

Fairtree Assegai Equity Long Short SNN QI Hedge Fund

Minimum Disclosure Document - Class 1

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Fund Profile & Investment Policy

The fund is a directionally biased Long / Short equity fund which will not hesitate to capture equity market beta when conditions allow for it.

Investment Strategy

The portfolio is managed as a long/short hedge fund, focused on extracting alpha returns from the South African equity market. The fund's returns are delivered through fundamental knowledge of South African equities vis-à-vis economic growth and broad economic themes as well as medium to long-term relative valuation opportunities, generating the largest portion of its returns through its directional bias. Relative value pairs, together with absolute longs and shorts seek to stabilize returns in turbulent market conditions, supported by the adjustment to the net exposure.

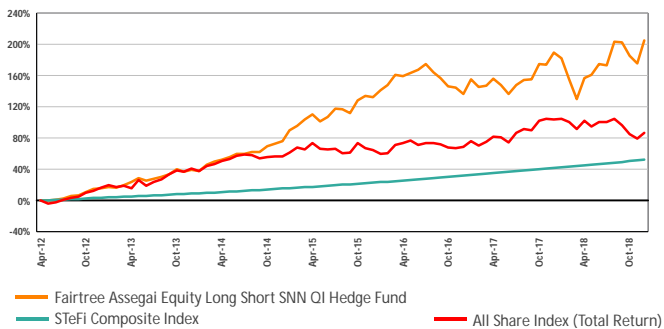
Investment Mandate

The portfolio may use leverage to a maximum of 4.5 times the net asset value of the portfolio. However, the portfolio has set an internal limit to use leverage up to a maximum of 3.5 times the net asset value. Excluded from this calculation shall be the investments in the portfolio solely used to enhance the interest earned by the portfolio.

Mandate limits and constraints:

- The portfolio is precluded from raising any debt funding over and above that achieved in terms of the long/short process;
- No net individual equity position shall exceed 15% of capital;
- Directional exposure limit to 120% of current underlying capital on the long side and up to 20% of current underlying capital on the short side;
- The portfolio shall at all times hold a minimum of 10 equity positions; and
- The portfolio will limit exposure to equities based upon liquidity.

Cumulative Performance Since Inception



Fund Source: Sanne Fund Services SA (Pty) Ltd as at December 2018

Index Source: Bloomberg as at December 2018

Return Analysis

	Fund	All Share Index	STeFi
1 Month	10.41%	4.25%	0.60%
3 Months	0.56%	-4.88%	1.78%
6 Months	10.93%	-6.94%	3.58%
1 Year	5.15%	-8.53%	7.25%
3 Years	31.08%	13.55%	23.89%
5 Years	118.92%	32.35%	39.67%
Since Inception	204.62%	86.78%	52.24%

Risk Analysis

	Fund	All Share Index	STeFi
Sharpe Ratio	0.83	0.33	-0.11
Sortino Ratio	1.55	0.61	-0.17
Standard Deviation	13.70%	11.09%	0.26%
Best Month	11.44%	8.51%	0.66%
Worst Month	-9.92%	-5.76%	0.00%
Best Rolling 12 Months	38.34%	32.74%	7.71%
Worst Rolling 12 Months	-11.48%	-12.56%	5.16%
Largest Cumulative Drawdown	-20.52%	-12.56%	n/a
% Positive Months (Since Inception)	68.75%	60.00%	n/a
Correlation (Monthly)	0.65		
Value at Risk (VaR) 95%	9.86%		

The above benchmark(s) are for comparison purposes with the fund's performance. The fund does not follow the benchmark(s).

Fund Details

Risk Profile:	High
Portfolio Manager:	Stephen Brown
Fund size (in Millions):	R 591.9
NAV Price (Inception):	R 1000
NAV Price (as at month end):	R 2,962.63
Number of Units:	201,179.24
JSE Code:	FTASEQ
ISIN Number:	ZAE000259065
Inception Date:	31 May 2012
CISCA Inception Date:	1 October 2016
Fund Structure:	CIS Trust
Fund Category:	Multi - Strategy
Hurdle:	3 month JIBAR
Minimum Investment:	R 1 000 000 Lump sum
Fees	
Initial Fee - Adviser:	0% - 3.45% (incl. VAT)
Annual Base Fee:	1% (excl. VAT)
Performance fee (uncapped):	20% of the total performance (after deductions of the annual base fee) above the high water mark, subject to a hurdle rate of 3 months JIBAR (excl. VAT).

Cost Ratios (incl. VAT)

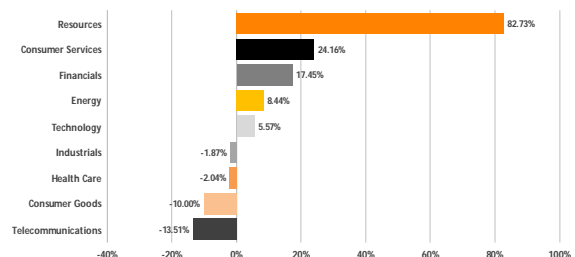
Total Expense Ratio (TER%):	2.87%
Transactions Costs Ratio (TC%):	1.32%
* Total Investment Charges (TIC%):	4.19%
Performance Fee (PF) Included in TER:	1.28%
Income Distribution (Declaration):	Last day of December
Distribution Total for the past 12 months:	0.00 cpu for December 2017
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*Total Investment Charges (TIC%) = TER (%) + TC (%)

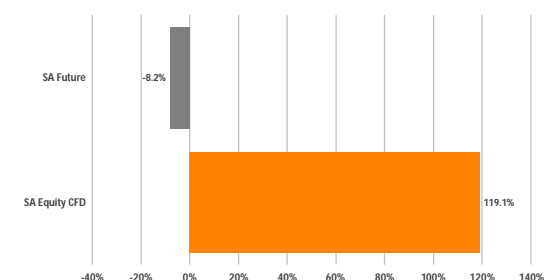
Portfolio Objective

The long-term objective of the portfolio is to achieve consistent absolute returns through investment in long/short equity based strategies.

Sector Allocation



Asset Allocation



Increase in NAV Attributable to Investors

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2012					0.46%	0.63%	1.83%	2.97%	0.83%	3.83%	3.84%	0.12%	15.37%
2013	1.58%	-0.26%	2.64%	3.03%	4.19%	-2.43%	1.83%	1.77%	2.53%	5.02%	-2.22%	1.49%	20.61%
2014	-1.16%	5.97%	3.19%	1.36%	2.10%	2.59%	0.07%	1.30%	0.16%	4.76%	1.68%	2.08%	26.70%
2015	7.93%	2.99%	3.94%	3.11%	-3.91%	2.80%	4.96%	-0.38%	-2.37%	7.99%	2.37%	-0.72%	31.82%
2016	3.98%	2.67%	5.32%	-0.81%	1.56%	1.50%	2.75%	-3.80%	-2.64%	-4.21%	-0.75%	-3.24%	1.80%
2017	8.05%	-3.84%	0.53%	3.60%	-3.10%	-4.65%	4.89%	2.63%	0.22%	7.59%	-0.14%	5.68%	22.47%
2018	-2.74%	-9.28%	-9.92%	11.44%	1.56%	5.37%	-0.44%	10.85%	-0.05%	-5.82%	-3.29%	10.41%	5.15%

*The inception date for the portfolio is 1 May 2012. The historical performance figures until the end of 30 September 2016 reflect performance achieved prior to CISCA regulation. The portfolio has been transitioned under CISCA regulations on 1 October 2016 and has since been managed as a regulated product. The annualized total return is the average return earned by an investment each year over a given time period, since date of the launch of the fund. Actual annual figures are available from the manager on request. The highest and lowest 1 year returns represent the highest and lowest actual returns achieved during a 12 month rolling period year since the original launch date of the portfolio. The performance figures given show the yield on a Net Asset value ("NAV") basis. The yield figure is not a forecast. Performance is not guaranteed and investors should not accept it as representing expected future performance. Individual investor performance may differ as a result of initial fees, time of entry/actual investment date, date of reinvestment, and dividends withholding tax. Performance is calculated for a lump sum investment on a Net Asset Value basis. The performance figures are reported net of fees with income reinvested.

Risk Profile

Risk Level:	Low	Low-Medium	Medium	Med-High	High
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The risk category shown is not guaranteed and may change over time. The lowest category does not mean the investment is risk free. There may be other special areas of risk relating to the investment including liquidity risk, credit risk, market risk, and settlement risk. Sanne Management Company (RF) (Pty) Ltd, ("the manager"), and the investment manager do not render financial advice. Our risk indicator does not imply that the portfolio is suitable for all types of investors. You are advised to consult your financial adviser.

Portfolio Valuation & Transaction Cut-Off

Portfolios are valued monthly. The cut off time for processing investment subscription is 10:00am on the last day of the month prior to enable processing for investment on the first day of the next month.

Total Expense Ratio

A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER may not necessarily be an accurate indication of future TER's. Transaction Costs are a necessary cost in administering the financial product and impacts financial product returns. It should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time including market returns, the type of financial product, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER. The TER is reported excluding performance fees for the first six months of the portfolio. The Manager has applied its mind hereto and is of the view that any reporting of TER with performance fee at this stage may be inaccurate and potentially misleading to investors.

Market Commentary

The All Share rose 4.3% in rands during December, a better end to the year helped by rand weakness. Despite this, 2018 was a very tough year for South African equities, with the All Share falling 8.5% in rands and 21% in dollars over the year. The rand weakened by 3.4% to 14.35 during the month, while R186 yields fell by -6 bps to 8.87%. The ALBI rose 0.6%, underperforming the main equity indices: Top 40 (+4.8%), All Share (+4.3%) and Capped SWIX (+2.6%). Resources outperformed (+12.3%) during the month, followed by Industrials (+2.4%) and Financials (+0.4%). Top performing sectors were Gold (+25.2%), General Mining (+15.2%) and Platinum (+13.8%), while Beverages (-9.5%), Pharma (-6.9%), and Non-Life Insurers (-6.5%) were key laggards.

Q3 GDP growth rebounded to 2.2% quarter on quarter saar (1.1% year on year), beating analyst expectations and moving the economy out of its two-quarter recession. However, non-farm payrolls shrank 0.2% QoQ and November vehicles sales were -4.6% YoY - indicating that the country is out of recession but that growth concerns remain. Eskom initiated load-shedding in December due to maintenance failures, which further exacerbated growth concerns. Load-shedding is highly unusual in the summer given lower demand, but Eskom has warned it may need to resume load-shedding in January. Eskom also highlighted its balance sheet problems by asking the government to assume ZAR 100bn of its debts. November CPI printed at 5.2%, which should mean that inflation ends the fourth quarter below the SARB's forecast of 5.3%, especially considering sharp cuts to fuel prices of late. Fuel price cuts should offer some welcome relief to the beleaguered South African consumer.

In December, SA equities had net foreign outflows of USD 0.60bn whereas SA bonds had a net outflow of USD 0.36 bn. Meanwhile, cumulative inflows to EM bonds and equities YTD are now \$23.5bn and \$18.8bn, respectively. Capitec Bank and Impala were the most bought stocks by foreigners and Naspers and British American Tobacco were the most sold stocks.

The Brent crude oil and WTI crude oil sell-off continued in December with Brent falling 9% to end at US\$53.80/bbl and WTI falling -10.8% to US\$45.4/bbl amid concerns of a supply glut and a global economic slowdown. Gold was the best performing commodity, rising 5.1% over the month amid a falling US dollar. Industrial metals were down in December with the S&P industrial metals index falling 4.1% over the month. The S&P GSCI Agriculture index was down 2.3%. Iron ore fines prices jumped c.10% during the month to US\$72.5/t amid rising Chinese HRC prices.

The Assegai fund rose 10.4% during December, with the large net long position in resources, and especially gold equities, being a strong positive contributor to fund performance. Top contributors were gold names Harmony (+1.3%), AngloGold (+1.3%) and Sibanye (+0.7%), as well as diversified miners Anglo American (+1.3%), BHP (+1.2%) and African Rainbow Minerals (+1%). Long positions in Sappi (+0.9%), Naspers (+0.8%) and Impala (+0.6%) also contributed strongly to fund performance in December. The short position in Telkom detracted most (-0.9%) as the stock enjoyed strong price momentum in the month. The long position in Aspen also detracted (-0.3%) after the market reacted negatively to a trading statement from the company.

During December exposure to Sasol was increased (on the view that oil prices had fallen too far), while the large overweight position in Resource equities was trimmed slightly on strong outperformance. Exposure to the banks was cut further, as we remain concerned that earnings will be unexciting and growth drivers are lacking. Retail exposure was trimmed, as we closed out positions in some stocks where we have concerns or expect earnings disappointments.

Please Note: The above commentary is based on reasonable assumptions and is not guaranteed to occur.

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