SYGNIA ITRIX SWIX 40 ETF

31 MARCH 2020

LOW	LOW MEDIUM	MEDIUM	MEDIUM HIGH	HIGH

LESS RISK/ RETURN — MORE RISK/ RETURN

1 YEAR+	2 YEARS+	3 YEARS+	5 YEARS+	10 YEARS+

PORTFOLIO MANAGERS	**SYGNIA ASSET MANAGEMENT**
INCEPTION	**30 OCTOBER 2017**
FUND SIZE	**R 174 Million**
NAV PRICE	**852 cents**
UNITS IN ISSUE	**20 391 629**
INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE	**TO REPLICATE THE PRICE AND YIELD PERFORMANCE OF THE FTSE/JSE SHARE WEIGHT 40 INDEX**
INCOME DISTRIBUTION	**PAYMENT: DEC 2019 - 16.50932 CENTS PER UNIT PAYMENT: JUN 2019 - 15.48797 CENTS PER UNIT**
TRUSTEES	**STANDARD BANK TRUSTEES (021 441 4100)**

FUND INFORMATION

Classification	South Africa - Equity - General
Asset Allocation	100% South African Equity
NAV/Index Ratio	ca. 1/1000
Financial Year End	31 December
Index Tracking	Fund tracks the FTSE/JSE SWIX 40 Index
Dividend Distribution	Semi-annual distribution
NAV Publication	Daily on sygnia.co.za
Portfolio Valuation	Close of relevant market
Foreign exchange source	World Market fix rate 16:00pm EST

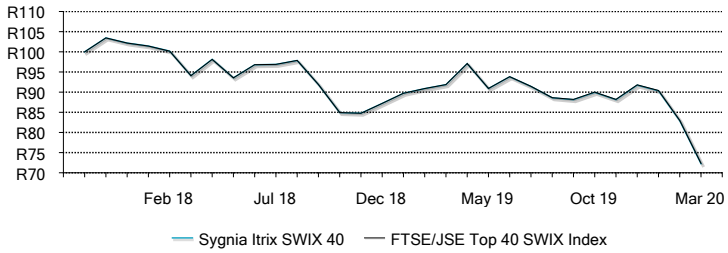
LISTING INFORMATION

Exchange	JSE Limited
Exchange Code	SYGSW4
Trading Currency	ZAR
Portfolio Currency	ZAR
ISIN	ZAE000251344
RIC	SYGSW4J.J
Bloomberg Ticker	SYGSW4 SJ EQUITY
Trading Hours	9:00 am - 16:50 pm
Transaction cut-off	JSE trading hours

CUMULATIVE INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE

Growth of R100 invested on 31 October 2017

Investment: R72.25
Benchmark: R72.33



Cumulative investment performance is for illustrative purposes only and is calculated using the NAV before any distributable income and management fee.

ASSET ALLOCATION

ASSET	PERCENT	ALLOCATION
Domestic Equity	99.4%	
Cash	0.6%	

SECTOR ALLOCATION

SECTOR	PERCENT	ALLOCATION
Consumer Discretionary	40.3%	
Financials	20.8%	
Materials	16.0%	
Consumer Staples	11.4%	
Communication Services	5.5%	
Real Estate	2.2%	
Industrials	1.4%	
Health Care	1.0%	
Other	1.3%	

TOP 10 HOLDINGS

INSTRUMENT	PERCENT
Naspers Ltd	31.6%
British American Tobacco PLC	4.9%
Prosus N.V.	4.8%
Anglo American PLC	4.2%
Standard Bank Group Ltd	3.8%
FirstRand Ltd	3.7%
Sanlam Ltd	2.6%
MTN Group Ltd	2.5%
Compagnie Financiere Richemont SA	2.4%
AngloGold Ashanti Ltd	2.3%

PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

PERIOD	SYGNIA ITRIX SWIX 40	FTSE/JSE TOP 40 SWIX INDEX**
1 Month	-12.8%	-12.8%
3 Months	-21.2%	-21.2%
6 Months	-18.0%	-18.0%
Year to Date	-21.2%	-21.2%
1 Year	-21.3%	-21.3%
Since Inception	-12.6%	-12.5%

Performance of the fund is calculated by Sygnia Asset Management as at reporting date.
**Price return.

HISTORICAL PERFORMANCE

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR
2017											3.5%	-1.2%	2.2%
2018	-0.7%	-1.2%	-6.1%	4.3%	-4.7%	3.5%	0.1%	1.0%	-6.1%	-7.5%	-0.2%	2.9%	-14.7%
2019	2.9%	1.3%	1.1%	5.7%	-6.4%	3.2%	-2.6%	-3.1%	-0.5%	2.1%	-2.0%	4.1%	5.2%
2020	-1.5%	-8.2%	-12.8%										-21.2%

RISK STATISTICS

	FUND	^BM
% Negative Months	55.2%	55.2%
Average Negative Month	-4.1%	-4.1%
Largest Drawdown	-30.2%	-30.1%
Standard Deviation	15.3%	15.3%
Downside Deviation	12.3%	12.3%
Highest Annual Return: Nov 2018 - Oct 2019	5.9%	6.0%
Lowest Annual Return: Apr 2019 - Mar 2020	-21.3%	-21.3%
Annualised Tracking Error (Active Return)	-0.04%	-
Annualised Tracking Error (Std Dev of Active Return)	0.09%	-

The risk statistics reflected above are calculated on a 60-month or since-inception basis, depending on which period is shorter. ^Benchmark is the Index.

FEES

DESCRIPTION	PERCENT
Annual Management Fee	0.12% per annum (excluding VAT)
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	0.20% (March 2020)
Transaction Costs (TC):	0.07% (March 2020)
Total Investment Charge (TIC):	0.27% (March 2020)

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SYGNIA ITRIX SWIX 40 ETF
FUND **COMMENTARY**

SOUTH AFRICA - EQUITY - GENERAL

1ST QUARTER 2020

RISK PROFILE

LOW	LOW MEDIUM	MEDIUM	MEDIUM HIGH	HIGH

LESS RISK/ RETURN — MORE RISK/ RETURN

TIME HORIZON

0-2 YEARS	2 YEARS+	3 YEARS+	5 YEARS+	7 YEARS+

MARKET PERFORMANCE

The World Health Organisation (WHO) characterised the Covid-19 (coronavirus) outbreak as a pandemic on 11 March. Since then, numerous countries have declared a state of emergency and gone into full lockdown, including the US, UK, Italy, Hungary, the Philippines, Japan and, of course, South Africa. The devastation reached Wall Street which recorded its worst session since 1987 and fell 34% from its peak, while oil prices are down to levels last seen in 2002. The effect also touched the South African All Share Index which found a short-term bottom, 36% from its January peak.

World governments have compared Covid-19 to a war, noting significant human and economic global challenges, and the impact on global GDP is somewhere between a natural disaster and a deep recession. 2020 growth will follow the pattern of a natural disaster, with the deepest GDP fall since World War II, but is expected to rebound sharply by the end of the year. However, lingering uncertainty, job losses and business closures will weigh on demand until at least the end of 2021. There have been seven global recessions over the last century of this magnitude: two driven by war (World Wars I and II), two driven by balance sheet recessions (the 1930s Great Depression and the 2008 Great Financial Crisis), two driven by oil shocks (1973 and 1981) and now the first to be driven by a global pandemic.

Across the globe, countries are waiting for infection rates to peak and hoping that a second round of infections will not start as countries come out of lockdown. The main focus right now is the US, which has more cases than anywhere else. US unemployment claims surged to 10m over two weeks. More than ten times its previous peak in 1982. After two weeks of measured optimism, Trump shifted dramatically and has extended the policy of "social distancing" until at least 30 April. Risky assets, like equities, will turn a corner when evidence emerges that the coronavirus is being brought under control.

An abundance of central bank actions have propped up liquidity, reducing borrowing costs and, most importantly, keeping the dollar from strengthening too far (an overly strong dollar would cause monetary systems to freeze).

The Fed has cut policy rates by 150 bps and restarted "QE infinity" with $700bn of asset purchases, including credit bonds. The ECB has allowed banks to run lower capital ratios, raised their QE programme by €120bn and announced a new €830bn programme of bond purchases. The Bank of England cut rates by 65 bps, to a record low of 0.1%, and increased QE. The total asset purchase target was raised to £645bn. PBOC has lowered the required reserve ratio by 50, to 100 basis points. Many other countries have cut rates from between 25 to 100 bps and some have also implemented QE.

The BoJ has doubled its buying of ETFs and J-REITs and announced additional commercial paper and corporate debt purchases of JPY 2tn. SA's Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) unanimously cut the repo rate by 100 bps, to 5.25%.

QE has reached new highs, with larger increases than after the GFC of 2008. This has capped the recent dollar rally, which neared 50-year highs, kept liquidity in financial markets and avoided excessively high borrowing costs around the world – a necessary (but insufficient) step for market recovery.

Over $5tn in fiscal support has been pledged by more than 21 countries to assist consumers and help businesses deal with the impact of global lockdowns. Helicopter money, first brought into play by Hong Kong at the onset of the crisis, is being utilised by the US and other countries.

The US will inject $2tn into the economy – nearly 5% of GDP – including cash disbursements for consumers and loans for small businesses.

The levels of support are significant, although China is holding back relative to the 2008 crisis. China is also the first country to come out of lockdown, however, with transport levels back to almost 100%. Chinese data generated some hope as official PMIs rebounded in March from record lows and the index rose into expansionary territory, to 52.0 from 35.7. Fiscal support is in place and is the second necessary step for recovery, but is also insufficient on its own.

Both monetary and fiscal policy is in place, and no one can argue that the equity market is not cheap, but it could get cheaper. It will be impossible to call the bottom until there is confidence that infection rates have peaked. On the positive side: markets are fast adapting, and it is vital to stay nimble given the current conditions; Zoom's market cap is now bigger than the big four US airlines combined; the price of uranium has jumped as coal mines close, giving support to a commodity that has been in a bear market for over a decade; and oil tankers are enjoying record profits as cheap oil is in need of storage for the foreseeable future. We remain focused on harnessing the volatility to protect capital for the funds. Locally, bonds are looking closer to their bottoms than SA equities, and the recent Moody's cut is likely to be a positive catalyst that many foreign investors have been waiting for.

FUND PERFORMANCE

The Sygnia Itrix SWIX 40 ETF delivered -21.2% for the quarter, in line with its benchmark, the FTSE/ JSE Shareholder Weighted Top 40 Index. The Fund benefitted from exposure to Naspers, Prosus and AngloGold Ashanti, while its exposure to Sasol, Standard Bank Group and FirstRand detracted from performance.

There were several changes to the tracked index's constituents over the period, including the addition of Reinet Investments and Northam Platinum and the removal of Tiger Brands and Foschini Group.

The Fund remains true to its investment objective of delivering returns that mirror those of the FTSE/ JSE Shareholder Weighted Top 40 Index.

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INVESTMENT APPROACH

The Sygnia Itrix SWIX 40 ETF is a high risk, passively managed index tracking fund, registered as a Collective Investments Scheme, and is listed on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange as an Exchange Traded Fund. The objective of this portfolio is to provide simple access to investors who wish to track the movements of the FTSE/JSE SWIX 40 Index through investing in the physical index securities. The FTSE/JSE SWIX 40 Index consists of the largest 40 companies, listed on the JSE, ranked and weighted by market capitalisation on the South African register. The investment policy of the portfolio is to track the Index as closely as practically and feasibly possible by buying securities included in the Index at similar weighting as they are included in the Index. Whenever the Index gets rebalanced, the Portfolio will purchase the newly included constituent securities and will sell the constituent securities which were excluded from the Index.

BALANCING RISK AND REWARD

The Fund has a 100% strategic allocation to South African equities. The structure of the Fund is dictated by the composition of the FTSE/JSE SWIX 40 Index. It is a suitable investment for investors seeking higher returns, those who are willing to tolerate higher volatility and investors who aim to maximise capital accumulation over a longer-term time horizon. For changes in the index constituents, please refer to the published SENS. Performance data can be sourced from Bloomberg, Reuters, other data providers and at www.sygnia.co.za.

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Annualised performance figures represent the geometric average return earned by the fund over the given time period. Unannualised performance represents the total return earned by the fund over the given time period, expressed as a percentage.

Performance is calculated based on the NAV to NAV calculation of the portfolio. Individual investor performance may differ as a result of initial fees, the actual investment date and dividend withholding tax.

FEES

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WHAT IS THE TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO (TER) AND TRANSACTION COSTS (TC)?

The total expense ratio (TER) is the annualised percentage of the Fund's average assets under management that has been used to pay the Fund's actual expenses over the past year. Transaction costs are a necessary cost in administering the Fund and impact Fund returns. They should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time, including market returns, the type of financial product, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER. Since Fund returns are quoted after the deduction of these expenses, the TER and Transaction Costs should not be deducted again from the published returns. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return.

CUMULATIVE INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE

Cumulative investment performance is for illustrative purposes only. The investment performance is calculated by taking all ongoing fees into account for the amount shown, with income reinvested on the reinvestment date.

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