Investment objective

SHUAA North America Equity Fund is an actively managed fund focused on maximizing capital growth through a diversified portfolio of Shariacompliant North America equities across most sectors in that region. The fund targets high-guality, high-growth businesses that we believe are currently undervalued.

Fund Manager Commentary

Equity markets continued to recover strongly, posting the best month since 2023, and the best May since 1997. Tech continues to lead the rebound as the Nasdag rose 9%, the broader S&P added 6% and the smaller company Russell added 5%. With the technology heavy sectors such as IT, Consumer Discretionary and Communication Services all outperforming, on the downside were Healthcare and Consumer Staples as investors dumped more defensive sectors to reinvest in growth. Continued concerns over a hostile regulatory environment for pharmaceutical companies also contributed to this underperformance.

The improving optimism stems from a greater conviction that the US will back away from its more extreme tariff threats, with the ultimate level likely to be much lower than originally announced and more manageable for businesses to work through. The fund benefitted from many of its investments in technology stocks with the likes of Nvidia +24%, Broadcom 24%, Microsoft +16% and Meta +18% all soaring on stronger than expected numbers. The revival of enthusiasm for AI also saw those involved in building and powering the infrastructure such as Constellation Energy +37%, Vertiv +26% and Quanta Services +17% attracted investor attention once again. Fintech Margeta reported robust growth and rallied 29% as risk appetite returned.

The constant shifting in US trade policy originally caused great consternation and uncertainty in markets, but in the face of several retreats on tariff policy the market has become ever more confident that the worst of the proposed tariffs will never be enacted. This has resulted in equity markets pushing back towards new highs, with valuations once again looking expensive relative to historic averages, particularly in the US. The growth in investment in AI continues apace however, so some of this premium is undoubtedly deserved and we continue to invest in those businesses best placed to benefit from this growth. We also expect a slowdown in economic growth over the summer though caused by the uncertainty created by ever changing US trade policy, so also favor high quality businesses and continue to avoid cyclicals that are most vulnerable to a slowing macro environment.

Return Statistics						
	MTD	3M	6M	YoY	YTD	Inception
SHUAA North America Equity	6.8%	-1.0%	-2.2%	6.3%	-3.1%	38.7%
MSCI US Islamic TR Index	8.8%	3.7%	-2.6%	7.0%	1.0%	35.0%

Fund Returns Since Inception



*Performance Fees of 15% charged since inception until June 2024

Fund Facts	
Inception Date	Dec 2022
Domicile	Abu Dhabi Global Markets
Fund Currency	USD
Asset Class	Equities
Geography	North America
Туре	Islamic
ISIN	AE000A3CSWS2
Number of Holdings	31
Subscriptions/Fees	Daily / 0%
Redemptions/Fees	Daily / 0%
Leverage	0%
TER / Mgmt Fee	2.2% / 1.5%
Performance Fee	Zero
Fund Manager	Jacob Robbins
Co Fund Manager	Aarthi Chandrasekaran
Investment Manager	SHUAA GMC Limited
Portfolio Statistics	
Fund AUM	\$25.7m
NAV per Share	138.7
Performance	
Annualised return	14.1%
Sharpe ratio	0.7
Tracking error	5.3%
Pagional Allocation	

Regional Allocation



Sector Allocation



SHUAA North America Equity Fund

Top Five Holdings (Ex	xcluding cash)	Fund
Microsoft Corp	12.8%	Divide
Alphabet	8.1%	PB (12r
Apple Inc	6.9%	PE (12r
Nvidia	5.8%	EV/EBI
Amazon.com	5.2%	RoE

Fund Metrics	
Dividend Yield	1.1%
PB (12m Forward)	17.6x
PE (12m Forward)	26.3x
EV/EBITDA (12m Forward)	18.8x
RoE	50.2%

Sector MTD Performance

Information Technology	10.8%
Communication Services	9.6%
Consumer Discretionary	9.4%
Industrials	8.6%
Financials	4.3%
Utilities	3.4%
Materials	2.8%
Consumer Staples	1.7%
Real Estate	0.8%
Energy	0.3%
Health Care	-5.7%

Top Five Performers (November)		Bottom Five Performers (November)		
Constellation Energy Corp	37.0%	Wolfspeed Inc	-66.5%	
Marqeta Inc	28.7%	Eli Lilly & Co	-17.9%	
Vertiv Holdings	26.4%	Merck & Co Inc	-9.8%	
Broadcom	25.8%	Elastic NV	-6.2%	
Nvidia	24.1%	Thermo Fisher	-6.1%	
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