

# Satrix Balanced Index Fund

A1 Class | 30 September 2025

# INVESTMENT POLICY SUMMARY

The Satrix Balanced Index Fund is Regulation 28 compliant and offers diversified exposure to all the key local and international asset classes. The Fund tracks a composite index benchmark, with a long term strategic asset allocation, rebalanced on a bi-annual basis in March and September.

# **FUND STRATEGY**

The composite benchmark of the fund comprises the following asset class building

### **Asset Class Index Exposure**

	SA Equity (40%)	Satrix SmartCore™ Index
	SA Bonds (20%)	FTSE/JSE All Bond Index
	SA Cash (2%)	STeFI Composite
	Global Property (5%)	FTSE EPRA/Nareit Developed Dividend+ Index
	Global Infrastructure (5%)	FTSE Global Core Infrastructure Index
	Global Equity (Developed) (23%)	MSCI World Index
	Global Equity (Emerging) (5%)	MSCI Emerging Markets Index

# WHY CHOOSE THIS FUND?

- The Satrix SmartCore<sup>™</sup> Index targets stocks with positive exposures to multiple desired attributes, such as Momentum, Value and Quality.
- These attributes are rewarded drivers of returns, and when combined using a multi-factor approach, offer strong overall exposure to the desired factors, while managing a variety of risks relative to the SA equity market.

  The international portion of the fund provides some rand-hedge protection.
- You gain access to a fund that aims to grow capital steadily, while providing income over the medium to longer term.
- The high equity exposure gives you material exposure to an asset class that, though more volatile than others, usually delivers superior performance in the long term.

FUND INFORMATION	
ASISA Fund Classification	SA - Multi-Asset - High Equity
Category Benchmark	SA - Multi-Asset - High Equity - Median
Risk profile	Moderate Aggressive
Benchmark	Proprietary Satrix Balanced Index
Portfolio launch date	Oct 2013
Fee class launch date	Oct 2013
Minimum investment	Manual: Lump sum: R10 000 I Monthly: R500 SatrixNOW.co.za: No minimum
Portfolio size	R15.5 billion
Last two distributions	30 Jun 2025: 34.33 cpu 31 Dec 2024: 33.51 cpu
Income decl. dates	30 June I 31 Dec
Income price dates	1st working day in July and January
Valuation time of fund	17:00
Transaction cut off time	Manual: 15:00 SatrixNOW.co.za: 13:30
Daily Price Information	www.satrix.co.za
Repurchase period	T +3

TOP 10 HOLDINGS	
Securities	% of Portfolio
Amundi Core Msci World	15.16
Ishares Glbl Infrastructure	4.96
Ish Dvl Mkt Prpty Yld Usd A	4.82
Gold Fields Ltd	3.96
Standard Bank Group Ltd	3.10
Naspers Ltd	2.87
Anglogold Ashanti Plc	2.85
Mtn Group Ltd	2.81
Republic Of South Africa 8.75% 280248	2.33
British Am. Tobacco Plc	2.28
as at 30 Sep 2025	

PERFORMANCE (ANNUALISED) AS AT 30 SEP 2025							
A1-Class	Fund (%)	Benchmark (%)	Category (%)				
1 year	17.76	18.17	15.07				
3 year	17.73	18.58	15.59				
5 year	15.52	16.50	12.93				
10 year	10.10	11.06	8.34				

Annualized return is the weighted average compound growth rate over the period measured.

ACTUAL HIGHEST AND LOWEST ANNUAL RETURNS*		
Highest Annual %	25.22	
Lowest Annual %	(1.07)	

FEES (INCL. VAT)			
	A1-Class (%)		
Advice initial fee (max.)	N/A		
Manager initial fee	N/A		
Advice annual fee (max.)	1.15		
Manager annual fee	0.40		
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	0.52		
Transaction Cost (TC)	0.08		

Advice fee | Any advice fee is negotiable between the client and their financial advisor. An annual advice fee negotiated is paid via a repurchase of units from the investor. The portfolio manager may borrow up to 10% of the market value of the portfolio to bridge insufficient liquidity. This fund is also available via certain LISPS (Linked Investment Service Providers), which levy their own

Total Expense Ratio (TER) | The Total Expense Ratio (TER) is the charges incurred by the portfolio, for the payment of services rendered in the administration of the CIS. The TER is expressed as a percentage of the daily NAV of the CIS and calculated over a period of 3 years on an annualised basis. The Transaction Cost (TC) is the cost incurred by the portfolio in the buying and selling of underlying assets. This is expressed as a percentage of the daily NAV of the CIS and calculated over a period of 3 years on an annualised basis.

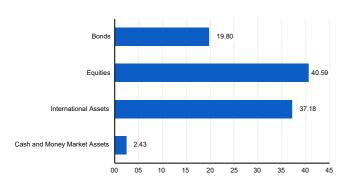
The current TER/TC cannot be regarded as an indication of future TER and TC. A higher TER and TC does not imply a poor return nor does a low TER and TC imply a good return. Obtain the costs of an investment prior to investing by using the EAC calculator provided at satrix.co.za.



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# ASSET ALLOCATION



### PORTFOLIO QUARTERLY COMMENTARY - 30 SEP 2025

Global equities finished strongly in the third quarter (3Q25), with tech and AI leaders driving the gains in the S&P 500 and Nasdaq, while better-than-expected earnings also added gains to the rest of the equity market. Outside of the US, Emerging Markets (EM) had a better quarter than Developed Markets (DM), led by China and commodity-linked markets like South Africa.

The demand for safe-haven assets continued, as gold's rally in 2025 accelerated in 3Q25. This was driven by uncertainty mainly from the Trump administration policy changes and pauses on tariffs, along with the expectation of an easing monetary policy.

The US Federal Reserve (Fed) cut interest rates by 25 bps in mid-September, signalling careful data dependency going forward. Inflation risk persists, as tariffs raised uncertainty, and the impact of the tariffs on prices is yet to materialise.

For 3Q25, the MSCI World Index was up 4.1% in rand terms, and the MSCI USA and S&P 500 indices both rose by 4.9%. The Nasdaq 100 Index ended the period up 5.8%. On the EM side, the MSCI China Index was up 17.2% for the quarter, while the MSCI India Index was down 10.3%. The MSCI Emerging Markets Index had a very strong quarter, ending the period up 7.4%. The MSCI Europe Index gained 0.6%, and the MSCI United Kingdom Index was up 2.8%. The Global Aggregate Bond Index was down 2.3% over 3Q25.

Oil prices were modestly weak for 3Q25, as OPEC+ continued to unwind prior voluntary production cuts. Markets remained sensitive to the Middle East conflict, despite President Trump's announcement of a peace plan between Israel and Hamas. Brent Crude oil started the quarter at US\$66.74 and closed the quarter with the price per barrel down 1.1%, at US\$66.03.

Gold, however, saw a significant price appreciation during 3Q25, with Gold Exchange-Traded Funds (ETFs) gaining significant inflows. This reflected both safe-haven demand and the positioning for lower real rates as policy eases. Rising risks in the US labour markets and concerns over persistent inflation continued to be the major influencers in rate policy changes. Gold closed the quarter up 16.8%, at US\$3 859.1.

In local markets, the FTSE/JSE All Share Index (ALSI) gained 12.9% in 3Q25, while the FTSE/JSE Top 40 Index (Top 40) rose 14.7%. The local market's outperformance was largely driven by Resources, which rose 50.8% during the quarter, while Industrials climbed 2.3% and Financials ended the quarter up 0.9%. The South African 10-year Government Bond yield closed the quarter at 9.18%, having started at 9.95%. The FTSE/JSE All Bond Index (ALBI) finished the quarter up 6.9%. The cash benchmark, the Alexander Forbes Short-Term Fixed-Interest Composite Index (STeFI), delivered a positive money market return of 1.8%, and the FTSE/JSE SA Listed Property Index (SAPY) rose by 6.7% over the quarter.

The rand appreciated by 2.9% against the US dollar, closing the quarter at R17.25 to the greenback, R23.22 to the British pound, and R20.27 to the euro.

# **Portfolio Performance and Changes**

# **Local Equity**

Domestically, the Momentum and Quality strategies outperformed the FTSE/JSE Cappe Shareholder Weighted All Share Index (Capped SWIX) while the Value, Low Volatility, Dividend Yield and Equal-Weighted strategies underperformed. The Momentum strategy was the most resilient, while the Dividend Yield factor was the worst performer over the quarter.

The SmartCore™ fund uses a multi-factor approach where stocks are selected based on their bottom-up combined Value, Momentum and Quality signal. During the quarter, SmartCore™ outperformed the Value and Quality single factors and underperformed the Momentum single factor. Over the same period, SmartCore™ outperformed the Capped SWIX. During the quarter, a pure blend approach of the Satrix proprietary Quality, Value and Momentum indices also outperformed the Capped SWIX index.

From an attribution perspective, overweight positions in Sibanye-Stillwater (SSW) and Gold Fields (GFI) and an underweight position in Capitec (CPI) added value to the strategy during the quarter. Counters that detracted value from the strategy included underweight positions in Sasol (SOL) and Valterra Platinum (VAL) and an overweight position in Nedbank (NED). Issue Date: 21 Oct 2025

The Satrix SmartCore™ Index rebalanced in September 2025 and it added Boxer Retail (BOX), Remgro (REM) and Sasol (SOL) while Impala Platinum (IMP), MultiChoice (MCG), Shoprite (SHP), The Foschini Group (TFG) and Thungela Resources (TGA) were deleted.

#### **Local Bonds**

The bond market benefited from a supportive macro backdrop of low inflation and improving terms of trade. The South African Reserve Bank (SARB) held the repo rate steady at 7% during its September meeting, following a 25-bps cut in July. The July Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) meeting was particularly impactful: the SARB not only lowered the repo rate but also signalled a shift in its inflation targeting framework, moving towards anchoring inflation at the bottom of the 3-6% range. This dovish pivot was well received by markets, with bond yields falling and expectations for further easing increasing. The SARB's quarterly projections in July were cause for much debate as they showed inflation forecasts that were more than 1% lower compared to the May 2025 projections and a repo forecast for end-2026 of just 5.98%. The forecasts were tempered somewhat in the September MPC statement. The ALBI posted a solid return of 6.94% for the quarter, as yields fell across the curve. The South African 10-year government bond yield declined from around 9.95% at the end of June to 9.16% in September.

# **Global Equity**

In rand terms, the MSCI All Country World Index (ACWI) had a positive return of +4.4% (+7.6% in US Dollar terms) for the quarter. The fund invests in the Satrix World Equity Tracker UCITS (which tracks the MSCI World Index) and the Satrix Emerging Markets Tracker UCITS (which tracks the MSCI Emerging Markets Index) by holding these investments in the same weight as that of the ACWI. These funds track the performance of the respective indices through a process of optimisation with an ex-ante tracking error varying around 10 basis points and 15 basis points, respectively. The ACWI captures large and mid-cap representation across 23 DM and 24 EM countries\*.

# RISK PROFILE (MODERATE AGGRESSIVE)

This is a moderate-aggressive risk portfolio that primarily aims to deliver capital growth over the medium- to long-term, with income a secondary consideration. It aims to reduce volatility relative to an equity-only portfolio. This portfolio has a medium- to long-term investment horizon.

# CONTACT DETAILS

# Manager

Satrix Managers (RF) Pty Ltd (Reg. No. 2004/009205/07). 4th Floor, Building 2, 11 Alice Lane, Sandown, 2146.

# Investment Manager

The management of investments are outsourced to Satrix, a division of Sanlam Investment Management (Pty) Ltd, FSP 579, an authorised Financial Services Provider under the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act, 2002.

# Trustee

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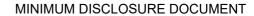
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This Fund qualifies as a tax free investment according to section 12T of the Income Tax Act, with effect from 1 March 2015. South African individuals qualify for the associated tax benefits namely





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