

# AL AHLI GULF FUND

## Fact Sheet - October 2023



NAV  
KWD 1.098275

### Fund Objective

Achieve capital growth through investing in companies listed across all the GCC exchanges, and investing in funds in the GCC capital markets by realizing investment returns with an acceptable level of investment risk.

Fund type	Open-ended
Asset Class	Equity
Investment Universe	GCC Countries
Launch Date	August 2003
Risk Categorization	High
Currency	KWD
Minimum Subscription	KWD 1,000
Subscription/Redemption	Monthly
Subscription Fee	2.00 %
Management Fee	1.25%
Incentive Fee	10% over 10% Hurdle
Fund Manager	ABK Capital
Sub-Investment Manager (GCC ex. Kuwait)	Securities Investment Company (SICO)
Custodian/Investment Controller	Kuwait Clearing Co.
Auditor	Deloitte & Touche (Bader AlWazzan)
Executive Committee	Rajesh George Wajih Al-Boustany Talal Al-Othman Khaled Al-Duajj

OCT '23	YTD '23	Since Inception	3 Year Return*	4 Year Return*
-2.34%	3.32%	190.49%	12.54%	7.33%

\*Annualized

Top 3 Positions per Market			
Country	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Kuwait	NBK	KFH	AGLTY
KSA	SNB	RJHI	ALINMA
UAE	ADNOCDRI	FERTIGLB	ENBD
Qatar	QNB	IQCD	QLMI
Bahrain	ALBH	-	-
Oman	OQGN	-	-

### Investment Risks

Some of the risks the Fund is exposed to:

- Capital Risk – Investment value and income generated may vary from the initial investment amount.
- Market risk – Due to market volatility.
- Economic Risk—at the government and geographical levels including Political Risk and Regulatory Risk.
- Currency Risk—due to exposure to different markets.
- Political Risk and Sovereign Risk

For more information on investment risks and features refer to the Fund's Articles of Association following the link [here](#).

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### Market Commentary

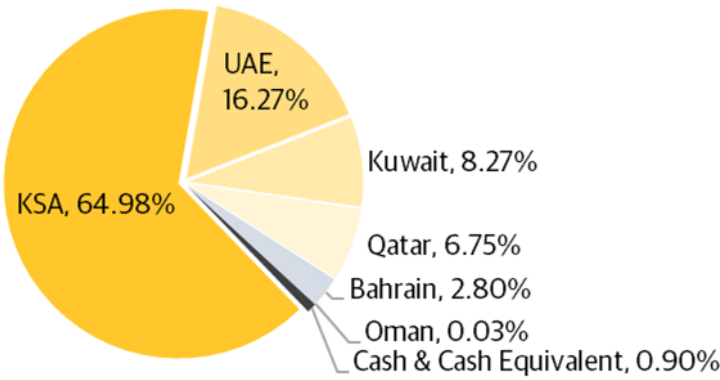
IMF has forecasted that Saudi Arabia's GDP will grow by 0.8% and 4.0% in FY23 and FY24 each. According to the General Authority for Statistics' revised estimates, Saudi Arabia's real GDP growth fell 4.5% YoY in Q3 2023 due to a 17.3% YoY decrease in oil activities, while non-oil and oil activities grew 3.6% YoY in Q3 2023. In September 2023, Consumer Price Index (CPI) surged 1.7% YoY compared with a 2.0% YoY increase in August 2023, mainly due to high prices of housing, water, electricity, gas, and other fuels (8.1%) and prices of restaurants and hotels (2.5%). Overall merchandise exports were down 23.4% in August 2023 from that in August 2022. The value of exports in August 2023 totalled SAR 102.4BLN compared with SAR 133.6BLN in August 2022. Oil products accounted for 76.1% in August 2023 compared with 79.9% in August 2022 of the country's total exports. IMF stated that UAE's GDP is expected to grow by 3.4% and 4.0% in FY23 and FY24, respectively. According to S&P Global, Dubai's Purchasing Manager's Index (PMI) rose to 56.1 in September 2023 from 55.0 in August 2023. The UAE's PMI rose to 56.7 in September 2023 from 55.0 in August 2023. The index remained comfortably above the 50.0 threshold, signalling accelerated expansion in the non-oil private sector. IMF expects Qatar's GDP to grow by 2.4% and 2.2% in FY23 and FY24, respectively. Qatar's CPI increased to 106.94 points in September 2023 from 106.25 points in August 2023. IMF projects Oman's GDP to grow by 1.2% and 2.7% in FY23 and FY24, respectively. According to the National Centre for Statistics and Information, Oman's inflation rose 1.3% YoY in September 2023 compared with 0.8% in August 2023, whereas CPI remained was up 0.5% MoM in September 2023 compared with a 0.3% MoM rise in August 2023 on monthly basis. IMF stated that Bahrain's GDP is expected to grow by 2.7% and 3.6% in FY23 and FY24, respectively. According to the Information & eGovernment Authority, Bahrain's inflation rate remained flat in August 2023 versus a 0.1% YoY decline in July 2023.

Considering the economic and geopolitical uncertainties, both on a global and regional scale, which we anticipate until the year's end, we reaffirm our commitment to our strategic allocation. Concurrently, we will actively capitalize on tactical opportunities as they arise.

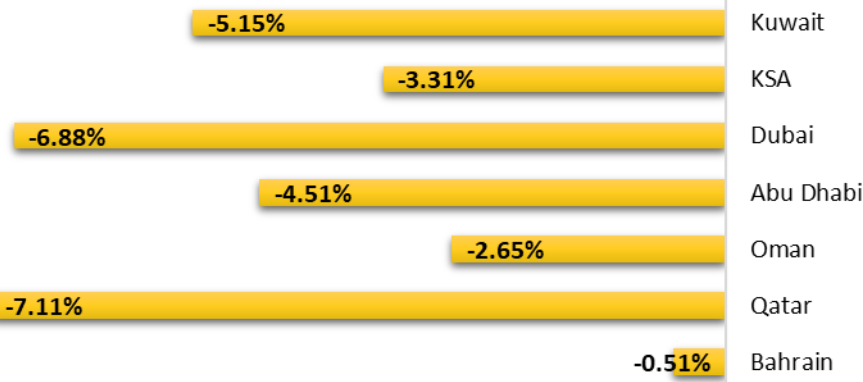
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### GCC Market Allocation



### GCC Market Performance



Source: Thomson Reuters Eikon

### Monthly Performance

MAY '23	JUN '23	JUL '23	AUG '23	SEP '23	OCT '23
-2.39%	4.01%	2.90%	-1.06%	-2.14%	-2.34%
NOV '22	DEC '22	JAN '23	FEB '23	MAR '23	APR '23
-4.09%	-3.27%	-0.55%	-2.69%	3.50%	4.43%

### Historical Performance (Last 5 Years)

2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
+13.62%	+14.38%	-4.41%	+28.61%	+1.15%

Historical performance returns are inclusive of dividends/bonus distributed

### Profits Distributed

2004	2005	2005	2006	2007	2009	2010	2012
Cash	Cash	Units	Cash	Cash	Cash	Cash	Cash
KD 0.180	KD 0.222	22.30%	KD 0.050	KD 0.130	KD 0.060	KD 0.070	KD 0.030
2013	2014	2018	2019	2021	2022	Since Inception	
Cash	Cash	Cash	Units	Units	Units	Cash	Units
KD 0.030	KD 0.040	KD 0.090	8%	10%	4%	KD 0.902	44.30%