

# Aurora Absolute Return Life Fund - Information sheet as at 31 August 2025

#### Fund detail

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Fund Name Aurora Absolute Return Fund

Launch Date 16 January 2023

Portfolio Classification SA Interest bearing Variable Term

Benchmark STEF

Income Declaration None - All proceeds are re-

invested

Initial Fees NA

Management Fee 1.5% excl. VAT

Performance Fees NA

Fund Size R35,051,324

#### Risk profile



## Why you may consider this fund

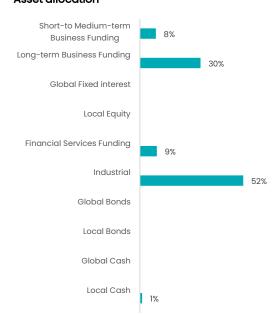
**Cash+ returns** - the Fund delivers superior returns and aims to yield absolute returns in excess of 8.7% per annum.

# Fund investment policy

Investments to be included in the Aurora Absolute Return Fund, will apart from assets in liquid form and listed and unlisted financial instruments as allowed by the Act, consist solely of participatory interests of portfolios of schemes registered in the Republic of South Africa or of participatory interests or any other form of participation in portfolios of collective investment schemes or other similar schemes operating in territories with a regulatory environment which is to the satisfaction of the manager and the trustee as being of a sufficient standard to provide investor protection at least equivalent to that in South Africa.

There will be maximum effective equity exposure (including international equity) of up to 55% of the market value of the portfolio.

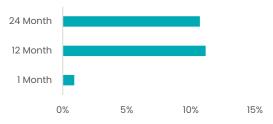
# Asset allocation



# Who this investment may be suitable for

This fund is suitable for investors looking for higher-yielding alternatives to cash that will deliver absolute returns over short and long-term horizons.

# Annualised Performance



# Fund manager commentary

During the month the fund was fully invested in local mediumterm debt and alternative investments, while accumulating cash for the next placement.

#### Performance

| renormance |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |        |        |
|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
|            | Jan   | Feb   | Mar   | Apr   | May   | Jun   | Jul   | Aug   | Sept  | Oct   | Nov   | Dec   | YTD    | 1 Year |
| 2023       | 0.74% | 0.82% | 0.67% | 0.61% | 0.73% | 0.70% | 0.77% | 0.76% | 0.64% | 0.71% | 0.61% | 0.77% |        | 8.87%  |
| 2024       | 0.88% | 0.81% | 0.85% | 0.93% | 0.86% | 0.91% | 0.95% | 0.88% | 0.86% | 0.99% | 0.86% | 0.73% |        | 11.02% |
| 2025       | 1.17% | 0.79% | 0.86% | 0.86% | 0.84% | 0.95% | 0.80% | 0.91% |       |       |       |       | 11.32% |        |

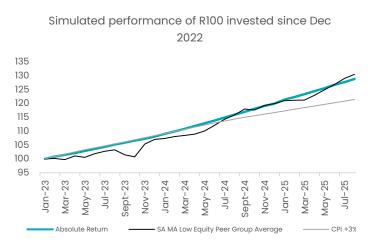
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\*Risk Free rate = Repo Rate(7%)

#### **Asset Allocation Defined**



Industrials: Investments into South Africa's industrial sector and broader economy, excluding financials, oil & gas, and basic materials. classification, for instance, includes agriculture. A typical investment would consist of exposure to the farming sector, particularly prima production such as crops, livestock, and essential agricultural inputs.



**Financial services funding:** Capital deployed into businesses operating within the financial sector, typically through unlisted debt or structured funding instruments. These investments offer stable, income-generating opportunities with strong underlying cash flows.



Long term business funding: These instruments are unlisted long-term debt instruments from various issuers across multiple busine sectors, including but not limited to financial services, local industrial, and local agricultural businesses. These instruments provide predictable income, inflation protection, and low correlation to traditional markets. A typical capital allocation would be in the SME lend sector, insurance, hospitality tech or food and beverage sector, supporting established businesses with growth and working capital fur Capital is currently allocated across 8 companies, ensuring diversification and risk mitigation.



Short-Medium term business funding: These instruments are listed or unlisted short-medium term debt instruments from various across multiple business sectors including but not limited to Financial Services. These instruments are derived from invoice discounting or invoice factory practices.





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