

### Investment Objective

The Multi-Asset Strategy allocates across multiple asset classes, including Equities, Sukuk and Precious metals. The Strategy is designed to generate strong risk adjusted returns through tactical asset allocation and alpha generating security selection.

### Investment Manager

Rasameel Investment Company KSCC

### Time Horizon

Longterm

### Inception Date

24/02/2021

### Base Currency

USD

### Benchmark Index

S&P Target Risk Growth Index

### Top Holdings

Company	Weight
SECO 5.5 04/08/44	10.0%
PHYS US	8.6%
QIBKQD 3.982 03/26/24	7.8%
ISDB 4.744 10/27/27	6.0%
ARAMCO 2.694 06/17/31	5.3%

Characteristics	Strategy
Dividend Yield	2.9%
TTM P/E	11.8
P/CF	12.7
YTM	4.7%
Duration	6.4

Returns	Strategy	Benchmark
MTD	0.9%	4.0%
YTD	2.9%	7.3%
ITD	-14.3%	-2.2%

Risk Statistics - 1Yr	Strategy	Benchmark
Std. Dev	11.8%	13.9%
Downside Risk	8.7%	9.7%
MC VAR	15.1%	16.7%
BETA (ex-post)	0.74	1.00
Correlation	0.87	1.00
Sharpe Ratio	-0.19	-0.15
IR	-0.02	NA

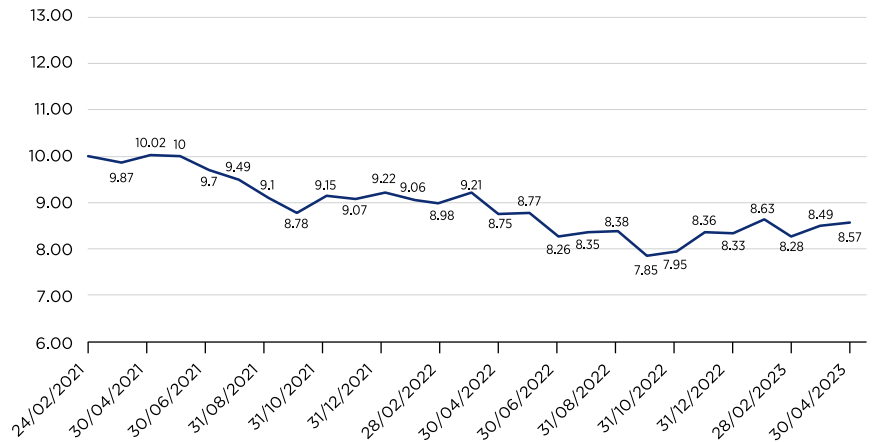
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### NAV

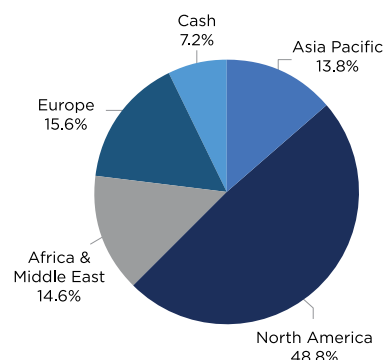


Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	Benchmark
2023 (%)	3.6	-4.1	2.5	0.9									2.9	7.3
2022 (%)	-1.7	-0.9	2.6	-5.0	0.2	-5.8	1.1	0.3	-6.3	1.3	5.2	-0.4	-9.7	-15.7
2021 (%)			-1.3	1.5	-0.2	-3.0	-2.2	-4.1	-3.5	4.2	-0.9	1.7	-7.8	8.4

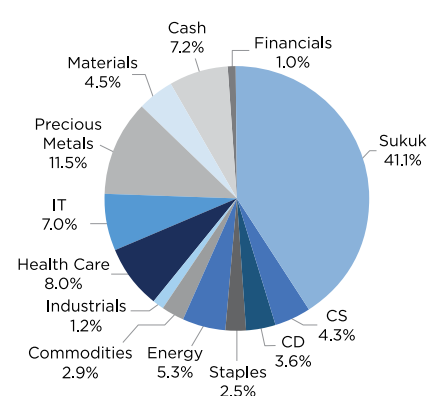
### 30 Day Top Contributors & Detractors

Contributors	Return	Cont.	Detractors	Return	Cont.
META US	13.4%	0.4%	GFS US	-18.5%	-0.4%
MRK US	8.5%	0.2%	9618 HK	-19.8%	-0.3%
NOVN SW	11.7%	0.2%	ZM US	-16.8%	-0.1%
SHEL LN	8.0%	0.1%	CRWD US	-12.5%	-0.1%
AZN LN	6.3%	0.1%	NTR US	-6.0%	-0.1%

### Geographic Breakdown



### Sector Breakdown



The Strategy's NAV and performance reported above is derived as per data received from the strategy administrator. Security data and risk statistics are derived from Bloomberg. Past performance is not indicative of future returns.

### Commentary

The Multi-Asset Strategy was up modestly for the month (+0.9%), slightly below that of the benchmark. It has lagged the index due to our underweighting of equities and particularly large cap tech, which have had a very strong YTD. Like March we saw all exposures, equities, precious metals and sukuk contribute in April and indeed YTD. Q1 2022 earnings announcements have generally come in ahead of expectations, but we should note that expectations were for -6.7%, so contracting, and actual numbers came in at -3.7%. So better numbers, but still a contraction. The market consensus for the full year is 1% earnings growth and 5% in 2024. Reality though, is that we have not yet started the slowdown. Hence, we likely need to see further weakness in employment before we can expect the Fed to consider reversing current tight policies and can thus logically expect '24 consensus to come under pressure and to then recover in '25.

During the month, **Meta Platforms (META US)** emerged as one of the top contributors to the portfolio. The company's second-quarter revenue forecast exceeded analysts' expectations, driven by cost reductions, improving revenue trends, and investments in artificial intelligence. Meta Platforms reported strong first-quarter results, surpassing revenue estimates, with advertising revenue as the primary growth driver. In the healthcare sector, **Merck & Co.** delivered impressive Q1 earnings, surpassing expectations. The remarkable growth of its immunotherapy cancer drug, Keytruda, played a significant role in exceeding analyst estimates. Sales growth of Keytruda and the HPV vaccine offset a decline in revenue from its Covid treatment. Merck raised its full-year guidance, emphasizing its focus on expanding the pipeline of autoimmune drugs.

On the other hand, **GlobalFoundries** was the top detractor for the month. The company experienced a significant drop, even more pronounced than the weakness observed in the SOXX index, which was influenced by peer earnings. Adding to the negative sentiment, GlobalFoundries filed a lawsuit against IBM, alleging the sharing of patents with Intel. In the e-commerce sector, **JD.com** witnessed a decline in its shares due to various factors. The company's business adjustments and major organizational restructuring introduced limited visibility for the coming quarters, resulting in short-term disruptions. Additionally, proposed regulations by Chinese authorities to control AI technology, competition from rivals, and a slow recovery from the pandemic recession led to estimate cuts and weakened investor sentiment towards JD.com. Similarly, **Zoom Video Communications** experienced a downturn as concerns about the company's growth rates weighed on investor confidence. Weaker spending intentions on videoconferencing by companies and rising competition posed risks to customer renewals. However, the acquisition of Workvivo was viewed positively as a potential contributor to revenue growth and long-term significance.

In our Outlook for 2023 report, we took the view that 2H23 would likely be an opportune time 'to add' to equities. We maintain this view and continue to expect equities to come under pressure due to weaker earnings. This hasn't yet played out. The market is not cheap, with the S&P500 trading at 18x. With rates at 5%, we have already witnessed tight policies putting pressure on many financials with SVB, Signature, Credit Swiss and now First Republic all coming under pressure. Without the Fed and Treasury providing support to the banks, the fallout would have been significantly worse. A bank run is what led to the 1929 collapse. While we remain cautious overall, we are not expecting a sell off like 2000 or 2009, for two key

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reasons. The epicenter of the current slowdown is in the small to mid-sized banking space. The health of this segment is key to the loan market to SMEs and the like, hence the Fed and Treasury will do all in their power to protect it from contagion. Secondly, the Fed and Treasury appear to be no longer shackled in terms of the scale of their operations. We saw this very recently with them stepping in aggressively to support SVB deposits. We expect to see more of the same. We would also note that economists are generally very bearish and that the slowdown is expected by most market commentators and will thus be positioned for it. Given all this, we have marginally rotated out of defensive areas into more growth orientated exposures. We continue to see the best risk/return in the sukuk space. We are overweight fixed income and are adding further. Only once we see yields fall of and earnings reflecting reality, will we look to switch from sukuk and add aggressively to equities. We are not there yet.

### List of service provider fees - The Strategy (Strategy Level)

Manager Fees	1%
Performance Fees	10% of the Strategy's annual returns that exceed the risk free rate + 3%
Strategy Controller Fees	0.0625%
Custodian Fees	0.0625%
Sharia Fees	KWD 1500/Year
Audit Fees	KWD 1500/Year
Share Registrar	KWD 1000/Year

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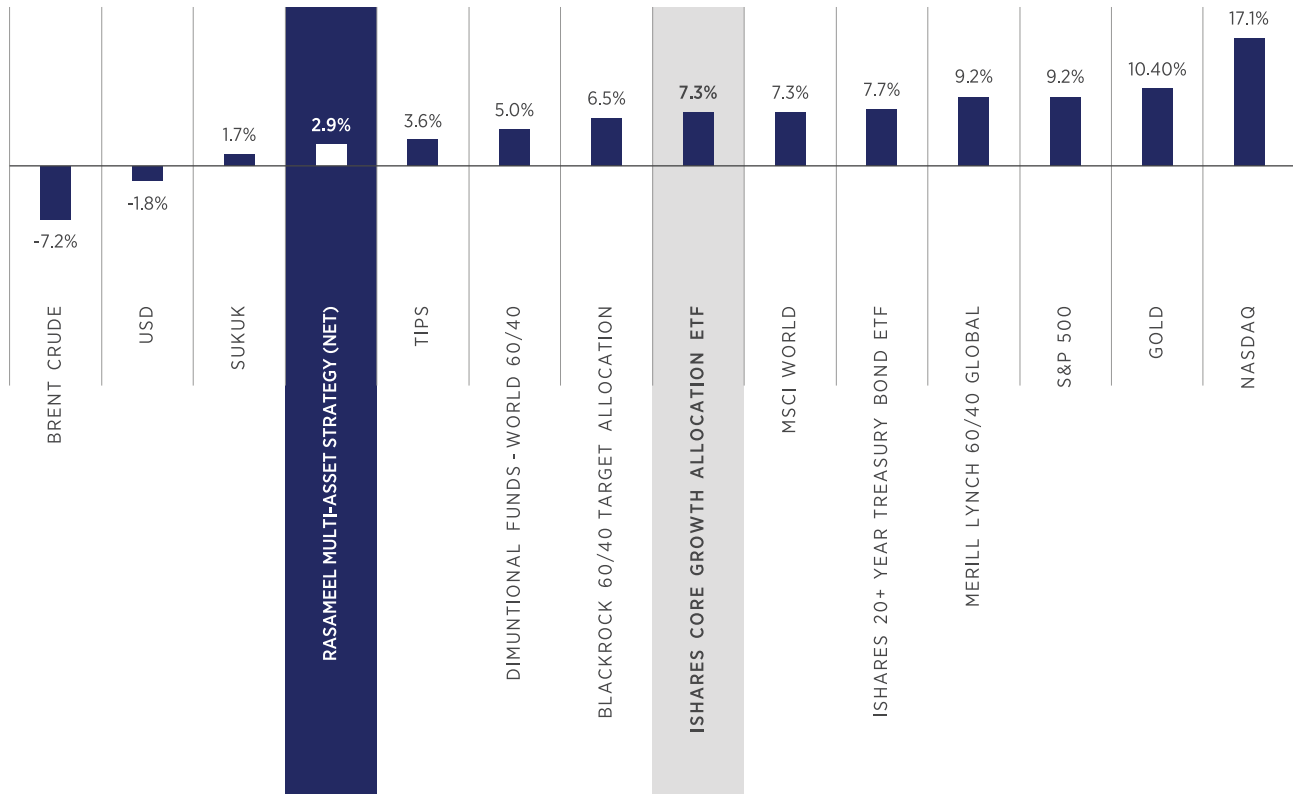
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### Strategy Top Holdings

STOCK	INVESTMENT THESIS	
	<b>Fundamental Investment Thesis</b>	
SECO 04/08/44	<b>Rationale</b>	The Sukuk provides in this case potential for capital appreciation along with attractive income for its duration. Saudi Electricity Company is 74% owned by the Public Investment Fund of Saudi Arabia, which is as close to a Saudi sovereign Sukuk one could achieve. SECO has a positive credit outlook from the rating agencies as Saudi Electricity being insulated from inflation pressure, and well supported by a growing population to help grow the rate base.
PHYS US	<b>Rationale</b>	Gold belongs in most portfolios as a diversifier when bond and equity correlation converge. Gold tends to outperform in periods of high geopolitical tensions, while it continues to outperform inflation over longer periods of time.
QIBQD 03/26/24	<b>Rationale</b>	QIB is a leading Qatar based financial institution with strong exposure international with their sharia-compliant products. The strong rating of A- and strong government backed economy makes the sukuk very attractive while offering a competitive yield at 3.98%.
ARAMCO 06/17/31	<b>Rationale</b>	ARAMCO is AA-rated and offers a 3.86% yield. Comparatively, the ARAMCO sukuk provides a 1% spread over similar dated Treasuries, as compared to the average AA[1] rated corporate bond which only offer 0.86% above Treasuries.
MALAYS 04/28/31	<b>Rationale</b>	Malaysia Sukuk is a sovereign backed government rated A- with an opportunity for capital appreciation. Malaysia continues to be stable and have robust natural resources to fuel its economy.

### Strategy vs Peers

MULTI-ASSET STRATEGY- YTD PERFORMANCE VS SIMILAR BALANCED STRATEGIES



Reported numbers as of 30 April 2023