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## Portfolio Manager Commentary

At the end of September 2017, we owned the shares of 17 businesses totalling 33% of our fund. Our research led us to conclude that a generally overvalued market environment at that point in time warranted a conservative positioning.

In the past 6 months the Johannesburg Stock Exchange Index declined by a seemingly benign 6%. However, an important and lesser known perspective is that 111 of our investable universe of 209 companies in South Africa declined by an average of 20%. Forty-two of these declined by an average of 38%.

With this information as backdrop, we have steadily increased our fund's exposure to equities whenever businesses met our four key long-term investment criteria - understandability, trustworthiness, valuation and liquidity.

It is therefore pleasing to share with you that we now own the shares of 25 businesses totalling 47% of our fund. These additions improved the fund's future investment return expectations. Furthermore, it improved the fund's diversification and robustness in terms of business sectors, industries and geographies, as we acquired excellent businesses like Sasol, Sappi, Anglogold and British American Tobacco with significant operations outside South Africa.

As promised, we remain discerning in our evaluation of new investment ideas. For example, we have only bought 3 of the 42 companies mentioned in the 2nd paragraph above. The rest of them continue failing one or more of our four key long-term investment criteria.

Our work continues...

% of Fund
45,7%
46,4%
1,6%
2.0%
4.3%
0,0%
0,0%

Top 10 Equity Holdings	% of Fund
Sasol	4,6%
Wilson Bayly Holmes - Ovcon	3,0%
Remgro	3,0%
Hosken Consolidated Investments	3,0%
Omnia	2,9%
Discovery	2,8%
Anglogold Ashanti	2,1%
Life Healthcare	2,0%
Growthpoint Properties	2,0%
Liberty	2,0%

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#### **Fund Performance**

N/A

## **Income Distributions**

N/A

## Fund Information

Fund Manager	Perspective Investment Management
	Daniel Malan and Sean Neethling
ASISA Fund Classification	SA – Multi Asset – High Equity
Risk Profile	Moderate
Benchmark	CPI + 5%
Fund NAV	ZAR 15.74mn
ISIN	ZAE000248605
Fund Launch Date	Monday, 04 September 2017
Issue Date	Tuesday, 05 June 2018
Income Distribution	March 2018. A1 class: 2.33cpu
Annual Management Fee	1% exclusive of VAT
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	N/A
Minimum Investment	Lump Sum: R 10 000 / Monthly: R 500

## About the Fund Manager

**Perspective** is an investment management firm based in Cape Town, South Africa. The firm was founded in January 2017 and is designed to be an employee-owned and managed business focused on the principles of long-term investing on behalf of our clients. Our commitment is to establish a resilient enterprise that creates exceptional long-term value for all our current and future clients and stakeholders.

#### Daniel Malan B.Com, CFA

Daniel has 22 years of investment industry and business management experience across multiple asset classes and geographies.

#### Sean Neethling M.Com Finance

Sean has 16 years of relevant industry experience across listed and unlisted credit and fixed income markets.



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#### **Investment Objective**

The Fund aims to provide investors with long-term investment returns after costs at or above its benchmark of the South African inflation rate plus 5%.

#### **Investment Strategy**

The Fund complies with Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act and may invest up to maximums of 75% in equities and 25% in offshore assets. The Fund will invest in a diversified range of equities, investment grade bonds, property and cash, but may also invest in preference shares, currencies and commodities when sensible opportunities present themselves. The flexibility of this mandate empowers the fund managers to be more fully invested when a diversified selection of good assets are cheap and to be positioned defensively when good assets are very expensive or highly concentrated in a single sector.

#### Suitability

The Fund is most suited to investors with an investment horizon of five to ten years seeking a combination of principal preservation, income generation and long-term capital growth.

#### Tax Free Investment

Based on section 12T of the Income Tax Act this Fund qualifies as a tax-free investment account ("TFSA"). This allows South African individuals to qualify for no tax on distributions and / or capital gains while invested in the Fund. The current tax framework limits contributions to tax-free investments to R33 000 per tax year with the lifetime limit capped at R500 000. Any contributions exceeding these limits will be subject to tax. It is recommended that any investor considering investing in the Fund for specific tax purposes and requires explicit tax advice consult directly with a qualified tax professional. Perspective Investment Management (Pty) Ltd does not render financial advice but can recommend accredited professionals who are licenced to do so if required.

### What It Really Means

**Long-Term:** An investment period of five to ten years.

ASISA: Association for Saving & Investment South Africa.

**Moderate Risk:** The fund aims to maximise long-term capital growth and can invest up to 75% in equities, which provide the best opportunity for high returns but also carry the risk of temporary and / or permanent capital loss.

**CPI:** South African Consumer Price Index.

Fund NAV: The total amount of investor capital in the fund.

**ISIN:** The International Securities Identification Number is a code that uniquely identifies your fund.

Issue Date: The date that this MDD document is approved for publication.

Annualised Performance: Shows fund performance re-scaled to a 12-month period. The average return per year over the period.

Highest and Lowest Return: The highest and lowest return over a 12-month period since the inception of the fund.

**Total Expense ratio** (**"TER"**): The total cost to the investor from investing in the fund inclusive of audit, custody and trustee fees. Please note the Total Expense Ratio and Transaction Costs cannot be determined accurately because of the short life span of the Financial Product and the funds TER will be available after one year.

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The Fund's Total Expense Ratio (TER) reflects the percentage of the average Net Asset Value (NAV) of the portfolio that was incurred as charges, levies and fees related to the management of the portfolio. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER cannot be regarded as an indication of future TER's. During the phase in period TER's do not include information gathered over a full year.

Transaction Costs (TC) is the percentage of the value of the Fund incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the Fund's underlying assets. Transaction costs are a necessary cost in administering the Fund and impacts Fund returns. It should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time including market returns, the type of Fund, investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER.

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