# Multi Asset Management

## **FP Apollo Multi Asset Balanced Fund**

### June 2014

#### **Fund Aims**

The Fund seeks to achieve a positive return over the medium to longer term, which is in excess of normal cash deposit rates. To invest in a range of assets including collective investment schemes, closed-ended funds, transferable securities, money market instruments and cash/deposits. The Fund may also seek investment diversification by obtaining indirect exposure to alternative asset classes including hedge funds, private equity, commodities and indirectly in property. The Fund may utilise derivatives for the purposes of efficient portfolio management.

#### **Fund Review and Outlook**

June was another positive month for global equity markets as continued positive global economic data gave confidence to investors that markets could justify the current high valuations. The leading major market over the month was Japan where the Nikkei shrugged off concerns over the recent increase in sales tax to grow by  $3.6\%^1$  while other Asian markets were also strong helped by Chinese economic data showing signs that government stimulus was working. This positive Chinese data helped the MSCI Emerging Markets Index increase by  $2.4\%^1$  over the month. In the US, the market appeared little moved by the shock significant contraction of Q1 GDP following the severe winter and was already focusing on strong data indicating that the economy was once again growing strongly. The major event of the month was in Europe where the ECB announced significant stimulus in an effort to fight off deflation which has hovered around the  $0.5\%^2$  level. Markets initially rallied on this news but the EuroStoxx 50 Index ended the month down  $-0.2\%^1$ . In the UK, the FTSE British Government All Stocks Index finished the month in negative territory as the Bank of England indicated that interest rates could rise later in 2014 and also implemented measures to cool the housing market, particularly in the South East of the UK.

The Apollo Multi Asset Balanced Fund finished the month in positive territory with a return of 0.03%<sup>3</sup>. Strong performance came from the Guinness Global Energy Fund, returning 4.6%<sup>1</sup> helped by an increasing oil price while exposure to the Standard Life Global Emerging Markets Unconstrained Fund was also strong increasing by 4.5%<sup>1</sup>. Japanese exposure was positive and this was added to over the month with the addition of the Legg Mason Japan Equity Fund which complements the existing exposure from Coupland Cardiff Japan Alpha Fund. Negative performance came from the Argonaut European Alpha Fund which fell by -5%<sup>1</sup> following a sharp sell off in peripheral Europe while the Odey Absolute Return Fund also ended the month negatively. Exposure to UK commercial property continued to be positive which steady growth coming from both M&G and Standard Life as the UK economy continues to recover.

Despite many equity markets being close to record levels, we remain confident on the prospects for selected markets. Japan, Europe, Asia and the emerging markets all look to be attractively valued compared to the more expensive US and the UK. Equity allocations are positioned broadly in the middle of the range but with a focus on the markets mentioned above as we see tentative signs that investors are beginning to look at the cheaper equity markets. We remain concerned by the lack of volatility in developed markets and will continue to look at alternative strategies to ensure we are diversified in the event of unexpected global instability.

Source: <sup>1</sup>Financial Express 31.05.14 to 30.06.14. <sup>2</sup>Reuters.com as at 30.06.14, <sup>3</sup>Financial Express 31.05.14 to 30.06.14, based on D share class.

#### Performance as at 30.06.14<sup>†</sup>



A - FP - Apollo Multi Asset Balanced D GBP in GB [42.47%]
B - Bank Of England Base Rate +5% TR in GB [35.47%]

<sup>+</sup>Source: Financial Analytics, 26.11.08-30.06.14, based on D share class.

	Sharpe Ratio	Volatility	Max Loss	Ann Return
Fund	0.83	6.83%	-8.85%	6.18%
FTSE 100	0.70	17.18%	-17.30%	12.52%
FTSE Govt All Stocks	0.69	6.51%	-5.60%	5.02%

Source: Financial Analytics, 26.11.08-30.06.14, Total Return, Risk Free Rate at 0.52%, based on D share class.

Past performance should not be seen as a guide to future performance.

From 1 July 2014 the ISA Subscription level is £15,000 of which all could be held in cash.

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Using the risk profiling model devised by Distribution Technology which assigns a single risk category from 1 (low risk) to 10 (high risk) this Fund has been assigned a risk category of 5 which categorises an investor with a low to medium attitude to risk, who would probably prefer their investment to fluctuate less and make more modest returns than risk losing money for higher returns. However the investor will probably be prepared to accept some falls in order to make higher returns than those made from only investing in low risk investments. The investor will accept that they could make a loss on the amount they invest, particularly in the short term.

#### Target Volatility: 7 – 9% Target Return: Cash + 5%

Fund Facts as at 30.06.2014				
Fund Size	£46.9m			
Launch Date	26 November 2008			
Fund Manager	Steve Brann, Craig Wetton, Ian Willings, Ryan Hughes			
No. Holdings	21			
Base Currency	GBP			
Type of Share	Income & Accumulation			
Inc Acc Date	28 February			
Valuation	12.00 noon			
IMA Sector	Unclassified			
AMC	A Shares: 1.5%; D Shares: 1.0%; F Shares: 0.75%			
Min Investment	ISA: £1,000; Fund: £1,000			
SEDOL Codes	A: B3FPDZ6; D: B3FPF27; F: B4T7ZR1			

#### Further Information

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#### Performance

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2014	-0.51%	1.73%	-1.07%	-0.61%	0.62%	0.03%							0.16%
2013	5.22%	0.47%	1.65%	-0.65%	0.75%	-3.89%	2.22%	-1.32%	2.78%	0.51%	-0.83%	0.34%	7.17%
2012	3.90%	3.45%	-1.57%	-1.35%	-3.77%	-0.51%	1.69%	0.16%	1.02%	0.86%	0.21%	1.71%	5.68%
2011	-0.11%	-0.43%	0.53%	0.72%	-0.88%	0.45%	-0.87%	-5.56%	-2.49%	2.33%	-2.66%	-0.02%	-8.83%
2010	0.08%	1.73%	3.99%	0.50%	-3.02%	-1.40%	0.55%	0.16%	2.78%	1.75%	0.04%	1.67%	9.00%
2009	-2.20%	-1.30%	3.18%	2.11%	3.04%	1.96%	1.66%	2.38%	3.30%	-0.56%	-0.22%	1.61%	15.82%
2008	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	$1.92\%^{\dagger}$	7.05%	9.11%

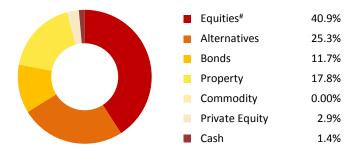
<sup>†</sup>Fund launched on 26.11.08

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#### Top Ten Holdings as at 30.06.14\*

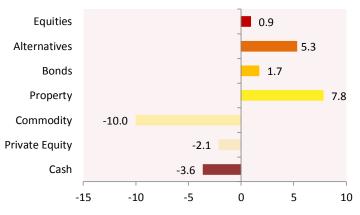
Muzinich Long Short Credit Yield	7.47%
Apollo Structured Opportunities	7.24%
Coupland Cardiff Japan Alpha	7.13%
M&G Property Portfolio	7.06%
Hermes Asia ex Japan Fund	6.72%
Macau Property	6.49%
Guinness Global Energy	5.78%
Coupland Cardiff Asian Evolution C USD	5.74%
Polar Capital Global Technology	5.27%
CF Odey UK Absolute Return	4.98%

#### Portfolio Breakdown as at 30.06.14\*



#11.2% of the Equity exposure is hedged by Futures positions. As a result the Futures positions have been treated as Alternatives and the breakdown of equities in the portfolio has been reduced by 11.2% and added to the Alternatives figure.

#### Tactical Asset Allocation as at 30.06.14\*



#### **Neutral Asset Allocation**

	Min	Neutral	Max
Equities	30%	40.0%	50%
Alternatives	10%	20.0%	30%
Bonds	5%	10.0%	30%
Property	5%	10.0%	20%
Commodity	5%	10.0%	15%
Private Equity	0	5.0%	10%
Cash	0	5.0%	25%

#### **Investment Partners**

Apollo is delighted to announce that its expertise is now available through the following wraps and platforms:

7im	AXA (IOM)
Aegon	AXA/Winterthur
AJ Bell/SIPP Centre	Canada Life International
Ascentric/Funds Direct	Cofunds
Aviva	Fidelity FundsNetwork
AXA Elevate	Friends Life International

Hargreaves Lansdown Irish Life James Hay L&G International Lombard Merchant Investors Novia Nucleus Prudential International RMB Royal London 360 Royal Skandia

SEI Scottish Widows Intl Skandia (SIS & SLAC) Standard Life Transact

\*N.B. Exposure to alternatives and commodities is indirect i.e. via collective investment schemes.

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