

## Sustainable Model Portfolio Service

In partnership with LGT Vestra

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### **EPIM Sustainable Defensive**

# Asset allocation

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Fixed interest	60%
UK equity	2%
Overseas equity	24%
Alternatives	7%
Cash	7%

### Top 10 holdings

L&G Global Inflation Linked	9.90%
Vontobel Sustainable Short Term Bond	9.60%
CG Dollar	7.70%
Vanguard US Govt Bond Index	7.70%
Cash	7.40%
Trojan Ethical	7.20%
Rathbone Ethical Bond	6.90%
Pictet Global Sustainable Credit	6.60%
Stewart Investors Worldwide Sustainable	4.90%
Morgan Stanley Global Sustain	4.60%

#### Portfolio information

90%	Launch date	1 June 2020	
50%	Minimum cash holding	2%	
70%	Annual management charge	0.3%	
70%	Total Cost of Investment	0.57%	
10%			
20%	Portfolio Objectives		
90%	<sup>%</sup> The primary objective of this portfolio is to preserve		
50%	capital. The portfolio is diversified across a range of asset		
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classes but with a low overall allocation to funds investing in equities (expected to be no greater than 40%) and other risk assets. Target Volatility: 2%-4.75%

#### Sustainable philosophy

The ultimate goal of the portfolio is to support more inclusive social and economic development and more sustainable environmental and business practices, whilst generating strong and consistent investment returns. The portfolio will aim to achieve this by investing in a diversified range of funds which include themes such as renewable energy, financial inclusion, education, social housing, climate change action, sustainable waste management and renewable material production.

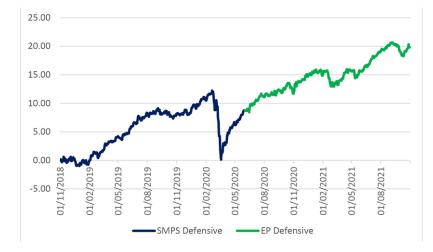


#### Monthly investment update

October was no exception to the past year with inflation and supply chain concerns showing no immediate signs of easing with higher inflation expected to continue into 2022 and businesses indicating that they also expect supply chain bottlenecks to persist well into next year. Despite these pressures, equity markets continue to press higher, with the US markets reaching new highs and with earnings season underway, many firms are reporting results ahead of market expectations highlighting the continued post-pandemic recovery we are seeing. As we move into the Christmas period, markets are closely watching central banks, particularly the Bank of England and the US Federal Reserve, as they both signal tapering of their ultra-accommodative pandemic policies in response to inflationary pressures and other targets including employment nearing their targets. Talking of policy, the 26th Conference of the Parties (COP26) will be taking place in Glasgow and will be an important step in upping global commitments to accelerating efforts to curb climate change and global warming. As we have been advocating for many years, combatting climate change is not only an environmental level, this will naturally exert pressure on corporates and consumers to adapt to a new way of life and as such will create significant opportunities for businesses providing solutions to our global sustainability issues. We continue to see these structural changes in the market positively impacting the top line growth of companies held within the sustainable portfolios and our quality preference is reflected in the resilience of companies we hold through the pandemic. Our thesis remains that these growth opportunities and structural changes are at a point of inflection and will offer attractive long term opportunities and returns for investors.



#### Performance



	As at end of October 2021
1 month	0.61%
3 month	0.64%
6 month	3.60%
1 year	7.26%
3 year	19.39%
	Target
Volatility	2 to 4.75%
Return	3 to 4.5%
Potential drawdown	-5.0%
	Yield
Assumed yield	0.84%
Dividend*	33%
Savings*	67%

Source: Morningstar

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