

## QNB MENA DEBT FUND

Fund Fact Sheet – March 2025

Financial Information in USD		Investment Objective:	
Total Net Asset (US\$ mil) NAV 31 March 2025	63.129 9.2405	The Sub-Fund will seek to outperform the Benchmark Index by investing primarily in a diversified range of bonds with either a fixed or floating rate of interest, listed or traded or 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 28 February 2025	9.2139	any other geographic area provided that the entity must be controlled by any such MENA 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 (%)			
		Fund	Benchmark (Bloomberg EM USD Aggregate MENA)
1 Month		0.29%	0.12%
<b>YTD</b> (Since 31-December-24)		2.37%	2.59%
1 Year		6.77%	5.73%
3 Years (Annualised)		3.89%	1.90%
Inception to Date (Including Dividends)		23.97%	24.57%
FY 2024		5.62%	3.64%
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		6.18%	5.53%
Duration to Maturity/Call		5.34	6.19
No of Holdings		47	439
Average Credit Rating of Issuers		BBB+	A-
1 Year Volatility		3.08%	4.13%
Sharpe Ratio		0.61	0.22
Sector Allocation		Country Allocation	Duration Profile
Financial	56.11 S	29.17 UAE 20.57	3 - 5 yrs 34.58
Government 22.57		Kuwait 15.64	1 - 3 yrs 29.74 7 - 10 yrs 14.84
Energy 13.51		Qatar 12.42 Turkey 8.05	10+ yrs 10.48
Consumer, Non-cyclical 4.36		Oman 6.64	5 - 7 yrs 9.37
Utilities 2.91		Bahrain 3.90 Egypt 2.21	Not Classified 0.48
Basic Materials 0.51		Morocco 1.37	0 - 1 yrs 0.47
Cash 0.04		Cash 0.04	Cash 0.04

## **Fund Manager Comment**

Q1, 25 was a positive quarter for Fixed Income, with treasury yields being driven lower due to concerns about growth amid tariff fears. However, overall sentiment shifted to a weaker state, marked by renewed inflationary fears and general recessionary worries. As of the end of March, the number of rate cuts expected for the year had also increased to three, up from a single cut at the beginning of the year.

During Q1, the US 10-year rate moved from 4.57% to 4.20% by the quarter's end while reaching a high of 4.79% in mid-January. Movement in rates primarily occurred due to concerns about growth. With this level of uncertainty, Fed officials decided to hold the Fed rates in this quarter. The current prediction of a stagflation situation would make the lives of Fed officials difficult, as they need to consider avoiding a recession while keeping inflation low. Should the US trade policies continue to battle with the rest of the world, we can be assured of a volatile market as we advance.

During the month, Brent ended higher at c. USD 74.74 from c. USD 73.18 despite predictions of reduced global demand and the expected increase in supply. The regional IG and HY space remain favorable to its international counterparts and will continue to attract flows from yield-seeking investors.

QNB MENA Debt Fund, after being launched in 2017, has paid 15 coupons. We remain focused on taking advantage of the opportunistic trades apparent in the market. The fund manager has gradually increased the fund's duration to position the fund to an eventual steeper yield curve. 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 %
GreenSaif Pipelines Bidco	8.40 %
QNB Finansbank	8.00 %
Commercial Bank of Qatar	5.23 %
Saudi Investment Bank	3.63 %
National Bank of Kuwait	3.50 %
Dividend History	
2024	420 bps
2023	400 bps
2022	375 bps
2021	350 bps
2020	400 bps
2019	400 bps
2018	350 bps
Nov-2017	50 bps
Fund Facts	
Domicile	Ireland
UCITs compliant	Yes
Asset Class	Fixed Income
Style	Active
Subscription/Redemption	Daily
Minimum Subscription / Subsequent Subscription / Minimum Red	
Management Fee / Total Expense 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
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Risk and Reward Profile Lower risk Higher risk	
Potentially lower rewards Potentially higher rewards	The loweet bacegory deed not mean a new new modelment.
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	<ul> <li>This fund is in category 4, since the bond prices have a low to moderate level</li> </ul>
1 2 3 4 5 6 7	of volatility
	A complete description of risk factors is set out in the prospectus of the ICAV (the Prospectus') in the section entitled 'Risk Information'.
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or financial advice; investors should consult their own advisers on	such matters. Fund should carefully read the Prospectus, Sub-Fund Supplement, KIID and the

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