



*Objective is to offer investors a diversified blend of SRI global and Australian shares.*

The **Fiducian Diversified Social Aspirations Fund** (the 'Fund') aims to provide longer-term investors (those willing to invest for periods of at least five to seven-years) with an opportunity to invest in companies that take into consideration the environment, social and governance factors (or ESG). The Fund invests in a diversified portfolio of Australian and global shares listed on the Australian Securities Exchange and other major global stock exchanges. The relevant market indices are the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index for Australian shares and the MSCI World ex-Australia Index for international shares. However, given the special nature of the fund and its restrictive selection of securities, a comparison with these indices could be misleading.

*Suitable for investors with a longer-term investment horizon.*

Currently a blend of two managers, Solaris Investment Management (Solaris) and Candriam Investors Group (Candriam), provides exposure to a blend of some of the best socially responsible companies in Australia and globally. Investors must be cognisant, however, that investing in a fund of this nature can involve periods where returns could deviate significantly from the indices.

This Fund provides investors with a number of potential benefits. These include:

- Wide geographical and sector diversification of investment across a range of Australian and global companies.
- The potential for the longer-term investor to achieve fair overall returns, while allowing investors exposure to ESG aware companies.

*Solaris seeks to invest in a diversified portfolio of Australian companies which take into consideration factors such as environment, social and governance aspects in their business deliberation.*

#### **Solaris Investment Management**

Domestic share investment is managed by Solaris, through managing a mandate for the Fund of a portfolio of Australian socially responsible investments specially constructed for this Fund. Solaris seeks to invest in a diversified portfolio of Australian companies listed on the Australian Securities Exchange which take into consideration environmental, social and governance (ESG) aspects in their business activities. The Solaris ESG overlay aims to exclude stocks that derive greater than 10% of revenues from the following activities:

- Alcohol production or sales
- Armaments production or sales
- Coal fired power generation
- Gambling
- Pornography production or sales
- Thermal coal mining or sales
- Tobacco production or sales
- Uranium mining or sales.

Other issues taken into account in assessing the suitability of particular stocks for inclusion in a portfolio include the following:

#### **Environmental issues**

- Land degradation
- Impact on water supplies
- Mine remediation and proper site management
- Biodiversity effects
- Destruction of old growth forests
- Pollution effects—on air, water and land quality

#### **Social issues**

- Safe working conditions for both employees and contractors
- Supply chain monitoring
- Misleading advertising

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### Governance issues

- Appropriate board structure
- Proper governance procedures
- Appropriate remuneration structures that align pay, performance and shareholders' interests.

### Candriam Investors Group

International share investments are made through the Candriam Sustainable Global Equity Fund. This particular fund has been operating since 2002 and Candriam maintains a suite of so-called 'Socially Responsible Investment' (or SRI) funds, which began with their first SRI fund in 1996. The investment philosophy is based on a sector-neutral approach to investment; with the fund manager focused on selecting the 'best' companies in each sector from an SRI perspective, although a small number of sectors are completely eliminated (including gambling, armaments and tobacco). The Candriam model requires that the investment universe of around 1800 large cap stocks in the MSCI universe be reduced to around 500 stocks. This is done in the first instance through consideration of environmental, social and governance (ESG) issues alone. SRI assessment is carried out by use of a scoring system that focuses on 6 'global sustainability trends':

- Climate change (favours renewable energy rather than coal, for example)
- Resource depletion (favours efficient resource use)
- Health and wellness (favours healthy products)
- Demographic evolutions (favours products for the growing elderly market)
- Developing economies (these offer better growth prospects)
- Inter-connectivity (favours new communications methods, for example)

A further degree of SRI analysis is based on consideration of 6 types of stakeholders for any given company. These include the following:

- Employees (focusing on dialogue, diversity, discrimination, working conditions)
- Customers (focusing on commercial practices, client relations)
- Investors (board accountability, investor rights, governance, sustainability)
- Suppliers (working conditions and environmental practices of suppliers)
- Society more generally (socio-economic interactions, corruption, compliance)
- The environment (atmospheric emissions, land use, product disposal and recycling)

Candriam's SRI allocation also takes account of the 10 principles of the so-called United Nations Global Compact, which focuses on human rights, labour rights, the environment and corruption. While Candriam does not explicitly exclude most activities, it does impose limits. These include alcohol (company revenue must not exceed 10% 'without a responsible policy', tobacco (5% revenue limit), nuclear power (30% revenue limit), gambling (10% revenue limit) adult content (revenue limit of 5%) and 'activities in oppressive regimes' (revenue limit of 1%).

*Potential to further diversify investors' investments by investing globally, while aiming to minimise product risk.*

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### Responsible Entity / Manager

The Fiducian Group is a specialist financial services organisation providing financial planning, funds management, investment platform administration, information technology and accounting/accountancy resourcing services.

The Fiducian Group has grown organically since its shares were listed on the ASX in 2000. Fiducian Investment Management Services Limited, a subsidiary of Fiducian Group, is the responsible entity of the Fund.

As at 30 September 2015, Fiducian Group managed about \$1.4 billion on behalf of over 6,000 investors across most asset classes.

### Unit Prices

The Fund is valued each NSW business day. Both the entry and exit unit price are based on the net asset value of the Fund adjusted for transaction costs (such as brokerage). These transaction costs reflect the expenses expected to be incurred when the Fund invests application money or when selling investments to meet withdrawal proceeds. This ensures that existing investors do not continually bear the costs of investment purchases associated with new investors or of investment sales of those investors withdrawing their money.

### Redemption

Withdrawal proceeds are determined by multiplying the number of units redeemed by the next determined exit unit price. Particular redemption conditions apply to redemptions from this Fund because of the nature of its underlying funds, which could take up to several years to process in exceptional circumstances, such as periods of high market volatility (including the current environment of constrained credit markets around the world). As a consequence, in exceptional circumstances, redemptions from this Fund could also take up to several years to process.

### Income and Distributions

Distributions are calculated on 30 June, and end of March, September and December and are normally paid within 14 days. Each distribution amount is based on the number of units held, in proportion to the number of units held by all unitholders, at the distribution date.

### Other Information

Commenced: 2 November 2015

Management Fee: 1.35% per annum

Fund Size: \$0.0 million as at 30 September 2015

### Investing through the Fiducian Investment or Superannuation Service

Minimum Investment: \$ 2,000

Minimum Additional Investment: \$ 250

### Asset Allocation

As at 30 September 2015



### Performance

#### Period ending 30 September 2015

	3 Mths	6 Mths	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	7 Yrs	10 Yrs
<b>Fiducian Diversified Social Aspirations Fund</b>							
S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation/MSCI ex-Australia Composite Index							

The performance figures shown for the Fund above have been calculated on an exit unit price basis. Distributions (which include net realised capital gains from sale of securities) have been treated as being reinvested. No allowance has been made for tax you may pay on the distributions. These figures represent past performance only. No guarantee of future returns is implied.

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