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Assets (\$USD)	<b>\$ 55,500,000</b>	30-Apr-24	Currency	USD
Type:	Gold & PM		Domicile:	USA
Structure:	Pension Fund (segregated account)		Inception Date:	<b>26-Apr-13</b>
Performance Fee	N/A			
Benchmark	NYSE Arca Gold Miners (GDM) Index			

Investment Philosophy and Objective

The VanEck VIP Global Gold Fund seeks long-term capital appreciation by investing in common stocks of gold-mining companies. The Fund may take current income into consideration when choosing investments. The Fund’s benchmark is the NYSE Arca Gold Miners (GDMNTR) Index. The Fund is an actively managed portfolio investing in gold-mining equities and geologist Joe Foster has been a part of the investment team since 1996.

The Fund offers exposure to gold, a distinct asset class typically fueled by robust investment and fabrication demand, as well as by ongoing supply constraints. Gold-related investments may provide a hedge against financial assets in volatile markets or inflationary periods. Our specialized investment team conducts continuous on- and under-the-ground research to assess mining efficiencies and opportunities.

Portfolio Manager

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Ms. Imaru Beatriz Casanova is Portfolio Manager for VanEck International Investors Gold Fund and VsnEck VIP Global Gold Fund. She has been a member of the management team since 2011.

Previously Ms. Casanova was a Managing Director and Senior Equity Research Analyst at McNicoll Lewis & Vlak. Ms. Casanova established the firm's metals and mining research department and specialized in under covered and undiscovered precious metals companies. She was previously an Equity Research Analyst at Barnard Jacobs Mellet USA and BMO Capital Markets covering the gold mining sector. Ms. Casanova formerly held positions as a Production Technologist, Offshore Wellsite Supervisor, and Petroleum Engineer at Shell Exploration and Production.

Start Date  
April 26, 2013

Ms. Casanova earned an M.S. in Mechanical Engineering and a B.S., Magna Cum Laude, in Mechanical Engineering, both from Case Western Reserve University in 1998 and 1997 respectively.

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Joe brings a unique perspective developed over a 40-year career including experience as an exploration geologist.

When Joe is not travelling around the globe to visit mining operations, he can be found writing his widely read monthly update, speaking with clients and journalists as a leading industry expert, and weaving through NYC traffic on his bike to and from the office.

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