# MI Charles Stanley Multi Asset Growth Fund



### Multi Asset Funds

## Investment objective and policy

The Fund aims to deliver gross investment returns in excess of inflation (as measured by the UK Consumer Prices Index) plus 3% per annum, over a 5-year period.

The Fund will primarily invest in collective funds, transferable securities, other collective investment schemes, money market instruments, cash and deposits, and is also able to use derivatives for efficient portfolio management and investment purposes. Asset allocation exposure of the Fund will be actively managed and typical allocation will be as follows: 50-85% higher risk assets (including equities, commodities and property securities) and 15-50% lower risk assets (debt instruments e.g. bonds and cash).

#### **Key facts**

 Launch Date
 Fund Type
 Denomination

 03-Apr-17
 UCITS OEIC
 Sterling

 Fund size
 Domicile
 ISA/SIPP Eligible

 £ 49.21 M
 UK
 Yes

Equity markets were supported in February by continued strength in the US economy, combined with signs of an uptick in European activity. This economic resilience, alongside signs that inflationary pressures have not yet entirely dissipated, suggest central banks will likely be on hold for a little while longer. Bond markets therefore suffered given the decreased likelihood of imminent rate cuts.

Earnings season continued, with five of the 'magnificent seven' US stocks reporting results for the previous quarter. These companies broadly met or exceeded expectations. With over 90% of S&P 500 firms having reported, nearly three quarters have beaten analysts' earnings forecasts. Economic data also proved resilient, with the US composite Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) suggesting activity continued to expand over February, and the US economy adding 353,000 jobs in January.

European stock markets underperformed, despite a larger than expected rise in the eurozone composite PMI in February that suggested the worst of the continent's growth weakness is likely over.UK stocks also underperformed, following a fourth quarter GDP print that showed the UK falling into a technical recession last year. Recent earnings data from UK companies also disappointed.

The Japanese TOPIX Index rose 4.9% over the month, despite a weaker than expected fourth quarter GDP print, which also put the country into technical recession over the second half of 2023. Further currency weakness though likely helped given the export-oriented nature of the Japanese stock market.

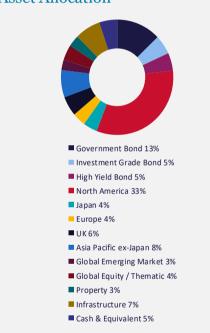
Chinese equity markets had hit five-year lows coming into the month. However, activity data over the Lunar New Year holiday period strengthened, and the Chinese government announced a number of supportive interventions.

#### Performance %

Discrete Performance	Feb 23 - Feb 24	Feb 22 - Feb 23	Feb 21 - Feb 22	Feb 20 - Feb 21	Feb 19 - Feb 20	3yr Vol. Annualised
MI CS Multi Asset Growth	7.2	-2.5	0.4	15.6	5.1	10.3
UK Consumer Price + 3%	7.2	13.8	9.3	3.5	4.7	_

Cumulative Performance	1 month	3months	6months	1yr	3yr	5yr	Since Inception *
MI CS Multi Asset Growth	1.2	5.4	6.3	7.2	5.0	27.4	31.1
UK Consumer Price + 3%	-0.3	0.4	2.0	7.2	31.9	43.4	57.0

#### **Asset Allocation**



Top ten holdings	%
L&G US Index Trust	9.6
Vanguard S&P 500	8.6
Xtrackers S&P 500 Equal Weight	7.4
Man GLG High Yield Opp	5.0
Cash & Equivalent	4.2
iShares Core S&P 500	4.1
M&G Japan Inc	4.1
Schroder Asian Total Return	4.0
iShares GBP Corp Bond 0-5yr	4.0
L&G European Index	3.8

## Multi Asset Growth



#### **Share Class Details**

Share Class	Initial Charges %	Ongoing Charges %	Share Price (p)	Yield %	ISIN	Sedol
A Acc	0.0	0.86	132.30p	132.30p 1.5 GB00BD89MK39		BD89MK3
A Inc	0.0	0.86	119.37p	1.6	GB00BD89MJ24	BD89MJ2
C Acc	0.0	0.86	123.85p	1.6	GB00BYVN4J27	BYVN4J2

## Risk Profile and ESG Ratings





## Performance since Inception



Apr-2017 Nov-2017 Jun-2018 Jan-2019 Aug-2019 Mar-2020 Oct-2020 May-2021 Dec-2021 Jul-2022 Feb-2023 Sep-2023

Source: FE Analytics at 29/02/24. Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance. Total Return, Sterling, bid-to-bid, net of ongoing charges and fees, net income reinvested. Returns are based on the A share class. UK Consumer Price Inflation figures quoted with a 1 month lag. Inception: 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017

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