

Standard Life Investments MyFolio Market IV Retail Platform 1 Acc

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Morningstar Analyst Rating
Bronze
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Morningstar Category

GBP Moderately Adventurous Allocation

Category Index

Morningstar UK Moderately Adventurous

Total Assets

 601.65
 Mil GBP

Current Yield %

5.14

Inception Date

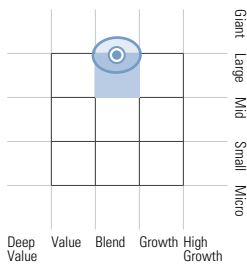
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GBR/GBP

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★★★★

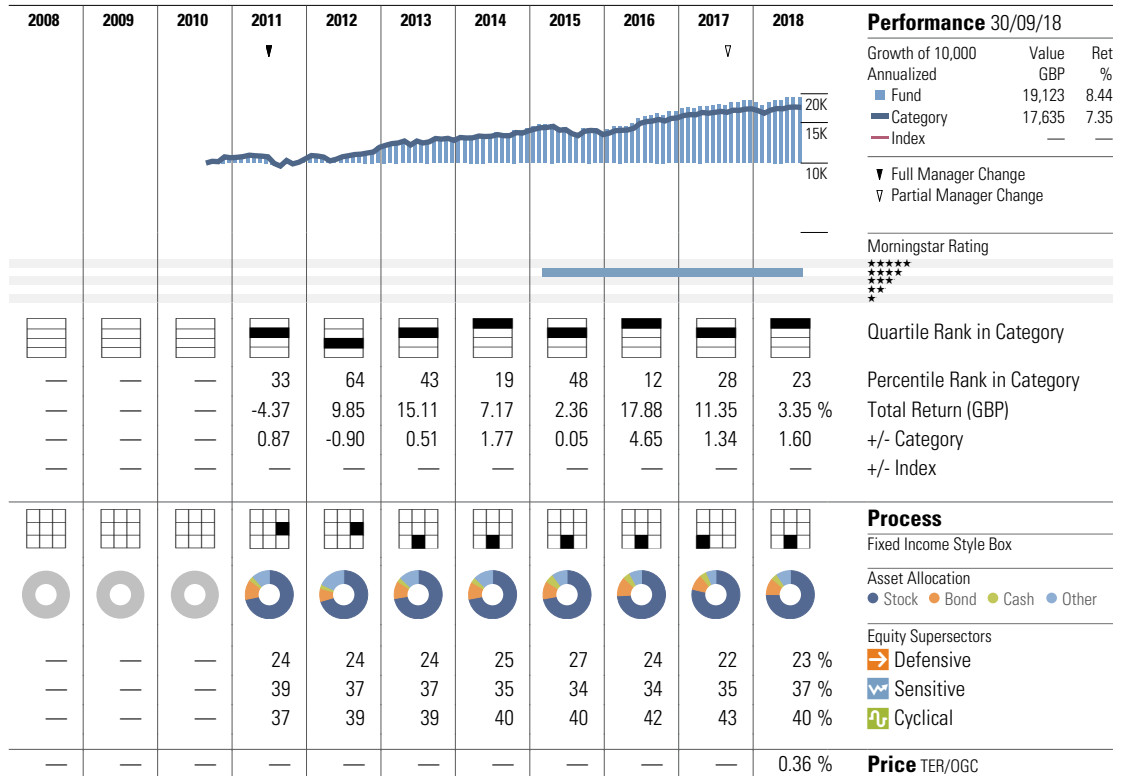
Equity Style Map

People

Bambos Hambi 06/11

Total Named Managers 1

Morningstar Pillars

Process	Positive
Performance	Positive
People	Neutral
Parent	Neutral
Price	Positive


Analyst View

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Competitively priced risk-targeted fund offering.

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★ Gold ★ Silver ★ Bronze Neutral Negative

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MyFolio's investment approach has three key inputs--strategic allocation, tactical allocation, and fund selection--and makes broad use of SLI's resources. Strategic asset allocation is concerned with setting model portfolio allocations for each risk band. This stage is primarily quantitative, analysing long-term return data for all of the major asset classes with the aim of delivering the best long-term return potential for each risk band. The final model portfolio allocations are agreed to by a strategic allocation committee that includes experienced fund manager Bambos Hambi and other senior members of SLI. Tactical positioning

around the model portfolio allocations of each risk level is managed by SLI's well-resourced multi-asset investing team, who are also responsible for the group's high-profile GARS strategy.

Hambi is head of SLI's fund solutions team, which provides the third key input into the process. For MyFolio Market, which is the fund of passives range, the fund selection input is relatively limited and focused on identifying low-cost and low tracking error index funds.

MyFolio Market IV has been running for about eight years now and has been managed consistently with its objective over this period, showing lower drawdown and volatility than Market V but higher than Market III, while delivering strong performance that is helped by its low ongoing charge of 36 basis points. Overall, we consider that SLI's MyFolio Market IV fund serves investors well and have awarded it a Morningstar Analyst Rating of Bronze.

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	2016	2017	2018
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 Silver			
 Bronze			
 Neutral			
 Negative			
 Under Review			
 Not Ratable			

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People

The overall quality of a fund's investment team is a significant key to its ability to deliver superior performance relative to its benchmark and/or peers. Evaluating a fund's investment team requires that analysts assess several relevant items including how key decisions are made.

Parent

We believe the parent organization is of utmost importance in evaluating funds. The fund's management set the tone for key elements of our evaluation, including capacity management, risk management, recruitment and retention of talent, and incentive pay. Beyond these operational areas, we prefer firms that have a culture of stewardship and put investors first to those that are too heavily weighted to salesmanship.

Process

We look for funds with a performance objective and investment process (for both security selection and portfolio construction) that is sensible, clearly defined, and repeatable. In addition, the portfolio should be constructed in a manner that is consistent with the investment process and performance objective.

Performance

We do not believe past performance is necessarily predictive of future results, and this factor accordingly receives a relatively small weighting in our evaluation process. In particular, we strive not to anchor on short-term performance. However, we do believe that the evaluation of long-term return and risk patterns is vital to determining if a fund is delivering to our expectations.

Price

To reflect actual investor experience, price is evaluated within the context of the relevant market or cross-border region—for example, the United States, Australia, Canada, or Europe. In recognition of differences in scale and distribution costs in various markets, the level at which a fund is penalised for high fees or rewarded for low fees can vary with region. In Europe, for example, funds are penalised if they land in the most expensive quintile of their Morningstar category and are rewarded if they land in the cheapest quintile. The assessment is made using annual expense ratios, but in the case of funds with performance fees, expenses are evaluated excluding any performance fees and then the structure of the performance fee is evaluated separately.

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Bronze

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