

SYGNIA ITRIX 4TH INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION GLOBAL EQUITY ETF

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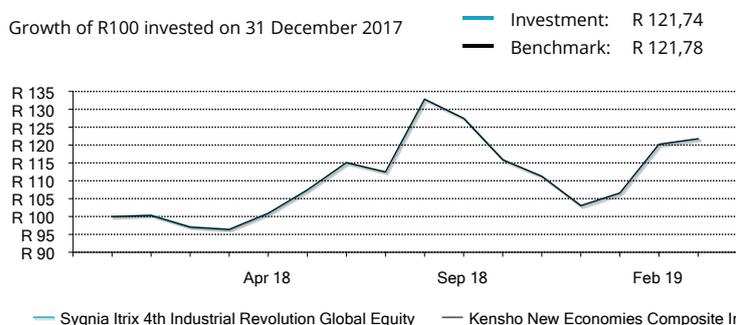
PORTFOLIO MANAGERS SYGNIA ASSET MANAGEMENT
INCEPTION 6 DECEMBER 2017
FUND SIZE R 589 MILLION
UNIT PRICE 2 424 cents
UNITS IN ISSUE 24 435 016

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE TO REPLICATE THE PRICE AND YIELD PERFORMANCE OF THE KENSHO NEW ECONOMIES COMPOSITE INDEX
INCOME DISTRIBUTION PAYMENT: DEC 2018 - 0.64905 CENTS PER UNIT
 PAYMENT: JUN 2018 - 1.15918 CENTS PER UNIT
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FUND INFORMATION

Classification	Global - Equity - General
Asset Allocation	100% Offshore Equity
Portfolio Currency	USD
NAV/Index Ratio	ca. 1/1000
Financial Year End	31 December
Index Tracking	Fund tracks Kensho New Economies Index
Dividend Distribution	Semi-annual distribution
NAV Publication	Daily on sygnia.co.za

CUMULATIVE INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE



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

TOP 10 HOLDINGS

INSTRUMENT	PERCENT
Bruker Corp	1.4%
Kratos Defense and Security Solutions Inc	1.1%
KLA-Tencor Corp	1.0%
Raytheon Co	1.0%
Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc	0.9%
Ametek Inc	0.9%
Twilio Inc	0.9%
Microsoft Corp	0.9%
Lockheed Martin Corp	0.8%
Ingevity Corp	0.8%

HISTORICAL PERFORMANCE

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR
2018	0.4%	-3.3%	-0.7%	4.7%	6.5%	7.1%	-2.3%	18.1%	-4.0%	-9.1%	-4.0%	-7.4%	3.0%
2019	3.4%	12.8%	1.3%										18.2%

RISK STATISTICS

	FUND	^BM
% Negative Months	46.7%	46.7%
Average Negative Month	-4.4%	-4.4%
Largest Drawdown	-22.4%	-22.4%
Standard Deviation	25.7%	25.7%
Downside Deviation	10.1%	10.1%
Highest Annual Return: Apr 2018 - Mar 2019	26.2%	26.4%
Lowest Annual Return: Jan 2018 - Dec 2018	3.0%	3.1%
Annualised Tracking Error (Active Return)	-0.02%	-
Annualised Tracking Error (Std Dev of Active Return)	0.18%	-

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.

LISTING INFORMATION

Exchange	JSE Limited
Exchange Code	SYG4IR
Trading Currency	ZAR
ISIN	ZAE000252433
RIC	SYG4IRJ
Bloomberg Ticker	SYG4IR:J
Trading Hours	9:00 am - 17:00 pm
Portfolio Valuation	Index close of business 17:00 pm SAST
Transaction cut-off	JSE trading hours 17:00 pm

ASSET ALLOCATION

ASSET	PERCENT	ALLOCATION
Offshore Equity	99.9%	
Cash	0.1%	

SECTOR ALLOCATION

SECTOR	PERCENT	ALLOCATION
Information Technology	38.0%	
Industrials	22.6%	
Health Care	15.0%	
Utilities	7.1%	
Consumer Discretionary	6.8%	
Telecommunication Services	5.0%	
Materials	2.5%	
Financials	1.5%	
Other	1.4%	

PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

PERIOD	SYGNIA ITRIX 4TH INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION GLOBAL EQUITY	KENSHO NEW ECONOMIES COMPOSITE INDEX (ZAR)	USD/ZAR*	KENSHO NEW ECONOMIES COMPOSITE INDEX (USD)
1 Month	1.3%	1.3%	2.6%	-1.3%
3 Months	18.2%	18.2%	0.3%	17.9%
6 Months	-4.5%	-4.5%	1.9%	-6.3%
Year to Date	18.2%	18.2%	0.3%	17.9%
1 Year	26.2%	26.4%	21.7%	3.9%
Since Inception	17.0%	17.1%	13.0%	3.6%

*A positive performance in currency reflects a depreciation of ZAR against base currency and vice versa.

FEES

Annual Management Fee	0.40% per annum (excluding VAT)
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	0.62% (Mar 2019)
Transaction Costs (TC)	0.15% (Mar 2019)
Total Investment Charge (TIC)	0.77% (Mar 2019)

SYGNIA ITRIX 4TH INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION GLOBAL EQUITY ETF FUND COMMENTARY

GLOBAL - EQUITY - GENERAL

1ST QUARTER 2019

MARKET PERFORMANCE

Markets were driven higher over the first quarter thanks to improved support from central banks and governments despite the downward trajectory of economic growth. China has surprised to the upside with fiscal stimulus, while the Fed has stopped raising interest rates, reduced quantitative tightening and shifted its monetary policy towards an average inflation target. The ECB announced another round of quantitative easing, and emerging-market central banks are able to accommodate lower interest rates due to stronger currencies. The recovery in risky assets year-to-date reflects expectations of economic green shoots in the second half of the year thanks to this additional liquidity; however, bond markets are disagreeing with this view and are extrapolating current disappointing growth to the second half of the year. The US yield curve inverted, suggesting a recession is imminent, while the German 10-year Bund yield went negative for the first time in three years. Meanwhile, emerging market currencies are pricing another crisis, following the Turkish Lira's plunge.

Real gross fixed capital formation contracted for the fourth consecutive quarter in 2018 across all sectors which bodes poorly for future growth. The RMB/BER business confidence index (BCI) plunged to levels last seen during 2009's global recession. Confidence was further weakened as President Ramaphosa confirmed that the ANC will nationalise the South African Reserve Bank. Meanwhile, NERSA's tariff increases, the lack of tax relief in the budget, higher oil prices, and renewed stage four load shedding have all contributed to low consumer confidence. CPI remained lacklustre at 4.1% in March and the SARB kept rates on hold. Despite the higher tariffs, Eskom's liquidity position remains dire and it is the biggest risk to SA's economic growth and credit rating, although Moody's kept South Africa's rating outlook unchanged at stable. On the stock front, Aspen fell over 50% intraday after disappointing results with spiralling debt the main concern.

The Fed delivered a significantly more dovish outcome at its March meeting than expected, with the committee downgrading growth and inflation projections in line with recent data. US employment showed only slight growth, manufacturing slowed more than expected and consumer confidence dropped well below expectations. US consumer prices experienced the smallest increase in nearly two-and-a-half years. As a result, the Fed effectively called an end to its hiking cycle with no hikes

forecast this year. In addition, the committee announced that quantitative tightening will be lowered in May before being halted completely in October, effectively ending US quantitative tightening. The Fed is also willing to tolerate an overshoot of their inflation goal. However, despite this, the gap between the three-month treasury bill rate and the benchmark 10-year yield inverted for the first time since 2007. An inversion of that portion of the yield curve is seen as a reliable warning of a potential recession within the next year or two. The US trade deficit reached a 10-year high in 2018 on record imports from China, which continues to highlight the risks of the trade talks which are set to continue into April.

March's Eurozone manufacturing index fell to a near six-year low and investor confidence remained negative for the fourth consecutive month. The ECB downgraded growth and inflation forecasts and in recognition of the poor outlook, announced dovish policy changes. Rates are now expected to stay unchanged throughout 2019 and a third series of quarterly targeted longer-term refinancing operations (TLTRO-III) will be implemented.

Theresa May put forward a stripped-down version of her twice-defeated Brexit divorce deal to a vote in parliament, however, lawmakers rejected May's Brexit deal for a third time. May had announced she would resign if her deal went through. As a result, the EU's extension of the Article 50 period will only run until 12th April. Britain now needs to convince the EU it has an alternative path or exit without a deal, and the UK parliament's indicative votes process is set to start on the 1st of April.

The composite PMI rose to 53.8 indicating acceleration in activity. However, geopolitics remains a concern as tensions increased between India and Pakistan over the disputed Kashmir region, after an Indian MiG-21 fighter jet crashed near Pakistan. The pilot, who had safely ejected before the crash, was later paraded on Pakistani television. India heads for national elections in April.

Turkey entered its first recession in a decade at the end of last year and the Turkish central bank's net reserves slid \$6.3 billion in the first two weeks of March to \$28.5 billion, raising speculation that it was intervening to support the currency. As a result, the Lira sold off and the cost to borrow liras overnight rose above 1000% as Turkey's government attempted to support the currency. The Turkish lira fell after President Erdogan's ruling party lost control of key cities during the local elections on the 31st of March.

RISK PROFILE



TIME HORIZON



Core Machine Orders fell -5.4%, far below expectations, while output at Japanese manufacturers fell at the fastest pace in almost three years. The Bank of Japan held its monetary policy steady and predicted the economy is likely to continue its current moderate expansion.

China's industrial production grew at the slowest pace in nearly two decades in the first two months of the year and China's exports tumbled 20%, the biggest fall in three years. China lowered its official goal for economic growth in 2019 to a range of 6 - 6.5%, however, it announced several growth supportive measures, including US\$298.31 billion in tax cuts. In addition, China said it will invest 800 billion yuan in railway construction and 1.8 trillion yuan to build roads and waterway projects. Fiscal policy is increasing steadily, including local bonds to the general public deficit, the total is a massive 6.5% of GDP. Initial March data indicates domestic demand is improving on the back of policy support.

Oil prices hit their highest levels of 2019 after OPEC committed itself to further output cuts and sanctions on Venezuela and Iran reduced supply.

FUND PERFORMANCE

The Sygnia Itrix 4th Industrial Revolution ETF delivered 18.2% for the quarter in rand terms, in line with its benchmark, the Kensho New Economies Composite Index. The Fund benefitted from exposure to Bruker Corp, Snap Inc and Twilio Inc, while its exposure to Tesla Inc, Vuzix Corp and Maxar Technologies Inc detracted from performance.

There were several changes to the tracked index's constituents over the period, including the addition of Science Applications International Corp and the removal of Engility Holdings Inc, Imperva Inc and Pandora Media LLC.

The Fund remains true to its investment objective of delivering returns, which mirror those of the Kensho New Economies Composite Index.

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INVESTMENT APPROACH

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BALANCING RISK AND REWARD

The Fund has a 100% strategic allocation to global equities. The structure of the Fund is dictated by the composition of the Kensho New Economies Composite Index and managed with the aim to produce the same level of income as that produced by the index. Investors are alerted to the fact that the Fund is not a general equity product, but one with a specific focus, and thus a specific risk and return profile. For a change in the index constituents, please refer to the published SENS. Index Performance data can be sourced from Bloomberg, Reuters, other data providers and at www.sygnia.co.za.

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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.



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FEES

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