Rob Spanjaard

Rezco: Portfolio Manager

Rob joined REZCO in 1999 when he bought a 50% interest in the company from Wally Gray – with the intention of significantly growing the business and enabling Rob to return to his primary passion of investment management. Rob and Wally are the original portfolio managers of the REZCO Value Trend Fund since inception in September 2004.

Rob left the auditing world in 1987 to establish an equity hedge fund. In 1988 he joined Lifegro/Momentum Life as an equity analyst, working for Peter du Toit, one of the current REZCO shareholders. In 1991 he was promoted to portfolio manager.

At the end of 1991 Rob left Momentum and put together a private equity deal to purchase a distressed business. He and his team grew the business at a compound rate of 25% per annum for 15 years. The company was listed in 1995 as Sovereign Foods.

Jannie Leach

Nedgroup: Head of Core Investments

Jannie joined Nedgroup Investments in 2008 as an Investment Analyst in the Best of Breed Team. During his time as an analyst he started developing the Core Range of low cost multi-asset portfolios which were launched in September 2009. He currently drives the strategic development of the Core Range and is responsible for their “cost efficient” investment philosophy and process. He is actively involved in research on current topics in asset management and investment industry reforms.

Sumesh Chetty

Investec: Portfolio Manager

Sumesh is a portfolio manager at Investec Management within the Quality team. He is responsible for the absolute return strategies and is co-portfolio manager of the Investec Cautious Managed Fund and the Investec Absolute Balanced Fund.

He joined the firm in 2007 from Metropolitan Asset Managers where he managed the Metropolitan Absolute Return Fund from 2005. Before joining Metropolitan, Sumesh spent three years as an investment actuary at Metropolitan Employee Benefits, where he was responsible for managing smooth bonus funds. Sumesh began his career at Swiss Re Life and Health, where he spent over three years as an actuarial specialist.

Sumesh graduated from the University of Cape Town with a Bachelor of Business Science (Hons) degree in Actuarial Science and a post graduate diploma in Actuarial Science. He is also a Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries in the United Kingdom.

William Fraser

Foord: Director

William joined Foord in 2005. He is a director of Foord Asset Management and Foord Unit Trusts. His investment responsibilities include setting the macro strategy and asset allocation for client mandates. As a member of the investment team he is well placed to communicate the portfolio positioning to clients. Previously he spent 9 years at Investment Solutions, as part of a team that analysed investment managers and managed multi-managed portfolios

Michael Moyle

Prudential: Head of Real Return

Michael Moyle is Head of Multi-Asset at Prudential Investment Managers, with 20 years’ experience. Besides being responsible for the overall asset allocation decisions in our multi-asset funds, he is co-Portfolio Manager of four Prudential unit trusts, and has won several Raging Bull and Morningstar Awards. He is also a member of Prudential’s Asset Allocation Committee. Michael’s qualifications include: Masters in Engineering Mechanics (University of Texas); MBA (UCT); and CFA.

Mark Dunley-Owen

Allan Gray: Portfolio Manager

Mark joined Allan Gray in 2009 having worked at a number of international investment banks. He started managing a portion of the fixed interest portfolios in July 2011, and a portion of the stable portfolios in May 2013. He is one of the portfolio managers of the Allan Gray Stable Fund, the portfolio manager of the Allan Gray Bond Fund and also manages Africa ex-SA bonds.