

## **Fund Manager Report**

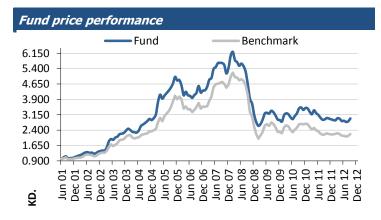
NAV 2.969 5.1% **MTD YTD** 1.5%

As of September 30, 2012

# **Markaz Investment & Development Fund**

Fund Objective: To secure long term capital growth by investing in companies listed on the KSE.

Fund vs. Bench	MIDAF	KIC Index				
Since inception (0	10.15	7.29				
Volatility (SD)	36 Months	%	13.6	14.8		
Sharpe Ratio (RFA	0.48	0.31				
Information Ratio	-	-				
Beta	Beta 36 Months					
Ex Post Alpha			3.4	-		
Tracking Error	36 Months		4.0			
Number of Holdin		29				
Portfolio turnover	Ratio		0.20 <i>X</i>			



### Fund Performance (Returns %)

Years	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual	Index
2001							8.0	3.1	-8.9	2.1	0.3	3.9	7.9%	2.1%
2002	3.6	3.6	2.9	5.2	4.1	1.3	-2.8	1.1	-4.1	2.2	5.5	2.3	27.5%	25.0%
2003	2.0	-0.6	10.9	19.5	6.2	-1.8	5.6	2.3	5.7	1.2	1.6	4.8	72.1%	62.5%
2004	4.1	-2.4	-3.8	-0.8	-0.9	4.5	9.2	3.0	2.7	3.4	3.6	-1.9	22.0%	12.6%
2005	3.3	6.0	19.3	9.4	-4.8	3.8	3.0	2.9	3.4	4.7	6.8	-3.5	66.8%	67.3%
2006	0.5	-5.6	-10.0	4.3	-4.0	-0.8	-2.4	3.5	2.6	8.0	-7.1	2.3	-10.2%	-9.0%
2007	0.3	4.0	7.6	1.6	9.0	1.7	3.5	0.2	-0.2	-1.6	-7.4	5.3	25.6%	30.4%
2008	10.9	3.1	-6.5	-1.6	-3.2	1.9	-2.1	-4.9	-11.7	-15.4	-5.6	-15.1	-42.2%	-44.8%
2009	-11.5	-6.3	3.5	8.2	10.1	0.9	-1.1	4.2	-2.1	-5.0	-6.2	-1.0	-8.1%	-9.3%
2010	-2.5	11.3	2.6	-1.3	-4.6	-3.0	5.1	4.3	7.5	1.2	-3.3	2.8	20.5%	17.4%
2011	-0.7	-4.8	-3.6	6.1	-4.2	-2.6	-4.4	-3.3	0.6	2.3	-0.9	-1.3	-16.0%	-19.4%
2012	-1.1	-0.5	3.5	-0.9	-3.8	0.5	-1.9	0.9	5.1				1.5%	0.9%

Key Facts						
Net Assets	KD. 89.735 Million					
NAV per unit	KD. 2.9691786					
Туре	Open-ended					
Investment Manager	Kuwait Financial Centre					
Fund Inception	July 2001					
Management Fees	1.75% p.a.					
Subscription/Redemption fee	0.50%					
Minimum Subscription	100 units					
Subscription/Redemption	Weekly					
Fund Valuation	Weekly					
Custodian	Kuwait Clearing Co					
Auditor	RSM Al Bazie & Co.					
ISIN	KW0EQ0903215					
Bloomberg	MARKIDF KK					
Lipper Code	LP65038180					
Zawya Code	KFCMIDF.MF					
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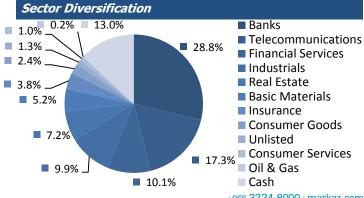
# Top 5 Holdings (49% of NAV) National Bank of Kuwait

Kuwait Finance House

Zain Telecom

Mabanee Company

Watania Telecom



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#### Market Commentary

The Kuwait Stock Exchange had a change of course heading north following the confidence boost and a dose of optimism, resulting from the government's serious inclination to reform the economy, particularly that the Kuwaiti companies and the banks have been enduring, for the last four years, from deteriorating economic conditions and the dramatic reduction in asset values, which recently led the companies and banks to increase its provisions by unprecedented levels, to face the regression of the value of securities/pledged assets versus the value of loans.

His Highness the Amir of Kuwait Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmad Al Sabah met with the Kuwaiti government economic team, and urged its members to work on reviving the local market in the short and long term. Meanwhile, recommendations were presented by the private and government sector, to look for remedies to eradicate the deadlock. The government promises of reformative and incentive measures for the economy reflected positively on the performance of the stock exchange as the index of the Kuwait investment company increased by 4.5% during September. Liquidity levels also improved substantially, particularly for the leading shares, while selling of speculative stocks witnessed a noticeable rise.

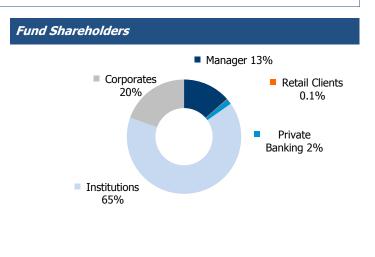
The political breakthrough attained following the Constitutional Court refusal of government's appeal with regards to amending the electoral constituencies, had also contributed to stabilizing the performance of the financial markets.

The government decided to raise the withholding percentage of total revenues of the country up to 25% for the benefit of future generations' fund, with the aim to limit excess spending and current expenses.

The prime concern remains to be the activation of these recommendations and its execution, as there will be no use to entice high level of liquidity which will only push the index upwards temporarily, without looking for a comprehensive and radical treatment for the problems faced by the private sector. The Minister of Finance implied to the possibility of the government's willingness to buy some of the distressed assets based on conditions and according to certain measures, in addition to finding a mechanism for accountability, inquiry and the assuming of responsibility by both parties taking into account the immensity and divergence of the issue at hand.

Until those government decrees are activated, the market will wait in anticipation for the  $3^{rd}$  quarter results of the listed companies, which will most likely not be different from the  $2^{nd}$  quarter results.





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