

# **EPIM Cabot Moderately Cautious**

## Investment objective and policy

These discretionary managed model portfolios offer risk-profiled investment solutions, all of which have a dynamic top-down asset allocation strategy implemented using low cost index tracking funds.

The investment objective for the EPIM Cabot Moderately Cautious Model Portfolio is to provide a long-term total return which is superior to inflation plus 1% returns. The performance of the model portfolio is not intended to track the rise (or fall) of any specific index.

#### **Key facts**

Inception Date 30/09/2012
Typical Growth / Defensive Split 30:70

Annual Management Charge 0.20%

Total Ongoing Charges 0.14%

(of underlying funds)

Portfolio Total Ongoing Charge 0.34%

Equity markets slipped in March as investors sought clarity on the scope and impact of Donald Trump's tariff strategy. European equity indices fared better than those in the US, amid rotation by investors from Wall Street where valuations are rich and economic uncertainty prevails. Emerging market shares outperformed developed markets.

Weakness in US equity markets was sparked by investor worries over the effect of Donald Trump's tariff strategy on the country's economy following some weak survey data. This lack of visibility was compounded by some surprise announcements by the US president, including the introduction of a blanket 25% duty on US vehicle and auto-part imports.

Washington is expected to announce a raft of "reciprocal" tariffs on 2 April. These are expected to vary country by country. Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent said efforts were focused on the "Dirty 15" – the 15% of countries that account for the bulk of trade with the US and impose tariffs or other rules that put US companies at a disadvantage.

As expected, the US Federal Reserve held its key interest rate steady at 4.25% to 4.50%. Its Federal Open Markets Committee (FOMC) downgraded its outlook for economic growth and moved its inflation projection higher. Members of the FOMC indicated in their "dot plot" that they continue to see two further interest rate cuts in 2025, and markets expect them to engineer a soft economic landing. Treasury yields rose over the month.

Market participants also focused on geopolitics, as US-brokered ceasefire negotiations between Ukraine and Russia stalled. The talks were aimed at securing a 30-day pause in the targeting of energy infrastructure, while a more comprehensive deal was hammered out. However, Russian leader Vladimir Putin said there would be preconditions to any ceasefire, angering President Trump.

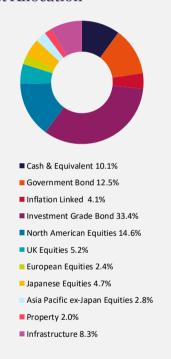
The defence sector has been a major beneficiary of President Trump's new policies as he attempts to pressure Nato members into increasing their spending in this area. The fourth-quarter earnings season was generally supportive of equity markets, but companies that issued disappointing guidance saw valuations hit hard.

#### Performance %

Discrete Performance	Mar 24 - Mar 25	Mar 23 - Mar 24	Mar 22 - Mar 23	Mar 21 - Mar 22	Mar 20 - Mar 21	3 yr Volatility
EPIM Cabot Moderately Cautious	3.8	9.0	-4.7	3.5	12.7	6.4
UK CPI + 1%*	4.0	5.1	11.1	6.5	1.7	-

Cumulative Performance	1m	3m	6m	1yr	3yr	5yr
EPIM Cabot Moderately Cautious	-1.7	-0.3	0.4	3.8	8.0	25.9
UK CPI + 1%*	-0.1	0.5	1.7	4.0	21.5	31.6

## **Asset Allocation**



Top ten holdings	%
L&G Short Dated Corp Bond Index C Inc	10.4
Vanguard UK Short Term Investment Grade Bond Index	9.1
BlackRock ICS Sterling Liquidity	9.1
Legal & General Global Infrastructure Index C Inc	8.3
Legal & General Sterling Corporate Bond Index C Inc	7.8
Fidelity Index US P Acc Hdg	6.7
Vanguard Global Short Term Corp. Bond Index Inst. Plus Hdg Acc	6.1
Vanguard US Government Bond Index Inv GBP Hedged Inc	4.8
L&G All Stocks Gilt Index Trust C Inc	4.7
Legal & General Global Inflation Linked Bond Index C Inc	4.1



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#### **Investment Team**

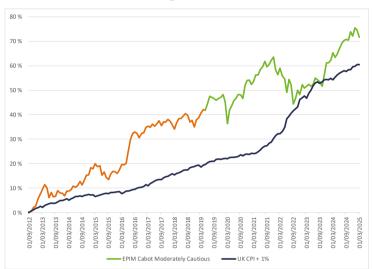
The model portfolios are managed by Eden Park Investment Management, with investment advisory and management services provided by Charles Stanley. The team of portfolio managers and analysts have extensive experience, drawing upon the expertise of investment specialists, strategists and economists both internally and externally. The research team looks for the best Index tracking funds from the available passive universe.

## Sub Manager MPS Proposition Ratings



# DFM MPS on Plotform 2025 EXPERT RATED defacto DFM MPS (Plotform) Family 2025 EXPERT RATED

# Performance since Inception



Source: FE Analytics. Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance. The performance is net of Eden Park Investment Management fees, with income reinvested.

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#### **ACCOUNTS**

- General Investment Account
- ISA
- SIPP
- Offshore Bond
- Onshore Bond

Minimum suggested Investment = £1,000 (subject to platform minimum requirements)

#### **PLATFORMS**

- Morgan Lloyd Invest
- SS&C Hubwise

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