

NAV: 7.52

Fund Size: USD 72.79 mn

## Investment Objective & Strategy

- The objective of the Fund is primarily to achieve medium to long-term capital appreciation through investing primarily in listed securities issued in the GCC countries in accordance with the Sharia'a Investment Guidelines.
- The Fund may also invest in shares on non-listed Sharia'a compliant companies up to 10% of its Net Asset Value

## Management comment

- The NAV of the Al Basha'er fund closed at 7.52, a decline of 1.31% compared to the previous month.
- Year to date, Al Basha'er is up 4.26%, underperforming the benchmark which is up 5.27%.

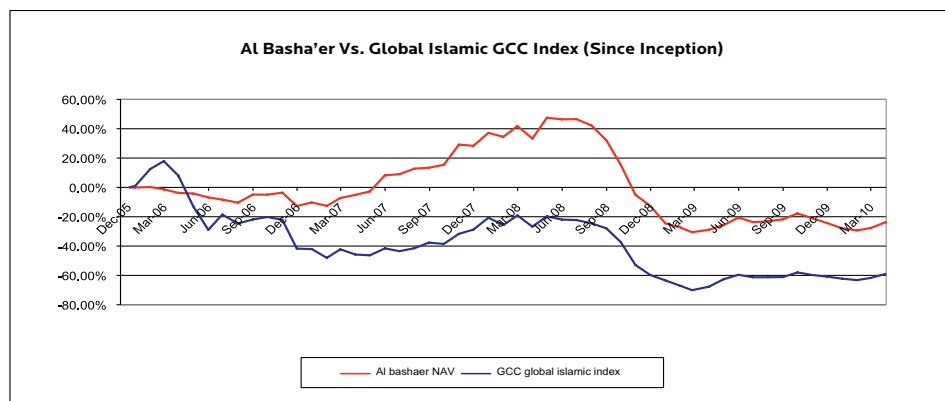
## Performance as of 30/04/2010

	Al Basha'er	Benchmark
1 Month	-1.31%	-3.05%
YTD	4.26%	5.27%
Since Inception	-24.76%	-60.23%

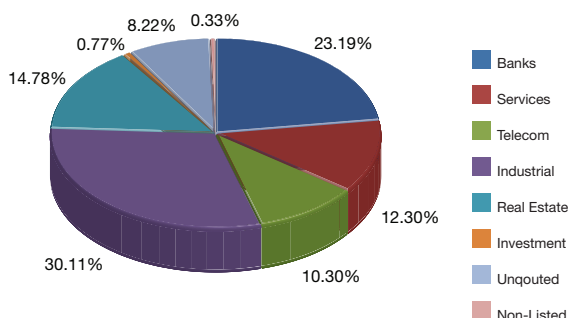
## Portfolio Analysis

Avg PE	16.90
Avg Yield	2.94%
Avg Mkt Cap	\$ 15.46BL
Avg Traded Value	27.93MN

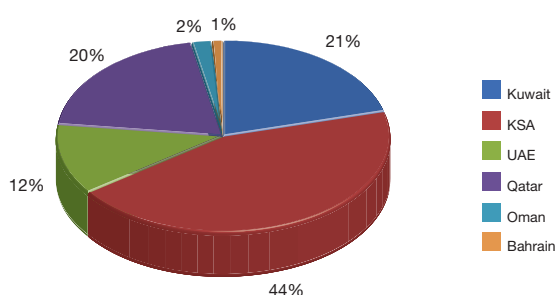
## Cumulative performance



## Sector Breakdown



## Geographic Breakdown



## Awards: Lipper Fund Awards

Al Basha'er GCC Equity Fund won the 'Lipper Fund Award' in 2006 & 2008 by topping the following category: Sharia'a compliant GCC Equity Fund

**Fund Managers**  
Kuwait Finance & Investment Co.  
Gulf Finance House

**Benchmark**  
Global GCC Islamic Index

**No. of Holdings**  
40

## Fund Details

Fund Sponsors:	KFIC, GFH & QIB
Placement Agents:	KFIC, KHCB, QIB, Gulf Bank, ADCB
Inception Price:	USD 10
Inception Date:	Dec 19th 2005
Jurisdiction:	Bahrain
Currency:	USD
Subscription /Redemption:	Monthly
Min Subscription:	USD 10,000
Custodian:	Gulf Clearing Company
Legal Advisor:	Haya Rashed Al-Khalifa Law Firm
Auditors:	Ernst & Young, Bahrain
Management Fee:	2.25% per annum
Performance Fee:	10% of the profits above hurdle rate
Subscription Fee:	Up to 3% of the subscription amount

## Portfolio's main holdings

Company	Country	Sector
Al- Rajhi Bank	KSA	Banking
SABIC	KSA	Industrial
IQCD	Qatar	Industrial
Etihad Etisalat	KSA	Telecom
Qatar Gas Transport	Qatar	Industrial

## GCC Market Review

Al Bashaer Fund's NAV lost around 1.31% on a MoM basis to reach USD 7.52.

Kuwait market ended the month down by 3.11% with a YTD gain of 4.20% due to the caution of investors awaiting the results of the first quarter of 2010 as large number of companies were delayed in the declaration of the results for that period and also the market witnessed several events that affected the course of trading, the most important was the news related to the issue of Agility contracts with the U.S. Army.

On the other hand all the Gulf markets registered monthly profits except the UAE markets, where Bahrain was the highest among the Gulf markets which rose 2.90% to close at 1,591.94 points, while Dubai Financial Market had the highest loss, down by 5.62% followed by Abu Dhabi that declined 4.52%, caused by related news on the troubled Dubai World and Nakheel and the progress of their negotiations with creditors and also the heavy profit booking that was made in April that led to losses of both indexes.

### Kuwait

- KIB released its results for the first quarter of 2010 and showed a net profit of KD 291,000 at an increase of 113% from last year.
- KFH has established a joint venture with Killam Properties Inc. to acquire up to CDN\$450 mn of multi-family residential properties in Canada.
- Zain carrying out a wide-ranging restructuring of its executive management across all departments and is preparing its future strategy.
- Kuwait Cement Co. expects to complete the construction of its second clinker furnace in the first half of 2011.

### UAE

- ADIB first-quarter net profit rose 9.3% to AED293.3 mn from AED268.3 mn in the same period a year ago.
- Aldar Properties have signed a Dh730 mn contract to build infrastructure for the Shiebat Al Watah residential development in Al Ain.
- Aramex Net profits for the first quarter of 2010 rose to AED 47.5 mn, a 10% increase from AED 43.1 mn in the same period in 2009.
- Etisalat Q1 net profit 2010 fell 8.5% from Q1 2009 to AED1.99 bin.
- Emaar net profit soared 221% in the first quarter of 2010 to reach AED760 mn.

### KSA

- Al- Rajhi Bank first-quarter net profit fell to SaR1.68 bn from SAR1.73 bn due to provisions.
- SIPCHEM first-quarter net profit more than doubled on 2010 to SAR81.2 mn due to a rise in petrochemical prices and profit margins.
- SABIC boosted its net profits to SAR5.43 bn in the first quarter of 2010 compared to net loss of SAR 970 mn in last year.
- Etihad Etisalat first-quarter net profit soared 49% to SAR714 mn from a year earlier.

### Qatar

- QIB profit fell to \$82.4 mn in Q1 2010, registering a drop of 14% from last year.
- Barwa Real Estate Co. posted an 8.3% rise in first-quarter net profit to \$57.7 mn.
- Qatar Industries Q1 2010 net profit \$330 mn, having a 14% decline from same period a year earlier.
- Nakilat Q1 2010 net profit more than tripled to QAR163.4 mn from QAR54.1 mn a year earlier.

## Market Digest

Country	Percentage Change			P/E	P/B	Market Cap (USD billion)	Average Daily Traded Value (USD mn)
	2009 (%)	Current Month (%)	YTD (%)				
KSA - Tadawul	28.04	1.70	12.47	17.23	2.19	361.64	1,162.11
Kuwait - KSE	-9.99	-3.11	4.20	16.05	1.51	114.31	244.58
Abu Dhabi - ADSEM	14.79	-4.52	1.22	9.91	1.16	80.72	30.99
Dubai - DFM	10.22	-5.62	-3.53	10.03	1.04	54.81	130.65
Qatar - DSM	1.06	1.14	8.45	11.56	2.23	112.244	578.98
Bahrain - Share Index	-19.17	2.9	9.17	12.60	1.16	22.19	1.18
Oman - MSM	17.05	1.98	7.25	12.46	1.88	18.72	16.24



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