

# **Qatar Gate Fund**



### **March 2018**

Fund Information	QGF Q	QGF N
Fund NAV Per Share (QAR)	101.8251	97.8764
Fund AUM (QAR)	QAR 1.7 million	QAR 4.8 million
Bloomberg Ticker	QTGATEQ QD	QTGATEN QD
Reuters Ticker	LP65038685	LP65038686

Q share class for Qatari investors; N share class for non-Qatari investors

#### **Manager Commentary**

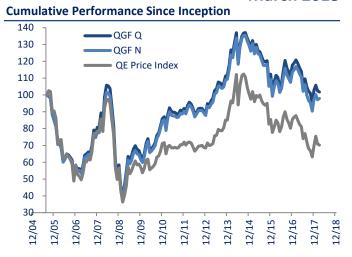
Sharp decline in March as the Index lacked any catalysts, the month began with a 6 day decline followed by a kneejerk reaction to news on listed companies announcing the increase in their Foreign Ownership Limits (FOL). The second and third trading weeks were noneventful and the last week was a copy of the first one where the Index went on a declining streak deleting all the returns for the month and declining 0.9%.

The Increase in FOL is a positive development to the local market as it aims to protecting Qatar's weight in the Emerging Markets Indices and it is expected to attract around USD 1.5 billion Dollars in passive inflow across 5 companies that are part of the MSCI and FTSE Emerging Market Indices.

The Qatar Stock Exchange also inaugurated the listing of the first listed ETF in Qatar, the QE Index ETF (QETF) issued by Doha Bank and Amwal which tracks the official QE Index, as well as Al Rayan Qatar ETF which tracks the Rayan Islamic Index.

The QGF Q and N funds Fund ended the month with a return of -0.6% and 0.8% respectively compared to the Index which declined by -0.9%.

We are confident that our strategy will bear fruits as the names we are invested in will continue to outperform the broader markets, April will see a number of 1Q 2018 results announcements where we will see a lot of market activity.



Risk / Return I	Metrics	1-Year	5-Year		
Return	QGF Q	-14.4%	5.5%		
	QGF N	-15.0%	3.6%		
	QE Price Index	-17.5%	0.0%		
Annualized	QGF Q	15.4%	15.5%		
Volatility	QGF N	15.4%	15.4%		
	QE Price Index	20.9%	19.5%		
Sharpe Ratio*	QGF Q	NM	0.04		
	QGF N	NM	0.02		
	QE Price Index	NM	0.01		

<sup>\*</sup> Based on excess monthly return against 1-month QAR bank deposit rate. Note: QE Price Index returns calculated using last traded prices, while portfolio returns calculated using last bid prices.

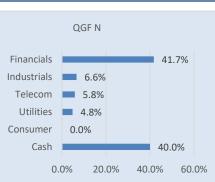
### Periodic Performance, %

	Mar 2018	YTD 2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005*	Since Inception *
QGF Q	-0.6	-1.1	-11.0	+4.8	-14.4	+17.4	+25.4	-3.1	+7.1	+34.4	+9.4	-27.7	+38.8	-32.9	-13.4	+1.8
QGF N	+0.8	+0.6	-12.8	+4.0	-15.7	+18.4	+24.5	-2.7	+7.0	+37.1	+8.7	-27.2	+36.1	-32.7	-15.1	-2.1
QE Index	-0.9	+0.6	-13.1	+0.1	-15.1	+18.4	+24.2	-4.8	+1.1	+24.7	+1.1	-28.1	+34.3	-35.5	-9.4	-29.8

<sup>\*</sup> Fund inception in September 2005

#### Sector Allocation, %





Top 5 Holdings (%)	QGF-Q	QGF-N
Qatar National Bank	12.2	16.5
Masraf Al Rayan	9.5	12.3
Qatar Islamic Bank	9.6	11.3
Industries Qatar	10.2	6.7
Ooredoo	9.3	5.5



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#### **Fund Objective and Investment Strategy**

The Fund aims to achieve long term capital appreciation, through investments in publicly traded Qatar and GCC equity securities, with a focus on Qatari equities.

The Fund's investment strategy combines proprietary bottom-up fundamental analysis of individual stocks, top-down portfolio construction and risk management. The Fund's underlying investment style is long-term value investing.

#### **Investment Manager**

Amwal LLC is the Fund's investment manager. Based in Doha, Qatar, Amwal LLC is authorised by the QFCRA and QFMA.

Amwal serves institutional, family office and high net worth investors regionally and globally. We employ a research-driven approach committed to fundamental, proprietary research with a focus on total return and risk-adjusted performance.

Amwal offers investors direct investment capabilities across regional equity, fixed income and absolute return strategies, in addition to global real estate and private equity opportunities.

#### **Key Terms & Conditions**

Fund Founder	Ahli Bank Q.S.C.
Fund Manager	Amwal LLC
Investment Team	Talal Samhouri, CFA Rami Jamal
Administrator and Custodian	HSBC Bank Middle East Ltd
Auditors	KPMG
Fund Type	Open-Ended
Inception Date	16 September 2005
Subscription/Redemption	Monthly
Next Subscription Deadline	29 March 2018
Next Redemption Deadline	17 April 2018
Management Fee	1.50% p.a.
Performance Fee	15% Over 10% Hurdle Rate
Custody and Administration Fee	0.30% p.a.

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EMEA Finance, February 2017



"...the firm's ability to consistently outperform the benchmarks across funds makes it a very deserving winner."

EMEA Finance, January 2014



"Amwal is a deserving winner, and has been a consistent performer delivering consecutive outperformance over the past 5 years"

EMEA Finance, February 2016



"...best-performing Qatar equity fund over various timeframes... should be applauded for performance in such a competitive market."

EMEA Finance, January 2013



"Amwal is an <u>alpha champion</u>, with its flagship fund outperforming its benchmark every calendar year since inception, an impressive 9 years running" EMEA Finance, February 2015



"We are very impressed with the performance of the firm's funds and the managers' consistent ability to outperform local and regional indices"

EMEA Finance, February 2012

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