

# EF FACET Balanced Discretionary Portfolio Fund

March 2019

Information in this factsheet is at the last valuation point in March 2019 (except where indicated).

## Investment Objective

The investment objective of the Fund is to provide a long-term total return above that of the UK consumer price index. The Fund will be actively managed and invest in multiple asset classes with a portfolio of transferable securities which may include investment trusts, collective investment schemes, deposits, money market instruments, derivatives and other alternative investments such as structured products, commodity and property funds. The investment manager has the discretion to weight the portfolio towards any investment type, or geographical region, at any time provided it is compatible with the investment objective, risk parameters and policy of the Fund as a whole.

## Benchmark

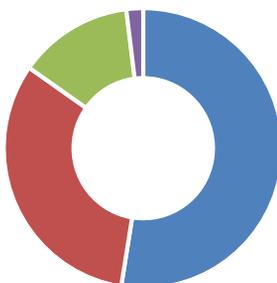
Consumer Price Index +4%

## Top 5 Holdings

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| First Fleet Alternative Opportunity Fund       | 6.74%  |
| Audley Float 23/06/2037 Corp                   | 5.89%  |
| Diversified Gas & Oil plc                      | 5.47%  |
| Ishares Dow Jones Industrial Average UCITS ETF | 4.57%  |
| Escher Marwick plc 14/11/2021                  | 4.50%  |
|  | 27.17% |

## Current Asset Allocation

|                       |       |
|-----------------------|-------|
| Mutual Funds          | 52.52 |
| Global Fixed Interest | 32.20 |
| Equities              | 13.30 |
| Money Market          | 1.95  |



Breakdown figures to 29/03/2019. FE Analytics

## Performance

|   | 3m      | 6m     | 1 year | 3 year | 5 year  |
|---|---------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| EF FACET Balanced Discretionary Portfolio B Acc | 3.3     | -1.1   | 4.1    | 16.3   | 15.6    |
| IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares               | 5.1     | -0.7   | 2.8    | 17.5   | 24.2    |
| Position  | 137/148 | 90/148 | 38/145 | 91/138 | 108/149 |
| Quartile Ranking                                | 4       | 3      | 2      | 3      | 4       |

Performance figures to 29/03/2019. FE Analytics

FACET were appointed fund advisers of the fund in November 2016

## Fund Manager-FACET

Established in 1979, FACET is a provider of investment management services to both individuals and corporate clients. Our multi-asset class portfolios give exposure to a wide variety of opportunities and help to manage risk within portfolios. Historically FACET's model portfolios have consistently outperformed numerous established benchmarks and comparable indices.

## Fund Information (B share Class)

|                     |                                  |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| Fund Size           | £19.43m                          |
| Launch Date         | 09.05.11*                        |
| IA Sector           | Unclassified                     |
| OCF                 | 1.79%                            |
| AMC                 | 0.75%                            |
| Initial/Exit Charge | Nil                              |
| Min. Investment     | £1,000 lump sum                  |
| Domicile            | UK                               |
| Legal Structure     | OEIC (NURS)                      |
| Eligible for ISA    | Yes                              |
| Income Allocation   | 30 November                      |
| Sedol Codes         | B Acc. B67JGM5<br>B Inc. B3NHHK7 |

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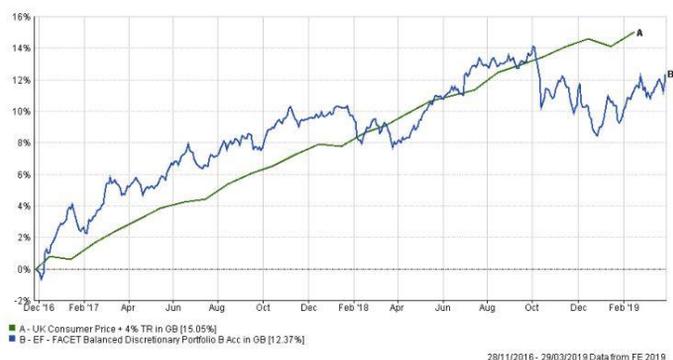
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Dealing: 0115 988 8284

Registered in England No 01931757

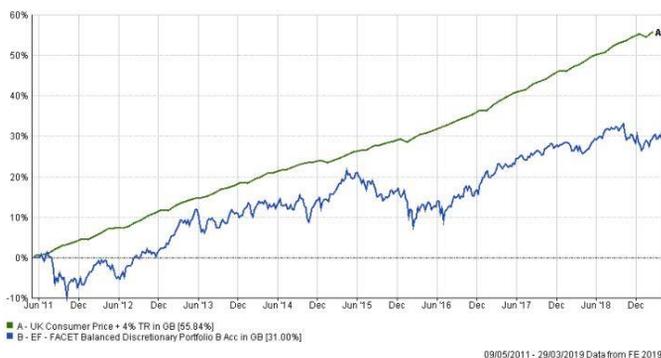
\*FACET were appointed as Fund Adviser on the 28/11/2016.

## Introducing FACET

### Performance since FACET appointed November 2016



### Performance since launch – May 2011



Source: Financial Express

### Portfolio activity and comment

Despite indications of a slowdown in the global economy in terms of manufacturing and output, the US and UK stock markets rose in March with the US S&P500 up 2.89% and the FTSE100 posting a respectable rise of 1.78%. This was due in most part by the US Federal Reserve changing their outlook for future interest rate hikes. Indeed, not only have they abandoned the prospect of further hikes, but they have indicated a willingness for inflation to be allowed to run up above their stated 2% threshold. The Bank of England has followed suit but for different reasons. Firstly, the UK retail sector appears to be struggling with the shift to online shopping and, secondly, the political chaos surrounding the failure of the UK to leave the EU all but rules out any thought of interest rates rising anytime soon. It is an interesting balance given that both the US and UK economies are holding up rather well. February US unemployment fell to 3.8% and the UK January unemployment 3.9%. Furthermore, both are still seeing rising wages – up 3.4% annualised in the UK. The eurozone has problems of its own, both political and economic, and the European Central Bank has kicked the prospect of raising rates, previously summer, into 2020. The problem within the eurozone is more acute as negative interest rates are harming the profitability of banks. Both the outlook for the economy and the possible central bank reaction to it relatively benign, but finely balanced. Consequently, the FACET investment team is keeping the fund well diversified whilst watching the central banks closely. The fund rose 0.93% in March.

### Key investment managers

**John Richard Mitchell** - John has a career spanning over 40 years in both equities and bonds managing risk at Credit Suisse and Royal London where he also created their first geared fund. John was also involved in the founding of Newland Financial where he was the compliance director.

**Chris Fernyhough** – Chris has over 15 years experience managing multi-asset portfolios. Prior to becoming Managing Director of FACET, Chris worked at WH Ireland establishing their Bristol office. He also worked at Newland in the wealth management division. He holds a distinction in the PCIAM exam and is a Chartered Wealth Manager as well as holding Chartered FCSI status with the CISI.

**Christian Holland** - Christian has over 30 years in the City. He managed Japanese equities for 16 years, initially with Provident Mutual. He has also managed multi-asset portfolios with UBS Wealth Management, Cavendish and TAM Asset Management where he also developed ethical portfolios. Christian has been regularly featured in the media with appearances on TV and radio.

**Alex Young** - Alex has been in Financial Services with FACET for 20 years. He is a qualified IFA as well as holding IMC, a certificate in Discretionary Investment Management, a certificate in Securities Advice and Dealing and a diploma in Technical Analysis. Alex's expertise in volatility analysis and technical analysis underpins the investment approach of the fund.

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