Boubyan Local and GCC Equity Fund

Fund Licensed by the Kuwaiti CMA (LCIS/F/EQ/2020/0001)

31 August 2024



Fund Objective & Strategy

A regional equity fund that seeks to generate competitive returns within an acceptable risk level by investing in the securities of companies listed on Boursa Kuwait and other GCC stock markets with a preference to blue-chip companies.

The Fund also aims to distribute dividends, if any, on an annual basis upon the discretion of the Fund Manager.

Fund Features

- Low minimum investment
- Well diversified Portfolio
- Weekly liquidity
- Online subscription/redemption
- Possible annual distributions

Fund Facts

Fund structure	Open ended
Inception date	16 January 2020
Liquidity	Weekly
Currency	Kuwaiti Dinar (KWD)
Minimum subscription	KWD 1,000
Subscription fees	None
Redemption fees	None
Management fees	0.75% annually
Fund manager	Boubyan Capital Investment Company K.S.C.C.
Distributor	Boubyan Bank K.S.C.P.
Custodian and investment controller	Kuwait Clearing Company
Sharia Auditor	Legitimate Auditor House Company
Auditor	KPMG (Kuwait)
Domicile	State of Kuwait
Executive Committee	 Badria Hamad AlHumaidhi Abdulmohsen Samir AlGharaballi Mohammad Manea AlAjmi Omar Abdulaziz AlRasheed Asok Kumar Nayer

Profit Distribution

February 2022
Cash
2.5%

NAV | KWD 1.2937



Performance

One Month Return	-0.29%			
12 Months Return	3.37%			
2 Years Return	6.45%			
Cumulative YTD Return	2.92%			
Cumulative Since Inception Return	31.50%			
Standard Deviation	1.54%			
Sharpe Ratio	(0.476)			

Fund's Top Five Holdings

Name	Weight		
Saudi Arabian Oil ARAMCO	14.26%		
Cash & Cash Equivalent (Net of Liabilities)	13.95%		
Beyout Investment Group - IPO	9.00%		
Zain	7.62%		
Qatar Islamic Bank	6.77%		

Manager's Comments

Pressured by the fading momentum in global & regional markets' performance during August, Boubyan Local & GCC equity fund managed to close the period from July 31st to August 31st almost flat, down by -0.49%, +2.92% YTD, while return since the fund's inception reached +29%.

Globally, although with fading momentum, markets continued their rebound for their third month in a row as inflation continue to cool down and the flow of economic data suggests imminent interest rate cut in the coming Fed's meeting. Accordingly, the MSCI World Index closed the period up around +1.9% during August.

Regionally, in line with their global counterparts, GCC markets continued their rebound for their third consecutive month, mainly driven by positive corporate earnings, as well as the growing positive sentiment from global markets. Where the S&P GCC index closed the period up over +1%. Positive absolute performance came from all main GCC markets, with the exception on Kuwait during August.

Although we still maintain a degree of caution as we foresee some fluctuations to persist over the short to medium term. Primarily driven by the anticipated economic repercussions of the monetary tightening policy that central banks around the world have adopted over the past three years, by raising interest rates to curb inflation. Which might cast a shadow over the real economy's performance next year, as has been the case with the banking sector in the United States and Europe last year. However, we are optimistic about the region's economies over the medium to long term, as we believe they can withstand relatively higher inflation, being predominantly commodity-based economies. Therefore, we believe that the regional governments, thanks to their financial reserves, can navigate through this phase by maintaining high spending rates to support economic activity, continuing to diversify their economies, and supporting the private sector, which in turn, will continue to provide alternatives for sustainable growth. This is likely to assist operationally and financially robust companies in continuing to generate strong performance and provide value for investors in the long term.

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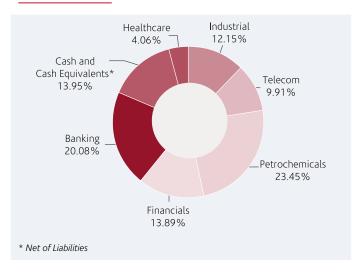


Monthly Performance (%)

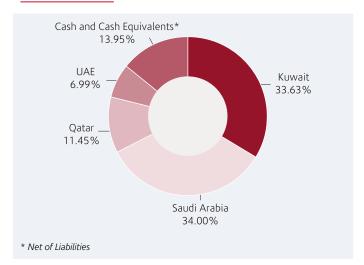
Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Νον	Dec	Return for the year
2020	0.01	-0.52	-5.66	2.50	-0.32	0.64	-0.80	0.37	0.41	-0.05	1.03	0.78	-1.82
2021	2.59	0.85	4.70	3.05	2.97	2.61	-1.94	2.37	-0.76	2.53	0.39	0.33	21.32
2022	4.13	-0.06	4.45	2.77	-3.97	-5.62	2.54	0.64	-3.75	0.08	-0.43	-1.72	-1.39
2023	0.94	-0.92	0.73	1.97	-0.13	3.68	2.60	-0.53	-0.29	-1.41	0.87	1.28	9.03
2024	1.01	0.49	0.09	0.68	-2.49	1.57	1.87	-0.29					2.92



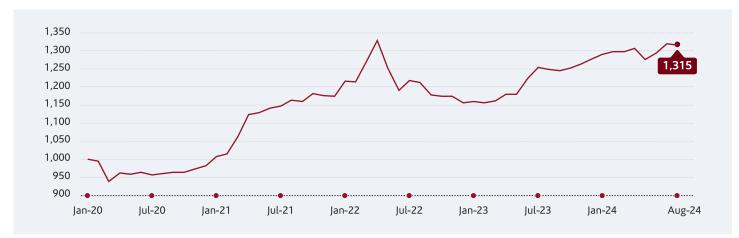
Sector Breakdown







KWD 1,000 Invested Since Inception (inclusive of cash distributions)



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