# **Hybrid Passive Managed Service**

# **Balanced Strategy**

August 2019

# **Key information**

#### Strategy details

Start date 15 June 2015 Minimum initial investment (direct) £20,000 Minimum initial investment (platform) £1,000 Rebalancing strategy (minimum) Quarterly £ GBP Currency 0.75% + VAT Annual management charge (direct) Annual management charge (platform) 0.30% + VAT \* Annual yield (current) 2.01%

#### **Benchmark**

ARC Sterling Balanced Asset PCI

# **Annualised volatility and OCF**

5.12% **Bordier Balanced** Ongoing charges figures ('OCF') 0.39%

Annualised 3-year volatility data as at 31/08/19 - Source: FE Analytics

#### **Investment update - August**

Although the press 'silly season' is drawing to a close, President Trump fittingly continues to dominate headlines. His tweets at the beginning of August stating that the U.S. would put an additional 10% tariff on \$300 billion in imports from China had marked consequences; Chinese exports to America fell by 16% in August whilst Chinese imports of US good fell by around 22%. The US/China trade tensions had further consequence on world equity markets, with increased volatility leading to markets recording their second negative monthly period of the year. Talks of recession have also contributed to volatility as President Trump ramps up the pressure on the US Federal Reserve to cut interest rates to stave off any potential threat. Closer to home, Brexit continues to act as a headwind. The initial lurch towards a 'no-deal' Brexit and subsequent political upheaval has brought the situation into greater focus and contributed to a further decline in the pound and increased uncertainty in financial markets. With the aforementioned headwinds coming to the fore, no changes were made to the Balanced strategy during August as we maintain our neutral stockmarket exposure, which continues to reflect both the longer-term opportunity and shorter-term uncertainty that is currently being presented.

## **Discretionary manager**

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#### **Hybrid Passive Managed Service**

The service consists of five actively managed investment strategies, offering lower cost access to our discretionary fund management capabilities, through the combination of active and passive collective investments. The service provides a solution that, when cost considerations are paramount, does not compromise on quality. Investment strategies are monitored by our central Investment Committee to ensure consistency of performance from one portfolio to another. The service is available on the following platforms: Ascentric, Aviva, Fusion, Hubwise, Nucleus, Standard Life and Transact.

#### Investment objective

The objective is to build capital in real (inflation-adjusted) terms over the medium to longer term. Investors should expect reasonable correlation to stockmarket behaviour and rewards, including quite sharp fluctuations in values, but also some protection in times of market weakness.

#### Risk score

Our strategies are constructed around five investment strategies, each with a differing commitment to equities via collective funds and other asset classes. The strategy is managed with a maximum target of 60% invested in equity markets at any given time and has been categorised as a Bordier UK risk profile

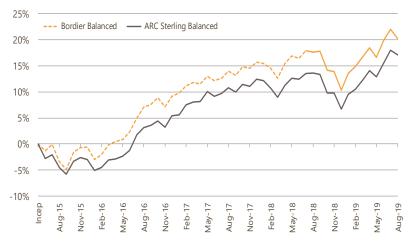


#### Model performance

	1mth	3mth	6mth	YTD	1yr	3yr	Start*
Balanced	-1.5%	3.1%	4.6%	9.0%	2.2%	12.3%	20.3%
ARC Balanced	-0.7%	3.7%	6.0%	9.8%	3.1%	13.6%	17.2%

Data as at 31/08/19 (\*Inception from 15/06/15 to 31/08/19) - Figures net of 0.30% + VAT

# Inception performance



Source: FE Analytics (see risk warning overleaf). Performance from inception (15/06/15) to 01/08/18 is simulated past performance based on back-tested data.

<sup>\*</sup> Not including platform charges

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Bordier UK focuses on managing the wealth of individuals, families and trustees. We manage portfolios for pensions, trusts, charities, offshore bonds, livery companies, institutions and welfare committees, as well as investments from our own staff. Working alongside professional advisers and managing investment solutions on behalf of their clients is core to the Bordier UK business.

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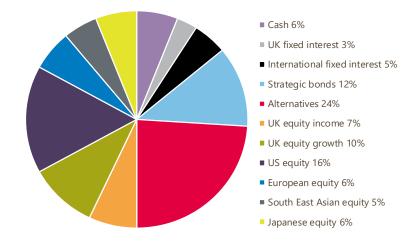
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#### **Asset allocation**



#### Top 10 holdings

Holding	%	Holding	%
Vanguard FTSE UK Equity Income Index	7	Fortem Capital Progressive Growth	5
Cash (deposit)	6	Janus Henderson UK Absolute Return	5
Gemcap AHFM Defined Returns	6	Merian Global Equity Absolute Return	5
HSBC American Index	6	Schroder Strategic Credit	5
Vanguard US Equity Index	6	Vanguard Global Short Term Bond Index	5

# Top 5 contributors over 1 year



Data as at 31/08/19 Source: FE Analytics

#### Discrete annual returns

	2015*	2016	2017	2018
Balanced	-0.6%	9.8%	6.0%	-4.6%
ARC Balanced	-3.0%	8.6%	6.7%	-5.1%

Data to 31/12/18 (\*2015 performance from 15/06/15) - Figures net of 0.30% + VAT Source: FE Analytics

**Risk warning:** The value of an investment and any income from it may fall as well as rise, may be affected by exchange rate fluctuations and you may not get back the amount you originally invested. The information in this factsheet does not constitute an offer of, or an invitation to buy or sell any security. Levels and bases of tax can change. The securities detailed in this factsheet may not be suitable for all investors. The model portfolio is applied to client accounts by the platform provider but it may take some time for the client accounts to mirror the model. Bordier & Cie (UK) PLC recommends that you seek the advice of your financial adviser.

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