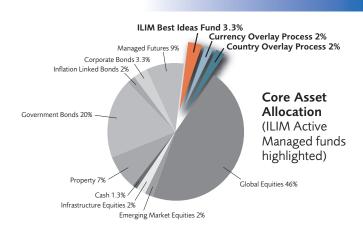




ILIM Active Management in Core

ILIM have an excellent record in active management. According to data at the end of February 2010, ILIM are the best performing active fund manager in the Irish pension industry on both a short term (1 year) and long term basis (10 year). Core will utilise three ILIM active managed components: the ILIM Best Ideas Fund, the Country Overlay Process and the Currency Overlay Process.



The asset allocation of Core will change from time to time.

| | 1 Year % | rank | 5 Years % p.a. | rank | 10 Years % p.a. | rank |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|------|-------------------|------|--------------------|------|
| AIB Investment | | | | | | |
| Managers | 23.7% | 10 | 0.1% | 6 | -0.9% | 9 |
| Aviva Investors | 28.2% | 8 | -1.1% | 8 | -0.6% | 8 |
| BOI Asset Management | 31.0% | 6 | -1.2% | 9 | 1.1% | 3 |
| Canada Life /Setanta | 34.7% | 3 | 1.8% | 3 | 1.0% | 4 |
| Eagle Star /Zurich Life | 30.8% | 7 | 2.9% | 1 | 1.3% | 2 |
| Friends First /F&C | 31.8% | 5 | -0.2% | 7 | -0.5% | 7 |
| Irish Life Investment Managers | 38.8% | 1 | 0.7% | 5 | 1.4% | 1 |
| KBC Asset Management | 27.8% | 9 | -1.2% | 9 | -1.8% | 10 |
| Merrion Investment Managers | 38.8% | 1 | 2.3% | 2 | 0.6% | 5 |
| Standard Life Investments | 32.4% | 4 | 1.7% | 4 | 0.2% | 6 |
| Average | 31.8% | n/a | 0.6% | n/a | 0.2% | n/a |

Source: Rubicon Investment Consulting (February 2010)

ILIM Country and Currency Overlay Processes

ILIM's country and currency overlay processes offers a valuable source of excess return that is uncorrelated with the performance of conventional asset classes.

The currency process takes positions in eight major currencies. More exposure is taken to cheaper currencies (as measured by the relative price of goods between countries), currencies with good trade surpluses and positive momentum. Positions are avoided in expensive currencies with large trade deficits and negative momentum.

The country process takes positions in the 16 biggest equity markets. Using highly liquid and cost efficient futures*, more exposure is taken to markets that are considered inexpensive (on valuation terms using Price/Earnings ratios for example), are experiencing earnings upgrades and have positive momentum. Positions are avoided in expensive markets or markets with earnings downgrades and negative momentum.

ILIM has a strong history of delivering consistent positive performance in active country and currency management since inception in 1999.

*Futures are financial contracts obligating the buyer to purchase an asset (or the seller to sell an asset), such as a physical commodity or a financial instrument, at a predetermined future date and price.

ILIM Best Ideas Fund

The ILIM Best Ideas Fund takes the highest conviction trades i.e. what ILIM's top investment managers class as their "best ideas", and combines them in one portfolio. The ideas from analysts and portfolio mangers across the asset class spectrum are proposed to a committee consisting of ILIM's Chief Investment Officers, Head of Equities and Head of Fixed Income. The committee then decides on what ideas to implement. This is a new offering from ILIM and will provide diversification benefits via the funds active element and its ability to take both long and short positions across a wide range of markets.

Warning: The value of this investment may go down as well as up. Past Performance is not a reliable guide to future performance. These funds may be affected by changes in currency exchange rates.

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