

BGF Global Allocation Fund A2 USD

FEBRUARY 2024 FACTSHEET

Unless otherwise stated, Performance, Portfolio Breakdowns and Net Asset information as at: 29-Feb-2024. All other data as at 18-Mar-2024.

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Global Allocation Fund seeks to maximise total return. The Fund invests globally in equity, debt and short term securities, of both corporate and governmental issuers, with no prescribed limits. In normal market conditions the Fund will invest at least 70% of its total assets in the securities of corporate and governmental issuers. The Fund generally will seek to invest in securities that are, in the opinion of the Investment Adviser, undervalued. The Fund may also invest in the equity securities of small and emerging growth companies. The Fund may also invest a portion of its debt portfolio in high yield fixed income transferable securities. Currency exposure is flexibly managed.

GROWTH OF 10,000



CUMULATIVE & ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE

	CUMULATIVE (%)					ANNUALISED (% p.a.)		
	1 mth	3 mths	6 mths	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 years	S.I.
Share Class	2.09	7.47	8.07	2.66	13.43	0.54	6.16	6.41
Share Class [Max. IC applied]	-3.02	2.10	2.67	-2.47	7.76	-1.16	5.08	6.21

The base share class currency is as indicated in the "Key Facts" section. For hedged currency share classes only, the benchmark reflected is in the base currency.

CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%)

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Share Class	12.52	-16.33	6.27	19.72	16.80

*Performance shown from share class launch date to calendar year end.



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KEY FACTS

Asset Class	Multi Asset
Morningstar Cat.	USD Moderate Allocation
Fund Launch	03-Jan-1997
Share Class Launch	03-Jan-1997
Fund Base CCY	U.S. Dollar
Share Class CCY	U.S. Dollar
Fund Size (mil)	14,893.58 USD
Domicile	Luxembourg
Fund Type	UCITS
ISIN	LU0072462426
Bloomberg Ticker	MERGAAL
Number of Issuers	1,167

PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

Rick Rieder (Since 2019)
 Russ Koesterich, CFA, JD (Since: 2017)
 David Clayton, CFA, JD (Since: 2017)

TOP EQUITY HOLDINGS (%)

MICROSOFT CORP	2.92
AMAZON COM INC	1.84
NVIDIA CORP	1.54
APPLE INC	1.52
ALPHABET INC CLASS C	1.18
ASML HOLDING NV	1.01
BAE SYSTEMS PLC	0.98
JPMORGAN CHASE & CO	0.95
MASTERCARD INC CLASS A	0.91
BOSTON SCIENTIFIC CORP	0.64
Total of Portfolio	13.49

ASSET ALLOCATION (%)²

	Fund	Active
Equity	69.83	9.83
Fixed Income	27.99	-12.01
Cash Equivalents	2.18	2.18
Other	0.00	0.00

Allocations are subject to change. **Source:** BlackRock

PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

Equity Price/Earnings (FY1)	18.17x
Equity Wtd. Avg. Market Capitalization	463947.5883
Portfolio Effective Duration	1.67
Assumes 0 duration for equities and commodity-related securities	
Fixed Income Effective Duration	5.97 yrs
Fixed Income + Cash Effective Duration	4.22 yrs

FEES AND CHARGES*

Max Initial Charge (IC)	5.00%
Management Fee	1.50%
Performance Fee	0.00%

REGIONAL ALLOCATION (%)²

	Fund	Active
North America EQ	47.77	10.48
Europe EQ	12.12	0.14
North America FI	11.38	-13.11
Europe FI	9.61	0.38
Japanese EQ	6.23	1.42
Emerging Market FI	5.62	2.91
Emerging Market EQ	3.57	-0.42
Cash	2.18	2.18
APAC (ex Japan) FI	1.34	0.85
APAC (ex. Japan) EQ	0.14	-1.80
Japan FI	0.04	-3.04
Other	0.00	0.00

CURRENCY ALLOCATION (%)²

	Fund	Active
USD	60.43	0.40
EUR	11.70	-2.08
JPY	8.05	0.16
Other Asia	5.95	-1.41
British Pound Sterling	4.82	0.90
Other Europe	3.98	0.52
Rest of the World	3.31	0.66
Latin America	1.76	0.85



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¹ The Reference Benchmark is 36% S&P 500 Index 24% FTSE World (ex.US) Index 24% BofA ML Cur 5-yr US Treasury Index 16% FTSE Non- USD WGBI Index.² % of Net Assets represents the Fund's exposure based on the economic value of securities; adjusted for futures, options and swaps (except with respect to fixed income securities), and convertible bonds. Allocations subject to change. Numbers may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Prior to 2 March 2020 the Fund was managed by Dan Chamby, Rick Rieder, David Clayton and Russ Koesterich. Prior to 1 April 2019 the Fund was managed by Dan Chamby, David Clayton, Russ Koesterich and Kent Hogshire. On 20 April 2018, the benchmark renamed from 36% S&P 500 Index, 24% FTSE World (ex.US) Index, 24% BofA ML Cur 5-yr US Treasury Index and 16% FTSE Non-USD WGBI Index"to 36% S&P 500 Index, 24% FTSE World (ex.US) Index, 24% ICE BofA ML Cur 5-yr US Treasury Index and 16% FTSE Non-USD WGBI Index. The Fund changed its investment policy in 2017. Prior to this performance of the Fund was achieved under circumstances that no longer apply.

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MSCI ESG Fund Rating (AAA-CCC)	A	MSCI ESG Quality Score (0-10)	6.60
MSCI ESG Quality Score - Peer Percentile	65.90%	MSCI ESG % Coverage	89.23%
Fund Lipper Global Classification	Mixed Asset USD Bal - Global	MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (Tons CO2E/\$M SALES)	122.82
Funds in Peer Group	261		

All data is from MSCI ESG Fund Ratings as of **21 Feb 2024**, based on holdings as of **30 Sep 2023**. As such, the fund's sustainable characteristics may differ from MSCI ESG Fund Ratings from time to time.

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- Fund Lipper Global Classification:** The fund peer group as defined by the Lipper Global Classification.
- Funds in Peer Group:** The number of funds from the relevant Lipper Global Classification peer group that are also in ESG coverage.
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- MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (Tons CO2E/\$M SALES):** Measures a fund's exposure to carbon intensive companies. This figure represents the estimated greenhouse gas emissions per \$1 million in sales across the fund's holdings. This allows for comparisons between funds of different sizes.
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