

## QNB GLOBAL SUKUK FUND Fund Fact Sheet – February 2024

Financial Information in USD		Investment Objective:	
Total Net Asset (US\$ mil)	10.33	The Fund will seek to outperform the Benchmark Index by investing primarily in a	
NAV 29 February 2024	8.95	diversified range of Sukuk with either a fixed or a floating rate of income, listed or traded on global Recognized Markets and issued by governments, government-related entities	
NAV 31 January 2024	8.94	and corporations globally.	

	Fund	Benchmark (Bloomberg Global Aggregate USD Sukuk Unhedged USD)
1 Month	0.17%	-0.33%
YTD	0.18%	-0.73%
1 Year	3.15%	4.20%
3 Years (Annualised)	-0.91%	-0.75%
Inception to Date (Including Dividends)	9.02%	18.46%
FY 2023	3.59%	5.45%
FY 2022	-4.91%	-8.18%
FY 2021	-0.49%	1.09%
FY 2020	2.01%	8.79%
FY 2019	9.08%	10.80%
FY 2018 (since 16 October 2018)	-0.23%	1.14%
St. Deviation	1.28%	3.39%
Sharpe Ratio	-1.80	-0.32
Key Metrics of the Fund		
Gross Yield to Maturity/Call	6.42	5.15
Duration to Maturity/Call	3.11	4.36
No of Holdings	28	111
Average Credit Rating of Issuers	BBB+	A-



## **Fund Manager Comment**

Feb '24 was not favorable for fixed income, similar to the preceding month, with US treasury yields moving higher across the curve. This resulted from the strong economic data and resilient inflation figures, which moved the rate, cut expectation further down in 2024. Even though the year started with seven rate cut expectations, the current expectation is reduced to a mere 3. Inflation was 3.1% higher than expected, with PMI data reflecting an expanding economy. In addition, the labor market also proved to be resilient, with the addition of 353K in January.

During February, the US-10-year Treasury yield elevated to 4.25% from 3.88% resultant to the strong economic data, higher inflation print, and a resilient labor market. As per Bloomberg, a meaningful probability for a rate cut is in June and beyond for this year. Overall, a soft landing scenario has been growing in probability during the year so far.

During the month, Brent ended higher at c. USD 83.6 from c. USD 81.7. The increase came amid growing conflicts in the Middle East and Russia. Unless resolved, it will add significant 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 Global Sukuk Fund was launched in October 2018 and has distributed ten coupons. The fund manager continues to seek Sukuk Investments that would add value to the fund in the longer term. The Fund manager maintains a lower duration of c. 2.5 years until there is adequate normalization of rates.

Issuers of Top 5 Holdings							
Name		Weight %					
Qatar International Islamic Bank		7.13 %					
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia – Sovereign B	Sond	6.62 %					
Warba Bank		5.45 %					
Emirate of Sharjah – Sovereign Bond		5.42 %					
Kuwait International Bank		5.31 %					
Dividend History							
2019		400 bps					
2020		400 bps					
2021		350 bps					
2022		375 bps					
2023		390 bps					
Fund Facts							
Domicile		Ireland					
UCITs compliant Asset Class		Yes					
		Fixed Income - Sukuk					
Style		Active					
Subscription/Redemption	hasintias / Minimum Dadamatias	Daily					
Minimum Subscription / Subsequent Su		US\$1,500.00 / US\$1,500.00 / US\$1,500.00					
Management Fee / Total Expense Ratio	)	0.75 % p.a./ 1.20% p.a					
Subscription / Redemption Fee		Nil					
Benchmark		Bloomberg Global Aggregate USD Sukuk Unhedged USD					
Inception		16 October 2018					
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					
Investment Manager	QNB Suisse SA	ISIN	IE00BF18SZ84				
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## Risk and Reward Profile

Lower risk Higher risk Potentially lower rewards Potentially higher rewards

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- The lowest category does not mean a risk-free investment.
- The risk and reward profile may change over time.
- Historical data may not be a reliable indication for the future.
- This fund is in category 4, since the bond prices have a low to moderate level 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'.

## Disclaimer

The information herein is for illustrative purposes only and reflects current market practices and is not intended to constitute legal, tax, accounting, or financial advice; investors should consult their own advisers on 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.