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2025: A Year of Wealth Creation

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2025: A Good Year To Be Invested

Celebrated 25 years as a leading boutique asset manager **delivering excellent returns.**

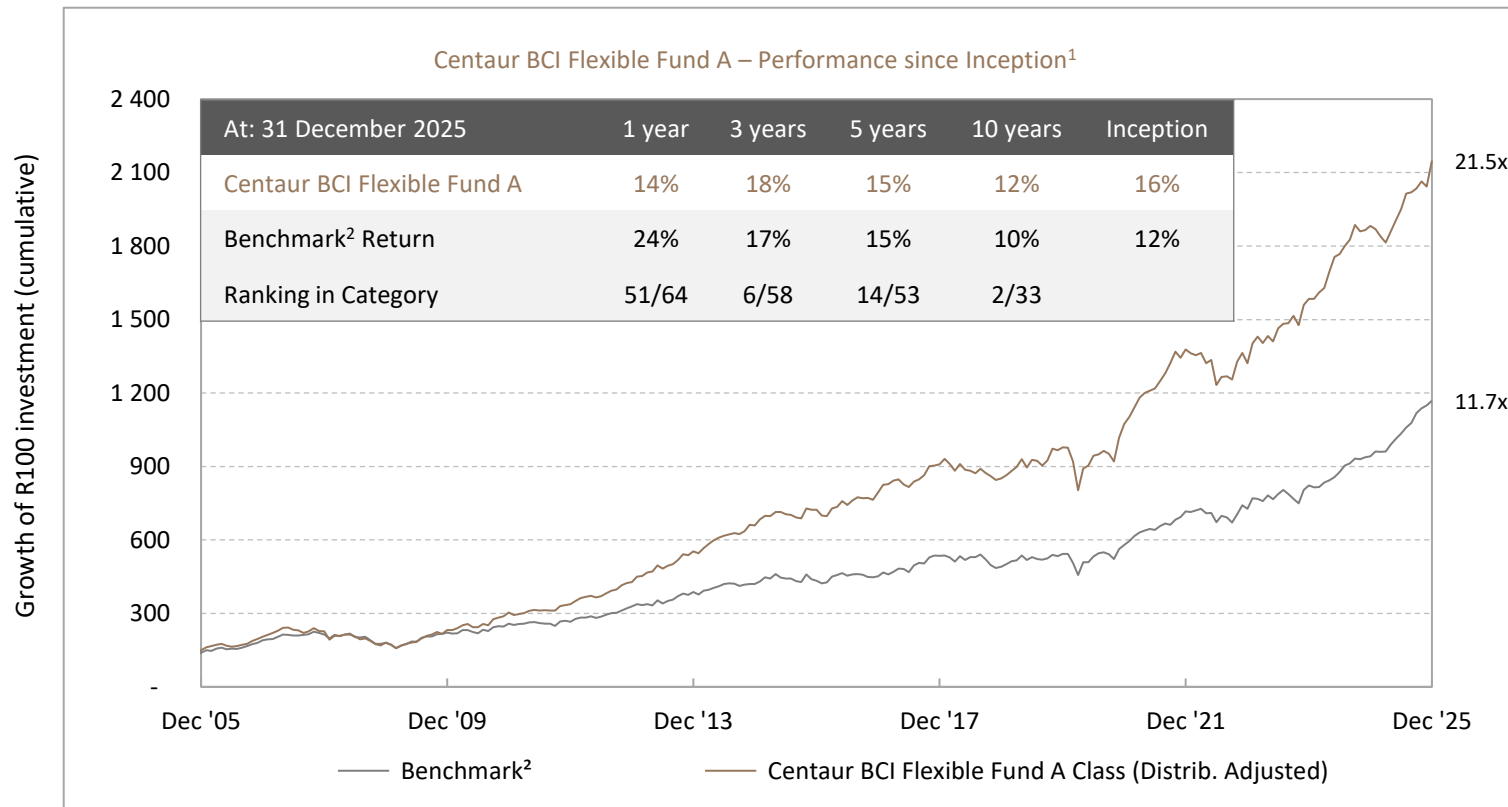
18% Growth in 2025 to R13bn Asset under Management with a retail only focus.

Centaur BCI SA equity fund returned 23% p.a. surpassing R1bn since launching 2 years ago.

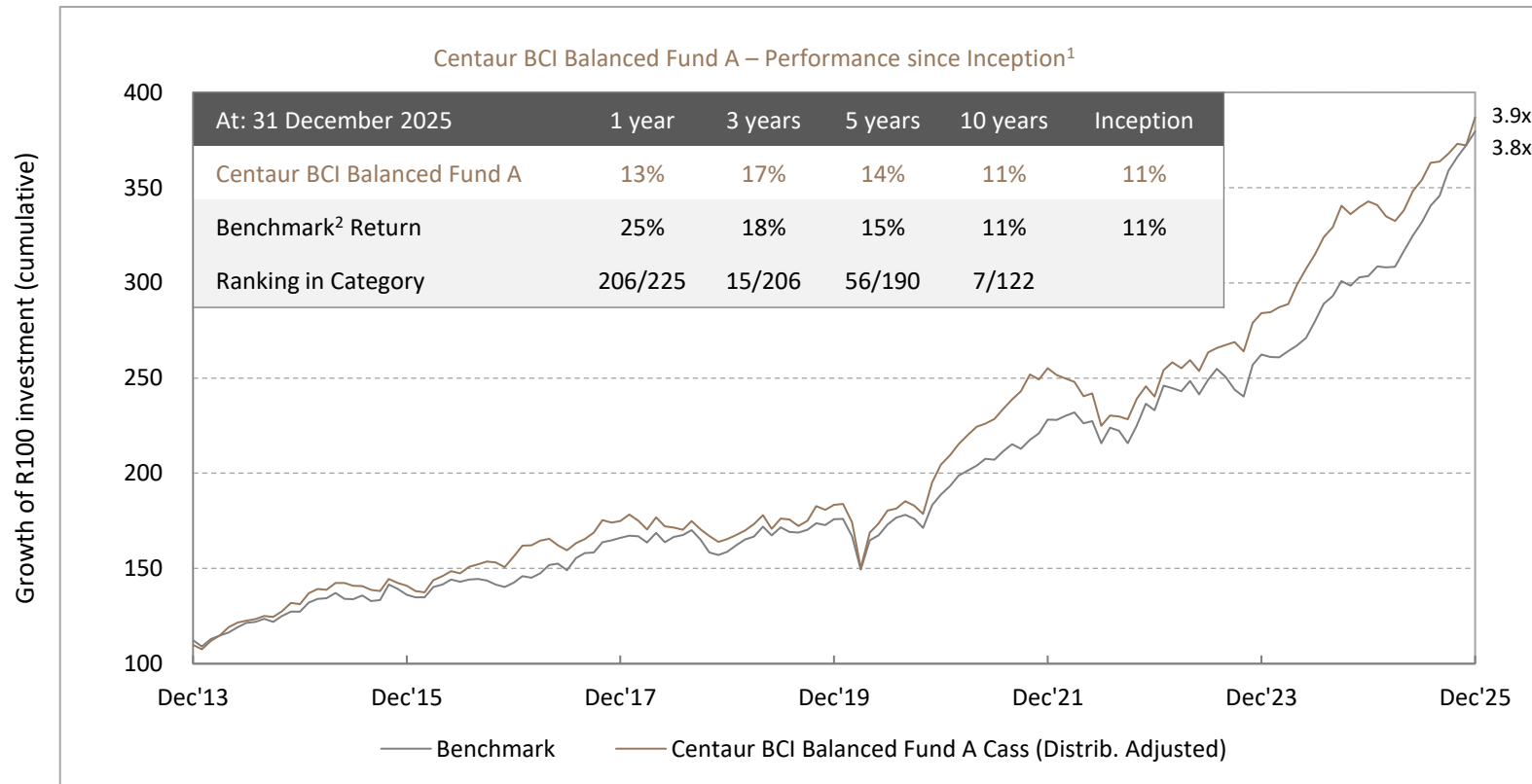
Consistent long-term returns through cycles, client trust, and a sustainable retail franchise.

A stronger team, built for sustained performance with two new appointments.

You've Made Money – Your Capital At Work

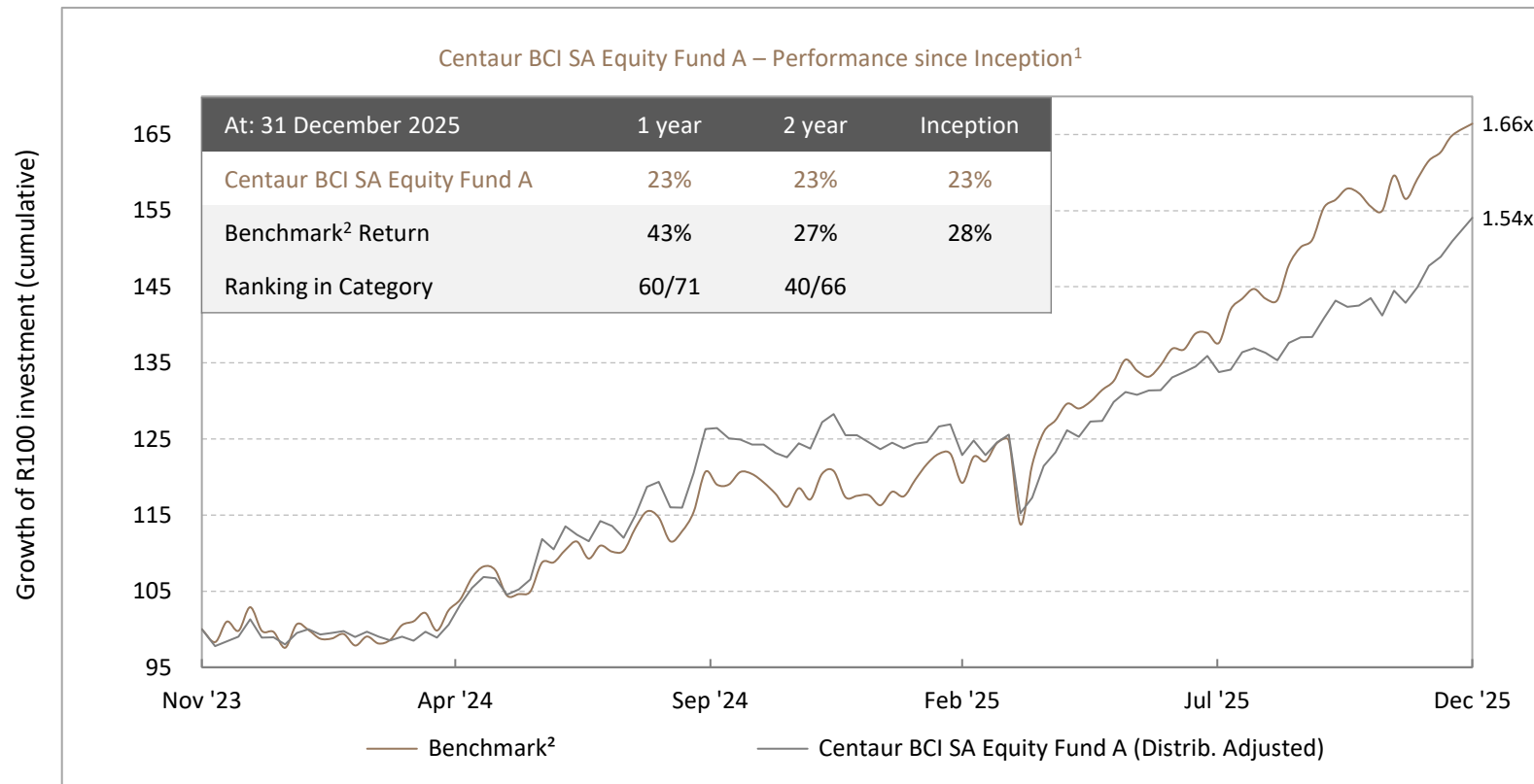


Compounding Wealth Through Multiple Market Cycles



Top Performing South African Multi-Asset High Equity Fund 3 years ending Dec'16

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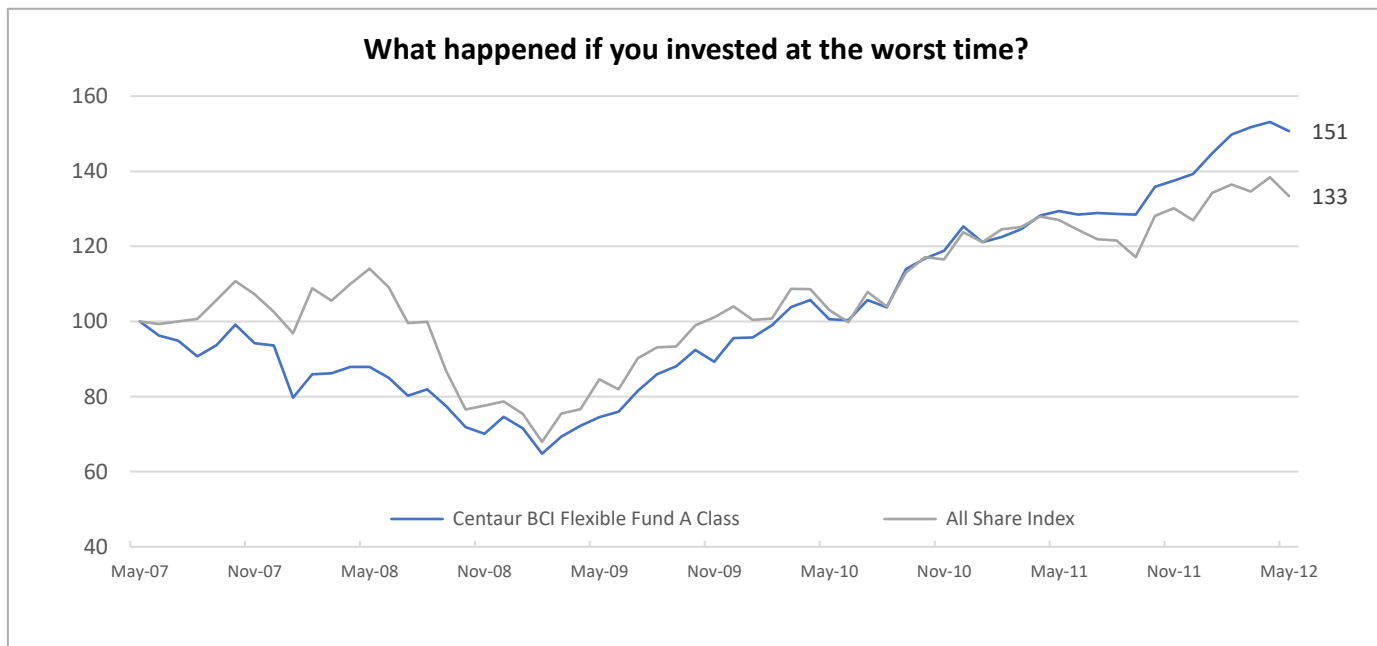
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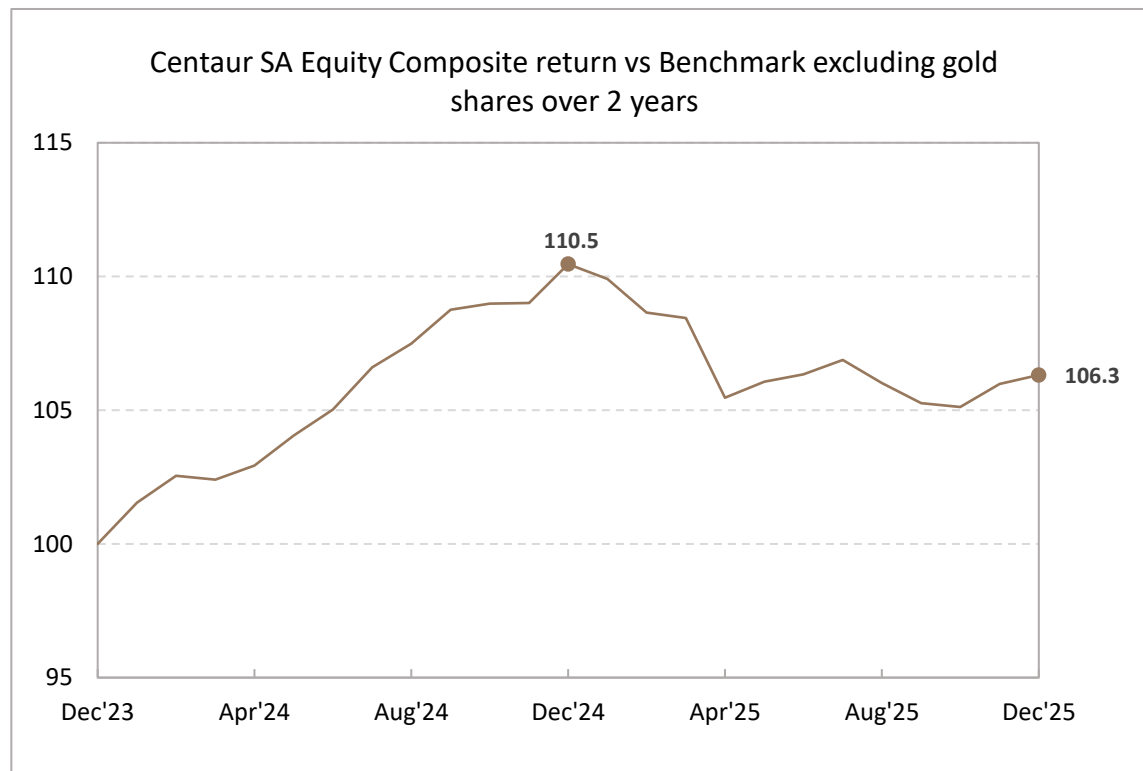
The Result

Capital that survives downturns
and compounds meaningfully
over time.

We Focus On Protecting Capital



Market Context In An Unusual Year



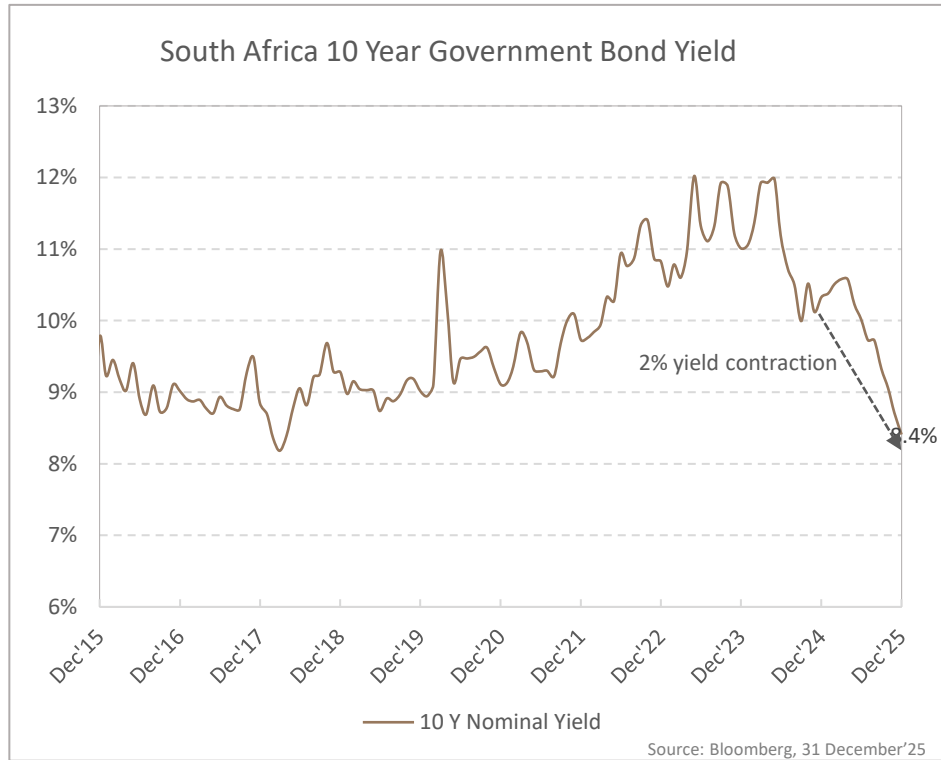
- No gold exposure an approximate 15% drag over 1 year.
- We have been here before - Stick to playing our own game!

Top Contributors and Detractors

Contributors			
Rank	Name	H2'25 return	Fund return contribution estimate
1	ABSA	42%	2.2%
2	Valterra Platinum	79%	1.6%
3	Firststrand	24%	1.6%
4	ABRDN Physical Platinum ETF	41%	1.4%

Detractors			
Rank	Name	H2'25 return	Fund return contribution estimate
1	EXOR	-21%	-1.1%
2	Truworths	-18%	-0.6%
3	Flutter Entertainment	-29%	-0.4%
4	Bid Corp	-8%	-0.2%

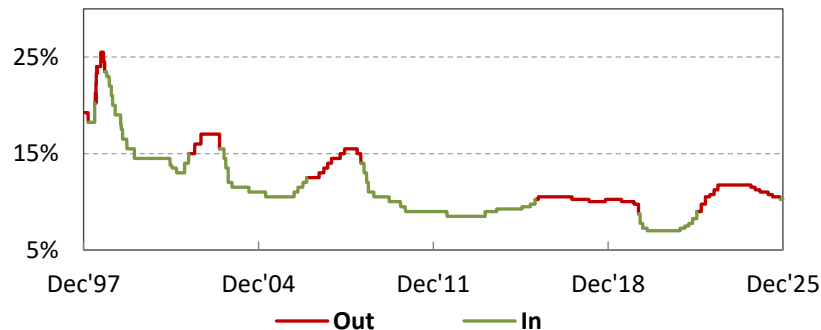
SA Government Bonds



- Much better government finances:
 - Tax boost by commodity strength.
 - Lower interest rates on borrowing.
 - Lower issuance of debt.
 - Potential R10bn from online betting taxes.
- 3% inflation target by SA Reserve Bank.

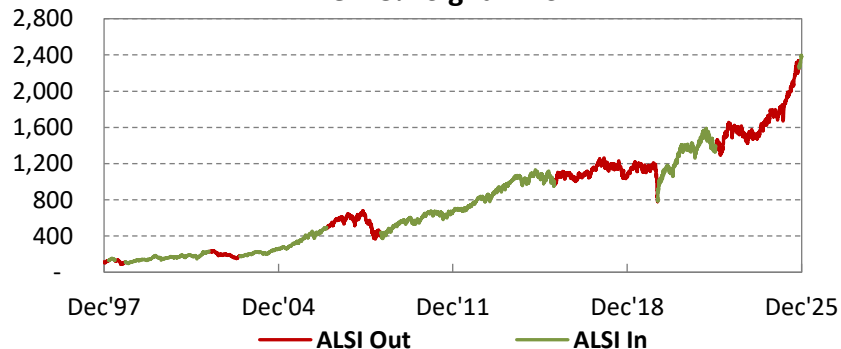
SA Equity Returns During Different Interest Rate Regimes

Prime 1.5% In / Out Signal



Tight Phase: 6 periods
Duration: 14 yrs
CAGR 3.8%
UNDERWEIGHT

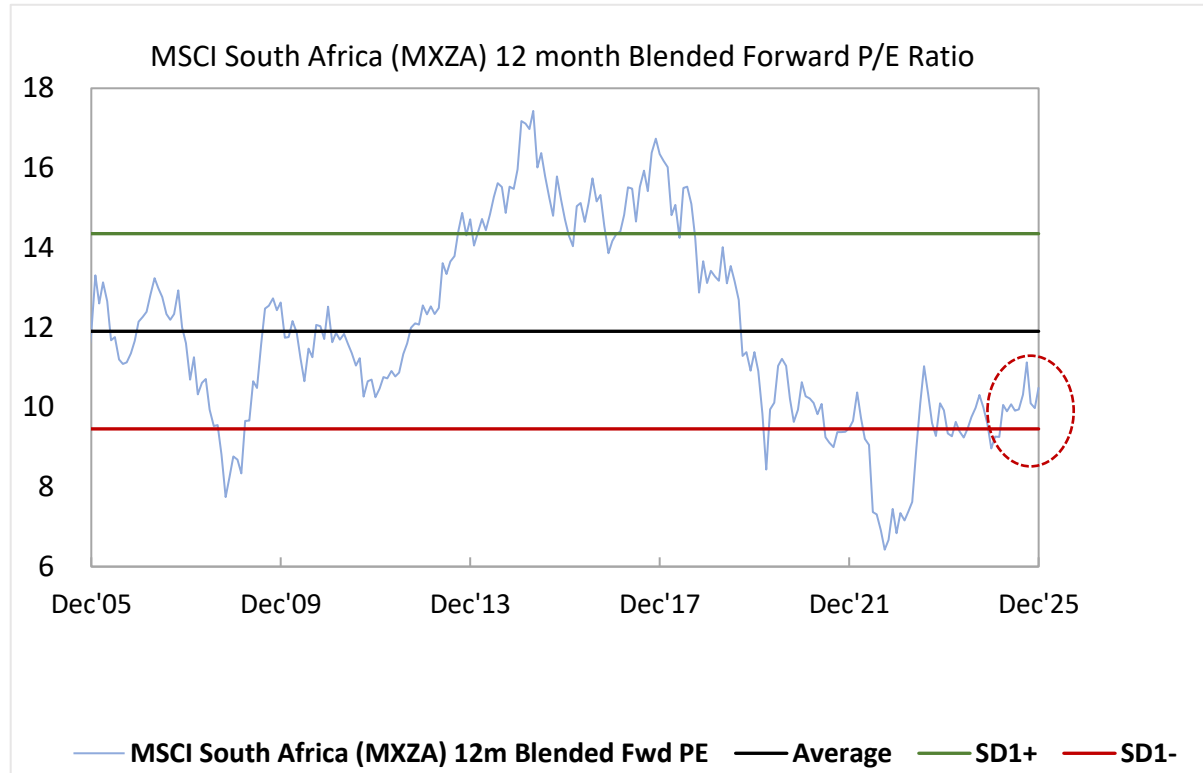
Prime 1.5% Signal ALSI



Loose Phase: 6 periods
Duration: 16 yrs 7 months
CAGR 24.7%
OVERWEIGHT

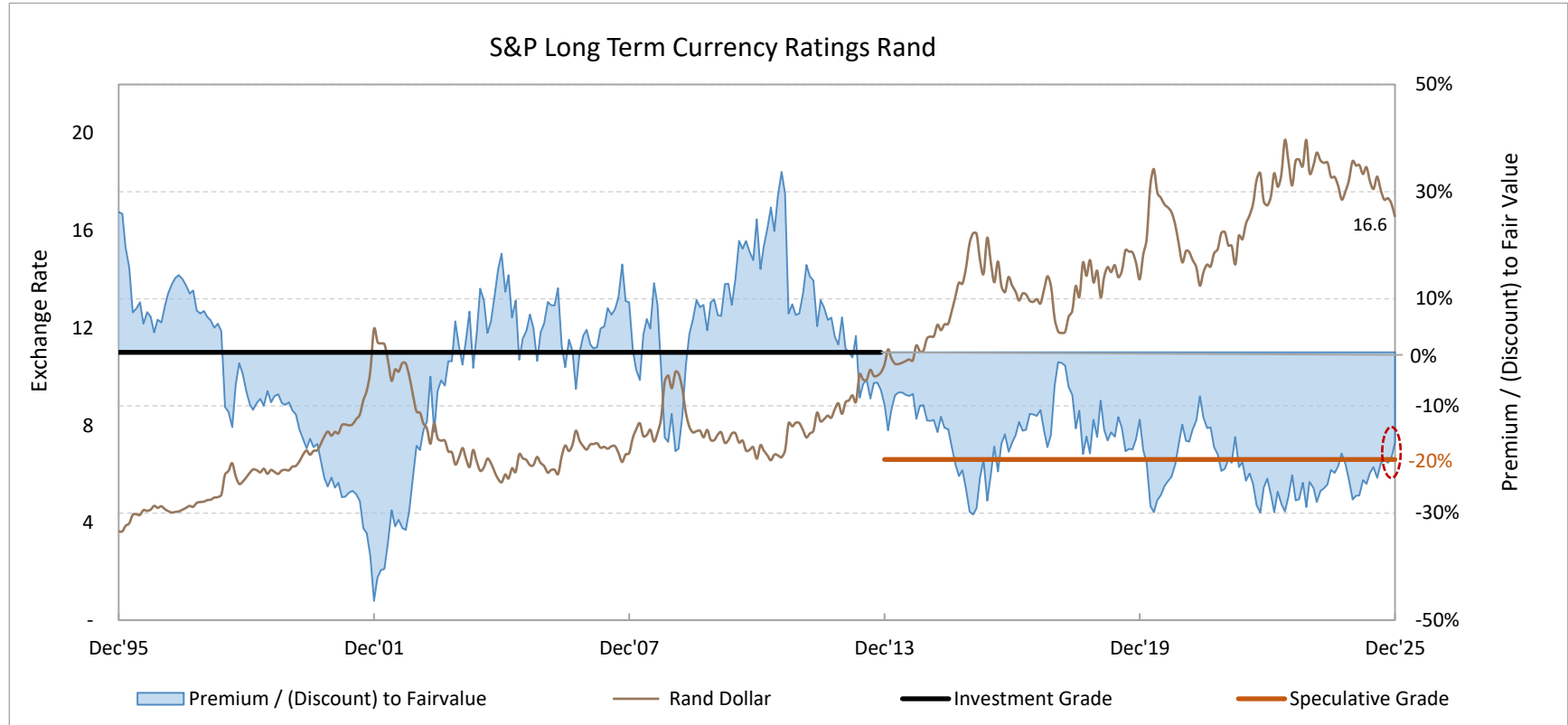
150bps off peak with more cuts expected
A good time to be overweight SA Equity.

SA Equity Outlook



- Growth has been disappointing but we see positive signs.
- SA valuations remain depressed vs. history despite good performance
- SA inc. currently trading around 10.5X or a 15% discount to history

Rand Purchase Power Parity



Source: Bloomberg, 31 December'25

SA Outlook

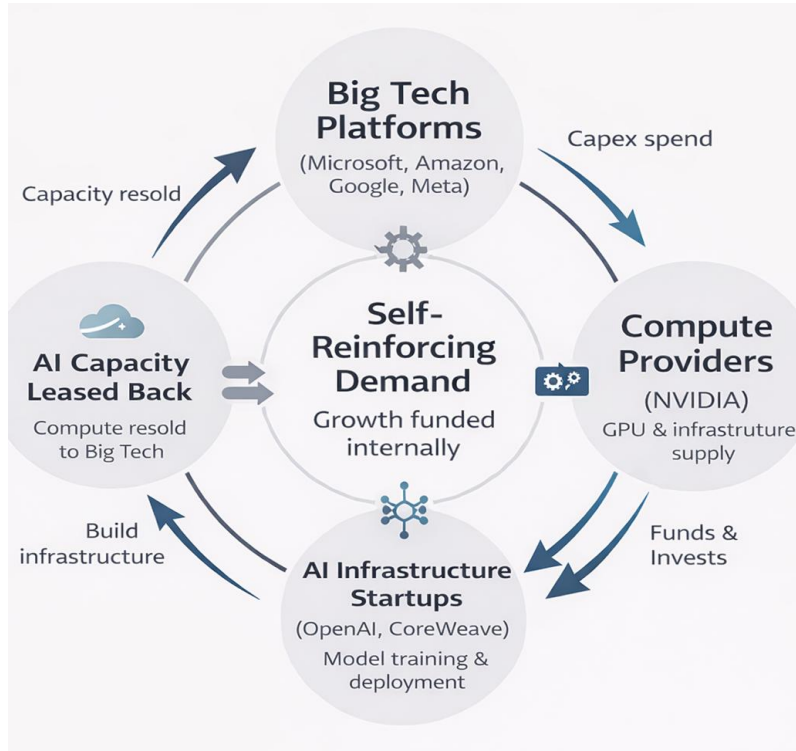
Positives

- Stronger & more predictable policy framework.
- “Self-help” reforms impacting: exit FATF grey list; GDP growth >2%; improved rail/port performance.
- Export commodity basket is strong, and oil prices are weak.
- Benefit of past interest rate cuts of 1.5% and further likely cuts in 2026.
- Renewed relevance in MSCI Emerging Market index, potentially boosted by Korea and Greece moving to DM.

Negatives

- Cyril succession uncertainty & political risks.
- Very reliant on global commodity cycles and global rates.
- Structural headwinds remain in infrastructure weakness, BEE policies.
- Chinese competition undermining industries such as autos and smelters.

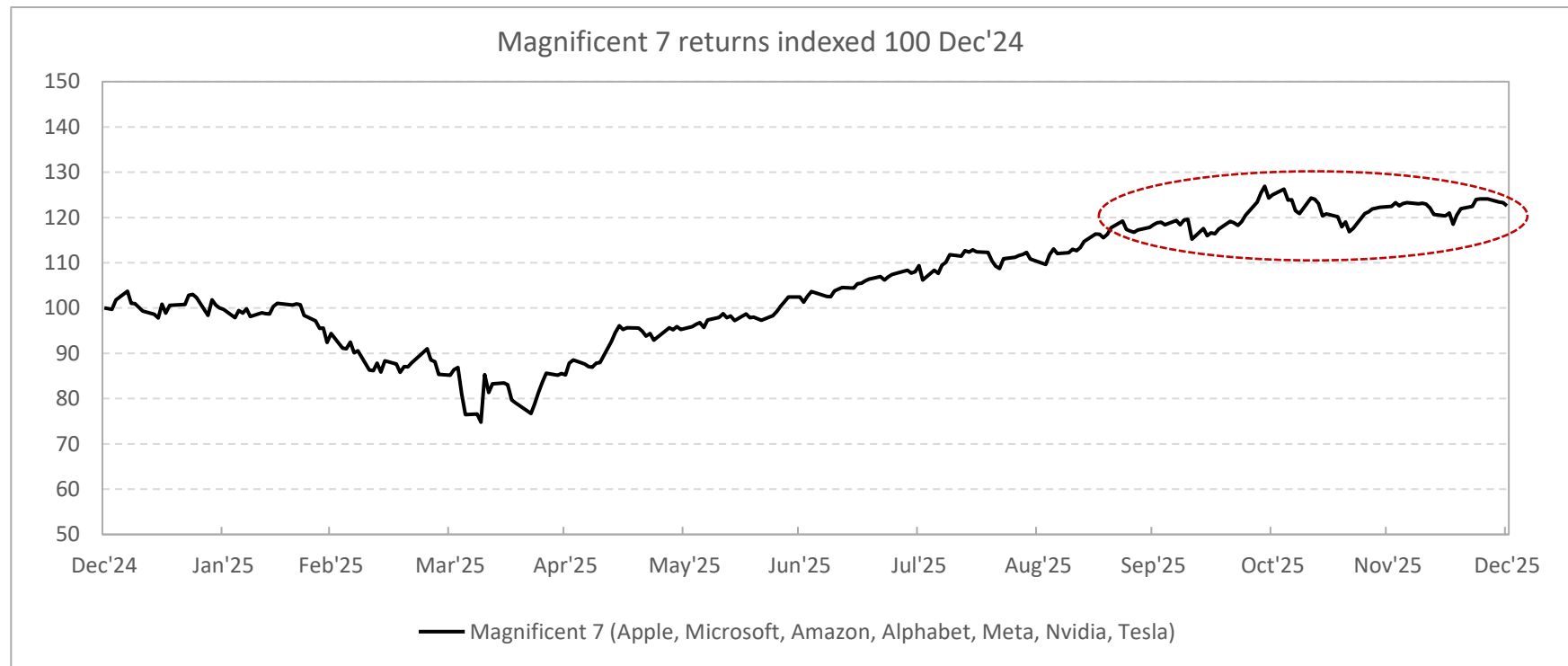
2026: The AI Capital Loop – Powerful, but Self-Reinforcing



Why This Matters?

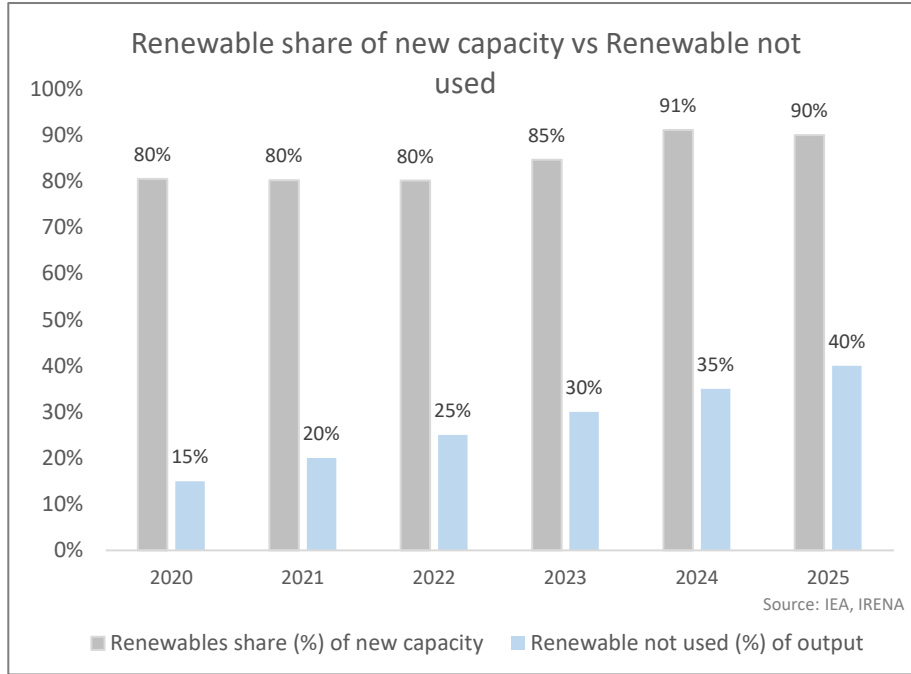
- Demand is internally recycled.
 - End-market elasticity is untested.
 - Any slowdown breaks multiple links simultaneously.
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- **ChatGPT projects:** (source: Google, The Economist).
 - ~\$20bn annual run rate of revenue at Dec'25.
 - \$115n Cumulative further losses to end 2030.

The Magnificent 7 Share Prices are rolling over



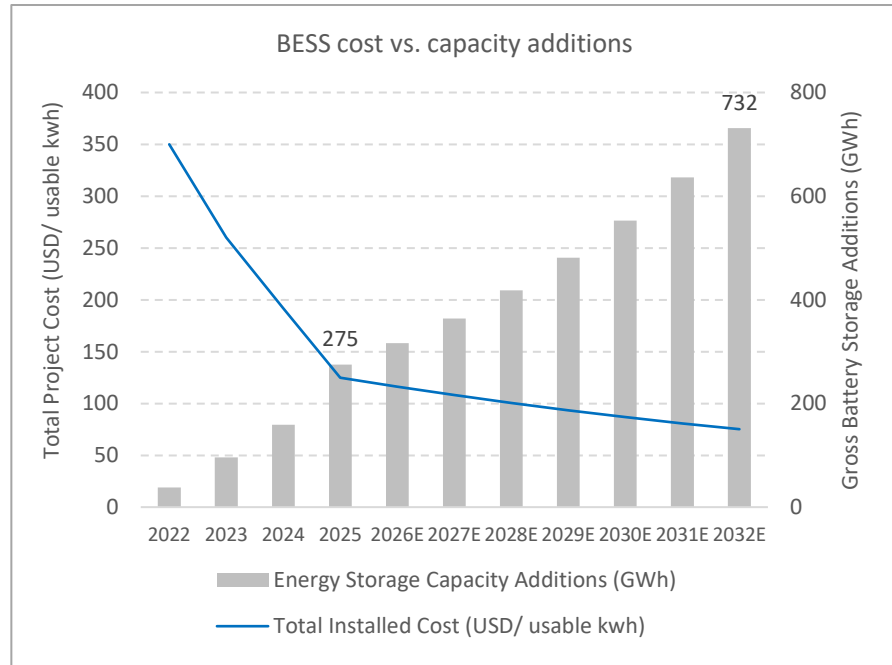
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The Global Renewable Power Paradox



- **We are facing a global renewable power dilemma:**
 - 90% of new power is renewable but is 3x more volatile than grids can handle.
 - Up to 40% of renewable power is not used at peak times.
- **Battery energy storage systems (BESS)** stores excess electricity and then releases it when demand goes up or generation goes down.

BESS is Powering The Energy Storage Revolution



Source: Bloomberg NEF, Eber Energy, Morgan Stanley

- **The BESS market grew 60% p.a. for 10yrs because:**
 - Battery costs have fallen 90%.
 - Systems are more standardized and 3x more efficient.
 - Power has become a government policy priority.
- **Contemporary Amperex Technology (CATL)** the #1 global operator with over 50% market share:
 - Multi-year lead over competitors: product lead; efficiency & scale; vertical integration.
 - Capital efficient - 35% ROIC and +100% cash conversion.
 - Cash on balance sheet and 2% dividend yield.
 - **Volumes and profits can go up 4x over next 10yrs.**

Investment Strategy

- SA inc. continues to offer compelling value and prospective good real returns. **Remain overweight.**
- Too late to get involved in the gold bull market.
- Retain a large Platinum Group Metal exposure but can change at short notice.
- Recycling offshore into new ideas: exiting Flutter, with a preference for Chinese emerging new age winners e.g. CATL in BESS. **Opportunity dependent.**



Fund Asset Allocation on 31 December 2025

Assets	Centaur BCI Flexible Fund		Centaur BCI Balanced Fund	Comments
Fixed Income	16%		31%	
Cash & income funds	5%		4%	
Offshore Cash	1%		2%	
SA Government Bonds	10%		25%	<i>Balanced fund in line with benchmark.</i>
Equities	84%		69%	Overweight
JSE Equity	58%		48%	<i>Over benchmark with focus on SA inc. shares.</i>
World Equities	26%		21%	<i>Includes 5% and 2% respectively in Plat ETF.</i>
Total	100%		100%	

Source: Apex, Centaur 31 December 2025

Centaur BCI Flexible Fund Top Holdings

Local Equity Holdings

Assets	% of Fund NAV	3yr Expected Returns
Banks	14%	~20%
Prosus	6%	~15%
Valterra	4%	~15%
MMI Holdings	4%	20%

Offshore Equity Holdings

Assets	% of Fund NAV	3yr Expected Returns
Platinum	5%	10%
Exor	4%	~15% (EUR)
Dell	3%	20% (USD)
Trip.com	3%	20% (USD)

Conclusion

- Good time to be overweight SA inc.
- Offshore our preference is stock specific with a bias to China, Europe and Emerging Markets.
- Expect continued good returns from the local market and remain confident in delivering outperformance over the medium-term.



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