

QNB MENA DEBT FUND Fund Fact Sheet – August 2024

Financial Information in USD		Investment Objective:		
Total Net Asset (US\$ mil) NAV 31 August 2024	61.4454 9.2515	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		
NAV 31 July 2024	9.0727	a significant portion of their assets in MENA countries or Turkey; and/or (iii) by entities in 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		1.97%	2.54%	
YTD (Since 31-December-23)		5.68%	5.22%	
1 Year		9.89%	10.64%	
3 Years (Annualised)		2.08%	-0.25%	
Inception to Date (Including Dividend	ds)	21.16%	23.27%	
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		6.21%	5.32%	
Duration to Maturity/Call		5.53	6.61	
No of Holdings		43 413		
Average Credit Rating of Issuers		BBB+	А-	
1 Year Volatility		3.56%	5.68%	
Sharpe Ratio		1.29	0.97	
Sector Allocation		Country Allocation	Duration Profile	
Financial	40.04	UAE	29.63 1 - 3 yrs 29.53	
Financial Government 18.30	49.34		8.88 10+ yrs 24.10	
Energy 17.18		Kuwait 11.74 Qatar 9.36	3 - 5 yrs 17.06	
Cash 4.81		Oman 6.39	7 - 10 yrs 8.86	
Consumer, Non-cyclical 4.12		Cash 4.81	5 - 7 yrs 7.80	
Utilities 2.50		Bahrain 3.24 Egypt 2.29	0 - 1 yrs 7.34	
Basic Materials 2.19		Turkey 2.23	Cash 4.81	
Industrial 1.57		Morocco 1.42	Not Classified 0.50	

Fund Manager Comment

August saw the fixed-income asset class maintain its positive performance momentum despite moderating GDP, a softer labor market, and weakening manufacturing data that sparked recessionary fears. This fear strengthened the rate cut expectation in September, resulting in the performance above. Despite regional bond spreads widening earlier in the month due to negative news about regional conflicts, the market settled towards the end of the month, providing a sense of stability.

In August, the US 10-year treasury yield ended lower at 3.90% from 4.02%. The front end of the curve moved sharper between 20-35 bps as it reacted swiftly to the rate cut expectations. Importantly, it seems the curve is on a dis-inversion trend and is expected to continue. As of August, the US treasury 2-10 gap ended at -1.7 bps from c.-23 bps. Compared to July, certainty over rate cuts has increased, and we are expected to have the first rate cut for the year in September and probably another couple to follow before the end of the year. The disinflation trend appears stable, but service inflation has been stickier than expected.

However, many variables are in play, as the US budget deficit is expected to widen with either of the US administrations in power and a possible reversal in the inflation trend in the case of a Trump administration in power. Therefore, there is a remote possibility of a rate hike and an elevation of the yield curve from current levels. During the month, Brent ended lower at c. USD 78.80 from c. USD 80.72, with expected lower global demand, especially with weakness in the Chinese economy. The regional IG and HY space remain 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 14 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.

	Weight %
	6.51 %
	6.11 %
	4.88 %
	4.16 %
	3.52 %
	200 bps
	400 bps
	375 bps
	350 bps
	400 bps
	400 bps
	350 bps
	50 bps
	Ireland
	Yes
	Fixed Income
	Active
	Daily
ubscription / Minimum Redemptior	U\$\$1,500.00 / U\$\$1,500.00 / U\$\$1,500.00
	0.75 % p.a./ 1.20% p.a
•	Nil
	Bloomberg EM USD Aggregate MENA
	04 July 2017
	Class A Retail
	Expected Distributions in May and November
	8:00 Noon (Irish time) on the Dealing Day
	2:00 pm (Irish time) on each Business Day
	USDs
	QNB Suisse SA
	Société Générale Securities Services Ireland
	Société Générale S.A., Dublin Branch
	E&Y Ireland
	Fund Identifiers
ONB Suisse SA	ISIN IE00BD3GFR79
	Bloomberg Ticker QNBMDBA ID Equity
Genève, Switzerland	WKN Code
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- • In	e lowest category does not mean a risk-free investment.
• • • •	e risk and reward profile may change over time. torical data may not be a reliable indication for the future.
	s fund is in category 4, since the bond prices have a low to moderate leve
5 6 7 of	volatility
A comp	ete description of risk factors is set out in the prospectus of the ICAV (the
Prospe	ctus') in the section entitled 'Risk Information'.
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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.