Fund Facts

Fund Manager ASB Capital Limited DIFC, Dubai, UAE Prudential Supervision: DFSA

Investment Manager Arqaam Capital Limited DIFC, Dubai, UAE Prudential Supervision: DFSA

Inception Date 1 May 2025

Asset Class Global Sukuk

BenchmarkDow Jones Sukuk Index

Investment UniverseGlobal Sukuk Issuances

Issue Currency USD

AUMUSD 22.4 million

LiquidityWeekly NAV

Administrator & Custodian First Abu Dhabi Bank

Fund Brief

ASBC Sukuk Fund (the **Fund**) is a sub-fund (protected cell) under ASBC Cross-Asset Fund Open-Ended PCC PLC, a public fund incorporated in the DIFC and regulated by the DFSA.

The Fund seeks to maximize profit income and capital appreciation by investing in fixed and floating rate Sukuk of Government, Government-related issuers, supranational entities and corporate issuers. The Fund is suitable for investors who seek a diversified Sukuk portfolio, active management and an average Investment-Grade profile.

Investment Strategy & Guidelines

The Fund focuses on fundamental analysis with a strong emphasis on credit conviction. Its core credit positions are designed to deliver attractive income generation while staying within established volatility targets. The Fund will also invest in pull-to-par trades, special situations and re-rating opportunities, all backed by high-conviction and favorable risk reward profiles.

The strategy also incorporates a global macrooverlay, with emphasis on duration management, portfolio protection and risk factor exposure. The macro approach focuses on global economic drivers, as well as opportunistic investments in rates and spread duration.

The primary objective of the Fund will be to invest in Sukuk securities and/or instruments that meet the Investment Guidelines in accordance with the Standards as approved by the Shari'a Supervisory Board.

Subscription & Fees

Minimum Subscription Amount*	 Share Class A: USD 100,000 Share Class B: USD 10,000 Share Class C: USD 1,000,000 Share Class D: USD 100,000 (Dividend Distributing, Quarterly) 		
Subscription Fee	Up to 5%		
Management Fee	 Share Class A: 1.00% Share Class B: 1.50% Share Class C: 0.75% Share Class D: 1.00% (Dividend Distributing, Quarterly) 		
Performance Fee	10% of profitsHurdle Rate of 8% per annumHigh-Water Mark		

Diversification Rules

Average Credit Quality	Investment Grade		
Average Maturity	Maximum 7 Years		
Maximum Position in an Issuer	15%		
Maximum Position in Any Security	15%		
Maximum Participation in Private Placement	20%		
Maximum Allocation to High Yield Sukuk	50%		
Maximum Participation in Un-Rated Sukuk	25%		
Minimum Issue Size (notional)	USD 100,000,000		

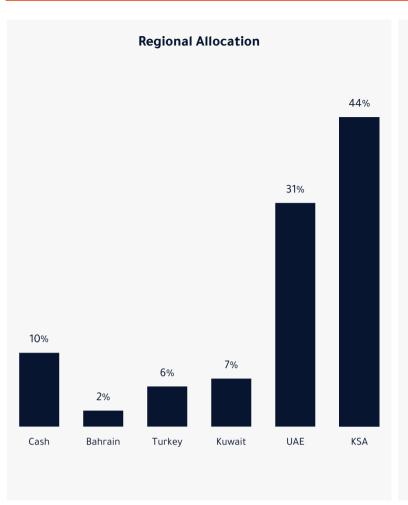
Fund Performance

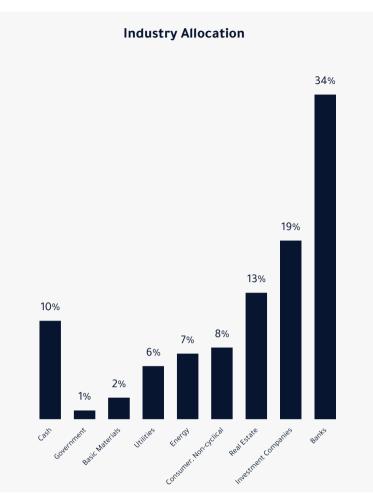
Fund	Opening NAV	NAV	MTD	YTD*	ITD
Benchmark	210.98*	213.03	0.99%	0.97%	0.97%
Share Class A	100	99.96	0.62%	-0.04%	-0.04%
Share Class B	99.34	99.92	0.58%	0.59%	0.59%
Share Class C	99.53	99.99	0.64%	0.46%	0.46%
Share Class D	99.34	99.96	0.62%	0.63%	0.63%

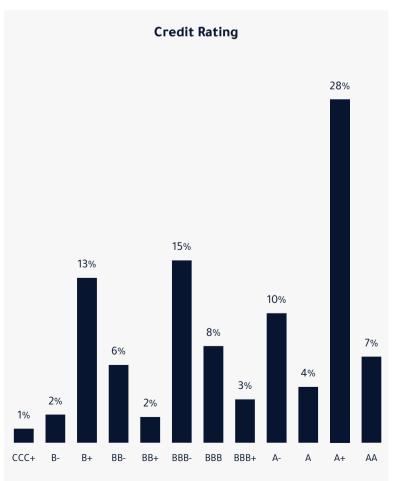
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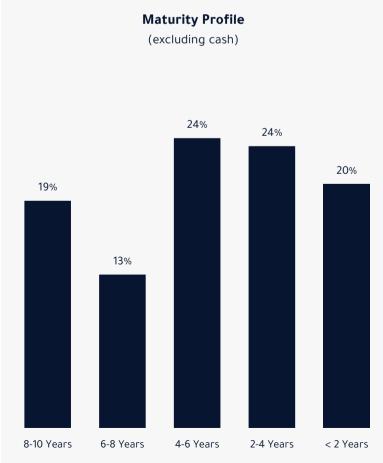
Number of Holdings	34		
Average Coupon	5.10%		
Average Yield	5.05%		
Average Credit Rating	BBB+		
Average Maturity	4.37		
Modified Duration	3.56		

^{*} NAV of benchmark at launch of the Fund









Monthly Commentary

June proved that a market can absorb a powerful headline without surrendering its underlying trend. The flare-up between Iran and Israel briefly unsettled sentiment, widened bid-offer spreads and paused primary activity, yet a rapid diplomatic response contained the incident and trading conditions normalized within days. While attention was fixed on the Gulf, a run of softer U.S. economic releases—most notably a weaker ISM-services report and a cooler core-PCE print—pushed five-year Treasury yields roughly 13 bps lower and flattened the curve. That move in rates more than offset the gentle, liquidity-driven widening in credit spreads, allowing the broad sukuk universe to record a modestly positive total return for the month.

Against this global backdrop, the Fund used its cash buffer proactively. While still in the ramping up phase, we deployed capital into areas that had cheapened most during the early June volatility and used that window to continue progressively closing our duration under-weight. The benchmark sits near 4.4 years; by adding intermediate-maturity high-grade issues and a handful of attractively priced senior bank sukuk, we lifted the Fund's bond-weighted duration to 3.6 years. This still leaves room to extend further if macro conditions warrant, yet it narrows the gap from last month's stance without exposing the portfolio to a sudden steepening should the U.S. tax bill pass intact, which we expect in the coming days.

Additional high-grade exposure went into intermediate-maturity sovereign and quasi-sovereign sukuk where the combination of yield pick-up and resilient secondary liquidity remains compelling. Within the corporate space we focused on well-capitalized regional banks and on short-dated high-yield issuers whose balance sheets can tolerate episodic headline noise. We deliberately limited perpetual Additional-Tier-One instruments exposure; the sector now screens attractively on valuation grounds, but primary supply is still heavy, and patience should be rewarded as that pipeline clears.

A sizeable end-of-month subscription—equal to about 10% of NAV—arrived on the final trading day and settled in cash. Because that capital was deployed in early July, the month-end metrics understate both yield and duration: yield prints at 5.05 per cent and cash at 10%, whereas the underlying portfolio excluding the late inflow is yielding closer to 5.5 per cent with a duration a touch above 3.8 years. Once the new money is fully invested, headline statistics will again align with the portfolio we actively manage throughout the month.

Even with that temporary cash drag, June's repositioning raised the coupon to 5.10% and the share of investment-grade assets to almost two-thirds of the Fund, while keeping the average rating steady at BBB+. High-yield exposure now stands just below 25% and remains concentrated in maturities under four years, ensuring that mark-to-market volatility stays well inside our strategic guard-rails.

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