

Fairtree Protea Worldwide Flexible Equity IDS QI Hedge Fund Minimum Disclosure Document - Class A1

Fund Profile

The fund is a flexible long/short equity hedge fund with the objective of generating above-average returns by following a 'quantamental' investment approach, combining traditional fundamental analysis with quantitative investment techniques. The investment manager systematically identifies individual mispriced securities whilst ensuring sufficient diversification to guard against inappropriate risk concentration. The fund has exposure to listed securities worldwide.

Risk Profile

Risk Level: **Low** **Low-Medium** **Medium** **Med-High** **High**

The risk category shown is not guaranteed and may change over time. The lowest category does not mean the investment is risk free. There may be other special areas of risk relating to the investment including liquidity risk, credit risk, market risk, and settlement risk. IDS Management Company (RF) (Pty) Ltd, ("the manager"), and the investment manager do not render financial advice. Our risk indicator does not imply that the portfolio is suitable for all types of investors. You are advised to consult your financial adviser.

Fund Details

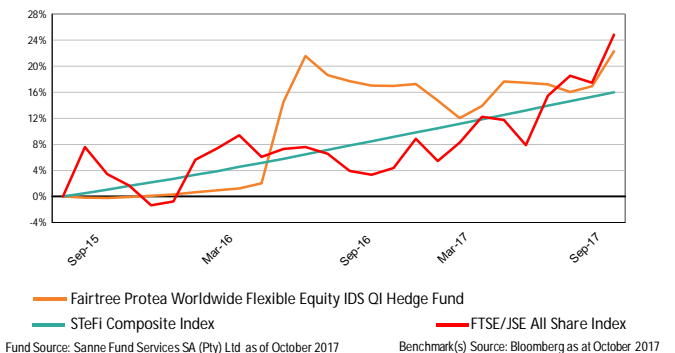
Investment Manager:	Fairtree Capital (Pty) Limited	Fund size (in Millions):	R 123.8
Portfolio Manager:	Jean Pierre Verster	Benchmark:	This portfolio does not follow a benchmark
Inception Date:	October 2015	Analysis Currency:	ZAR
CISCA Inception Date:	September 2016	Minimum Investment:	R1 000 000 Lump sum
Cost Ratios (incl. VAT):		Income Distribution:	
Total Expense Ratio (TER%):	2.37%	Distribution Frequency:	Last day of February & December
Transactions Costs Ratio (TC%):	0.66%	Payment:	No later than 14 days after distribution date.
Total Investment Charges (TIC%):	3.03%	Distribution Total for the past 12 months:	0.00 cpu for February 2017
Fees:	Initial Fee - Adviser (incl. VAT): 0% - 3.42%	Domicile:	South Africa
	Annual Base Fee: 1% (excl. VAT)	Fund Structure:	CIS Trust
	Performance fee: 20% of the total performance (after deductions of the annual base fee) above the high water mark, subject to a hurdle rate of 3 month JIBAR (excl. VAT). The Performance Fee is uncapped	Fund Category:	Equity Long-Short

Increase in NAV Attributable to Investors

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2015										-0.17%	-0.04%	0.16%	-0.05%
2016	0.19%	0.20%	0.34%	0.27%	0.28%	0.78%	12.26%	6.15%	-2.42%	-0.78%	-0.59%	-0.04%	17.02%
2017	0.25%	-2.16%	-2.34%	1.68%	3.30%	-0.18%	-0.20%	-0.98%	0.74%	4.60%			4.57%

*The inception date for the portfolio is 01 October 2015. The historical performance figures until the end of 31 August 2016 reflect performance achieved prior to CISCA regulation. The portfolio has been transitioned under CISCA regulations on 01 September 2016 and has since been managed as a regulated product. The annualized total return is the average return earned by an investment each year over a given time period, since date of the launch of the fund. Actual annual figures are available from the manager on request. The highest and lowest 1 year returns represent the highest and lowest actual returns achieved during a 12 month rolling period year since the original launch date of the portfolio. The performance figures given show the yield on a Net Asset value ("NAV") basis. The yield figure is not a forecast. Performance is not guaranteed and investors should not accept it as representing expected future performance. Individual investor performance may differ as a result of initial fees, time of entry/actual investment date, date of reinvestment, and dividends withholding tax. Performance is calculated for a lump sum investment on a Net Asset Value basis. The performance figures are reported net of fees with income reinvested. Jean Pierre Verster took over as portfolio manager from 1 September 2016 and the performance before September 2016 does not necessarily reflect his investment style and approach.

Cumulative Performance Since Inception



Investment Performance Summary

	Fairtree Protea Worldwide Flexible Equity IDS QI Hedge Fund	FTSE/JSE All Share Index	SteFi Composite Index	Fairtree Protea Worldwide Flexible Equity IDS QI Hedge Fund	FTSE/JSE All Share Index	SteFi Composite Index
Performance comparison						
Inception date	Oct-15	Oct-15	Oct-15			
Current month	Oct-17	Oct-17	Oct-17			
Total period (No. months)	25	25	25			
Analysis currency	ZAR	ZAR	ZAR			
Return analysis						
Return for current month	4.60%	6.26%	0.62%			
Total return (since inception)	22.31%	24.84%	16.01%			
Average annualised return (since inception)	10.15%	11.24%	7.39%			
Current 12 month rolling return	3.91%	20.11%	7.60%			
Best 12 month rolling return	18.62%	20.11%	7.71%			
Worst 12 month rolling return	-4.52%	-3.42%	7.15%			
Consistency analysis						
% Up months (since inception)	56.00%	56.00%	100.00%			
% Up months (last 12 months)	41.67%	58.33%	100.00%			
Standard deviation (since inception - annualised for periods > 12 mths)	10.38%	11.73%	0.13%			
Risk analysis						
Downside deviation (since inception - annualised Risk free)	3.14%	5.40%	0.06%			
Largest monthly drawdown	-2.42%	-3.86%	n/a			
Average monthly drawdown	-0.90%	-2.13%	n/a			
Largest cumulative drawdown	-7.84%	-8.33%	n/a			
Risk/return analysis						
Total gain / Total loss	3.15	2.01	n/a			
Average gain / Largest loss	0.92	0.87	n/a			
Average gain / Average loss	2.47	1.58	n/a			
Sharpe ratio (since inception - annualised for periods > 12 mths)	0.30	0.36	0.12			
Sortino ratio (since inception - annualised for periods > 12 mths)	0.98	0.78	0.19			
Market correlation						
Index correlation (ALSI)	0.12	(Monthly)				
Index correlation (ALSI)	0.45	(Daily)				

Please note: All fund returns quoted net of fees

Objective and Investment Strategy

Portfolio Objective

The long-term objective of the fund is to compound investment returns, after all fees, at an above-average rate when compared to other equity funds (both active and passive), while avoiding deeply negative returns over any 12-month rolling period.

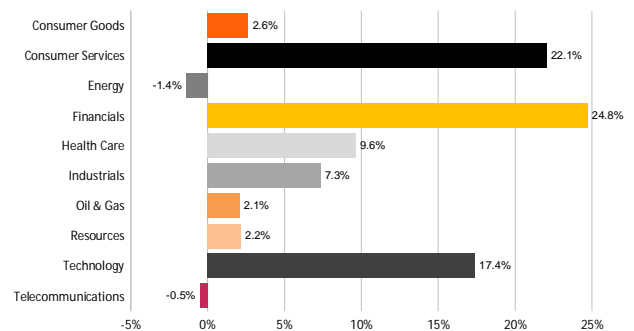
Investment Strategy

The fund's core strategy is to be long undervalued equities and short overvalued equities, whilst ensuring that there is sufficient diversification to guard against inappropriate risk concentration. The equities are selected by following a 'quantamental' investment approach, combining traditional fundamental analysis with quantitative investment techniques, which assists the portfolio manager in avoiding behavioural biases as it relates to investment decision-making.

Asset Allocation

8.9% SA Equity, 56.7% SA Equity CFD, -28.0% SA Option, 48.6% SWAP, -9.0% SA Bond

Sector Allocation



Portfolio Valuation & Transaction Cut-Off

Portfolios are valued monthly. The cut off time for processing investment subscription is 10:00am on the last day of the month prior to enable processing for investment on the first day of the next month.

Total Expense Ratio

A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER may not necessarily be an accurate indication of future TER's. Transaction Costs are a necessary cost in administering the financial product and impacts financial product 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 financial product, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER. The TER is reported excluding performance fees for the first 12 months of the portfolio. The Manager has applied its mind hereto and is of the view that any reporting of TER with performance fee at this stage may be inaccurate and potentially misleading to investors.

Market Commentary

The fund performed well for the month of October, but not quite as well as the All-Share Index's total return of 6.26%, which was driven by the Mining/Resources sector, where we have little exposure, as well as Naspers, which rose by 18% for the month. The Rand weakened 4.2% against the US Dollar, benefitting us, given our material offshore (non-South African) exposure.

The breadth of the recent market rally has been quite narrow, meaning that it has been driven by a small number of large companies. This makes it particularly difficult for an active manager, who would not have the same concentration as the index in certain stocks, to outperform in this environment. Furthermore, our natural aversion to being long the Mining/Resources sector, given its long-term economics, means that we have incurred the opportunity cost of missing out on the majority of the recent local market rally.

Our performance for the month was generated across various sources, with our South African Longs, US Dollar Longs and Special Situations making meaningful contributions. Our South African Shorts and most Foreign Shorts detracted from performance, as did our Bearish Options positions, which is not unexpected for such a strong month.

While it doesn't feel like fun to miss out, experience has taught us that FOMO (the Fear Of Missing Out) often leads to regret. We are sticking to our tried and tested 'Quantamental' process of being long above-average companies at reasonable prices and short mediocre companies at expensive prices, whilst ensuring sufficient diversification. We continue to add automated individual company valuation models to our database on a daily basis, assisting us in finding attractive investment opportunities on both the long and the short side worldwide.

Please note: The above commentary is based on reasonable assumptions and is not guaranteed to occur.

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Glossary

NAV: The net asset value represents the assets of a Fund less its liabilities.

Alpha: Denoted the outperformance of the Fund over the benchmark.

Sharpe Ratio: The Sharpe ratio is used to indicate the excess return the portfolio delivers over the risk free rate per unit of risk adopted by the fund.

Sortino Ratio: the Sortino Ratio is used to measure the risk-adjusted return of the fund.

Standard Deviation: The deviation of the return stream relative to its own average

Max Drawdown: The maximum peak to trough loss suffered by the Fund since inception.

Max Gain: Largest increase in any single month.

% Positive Month: The percentage of months since inception where the Fund has delivered positive return.

Average Duration: The weighted average duration of all the underlying interest bearing instruments in the Fund.

Average Credit quality: The weighted average credit quality of all the underlying interest bearing instruments in the Fund (internally calculated).

Dividend Yield: The weighted average dividend yield of all the underlying equity in the Fund. The dividend yield of each company is the dividends per share divided by the price.

PE Ratio: The weighted average price earnings ratio of all the underlying equity in the Fund. The price earnings ratio of each company is the price divided by the earnings per share.

High Water Mark: The highest level of performance achieved over a specified period.

Total Expense Ratio (TER%): The Total Expense Ratio (TER) is the percentage of the net asset value of the class of the Financial Product incurred as expenses relating to the administration of the Financial Product.

Performance fee incl. in TER (%) PF (%): The Performance Fee is a payment made to the Investment Manager for generating positive returns, and is generally calculated as a percentage of investment profits, often both realized and unrealized.

Transactions Costs Ratio (TC%): The Transaction Costs (TC) is the percentage of the net asset value of the Financial Product incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the assets underlying the Financial Product.

Total Investment Charges (TIC%) = TER (%) + TC (%): The Total Investment Charges (TIC), the TER + the TC, is the percentage of the net asset value of the class of the Financial Product incurred as costs relating to the investment of the Financial Product. It should be noted that a TIC is the sum of two calculated ratios (TER+TC).

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