# Conservative Absolute Growth Fund

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Risk profile of the fund

Moderate risk

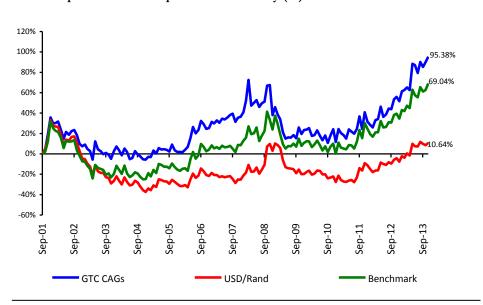
#### Investment mandate and objective

The Rand-based international conservative balanced fund comprises diversified asset classes and investment strategies, with a low to medium exposure to equities and absolute return managers. The fund includes multiple specialized managers, through various geographic locations, which culminate in a low to medium risk fund. The fund aims to achieve an absolute return of cash plus 3%, over rolling 3 year periods. The fund is priced in South African Rand.

Investment features: Rand-based international exposure

Multiple asset class exposure Diversified investment strategies

#### Since inception cumulative performance history (%)



#### **Fund Facts**

Manager: Inception date: Benchmark:

Coronation International September '01 Composite Benchmark consists of:

35% MSCI World Index[ZAR], 20% S&P Global Property Index[ZAR], 25% Citigroup World Government Bond Index[ZAR], 20% US T-Bills[ZAR]

Absolute return target:

The absolute return target on this fund is to attain growth in excess of 6.5% per year in US Dollar terms

#### Performance history (%)

	3 Month	6 Month	1 Year	2 Year*	3 Year*	5 Year*	Since inception
CAGs Fund	2.72	3.66	25.36	17.81	16.29	3.11	5.62
Composite Benchmark**	2.11	3.68	21.19	13.98	15.37	4.86	4.98
Absolute Target Return <sup>1</sup>	0.23	3.25	21.49	15.98	18.21	5.28	6.60
ZAR/USD	-1.01	0.70	15.55	10.32	12.44	0.16	1.41

<sup>\*</sup>Annualised

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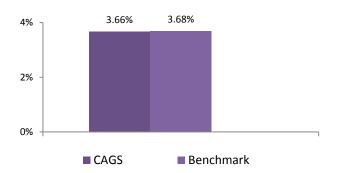


<sup>\*\*</sup>Composite Benchmark came into use on 1 Oct 09 and consists of 35% MSCI World Index [ZAR], 20% S&P Global Property Index [ZAR], 25% Citigroup World Government Bond Index [ZAR], 20% US T-Bills [ZAR]. Prior to 1 Oct 09 the benchmark used was US 3-month T-Bills x2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The absolute return target on this fund is to attain growth in excess of 6.5% per year in US Dollar All performances shown are one month in arrears except for the Rand Dollar exchange rate The composite benchmark has been adjusted for fees

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### 6 month performances (%)



#### Strategy allocation as at 31 October 2013 (%)



#### Top 10 holdings

As at 30 September 2013	
Anheuser-Busch Inbev	
Apple Inc	
Coca-Cola	
Dollar General Corp.	
Google Inc	
Heineken	
Nestle	
Porsche Automobil	
Unilever	
Walmart Stores	

### Portfolio Comment

Over the past 3 years, the fund return has exceeded the benchmark over all reporting periods. This is largely attributable to the higher returns achieved in global equities and fixed income.

A major portion of the returns achieved can be attributed to the depreciation of the rand over the past year. This decline in the local currency has enabled the fund to deliver stellar returns, especially over the past 3 years. The manager has focused the fund on developed market equity, which has delivered strong performances on the back of sustainable growth in their economies.

The fund has diversified exposures including equity, fixed income, property, commodities and cash. Although cash is delivering very little return, it has helped stabilise the fund when markets behaved irrationally.

The developed markets have shown strong gains in recent months as investors see opportunity in established blue chip companies.

The fund has maintained a conservative investment approach and has been cautious in allocating capital to volatile asset classes. The exposure to commodities, cash and property are based on diversification and additional return sources.