

### GLOBAL BALANCED FUND IN A NUTSHELL

LOW-COST ACTIVE MULTI-ASSET

The fund seeks to provide an increase in the value of investments over the long term (more than 5 years) together with some money paid out from those investments as income.

The fund is managed by Wellington Management Company LLP and employs a conservative approach, using broad diversification to moderate risk in order to pursue three investment goals:

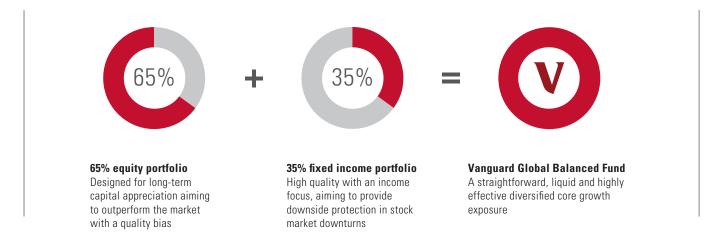
**Conservation of capital -** Maintaining 35% of assets in bonds reduces the fund's exposure to risk while the equity component aims to beat the equity market with lower risk and a quality bias.

**Reasonable current income** - Investing primarily in dividend-paying equity stocks and investment-grade securities. The bond allocation positions the fund to generate a consistent, and potentially growing, income stream.

**Potential for growth with reduced risk -** Investing in a globally diversified, actively but conservatively managed, equity portfolio, gives the fund the opportunity to capture a portion of the higher returns that stocks have historically offered over the long term.

Wellington employs a bottom-up approach using fundamental research to identify shares from quality companies and thereby reduce the risk of poor market-timing decisions.

The fund intends to provide an all-weather portfolio with competitive returns in various market cycles. The fund employs a target asset allocation of 65% equities and 35% fixed income.



# Key attributes



**Low cost:** 0.48% versus a peer group average of 1.24%\*.



**Balanced allocation:** 65% equity/35% fixed income.



**Investment talent:** Managed by Wellington Management Company LLP.

# About Vanguard

Vanguard has been helping investors reach their goals since 1975, growing into one of the world's largest fund managers along the way. What sets us apart?

- **Client focus:** Vanguard in the US is ultimately owned by its investors. This unique mutual structure aligns our interests with those of our clients.
- **Low-cost investing:** Providing low-cost investments isn't a pricing strategy for us. It's how we do business.
- **Stability and experience:** Our clients benefit from the expertise we've gained over more than 45 years.

<sup>\*</sup> Source: Morningstar. Peer group average OCF for mixed investment 40-85% shares as at 6 January 2021. Please read the risk factors section in the prospectus, available on our website.

# Vanguard low-cost active

Active managers aim to deliver excess returns relative to their benchmarks that outweigh the fund's charges. We've made it easier for this equation to work by pricing our active funds competitively.

We leverage our scale and deep capabilities to identify and access both internal and external investment talent globally that might otherwise be out of reach to the average UK investor – all at low cost and with the added benefit of Vanguard's robust oversight and due diligence.

Our active range is founded on three core principles:

- An ongoing commitment to driving down costs
- Unique access to a vast talent pool both internal and external
- · Designed for the long term with clients in mind

Vanguard has a deep history of active management, having managed active funds since our beginning in 1975. Today, Vanguard is one of the largest active managers in the world.

# Vanguard and Wellington

Wellington Management Company LLP has a significant global presence and a long-term track record in nearly all sectors of the global securities markets.

The firm was founded in 1928 by Walter Morgan. He was one of the first investors to combine stocks and bonds together in a balanced fund – a strategy with a track record of over 90 years – surviving many market corrections from the great market crash of 1929 through to the 2008 global financial crisis.

Vanguard's relationship with Wellington Management Company LLP traces its roots back to our inception in the US in 1975, when the balanced fund was brought to Vanguard as our first fund offering. This partnership is one that has continued to thrive under our manager oversight and due diligence processes.

Today, Vanguard's Global Balanced Fund is run with a similar philosophy as the fund that originated in 1928.

## Investment risk information

The value of investments, and the income from them, may fall or rise and investors may get back less than they invested.

Some funds invest in emerging markets which can be more volatile than more established markets. As a result the value of your investment may rise or fall.

Investments in smaller companies may be more volatile than investments in well-established blue chip companies.

Funds investing in fixed interest securities carry the risk of default on repayment and erosion of the capital value of your investment and the level of income may fluctuate. Movements in interest rates are likely to affect the capital value of fixed interest securities. Corporate bonds may provide higher yields but as such may carry greater credit risk increasing the risk of default on repayment and erosion of the capital value of your investment. The level of income may fluctuate and movements in interest rates are likely to affect the capital value of bonds.

The fund may use derivatives in order to reduce risk or cost and/or generate extra income or growth. The use of derivatives could increase or reduce exposure to underlying assets and result in greater fluctuations of the Fund's net asset value. A derivative is a financial contract whose value is based on the value of a financial asset (such as a share, bond, or currency) or a market index.

Some funds invest in securities which are denominated in different currencies. Movements in currency exchange rates can affect the return of investments.

For further information on risks please see the "Risk Factors" section of the prospectus on our website at https://global.vanguard.com.

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