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The EFG-Hermes Middle East & Developing Africa (MEDA) Fund
February 2013

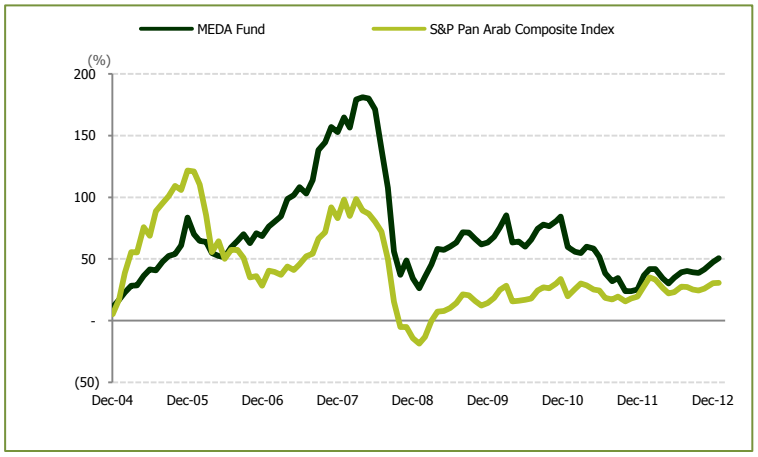
Fund Manager's Strategy & Outlook

MENA markets were largely mixed in February following the strong start recorded in January. Markets initially enjoyed an extension of the new year rally in the first half of the month, however concerns over the political situation in Italy sparked a flight from risky assets towards the second half of February. The MEDA Fund ended the month with a 2.2% gain. In the UAE, sentiment remains positive with both Dubai and Abu Dhabi registering gains of 2% and 5% respectively. The Kuwaiti market also recorded gains of more than 3% while the Egyptian market was one of the worst performers, declining by 2%.

In the GCC, optimism in the UAE remains very strong on the back of the solid economic recovery that is underway. We maintain our positive view on the UAE and believe that the recovery story is still in the early stages. The Fund is overweight the UAE in names that we believe are best positioned to capture the country's growth story.

In Saudi Arabia, King Abdullah's appointment of Prince Muqrin to the post of second deputy PM further reduces uncertainty on the political front, and further underscores the gradualist approach of the Royal family. We hold the view that the transition to the next generation of rulers will take place in a steady and orderly fashion. Qatar has been a laggard so far this year, however we believe that this market will gradually pick up in the next few months. We remain positive on Saudi Arabia, UAE, and Qatar.

Egypt remains tied up in a political impasse with no clear resolution on the structural issues that are crippling the economy. Social and political disorder persists, the currency is weakening, and inflation is quickly rising. We remain cautious on Egypt until we can see signs of durable economic and financial solutions to the current political and economic quagmire.



As of February 25th, 2013

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Objective

Long-term capital appreciation through investing in Middle East and North African equities and equity related securities.

Fund Performance

	MEDA Fund Class A	S&P Pan Arab*	Difference
MTD**	2.2%	0.2%	2.0%
YTD	6.4%	3.8%	2.6%
2012	14.3%	6.8%	7.5%
2011	-31.4%	-9.4%	-22.0%
2010	11.7%	16.1%	-4.4%
2009	8.7%	18.4%	-9.7%
2008	-42.1%	-50.6%	8.5%
2007	50.5%	41.1%	9.4%
2006	6.2%	-33.9%	40.1%

*Figures reflect performance since inception of S&P Pan Arab Composite Large/Mid Cap Net TR Index in Dec 2004 as of the relevant Valuation Days of the MEDA Fund
**MTD figures reflect performance between January 28th, 2013 and February 25th, 2013

Fund Characteristics

No. of Holdings	27
Weighted Market Cap	USD 14.0 billion
Average Dividend Yield*	3.5%
P/E Ratio 2013	10.2x

*Figure reflects the weighted average yield of a dividend-bearing security in the portfolio

Fund Metrics*

Alpha	1.5%
Beta	0.7
Standard Deviation	5.7%
Information Ratio	0.08

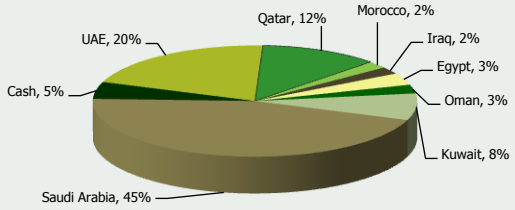
*Calculated vs. S&P Pan Arab Composite Large/Mid Cap Net TR USD since index inception in December 2004

Top Five Equity Holdings

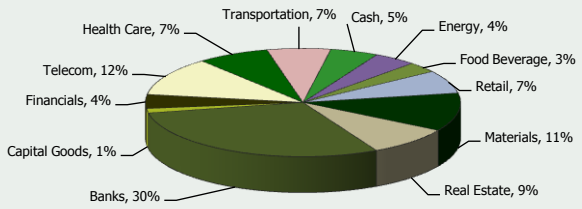
Holding	Country	% of NAV*
SABIC	Saudi Arabia	7.7%
Etihad Etisalat	Saudi Arabia	7.0%
Fawaz Abdulaziz AlHokair Company	Saudi Arabia	6.9%
Qatar National Bank	Qatar	6.1%
Emaar 7.5% Due 12/20/15	United Arab Emirates	5.9%

*Figures as of February 25th, 2013

Allocation By Country



Allocation By Sector



Fund Data

NAV per Share (Class A)	USD 21.22
Launch Date	July 1999
Management Fee	1.4%
Incentive Fee	15% over 10%
Expense Ratio	2.2%
Minimum Subscription	USD 10,000
Subscription / Redemption	Weekly

Fund Identifiers

ISIN (Class A shares)	BMG294041030
Bloomberg Ticker	EFGMEAF BH

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