

# Striking a balance

December

## What strategy does this fund pursue?

**VB F3 Balanced Investment Fund** is a multi-asset fund that seeks to achieve long-term capital with moderate risk exposure. The fund envisions annualised volatility of 6-12%, although exceptional market conditions may occasionally cause the risk profile of the investment portfolio to fall outside this band.

## Fact sheet

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F3 | VB F3 Balanced Investment Fund

AFA registration no.	0171-03
Launched on	05/10/2017
Type of fund	Mixed income
Base currency	EUR
Reference index	Euribor 12 months + 150 bp
Fund manager	Vall Banc Fons SAU
Depository	Vall Banc SAU
Auditor	Ernst & Young S.L.
Minimum investment	1 participation
Cut-off date	D+3
Net asset value calculated	Daily
Cut-off time	13:00
Assets under management	8.753.368,77
Net asset value	91,61
Number of units	95.554,5561
Fund volatility - last 12 months	6,57%

## Management information

2018 was a difficult year for financial markets: following the last sell off in December, global equity markets closed the year down -4.9% (MSCI AC World trn in Euro); at a regional level, Europe (MSCI Europe Eur -10.6%) and emerging markets (MSCI Emerging Markets Eur -10.3%) were the worst performers, while US equities were essentially flat (MSCI USA trn in Euro -0.3%). On fixed income markets, the global representative index Bloomberg Barclays Multiverse Euro hedged closed the year down -1.2%, with global government bonds as the only non-negative asset class (Barclays Global Treasury Eur hedged flat). Credit underperformed, recording particularly negative performances both in the investment grade component (Bloomberg Barclays Global Corporate Eur hedged -3.8%) and the high yield component (Barclays Global High Yield Eur hedged -5.5%). Emerging markets debt in hard currency was the worst sector (JPM EMBI global diversified Euro hedged -7.0%), while the local currency component converted to Euro was down -1.5%. Finally, the Euro depreciated vs US dollar (EURUSD -4.5%).

The **Core Fixed Income portfolio** was negative, strongly underperforming the global fixed income market (Multiverse index) mainly due to the overweight to global credit and emerging markets debt; BGF Global Corporate Bond (with an average weight of around 8.2% in the portfolio) was the main negative contributor, followed by BGF Emerging Markets Bond. The **Diversification** was also negative: the main detractor over the year was multi style/factor strategy BSF Style Advantage, while the contribution of the global long short equity fund was flat. In the **Multi Asset** component, both strategies - BGF Global Multi Asset Income and BGF Global Allocation (Eur hedged) - were among the worst contributor in 2018. Finally, the **Growth portfolio** was negative, underperforming the reference market (tilted towards European equity). Asset allocation choices were broadly flat, with the overweight to emerging markets detracting from performance and the underweight to European equities adding to it; in terms on manager selection, global end European funds contributed negatively, while the emerging markets fund outperformed the reference index.

## Return

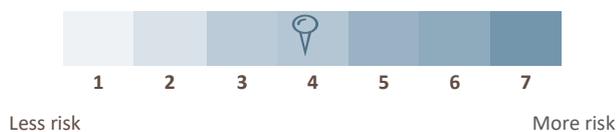
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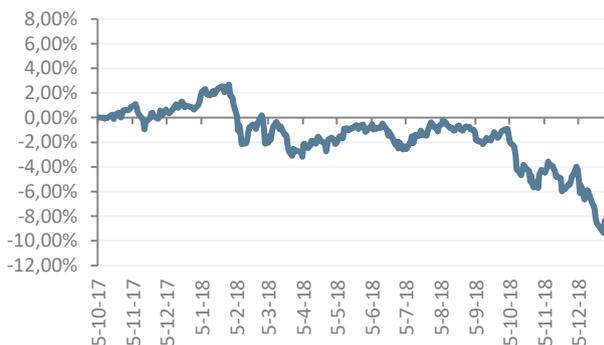
## Risk profile

The fund has a risk level of **4**. This level is included for guidance purposes only and may change over time.

This risk level has been calculated in accordance with the guidelines on risk measurement of the Committee of European Securities Regulators (CESR), using historical data on the fund, or, failing that, a representative portfolio.



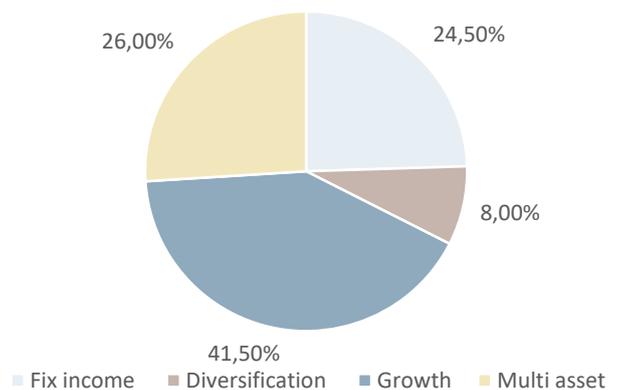
## Fund performance



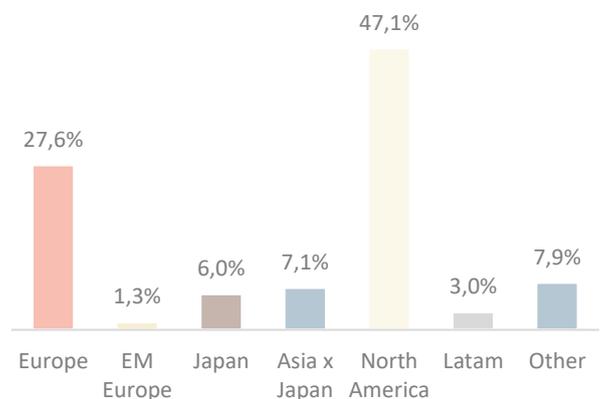
## Top 5 investments

BLACKROCK GL MA INC-D2H EUR	13,71%
BGF-GBL ALLOCATION HED-ED2	12,39%
BGF-GLOBAL GOV BOND HED-ED2	11,39%
BLACKROCK SF SYS GLB EQ-D2E	8,89%
BGF-GLOBAL CORP BOND-ED2	8,82%

## Distribution by asset type



## Geographical distribution



## Information on subscription and redemption

Vall Banc Fons will publish the net asset value every day on its website: <https://goo.gl/bbyiVv>

## Fees, charges and other costs

For more information, please read the full prospectus available on the Vall Banc website: <https://goo.gl/bbyiVv>

**Annual management fee** – 1.20% of assets

**Annual depositary fee** – 0.15% of assets

**Exit fee** – 20% of positive excess return above benchmark. This fee may or may not be charged at the discretion of Vall Banc Fons, SAU

**Subscription fee** – 0% of cash value

**Redemption fee** – 0% of cash value

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