

## **Hybrid Passive Managed Service Balanced Strategy**

February 2024

### **Key information**

#### Strategy details

15 June 2015 Inception Minimum initial investment (direct) £20,000 Minimum initial investment (platform) £1,000 Rebalancing strategy (minimum) Quarterly £ GBP Currency Annual management charge (direct) 0.75% Annual management charge (platform) 0.30% Annual yield (current) 2.63%

\*Not including platform charges

#### **Annualised volatility and OCF**

**Bordier Balanced** 7 91% Ongoing charges figures ('OCF') 0.44% Annualised 3-year volatility data as at 29.02.24\* - Source: FE Analytics

\*VAT applied to AMC from inception (15.06.15) until 31.08.21

#### **Investment update - February**

February was a positive month overall for equity markets with all major developed market indices rising. Emerging markets also rose quite strongly. In contrast, most areas of the fixed income market fell over the month. The key positive driver for equities was a continued stream of better-than-expected earnings announcements, most notably in the US. The US economy also continues to prove resilient as manufacturing and labour data served to push the S&P 500 Index higher. European markets rose just under 3%, encouraged by some better economic data. The backdrop of unexpectedly resilient economic growth shaped a more hawkish view over the month, which put pressure on fixed income markets. We remain optimistic on the outlook for equities, which should be well supported by an improving earnings and economic outlook over the course of this year and into 2025. Therefore, no changes were made over the month as the strategy remains at the top end of its allowable equity range. We retain core allocations to the US and Asia, which we believe offer the prospect of superior economic and earnings growth looking ahead, however it is encouraging to see real strength from Japan, which we allocated to last year. We continue to look to skew portfolios to themes that we believe will enjoy superior levels of growth going forward, such as companies set to benefit from the structural growth in sustainable energy and from advances in artificial intelligence.

#### **Discretionary manager**

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#### **Investment objective**

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

#### Risk profile

The strategy is managed with a maximum target of 60% equity market exposure and is categorised as a Bordier Risk Profile 3 and Defagto Risk Rating 5 (Balanced).





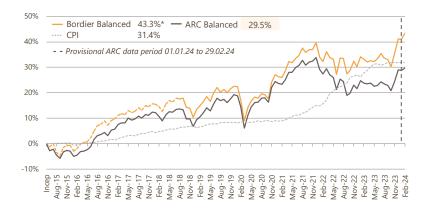
#### Discrete performance

	YTD	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Balanced (60% eq.)	1.5%	8.4%	-6.6%	9.8%	3.6%	11.1%
ARC Balanced Asset PCI (30-70% eq.)	0.6%	5.8%	-9.1%	7.6%	4.3%	11.7%
CPI	-0.5%	3.9%	10.5%	5.4%	0.7%	1.3%

#### **Cumulative performance**

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Balanced (60% eq.)	7.5%	13.8%	24.7%

#### **Inception performance**



\*Performance from inception to 01.08.18 is simulated past performance based on back-tested data (represented by orange dashed line).

> Source: FE Analytics as at 29.02.24 Bordier UK figures net of 0.30% AMC. VAT applied to AMC from inception until 31.08.21.
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> Highlighted ARC figure is provisional.
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> Past performance is not a guide to future results. See full risk warning overleaf.

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#### **Headline asset allocation**

Summary of current Bordier UK Investment Committee positioning

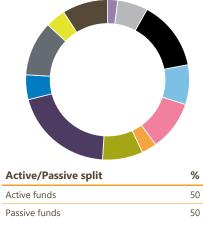
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As at 29.02.24

#### **Headline positioning**

- The strategies remain at the upper end of their allowable equity range as we remain broadly optimistic about the economic outlook for the second half of 2024.
- We have trimmed our commitment to the US market and some thematic funds in favour of exposure to Europe and an increased allocation to Japan (excluding Defensive) where opportunities have arisen.
- We continue to allocate to inflation-linked bond funds, actively managed strategic bond funds and 'market neutral' alternative investments, which continue to act as good portfolio stabilisers, diversifiers of risk and sources of return.
- Cash exposure remains low and there continues to be focus on high levels
  of liquidity in everything that we own.

#### **Model asset allocation**



Sector	%
Cash	2
UK fixed interest	6
International fixed interest	14
Strategic bonds	8
Alternatives	10
UK equity income	3
UK equity growth	8
US equity	20
European equity	5
Asia-Pacific ex Japan equity	11
Japanese equity	4
Thematic and global equity	9

#### Top 10 holdings

Holding	% Holding	%
TwentyFour Corporate Bond	7 HSBC Pacific Index	5
HSBC American Index	6 Janus Henderson Strategic Bond	5
Vanguard UK Long Duration Gilt Index	6 Fidelity Index US	4
Vanguard US Equity Index	6 Janus Henderson Absolute Return	4
Fidelity Index UK	5 Premier Miton US Opportunities	4

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