

QNB MENA DEBT FUND Fund Fact Sheet – January 2024

Financial Information in USD Investment Objective: The Sub-Fund will seek to outperform the Benchmark Index by investing primarily in a Total Net Asset (US\$ mil) 62.0935 diversified range of bonds with either a fixed or floating rate of interest, listed or traded on NAV 31 January 2024 8.9341 global recognized Markets and issued by (i) governments, government related entities and corporations in the Middle East and North Africa ("MENA") and Turkey; and/or (ii) by corporations which derive a significant proportion of their revenues or profits from, or have a significant portion of their assets in MENA countries or Turkey; and/or (iii) by entities in NAV 31 December 2023 any other geographic area provided that the entity must be controlled by any such MENA 8.9550 or Turkey based entities. Up to 10% of the Net Asset Value of the Sub-Fund may be invested in the bonds of issuers in Turkey while a 10% allocation is set for exposure in Ex-MENA & Turkey region. Total Return performances (%) Benchmark (Bloomberg EM USD Fund **Aggregate MENA)** 1 Month -0.23% -1.29% -1.29% YTD (Since 31-December-23) -0.23% 1 Year 2.56% 4.50% 3 Years (Annualised) 0.61% -1.92% Inception to Date (Including Dividends) 14.39% 15.65% FY 2023 6.50% 6.19% FY 2022 -5.09% -10.83% FY 2021 1.23% 0.43% FY 2020 1.76% 7.30% FY 2019 10.07% 13.10% FY 2018 -1.10% -0.44% FY 2017 (From 04-July-17) 1.22% 2.03% Key Metrics of the Fund Gross Yield to Maturity/Call 6.45% 5.83% Duration to Maturity/Call 6.50 4.19 No of Holdings 385 50 Average Credit Rating of Issuers A-A-1 Year Volatility 3.19% 6.12% Sharpe Ratio -0.43 -0.57

Sector Allocation



Country Allocation

Duration Profile

Fund Manager Comment

Jan'24 was not a very favorable month for fixed income as some of the gains made in Q4'23 were erased, with yields moving higher. This was caused by the market reassessing the optimistic US Fed rate cuts that were built up during Q4'24. The latest expectation is for a lesser number of rate cuts by the FED amid strong economic growth and a resilient labor market, together with dovish communications by them during the month. Overall, a soft landing scenario has been growing in probability during the month.

During January, the US-10-year Treasury yield elevated to 3.91% from 3.88%. As iterated earlier, the labor market reflected resilience with a robust jobs gain report and strong wage growth, with unemployment at 3.7%. CPI did reflect higher levels for December, but the overall direction remained intact. Hence, the overall data pointing towards a "Soft Landing" has been growing in probability during the month. During the month, Brent ended higher at c. USD 82 from c. USD 77. The increase came amid growing conflicts in the Middle East and Russia. Unless resolved, it will add a significant level of volatility for energy prices during the year. However, the regional IG and HY space remains favorable to their global counterparts and will continue attracting flows from yield-seeking investors.

QNB MENA Debt Fund, after being launched in 2017, has paid 13 coupons. We remain focused on taking advantage of the opportunistic trades apparent in the market. The fund manager will maintain a lower duration than the benchmark duration until a satisfactory normalization of policy rates and a sustainable inflation outlook is reached. Assets of the Fund are satisfactorily deployed as per the investment guidelines and also in line with the selected benchmark, which the fund intends to outperform in the longer run.

Issuers of Top 5 Holdings		
Name		Weight %
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia – Sov	/ereign Bond	10.24 %
Saudi Aramco		5.19 %
Commercial Bank of Qatar		4.91 %
Al Ahli Bank of Qatar		4.24 %
Emirates NBD Bank		4.10 %
Dividend History		
Nov - 2017		50 bps
2018		350 bps
2019		400 bps
2020		400 bps
2021		350 bps
2022		375 bps
2023		400 bps
Fund Facts		
Domicile		Ireland
UCITs compliant		Yes
Asset Class		Fixed Income
Style		Active
Subscription/Redemption		Daily
Minimum Subscription / Subsequent Subscription / Minimum Redemption Management Fee / Total Expense Ratio		nption US\$1,500.00 / US\$1,500.00 / US\$1,500.00
Management Fee / Total Exper	ise Ratio	0.75 % p.a./ 1.20% p.a
Subscription / Redemption Fee		Nil
Benchmark		Bloomberg EM USD Aggregate MENA
Inception		04 July 2017
Share Class		Class A Retail
Distribution Policy		Expected Distributions in May and November
Settlement Deadline		8:00 Noon (Irish time) on the Dealing Day
Valuation Point		2:00 pm (Irish time) on each Business Day
Fund base currency		USDs
Fund Manager		QNB Suisse SA
Administrator & Registrar:		Société Générale Securities Services Ireland
Depositary:		Société Générale S.A., Dublin Branch
Auditor		E&Y Ireland
Contact Details		Fund Identifiers
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Risk and Reward Profile	Higher risk	
Lower risk Potentially lower rewards	Potentially higher rewards	The lowest category does not mean a risk-free investment. The risk and reward profile may change over time.
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		This fund is in category 4, since the bond prices have a low to moderate level of velatility
1 2 3 4	Ac	of volatility complete description of risk factors is set out in the prospectus of the ICAV (th rospectus') in the section entitled 'Risk Information'.
Disclaimer:		
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	nould consult their own advisers on su	such matters.

At all times prospective investors considering an investment in the Fund should carefully read the Prospectus, Sub-Fund Supplement, KIID and the Terms & Conditions of the Subscription form. Investors are reminded that past performance of any investment is not a guide to future returns. All performance figures are net of administration and performance fees.