and cap of 2.5%. For example if the cumulative three year performance of the fund is 20% and that of the benchmark is 15%, the fee rate is: 1.5% + (20%-15%)/25 = 1.7%.

Subscription and redemption charge

Investors are charged 0.5% when transacting in Fund shares, both on subscription and redemption. This is paid into the Fund to offset the costs associated with the transaction that are borne by the Fund. Allan Gray International Proprietary Limited may waive this charge in the case of significant offsetting flows.

Performance in US\$ net of all fees and expenses



% Returns	Fund	Benchmark ²
Unannualised:		
Since inception	3 049.8	524.5
Annualised:		
Since inception	24.3	12.3
Latest 10 years	19.7	14.9
Latest 5 years	21.6	16.1
Latest 3 years	8.1	-0.7
Latest 2 years	16.3	3.6
Latest 1 year	17.9	8.4
Year-to-date (unannualised)	10.3	4.0
Risk measures (since inception, based on month-end prices)		
Maximum drawdown ³	-52.5	-60.5
Percentage positive months ⁴	61.1	57.9
Annualised monthly volatility ⁵	26.2	27.5

1. The Fund is currently priced in US dollars. Since inception to 30 April 2012 the Fund was priced in South African rands.
2. The current benchmark is the MSCI EFM Africa Index (total returns). Since inception to 30 April 2012 the benchmark was the FTSE/JSE All Share Index including income. Performance as calculated by Allan Gray as at 30 April 2014 (source: Bloomberg). Calculation based on the latest available data as supplied by third parties.
3. Maximum percentage decline over any period. The maximum drawdown occurred from October 2007 to February 2009 and maximum benchmark drawdown occurred from October 2007 to February 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.

Fund manager quarterly commentary as at 31 March 2014

The Fund's relatively stable performance over the past three months masks sizeable price moves in the underlying investments. The Nigerian Banks, which we began buying in the latter part of 2013, continued to fall in price, with our holdings declining by 20% on average. Our fair value estimates have not changed materially so we are adding to these positions. The Nigerian Central Bank implemented further monetary policy measures, which will affect profits negatively in the short term. However, banks tend to be adaptable businesses and are able to make up for lost revenue in one area through price changes or adjustments to other areas of their businesses.

The good performance of the Fund's Egyptian holdings, buoyed by the move in Egyptian equities generally, offset the negative performance of the Nigerian holdings. We have sold out some of our Egyptian holdings and reduced others as the share prices have moved to, and in some cases exceeded, our estimates of fair value.

We are in the fortunate position of being able to invest across Africa, where the markets often move in different directions. This allows us to reinvest sale proceeds in what we think are much more attractive opportunities. The 55% appreciation of the Egyptian stock market since June 2013 reinforces the need for a contrarian mindset. The sentiment was terrible during the violent ouster of the Muslim Brotherhood last year; needless to say that was a much better buying opportunity than where we sit today, with both local and international sentiment currently far more positively inclined towards Egyptian equities.

Commentary contributed by Andrew Lapping

Independent rating



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Share price

Share prices are calculated on a net asset value basis, which is calculated by dividing the value of the net assets of the Fund attributable to the shares by the number of shares in issue. The weekly price of the Fund is normally calculated each Friday based on the prices of the underlying investments prevailing at 5:30pm Bermuda time on the previous business day. Purchase requests must be received by the Registrar of the Fund (being Citi Fund Services (Bermuda), Ltd.) by 5:00pm Bermuda time on that dealing day to receive that week's price. Redemption requests must be received by the Registrar of the Fund by 12 noon Bermuda time on that dealing day to receive that week's price.

Performance

Investments in Collective Investment Schemes are generally medium- to long-term investments. The value of shares may go down as well as up and past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. Performance figures are from Allan Gray International Proprietary Limited and are for lump sum investments with income distributions reinvested.

Independent ratings

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Country of primary listing on 30 April 2014

Country	% of Equities	Benchmark ²
South Africa	20.5	87.7
Egypt	15.5	2.5
Zimbabwe	15.4	0.0
Nigeria	14.8	5.4
United Kingdom	12.3	0.0
Kenya	7.4	1.6
France	5.8	0.0
Canada	3.9	0.0
BRVM	1.7	0.0
Uganda	1.4	0.0
Tanzania	0.6	0.0
Australia	0.5	0.0
United States	0.1	0.0
Morocco	0.0	2.0
Mauritius	0.0	0.4
Tunisia	0.0	0.2
Total¹	100.0	100.0

Sector allocation on 30 April 2014

Sector	% of Fund	Benchmark ²
Oil & gas	17.7	9.4
Basic materials	11.1	9.7
Industrials	3.5	9.3
Consumer goods	21.1	6.8
Healthcare	1.7	5.3
Consumer services	0.9	18.9
Telecommunications	11.9	13.2
Utilities	3.5	0.0
Financials	25.8	27.4
Fixed interest/Liquidity	2.7	0.0
Total¹	100.0	100.0

1. There may be slight discrepancies in the totals due to rounding.
2. MSCI EFM Africa Index (total returns) (source: Bloomberg). Calculation based on the latest available data as supplied by third parties.