## **MERILL**Strategic Balanced Fund



Fact Sheet - 31st December 2024

## **Key Facts**

**Investment Aim:** The fund aims to achieve long-term growth and income. The fund has no reference to a specific benchmark.

**Asset Classes:** The Fund aims to achieve its investment objective in Transferable Securities primarily in income debt securities and similar securities as well as in Money Market Instruments.

**Fund Type:** The fund is an open-ended collective investment scheme, organized as a multi-fund, public limited liability investment company.

Further Reading: More information is available in the Key Information Document (KID) and Prospectus.

### **Fund Managers:**

Dr. Mark Azzopardi, DBA (EU Business School), MA Finance (Webster), B Com (Melit.)
Mr. Marc El-Lazidi, MSc Quantitative Economy (University of Geneva), CAIA (Amherst, US)

#### **Fund Details**

Inception Date: 14th October 2019

Base Currency: USD

**Fund Manager:** Jesmond Mizzi Financial Advisors Limited **Legal Status:** Malta Registered SICAV with UCITS status

Minimum Investment - \$ 125'000 SFDR Category<sup>3</sup>: Article 8

### **Fund Characteristics**

Fund Size: 29.56m USD Number of Holdings: 107

Percentage of Top Ten Holdings<sup>1</sup>: 25.71%

Yield to Worst<sup>2</sup>: 5.21% Modified OA Duration<sup>2</sup>: 4.69%

Weighted Average Composite Rating<sup>2</sup>: A

## **Key Information**

Share Class	Accumulator
ISIN	MT7000026423
CCY	USD
Price <sup>4</sup>	0.9902
Dist. Yield <sup>5</sup>	-
Management Fees	1.50%

## **Performance Since Inception**

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Full Year/YTD
2024	0.08%	-0.23%	1.06%	-1.56%	1.77%	0.40%	1.61%	1.45%	1.35%	-1.88%	0.51%	-1.18%	3.34%
2023	3.09%	-1.77%	-0.41%	0.95%	-1.47%	1.06%	1.73%	-0.9%	-1.64%	-1.18%	3.98%	3.20%	6.57%
2022	-2.59%	-2.38%	0.65%	-4.92%	-0.83%	-5.51%	2.74%	-1.34%	-5.42%	0.98%	4.20%	0.89%	-13.21%
2021	-0.28%	-1.64%	-1.07%	2.34%	0.98%	-0.51%	0.35%	0.37%	-2.52%	2.57%	-0.03%	2.17%	-0.41%
2020	0.85%	-0.21%	-6.91%	2.96%	1.39%	1.29%	3.13%	0.90%	-1.29%	-0.82%	0.02%	0.99%	4.15%
2019	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.01%	-0.15%	0.06%	-0.10%

Excluding cash balance

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Bloomberg Indications

In accordance with the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation, the Fund is classified as Article 8 and promotes, among other characteristics, environmental and or social characteristics, and invests in companies with good governance practices.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Prices as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024.

The Distribution Yield is based on a snapshot of the investment portfolio as at end of month which is not guaranteed, and may fluctuate.

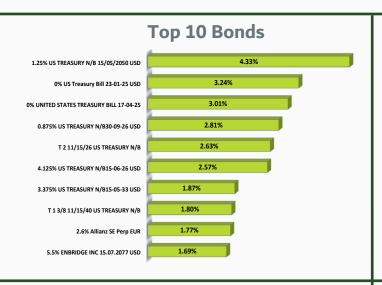
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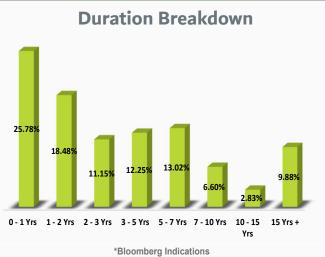


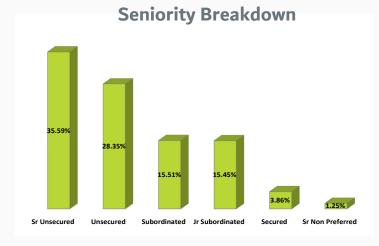
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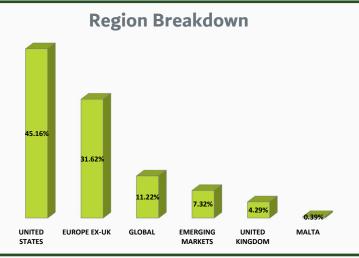
#### **Performance**

	1 MONTH	3 MONTHS	6 MONTHS	YEAR TO DATE	1 YEAR	3 YEAR	5 YEAR	SINCE INCEPTION
FUND	-1.18%	-2.54%	1.82%	3.34%	3.34%	-4.42%	-0.86%	-0.96%











## Credit Quality of FI Holdings (%):

AAA	2.6
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A	21.6
BBB	26.1
BB	5.3
В	0.6
Non Rated	11.7

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