Al Mal MENA Equity Fact Sheet

December 2024

NAV Per Unit: USD 12.19

Fund Manager Commentary

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Objective

Achieve capital appreciation, primarily through investment in equity and equity related securities in the Middle East and North African markets.

Performance[1]	Fund	Benchmark[2]	Alpha
1 Month	2.6%	3.3%	-0.7%
YTD*	3.0%	1.9%	1.1%
2023	23.1%	9.8%	13.3%
2022	-0.9%	-5.9%	5.0%
2021	29.5%	32.0%	2.5%
Since Inc.	68.8%	-16.8%	85.6%

[1] Performance is net of fees; return is cumulative
[2] S&P Pan Arab Composite Index
[3] As of 31st December 2024

Holding	Top 5 Holdings	% of Fund
ELM Company		5.7
Adnoc Drilling Company		5.0
Emaar Properties		5.0
Adnoc Logistics and Services		4.8
Saudi National Bank		4.5

Fund Analysis

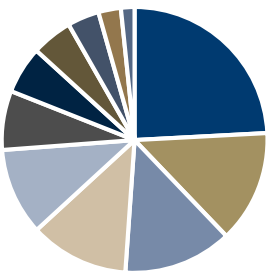
Matrix[4]	Fund	Benchmark
Standard Deviation	11.2%	12.0%
Tracking Error	5.3%	
Beta	0.8	
No. of Holdings	31	

[4] Calculated using 3-year weekly data

Fund Information

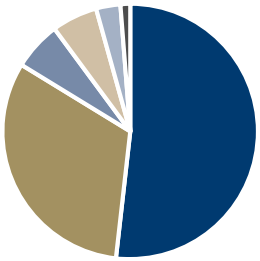
Fund Manager	Faisal Hasan, CFA
Inception Date	15th June 2008
Fund Size	USD 23.8 million
Strategy Size	USD 250 million
Domicile	Bahrain
Currency	USD
Subscription & Redemption	Weekly
Min Subscription	USD 50,000
Bloomberg Code	MALMENE BI
Management Fee	1.75%
Benchmark Index	S&P Pan Arab Composite
Fund Type	Open Ended
Administrator	Apex
Custodian	Standard Chartered

Sector Allocation



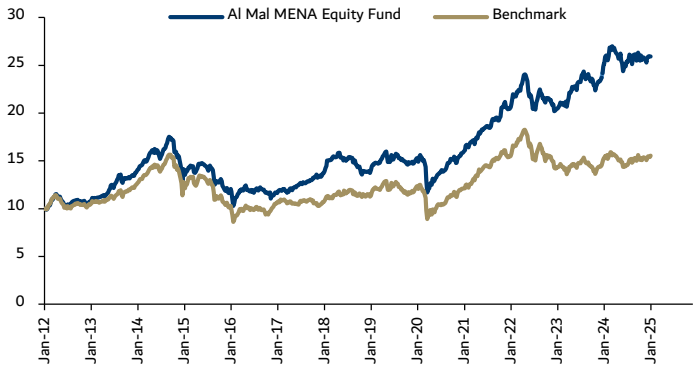
- 24.2% - Financials
- 13.7% - Consumer Discretionary
- 13.2% - Industrials
- 12.1% - Energy
- 10.6% - Information Technology
- 7.2% - Consumer Staples
- 5.8% - Cash
- 5% - Real Estate
- 3.9% - Materials
- 2.7% - Communication Services
- 1.7% - Health Care

Geographic Allocation



- 51.8% - Saudi Arabia
- 32% - UAE
- 6.2% - Qatar
- 5.8% - Cash
- 3.1% - Kuwait
- 1.2% - Bahrain

10Y Fund Strategy Performance



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Al Mal UAE Equity Fact Sheet

December 2024

NAV Per Unit: AED 1.94

Fund Manager Commentary

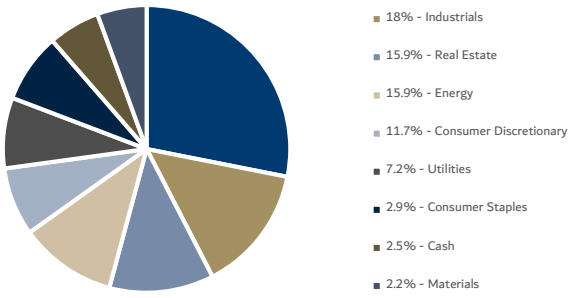
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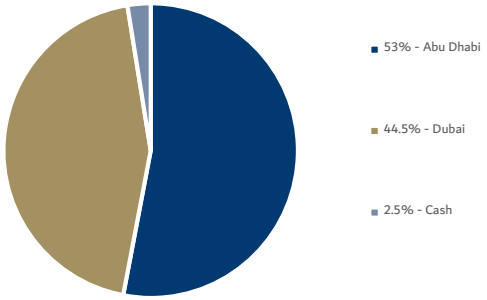
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Sector Allocation



Geographic Allocation



Objective

Achieve medium to long-term capital growth by investing primarily in equities listed on the UAE Exchange.

Fund Performance

Performance[1]	Fund	Benchmark[2]	Relative Perf.
1 Month	3.4%	5.8%	-2.4%
YTD*	17.9%	12.2%	5.7%
2023	14.5%	7.6%	6.9%
2022	6.2%	5.4%	0.8%
2021	32.2%	37.7%	-5.5%
Since Inc.	179.7%	-16.0%	195.7%

[1] Performance is net of fees; return is cumulative
[2] S&P UAE Domestic 10% Capped Index
[3] As of 31st December 2024

Top 3 Holdings

Holding	% of Fund
Emaar Properties	8.1
Adnoc Logistics and Services	7.5
Adnoc Drilling Company	6.9

Fund Analysis

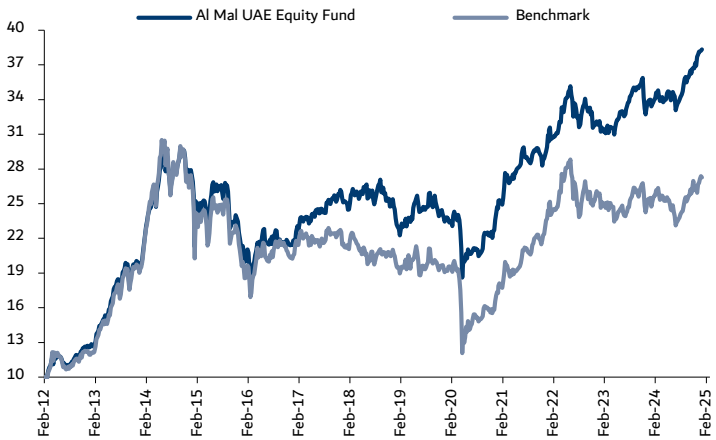
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Fund Information

Fund Manager	Faisal Hasan, CFA
Fund Size	AED 49 million
Domicile	UAE
Currency	AED
Subscription & Redemption	Weekly
Min Subscription	AED 40,000
Management Fee	1.50%
Performance Fee	20% over 10% hurdle with high watermark
Financial Year End	31st December
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