Fund Information as at 31 December 2024



## WHAT IS THE FUND'S OBJECTIVE?

Global Optimum Growth aims to maximise long-term investment growth by investing in a globally diversified portfolio with exposure to both developed and emerging markets across multiple asset classes. Our intent is to provide competitive after inflation returns measured in US dollars over all five-year periods.

# WHAT DOES THE FUND INVEST IN?

Global Optimum Growth will normally have a significant bias towards shares, but can invest in a variety of assets including listed property, bonds and cash. The fund has a flexible mandate and can invest in any combination of developed economies (including the US, Europe and Japan) and emerging market assets based on where the most attractive valuations are available.

The fund will have exposure to a variety of currencies, primarily the US dollar, British pound, euro and yen.

The fund may use exchange traded funds and other financial instruments (e.g. derivatives) to implement specific investment views.

## IMPORTANT PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS AND RISKS

Global Optimum Growth aims to maximise long-term real returns in US Dollars.

Consequently, it will have a sizeable exposure to shares, which typically offer the best returns over the long run.

Global Optimum Growth will only invest in assets we view as being attractively valued and that could offer strong long-term investment growth. The fund's share selection is the result of rigorous international research conducted by Coronation's investment team.

While shares typically offer superior long-term returns, this comes with higher levels of risk and volatility. We have a disciplined approach to reducing risk, but shares can be volatile investments and may suffer capital losses over the short term. Global currency movements may intensify investment gains or declines.

### HOW LONG SHOULD INVESTORS REMAIN INVESTED?

An investment term of more than ten years is recommended.

## WHO SHOULD CONSIDER INVESTING IN THE FUND?

Investors who are building wealth in US dollars, and who

- are looking for the best growth opportunities available in both developed and emerging markets and accept the possibility of volatility and the risk of short-term losses;
- are comfortable with allowing Coronation a wide degree of discretion, in allowing us to make both the asset and geographical allocation decisions;
- do not require an income from their investment.

#### WHAT COSTS CAN I EXPECT TO PAY?

An annual fee of 1.35% is payable.

Fund expenses that are incurred in the fund include trading, custody and audit charges. All performance information is disclosed after deducting all fees and other portfolio costs.

We do not charge any fees to access or withdraw from the fund. More detail is available on www.coronation.com.

# WHO ARE THE FUND MANAGERS?



GAVIN JOUBERT BBusSc, CA (SA), CFA



MARC TALPERT BAccSc, HDipAcc, CA (SA), CFA

### GENERAL FUND INFORMATION

| Launch Date               | 30 April 2021                                       |
|---------------------------|---|
| Class                     | A   |
| Class Type                | Accumulation  |
| Fund Domicile             | Ireland   |
| Morningstar Fund Category | USD – Aggressive Allocation                         |
| Currency                  | US Dollar   |
| Primary Benchmark         | US CPI + 4%   |
| Secondary Benchmark       | Composite: 35% MSCI World, 35%<br>MSCI EM, 30% BGBA |
| Investment Minimum        | US\$500   |
| Bloomberg Code            | CORGOGA   |
| ISIN Code                 | IE00BKP8FZ82  |

# CORONATION GLOBAL OPTIMUM GROWTH FUND

CLASS A as at 31 December 2024

| Launch date         | 30 April 2021                                       |
|---------------------|---|
| Fund size           | US\$ 670.24 million                                 |
| NAV                 | 900.59 cents  |
| Primary Benchmark   | US CPI + 4%   |
| Secondary Benchmark | Composite: 35% MSCI World, 35% MSCI EM,<br>30% BGBA |
| Portfolio manager/s | Gavin Joubert and Marc Talpert                      |

# STRATEGY PERFORMANCE

STRATEGY GROWTH OF A \$100,000 INVESTMENT (AFTER FEES) \*



\* Strategy performance included as it's a new fund - refer to page 4 for more details

## STRATEGY PERFORMANCE OVER VARIOUS PERIODS (AFTER FEES) (USD)

|  | Strategy | Inflation | Benchmark    |
|--|----------|-----------|--------------|
| Since Launch (15/03/1999) (unannualised) | 648.0%   | 93.3%     | 405.9%       |
| Since Launch (15/03/1999) (annualised)   | 8.1%     | 2.6%      | 6.5%         |
| Latest 20 years (annualised)             | 5.0%     | 2.6%      | 5.7%         |
| Latest 15 years (annualised)             | 5.4%     | 2.6%      | 5.1%         |
| Latest 10 years (annualised)             | 3.8%     | 3.0%      | 4.6%         |
| Latest 5 years (annualised)              | 1.5%     | 4.2%      | 4.4%         |
| Latest 3 years (annualised)              | (0.6)%   | 4.2%      | 0.5%         |
|  | Strategy |           | Date Range   |
| Highest annual return                    | 72.8%    | Mar 200   | 9 - Feb 2010 |
| Lowest annual return                     | (49.2%)  | Dec 2007  | 7 - Nov 2008 |

# FUND PERFORMANCE AND RISK STATISTICS

| FUND PERFORMANCE OVER VARIOUS PERIODS (AFTER FEES) |        |           |           |  |  |
|--|--------|-----------|-----------|--|--|
|  | Fund   | Inflation | Benchmark |  |  |
| Since Launch (unannualised)                        | (9.9%) | 18.8%     | 2.4%      |  |  |
| Since Launch (annualised)                          | (2.8%) | 4.8%      | 0.6%      |  |  |
| Latest 3 years (annualised)                        | (1.1%) | 4.2%      | 0.5%      |  |  |
| Latest 1 year                                      | 11.4%  | 2.5%      | 8.6%      |  |  |
| Year to date                                       | 11.4%  | 2.5%      | 8.6%      |  |  |

#### FUND RISK STATISTICS SINCE LAUNCH

|                      | Fund    | Benchmark |
|----------------------|---------|-----------|
| Annualised Deviation | 17.1%   | 12.6%     |
| Sharpe Ratio         | (0.37)  | (0.22)    |
| Maximum Gain         | 15.4%   | 12.3%     |
| Maximum Drawdown     | (36.6%) | (25.1%)   |
| Positive Months      | 45.5%   | 54.5%     |

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#### FUND MONTHLY PERFORMANCE (AFTER FEES)

|           | Jan    | Feb    | Mar    | Apr     | May    | Jun    | Jul    | Aug    | Sep     | Oct    | Nov    | Dec    | YTD     |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| Fund 2024 | (1.0)% | 3.6%   | 3.0%   | (1.6)%  | 3.2%   | (1.9)% | (0.7)% | 3.6%   | 7.3%    | (3.6)% | 2.1%   | (2.5)% | 11.4%   |
| Fund 2023 | 9.8%   | (5.1)% | 2.1%   | 0.3%    | (4.4)% | 5.3%   | 3.9%   | (3.2)% | (4.7)%  | (3.4)% | 8.3%   | 4.0%   | 12.0%   |
| Fund 2022 | (3.7)% | (5.5)% | (2.7)% | (10.4)% | (0.3)% | (7.3)% | 6.8%   | (2.0)% | (10.3)% | 2.8%   | 12.2%  | (2.2)% | (22.5)% |
| Fund 2021 |        |        |        |         | 0.8%   | (0.6)% | (2.6)% | 0.6%   | (4.6)%  | 3.8%   | (4.7)% | 0.5%   | (7.0)%  |

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As this is a newly launched fund, the TER and TC are based on an estimated calculation.

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|                              | 1 Year | 3 Year |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Total Expense Ratio          | 1.45%  | 1.43%  |
| Fund management fee          | 1.35%  | 1.35%  |
| Fund expenses                | 0.09%  | 0.08%  |
| VAT                          | 0.00%  | 0.00%  |
| Transaction costs (inc. VAT) | 0.20%  | 0.19%  |
| Total Investment Charge      | 1.65%  | 1.62%  |

# PORTFOLIO DETAIL

# EFFECTIVE ASSET ALLOCATION EXPOSURE

| Sector         | 31 Dec 2024 |
|----------------|-------------|
| Equities       | 78.0%       |
| Asia           | 27.4%       |
| Europe         | 23.5%       |
| North America  | 19.8%       |
| Latin American | 6.5%        |
| South Africa   | 0.9%        |
| Real Estate    | 0.5%        |
| Europe         | 0.2%        |
| South Africa   | 0.2%        |
| Latin American | 0.1%        |
| Bonds          | 10.6%       |
| South Africa   | 5.2%        |
| Europe         | 5.1%        |
| North America  | 0.3%        |
| Cash           | 11.0%       |
| USD            | 7.4%        |
| Other          | 3.5%        |
| ZAR            | 0.1%        |

#### **TOP 10 HOLDINGS**

| As at 31 Dec 2024 | % of Fund |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Prosus            | 3.1%      |
| Airbus Group Se   | 3.1%      |
| Delivery Hero     | 2.5%      |
| Meta Platforms    | 2.4%      |
| Jd.com            | 2.4%      |
| Coupang Inc       | 2.4%      |
| Lpl Financial     | 2.3%      |
| Tapestry          | 2.3%      |
| Mercado Libre     | 2.2%      |
| Tsmc              | 2.2%      |

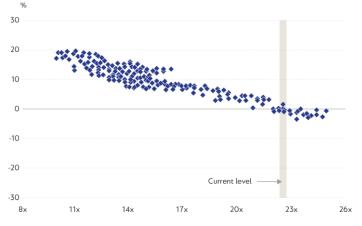


#### Please note that the commentary is for the retail class of the Fund.

#### Performance and fund positioning

The Fund was down 3.65% (in USD) in the fourth quarter of 2024 (Q4-24). Global markets finished the year strong, in particular the S&P 500 Index, which gained 25% in 2024 after being up 26% in 2023 – this is only the fifth time in history that the S&P 500 has delivered two consecutive years of returns in excess of 20%. It does appear that animal spirits are back, with aggregate valuation levels being high compared to history and risk appetite being elevated – this will most likely have an impact on future returns from here, which is supported by long-term market data as illustrated by this graphic:

#### Figure 1



S&P 500 FORWARD P/E RATIOS AND SUBSEQUENT 10-YEAR RETURNS

Source: JP Morgan Asset Management - data from 1988

Against this strong market return backdrop, it is pleasing that the Fund delivered a 12.3% annualised return in USD over the past two years. This improved performance has started to filter into the longer-term numbers of the strategy<sup>\*</sup>, but we remain unsatisfied with the medium-term performance. Whilst aggregate market levels appear expensive, we continue to uncover attractive individual investments resulting in the weighted average equity upside of the Fund being 64%, with the weighted equity five-year expected IRR being 20% supported by attractive valuations as the weighted equity five cash flow (FCF) yield for stocks owned is just over 6%. Using the rand-denominated fund's long-term track record (expressed in USD) as proxy<sup>\*</sup>, the Fund has generated a positive return of 1.5% per annum (p.a.) over five years, over 10 years a return of 3.8% p.a. and, since inception nearly 26 years ago, 8.1% p.a.

During the quarter, the largest positive contributors were LPL Financial (+40%, 0.82% positive impact), Tapestry (+40%, 0.73% positive impact) and Wise (+48%, 0.58% positive impact). The largest negative contributors were Delivery Hero (-31%, 0.83% negative impact), SA government bonds (-8%, 0.55% negative impact) and JD.com (-19%, 0.53% negative impact).

Calendar year 2025 is bound to be an eventful year with a new US administration touting seemingly positive business policies along with the appointment of numerous private sector individuals to key positions. A major risk factor, however, remains how far President Trump will push his tariff agenda which could have disruptive implications for numerous companies due to the globalised nature of the world today. It also seems likely that the aggressive US stance towards China will continue as these two superpowers struggle to find common ground, which is being exasperated by the race for AI dominance. Beyond the US, the war in Ukraine and the Middle East continues, and there remains political instability across both the EU and the UK. Geopolitical risks thus remain an important consideration when allocating capital. The flexibility of a multi-asset fund provides a useful toolkit to navigate these risks and helps to ensure that we maximise risk-adjusted return.

Against an expensive market, we continue to uncover attractive and diverse equities, and thus the Fund ended the quarter with 78% net equity exposure – only slightly lower compared to the prior quarter. The Fund also has put option protection, equating to 5% of Fund effective exposure spread across a range of indexes (US, Europe, and EM) which is a key feature of our flexible toolkit to manage risk.

Bond markets came under pressure in the quarter as US rate-cutting expectations receded due to the continued strength of the US economy. The Fund continues to hold a sizeable bond

exposure which now sits at just under 12% at the time of writing, split between sovereign and corporate bonds. The latest bond purchase, which happened post guarter end, was Brazilian sovereign bonds that now represent 1.5% of Fund. Brazil's fiscal situation is troubled, and this is compounded by a lack of real reform by President Lula's government. Notwithstanding these risks, we believe that investors are being compensated as the bonds we purchased have a 16% vield to maturity in local currency, and whilst we are acutely aware of the foreign exchange risk associated to Brazilian assets, we purchased this bond after the currency had weakened more than 20% versus the US dollar, resulting in the Brazilian real being one of the worst performing emerging market currencies in 2024. Another major risk factor of owning bonds is inflation, which for now appears well controlled in Brazil and is sitting at just under 5%. The South African 10-year government bonds purchased in May 2024 now represent ~5% of Fund at the time of writing as we reduced exposure into the bond rally. South African 10-year government bonds still yield just under 11%. What is encouraging, though, is a continued commitment to structural reforms post the election, and what seems like a fairly wellfunctioning GNU government. Outside of the South African sovereign bonds held, we continue to hold a collection of foreign corporate credit, which, in aggregate, is providing us with a weighted yield in hard currencies of just under 6%, which remains attractive. We have limited exposure to real estate, with the balance of the Fund invested in cash, largely offshore.

The most notable increase in position sizes during the quarter was Warner Bros. Discovery.

Warner Bros. Discovery is a media business in the US with a strained balance sheet due to historic M&A and pressure on some of its legacy business segments, most notably linear TV. The business, however, is undergoing an active transition as they rapidly grow their streaming business whilst curtailing losses in this segment and working on a turnaround of their TV and movie production business. They have also recently announced the restructuring of their business, which should allow for value creation and the sale or spinoff of their legacy assets, which was further supported by a notable distribution deal with Comcast, supporting the linear TV business. We believe management is driving the business in the correct direction with an acute focus on managing the debt load, which is supported by robust FCF generation whilst positioning the business favourably in an evolving media landscape. We thus believe a lot of equity value is still to be created as debt is paid down and the enterprise value transitions from debt to equity. The business currently trades on ~5x 2025 FCF which we deem very compelling.

#### Outlook

Calendar year 2024 was a general exuberant period for global markets, with certain pockets exhibiting bubble-like behaviour but in aggregate business performance has been robust and share prices have been supported by earnings growth. We do think caution is warranted, and that the returns experienced by US markets in the recent past should not be extrapolated. Against this backdrop, we remain excited about the prospects of the Fund as we continue to uncover and own attractive stocks and bonds, and whilst at times asset prices and their underlying fundamentals detach, they generally align long term. Things can change quickly and, thus, our focus remains on uncovering attractively priced assets versus trying to time markets – a core principle of Coronation and how this strategy has been run since its inception nearly 26 years ago.

### Portfolio managers Gavin Joubert and Marc Talpert as at 31 December 2024

\*Note that this is a new fund and, as such, does not yet have a track record for the relevant periods. As it is the dollar-denominated version of the same investment strategy deployed historically in the management of the rand-denominated Coronation Global Optimum Growth [ZAR] Feeder Fund, we show the track record of the latter portfolio, converted to US dollars, to indicate historical results achieved by the Strategy.

Important Information



# IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BEFORE INVESTING IN THE CORONATION GLOBAL OPTIMUM GROWTH FUND

The Global Optimum Growth Fund should be considered a medium- to long-term investment. The value of units may go down as well as up, and therefore Coronation does not make any guarantees with respect to the protection of capital or returns. Past performance is not necessarily an indication of future performance. The top 10 holdings are reflected on a look- through basis. The fund is mandated to invest up to 100% of its portfolio into foreign securities and may as a result be exposed to macroeconomic, settlement, political, tax, reporting or illiquidity risk factors that may be different to similar investments in the South African markets. Fluctuations or movements in exchange rates may cause the value of underlying investments to go up or down. Coronation reserves the right to close the fund to new investors if we deem it necessary to limit further inflows in order for it to be managed in accordance with its mandate. Unit trusts are allowed to engage in scrip lending and borrowing. Coronation Global Fund Managers (Ireland) Limited is authorised in Ireland and regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland. The fund is approved under Section 65 of the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act by the Financial Sector Conduct Authority of South Africa. Portfolio managed by Coronation Investment Management International (Pty) Ltd (FSP45646), an authorised financial services provider.

JP Morgan (Ireland) has been appointed as the fund's trustees (www.jpmorgan.com; t: +353-1-612-4000), and its custodian is JP Morgan Administration Services (Ireland) Limited (www.jpmorgan.com; t: +353-1-612-4000). Coronation is a full member of the Association for Savings & Investment SA (ASISA).

#### HOW ARE UNITS PRICED AND AT WHAT PRICE WILL MY TRANSACTION BE EXECUTED?

Unit trusts are traded at ruling prices set on every business day. Fund valuations take place at approximately 17h00 each business day (Irish Time) and forward pricing is used. Instructions must reach Coronation before 12h00 (SA Time) to ensure the value of the same business day. You can expect to receive withdrawal payouts three to four business days after the dealing day. Large investments or redemptions (exceeding 5% of fund value) may be subject to an anti-dilution levy to defray dealing costs and expenses. This levy, where applicable, is applied fully for the benefit of the fund.

## HOW WAS THE PERFORMANCE INFORMATION IN THIS FACT SHEET CALCULATED?

Performance is calculated by Coronation as at the last day of the month for a lump sum investment using Class A NAV prices with income distributions reinvested. All underlying price and distribution data is sourced from Morningstar. Performance figures are quoted after the deduction of all costs (including manager fees and trading costs) incurred within the fund. Note that individual investor performance may differ as a result of the actual investment date, the date of reinvestment of distributions and dividend withholding tax, where applicable. Annualised performance figures represent the geometric average return earned by the fund over the given time period. Unannualised performance represents the total return earned by the fund over the given time period, expressed as a percentage.

#### \* Strategy performance:

"Strategy" refers to the Coronation Global Optimum Growth Strategy. The long term track record for this strategy is represented by the Coronation Global Optimum Growth ZAR Feeder Fund (converted to USD), which is the oldest fund managed according to the strategy. The Coronation Global Optimum Growth Fund is the dollar-denominated version of the older rand-denominated Coronation Global Optimum Growth ZAR Feeder Fund (before its conversion to a feeder fund) and does not yet have a medium or long term track record.

## WHAT IS THE TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO (TER) AND TRANSACTION COST (TC)?

The TER and Transaction Costs cannot be determined accurately because of the short life span of the Financial Product. Calculations are based on actual data where possible and best estimates where actual data is not available.

TER is calculated as a percentage of the average net asset value of the portfolio incurred as charges, levies and fees in the management of the portfolio over the period referenced. The TER charged by any underlying fund held as part of a fund's portfolio is included in the fund expenses portion of the TER, but trading and implementation costs incurred in managing the underlying fund are excluded. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER may not necessarily be an accurate indication of future TER's. The 1 year TER is for the 12 months to end of the previous financial year (updated annually). The 3 year TER is for a rolling 36-month period to the last available quarter end (December, March, June and September).

Transaction costs are a necessary cost in managing a fund and impacts the fund's return. They should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time including market returns, the type of fund, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER.

The Total Investment Charge is the sum of the Total Expense Ratio (TER) and transaction costs.

## ADVICE AND PLATFORM COSTS

Coronation does not provide financial advice. If you appoint an adviser, advice fees are contracted directly between you and the adviser. For more information please contact the relevant platform (Linked Investment Service Provider or Life Assurance Provider).

## WHERE CAN I FIND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Additional information such as daily fund prices, brochures, application forms and a schedule of fund fees and charges is available on www.coronation.com. You will also find additional information on the considerations pertinent to investing in a fund denominated in a foreign currency and domiciled in an offshore jurisdiction.

The Prospectus of Coronation Global Opportunities Fund and Fund KIID can be sourced on the following link:https://www.coronation.com/en/institutional/strategyinformation/literature/ucits-fund-library/umbrella-fund. A summary of Investor Rights can be sourced on the following link: https://www.coronation.com/en/institutional/aboutus/ucits-v-disclosure/

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