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Quarterly Report: Nedgroup Investments Select Equity Fund of Funds

as at 30 June 2022

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Domestic asset class returns (ZAR)



SA Equity

-11.7%

Q2 2022

4.7% 1 year

8.2% 3 years

12.3% LT average

The Naspers / Prosus recovery was of the top performers, while resources were the biggest losers

SA Property

-11.6%

Q2 2022

0.2% 1 year

-9.0% 3 years

11.8% LT average

Weakness was broad-based, but Growthpoint and Redefine were the largest detractors

SA Bond

-3.7%

Q2 2022

1.3% 1 year

5.8% 3 years

6.9% LT average

SA yields were impacted by the negative global environment and the rising domestic inflation backdrop

SA Cash

1.1%

Q2 2022

3.8% 1 year

4.5% 3 years

5.9% LT average

The repo rate was increased by 75bps to 4.75% this quarter



Global asset class returns (USD)



Global Equity

-15.5%

Q2 2022

-15.4% 1 year

6.7% 3 years

10.2% LT average

Tech-heavy Nasdaq fared the worst and EU struggled due to higher inflation and vulnerability to recession

Global Property

-17.2%

Q2 2022

-12.7% 1 year

-0.2% 3 years

5.8% LT average

Rising rates, inflation pressure and recession fears weighed heavily on REITs, particularly offices and regional malls

Global Bond

-8.3%

Q2 2022

-15.3% 1 year

-3.2% 3 years

1.6% LT average

Global bond market volatility remained elevated and yields pushed higher in the global rising rate trend

US Cash

0.4%

Q2 2022

0.6% 1 year

0.8% 3 years

4.3% LT average

US inflation for May surprised to the upside at 8.6% and US Fed hiked rates by 1.25% in the quarter



Exchange rates (Rand spot rate and quarterly change)



US Dollar R16.38

11%

The US dollar was the main beneficiary of the current market environment. With talks about a looming recession, investors sought refuge in the safety of the dollar. After a resilient first quarter, the rand depreciated 11.4% to the dollar in the second quarter, with the state of the local economy exacerbated by Eskom power cuts.



British Pound R19.90

5%

The Bank of England (BoE) hiked rates for a fifth time since December 2021 just a day after the US Fed announced their 75bps rate hike in June. Inflation rose to 9.1% in May from 9% in April, consumer confidence has fallen further and the BoE now expect GDP to fall by 0.3% in the second quarter as a whole.



Euro R17.13

3%

The European Central Bank (ECB) confirmed in June that it will raise rates by 0.25% in July, in line with most market participant expectations. High inflation is a major challenge as the ECB expects inflation to remain undesirably high for the next few years at 6.8% in 2022, 3.5% in 2023 and 2.1% in 2024.

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Domestic performance drivers



Highlights

- First quarter GDP printed at 1,9%, exceeding market expectations, with the economy now back at pre-COVID levels. The expansion was broad based, with strong contributions from the manufacturing and trade sector, and robust consumer spending as the economy reopened.
- Eskom announced 18 winning bids for renewable projects in Mpumalanga, which will lease land from Eskom and generate an estimated 1800MW of energy to be wheeled across the grid. While this will not alleviate the immediate energy crisis, it is illustrative of the energy reforms slowly being enacted. It was also constructive to note that the first two private projects for generation below 100MW was approved in May, both solar, marking a milestone in energy reforms and better prospects.



Low points

- Eskom loadshedding intensified significantly towards the end of June as striking workers impaired the ability to provide secure electricity supply to the country
- In addition, weak prints for mining and manufacturing production in April confirming the disruption and damage from the flooding in KwaZulu Natal, strikes in the mining sector and persistent loadshedding will result in weak GDP growth figures for the second quarter.
- Headline inflation surprised to the upside at 6,5% y-o-y in May, a breach of the 6% upper target of the SA Reserve Bank and the highest figure since 2017.



Global performance drivers



Highlights

- Based on recent survey data, stimulus measures seem to be helping and we have seen improving PMI numbers.
- Covid-19 restrictions have been relaxed in many countries, providing some relief to previously constrained sectors like hospitality and entertainment. Capacity constraints, mask-wearing and testing requirements are some examples of the relaxed restrictions.
- In May, European Central Bank President (ECB) Christine Lagarde provided a rare explicit forward policy guidance, by saying that the Eurozone policy rate was likely to be positive (currently at -0.5%) by the end of the third quarter this year.



Low points

- High food and energy prices remain two of the biggest drivers of high inflation figures, with the war between Russia-Ukraine and pandemic restrictions in China keeping pricing pressure elevated.
- Losses were not confined to traditional 'risk' assets with notable swings in fixed income markets as investors grappled with a changing landscape of base-rate expectations.
- The Chinese economy remains under significant strain due to Covid-induced lockdowns.

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Fund overview

Max equity

100%

Time frame

Min **7** years

Benchmark

Inflation
+6.5%

Peer group

SA Multi-Asset
Flexible

Regulation 28

Non-Compliant

Risk profile

1

2

3

4

5



Underlying fund structure



20% SA only
passive



20% SA only

Truffle
Asset Management

20% incl. Foreign

CORONATION
FUND MANAGERS

20% incl. Foreign

Ninety
One

20% incl. Foreign



Fund costs (C – clean class)

Management fee* (Excl. Vat)

1.09%

Total expense ratio

1.75%

Transaction charges

0.15%

Total investment charges

1.89%



Benefits of the Select range

Simple, low-cost
Solution



Diversified across
Asset classes



Passive and active
underlying investments



Quarterly
Rebalanced



Tax
Efficient



Ongoing
Due diligence



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Sector allocation

Basic Materials



26.4%

Financials



21.8%

Communication Services



16.5%

Consumer Cyclical



11.3%

Consumer Defensive



8.6%

Health Care



4.5%



Regional exposure



40%

PURE SA



50%

RAND HEDGES



10%

DIRECT FOREIGN



Top ten holdings



6.5%



NASPERS

6.1%



ANGLO
AMERICAN

6.0%



FirstRand

4.5%



BRITISH AMERICAN
TOBACCO

4.2%

RICHEMONT

4.0%



SASOL

4.0%



3.6%

GLENCORE

3.5%



3.1%

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Fund performance (clean class)

Q2'22 return

-7.1%

Peer group average: -9.1%

1yr annualised return

5.8%

Peer group average: 6.4%

3yr annualised return

6.2%

Peer group average: 7.1%

5yr annualised return

4.7%

Peer group average: 6.1%

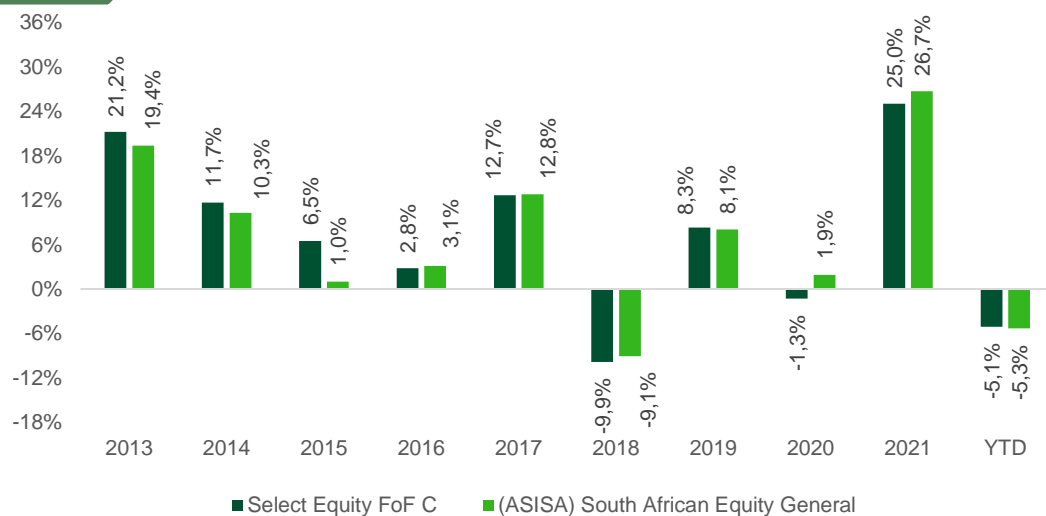
7yr annualised return

3.9%

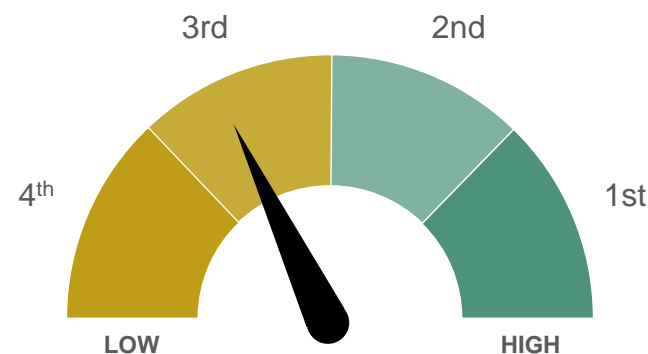
Peer group average: 4.4%



Calendar year performance



Peer group quartile ranking: 7yr



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As the Fund is managed in accordance with the requirements of the (ASISA) SA Equity General peer group, this is used for comparative purposes

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Risk measures since inception

Rolling 7yr return

91%

Hit rate: outperforming
peer group average

Volatility

12,9%

SA equity market: 15.1%

Max drawdown

-29.9%

SA equity market: -40.4%

Sharpe ratio

0.2

SA equity market: 0.3

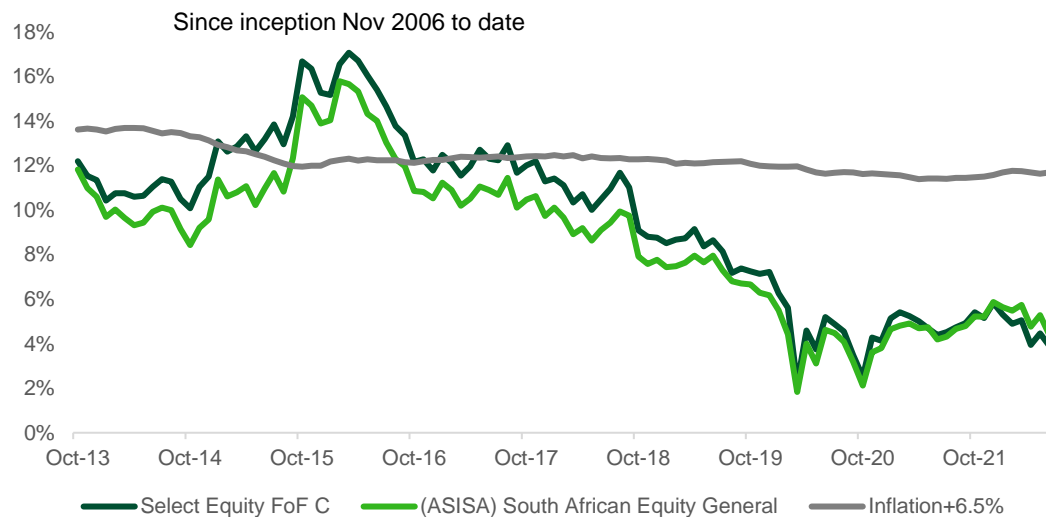
% Positive months

65%

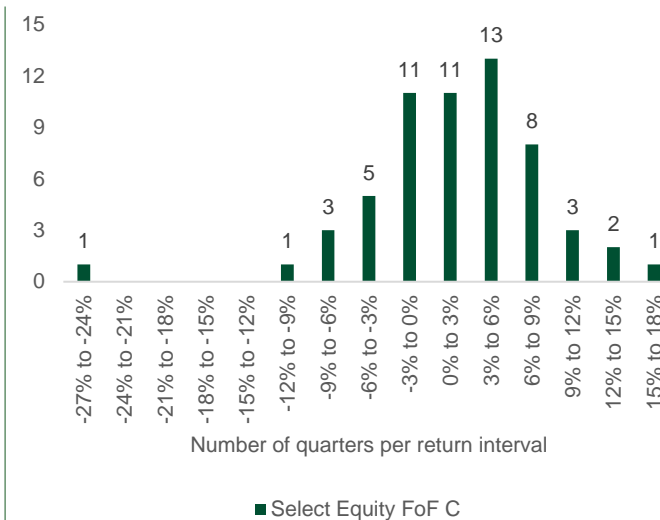
SA equity market: 61%



Rolling 7-year annualised return



Quarterly return distribution



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Underlying fund performance

Key	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	YTD
Satrix ALSI Tracker	3,6%	20,3%	-2,4%	16,9%	14,2%	13,6%	0.6%
Coronation Equity	1,8%	18,5%	-6,5%	16,6%	13,3%	13,0%	-0.4%
Ninety One Equity	1,2%	17,3%	-7,5%	13,6%	10,9%	12,4%	-8.4%
Truffle SCI General Equity	-3,9%	12,0%	-9,2%	11,4%	6,3%	11,9%	-9.4%
Nedgroup Investments SA Equity	-4,1%	10,5%	-12,8%	7,4%	0,0%	26,4%	-15.6%



Positive contributors this quarter

- Naspers (+43% in Q2'22) and Prosus (+33% in Q2'22) had a strong rebound in June on the back of their announcement of a new open-ended share-repurchase programme financed by Prosus' sale of Tencent shares.
- Many defensive shares have held up well relative to the market, in particular British American Tobacco (+14% in Q2'22), given its low valuation, while Sasol (+5% in Q2'22) benefitted from the c.\$10/barrel increase in oil price this quarter.
- Medi-Clinic (+30% in Q2'22) also contributed meaningfully to performance.
- The rand depreciated by 11.4% relative to the US dollar this quarter, contributing to the offshore assets held in US dollar, as well as locally listed rand hedged stocks.



Detractors this quarter

- Among the largest detractors for the quarter are domestic resources, and financial holdings, against the backdrop of non-energy commodity price weakness and downgrades to economic growth expectations.
- The largest detractors in the resource sector were Anglo American (-25% in Q2'22) and Impala Platinum (-20%), and in the financials sector Standard Bank (-13%), Absa (-17%) and Firststrand (-19%).
- Similarly, MTN (-31% in Q2'22) and Foschini Group (-17%), delivered weak returns this quarter.

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Allan Gray was introduced on the 1st of October 2018 and subsequently switched for Satrix ALSI Tracker at the end of December 2020.

The Nedgroup Investments Value fund merged with Nedgroup Investments SA Equity 4th June 2021, managed by Laurium Capital.

The Nedgroup Investments Rainmaker fund was replaced with the Truffle SCI General Equity fund on 5 January 2022.

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Performance across classes

	A Class (all in)	B2 Class (lisp)	C Class (clean)	C1 Class (product)	S Class (sip)	Peer group	SA inflation
Quarter	-7,4%	-7,1%	-7,1%	-7,2%	-7,2%	-9,1%	2,3%
1 year	4,6%	6,0%	5,8%	5,7%	5,8%	6,4%	6,5%
3 year	4,9%	6,3%	6,2%	6,0%	N/A	7,1%	4,6%
5 year	3,5%	4,9%	4,7%	N/A	N/A	6,1%	4,5%



Costs across classes

	Management fee* (excl. Vat)	Financial planner	Total expense ratio	Transaction Charges	Total investment charges
A class (all-in)	2.39%	1.00%	2.89%	0.15%	3.04%
B2 class (lisp)	1.24%	N/a	1.57%	0.15%	1.72%
C class (clean)	1.39%	N/a	1.75%	0.15%	1.89%
C1 class (product)	1.54%	N/a	1.92%	0.15%	2.07%
S class (sip)*	1.13%	N/a	1.85%	0.15%	2.01%

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