PLAIN ENGLISH FINANCE November 2024

VT PEF Global Multi-Asset Fund (VT PEF GMAF)

Key Facts

Fund launch date:	25/09/17				
Fund type:	UCITS				
Fund managers:	Andrew Craig & Roderick Collins				
Fund size	£9.2m				
IA sector:	IA Flexible Investment				
Base currency:	GBP				
Valuation point: (Daily dealing)	12:00 midday London time				
Accounting dates:	Final – 31/12 Interim – 30/06				
UCITS:	Yes				
SIPP & ISA eligible:	Yes				
7-day Fund liquidity:	100%				
Minimum Investment:	A Class – £100				
Performance Analysis Since 25/09/17					
Annualised rate of return	1.0%				
Best month	3.6% (Jun '19)				
Worst month	-3.2% (Feb '20)				
Average month	0.09%				

The investment objective of the Fund is to provide capital growth over the medium to long term. The Fund will aim to meet its objectives by employing two primary investment techniques:

- True diversification which may include exposure to equities, fixed income, 1. commodities, real estate and infrastructure in different jurisdictions throughout the world, primarily using Exchange Traded Funds.
- Formula-based trend following. 2.

Performance (% return)

	Nov 2024	2024 YTD	*Since incep.	Q4/23 - Q3/24	Q4/22 - Q3/23	Q4/21 - Q3/22	Q4/20 - Q3/21	Q4/19 - Q3/20
VT PEF GMAF ⁽¹⁾	1.4	6.5	7.2	7.9	4.1	-2.8	8.4	-6.8
IA Global ⁽²⁾	4.3	14.9	90.6	16.5	7.7	-9.2	23.1	6.8
IA UK Gilts ⁽³⁾	1.5	-1.1	-12.2	7.9	-14.2	-14.3	-7.0	12.0
IA Standard Money Market ⁽⁴⁾	0.4	4.8	12.9	5.4	4.1	0.4	0.0	0.6

Past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. *Date of inception of the fund was 25/09/17 and the initial investment in the fund was made on this date.

Charges	
Entry & exit charges:	0.00%
Performance charges:	0.00%
Annual Management Charge (AMC):	0.9/0.7%(5)
Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF):	1.25/1.05%(6)
Estimated trading costs:	0.012%(7)

Codes	
ISIN:	GB00BDZZSM84
SEDOL:	BDZZSM8
MEXID:	WLJKH
CITICODE:	O42K
Bloomberg Ticker:	VTGMAAG
Lipper:	LP68439582

Monthly Performance (% return)

% Positive months

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2017	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.5*	1.6	-0.8	0.4	0.7
2018	1.2	-1.5	-1.9	0.4	0.1	-0.7	0.2	-0.4	-0.5	-1.8	-0.4	-1.3	-6.4
2019	0.9	-1.1	1.2	0.8	0.2	3.6	3.0	-1.3	-0.2	-2.2	0.2	-0.6	4.4
2020	-1.3	-3.2	-1.9	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.1	0.4	0.3	-1.1	3.1	1.3	-1.2
2021	-1.0	-0.6	1.3	2.2	0.5	1.7	-0.3	1.5	-0.4	-0.3	-0.4	0.9	5.2
2022	-1.7	-0.2	1.6	0.5	-1.0	-1.5	0.6	0.2	-1.4	-0.1	0.5	-0.2	-2.9
2023	0.9	-2.0	1.0	0.1	-0.9	-0.6	0.2	-0.7	0.8	-0.1	0.5	2.1	1.2
2024	-1.1	1.0	2.9	-0.3	-0.2	1.3	0.5	-0.2	1.3	-0.2	1.4		6.5

*September 2017 was only a partial month, as the fund was launched on the 25th September 2017. Past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. Source: Valu-Trac Investment Management Limited

Notes

52%

A class accumulation shares, net of fees priced at midday UK time, net dividends reinvested. Source: Valu-Trac Investment Management Ltd.
IA Global, IA Sector Average Performance, source Morningstar
IA UK Gilts, IA Sector Average Performance, source Morningstar
IA Standard Money Market, IA Sector Average Performance, source Morningstar
A Istandard Money Market, IA Sector Average Performance, source Morningstar
A Istandard Money Market, IA Sector Average Performance, source Morningstar
A In Standard Money Market, IA Sector Average Performance, source Morningstar
A Intervali Class AMC 0.9% / I (institutional) class AMC 0.7%. (I-class for sums over £1m or at manager's discretion).
This figure will reduce if the fund increases in size: £30,000 of fixed costs over £10m = 0.30% but only 0.03% over £100m, for example.
The fund normally only buys and sells positions once a month to keep trading costs as low as possible.

Monthly Commentary (November 2024)

During November 2024 the Global Multi Asset Fund appreciated by 1.4%, taking its gain for the year so far to 6.5%. There were no purchases during the month, but disposals were made of European and Japanese equities and UK real estate. This left the fund c.85% invested.

Donald Trump's presidential election victory, combined with a republican majority in both chambers of Congress, prompted a further rally for US equities. Other markets were more subdued, not least given fears of protectionist US policies. Despite a continued moderation in inflation and interest rate cuts, bond markets made little progress.

Indeed, as previously discussed in these commentaries, a significant concern for financial markets is the level of government debt. This has been highlighted by the Bank for International Settlements, citing Trumpian expansionary fiscal policy; the relaxation of fiscal rules in the UK budget; the collapse of the French government on account of its attempt to rein in the budget deficit, and paradoxically the collapse of the German government (since the end of the review period) partly on account of excessive fiscal orthodoxy.

The appetite of bond markets globally to absorb government indebtedness will be a key issue. It will be critical to watch the experiment on which the incoming US administration is about to embark: a reversal of climate policy with sympathy for oil, relaxation of regulatory policy, a shrinking of

Buy Position Trades + [none]

Sell Position Trades

	Equity / Developed Large - Europe ex UK
--	-----------------------------------------

- Equity / Developed Large Japan
- Alternatives / Real Estate UK

government and, above all, a lowering of personal and corporate taxes.

With the fund c.85% invested, we hope that financial markets finish the year with another strong month.

Platform Availability

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
Aegon	Ascentric	FNZ	Hargreaves Lansdown	Pershing	Transact
AJ Bell	Aviva	Fusion	Novia Financial	Standard Life - Elevate	
Alliance Trust	Embark	Interactive Investor	Nucleus	Standard Life - Wrap	

Key Risks

- Counterparty risk: The Fund can conclude various transactions with contractual partners. If a contractual partner becomes insolvent, it can no longer or can only partly settle unpaid debts owed to the Fund.
- Market Risk: External factors can cause an entire asset class to decline in value which would result in a decrease in the value of investments. The Fund aims to mitigate this risk by investing in all major asset classes in many geographic regions and owning assets which are often negatively correlated.
- Concentration Risk: The Fund seeks to minimise concentration risk by owning

a wide selection of Exchange Traded Funds which themselves own many hundreds of underlying assets.

Liquidity Risk: adverse market conditions may affect the ability to sell certain assets when necessary. The Fund invests nearly exclusively in large, liquid ETFs so liquidity risk should be significantly lower than in a more conventional actively managed fund investing in single assets.

For full details of the Fund's risks, please see the <u>prospectus</u> which may be obtained from the Fund's <u>website</u>.

Links and further reading

Application Form

Prospectus

Fund Overview

<u>KIID</u>

Important Information

Plain English Finance Limited has used all reasonable efforts to ensure the accuracy of the information contained in this communication at the date of publication. An English language Prospectus for the VT PEF Global Multi-Asset Fund (the "Fund") and the Fund's Key Investor Information Document is available on request and via https://www.plainenglishfinance.co.uk/funds. Investors should read the Prospectus in conjunction with the Key Investor Information Document and the relevant application form before purchasing shares in the Fund.

Full details of each of the risks and aims for the fund can be found in the Prospectus and the Key Investor Information Document. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns. The value of investments and any income from them may fall as well as rise, and the return may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. You may not get back the amount of your original investment. Plain English Finance Ltd. does not make any recommendations regarding the suitability of this product for you and the information provided should not be considered as investment or other advice or a recommendation to buy, sell or hold a particular investment. If you are in any doubt about the information in this brochure or our website please consult your financial or other professional adviser.

MSCI World Index is the exclusive property of MSCI Inc. MSCI makes no express or implied warranties or representations and shall have no liability whatsoever with respect to any MSCI data contained herein. The MSCI data may not be further redistributed or used as a basis for other indices or any securities or final products. This report is not approved, reviewed or produced by MSCI. The intellectual property in the iBoxx GBP Gilts Index is owned by or licensed to Markit Indices Limited and/or its affiliates (Markit). Markit shall not in any way be liable to any recipient for any inaccuracies, errors or omissions in the Markit data, regardless of cause, or for any damages (whether direct or indirect) resulting therefrom. This document is not approved, reviewed or produced by Markit.

This financial promotion is intended for UK residents only and is issued and approved for distribution within the UK by Plain English Finance Ltd. which is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (564876) incorporated in England and Wales, registered number 07503422 with its registered office of: Stag Gates House, 63/64 The Avenue, Southampton, Hampshire, SO17 1XS.