

As at the end of March 2024.

# Canaccord Genuity Balanced Fund

## Key facts

**Lead managers:** Justin Oliver/Alison Brooks

**Fund size:** \$191m

**Ireland inception date:** 26/09/2008

**ISA/PEP eligible:** Yes

**SIPP eligible:** Yes

**UK reporting status:** Yes

**FCA recognised:** Yes

**CBol Authorised:** Yes

**MAS restricted foreign scheme:** Yes

**International Peer Group:** Morningstar  
EAA Fund USD Moderate Allocation<sup>2</sup>

## Other information

### Minimum investment

**Initial (or currency equivalent):**

A class: \$5,000

T class: \$5,000

R class: \$50,000

**Ongoing (or currency equivalent):** \$1,000

**Domicile:** Ireland

**Custodian/Trustee:** Northern Trust

**Yield:** 0.0%<sup>3</sup>

**SRRI:** 4<sup>4</sup>

## Dealing

**Cut-off time:** 2pm

**Dealing frequency:** Daily

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Past performance is not indicative of future performance.

The returns are shown in USD. These returns may differ significantly when converted to other currencies at the prevailing exchange rates.

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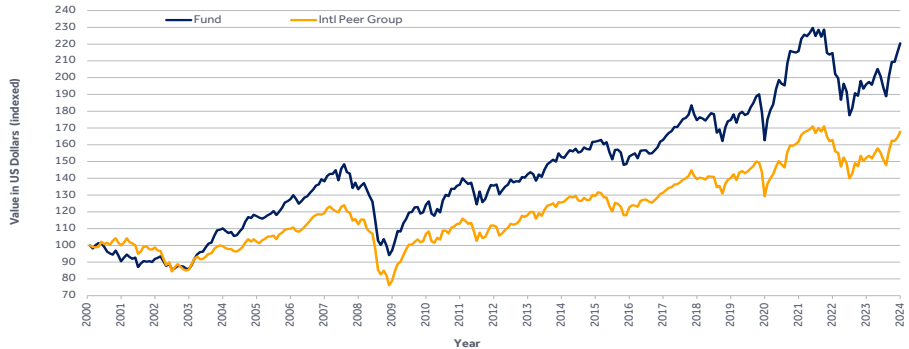
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## Investment objectives

The investment objective of the Fund is to generate capital growth by investing in an internationally diversified portfolio of shares and units in collective investment schemes and individual high quality fixed interest instruments.

## Return profile<sup>1</sup>



\* 2024 YTD is data for year to date from 01 January 2024 to 31 March 2024.  
Source: Morningstar & CGWM

## Discrete performance (%)<sup>1</sup>

Total return to end of last calendar quarter (peer group data from Morningstar, these figures are unaudited)

	01/04/2023 31/03/2024	01/04/2022 31/03/2023	01/04/2021 31/03/2022	01/04/2020 31/03/2021	01/04/2019 31/03/2020
Balanced Fund	+12.46	-8.68	-0.51	+32.62	-6.87
Intl. peer group	+10.19	-6.55	+0.63	+25.24	-7.72

## Cumulative performance (%)<sup>1</sup>

Total return from inception to 31/03/2024 (peer group data from Morningstar, these figures are unaudited)

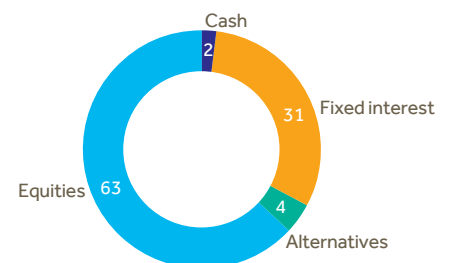
	1 month	3 months	YTD	1 year	3 years	5 years	Inception (Mar 2000)
Balanced Fund	+2.53	+5.26	+5.26	+12.46	+2.17	+26.19	+118.73
Intl. peer group	+2.14	+3.36	+3.36	+10.19	+3.62	+19.76	+71.63

## Top 10 holdings (%)

Vanguard S&P500 UCITS ETF INC USD	9.80
GQG Partners US Equity I USD Acc	6.83
CT (Lux) US Disciplined Core Eq N USD Acc	6.21
SPARX Japan Fund GBP E Acc	5.72
Capital Intl US Corporate Bond Lux Z USD Acc	4.31
Ninety One Lux S.A. Global Environment	4.25
Xtrackers S&P 500 Equal Weight UCITS ETF	3.86
Pacific North of South EM All Cap Equity R2 USD Ac	3.69
Polar Capital Healthcare Blue Chip SI USD Dis	3.45
iShares USD Treasury 7 - 10y	3.31

Source: CGWM

## Sector analysis (%)



- The performance data shown represents the actual performance of the Canaccord Genuity Balanced Fund ('CG Fund'), which transferred into the Fund on 26/09/08. The CG Fund was a cell of The Canaccord Genuity PCC Ltd and was managed with comparable parameters and investment process by the same investment team as the Fund. The Fund commenced on 26/09/2008. Performance and expenses of the Fund will vary from this historical performance. Future asset allocation including geographical allocations will depend on prevailing market conditions and sentiment and may be significantly different to the asset allocation of the past. From 01/01/2019 the Fund performance shown has changed from the A class to the R class, for consistency with peers; performance and expenses of the Fund will vary from this point. Performance is shown against an international peer group for reference purposes only.
- The International Peer Group was changed from GIFS USD Aggressive Allocation to EAA Fund USD Moderate Allocation on 01/09/20 due to Morningstar ceasing to produce the GIFS. Past performance is not indicative of future performance.
- Source: Northern Trust
- The Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator (SRRI) displays the historic volatility of the fund's performance and categorises it accordingly. The values will range from 1 to 7, where 1 will mean lower risk and 7 indicates that the level of risk is relatively high.

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## Canaccord Genuity Balanced Fund – Manager's commentary

The Canaccord Genuity Balanced Fund rose 2.53% during March, strongly outperforming its benchmark peer group, the Morningstar EAA Fund USD Moderate Allocation sector, which rose 2.14%.

Reviewing asset returns over the first quarter, it is noticeable that technology stocks have again led the way, with the Magnificent Seven stocks gaining just over 17% in aggregate, although there has been a wide divergence. For example, Nvidia has gained 82% in the first three months of the year, while Tesla's shares have fallen 29%. Other areas that have performed well in US dollar terms include Japan even though the yen has been very weak. What didn't perform well include Latin American equities, high-grade bonds, while China's CSI300 Index only eked out a marginal gain of just over 1% in US dollar terms.

During the month, US Federal Reserve (Fed) Chair Jay Powell reiterated that the central bank is in no rush to cut interest rates, but outlined that policymakers are getting close to having sufficient confidence to do so. Powell told the Financial Services Committee of the US House of Representatives that it will likely be appropriate to begin lowering borrowing costs "at some point this year," but he made it clear officials are not ready yet. However, expectations for interest rate cuts were pared back during the month, as inflation figures came in higher than expected, while there are continuing signs that activity in the US economy is still expanding at a brisk pace.

As expected, US interest rates were left on hold following the Fed's March deliberations, but just as importantly, policymakers' updated forecasts for future rates – the 'dot plot' – continued to show officials expect 3 rate cuts in 2024, in line with markets' expectations. Underneath the bonnet,, policymakers became slightly more hawkish, but markets chose to adopt a glass half full mentality.

China will target economic growth of around 5% this year, while announcing a budget deficit in line with last year's and new special central government bonds, but disappointed those who had been hoping for more stimulus to bolster the economy. There were also new measures to help boost the ailing property sector and improve maternity policies to help the low birth rate. China's consumer prices rose for the first time since August. The price rebound was helped by the Lunar New Year holiday temporarily boosting demand. Meanwhile, producer prices fell 2.7%, continuing the longest string of declines since 2016. High-frequency data are already pointing to a rapid decline in food prices since the end of the Lunar New Year holiday three weeks ago.

The Bank of Japan (BoJ) became the world's last central bank to end the era of negative interest rates, raising borrowing costs for the first time since 2007. Policymakers have confidence that mild inflation in Japan will continue, and most companies are passing on inflation costs to consumers, and labour shortages are contributing to higher wages. This is a positive development for Japan and underlines our positive investment thesis. The yen fell, as the focus remained on the wide interest rate differential with the US, and the BoJ noted that rates will be kept very accommodative in order to support the economy.

In terms of activity, the cash weighting of the Fund fell from 2.8%, to 1.8%, as a result of the decision to increase the fixed income exposure through an additional purchase of the Capital International US Corporate Bond Fund. There are signs of a return of the diversification benefits from duration in fixed income, and we therefore slightly increased the weight in one of the Fund's investment grade credit funds.

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