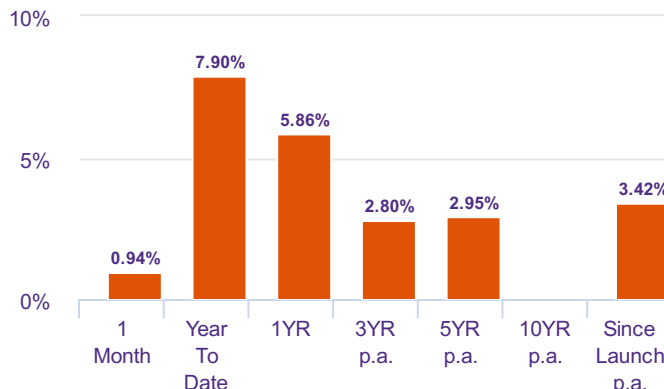


# Magnet Cautious

## Fund Snapshot

Launch Date	03/04/2013
Fund Manager	Friends First
Risk Rating	3
Fund Type	Mixed
Diversification	
Stocks & Holdings	> 1000
Regions Covered	8
Fund Size	€67.2m*
Latest Bid Price	€1.2491
Price Date	12/11/2019



## Fund Summary

The objective of the fund is to target a risk level which is aligned with the European Securities and Markets Authority Risk rating of 3. This means that its objective is to maximise expected returns whilst keeping the fund's five year annualised volatility within a range of 2% to 5% a year. The fund aims to grow capital over the longer term with low risk exposure.

## Market Commentary

April saw a continuation of the strong rebound in markets that occurred through Q1 2019. In May however we had a sharp increase in investor uncertainty. This was principally due to the re-emergence of trade tensions between the US and China. Up to this point market participants had generally assumed that a successful resolution to trade talks between the US and China was more or less assured, and that this would result in a further stabilization of the global economy. By contrast, in June we saw a return of confidence in investment markets. The Fed gave further indications that it was prepared to extend quantitative easing in light of trade uncertainty and the threat to sustaining economic growth. The ECB is taking a similarly dovish position and this was highlighted in Mario Draghi's speech in Sintra in mid-June. All of the funds in the Magnet range posted a positive result for the quarter as a result of the gains seen in most asset classes over the period. Gold was the top performing asset and is currently benefiting from a number of macro factors. Developed market equities saw solid growth in the quarter however emerging equities were slightly negative overall due to sharp losses incurred during the month of May. Government and corporate bonds in both global and emerging markets all made good gains in the quarter. In terms of real assets, commodities were slightly down for the quarter on a consolidated basis while real estate was up overall. An increase in the value of the direct Irish property holding was fully offset by losses incurred in direct UK property and European REITs. Magnet Absolute, a fund of now five alternative strategies that provides alternative exposure to all Magnet funds, experienced flat performance over the period. Gains made by three of the five strategies were fully offset by losses incurred in the remaining two. As we continue to see mixed signals concerning the global economy it is important to avoid becoming overly focused on the short term. This behaviour is closely linked with the potential pitfalls of attempting to time the market in the expectation of increasing risk levels (volatility). Conversely, the likely benefits of taking a long term, strategic approach to asset allocation and maintaining broad diversification are well recognised. We believe that our "through cycle", rules based and repeatable asset allocation process should offer clients the ability to participate in further market upside while mitigating drawdown risk when volatility rises and certain asset classes perform poorly. (30 June 2019)

## Additional Information

Access the [Magnet Fund Range Brochure](#) or [Magnet Cautious Quarterly Snapshot](#) or [Funds that incur Performance Fees](#)

## Management Charge

0.95% pa of fund assets. Please refer to policy conditions for policy charges.

## Asset Allocation as at 30/06/2019

## Underlying Funds as at 30/06/2019



- Fixed Income - 42.54%
- Alternative Strategies - 29.5%
- Equities - 14.63%
- Commodities - 8.4%
- Property - 4.93%

Fund	Manager	%
Magnet Absolute	Multi Manager	29.50%
MFS Global Opportunistic Bond Fund	MFS	21.67%
European Corporate Bond	BMO	12.57%
Magnet Global Equities	Multi Manager	9.00%
Emerging Market Bonds	M&G	8.30%
Optimum Yield	DWS	5.71%
Magnet Property	Multi Manager	4.93%
Magnet EM Equities	Multi Manager	3.01%
Physical Gold	DWS	2.69%
Magnet European Equities	Multi Manager	2.62%

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