

## **QNB MENA DEBT FUND**

Fund Fact Sheet – July 2025 Marketing Communication

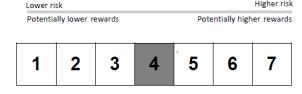
Financial Information in USD	
Total Net Asset (US\$ mil)	60.9086
NAV 31 July 2025	9.2392
NAV 30 June 2025	9.1321

## **Investment Objective:**

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 on 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 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.

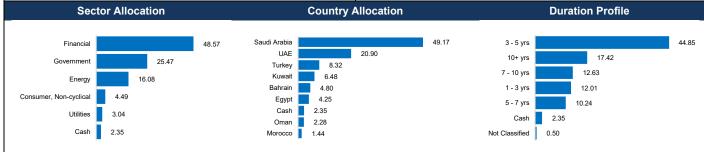
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Total Return performances (%)		
	Fund	Benchmark (Bloomberg EM USD Aggregate MENA)
1 Month	1.17%	1.06%
YTD (Since 31-December-2024)	4.85%	5.49%
1 Year	6.86%	6.54%
3 Years (Annualised)	6.16%	4.75%
Inception to Date (Including Dividends)	26.98%	28.08%
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	6.13%	5.36%
Duration to Maturity/Call	6.19	6.13
No of Holdings	41	462
Average Credit Rating of Issuers	BBB+	A-
1 Year Volatility	3.23%	4.43%
Sharpe Ratio	0.79	0.50
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## **Risk and Reward Profile**



- 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'.



Issuers of Top 5 Holdings	
Name	Weight %
GreenSaif Pipelines Bidco	8.90 %
QNB Finansbank	8.32 %
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia – Sovereign Bond	5.70 %
Saudi Awwal Bank	5.05 %
Banque Saudi Fransi	4.57 %

## **Fund Manager Comment**

During July, fixed income markets globally experienced modest returns, with the overall US Treasury yield curve being almost parallel and elevated by about 12-20 bps on average within the 1Y+ duration space. Key data regarding inflation and unemployment, although reflecting signs of stress, have not materially deteriorated for the Fed to take action on the rate-cut front. Hence, during the July meeting, rates were held steady, albeit with an uncertain outlook.

During the month, inflation came in better than expected, with core inflation surprising to the downside. Even though the Tariff situation has more clarity than before, it seems it will take a bit more time for the inflation to reflect the overall tariff impact. On the other front, OBBBA was also passed in July, which is expected to increase the US budget deficit further, potentially creating upward pressure on long-term yields. In terms of rate cut bets, the consensus view is for about two rate cuts for the rest of the year, with the most likely one occurring in September. Pressure has been building up on the Fed for a rate cut, especially on a political front, but it has maintained a steady stance until it sees weakness in the data.

During July, Brent ended higher at c. USD 72.5/b compared to c. USD 67.61/b as of June end. The increase came in towards the latter part of the month, with tighter sanctions on Russia and reduced deadlines for peace talks with Ukraine, which renewed supply uncertainty going forward.

QNB MENA Debt Fund, after being launched in 2017, has paid 16 coupons. We remain focused on capitalizing on the opportunistic trades that are apparent in the market. The fund manager has gradually increased the fund's duration to position the fund to take advantage of an interim flattening of the curve. The Fund's assets are satisfactorily deployed under the investment guidelines and in line with the selected benchmark, which the Fund intends to outperform in the long term.

Dividend History				
2025 YTD		220 bps		
2024		420 bps		
2023	23		400 bps	
2022		375 bps		
2021	2021			
2020		400 bps		
2019		400 bps		
2018		350 bps		
2017		50 bps		
Fund Facts				
Domicile		Ireland		
UCITs compliant		Yes		
Asset Class		Fixed Income		
Style		Active		
Subscription/Redemption		Daily		
Minimum Subscription / Subsequent Subscription / Minimum Redemption		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 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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Disclaimer:				

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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 the past performance of any investment is not a guide to future returns.

All performance figures are net of administration and performance fees.

This is a marketing communication. Please refer to the prospectus of the UCITS and to the KIID before making any final investment decisions.

A copy of the prospectus and KIID can be obtained by visiting the QNB website: www.qnb.com an Arabic version is available on request.