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Firebird BlueStar 6% Real Income

Fund Details

Fund Category	Worldwide Multi Asset Flexible
Benchmark	CPI+6%
Risk Profile	Aggressive
Investment period	7 years or longer
Launch Date	01 April 2021
Fund Size	R 100 million
Platform	Glacier

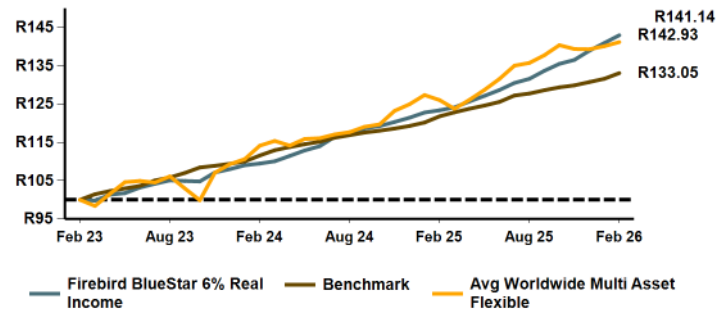
Investor Profile

This solution is suitable for investors looking for:

- High levels of income withdrawals from their living annuity
- Capital preservation over the medium term
- A minimum investment horizon of 7 years or longer

Cumulative performance - 3 years *

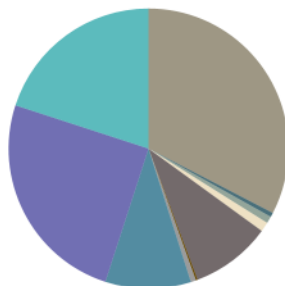
Growth of R100 investment



Fund Objective

The Real Income solution aims to provide investors with a level of income that is consistent with the associated risk of a long-term investment. The preservation of capital is extremely important to ensure continued income security. The solution will use strategies that increase overall downside protection while at the same time seeking to share in upside returns. However, the benchmark used by this portfolio has significant exposure to riskier strategies that can lead to capital losses in the short term. The solution may also be exposed to Retail Investment Hedge Funds, a multi-strategy alternative fund, and a smoothed bonus fund. Smoothed bonus funds declare monthly bonuses in a way that helps reduce short-term volatility. Investors in this solution should have an investment horizon of 7 years or longer. The solution is not compliant with Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act, 1956.

Asset Allocation



Equity, 32.6%	International Bonds, 0.2%
Property, 0.5%	International Cash, 0.6%
Bonds, 0.8%	Hedged, 9.9%
Cash, 1.1%	Smoothing Portfolio, 25.0%
International Equity, 9.3%	Alternatives, 20.0%

Performance (%)	Fund*	Fund Benchmark	Avg Worldwide Multi Asset Flexible
1 Month	1.44	1.13	0.77
3 Months	4.71	2.46	1.30
6 Months	8.64	4.17	4.00
1 Year	15.87	9.26	12.00
2 Years (annualised)	14.26	9.21	11.21
3 Years (annualised)	12.64	9.99	12.17
YTD	2.91	1.79	1.34
Since Launch	10.94	10.87	10.13

Risk statistics (3 years)	Fund*
Returns (annualised)	12.64%
Standard deviation (annualised)	1.98%
% Positive months	91.67%
Maximum drawdown	-0.27%
Sharpe ratio	2.35

Manager Selection (%)

Sanlam Multi-Managed Smooth Growth	25.00	PSG Flexible	3.00
Multi-Strategy Alternative	20.00	Ninety One Global Franchise Feeder	2.55
Sanlam Multi-Managed Smooth Global Growth	20.00	36ONE BCI Equity	2.50
Amplify SCI Aggressive RFHF (Amplify)	7.60	Fairtree SA Equity Prescient	2.50
SMM SCI Flexible Equity (Truffle)	4.00	Glacier Global Stock FF (Dodge & Cox)	2.50
Amplify SCI Flexible Equity (Abax)	3.00	Amplify SCI Managed Equity Retail Hedge (Oyster Catcher)	2.35
Centaur BCI Flexible	3.00	Amplify SCI Global Equity FF (Sarofim)	2.00

Monthly Fund Performance* (%)	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Fund 2026	1.45	1.44											2.91
Fund 2025	1.11	0.47	0.62	1.25	1.16	1.20	1.43	0.83	1.59	1.35	0.76	1.75	14.38
Fund 2024	0.94	0.42	0.54	1.27	1.29	0.97	2.14	0.48	1.40	0.54	0.89	0.93	12.43

Fees (% incl. VAT)

Annual Solution Fee	0.29
Underlying Manager TER's	1.83

* The investor is liable for CGT on any transactions in the units of the underlying unit trusts within the wrap funds. Compulsory investments are not subject to CGT. Performance is calculated using net returns (after fees) of the underlying unit trusts, and quoted excluding wrap fund fees. Performance quoted is pre-tax. Fund performance numbers shown are for a notional portfolio and do not reflect the actual performance of the client invested in the wrap fund due to timing differences of investments or disinvestments of the client. Benchmark returns for CPI are based on actual published returns and an estimated one month return for the month of the report date. ASISA Benchmark returns are the ASISA returns available as at the time of reporting.

Manager Comment

US economic growth softened by more than expected in the fourth quarter, although both consumer and business spending continued to show resilience. In China, consumer inflation posted its strongest rise in more than three years in February, supported by extended holiday-related spending and a slowdown in factory-gate deflation. At the same time, Beijing lowered its GDP growth target at its February economic planning meeting, acknowledging persistent deflationary pressures and heightened geopolitical uncertainty. Tensions in the Middle East during February pushed global oil and natural-gas prices sharply higher. In the UK, unemployment climbed to its highest level since 2020 during the fourth quarter of 2025, reflecting broad-based labour-market weakness. Domestically, South Africa's national budget was positively received, helping to lift the bond market. South Africa's consumer inflation also eased slightly in January 2026 compared with December 2025, adding to signs of gradual price moderation.

Global equity markets delivered an eleventh consecutive monthly gain in February, with the MSCI World Index ending at 0.73% month-on-month (m/m) in dollars, despite a drawdown in US stocks. The lagging performance of US growth stocks was evident within the Magnificent Seven group of mega-cap tech companies, as investors grew wary of the massive AI-related capital expenditures—amounting to hundreds of billions of dollars—that these firms are projecting. Emerging market (EM) equities extended their lead over their developed market (DM) peers with the MSCI EM Index ending positively at 5.51% m/m in dollars. The EM outperformance was driven by commodity-producing countries. The FTSE 100's January gains of 3.08% m/m continued into February, ending the month up 6.47% m/m in pound terms. The S&P 500's ended the month negatively at -0.76% m/m from January's 1.44% m/m gains, both in US dollars. Global bond gains continued into February at 1.12% m/m from January's 0.94% m/m gains in dollars. Global property posted large gains for the month at 7.01% m/m from January's 3.88% m/m in dollars. The Euro Stoxx 50 Index gained 3.34% m/m in February from 2.79% m/m in January in euros. The Dow Jones Index gained 0.31% m/m in February from January's 1.80% m/m gains in US dollars. The Nikkei was the biggest gainer for the month at 10.42% m/m from January's 5.93% m/m gains in yen terms.

South African equities once again found themselves at the front of the pack in February with the FTSE/JSE All Share Index ending positively at 7.01% m/m in rand terms. Year-to-date (YTD) gains of 10.99% placed the JSE among the top-performing major markets globally, trailing only Japan and Brazil's stock markets. Precious metal shares were once again a key driver of returns for the month, contributing largely to February's JSE index returns with strong commodity price gains. The Resources sector gains continued in February at 13.32% m/m from January's 12.49% m/m gains. Both Property and Financials continued their gains in February, at 6.29% m/m and 7.32% m/m respectively, in rand terms. The Industrial sector was positive in February at 6.56% m/m from January's negative figure of -0.58% m/m. Cash was positive for the month at 0.51% m/m from January's 0.57% m/m in rand terms, and 1.27% in February from 3.91% in January, both in dollar terms. Similar to January, the local bond market's gains continued in February for short-, medium-, and long-term bonds. The FTSE/JSE All Bond Index ended the month positively at 1.74% m/m in rand terms. Bonds of 1-3 years were positive at 0.59% m/m, along with bonds of 3-7 years at 0.80% m/m. Bonds of 7-12 years were positive at 1.23% m/m, and bonds of 12 years and above gained 2.79% m/m. In February, the rand strengthened by 0.75% m/m against the US dollar, by 1.52% m/m against the euro, and by 2.84% m/m against the British pound.

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Luke holds a B.Com (Accounting) degree and B.Com (Hons) degree in Business Administration from the University of the Western Cape (UWC). He also holds a Master's degree in Business Management from the University of the Western Cape. He joined Glacier Research team as investment analyst in January 2016, with responsibilities being local and offshore fund manager research. He has written numerous financial articles, published in the Financial Mail and Moneyweb, and has participated in numerous investment roadshows as a presenter and panel facilitator. Luke left Glacier Research and joined Sanlam Multi-Manager International in September 2019 as a portfolio manager in the Retail Implemented Consulting team. He is also responsible for Global Discretionary Fund Management at SMMI, as a member of the Global Model Portfolio Group.

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