





Al Rayan GCC Fund

Previously Al Rayan GCC Fund (Q)



February 2020 NAV/unit: QAR 1.750 Performance YTD: -4.0%

Overview: While Covid-19 continued to spread in China throughout February, global markets only reacted sharply towards month-end when the infection appeared in Italy. Concerns about the impact to global growth triggered panic. US and European equities both plunged 8% over the month. EM equities were similar: Brazil -8% and India -6%. China was only -3%. Investors rushed to safety as 10-year US Treasury yields fell 0.36% to 1.51%. Gold ended flat (\$1,586) after losing 3.5% on 28 February. Brent crude was the biggest victim, dropping 12% to \$49.7 (after a similar collapse in January). Other commodities: ethylene -7%, Henry Hub gas -6% and wheat -5%, while steel (+7%) and urea (+4%) were exceptions.

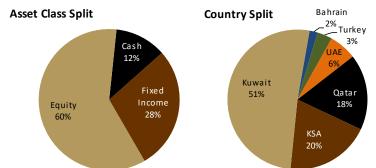
Falling oil coupled with global risk aversion was not good news for Gulf equities: Qatar (-9%), KSA (-7.5%), Dubai (-7.2%) and Kuwait (-4.3%). Fixed income issuance from the region was \$7bn (including \$3bn from QNB), of which \$2.65bn was sukuk. Sukuk returned -0.4% during the month as spreads rose sharply.

ERES 2021, CBB 2025 and SECO 2043 helped the fund most during the month while Kuwait Finance House, Mabanee Co and Medicare Corp were key laggards.

Outlook: Faced with a simultaneous demand and supply side shock, Covid-19 has taken the world to unchartered territory. The social-media fueled spread of hysteria and misinformation does not help and governments may have to take drastic measures similar to those in China. While we unfortunately expect the situation to deteriorate further over the coming months, in time, 2020 may well be seen as an historic buying opportunity.

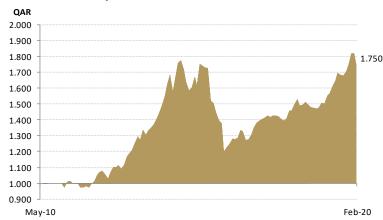
Fund Facts	
Asset class	Shari'a compliant GCC listed equities and sukuk
Investment Objective	18-24 month capital appreciation
Minimum investment	
- Individual	QAR 35,000 initially, QAR 5,000 thereafter
- Institution	QAR 350,000 initially, QAR 50,000 thereafter
Subscription Fees	up to 1%
Management Fees	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 225.3 m

Investments



February 2020				
16.6x				
2.2x				
3.5%				
14.8%				
21.7bn				
February 2020				
6.5%				

Net Asset Value/Unit



Top 5 Holdings (% of total portfolio)

Company	Country	Instrument	%	
Kuwait Finance House	Kuwait	Equity	12.2%	
Boubyan Bank	Kuwait	Equity	11.8%	
Mabanee Co	Kuwait	Equity	11.2%	
Dar Al Arkan 2025	KSA	Fixed Income	8.3%	
Dar Al Arkan 2023	KSA	Fixed Income	7.5%	

Performance# (since inception 75.0%)

Last											
1mth	3mth	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
-4.0%	0.1%	0.1%	-0.6%	12.0%	26.5%	12.6%	-13.2%	-2.0%	4.4%	4.9%	23.3%

[#] Performance is calculated net of fees

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