

# Momentum Global Balanced Fund (Class A)

Month ended 30 April 2019

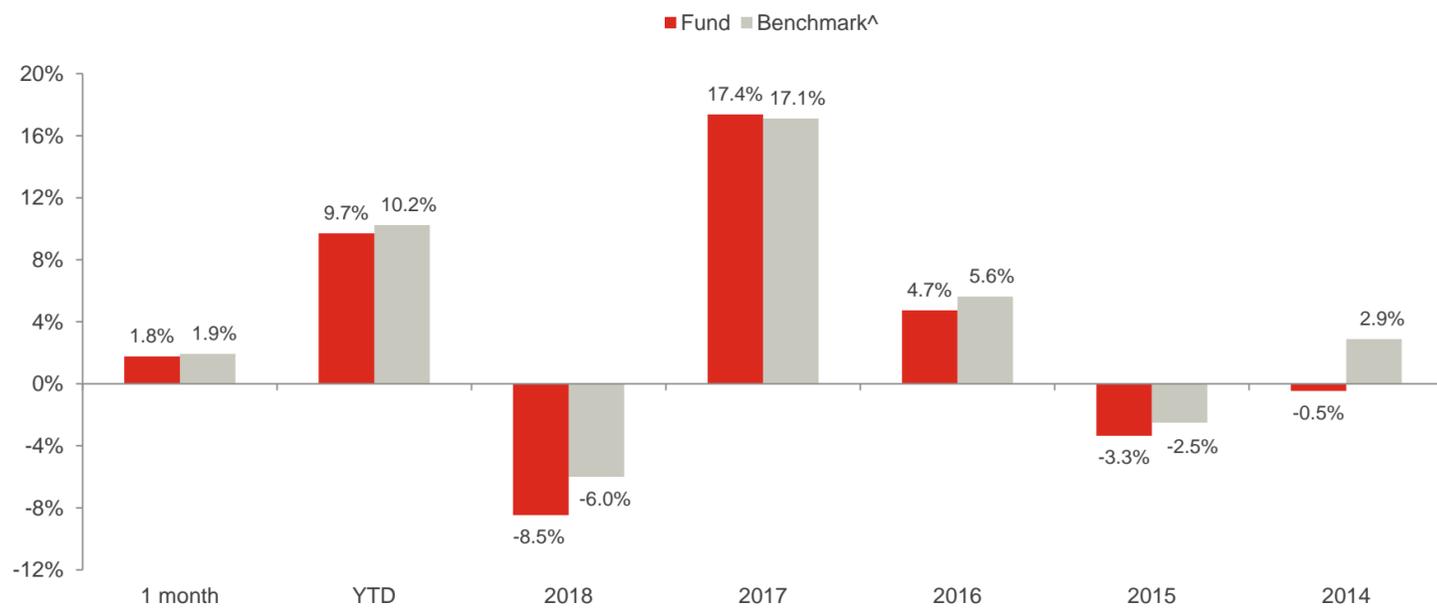
## Fund details\*

Investment manager: <b>Momentum Global Investment Management</b>	Investment timeframe: <b>3 years+</b>	Currency: <b>USD</b>
Minimum subscription: <b>USD 7,500</b>	Subscriptions / redemptions: <b>daily</b>	Initial fee: <b>none</b>
Inception date (investment strategy): <b>30 September 2004</b>	Inception date (fund): <b>18 April 2007</b>	Price per share: <b>USD 1.4107</b>
Benchmark: <b>60% MSCI AC World, 40% ICE BofAML Global Broad Market</b>		

## Investment objective

The primary objective of the Fund is to provide a balance between capital preservation and capital growth over the full investment cycle in local currency terms with a reduced level of volatility. The diversified portfolio invests into a wide range of asset classes including cash, fixed income, high yield, equities, property and alternative investment strategies. As this portfolio is global in nature, exposure will be taken in a wide range of currencies and markets. The Fund is ideally suited to investors with a medium risk tolerance with an investment horizon of three years or longer.

## Fund performance



**Past performance is not indicative of future returns. The fund performance is calculated on a total return basis, net of all fees and in US dollar terms.**

^ With effect from 01.07.18 the 40% allocation in the FTSE WBI index was replaced with the ICE BofAML Global Broad Market index. This has not been applied retrospectively.

## Top holdings

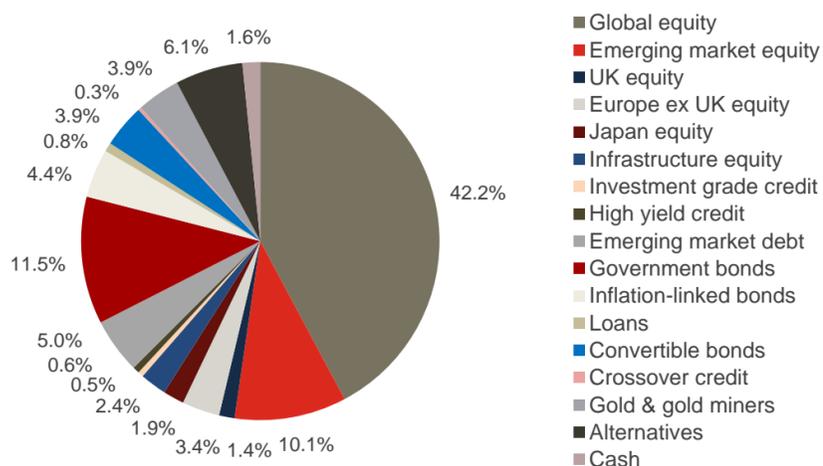
Holdings	Asset type	Weight
<sup>1</sup> US Treasury Bonds	Fixed Income	6.3%
<sup>2</sup> Robeco Global Value	Equity	5.3%
<sup>1</sup> iShares \$ Treasury Bond 7-10yr	Fixed Income	5.2%
<sup>1</sup> iShares \$ TIPS	Fixed Income	4.4%
<sup>2</sup> Jennison	Equity	4.2%
<sup>2</sup> Robeco Global Quality	Equity	3.8%
<sup>2</sup> Robeco Global Enhanced Income	Equity	3.8%
<sup>1</sup> Momentum IF Global Emerging Markets	Equity	3.6%
<sup>1</sup> iShares MSCI Emerging Markets	Equity	3.4%
<sup>2</sup> Morgan Stanley Global Brands	Equity	3.2%

<sup>1</sup> Direct holding  
<sup>2</sup> Indirectly held in the Momentum IF Global Equity Fund

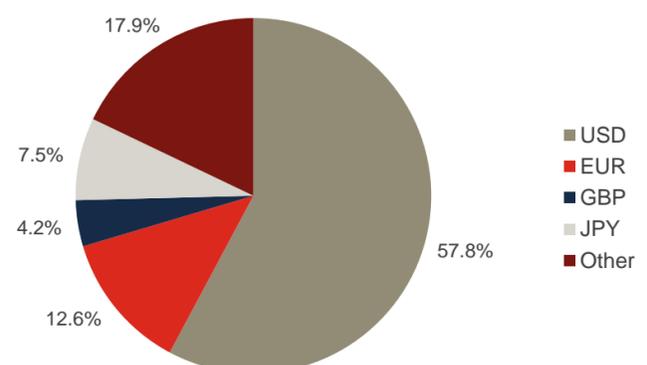
## Investment statistics (since investment strategy inception)

Current month return:	1.8%
Cumulative return:	107.9%
Annualised return:	5.1%
Annualised volatility:	10.2%

## Strategy allocation



## Currency allocation



Sources: Morningstar, Lipper Hindsight, Momentum Global Investment Management. Northern Trust International Fund Administration Services (Guernsey) Limited.

\* Please refer to the fund supplement and scheme particulars for a detailed description of fees and fund facts.

## ■ Market commentary

After an extraordinary first quarter for global financial markets, risk assets continued their rally in April. All major equity markets produced solid positive returns with developed equities again outperforming emerging markets. US equities returned 4% in US dollar terms and hit another record high late in the month. The strong performance in the US was however exceeded by Europe, advancing 4.3% in euro terms, buoyed by signs that the sharp slowdown in growth across the eurozone was stabilising. The UK equity market recorded a positive return of 2.2% but lagged global equities. Following months of heightened political uncertainty, the EU and UK agreed on an extension to the Brexit deadline until the 31st of October, removing the immediate threat of a 'no-deal' exit. China was the only market of note which slipped in April, however this followed a very strong first quarter, up close to 30%.

Within fixed income, markets were more mixed, with safe haven government bond markets in slightly negative territory. US Treasuries declined 0.3%, with the yield on the 10-year Treasury rising 10 basis points following the sharp falls in yields over the preceding five months. Credit continued to perform well, supported by encouraging economic data, with investment grade bonds and high yield producing small positive returns.

Key factors driving markets were again the Federal Reserve's policy pivot, positive signals coming from the US-China trade war negotiations and stronger-than-expected economic data. The Federal Reserve maintained its patient approach in April and indicated that any interest rate rises this year are highly unlikely. Despite leading indicators softening slightly this year, the US economy has remained firm, continuing to outperform other developed economies. US economic growth remains robust, expanding 3.2% on an annualised basis in Q1, and while unemployment has been pushed down to 3.6%, a 50-year low, inflation is still remarkably subdued.

The policy backdrop to markets has become highly supportive this year and the drop in interest rates across bond markets provides strong valuation support to equities and risk assets generally. With inflation remaining subdued this long cycle is likely to be extended. While a further slowdown in growth cannot be dismissed, recent data suggests some stabilisation and much of the slowdown has anyway been priced into markets. Risks remain, and a period of consolidation is likely after the sharp rise in markets so far this year, but we believe that the cycle has further to run and markets should make progress in the course of 2019.

Source: Bloomberg, Momentum Global Investment Management.

## ■ Risk warnings and important notes

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