



#### Making ETFs the Core of your Investment Plans

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#### Agenda



- Making the best use of ETFs to meet Investment Objectives
  - How to make investment decisions
  - How to make sure you get what you need from your investments
- Investment Strategies and Portfolio Construction using ETFs/ETNs
  - "How to bake a cake"
  - Understand how ETFs can be used to build your investment portfolio
  - Understanding risk and volatility
- The growing impact of climate change
  - "How to plant and grow a perennial garden"
  - The benefit of incorporating the "green advantage" into your portfolio





#### Making the best use of ETFs to meet Investment Objectives

How to make sure you get what you need from your investments

#### What are your investment objectives?

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- To go on an overseas holiday?
- To buy a house?
- To save for your children's education?
- To retire comfortably?

To get from Johannesburg to Cape Town!









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Speed	Aeroplane
Scenic journey	4x4
Space / size	Bus

# Choose the vehicle that is best suited to your journey investment requirement



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Offshore	db x-trackers World etc. Std Bank Africa Equity ETN

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## How do I know what performance to expect from my ETF investment?



- An investment in an ETF gives you the assurance that you will receive the same return as the underlying asset, which usually means an index such as the Top40, after costs
- Although you do not know in advance what absolute return you will receive, you do know that
  you will receive the same return as the index
- This means that an ETF has very low relative risk when compared to the benchmark index
- However, one could still have absolute risk in your investment
  - If the index declines by 10%, your ETF investment will also decline by 10%
- Your ETF investment will have the same return and risk characteristics as the index it tracks
   Make sure you know what that is!



#### ETFs come with a built in "maintenance plan"!



- The "F" in the ETF is managed for you!
  - Periodic rebalancing
  - Changes in underlying constituents
  - Quarterly distributions



- ETFs represent a more tax efficient investment vehicle
  - Dividend Withholding Tax (DWT)
    - Fund management expenses are paid from pre-tax income in the fund
    - DWT is only payable on the net-of-fees distribution, usually paid quarterly to unit holders
  - Capital Gains Tax (CGT)
    - All trades within the ETF trust is CGT exempt; CGT only applicable once you sell your ETF investment
    - However, remember that there is an initial portion that is tax-free
  - Securities Transfer Tax (STT)
    - No STT payable on an ETF investment! (0.25% per transaction)







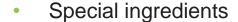
#### How to bake a cake

Investment Strategies and Portfolio Construction using ETFs/ETNs

#### What do you need to bake a cake?

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- Basic ingredients
  - Flour, butter, sugar, eggs, milk, raising agent



Chocolate, nuts, fruit, icing, etc.





- Equipment
  - Measuring cups, baking trays, oven, mixing spoons, etc.



#### **Basic ingredients – equity-only portfolio**



- Flour broad market exposure
  - Basic "building block"; provides the substance and form to the cake
    - e.g. BBET40, Satrix40, SWIX40, RAFI40
- Raising agent high dividends
  - Allows the cake to grow bigger and higher
    - e.g. Satrix Divi
- Eggs, Milk or other fluid cash
  - Adds moisture (and liquidity) to the cake
    - e.g. Cash
- Butter gold
  - The binding agent that coats the flour particles and allow it to stick together
    - e.g. NewGold (not gold stocks), Standard Bank Gold-Linker ETN
- Sugar international exposure
  - Improves the taste and shelf-life of the cake
    - e.g. db x-trackers World / USA / UK / Euro / Japan / Africa ETN / China ETN / Emerging Markets ETN
- Special ingredients thematic / sector exposure
  - Adds a specific flavour or texture to the cake
    - e.g. BGREEN, RESI, FINI, INDI, Shari'ah40, ABSA Equity Momentum



#### Basic ingredients - balanced fund portfolio



- Flour broad market exposure, both equities and bonds
  - Basic "building block"; provides the substance and form to the cake
    - e.g. BBET40, Satrix40, SWIX40, RAFI40, Investec ZGOVI, BIPS Inflation-X
- Raising agent high dividends, listed property
  - Allows the cake to grow bigger and higher
    - e.g. Satrix Divi, Proptrax
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- Special ingredients thematic / sector exposure, commodities
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    - e.g. BGREEN, RESI, FINI, INDI, Shari'ah40, ABSA Equity Momentum, Standard Bank Commodity-Linker ETNs



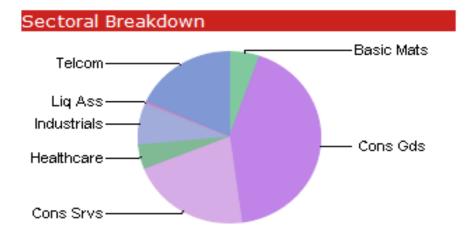
#### How do you know what are in your "ingredients"?



- Read the label on the packet
- As index-tracking funds, ETFs are completely transparent
- The "list of ingredients" can be found on the daily valuation statistics published on the website
  - e.g. Satrix INDI 25
  - Not a domestic industrial index any longer

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AVERAGE VALU		PER 3.5 OZ	PER PIECE	
CALORIES	Kcal	492	64	
PROTEIN	g	7.0	0.9	
TOTAL CARBOHYDRATES	g	69.0	9.0	
(Sugar)	g	(29.0)	(3.7)	
TOTAL FAT	g	21.0	2.7	
(Saturated Fat)	g	(10.0)	(1.3)	
FIBER	g	2.0	0.3	
SODIUM	g	0.18	0.023	

Top Holdings on 31 Dec 2011				
SHARE	No Units Va	lue (Rm)	% of Fund	
SABMILLER	435 739	123.35	20.55%	
MTN GROUP	664 921	95.57	15.92%	
RICHEMONT	1 843 202	75.15	12.52%	
NASPERS-N	142 410	50.30	8.38%	
BATS	78 691	30.18	5.03%	
Totals		374.54	62.40%	





#### Three sample recipes for Extremely Tasty Flop-free *Cakes*



- Linda's Lekker Low-risk Lake
  - Very low risk tolerance; Focus on capital protection and income generation
  - 5% after tax income draw-down p.a.
- Mandla's Marvelous Medium-risk Make
  - Average risk tolerance; Combine capital growth and some income generation
  - 2% after tax income draw-down p.a.
- Humphrey's Hearty High-risk Hake
  - Very high risk tolerance; Focus on maximum capital gain
  - No income draw-down required



## "Extremely Tasty Flop-free cakes" investment in different ETFs



Potential ETF "Ingredients"		
	BBET40 – BettaBeta Equally Weighted Top40 ETF	
Flour	ZGOVI – zShares Govi ETF	
	RMBINF – RMB Inflation-X ETF	
Raising	STXDIV – Satrix Divi ETF	
agent	PTXTEN – Property Tracker Ten ETF	
Fluids	Cash	
Butter	GLD – NewFunds NewGold ETF	
Sugar	MXWO – DBX World ETF	
Sugar	MSEMFI – DB MSCI Emerging Markets ETN	
Special	BGREEN – BettaBeta Be Green ETF	
ingredients	SBAOIL – Standard Bank Oil ETN	



### "Extremely Tasty Flop-free cakes" % investment in different ETFs



Potential E	Potential ETF "Ingredients"		Med (%)	High (%)
	BBET40 – BettaBeta Equally Weighted Top40 ETF	15	35	40
Flour	ZGOVI – zShares Govi ETF	10	10	10
	RMBINF – RMB Inflation-X ETF	20	5	-
Raising	STXDIV – Satrix Divi ETF	10	5	_
agent	PTXTEN – Property Tracker Ten ETF	10	5	-
Fluids	Cash	10	5	_
Butter	GLD – NewFunds NewGold ETF	5	10	5
Sugar	MXWO – DBX World ETF	10	10	15
Sugar	MSEMFI – DB MSCI Emerging Markets ETN	-	5	10
Special	BGREEN – BettaBeta Be Green ETF	10	10	10
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## "Extremely Tasty Flop-free cakes" Comparative (theoretical) performance



### Asset Allocation Portfolios – ETF Portfolios compared to Collective Investment Schemes Total Returns (% Growth with Dividends Reinvested)

	1 Year (%)	2 Years (%) p.a.	3 Years (%) p.a.
Balanced ETF Portfolio ( <b>low</b> risk) <i>Linda's Lekker Low-risk Lake</i>	8.0	12.1	13.3
Balanced ETF Portfolio (medium risk)  Mandla's Marvelous Medium-risk Make	7.8	12.3	14.8
Balanced ETF Portfolio (high risk)  Humphrey's Hearty High-risk Hake	10.1	12.3	16.8
Asset Allocation Unit Trusts (average)			
Prudential Low Equity Funds	6.3	8.0	8.8
Prudential Medium Equity Funds	5.3	8.7	10.8
Prudential High Equity Funds	4.2	8.9	11.9

Asset allocation performance based on historical data for 3 years ended 31 December 2011 Performance Data – Unit Trust Performance Survey – ASISA (31 December 2011)



#### **Equipment**



- Measuring cup
  - How much of what depends entirely on your investment objectives and risk tolerance
- Mixing spoons
  - "One of the secrets to a successful cake is not to mix it too much it makes the texture dense and the cake will not rise as much"
  - Decide on your desired exposures, invest accordingly and don't "over-mix"
- Baking tray
  - etfSA account
- Oven
  - Stock exchange
  - "Remember not to open the oven door too soon during the baking process"





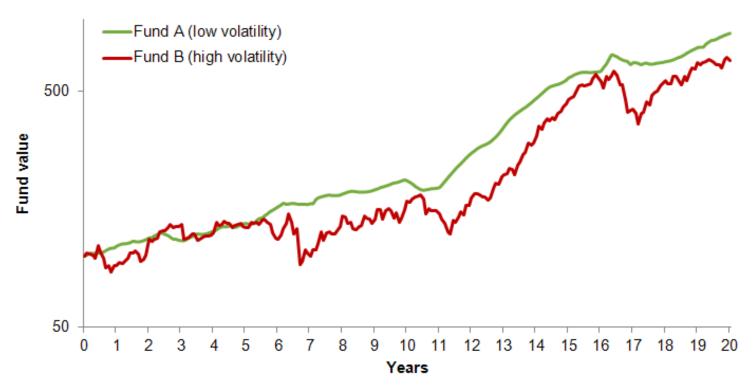
#### Understanding risk and volatility

The differences behind different weighting methodologies and the role of **equal weighting** in a portfolio

#### Volatility – the silent killer



- Two funds, both with an average return of 12% p.a., but different levels of volatility
- Fund A: 10% p.a. volatility vs. Fund B: 20% p.a. volatility

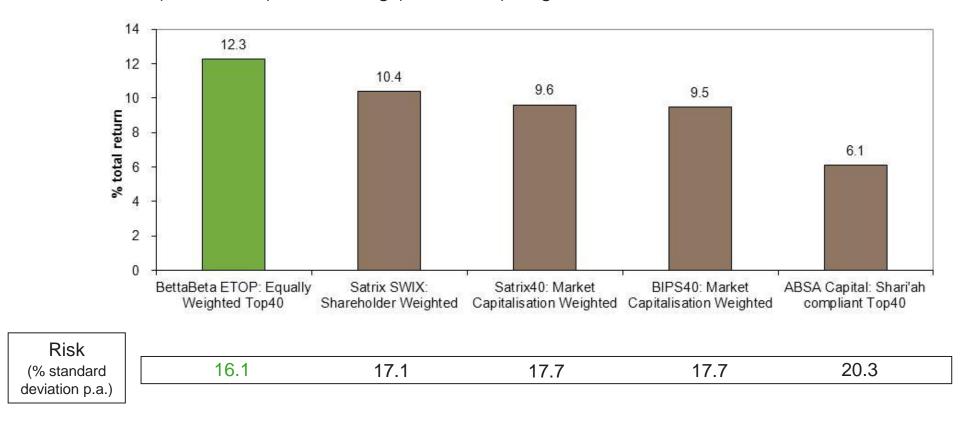


On a *compound* return basis, Fund A outperforms Fund B by 30% over 20 years

## BettaBeta Equally Weighted Top 40 ETF – Relative Performance since inception



Performance (annualised) since listing (25-Mar-10): Highest return – Lowest risk

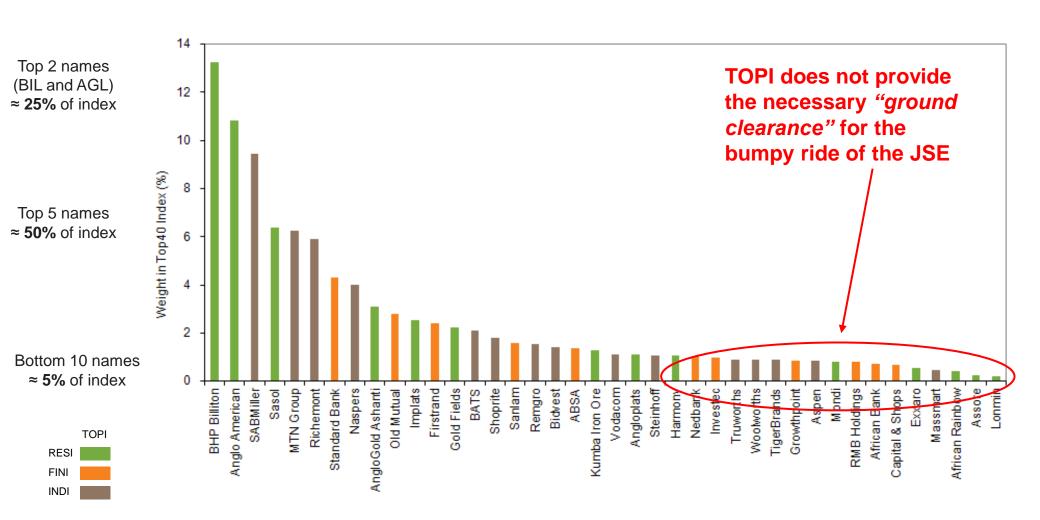


Performance of ETFs from 25-Mar-10 to 29-Feb-12 on an NAV basis; Source: Nedbank Capital



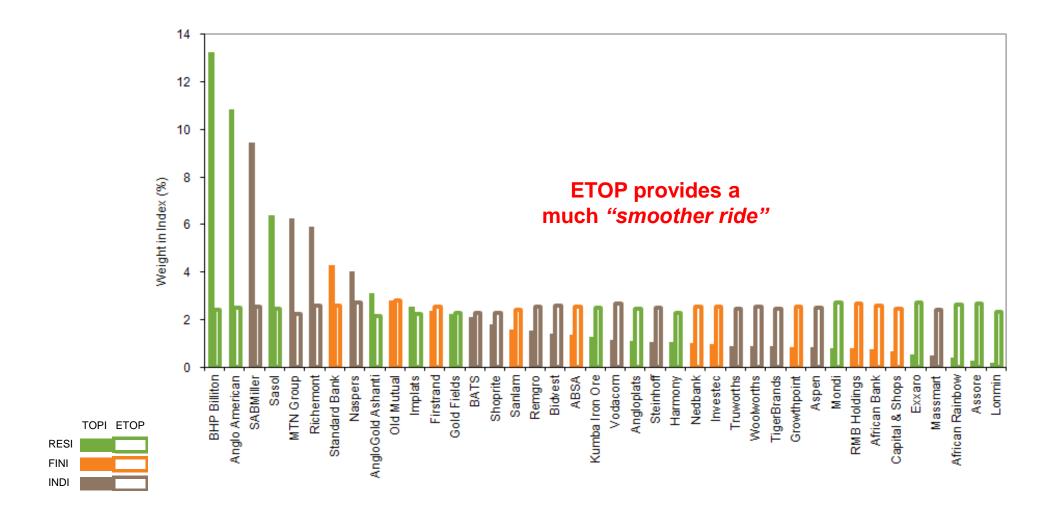
#### Top 40 index (TOPI) – Stock-specific Exposure





## Equally Weighted Top 40 Index (ETOP) compared to Market Cap Weighted Top 40 Index (TOPI)

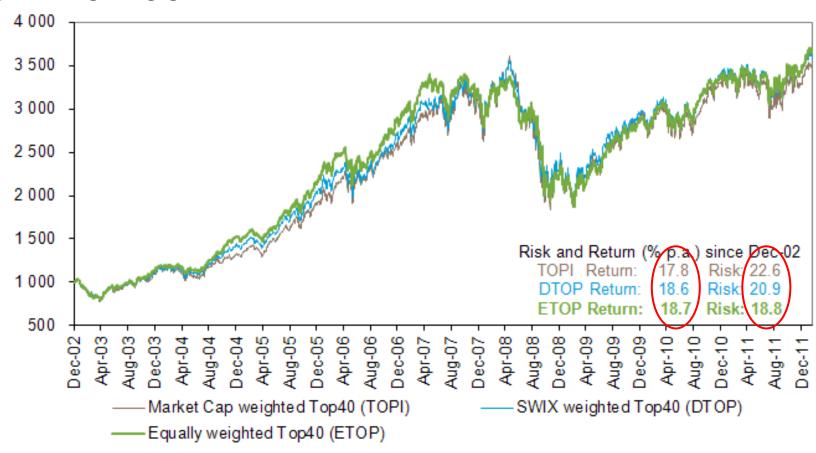




#### **Top 40 indices – Historical Performance**



Equal weighting gives a similar return but at much lower risk!



All indices are total return and based at 1000 at Dec-02







#### How to grow a perennial garden

Incorporating the "green advantage" into your investment portfolio

#### What is required for a perennial garden?



"Perennial plants are the backbone of nearly every flower garden. Unlike annual plants, which must be replanted each spring, perennials regrow from the same roots every year. People grow perennial plants because they are such easy-care, dependable performers, and because they offer an enormous variety of color, texture and form."

What is required for a perennial garden?

- Healthy, fertile soil
- Good planning
- Regular tending and watering
- Correct plant selection!





## Nedbank Green Index - finding green companies



- Source of information must independent, objective, transparent, consistent and reputable
- The Carbon Disclosure Project ("CDP") is an independent not-for-profit international organisation holding the largest database of primary corporate climate change information in the world
- The Top 100 companies on the JSE are rated on the basis of the disclosure and performance of their response to climate change and how they manage it
- The Nedbank Green Index uses the Disclosure scores for constituent selection and the Performance ratings for the weight in the index
- Top 10 holdings in the index:

Compa	ny	Weight in Nedbank Green Index (%)
EXX	Exxaro Resources	4.2
WHL	Woolworths Holdings	4.0
REM	Remgro	3.8
GFI	Gold Fields	3.8
NED	Nedbank Group	3.8
BTI	British Am. Tobacco	3.7
MND	Mondi Ltd	3.3
PIK	Pick N Pay	3.2
BAW	Barloworld	3.1
SNT	Santam	3.1

Source: Nedbank Capital; as at 29-Feb-12





A UNEP FI / UNISA survey

found that the

single greatest barrier

to responsible investing in SA is

the belief that responsible investing results in underperformance

#### Rationale for Green Investing



- There is growing awareness that Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") factors affect the (financial) bottom line and as such influence investment performance
- Example: Goldfields Beatrix Methane Gas Project
  - Extracting methane gas from the underground mine areas reduces the risk of explosions and thereby improves the safety in the mining operations
    - → Increase turnover (higher probability of meeting production targets)
  - The extracted methane gas is used as an alternative source of energy thereby reducing the cost of electricity
    - → Reduce expenses
  - The company receives carbon credits for the reduction in carbon emissions
    - → Additional revenue earned
- Improved financial performance results in superior investment performance



#### Why NOT green investing!



Performance of Nedbank Green Index vs. All Share Index (ALSI) & Socially Responsible Investment Index (SRI)



Cumulative outperformance since inception: >40% vs. the ALSI

Source: Nedbank Capital; As at 29-Feb-12



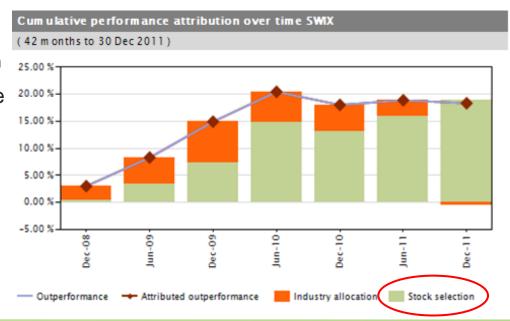
#### Important disclaimer!



- Past performance is no guarantee of future performance
- We cannot guarantee
  - the absolute level of the future performance
  - the level of relative outperformance

- What we can guarantee is
  - the rules-based process behind the stock selection
- Independent\* attribution analysis on the relative performance proves that the outperformance comes primarily from stock selection

\*Source: Riscura Analytics





#### What is the "green advantage"?



- Managing environmental risks and opportunities affects financial outcomes
- It is a "rating system" that identifies quality of management how does a company deal with change and challenges
  - It separates the victors from the victims
- Being environmentally responsible does not have to come at a cost in performance
- Investing in companies with strong environmental credentials incentivises companies to behave responsibly and allows investors to act on their environmental convictions
- The BettaBeta Be Green ETF (share code: BGREEN) provides exactly such an investment opportunity

#### **Regular Investing**



- Like a well-tended perennial garden, investments need to be regularly "watered"
- Monthly debit orders and automatic re-investment of dividends is a prudent long-term investment strategy
  - This is facilitated at very low cost on the etfSA platform
- Available for both BettaBeta ETFs:
  - BBET40
  - BGREEN







## Thank You

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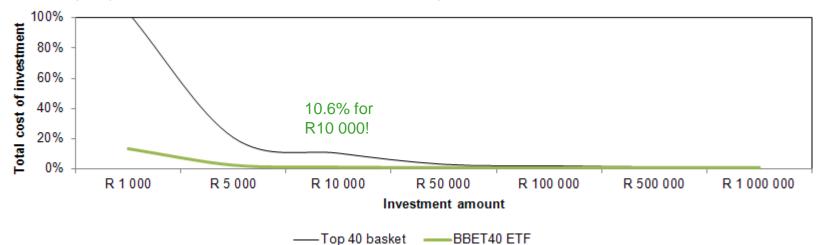
#### "Can I do this myself?"



Investing in 40 individual shares rather than 1 ETF is a LOT more expensive...

	Basket of Top 40 shares	BBET40 ETF
Gross investment amount	R 100 000	R 100 000
Brokerage (0.5%) (buy and sell)	R 1 140	R 1 140
JSE fees & levies (buy and sell)	R 918	R 22
STT (only buy)	R 250	
Net investment amount	R 97 692	R 98 838
Total cost of investment	2.3%	1.2%

...especially if your investment amount is relatively small



Calculations: Nedbank Capital



#### What ETF / ETN options are available?



Asset class	Category	ETFs available
Equities only	Broad market access	BettaBeta Equally Weighted Top40 (BBET40) Satrix40, SWIX and RAFI, BIPS40, NewFunds eRAFI, Stanlib40 and SWIX
	Sector exposure	Satrix RESI10, FINI15 and INDI25 NewFunds eRAFI RESI20, FINI15 and INDI25
	Listed property	Proptrax, Proptrax Ten
	Style / thematic	BettaBeta Be Green (BGREEN) Satrix Divi, NewFunds Shari'ah40, NewRand, NewSA and Equity Momentum
Fixed	Regular bonds	z-shares GOVI, NewFunds GOVI
interest only	Inflation-linked bonds	BIPS Inflation-X, NewFunds ILBI
Foreign exposure	Foreign equity markets	db x-trackers World, USA, UK, Euro, Japan, Africa, China, Emerging Markets, Standard Bank Africa
Alternative investments	Commodities	NewFunds NewGold, Standard Bank Commodity-linkers (Gold, Silver, Platinum, Palladium, Copper, Corn, Oil, Wheat, Commodity basket)
Multi-asset	Balanced funds	NewFunds MAPPS Protect and Growth



#### Why (physical) gold in an investment portfolio?



Gold is often considered a high risk investment, but over the last 16 years, it has been no more risky than South African equities!

From Jun-95 to Dec-11*	All Share Index Total Return	Gold price in ZAR			
Average monthly return (%)	1.39	1.32			
Average annual return (%)	18.7	17.3			
Standard Deviation (% p.a.)	20.3	20.0			
Minimum monthly return (%)	-29.3	-15.1			
Maximum monthly return (%)	14.1	21.7			

<sup>\*</sup>Jun-95 is the inception of the current All Share index data

Its most important contribution relates to its diversification benefits – thanks to negative correlations

Correlation based on monthly total returns: Jul-95 to Dec-11	All Share Index (ALSI)	SA Listed Property (SAPY)	Inflation- linked Bond Index (ILBI)	All Bond Index (ALBI)	Money Market Index (Cash)	Developed Market Equities in ZAR (World)	Physical gold in ZAR (Gold)
ALSI	1.0	0.3	-0.3	0.3	-0.1	0.5	0.0
SAPY		1.0	-0.1	0.6	-0.1	-0.0	-0.2
ILBI			1.0	-0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.1
ALBI				1.0	0.1	-0.1	-0.2
Cash					1.0	0.1	-0.1
World						1.0	0.3
Gold							1.0

