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Manager's Commentary

Regional markets declined following the global markets selloff witnessed in October, as major indices took a sharp dive. Oil prices played a major role in the region's negative performance after dropping for three consecutive weeks on the back of rising inventories in the US and rising production in Russia and OPEC countries.

Qatar bucked the trend rallying a staggering 5% while the rest of the region lagged with Saudi losing 1.2% while Dubai, Bahrain and Kuwait dropping 1.8%, 1.8% and 1.7%, respectively. Abu Dhabi also lost 70bps and Oman lost the most during October declining by 2.7%.

The Fund appreciated by 0.2% compared to the Index return of 0.6%, while we have an overweight allocation to Qatar, our allocation to Kuwait has hurt us negatively resulting in the underperformance.

Banks were the top performers in terms of 3rd quarter results where we saw sequential net interest income growth for the region between 10 to 20% with Saudi being the strongest at 3.1% QoQ and 9.0% YoY, outperforming the UAE (1.3% QoQ, 6.8% y/y), Qatar (-2.2% QoQ, 0.4% YoY) and Kuwait (-2.2% QoQ, 9.9% YoY) as Saudi banks' ability to reprice interest rate increases is much faster than their peers in the region.

We highlight MSCI and FTSE indices where a number of companies will be part of their Emerging Markets Indices, with total inflows of around USD380 million expected to trickle into GCC markets.

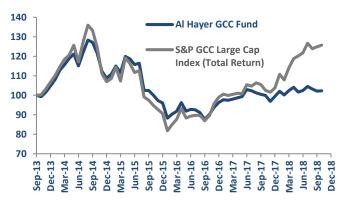
Fund Information

USD 102.29 per unit
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USD 9.8 million
23 September 2013
1 June 2014
Open ended
Monthly
ALHAYER QD Equity
Long term capital appreciation investing in listed GCC equities
Doha Bank Q.S.C.
Amwal LLC (Since June, 2014)
1.5%
15% over 10% annual hurdle rate
KPMG
Standard Chartered

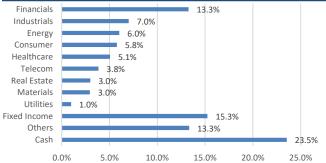
2017	EMEA Finance	
Performance Metrics	Fund	Index*
Return – October 2018	+0.2%	+0.6%
YTD 2018	+2.8%	+21.0%
Return Since Inception	+2.3%	+25.7%
Volatility	12.0%	15.7%

* S&P GCC Large-Cap Index

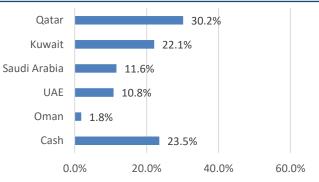
Performance Since Inception



Sector Weightings



Geographical Weightings in %



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