# **Fund Fact Sheet**

# Mergence Capped SWIX Fund

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#### **OVERVIEW**

**Equity Risk Profile** 

Fund Purpose Investment Style

Benchmark
Investment Vehicle

Inception date Number of Months Fund Size

Minimum Investment Management Fee

Performance fees

Low Moderate

Generate capital growth over the long term

Relative Return

FTSE/JSE Capped Shareholder Weighted Index

[Capped SWIX]

Segregated / Pooled February 2017 75

R 2.257 billion

R 50 million (none for pooled)

Subject to mandate (usually between 0.45%

and 0.75% per annum)

Negotiable

#### **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

High

The Mergence Capped SWIX Fund aims to provide investors with capital growth over the long term. The objective is to achieve returns that are in excess of the FTSE/JSE Capped Shareholder Weighted Index [Capped SWIX] over any three-year rolling period. The fund is managed as a core mandate targeting maximum active returns relative to tracking error volatility.

Our philosophy of pragmatism underlines our approach to investing in equities, and thus the Fund's objective to be a consistent generator of alpha through cycles. We embrace a style agnostic approach given the cyclicality in the performance of a strong bias to either value or growth styles. Our investment process is based on detailed bottom-up fundamental analysis where we dig deeper to understand the quality of business models and management teams. We aim to invest mainly in high quality businesses that are trading at a discount to our assessment of fair value, while taking selective exposure to cheap average quality businesses that have a clear value unlock process. Our equity investment process is comprehensive, proprietary research driven and long term focused.

#### **INVESTOR PROFILE**

#### The Fund is suitable for investors:

- who seek specialist South African equity exposure as part of their overall investment strategy;
- · who believe long term equity exposure adds value;
- who know the nature of equity exposure, in that there is entry risk and the potential of capital loss.

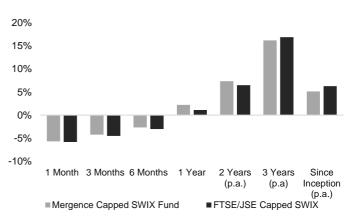
#### **CARBON FOOTPRINT**

The Mergence Capped SWIX Fund is conscious of its carbon footprint and is actively encouraging improved disclosure and carbon management across all JSE listed companies. The Mergence Capped SWIX Fund's Carbon Footprint is available on request.

Fund

2.23%

# PERIODIC RETURNS



## PERFORMANCE\*\* SUMMARY

Tracking Error

	2.2070			
Information Ratio	-0.51			
1 Month	-5.65%	-5.81%	0.16%	
3 Months	-4.20%	-4.48%	0.28%	
6 Months	-2.67%	-3.00%	0.33%	
1 Year	2.21%	1.11%	1.10%	
2 Years (p.a.)	7.32%	6.46%	0.86%	
3 Years (p.a)	16.15%	16.84%	-0.69%	
Since Inception (p.a.)	5.14%	6.28%	-1.14%	
Year	Fund	Capped SWIX	Active Return	
2023 (TD)	0.29%	-0.20%	0.48%	
2022	4.81%	4.41%	0.40%	
2021	26.32%	27.08%	-0.76%	
2020	-1.99%	0.58%	-2.56%	
2019	3.71%	6.75%	-3.04%	

## **TOP TEN HOLDINGS**

	% of Equity	% of Total
Naspers	9.53%	9.34%
Firstrand	7.61%	7.47%
British American Tobacco	6.26%	6.14%
Richemont	5.36%	5.26%
Prosus	5.24%	5.14%
MTN	4.91%	4.82%
Standard Bank	3.71%	3.64%
Sasol	3.65%	3.58%
Gold Fields	3.59%	3.52%
Aspen	3.52%	3.45%

Capped SWIX Active Return

<sup>\*\*</sup> Returns are quoted gross of fees. Please also note that there are risks associated with financial products and past performance is not necessarily an indication of future performance.

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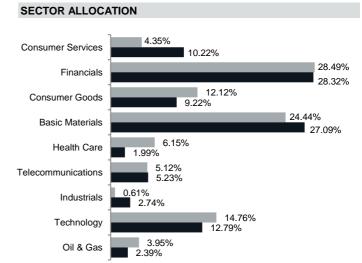
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### **MONTHLY RETURNS**

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
2023	7.12%	-2.28%	-1.91%	3.52%	-5.65%	0011	002	7100	OL.	001	1101	DEG
2022	2.73%	1.68%	0.88%	-3.60%	1.23%	-6.17%	2.68%	-1.14%	-4.24%	5.07%	9.59%	-2.95%
2021	3.09%	4.94%	3.64%	0.44%	2.36%	-2.63%	2.49%	3.37%	0.03%	1.84%	-0.54%	4.84%
2020	-3.00%	-9.39%	-16.39%	14.06%	-0.93%	7.66%	1.00%	-0.84%	0.04%	-4.89%	10.42%	4.19%
2019	2.47%	1.37%	-0.14%	5.33%	-4.19%	2.32%	-3.57%	-2.92%	0.05%	2.97%	-1.45%	1.86%
2018	0.05%	-0.23%	-4.03%	3.74%	-4.20%	0.41%	1.73%	0.35%	-4.54%	-4.54%	-1.11%	2.73%

# **INVESTMENT PROFESSIONALS**



Peter Takaendesa, BCom Hons (Economics), MCom (Econ), MCom (Finance & Econometrics)

Head: Equities

Peter joined Mergence in 2014 as a Senior Equity Investment Analyst specialising in the TMT sector. He became a portfolio manager in 2016 and head of the listed equities team in 2019. Peter has over 15 years' experience in the financial services industry, having worked for several global investment banks. He won ABSIP equity analyst of the year in 2011 and has worked as a university lecturer in economics.



Izak van Niekerk, BAcc Hons, CA (SA)

Portfolio Manager

Izak brings over 15 years of financial services experience to his role as Portfolio Manager at Mergence. He co-managed portfolios from November 2019 to December 2022, having joined the team in 2011 as an equity research analyst and dealer. His current focus encompasses resources, beverages, luxury goods, and healthcare. His background extends to being an investment committee member in private markets and an audit manager at PwC prior to joining Mergence.

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