

Ubhar GCC Fund

Fund Objectives: Ubhar GCC Fund aims to provide consistent returns with low volatility by investing in equities, bonds and sukuks listed on GCC bourses while maintaining a portfolio structure that is diversified across sectors and countries, it is designed to capture growth and rerating potentials in specific companies or sectors with an acceptable risk.

Asset Type	Equity & Fixed Income
Geographic Focus	GCC
Fund Manager	Ubhar Capital SAOC
Benchmark	S&PGCC Composite US Dollar Composite Index
Domicile	Oman
Launch Date	Dec 22, 2009
Current Fund Size	OMR 8,675,866
NAV Frequency	Weekly on Thursday after 3.00 pm Oman time
Management Fee	1.50% per Annum
Performance Fee	15% of amount exceeding 10% over NAV
Redemption Fee	1.50%
Min Investment	1,000 Units and multiples of 100 units
Nominal Value	OMR 1.00
Auditor	KPMG Oman
MSM Code	UBHARGCC
Reuters Code	LP68032666
Bloomberg	OMALARA OM EQUITY

Fund Manager Commentary:

Strong oil prices have supported the markets as crude reached the highest level since November-14. Brent spot surged past the USD 75/b mark towards the end of the month following geopolitical issues, especially related to possible sanctions on Iran and from the ongoing supply cuts that reached higher levels owing to supply disruptions in Venezuela. The S&P GCC Total return index recorded a monthly gain of 2.9% for April 18. Mainly supported by gains recorded by Saudi Arabia 4.3% (the largest weight) to close above the 8,000 mark at 8,208.9 points. The index was on an uptrend since the start of the month and reached the highest level in 35-months at 8,335.35 points only to trim some gains during the last week. Similarly, Qatar and Abu Dhabi rose by 6.3% & 1.8% respectively. On the other end, Oman, Kuwait and Dubai all closed in red, recording a slip of -0.9%, -3.3% and -1.40% respectively.

Banking stocks have consistently performed positively since the start of the year, backed by strong fundamentals, resilient earnings and rising interest rates. Banks continued to record asset growth which was capped by low oil prices. Current higher oil prices will form a tail wind over the coming period that will shore up banks' performance.

On the economic front, Moody's affirmed its A1 sovereign credit rating for Saudi Arabia with a Stable outlook. The agency highlighted continuing fiscal reforms in the Kingdom and said that it expects fiscal consolidation to continue over the medium term which will reduce the Kingdom's economic and public sector balance sheet exposure to oil prices. At the local front, the IMF said that Oman needs to make substantial efforts to control its deficit with rising interest payments coupled with low oil prices. The agency said that wage bill and subsidies needs to be tackled and the large public investment program to be streamlined in addition to introduction of new taxes over the medium term.

We will continue to monitor markets' behavior, looking for attractive opportunities on companies where we have high conviction, while being cautious in terms of deploying cash.

Calendar Year Return

	UBHARGCC FUND	BGCC200 Index*	S&P GCC Index**
2018	7.30%		9.20%
2017	-2.81%		-2.70%
2016	1.33%	4.29%	-0.01%
2015	-4.58%	-13.76%	-17.43%
2014	6.90%	0.40%	-2.51%
2013	26.20%	26.60%	25.01%
2012	3.40%	3.70%	3.18%
2011	-10.20%	-9.30%	-8.22%
2010	6.06%	8.95%	12.83%

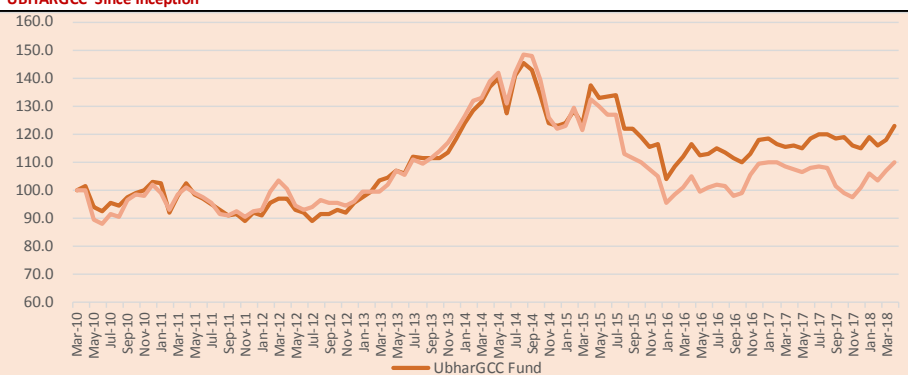
* BGCC200 Index was the previous benchmark for the Fund

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Consequently, from 1st September 2017, we have employed the S&P GCC Composite Index to measure performance of your Fund.

***S&PGCC index has been added into YTD performance of BGCC200 index

UBHARGCC Since Inception



Cumulative Returns

	(%)
YTD	7.3%
3m	3.5%
6m	3.5%
One Year	6.7%
Since Inception	34.1%

Country Exposure

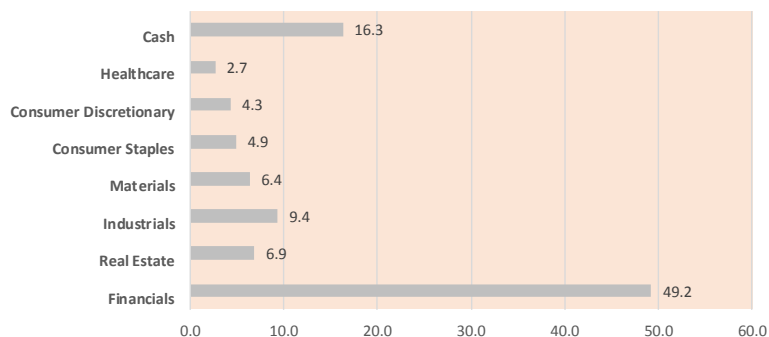
	(%)
UAE	24.6%
Saudi Arabia	27.4%
Oman	13.8%
Qatar	9.2%
Cash	16.3%
Kuwait	8.7%

Important Ratios

Sharpe Ratio	3.66
Annualized Volatility	7.25
Beta	0.63
Var 95% 1 month	-0.53
Information Ratio	-1.72

Sector Exposure

%



Monthly Returns

	UBHARGCC FUND	S&PGCC Index*	BGCC200 Index**	Diff%
Mar-18	1.57%	3.41%		-1.84%
Feb-18	-2.34%	-2.54%		0.20%
Jan-18	3.67%	5.31%		-1.64%
Dec-17	-0.75%	3.41%		-4.16%
Nov-17	-2.86%	-1.53%		-1.33%
Oct-17	0.32%	-2.73%		3.05%
Sep-17*	-1.27%	-0.60%		-0.67%
Aug-17	-0.05%		-0.06%	0.01%
Jul-17	1.57%		0.17%	1.40%

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** BGCC200 Index was the previous index for the Fund and been discontinued at the end of August 2017

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