





Al Rayan GCC Fund



December 2022 NAV/unit: QAR 2.219 Performance YTD: +11.5%

Overview: Despite lower than expected US inflation print and China easing Covid-19 restrictions, global equities were unable to maintain their positive momentum in December. US interest rates increased another 0.50% in December, with guidance of more to come. Europe equities dropped 3% (-10% YTD). The 6% plunge in US equities led to the worst annual performance (-18%) since 2008. In EM, Russia +4% (YTD -39%), India -4% (YTD +4%), with both China and Brazil -2% (YTD -15% and +5% respectively). US 10-year Treasury yields rose sharply to 3.87% (+27bp over the month) and the US Dollar dropped another 3% against major currencies. Commodities were mixed, with Henry Hub gas -48%, urea -13%, aluminium -4%, Brent crude -1% (\$85.9); gold rose 3% (to \$1,824) and steel +6%.

Gulf equity markets saw varied moves, all on relatively poor volume: Qatar -10%, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia -4% each, Abu Dhabi -3%, while Oman and Dubai ended +5% and +0.5%, respectively. Within sukuk, average spreads -33bp to 152bp, average yield to maturity -0.09% to 5.51% and sukuk returned +0.9% in December (-5.2% YTD). Global bonds had the worst performance in 70 years.

Al Anwar Ceramic Tiles Co, Jazeera Airways Co and Air Arabia helped the fund most in December; Abu Dhabi Islamic Bank, Emaar Properties & Jarir were key laggards.

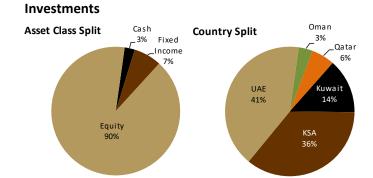
Outlook: Full year results are approaching and with deposit rates high, investors will be watching dividend announcements closely. The global economic outlook remains jittery as the Fed guides to more rate hikes in 2023, delaying the pivot with the era of cheap money having ended. However, China's reopening should be supportive of global demand and oil consumption. We remain defensive, maintaining a high cash buffer, awaiting opportunities. The fund continues to hold low duration sukuk.

Fund Facts	
Asset class	Shari'a compliant GCC listed equities and sukuk
Investment Objective	18-24 month capital appreciation
Minimum investment	
- Individual	QAR 35,000 initially, QAR 5,000 thereafter
- Institution	QAR 350,000 initially, QAR 50,000 thereafter
Subscription Fees	up to 1%
Management Fees	1.25% pa
Performance Fees	20% of NAV increase above 24%, over 2-years
Fund Duration	Open-ended
Founder	Masraf Al Rayan QPSC
Fund Manager	Al Rayan Investment LLC
Regulator	Qatar Central Bank
Custodian	HSBC Bank Middle East
Auditor	Deloitte & Touche
Bloomberg/ Lipper	ARYGCCQ QD/ 68048996
Net Asset Value (NAV)	QAR 324.3m
Dividend Distribution	Semi-annual (January & July)

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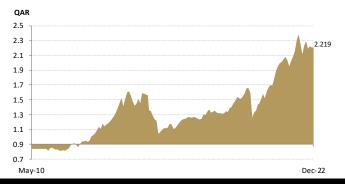
The fund declared a dividend to unit-holders (QAR 0.050/unit) for the second half of 2022 to be paid in January 2023. This takes the dividend for 2022 to QAR 0.113/unit, equivalent to 5% of NAV.

Fund Indicators (Equity)



P/E 2022E	18.3x			
P/BV 2022E	4.6x 2.9%			
Dividend Yield 2022E				
Weighted Market Cap (QAR)	78.7bn			
Fund Indicators (Fixed Income)	December 2022			
Weighted yield to maturity	7.4%			
Weighted maturity (Years)	0.8			

Net Asset Value/Unit (adjusted for dividends)



Top 5 Holdings (% of total portfolio)

Company	Country	Instrument	%
Air Arabia	UAE	Equity	8.9%
Emaar Properties	UAE	Equity	7.1%
International Holding Co	UAE	Equity	6.6%
Jazeera Airways Co	Kuwait	Equity	6.3%
Al Yah Satellite	UAE	Equity	5.9%

Performance net of fees

1 month	3 months	Inception	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	
0.1%	0.9%	144.0%	4.4%	4.9%	23.3%	0.2%	19.7%	

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