Universiteit van Stellenbosch Aftreedefonds (USAF)

Conservative Absolute Return Factsheet
March 2020

Period ending: 31 March 2020

Portfolio size (R’million): 239.7

Portfolio Objective:

Primary Objective: The primary investment objective of the USAF Conservative Absolute Return Portfolio is to deliver a real return of 3% p.a. net of fees over three year measurement periods.

Secondary Objective: The secondary investment objective of the USAF Conservative Absolute Return Portfolio is to avoid a capital loss over any 12-month period.

Risk Profile: Moderate Conservative

Performance per annum

The table below shows the performance of the USAF Conservative Absolute Return Portfolio, net of fees, over various measured periods ended 31 March 2020, compared to the inflation target.

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<th>Period</th>
<th>USAF Conservative Absolute Return</th>
<th>Inflation +3% p.a.</th>
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<td>3 months</td>
<td>-6.5%</td>
<td>2.3%</td>
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<td>6 months</td>
<td>-4.7%</td>
<td>3.5%</td>
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<td>1 year</td>
<td>-0.7%</td>
<td>7.3%</td>
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<td>3 years</td>
<td>4.9%</td>
<td>7.3%</td>
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<td>3 years, 2 months</td>
<td>5.2%</td>
<td>7.6%</td>
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Cumulative Performance

The chart below shows the monthly performance of the USAF Conservative Absolute Return Portfolio (net of fees). It also shows the cumulative net performance of the USAF Conservative Absolute Return Portfolio relative to the CPI + 3.0% p.a. investment objective on the right-hand axis.

Risk Statistics

The table below sets out some key risk statistics for the USAF Conservative Absolute Return Portfolio relative to the inflation investment objective for the period since inception (February 2017) to 31 March 2020.

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<th>Portfolio</th>
<th>Return achieved</th>
<th>Active return</th>
<th>Standard deviation</th>
<th>Downside risk</th>
<th>Tracking error</th>
<th>Sortino ratio</th>
<th>Information ratio</th>
<th>Beta</th>
<th>Drawdown</th>
<th>Active Drawdown</th>
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<tr>
<td>USAF Conservative Absolute Return (3 years, 2 months)</td>
<td>5.2%</td>
<td>-2.5%</td>
<td>5.2%</td>
<td>6.6%</td>
<td>5.4%</td>
<td>0.8</td>
<td>-0.5</td>
<td>-38.6%</td>
<td>-7.6%</td>
<td>-10.0%</td>
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<td>Inflation Benchmark (CPI +3%) (3 years, 2 months)</td>
<td>7.6%</td>
<td>1.1%</td>
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Notes

1. Actual return should not be capitalised.
2. Variation of return (standard deviation) is a measure of how widely the return is dispersed – the lower this measure, the less risk. This measure has been annualised.
3. Downside risk measures the dispersion of return below a minimum return (zero) – the lower this measure, the less risk of realising a negative return.
4. The "tracking error" measures how much the return of the actual portfolio differs from the benchmark.
5. Sortino ratio measures the excess return above a minimum accepted return (taken to be zero) divided by the downside risk – it therefore measures the extra return generated per unit of risk of realising a return below zero.
6. The "information ratio" measures the extent to which the actual portfolio has outperformed the benchmark divided by the "tracking error" – it is therefore a measure of the extra return generated per unit of relative risk. An information ratio net of fees of 0.25 and higher is regarded as good.
7. Beta is a measure of the volatility, or systematic risk, of a portfolio relative to the benchmark.
8. The drawdown is the peak-to-trough decline of returns over a specific period.
9. Active drawdown is the peak-to-trough decline of the active returns (relative to the benchmark) over a specific period.
The estimated TER for the USAF Conservative Absolute Return Portfolio is 0.83% p.a. for the one year ended 31 December 2019.
The TER is an annualised value (typically measured over a rolling three year period or since inception and expressed as %) and expenses included in the TER are:

1. Annual asset management fees;
2. Asset manager performance fees (if any);
3. Bank charges;
4. Audit fees;
5. Taxes (eg VAT);
6. Custodian and trustee fees;
7. Costs related to scrip lending (if any).

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