



## GCC Market I Equity Global GCC Large Cap Fund

Factsheet | August 2021

### Fund Information

#### Benchmark

S&P GCC Large Cap Custom Index

#### Domicile

Bahrain

#### Launch Date

February 2005

#### Structure

Open-Ended

#### NAV

USD 223.324

#### Current Fund Size

USD 183.908 mn

#### Base Currency

US DOLLAR (USD)

#### Initial Investment

USD 10,000

#### Subsequent Investment

USD 5,000

#### NAV Frequency

Weekly

#### Initial Charge

2%

#### Fees

Management 1.5% p.a.

Custodian 0.15% p.a.

Performance 10% over 8% p.a.

Redemption None

#### Custodian & Controller

HSBC Bank Middle East Limited / Bahrain

#### Auditors

KPMG Fakhro / Bahrain

#### Bloomberg Code

GLGLCFD

#### ISIN Code

BH000AQZKF6

### Fund Manager

Kamco Investment Company

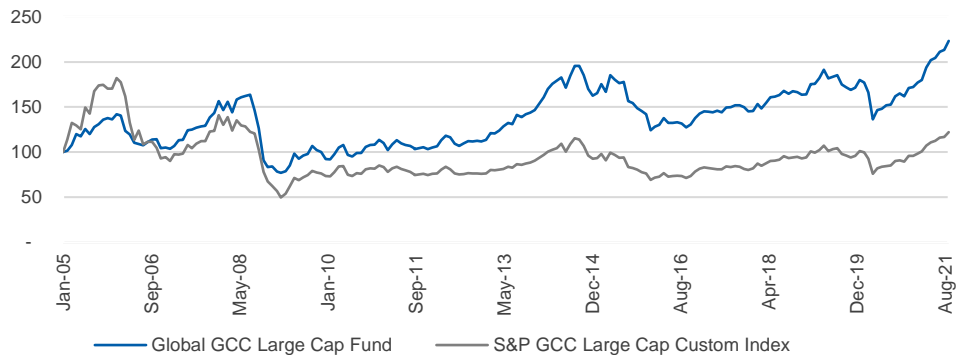
### Fund Objective & Strategy

The fund seeks to achieve long-term capital appreciation by investing in a diversified portfolio of large cap stocks listed on the GCC stock exchanges. The investment process is based on a bottom-up stock selection methodology along with a

macroeconomic overlay to identify growth opportunities throughout the GCC region.

The fund invests in multiple sectors and growth/value categories.

### USD100 Invested Since Inception



\*Note: We have changed the benchmark to S&P GCC Large Cap Capped Index on Sept 30, 2010

### Cumulative Returns (%)

	1M	3M	6M	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	*SI
<b>Fund</b>	4.8	9.1	24.1	29.7	38.0	35.5	69.8	123.3
<b>Benchmark</b>	4.5	8.6	21.2	27.5	35.5	30.6	65.9	22.0
<b>Difference</b>	0.3	0.5	2.9	2.2	2.5	4.8	3.9	101.3

\*Since Inception (February 2005)

### Yearly Performance Ending 31st December (%)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
<b>Fund</b>	-12.6	0.4	2.0	12.5	9.9	-4.4
<b>Benchmark</b>	-17.4	6.8	0.7	14.3	7.6	-5.2
<b>Difference</b>	4.8	-6.4	1.3	-1.8	2.3	0.8

### Statistics over 5 years

Tracking Error	Beta	Information Ratio	Sharpe Ratio	Standard Deviation
3.0%	0.94	0.17	0.56	13.81

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### Fund Review

The Global GCC Large Cap Fund returned 4.8% M/M in August, outperforming the benchmark which returned 4.5% during the same period.

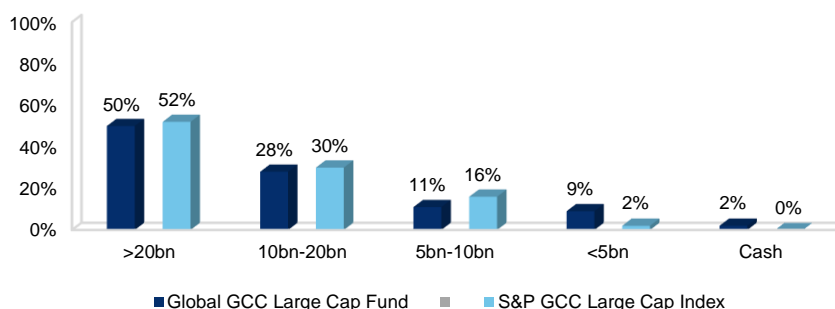
#### Positive Contributors:

Positive contributors to the fund relative performance include our OW position in AUB as the stock gained 9% M/M.

#### Negative Contributors:

Our UW position in KFH, as the stock gained 5% M/M, contributed negatively towards the fund relative performance.

### Market Cap Weightings



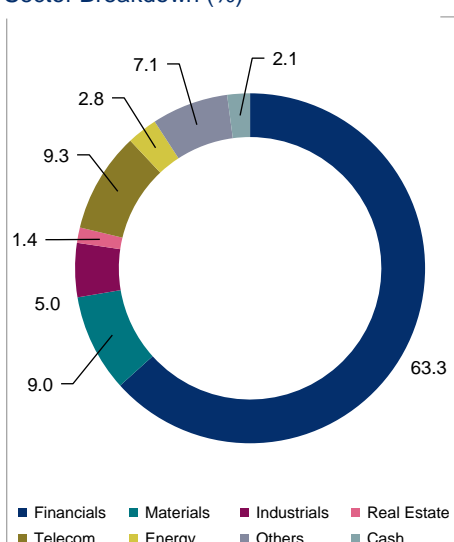
### Top 5 fund holdings

Stock	Country
Rajhi	Saudi Arabia
SNB	Saudi Arabia
QNB	Qatar
NBK	Kuwait
FAB	UAE

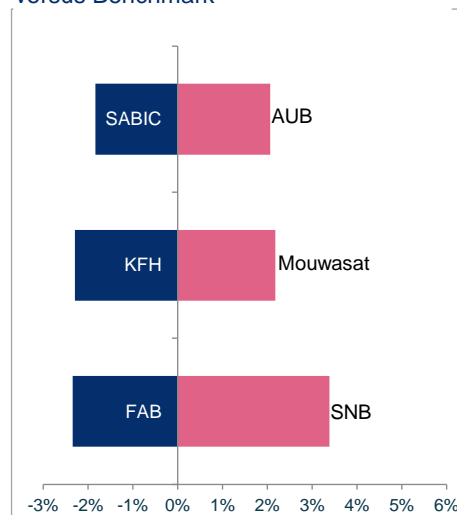
### Country Weights (%)

Country	Benchmark (%)	Fund (%)
Saudi	49.3	49.8
UAE	15.7	16.8
Kuwait	15.5	14.3
Qatar	15.8	17.0
Oman	1.5	0.0
Bahrain	2.2	0.0
Cash	N/A	2.1

### Sector Breakdown (%)



### Top Three Overweight / Underweight versus Benchmark



### Market Commentary

US markets maintained positive momentum in August with S&P 500 gaining 2.9% during the month- thus again achieving all-time high levels and recording the 7th straight monthly gain. The gains were driven by the healthy corporate earnings and the indication from the Fed that it expects inflation to remain temporary and any pull back from the financial support will be gradual. Globally, the MSCI EM and MSCI EAFE indices gained 2.4% and 1.5% respectively. On the commodities front, Brent oil fell 4.4% in August as the new COVID-19 variants slightly interrupted the demand recovery whereas supply trajectory remained in line with the OPEC+ agreement.

Moving to the region, the MSCI GCC Index gained 4.3% in August, taking the y-t-d

performance to 28%. The index recorded gains for the tenth consecutive month. In terms of country performance, Saudi Arabia gained 2.8% bringing the y-t-d surge to 30.3% and reverting to 15-year high levels. The performance was supported by a strong 2Q21 recovery for the Saudi companies which showed earnings leaping 4.8x y-o-y. In the UAE, both Abu Dhabi and Dubai moved up 5%. The month of August witnessed the UAE easing COVID-19 related travel restriction significantly as the country heads to Expo 2020 starting October. In Kuwait, the Premier Index gained 3.7%, taking the y-t-d performance to 22.8%. Elsewhere in the Gulf, Oman retreated by 1.6% whereas Bahrain gained 3%. Finally, Qatar gained and recorded a 3% gain during the month.

For the year 2021, our outlook for the GCC countries remains cautiously optimistic due to the overall improvement in energy realizations- thus easing the fiscal space and supported by a non-oil recovery in the post-pandemic world as borders open slowly but gradually. Although the regional markets have lagged the global equities, the valuations remain on the higher side compared to the regional historical trends. Also, we expect the volatility to remain elevated driven by the underlying dynamics- like oil prices, yield movements and COVID-19 related developments. Accordingly, our strategy for alpha generation is by positioning the markets selectively and opportunistically in the UAE, Saudi and Qatar.

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