

# MitonOptimal Core Conservative Income (Reg 28)

- INN8



As of 2026/03/31

## Suitable Investor

Suitable for investors who are risk averse and have a low to moderate volatility investment profile.

## Investment Strategy

This investment strategy includes a diversification of asset classes, managed by some of the most talented fund managers. The strategy aims to outperform SA inflation by 2% p.a. (2% real return) net of fund management fees over a rolling 3 year period. The strategy aims to provide investors with a regular income while it aims to provide consistent real returns over the medium term within acceptable risk parameters. The strategy only invests in asset allocation, target return and money market unit trust funds and aims to limit downside volatility.

## Suitable Products

This portfolio can be utilised as an income option via a Living Annuity or as a Discretionary draw-down plan. Other suitable products would include low volatility Preservation Pension/Provident Fund savings, i.e. close to retirement risk averse investors.

## Risk Profile



## Model Portfolio Details

Lead Manager	Roeloff Horne, MitonOptimal
Co-Manager	Jacques de Kock, MitonOptimal
Inception Date	2009/07/06
Reg 28 Compliant	Yes
Benchmark	(ASISA) South African MA Low Equity
Return Objective	RSA CPI +2%
Annual Mandate Fee (%)	0,18
Model TER (%)	0,93

## Monthly Market & Portfolio Commentary

US economic momentum softened further in March as the outbreak of the Iran conflict weighed on sentiment and activity. The economy had already begun to lose traction, with Q4 2025 GDP growth slowing sharply to +0.7% annualised from +4.4% in Q3. While household consumption and business investment remained broadly constructive, weaker exports and softer government spending dragged on growth, and the emergence of geopolitical risk has materially clouded the outlook.

Headline CPI eased to +2.4% YoY in February, down from +2.7% in January, marking a post-pandemic low, while core inflation remained sticky at +2.5% YoY. However, the disinflationary trend has stalled as the oil price shock feeds through, lifting near-term inflation expectations and complicating the policy outlook. US risk assets came under sustained pressure through March, with the S&P 500 and Nasdaq Composite entering correction territory during the month.

Against this backdrop, the MSCI World returned +0.69% in USD for the month, while the S&P 500 returned +2.15% and the Nasdaq 100 +2.34% in USD — modest gains that masked significant intramonth volatility. The MSCI ACWI was broadly flat at -0.18% in USD. The MSCI Emerging Markets Index declined -6.51% in USD, reflecting the combination of a stronger Dollar and energy price pressures on oil-importing economies.

In summary, the outbreak of conflict in the Middle East was the dominant market-moving event of March, delivering a sharp supply shock that reset inflation expectations, shifted central bank guidance more cautiously, pressured equity markets globally, and strengthened the US Dollar on safe-haven demand.

The FTSE/JSE All Share Index returned -10.45% in ZAR for the month, bringing year-to-date returns to -0.61%. SA Listed Property declined -11.41% in ZAR for March, taking the year-to-date return to -4.92%. South African bonds, as measured by the FTSE/JSE All Bond Index, returned -6.83% in ZAR for the month, with year-to-date returns deteriorating to -3.36%. Cash remained the only positive performer, with the STeFI Composite returning +0.56% for the month and +1.66% year to date.

As mentioned before, the outbreak of conflict in the Middle East delivered a sharp supply shock that sent oil prices soaring above \$100 per barrel and jolted global markets. South Africa, as an oil importer, will feel the pinch: the SARB forecasts fuel inflation to spike above 18% YoY in Q2, threatening to lift headline inflation from February's 3% to around 4% in the coming months. Notably, February CPI had eased to 3% YoY, right at the SARB's new 3% inflation target, thanks to prior declines in fuel and food costs. However, March's oil shock reversed the disinflationary trend and prompted upward revisions to the SARB's inflation forecast.

The investment team made a series of deliberate portfolio adjustments through March as the risk environment deteriorated. The overall positioning through March reflected a deliberate shift from broad equity risk toward more defensive holdings — shorter-duration fixed income, inflation protection, cash and commodities. Diversification across asset classes and regions continued to provide the framework within which these tactical adjustments were made.

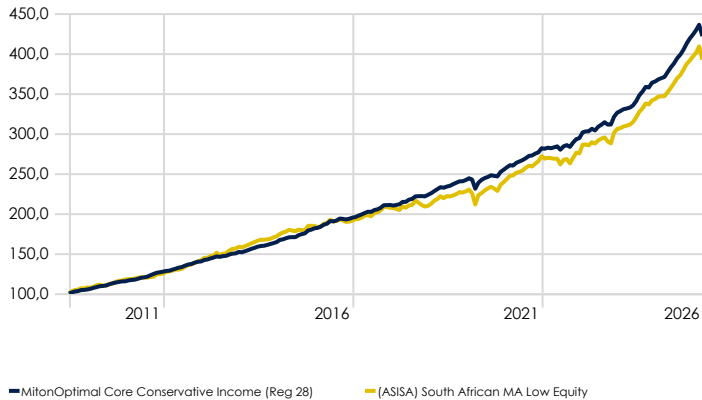
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## Investment Growth (Since Inception)



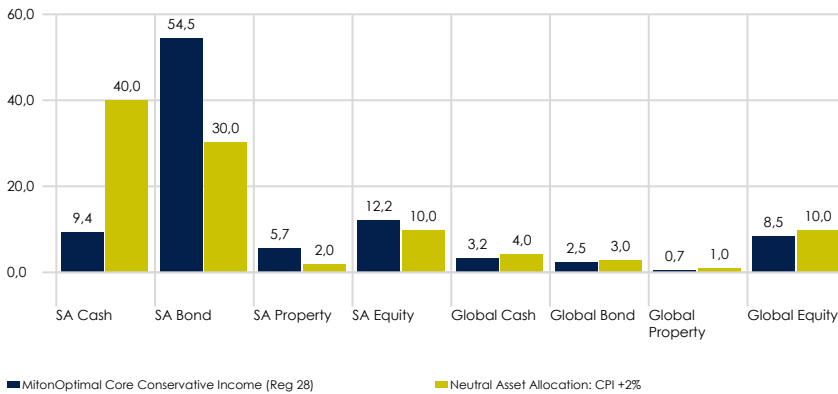
## Discrete Calendar Performance (%)

	2022	2023	2024	2025	YTD
MitonOptimal Core Conservative Income (Reg 28)	4,50	10,82	11,95	16,11	-0,48
(ASISA) South African MA Low Equity	1,36	11,05	12,25	15,51	-1,03

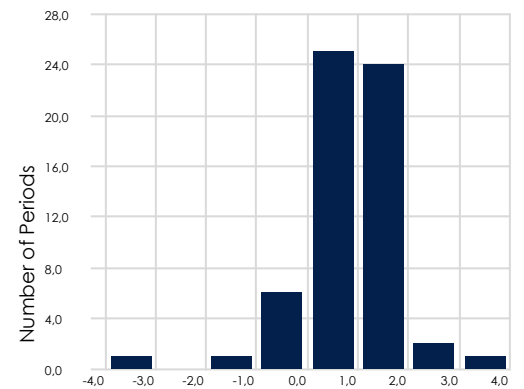
## Annualised Performance (%)

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception
MitonOptimal Core Conservative Income (Reg 28)	13,77	11,68	10,18	8,95
(ASISA) South African MA Low Equity	13,19	11,22	9,64	8,39

## Asset Allocation [Portfolio vs Neutral] (%)



## Monthly Return Distribution



## Model Portfolio Composition (%)

	Weight	Mgmt Fee	TER
Amplify SCI Defensive Balanced Fund A1	15,00	0,92	0,94
Amplify SCI Strategic Income Fund A1	15,00	0,58	0,59
Prescient Income Provider A2	15,00	0,58	0,58
Sasfin BCI Flexible Income A	15,00	0,69	0,77
Allan Gray Stable C	14,00	0,98	1,42
Coronation Balanced Defensive P	12,00	0,86	1,04
MitonOptimal BCI Active Beta Fund A	10,00	0,53	1,11
Sesfikile BCI Property A	4,00	1,27	1,30

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