



SICO Saudi REIT Fund

Annual Report 2023

Fund Overview

SICO Saudi REIT Fund is a Sharia-compliant closed-ended real estate investment-traded fund. The fund operates in accordance with the Real Estate Investment Funds Regulations issued by the Capital Market Authority. The fund was listed on Tadawul (Saudi Stock Exchange) in January 2018, and its units are traded in accordance with the rules and regulations of Tadawul. The term of the fund is (99) years from the date of listing, and the size of its initial assets is 572,400,000 SAR.

Fund Manager

SICO Capital Company is incorporated as a closed joint stock company (CJSC) in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and licensed by the Capital Market Authority (CMA) under Authorization No. (37-08096) dated 11/03/2008. Commercial Registration No. (1010259328).

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Assets in which the fund is investing in

Property 1: Eskan Tower 4

Sector	Hospitality
City	Makkah
Land size	1,287.97 SQM
Built up area	18,053 SQM
Acquisition Price	190,000,000 SAR
Main tenant	Moro International Company for Apartments and Hotels
Occupancy rate	100%
Lease term expiration	31/12/2025

Property 2: Eskan Tower 5

Sector	Hospitality
City	Makkah
Land size	1,394.5 SQM
Built up area	19,905 SQM
Acquisition Price	182,400,000 SAR
Main tenant	Moro International Company for Apartments and Hotels
Occupancy rate	100%
Lease term expiration	31/12/2025

Property 3: ESKAN Tower 6

Sector	Hospitality
City	Makkah
Land size	1,458 SQM
Built up area	15,314 SQM
Acquisition Price	200,000,000 SAR
Main tenant	Moro International Company for Apartments and Hotels
Occupancy rate	100%
Lease term expiration	31/12/2025

Property 4: I-Offices

Sector	Offices
City	Riyadh
Land size	6,155 SQM
Built up area	23,195 SQM
Acquisition Price	135,000,000 SAR
Tenants	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Takaful Al Rajhi for Cooperative Insurance.- Amlak International Company.- Advanced Bussma.
Occupancy rate	100%
Lease term expiration	Multiple tenants

Portfolio Allocation by Sector

Based on the Average market value as of December 2023

Hospitality	72.23%
Offices	27.77%

Portfolio Allocation by Assets

Based on the market value as of December 2023

ESKAN Tower 4	25.84%
ESKAN Tower 5	23.09%
ESKAN Tower 6	23.30%
I-Offices	27.77%

Portfolio Allocation by Location

Based on the market value as of December 2023

Makkah	77.23%
Riyadh	27.77%

Fund's Investment Objectives

The Fund targets to invest at a minimum 75% of assets under manager in fully developed income generating real estate assets within the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, while the Fund can invest a maximum of 25% of assets under management in real estate investments outside the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Percentage of value of leased and vacant real estate to total value

Property	Average Market Value*	% of Assets Value*	Tenancy Status
ESKAN Tower 4	130,786,500	25.84%	Fully Leased
ESKAN Tower 5	116,890,500	23.09%	Fully Leased
ESKAN Tower 6	117,947,000	23.30%	Fully Leased
I-Offices	140,566,000	27.77%	Fully Leased
Total	506,190,000	100.00%	-

Based on the market value as of December 2023

Percentage of rent for each asset from total rental income

Percentage of rent for each asset from total rental income based on lease agreements during 2023

Properties	Rental Income 2023 (Saudi Riyal)	% of Total Rent
ESKAN Tower 4	2,645,000	12.58%
ESKAN Tower 5	4,761,000	22.64%
ESKAN Tower 6	3,174,000	15.09%
I-Offices	10,450,000	49.69%
Total	21,030,000	100.00

The percentage of uncollected revenues from total revenues, and the ratio of non-cash expenditures from the fund's net profits

- Details of Uncollected Rent

Properties	Collected Rent	Uncollected Rent
ESKAN Tower 4	100.00%	-
ESKAN Tower 5	100.00%	-
ESKAN Tower 6	100.00%	-
I-Offices	100.00%	-

- The ratio of non-cash expenditures from the fund's net profits (Loss)

Item	SAR	% of Net Income / (Loss)
Net Income / (Loss)	(52,231,895)	-
Depreciation	(9,706,356)	18.58%
Provision for outstanding legal cases	(29,341,644)	56.18%
Impairment Charges in Investment Properties	(17,967,973)	34.40%

Description of the fund's benchmark – where applicable – and the service provider's website

Not Applicable.

A comparative table covering the performance of the fund during the last (3) fiscal years

	2021	2022	2023
Fund net assets value	502,164,162	410,189,955	357,958,060
Fund net assets value per unit	8.77	7.17	6.25
Highest net asset value of the fund per unit	8.77	9.01	6.32
Lowest net asset value of the fund per unit	8.65	7.17	6.25
Number of units issued	57,240,000	57,240,000	57,240,000
Income distribution per unit	0.15	-	-
Percentage of the fund's costs to the fund's total assets value*	1.13%	4.52%	6.48%
Percentage of borrowed assets in the total asset value**	22.9%	25.97%	29.61%
Results of comparing the fund's benchmark to the fund's performance	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

* Excluding depreciation and impairment in real estate investments.

** As per the market value of real estate investment as of December 2023.

Details of Borrowed Assets

On March 9, 2021, the Fund obtained Islamic Sharia-compliant bank financing in the amount of 149,891,640 SAR from Riyadh Bank. The outstanding loan represents 29.61% of the total value of the Fund's assets as of December 31, 2023. The loan period is 5 years, and the duration is the estimated exposure from December 31, 2023 is 2.19 years, as the loan principal is due in March 2026.

Performance Record

A) Total revenue for (1), (3) and (5) years (or since establishment)

Period	One Year	Three Years	Five Years	Since Inception*
Based on Market Price	-18.60%	-43.13%	-36.27%	-54.50%
Based on Fair Value per Unit	-12.83%	-28.65%	-39.26%	-37.50%

*Based on Par Value

**Excluding dividends distributions

B) Annual total revenue for each of the last ten financial years or (since inception)

Period	2018*	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Based on Market Price	-28.60%	13.59%	-1.36%	7.13%	-34.77%	-18.60%
Based on Fair Value per Unit	2.90%	0.29%	-15.12%	0.11%	-18.24%	-12.83%

*Based on Par Value

**Excluding dividends distributions

C) Main fees, services and expenses incurred by the fund to third parties

Fess	Amount in SAR
Management fees	-
Custodian fees	175,000
Sharia fees	18,750
Director Board fees	20,000
Auditor's fees	47,500
Listing fees	106,095
Admin Fee	192,936
REITs - Basic Registry Services	400,000
property and facility management fess	1,063,474

The circumstances in which the fund manager decided to waive or reduce any fees

Waiving of Management fees

The Fund Manager has temporarily waived charging management fees which amounts to 1% of net asset value, which is since 15 March 2020, where the Fund Manager waived such fees to alleviate COVID-19 and the pandemic's aftermath as well as the rising interest rates environment has after the fund's returns, and that is in consideration of the unitholders' interests.

Fundamental & Non-fundamental Changes

- 30 July 2023: Approval of the Fund's Board of Directors of a non-fundamental change to SICO Saudi REIT Fund changing Fund's Auditor Al-Bassam and Al-Nimr Allied Accountants - PKF, and appointing Ernst & Young Professional Services – EY with an annual fee of SAR 47,500.
- 01 November 2023: Approval of the Fund's Board of Directors of a non-fundamental change to SICO Saudi REIT Fund, such change will become effective on (15/11/2023 H.), corresponding to (01/05/1445 G.) The details of the non-fundamental change are as follows: Updating the zakat clause in the terms and conditions of the Fund for the purpose of implementing the rules for collecting zakat from investors in investment funds.

Fund's annual report approved by the fund's board

The Fund's Board of Directors held two meetings during the year 2023 where the first meeting was held on and the second meeting was held on 25 December 2023.

The following are the key items discussed during the Fund's Board of Directors meetings as well as through Fund Manager's notifications and circulations:

- Discussion of the Fund's status and methods to improve the Fund's performance.
- Discuss the legal cases against the previous tenant of Eskan Hospitality Towers (Eskan Company for Development and Investment).

- Discuss the legal cases against the Fund filed by the previous tenant of Eskan Hospitality Towers (Eskan Company for Development and Investment).
- Exploring options to reduce the cost of financing to the Fund in light of the rising interest rates environment.
- Review the complaints and the violations received during 2023.

The Capital Market Authority (CMA) violated the Fund Manager as a result of non-compliance of the Fund Manager with the regulations pertaining to publishing the Fund's interim reports, where the Fund Manager could not publish the reports with the accordance to the deadline set for publishing the interim reports.

Statement about any special commission received by the fund manager during the period

The Fund Manager did not receive any special commissions during 2023.



Risk Assessment Report 2023

SICO Saudi REIT

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1. FUND DETAILS

Name of the Fund	SICO Saudi REIT
Fund Manager	SICO Capital
Type	Sharia-Compliant Closed-Ended Real Estate Investment Fund
Objective	Provide regular income to unitholders by investing in structurally developed income-generating real estate assets of no less than 75% of the total value of the fund. In addition, the Fund may invest in real estate outside the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia up to a maximum of 25% of the Fund's total assets.
Tenure	99 years
Risk Level	High

Key Risks	Description	Mitigation
<p>2. MARKET RISK</p>	<p>Market risk refers to the risk of loss resulting from adverse movements in market prices of Real Estate assets due to various factors including the sector risk, supply & demand, economic conditions, inflation, interest rates etc.</p>	<p>Market risk is mitigated through a number of actions including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regularly evaluating the sector & geography dynamics to identify the risks affecting the valuation and tenancy. • Regular monitoring of macro-economic changes and regulatory trends and taking proactive steps to minimize the impact. • Regular review of valuations by independent evaluators to assess the future trend and its impact on the fund prices. • Interest rate risk is discussed separately in the ensuing paragraphs.
<p>3. COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE MARKET RISK</p>	<p>Commercial real estates are more volatile than residential properties. Worsening economic conditions can more quickly affect the valuation, rental yields and tenants' ability to make timely payments.</p>	<p>All of the Fund's assets are commercial real estate. The Fund Manager constantly monitors the emerging negative trends to take action to mitigate these risks. The fund manager should also look for opportunities to diversify the portfolio in-line with the Fund's Terms and Conditions as soon as signs of economic weakness appear.</p>

<p>4. CREDIT RISK</p>	<p>The Fund is exposed to credit risks from the tenants and other debtors including banks used for money market placements.</p>	<p>Thorough due diligence is done for selection of credit worthy tenants. Rental contracts have punitive clauses for late payments and provide sound basis for legal actions in case of defaults.</p> <p>For rent receivables, the fund manager regularly monitors outstanding dues and follows up with tenants for payments.</p> <p>Excess cash is managed as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deal with reputable financial counterparties. • Regularly monitor credit exposures and • Periodic credit assessment of counterparties.
<p>5. LIQUIDITY RISK</p>	<p>Liquidity risk primarily arises in two forms: 1) Fund’s inability to meet its financial obligations. 2) fund’s inability to convert assets into cash without a loss of capital or income in the process</p>	<p>Following are some of the actions that the fund manager takes to manage the liquidity risk of the fund:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular monitoring of cash balances vis a vis maturing liabilities and expenses ensuring sufficient funds to honor these obligations. • Monitoring of liquidity and debt service Coverage Ratio. • As of 31 December 2023, the fund has adequate liquidity to service its debt and meet other obligations.

<p>6. INTEREST RATE RISK</p>	<p>As the Fund is leveraged using a floating rate facility (SAIBOR 3 Months+ 2.25% (reduced to 1.90) in 2024), any increase in SAIBOR would result in higher interest expenses and consequently lower total returns available to the Unitholders.</p>	<p>Fund has obtained Islamic financing amounting to SAR 149.89 Mn from a local Bank, which has a variable financing cost. Any increase in SAIBOR will have a negative impact on fund's NAV. In case of 100 bps increase in SAIBOR, financial costs will increase by around SAR 1.5 Mn.</p> <p>Fed rate hikes have now come to a halt with an expected decrease in coming months, this will have a positive impact on the Fund. However, in future Interest rate hedging may be considered to avoid the risk of rising interest rates depending upon the cost of hedging.</p> <p>Fund manager should regularly review the interest rate outlook and take actions to mitigate the interest rate risk.</p>
<p>7. COUNTRY RISK</p>	<p>The risk that new government policies and political & social instability, could negatively impact the Fund's performance and/ or its liquidity.</p>	<p>The Fund is fully invested in Saudi Arabia. Fund manager closely monitors Kingdom's real estate policies, regulatory/tax landscapes to respond appropriately as needed.</p>
<p>8. REGULATORY COMPLIANCE RISK</p>	<p>This risk entails risk of not complying with the rules of the various regulators as applicable to the fund specially CMA, Tadawul, MOCI etc.</p>	<p>The fund strictly complies with all applicable regulations. SICO Capital's Compliance function presents regular reports to the Fund Board.</p>

9. CONCENTRATION RISK

Excessive concentration of real estate type, sector, or geographic location.

The Fund has invested in four Real Estate assets, three of which are located in Makkah and one in Riyadh.

The Fund is highly concentrated in terms of sector exposure (Hospitality Sector) & geography exposure.

The Fund Manager is working continuously to diversify fund's portfolio in terms of sector and location. In order to achieve this, investment objective of the fund was changed to allow it to invest anywhere in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia without any limitation. The fund was initially mandated to invest at least 55% of the assets in the holy cities of Makkah and Medina. The Fund has acquired a high-end office complex in Riyadh, known as the I-Offices at a net price SR 135 million.

The Fund has unutilized credit facility of SAR 475 Mn with one of Saudi Banks which gives the Fund the flexibility in acquiring new assets.

Below is a comparison of exposure to various sectors during the last 3 years as % of the market value of the portfolio. Fund Manager shall continue its effort to further diversify the portfolio.

Assets	Concentration		
	2023	2022	2021
Hotels	72%	74%	79%
Offices	28%	26%	21%

10.OCCUPANCY RISK.

Risk of Non-renewal of lease agreements, early termination of lease agreements, risk of delay in finding the new tenant, renewal at lower than current lease rate affecting the rental income of the fund.

To mitigate this risk tenants' agreement shall have the provision of advance notice by either party before terminating the contract. During such period, an alternative tenant could be searched.

In some cases, the Fund Manager may accept the renewal at lower than the expiring lease rate due to adverse market conditions. Any significant impact arising due to such renewals shall be disclosed to the market.

Before any upcoming lease expiry, the fund manager should start assessing the existing lease terms and other options of leasing at better rates. In case of risk of vacation or non-renewal from tenant's part, search for the new tenant should start well in advance using internal efforts and external agents as appropriate. There should be a policy to assess available options at least 3 months before the lease expiry.

Current occupancy;

In March 2023, all three properties were leased to Moro International Company until 31 December 2023, thus allowing the Fund Manager to re-assess the leasing rates for these properties prior to the Ramadan and Hajj Season of the Hijri Year 1445, in-line with the prevailing market conditions. Lease renewals of these properties have been renewed for another 2 years up to 31 Dec 2025.

I-Offices property is fully occupied with 3 tenants with annual gross rental income of SR 10.45 million.

<p>11. STRUCTURAL DAMAGE RISK</p>	<p>Any adverse event leading to structural damage to property can impact the income generating potential of the property leading to negative impact on the valuation.</p>	<p>Preventative maintenance and inspection should be carried out at regular intervals to ensure that properties are kept in good conditions.</p>
<p>12. RISK OF NOT UTILIZING MARKET OPPORTUNITIES</p>	<p>Fund Manager's inability to identify good market opportunities may lead to negative effect on fund's capacity to achieve desired returns.</p>	<p>Fund Manager should regularly study the market with access to reputable research reports for new investment opportunities that meet the fund's objective.</p> <p>The Fund currently has an approved credit line with one of the Saudi Banks that can be utilized to close attractive deals that becomes available.</p>
<p>13. NEW ACQUISITION - GENERAL RISK:</p>	<p>In order to continue achieving the target return of the fund it is important to acquire profitable and undervalued properties. The due diligence should include a thorough project cash flow analysis, financial conditions of tenants, financing cost of acquisition, exit strategy etc.</p>	<p>The Fund Manager should conduct a thorough feasibility study and legal & financial due diligence before acquiring any investment by analyzing the economic conditions of the target market vis a vis the Fund's ability to achieve its investment objectives. Fund manager should also consider various financing options for new acquisitions taking into account the current interest rate outlook.</p>
<p>14. DISTRIBUTIONS VOLATILITY RISK</p>	<p>The risk of inability or failure to periodic or targeted future distribution obligations as per fund's Terms & Conditions (T&C).</p>	<p>The Fund Manager should conduct regular meeting with property agents and operators to closely monitor the performance of the assets and take prompt actions to ensure the Fund meets its performance targets.</p>

	The REIT has a policy of distributing annually at least 90% of its net profit not including profit resulting from the sale of the real estate assets and other investments.	The fund manager should review the periodic financials as well as the projected financials, if available to assess the actual profits vs targets.
15. PROPERTY MANAGER RISK	Risk of early termination of the property manager's contract may affect the property operations and performance.	The Fund manager should consider having provision of at least 3 months advance notice by either party before terminating the services. During this period, alternative arrangement can be made.
16. DEPENDENCE ON KEY PERSONNEL	Risk of losing a key real estate team member in general (whether through resignation or otherwise).	The Fund manager ensures that Real Estate unit is staffed with seasoned professionals. Any vacancies are timely filled with suitable replacement staff.
17. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST RISK	Risk of conflict of interest between the fund manager and unit holder/s	Compliance as an independent function should continuously monitor for conflict of interest cases and report the same as per applicable regulations.
18. Operational RISK	Operational risk is the losses arising from a variety of internal and external factors including failure of controls or processes, technology, disruptions and disasters.	Fund Manager should manage operational risks by establishing appropriate controls and processes covering all aspects of Fund/property operations. This includes timely renewal of insurance coverages, compliance with best real estate practices and for key activities that require subject matter expert fund manager should consider outsourcing it to reputable service providers with strong track record.
19. FUND MANAGER RISK	Unitholders may not be provided the opportunity to participate in the Fund's decision-making or approval process in line with the fund	The Fund Manager should set-up systems and controls to ensure full participation of unit holders in the approval or decision-making process as required by the T&C and regulations. The Fund should comply with the regulations at all times and the investment team should act in the best

	T&C or regulations. This may have an impact on the performance of the fund	interest of unitholders putting all efforts to achieve the Fund's growth aspirations.
20. RISK OF INVESTMENTS UNDERPERFORMANCE	The risk that the underlying assets will not perform as expected due to idiosyncratic factors such as, tenants' delinquency, higher CAPEX or higher vacancy rates.	<p>In order to mitigate such risks, Fund Manager to follow a number of strategies including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign long term contracts with tenants with provisions for contractual increase in the rent. Ensure financially sound and diversified tenant mix • Closely monitor the performance of the underlying assets and regularly meet with the property managers/operator to monitor any issues/ events that might lead to asset's underperformance.
21. REAL ESTATE VALUATION RISKS	Risk of Incorrect valuation of the properties resulting in financial and reputational losses.	Valuations are done by taking the average of two independent valuers accredited by the Saudi Authority for Accredited Valuers (TAQEEM). The methodology takes into consideration a number of factors, including the area, sector, geography and type of the property together with economic outlook and trends.
22. DEVELOPMENT RISK	The Risk associated with real estate development projects include: the risk of inexperienced developers and project monitoring team resulting in costs & time overrun resulting in financial and reputational implications.	For development projects, the Fund has a CAP of 25% of fund assets and currently there are no projects under development. Project development is a high-risk activity starting with the selection of a reputable and experienced developer. The Fund Manager should embark upon a development project only after all necessary technical, financial and legal due diligence and market study.

<p>23.LEVERAGE RISK</p>	<p>The risk that the Fund may not be able to meet some of the bank financing covenants or misses the repayment schedule, which triggers an event of default.</p>	<p>The Fund Manager should closely monitor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Debt repayment commitments and ensure availability of funds by assessing projected cash flows from each property and for the total fund on a regular basis. • Compliance with all debt covenants. As of 31 December 2023, the fund is compliant with all debt covenants. <p>Any new funding from the bank should be properly analyzed and pricing from different banks should be obtained before going ahead with any bank financing.</p>
<p>24.LITIGATION RISK</p>	<p>The Fund is exposed to the possibility of contractual disputes, legal notices and lawsuits with third parties due to the nature of its activities. In such cases, the fund will bear legal fees in addition to the amounts of settlement or judgements, which would reduce the fund’s income and the cash available for distribution to unitholders.</p> <p>The fund manager and others are entitled to be compensated from the fund for any liability incurred by them in performing their duties for fund as per the T&C and regulations.</p>	<p>The Fund Manager takes all possible and available actions including legal procedures to protect the interests of unit holders.</p> <p>In Q4 2022, the Fund Manager initiated legal proceedings against the previous Master Tenant of Eskan Hospitality Towers 4, 5 and 6 (known as Eskan Company for Development). The Fund Manager executed 4 promissory notes in the amount of SR 18,325,000 pertaining to uncollected rent for Eskan 4 and Eskan 6 assets that was due in 2022. The relevant courts deemed the promissory notes void and cancelled them accordingly.</p> <p>In Q4 2022 as well, Eskan Company filed two legal cases against the fund, to claim back rent paid by Eskan to the fund during 2020, 2021 and 2022 pertaining to Eskan 4 and Eskan 6 assets. The relevant courts ruled in favor of Eskan Company where Eskan Company currently holds execution orders to claim c.a. SR 16 Million.</p>

		Fund manager is taking steps to minimize the adverse implications of these cases on the fund performance.

25. CONCLUSION

Investment in the real estate funds are categorized as high risk. The Fund manager takes steps to mitigate these risks however, these cannot be eliminated. The above listed risks are not exhaustive as there may be other risks and un-certainties that are not currently known to the Fund Manager or the Fund Manager may consider to be currently insignificant and which may have a negative impact on the Fund's income or valuation. No guarantees can be made that the Fund will be able to achieve the investment objective or that investors will receive a return on their capital.

SICO SAUDI REIT FUND

A Real Estate Investment Traded Fund (Closed-Ended Fund)

(Managed by SICO Capital)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT TO THE UNITHOLDERS OF SICO SAUDI REIT FUND (MANAGED BY SICO CAPITAL COMPANY)

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of SICO Saudi REIT Fund (the “Fund”) managed by SICO Capital Company (the “Fund Manager”), which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2023, and the statement of comprehensive income / (loss), statement of changes in net assets (equity) attributable to the unitholders and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as at 31 December 2023, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards that are endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and other standards and pronouncements that are endorsed by the Saudi Organization for Chartered and Professional Accountants.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing that are endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor’s Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) that is endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia that is relevant to our audit of the financial statements, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with that code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Key Audit Matter

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming auditor’s opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. For the matter below, our description of how our audit addressed the matter is provided in that context.

We have fulfilled the responsibilities described in the Auditor’s Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report, including in relation to this matter. Accordingly, our audit included the performance of procedures designed to respond to our assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements.

The results of our audit procedures, including the procedures performed to address the matter below, provide the basis for our audit opinion on the accompanying financial statements.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT
TO THE UNITHOLDERS OF SICO SAUDI REIT FUND
(MANAGED BY SICO CAPITAL COMPANY) (Continued)**

Key Audit Matter (Continued)

Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the key audit matter
<p>Investment Properties impairment</p> <p>As at 31 December 2023, the carrying value of investment properties held by the Fund was SR 506 million (2022: SR 545 million).</p> <p>The Fund Manager reviews the carrying values of these investment properties every six months or when there are indications of impairment, whichever is earlier. An impairment assessment is performed by determining if the recoverable amounts of these investment properties are less than their carrying values.</p> <p>The Fund Manager engages two independent certified valuers to help the Fund Manager to determine the recoverable amounts. The valuations are carried out using common methodologies and approaches, and this is considered a key audit matter as these methodologies and approaches involve significant judgement and estimates including estimated rental value per sqm per month, occupancy rates, escalations, exit yield, discount rates and others, including economic fluctuations impact on the Fund’s business.</p> <p><i>Refer to note 10 which includes the disclosure of significant accounting estimates and assumptions for valuation of investment properties. Also, refer to note 5 for the disclosure of material accounting policy information relevant for recognition and measurement of investment properties.</i></p>	<p>Our audit procedures included, among others, the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Obtained two valuation reports as at 31 December 2023 from real estate valuers that are Taaqem certified and; - Evaluated objectivity, independency, competence and experience of the valuers. - On a sample-basis, we involved our specialists to analyse the significant assumptions and evaluate their impact on the fair values as well as assessing the impact of changes in the key assumptions to the fair values of the investment properties as determined by the valuers. - Evaluated the adequacy of presentation and disclosures in respect of investment properties, including disclosures of key assumptions and judgements. <p>For impairment of investment properties, we have carried out the following audit procedures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We obtained two valuation reports from independent real estate valuers (Taaqem certified) for each investment properties as at 31 December 2023 and confirmed that the valuation approaches are suitable for use in determining the carrying values as at the reporting date. - Assessed the recoverable amount, which is higher of fair value or value in use of the related investment properties as per the above-mentioned valuation reports.

Other Information

The Fund manager is responsible for the other information in the Fund’s annual report. Other information consists of the information included in the Fund’s 2023 annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditors’ report thereon. The annual report is expected to be made available to us after the date of this auditors’ report.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information, and we will not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above when it becomes available and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

When we read the Fund’s annual report, if we conclude that there is a material misstatement therein, we are required to communicate the matter to those charged with governance.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE UNITHOLDERS OF SICO SAUDI REIT FUND (MANAGED BY SICO CAPITAL COMPANY) (Continued)

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards that are endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and other standards and pronouncements that are endorsed by the Saudi Organization for Chartered and Professional Accountants, the applicable provisions of the Investment Funds Regulations issued by the Board of the Capital Market Authority, and the Fund's terms and conditions and the Information Memorandum, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Fund's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with

International Standards on Auditing that are endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing that are endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Fund to cease to continue as a going concern.



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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
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Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (Continued)

- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Other Matter

The financial statements of the fund for the year ended December 31, 2022 were audited by another auditor who expressed an unmodified opinion on those statements on March 30, 2023.

for Ernst & Young Professional Services

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Certified Public Accountant
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Riyadh: 18 Ramadan 1445H
(28 March 2024)

SICO SAUDI REIT FUND

Statement of Financial position

As at 31 December 2023

(Amounts in Saudi Riyals)

	<i>Notes</i>	31 December 2023 (Audited)	31 December 2022 (Audited)
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash and cash equivalents	7	3,421,166	5,408,081
Investments carried at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)	8	11,755,240	1,501,911
Rent receivable	9	-	17,967,973
Prepayment and other assets	11	6,161,150	7,010,174
Investment properties	10	506,190,000	545,238,000
		=====	=====
TOTAL ASSETS		527,527,556	577,126,139
<u>LIABILITIES</u>			
Accrued and other liabilities	12.2	17,524,117	17,044,544
Unearned rental income	9	2,153,739	-
Short term borrowings	12.1	149,891,640	149,891,640
		=====	=====
TOTAL LIABILITIES		169,569,496	166,936,184
		=====	=====
NET ASSETS (EQUITY) VALUE		357,958,060	410,189,955
UNITS IN ISSUE (Number)		57,240,000	57,240,000
PER UNIT VALUE		6.25	7.17

The accompanying notes 1 to 22 form an integral part of these financial statements.

SICO SAUDI REIT FUND

Statement of comprehensive income / (loss)

For the year ended 31 December 2023

(Amounts in Saudi Riyals)

		<i>For the year ended</i>	
		31 December	31 December
		2023	2022
	<i>Notes</i>	<i>(Audited)</i>	<i>(Audited)</i>
INCOME			
Rentals from investment properties	9	19,953,417	36,786,301
Unrealized gain/(loss) from investments carried at FVTPL	8	253,329	(789,367)
Other income	8.1	789,840	54,067
		<u><u>20,996,586</u></u>	<u><u>36,051,001</u></u>
TOTAL INCOME			
EXPENSES			
Impairment charge on investment properties	10	(29,341,644)	(83,640,644)
Depreciation expense	10	(9,706,356)	(9,706,356)
Finance cost	12.1	(11,875,750)	(6,978,368)
Other expenses	13	(22,304,731)	(19,113,840)
		<u><u>(73,228,481)</u></u>	<u><u>(119,439,208)</u></u>
TOTAL EXPENSES			
NET LOSS FOR THE YEAR		(52,231,895)	(83,388,207)
Other comprehensive income		-	-
		<u><u>(52,231,895)</u></u>	<u><u>(83,388,207)</u></u>
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE LOSS FOR THE YEAR			

The accompanying notes 1 to 22 form an integral part of these financial statements.

SICO SAUDI REIT FUND

Statement of changes in net assets (equity) attributable to the unitholders

For the year ended 31 December 2023

(Amounts in Saudi Riyals)

		<i>For the year ended</i>	
		31 December	31 December
		2023	2022
	<i>Notes</i>	<i>(Audited)</i>	<i>(Audited)</i>
NET ASSETS (EQUITY) VALUE ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE UNITHOLDER AT BEGINNING OF THE YEAR		410,189,955	502,164,162
Dividend paid during the year	18	-	(8,586,000)
Total Comprehensive (loss) / income for the year		(52,231,895)	(83,388,207)
NET ASSETS (EQUITY) VALUE ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE UNITHOLDER AT END OF THE YEAR		357,958,060	410,189,955

Transactions in units for the year are summarized as follows:

		<i>For the year ended</i>	
		31 December	31 December
		2023	2023
		<i>(Audited)</i>	<i>(Audited)</i>
NUMBER OF UNITS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR		57,240,000	57,240,000
NUMBER OF UNITS AT THE END OF THE YEAR		57,240,000	57,240,000

The accompanying notes 1 to 22 form an integral part of these financial statements.

SICO SAUDI REIT FUND

Statement of Cashflows

For the year ended 31 December 2023

	<i>Notes</i>	<i>For the year ended</i>	
		31 December 2023 (Audited)	31 December 2022 (Audited)
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Net (loss) / income for the year		(52,231,895)	(83,388,207)
<i>Adjustment for</i>			
Depreciation on investment properties	10	9,706,356	9,706,356
Impairment charge / (reversal) on investment property	10	29,341,644	83,640,644
Unrealized gain from investments carried at FVTPL	8	(253,329)	789,367
Other income	8	-	(52,314)
Finance cost charge	12.1	11,875,750	6,978,368
Rent write off	9	17,967,973	-
		16,406,499	17,674,214
Changes in operating assets:			
Prepayment and other assets	11	849,024	(5,739,273)
Rent receivable	9	-	(19,379,779)
Changes in operating liabilities:			
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	12.2	479,573	16,345,489
Unearned rental income	9	2,153,739	-
Net cash generated from / (used in) operating activities		19,888,835	8,900,651
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Sale of investments carried at FVTPL	8	-	5,189,840
Purchase of investments carried at FVTPL	8	(10,000,000)	(2,500,000)
Net cash generated from / (used in) investing activities		(10,000,000)	2,689,840
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITY			
Finance cost paid	12	(11,875,750)	(7,768,208)
Dividend paid during the year	18	-	(8,586,000)
Net cash (used in) / generated from financing activity		(11,875,750)	(16,354,208)
NET (DECREASE) / INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(1,986,915)	(5,605,871)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	7	5,408,081	11,013,952
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE YEAR	7	3,421,166	5,408,081

The accompanying notes 1 to 22 form an integral part of these financial statements

1. INCORPORATION AND ACTIVITIES

SICO Saudi REIT Fund (the “REIT” or the “Fund”) is a closed-ended Shariah compliant real estate investment traded fund created by an agreement between SICO Capital (the “Fund Manager”) and investors (the “Unitholders”) in the Fund. The address of the Fund Manager is as follows:

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SICO Saudi REIT is listed on the Saudi Stock Exchange (“Tadawul”), and the units of the REIT are traded on Tadawul in accordance with its rules and regulations. The issued units of the REIT equals to 57,240,000. The REIT has a term of 99 years, which can be extended at the discretion of the Fund Manager upon Board approval and subject to regulatory approvals.

When inceptioned, the REIT primary objective was to achieve long-term capital appreciation and income by investing in income-generating real estate assets with a minimum allocation of 55% of its real estate assets in the Holy Cities of Makkah and Medina, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. In January 2022, the unitholders of the Fund voted in favor of changing the investment strategy allowing the REIT invests as a minimum of 75% of its assets across the Kingdom of Saudi without particular geographical limitations.

The Fund is managed by SICO Capital (“the Fund Manager”). Riyadh Capital is the custodian of the Fund.

2. REGULATING AUTHORITY

The Fund is governed by the Investment Fund Regulations (the “Regulations”) issued by the CMA on 3 Dhul Hijja 1427H (corresponding to 24 December 2006) and effective from 6 Safar 1438H (corresponding 6 November 2016) by the New Investment Fund Regulations (“Amended Regulations”) published by the CMA on 16 Sha’aban 1437H (corresponding to 23 May 2016) detailing requirements for all funds within the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. The Regulations were further Amended by Resolution of the Board of the Capital Market Authority Number 2-22-2021 Dated 12 Rajab1442H (corresponding to 24 February 2021G). The amended regulations are effective from 19 Ramadan 1442H (corresponding to 1 May 2021G).

3. BASIS OF PREPARATION

3.1 *Statement of compliance*

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (“IASB”), as endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and other standards and pronouncements issued by the Saudi Organisation for Chartered and Professional Accountants (“SOCPA”) (collectively referred to as “IFRS as endorsed in the KSA”) and the applicable provisions of the Investment Funds Regulations issued by the Board of the Capital Market Authority, and the Fund’s terms and conditions and the Information Memorandum.

3.2 *Basis of measurement and functional and presentation currency*

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for investments carried at FVTPL, and the amounts are expressed in Saudi Arabian Riyals (SAR), which is REIT Fund’s functional and presentation currency.

3.3 *Significant accounting judgments, estimates and assumption.*

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities, and the accompanying disclosures, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities. Uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that require a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets or liabilities affected in future periods.

3. BASIS OF PREPARATION (Continued)

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next accounting period, are described below. REIT based its assumptions and estimates on parameters available when the financial statements were prepared. Existing circumstances and assumptions about future developments, however, may change due to market changes or circumstances arising beyond the control of REIT. Such changes are reflected in the assumptions when they occur.

3.3.1 Critical accounting judgements

Going Concern

REIT's management has made an assessment of the REIT's ability to continue as a going concern and is satisfied that the REIT has the resources to continue in business for the foreseeable future. Furthermore, the management is not aware of any material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt on REIT's ability to continue as a going concern.

Residual and useful lives of investment properties

The REIT's management determines the estimated residual value and useful lives of its investment properties for calculating depreciation. These estimates are determined after considering the expected usage of the assets or physical wear and tear. Management will review the residual value and useful lives annually and future depreciation charge would be adjusted where the management believes the useful lives differ from previous estimates.

Business model assessment

Classification and measurement of financial assets depend on the results of the SPPI and the business model test. The Fund determines the business model at a level that reflects how Funds of financial assets are managed together to achieve a particular business objective. This assessment includes judgment reflecting all relevant evidence including how the performance of the assets is evaluated and their performance measured, the risks that affect the performance of the assets and how these are managed and how the managers of the assets are compensated. The Fund monitors financial assets measured at amortized cost or fair value through other comprehensive income that are derecognized prior to their maturity to understand the reason for their disposal and whether the reasons are consistent with the objective of the business for which the asset was held.

Monitoring is part of the Fund's continuous assessment of whether the business model for which the remaining financial assets are held continues to be appropriate and if it is not appropriate whether there has been a change in business model and so a prospective change to the classification of those assets. No such changes were required during the periods presented.

Measurement of fair values

A number of the Fund's accounting policies and disclosures require the measurement of fair values, for both financial and non-financial assets and liabilities.

When measuring the fair value of an asset or liability, the Fund uses observable market data as far as possible. Fair values are categorized into different levels in a fair value hierarchy based on the inputs used in the valuation techniques as follows:

- Level 1: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets and liabilities.
- Level 2: inputs other than quoted priced included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e., as prices) or indirectly (i.e., derived from prices).
- Level 3: inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

If the inputs used to measure the fair value of an asset or liability fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy, then the fair value measurement is categorized in its entirety in the same level of the fair value hierarchy as the lowest level input that is significant to the entire measurement.

The Fund recognizes transfers between the levels of the fair value hierarchy at the end of the reporting year during which the change has occurred.

3. BASIS OF PREPARATION (Continued)

Valuation of investment properties

Impairment exists when the carrying value of an asset or cash generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount, which is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. The fair value less cost to sell calculation is based on available data from binding sales transactions, conducted at arm's length, for similar assets or observable market prices less incremental costs for disposing of the asset. The value in use calculation is based on a discounted cash flow model. The cash flows are derived from the budget for the assets' useful lives and do not include restructuring activities that the fund is not yet committed to or significant future investments that will enhance each assets performance of the cash generating unit being tested. The recoverable amount is sensitive to the discount rate used for the discounted cash flow model as well as the expected future cash inflows and the growth rate used for extrapolation purposes.

Impairment of non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of the non-financial assets are reviewed at the end of each reporting date or more frequently to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated.

An impairment loss is recognized if the carrying amount of an asset or a cash-generating unit exceeds the recoverable amount. The recoverable amount of an asset or cash-generating unit is the higher of its value in use and its fair value less costs to sell. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present values using the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. The fair value less cost to sell is based on observable market prices or, if no observable market prices exist, estimated prices for similar assets or if no estimated prices for similar assets are available, then based on discounted future cash flow calculations.

Measurement of the expected credit loss allowance

The measurement of the expected credit loss allowance for financial assets measured at amortized cost is an area that requires the use of complex models and significant assumptions about future economic conditions and credit behaviour.

A number of significant judgments are also required in applying the accounting requirements for measuring expected credit loss (ECL), such as:

- Determining criteria for significant increase in credit risk;
- Choosing appropriate models and assumptions for the measurement of ECL;
- Establishing the number and relative weightings of forward-looking scenarios for each type of product/market and the associated ECL; and
- Establishing Fund of similar financial assets for the purposes of measuring ECL.

In the preparation of the financial statements, management has made certain additional assumptions in the measurement of Expected Credit Loss (ECL). Any future change in the assumptions and key estimates could result in outcomes that could require a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of the assets or liabilities affected in the future periods.

Useful lives of property and equipment and intangible assets

The Fund's management determines the estimated useful lives of its property and equipment and intangible assets for calculating depreciation and amortization. This estimate is determined after considering the expected usage of the asset or physical wear and tear. Management reviews the residual value and useful lives annually and future depreciation and amortization charge would be adjusted where the management believes the useful lives differ from previous estimates.

4. APPLICATION OF NEW AND REVISED INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (IFRSs)

New standards, amendments and interpretations adopted by the Fund

Standard, interpretation and amendments	Description	Effective date
Narrow scope amendments to IAS 1, Practice statement 2 and IAS 8/IFRS 1	The amendments aim to improve accounting policy disclosures and to help users of the financial statements to distinguish between changes in accounting estimates and changes in accounting policies.	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023
IFRS 17, 'Insurance contracts', as amended in December 2021	This standard replaces IFRS 4, which previously permitted wide variety of practices in accounting for insurance contracts. IFRS 17 fundamentally changes the accounting all entities that issue insurance contracts and investment contracts with discretionary participation features.	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023
Amendment to IAS 12- deferred tax related to assets and liabilities arising from a single transaction	These amendments require companies to recognise deferred tax on transactions that, on initial recognition give rise to equal amounts of taxable and deductible temporary differences.	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023
Amendment to IAS 12- International tax reform – pillar two model rules-	These amendments give companies temporary relief from accounting for deferred taxes arising from the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development's (OECD) international tax reform. The amendment also introduce targeted disclosure requirements for affected companies	Annual period beginning on or after 1 January 2023

4. APPLICATION OF NEW AND REVISED INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (IFRSs) (Continued)

Standards issued but not yet effective

Standard, interpretation and amendments	Description	Effective date
Amendments to IAS 1, 'Presentation of financial statements', on classification of liabilities	These narrow-scope amendments to IAS 1, 'Presentation of financial statements', clarify that liabilities are classified as either current or noncurrent, depending on the rights that exist at the end of the reporting period. Classification is unaffected by the expectations of the entity or events after the reporting date (for example, the receipt of a waiver or a breach of covenant). The amendment also clarifies what IAS 1 means when it refers to the 'settlement' of a liability.	Deferred until accounting periods starting not earlier than 1 January 2024
Amendments to IAS 1, Non-current Liabilities with Covenants	Non-current Liabilities with Covenants amends IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements. The amendments improve the information an entity provides when its right to defer settlement of a liability for at least twelve months is subject to compliance with covenants. The amendments also respond to stakeholders' concerns about the classification of such a liability as current or non-current.	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024
Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28	Sale or contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Ventures	Available for optional adoption/effective date deferred indefinitely
Amendment to IFRS 16, Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback	Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback amends IFRS 16 by adding subsequent measurement requirements for sale and leaseback transactions.	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024

5. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION

5.1 *Cash and cash equivalents*

Cash and cash equivalents consist of bank balances with local banks.

5.2 *Rent Receivables*

Rent receivables are initially measured at fair value. The fair values of rent receivable are not significantly different from the carrying values included in the financial statements. An active market is not available, and the Fund intends to realize the carrying value of these receivables through settlement with the counter parties at the time of their respective maturities.

5.3 *Investment properties*

Investment properties are Real estate assets that are held for capital appreciation and/or rental yields are recorded as investment properties. Investment properties are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, if any. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method. The cost less residual value of investment property is depreciated over the shorter of its useful life or the term of the Fund i.e., 35 years.

Residual values and useful lives of investment properties are subject to review and adjustment, as necessary, when an asset's carrying value exceeds its recoverable amount; it must be written down immediately to its recoverable amount. Capital gains result from the disposal, which arises when the selling value of an asset exceeds its carrying value, recorded in the statement of comprehensive (loss) / income.

5. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

5.4 Impairment of non-current assets

Properties are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable or every six months whichever falls earlier. An impairment loss is recognized for the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds its recoverable amount which is the higher of an asset's fair value less cost to sell and value in use. Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the property is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but the increased carrying amount should not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognized as income immediately in the statement of comprehensive (loss) / income.

5.5 Accrued expenses and other liabilities.

A provision is recognised when the Fund has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate of the amount can be made.

5.6 Rental income recognition

The Fund recognises revenue from rental contracts with customers based on a five-step model:

- Step 1. Identify the contract with a customer. A contract is defined as an agreement between two or more parties that creates enforceable rights and obligations and sets out the criteria that must be met.
- Step 2: Identify the performance obligations in the contract: A performance obligation is a promise in a contract with a customer to transfer a good or service to the customer.
- Step 3: Determine the transaction price: The transaction price is the amount of consideration to which the Fund expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring promised goods or services to a customer, excluding amounts collected on behalf of third parties.
- Step 4: Allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract: For a contract that has more than one performance obligation, the Fund will allocate the transaction price to each performance obligation in an amount that depicts the amount of consideration to which the Fund expects to be entitled in exchange for satisfying each performance obligation.
- Step 5: Recognise revenue when (or as) the entity satisfies a performance obligation.

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, considering contractually defined terms of payment. Rental income arising from operating leases on investment properties is recognized, net of discount, in accordance with the terms of leases over the lease term on a straight-line basis, except where an alternative basis is more representative of the pattern of benefits to be derived from the leased asset.

5.7 Dividend income

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive income is established. Dividends are reflected as a component of net trading income, net income from FVTPL financial instruments or other operating income based on the underlying classification of the equity instrument.

5.8 Net gain or loss on financial assets and liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss ("FVTPL")

Net gains or losses on financial assets and liabilities at FVTPL are changes in the fair value of financial assets held at FVTPL and exclude interest and dividend income and expenses.

Unrealised gains and losses comprise changes in the fair value of financial instruments for the year. Realised gains and losses on disposals of financial instruments classified as at FVTPL are calculated using the weighted average cost method. They represent the difference between an instrument's initial carrying amount and disposal amount, or cash payments or receipts made.

5. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

5.9 *Investment transactions*

Investments transactions are accounted for as of the trade date.

5.10 *Management fees and other expenses*

Management fees and other expenses are charged at rates / amounts within limits mentioned in terms and conditions of the REIT. Management fee is calculated and payable quarterly in arrears.

5.11 *Zakat*

Zakat is the obligation of the unitholders and is not provided for in the financial statements.

5.12 *Net Assets (Equity) per unit*

The equity per unit is calculated by dividing the equity attributable to unitholders included in the statement of financial position by the numbers of units outstanding at the year end.

Units in issue

The Fund has units in issue. On liquidation of the Fund, they entitle the holders to the residual net assets. They rank pari passu in all respects and have identical terms and conditions. The units provide investors with the right to require redemption for cash at a value proportionate to the investor's share in the Fund net assets in the event of the Fund's liquidation.

Units are classified as equity as it meets all of the following conditions:

- it entitles the holder to a pro rata share of the Fund's net assets in the event of the Fund's liquidation;
- it is in the class of instruments that is subordinate to all other classes of instruments;
- all financial instruments in the class of instruments that is subordinate to all other classes of instruments have identical features;
- apart from the contractual obligation for the Fund to repurchase or redeem the instrument for cash or another financial asset, the instrument does not include any other features that would require classification as a liability; and
- The total expected cash flows attributable to the instrument over its life are based substantially on the profit or loss, the change in recognized net assets or the change in the fair value of the recognized and unrecognized net assets of the Fund over the life of the instrument.

5.13 *Dividend distribution*

The REIT has a policy of distributing on annually at least 90% of its net profit, not including profit resulting from the sale of the underlying real estate assets and other investments.

5.14 *Financial instruments*

Recognition and initial measurement

Receivables from operating leases issued are initially recognized when they are originated. All other financial assets and financial liabilities are initially recognized when the Fund becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

A financial asset (unless it is a receivable from operating leases without a significant financing component) or financial liability is initially measured at fair value plus, for an item not at Fair Value Through Profit or Loss (FVTPL), transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition or issue. Receivable from operating leases without a significant financing component is initially measured at the transaction price.

5. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

A) Financial assets

Classification of financial assets

On initial recognition, a financial asset is classified as measured at amortized cost, fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) or fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL).

A financial asset is measured at amortized cost if it meets the following conditions:

- a) the financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows; and
- b) the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

A financial asset shall be measured at FVOCI if both of the following conditions are met:

- a) the financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets; and
- b) the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

A financial asset shall be measured at FVTPL unless it is measured at amortized cost or at FVOCI.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss include financial assets held for trading, financial assets designated upon initial recognition at fair value through profit or loss, or financial assets mandatorily required to be measured at fair value. Financial assets are classified as held for trading if they are acquired for the purpose of selling or repurchasing in the near term. Derivatives, including separated embedded derivatives, are also classified as held for trading unless they are designated as effective hedging instruments. Financial assets with cash flows that are not solely payments of principal and interest are classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss, irrespective of the business model. Notwithstanding the criteria for debt instruments to be classified at amortized cost or at fair value through OCI, as described above, debt instruments may be designated at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition if doing so eliminates, or significantly reduces, an accounting mismatch.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are carried in the statement of financial position at fair value with net changes in fair value recognized in the statement of profit or loss.

Subsequent measurement

The following accounting policies apply to the subsequent measurement of financial assets.

Financial assets at FVTPL	These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Net gains and losses, including any interest or dividend income, are recognized in statement of comprehensive income / (loss).
Financial assets at amortized cost	These assets are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method. The amortized cost is reduced by impairment losses. Interest income, foreign exchange gain, loss, and impairment are recognized in income statement. Any gain or loss on derecognition is recognized in statement of comprehensive income / (loss).

Reclassification

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition, except in the period within which the Fund changes its business model for managing financial assets.

5. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

Derecognition

A financial asset is derecognized when:

- the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired, or
- the Fund has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset or has assumed an obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a 'pass-through' arrangement, and either:
 - a) the Fund has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or
 - b) the Fund has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset but has transferred control of the asset.

Impairment of financial assets

Recognition of credit losses is no longer dependent on the Fund first identifying a credit loss event. Instead, the Fund considers a broader range of information when assessing credit risk and measuring expected credit losses, including past events, reasonable and supportable forecasts that affect the actual collectability of the future cash flows of the instrument.

Expected credit losses assessment:

The Fund applies IFRS 9 simplified approach for measuring expected credit losses, which uses a lifetime ECL allowance. The expected loss rates are based on the payment profiles of receivables over a period of 12 months before each reported period and corresponding historical credit losses experienced within this period. The historical loss rates are adjusted to reflect current and forward-looking information on macroeconomic factors affecting the ability of the customers to settle the receivables. The Fund has identified GDP of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (the country in which it renders the services), inflation rate to be the most relevant factor and accordingly adjusts the historical loss rates based on expected changes in these factors.

The expected loss approach divides the total loss amount modelling into the following parts: Probability of Default (PD), Loss Given Default (LGD), Exposure at Default (EAD). These are briefly described below:

Loss Given Default (LGD): This is an estimate of the loss arising on default. It is based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due and those that the lender would expect to receive, including from any collateral. It is usually expressed as a percentage of the EAD.

Probability of Default (PD): the likelihood of a default over a particular time horizon.

Exposure at Default (EAD): This is an estimate of the exposure at a future default date, considering expected changes in the exposure after the reporting date, including repayments of principal and interest, and expected drawdowns on commitment facilities.

Definition of default

In the above context, the Fund considers default when:

- the customer is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Fund in full, without recourse by the Fund to actions such as realizing collateral (if any is held by the Fund); or
- the customer is more than 360 days past due on any material credit obligation to the Fund. As the industry norm suggests that such a period fairly represents the default scenario for the Fund, this rebuts the presumption of 90 days mentioned in IFRS 9.

The carrying amount of the asset is reduced using the above model and the loss is recognized in the statement of comprehensive income / (loss). Receivables, together with the associated allowance are written off when there is no realistic prospect of future recovery, and all collateral has been realized or has been transferred to the Fund. If in a subsequent year, the amount of the estimated impairment loss increases or decreases because of an event occurring after the impairment was recognized, the previously recognized impairment loss is increased or reduced. If a write-off is later recovered, the recovery is recognized under other income in the statement of comprehensive income / (loss).

5. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

Write-off

The gross carrying amount of a financial asset is written off (either partially or in full) to the extent that there is no realistic prospect of recovery. This is generally the case when the Fund determines that the debtor does not have assets or sources of income that could generate sufficient cash flows to repay the amounts subject to the write-off.

B) Financial liabilities

All financial liabilities are recognized initially at fair value. The Fund's financial liabilities mainly include trade and other payables, related party balanced and borrowings.

Derecognition

The Fund derecognizes financial liabilities when the contractual obligations are discharged, cancelled or expired.

Modifications of financial assets and financial liabilities

Financial assets

If the terms of the financial asset are modified, the Fund evaluates whether the cash flows of the modified asset are substantially different. If the cash flows are substantially different, then the contractual rights to cash flows from the original financial asset are deemed to have expired. In this case, the original financial asset is derecognized, and a new financial asset is recognized at fair value.

If the cash flows of the modified asset carried at amortized cost are not substantially different, then the modification does not result in derecognition of the financial asset. In this case, the Fund recalculates the gross carrying amount of the financial asset and recognizes the amount adjusting the gross carrying amount as modification gain or loss in the statement of comprehensive income / (loss).

Financial liabilities

The Fund derecognizes a financial liability when its terms are modified, and the cash flows of the modified liability are substantially different. In this case, a new financial liability based on the modified terms is recognized at fair value. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability distinguished and the new financial liability with modified terms are recognized in the statement of comprehensive income / (loss).

Offsetting of financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset, and the net amount is reported in the statement of financial position if there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognized amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, to realize the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

Non-current assets classified as held for sale are presented separately and measured at the lower of their carrying amounts immediately prior to their classification as held for sale and their fair value less costs to sell. However, some held for sale assets such as financial assets, continue to be measured in accordance with the Fund's relevant accounting policy for those assets. Once classified as held for sale, the assets are not subject to depreciation or amortization.

Any profit or loss arising from the sale of a discontinued operation or its remeasurement to fair value less costs to sell is presented as part of a single line item, profit or loss from discontinued operations.

6. MANAGEMENT FEE, ADMINISTRATION FEES AND OTHER EXPENSES

On a daily basis, the Fund Manager charges the Fund, management fee at the rate of 1 percent per annum of the Fund's net assets value and is paid on a quarterly basis. The Fund Manager has temporarily suspended charging the Fund with management fees starting from 14 March 2020. Therefore, no management fees was charged during the years ended 2023, and 2022. Administration fees is charged at a rate of 0.05% per annum of the Fund's net assets value and is paid on a quarterly basis.

7. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

		31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	Note	<i>(Audited)</i>	<i>(Audited)</i>
Cash at bank	7.1	3,421,166	5,408,081
Total		3,421,166	5,408,081

7.1 Cash balances includes current accounts held with Riyadh Bank and Banque Saudi Fransi. The Fund does not earn profit on these current accounts.

8. INVESTMENTS CARRIED AT FVTPL

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	<i>(Audited)</i>	<i>(Audited)</i>
SICO Capital Money Market Fund	11,755,240	1,501,911

The following is the movement in investments during the year;

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	<i>(Audited)</i>	<i>(Audited)</i>
Cost:		
Balance at the beginning of the year	1,501,911	4,138,964
Additions during the year	10,000,000	3,289,839
Sold during the year	-	(5,137,525)
At the end of the year	11,501,911	2,291,278
Change in fair value:		
Changes in fair value during the year:	253,329	(737,053)
Realized during the year*	-	52,314
Unrealized at the end of the year	253,329	(789,367)
Net Investments at the end of the year	11,755,240	1,501,911

8.1 Other income pertains to a prior period cash balance previously written off, the write-off was reversed during the year.

9. RENT RECEIVABLE / UNEARNED RENTAL

	Notes	31 December 2023 (Audited)	31 December 2022 (Audited)
Rent receivable / (Unearned rentals) at the beginning of the year		17,967,973	(1,411,806)
Earned during the year	9.1	19,953,417	36,786,301
Received during the year		(22,107,156)	(17,406,522)
Written off during the year	9.2	(17,967,973)	-
Rent receivable / (Unearned rentals) at the end of the year		(2,153,739)	17,967,973

9.1 Timing of revenue recognition

	Notes	31 December 2023 (Audited)	31 December 2022 (Audited)
Performance obligation satisfied over time		19,953,417	36,786,301

9.2 Rent receivable write-off

The Fund had a Rent receivables balance of SAR 17.97 million with Eskan Company for Development and Investment as of 31 December 2022. The lease agreement ended on 26 December 2022 and the tenant vacated the premises after the lease agreement ended. The Fund Manager filed a legal case to recover the rent arrears and a ruling was issued in favour of the tenant. The Fund has written off the entire rent receivable balance of SAR 17.97 million accordingly.

10. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES**As of 31 December 2023:**

	<i>Notes</i>	Land	Building	Total
Cost				
Balance as of 1 January 2023		381,549,835	339,722,456	721,272,291
Additions during the year		-	-	-
Balance as of 31 December 2023		381,549,835	339,722,456	721,272,291
Accumulated Depreciation				
Balance as of 1 January 2023		-	39,535,287	39,535,287
Charge for the year	10.1	-	9,706,356	9,706,356
Balance as of 31 December 2023			49,241,643	49,241,643
Accumulated Impairment losses				
Balance as of 1 January 2023		-	136,499,004	136,499,004
Charge for the year		-	29,341,644	29,341,644
Balance as of 31 December 2023		-	165,840,648	165,840,648
Book Value as of 31 December, 2023		381,549,835	124,640,165	506,190,000

10. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (Continued)

As of 31 December 2022:

	Land	Building	Total
Cost			
Balance as of 1 January 2022	381,549,835	339,722,456	721,272,291
Additions	-	-	-
	<u>381,549,835</u>	<u>339,722,456</u>	<u>721,272,291</u>
Balance as of 31 December 2022	<u>381,549,835</u>	<u>339,722,456</u>	<u>721,272,291</u>
Accumulated Depreciation			
Balance as of 1 January 2022	-	29,828,931	29,828,931
Charge for the year	10.1	9,706,356	9,706,356
	<u>-</u>	<u>39,535,287</u>	<u>39,535,287</u>
Balance as of 31 December 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>39,535,287</u>	<u>39,535,287</u>
Accumulated Impairment losses			
Balance as of 1 January 2022	-	52,858,360	52,858,360
Charge for the year	-	83,640,644	83,640,644
	<u>-</u>	<u>136,499,004</u>	<u>136,499,004</u>
Balance as of 31 December 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>136,499,004</u>	<u>136,499,004</u>
Book Value as of 31 December 2022	<u>381,549,835</u>	<u>163,688,165</u>	<u>545,238,000</u>

Following are details of the depreciation on each of the property:

	31 December 2023 (Audited)	31 December 2022 (Audited)
Buildings		
ESKAN 4	2,493,486	2,493,486
ESKAN 5	2,404,302	2,404,302
ESKAN 6	2,021,030	2,021,030
I offices	2,787,538	2,787,538
	<u>9,706,356</u>	<u>9,706,356</u>
Balance at the end of the year	<u>9,706,356</u>	<u>9,706,356</u>

Title deeds of the investment properties are registered in the name of a Special Purpose Vehicle entity (“the SPV”), Mashaar REIT Real Estate Company, a limited liability company organised and existing under the laws of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. The Fund is beneficial owner of the properties for which title deeds are in the name of the SPV. Documents relating to properties are kept in capacity of custodian with Riyadh Capital Security Services.

Eskan 4

The property is a hospitality tower composed of 23 floors and located in Al Aziziah district, Makkah Al Mukaramah City. The property sits on a land area measuring 1,288 square meters and a total built up area of 18,053 square meters. The property generates an annual rental income of SAR 2.85 million.

Eskan 5

The property is a hospitality tower composed of 20 floors and located in Prince Abdullah Faisal district, Makkah Al Mukaramah City. The property sits on a land area measuring 1 383 square meters and a total built up area of 19,905 square meters. The property generates an annual rental income of SAR 3.21 million

Eskan 6

The property is a hospitality tower composed of 18 floors and located in Al Aziziah district, Makkah Al Mukaramah City. The property sits on a land area measuring 1,458 square meters and a total built up area of 15,201 square meters. The property generates an annual rental income of SAR 3.42 million.

10. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (Continued)**I Offices**

The property is an office building located in Al Rabie district, Riyadh city. The property sits on a land area measuring 6,156 square meters and total built up area of 23,220 square meters. The property generates an annual rental income of SAR 10.47million.

The fair value of investment property has been determined by two external and independent property valuers licensed by Taqueem i.e., White Cubes Real Estate Company and Qiam Valuation Company (2022: White Cubes Real Estate Company and Qiam Valuation Company). They are accredited independent valuers with recognised and relevant professional qualifications.

In accordance with Article 22 of the Real Estate Investments Funds Regulations issued by CMA in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the Fund Manager evaluates the Fund's assets based on an average of two evaluations prepared by independent evaluators. As set out in the terms and conditions of the Fund, net asset value declared is based on the average of the two market values obtained.

The investment properties were valued taking into consideration a number of factors, including the area and type of property and valuation techniques using significant unobservable inputs, including the financial & fragmentation plot analysis, land plus cost model, direct comparison method and discounted cash flow method.

The following table shows the valuations techniques used in determining the fair value of investment properties, as well as key unobservable inputs used in valuation models.

Measurement data of fair value according to IFRS 13 as at 31 December 2023 as follows:

White Cubes – License No. 1210000474

Properties	Valuation approach	Key inputs and valuation assumptions	Rate
Eskan 4	DRC Approach	Building cost per square meter (SAR) Average Developer Profit %	SAR 3,987/sqm 30%
Eskan 5	DRC Approach	Building cost per square meter (SAR) Average Profit Margin %	SAR 3,956/sqm 30%
Eskan 6	DRC Approach	Building cost per square meter (SAR) Average Profit Margin %	SAR 4,093/sqm 20%
I offices	Income Approach	Capitalization rate	8%

Qiam Valuation– License No. 1210000052

Properties	Valuation approach	Key inputs and valuation assumptions	Rate
Eskan 4	DCF	Discount rate	9%
Eskan 5	DCF	Discount rate	9%
Eskan 6	DCF	Discount rate	9%
I offices	DCF	Discount rate	9%

10. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (Continued)

Details of valuation reports by the independent valuers are as follows:

Property	City	Valuer	Market value	
			31 December 2023 (Audited)	31 December 2022 (Audited)
Eskan 4	Makkah Al Mukaramah	White Cubes	141,780,000	134,200,000
		Qiam Valuation	119,793,000	142,150,000
		Average	130,786,500	138,175,000
Eskan 5	Makkah Al Mukaramah	White Cubes	106,400,000	105,600,000
		Qiam Valuation	127,381,000	166,626,000
		Average	116,890,500	136,113,000
Eskan 6	Makkah Al Mukaramah	White Cubes	139,000,000	132,600,000
		Qiam Valuation	96,894,000	130,300,000
		Average	117,947,000	131,450,000
I Offices	Riyadh	White Cubes	138,000,000	137,000,000
		Qiam Valuation	143,132,000	142,000,000
		Average	140,566,000	139,500,000
Total			506,190,000	545,238,000

11. PREPAYMENT AND OTHER ASSETS

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
VAT refund	3,699,625	4,937,031
Prepayments to supplier	2,331,090	1,975,913
Other advances	130,435	97,230
	6,161,150	7,010,174

12. BORROWINGS AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES**12.1 SHORT TERM BORROWINGS:**

The Fund has obtained short term borrowings amounting to SAR 149.89 million dated 09 March 2021 from Riyadh Bank. The finance cost of facility is calculated at 3 months SAIBOR + 2.25%. The contract has a maturity of 3 months, which is renewed after every three months. The Fund is allowed under its terms and conditions to obtain loans for the acquisition of properties to achieve the objectives of the Fund. The title of the properties of the Fund are kept as a collateral against the borrowing amount. Finance cost of SAR 11.78 million (2022; SAR 6.98 million) was charged during the year and SAR 11.88 million was paid during the year (2022, SAR 7.77 million)

12. BORROWINGS AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES (Continued)**12.2 Accrued and other liabilities**

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
Accrual for litigation and claims	15,993,927	15,993,927
Other accruals	1,530,190	1,050,617
	<u>17,524,117</u>	<u>17,044,544</u>

13. OTHER EXPENSES

		31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	<i>Notes</i>	<i>(Audited)</i>	<i>(Audited)</i>
Rent receivable write-off	9.2	17,967,973	-
Legal and professional charges	13.1	36,521	15,993,927
Director Board Fees		20,000	20,000
REITs - Basic Registry Services		400,000	400,000
Admin Fee		192,936	254,510
Custodian Fees		175,000	175,000
Listing Fee		106,095	152,706
Sharia Board Fees		18,750	37,500
Audit Fees MG		47,500	35,500
Write off		1,276,681	-
Other expenses		2,063,275	2,044,697
Total		<u>22,304,731</u>	<u>19,113,840</u>

13.1 A tenant filed two legal cases against the fund to claim back the rental amounts paid for the below rental periods:

- From 27 December 2019 till 26 December 2020.
- From 27 December 2020 till 26 December 2021.
- From 27 December 2021 till 26 December 2022.

The legal courts ruled in favor of the tenant to claim back a total amount of SAR 15,993,927 through executive decisions.

14. EFFECT OF NET ASSET (EQUITY) VALUE IF INVESTMENT PROPERTIES ARE FAIR VALUED*Net asset (Equity) value:*

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
Net assets (Equity) attributable to unitholders as per the financial statements before fair value adjustment of investment property	523,798,708	546,688,959
Estimated fair value in total surplus/(impairment) of book value	(165,840,648)	(136,499,004)
Net assets (Equity) attributable to unitholders based on fair valuation of investment properties	357,958,060	410,189,955

Net asset attributable to each unit:

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
Net Assets (Equity) value per unit as per the financial statements before fair value adjustment of investment property	9.15	9.55
Increase/(decrease) in value per unit based on fair value	(2.90)	(2.38)
Net assets (Equity) attributable to each unit based on fair valuation	6.25	7.17

15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES

Related parties of the Fund include SICO Capital being the Fund Manager, (SICO Bank Bahrain, Bank Muscat being the shareholder of SICO Capital), with the underlying properties of the Fund being custodized with Riyadh Capital (being the custodian of the Funds).

The Fund is liable to pay quarterly, the management fees at an annual rate of 1% of the net assets (equity) of the Fund attributable to Unitholders for management services as set out in the Fund's terms and conditions. However, in light of the Fund manager's announcement on Tadawul to waive the charging of management fees since 15 March 2020, no management fees have been accrued during the current and prior periods.

The Fund pays fixed custodian fees of SAR 175,000 per annum, as set out in the Fund's terms and conditions and is paid quarterly.

The significant related party transactions entered into by the Fund during the year are as follows:

<u>Related Party</u>	<u>Nature</u>	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
SICO Capital	Admin fee	(192,936)	(254,510)
	Others	-	(38,176)
SICO Money Market Fund	Investment	11,755,240	1,501,911
Riyad Capital	Custodial fees	(175,000)	(175,000)

16. RISK MANAGEMENT**16.1 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT**

The REIT's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk, credit risk and liquidity risk. The REIT's overall risk management program focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimize potential adverse effects on the REIT's financial performance.

Financial instruments carried in these financial statements principally include cash and cash equivalents, rent receivable, and accrued expenses and other liabilities. Financial assets and liabilities are offset, and net amounts reported in the financial statements when the REIT has a legally enforceable right to set off the recognized amounts and intends either to settle on a net basis or to realize the asset and liability simultaneously.

16. RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)**(a) Market risk**

The REIT will be subject to the general conditions of the real estate sector in Saudi Arabia, which itself is influenced by a variety of factors such as, but not limited to the overall macroeconomic growth in the kingdom, commission rates, demand-supply, availability of financing, investor sentiment, liquidity, legal and regulatory requirement. The REIT management monitors on a regular basis the fluctuation and changes in the overall economic environment and believes that the impact of such changes is not significant to the REIT.

Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the value of financial instrument may fluctuate due to a change in foreign exchange rates. The financial instruments of the Fund i.e., bank balances, financial assets held at FVTPL, rent receivable, accrued management fee and accrued expenses and other liabilities are denominated in Saudi Arabian Riyals. Accordingly, the Fund is not exposed to any currency risk.

Price risk

Price risk is the risk that the value of Fund's financial instruments will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices caused by factors other than foreign currency and commission rate movements. The price risk arises primarily from uncertainty about the future prices of the financial instruments that the Fund holds.

The Fund closely monitors the price movement of its investment in financial instruments. As of the statement of financial position date, the Fund has investment in SICO Capital Money Market Fund.

The effect on the net assets (Equity) (as a result of change in fair value of investments as 31 December) due to a reasonably possible change in equity of FVTPL investments, with all other variables held constant, is as follows:

		31 December 2023	31 December 2022
Effect on Net Assets	±5%	587,762	75,096

Commission rate risk

Commission rate risk is the risk that the value of future cashflows of financial instruments or fair value of fixed coupon financial instruments will fluctuate due to changes in the market commission rates.

The fund has obtained short term borrowings facility during the year and is exposed to commission rate risk. The effect on the net assets (Equity) (as a result of change in finance cost as at 31 December) due to a reasonably possible change in commission rate, with all other variables held constant, is as follows:

In case there was 1% change in the commission rate:

		31 December 2023	31 December 2022
Effect on Net Assets	±1%	1,498,916	1,498,916

The Fund is not subject to commission rate risk, as it does not currently have any commission bearing financial instruments.

(b) Credit risk

The Fund is exposed to credit risk, which is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. The Fund is exposed to credit risk for its rent receivable and cash at bank.

16. RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

Its Fund's policy to enter into financial instrument contracts with reputable counterparties. The Fund seeks to limit its credit risk by monitoring credit exposures, limiting transactions with specific counterparties and continually assessing the creditworthiness of counterparties. The credit quality of the Fund's bank balance is assessed with reference to external credit ratings. The bank balances along with credit ratings are tabulated below.

Rating of Financial Institution	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
Cash at bank		
BBB+	2,631,325	5,405,776
A-	789,841	2,305
	<u>3,421,166</u>	<u>5,408,081</u>

The measurement category and the carrying amount of financial assets in accordance with IFRS 9 are as follows:

	Measurement category	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
Investments carried at FVTPL	FVTPL	11,755,240	1,501,911
		<u>11,755,240</u>	<u>1,501,911</u>

The following table shows maximum exposure to credit risk for the components of the statement of financial position.

	<i>Note</i>	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
Cash and cash equivalents	7	3,421,166	5,408,081
Rent Receivable		-	17,967,973

(c) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund may encounter difficulty in generating funds to meet commitments associated with financial liabilities which comprises of short-term borrowings and other liabilities. The Fund is a closed-ended fund and further to subscribing to the Fund's units during the offering period, no sales and purchase of units are permitted unless specifically approved by CMA.

The remaining contractual maturities at the reporting date of the Fund's financial liabilities consisting of accrued management and accrued expenses and other liabilities are all due as follows:

31 December 2023	Carrying amount	Up to three months	More than 3 months and up to one year	More than one year
Short term borrowings	149,891,640	149,891,640	-	-
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	17,524,117	17,524,117	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	<u>167,415,757</u>	<u>167,415,757</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

16. RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

31 December 2022	Carrying amount	Up to three months	More than 3 months and up to one year	More than one year
Short term borrowings	149,891,640	149,891,640	-	-
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	17,044,544	17,044,544	-	-
	<u>166,936,184</u>	<u>166,936,184</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

(d) Operational risk

Operational risk is the risk of direct or indirect loss arising from a variety of causes associated with the processes, technology and infrastructure supporting the Fund's activities either internally or externally at the Fund's service provider and from external factors other than credit, liquidity, currency and market risks such as those arising from the legal and regulatory requirements.

The Fund's objective is to manage operational risk so as to balance limiting of financial losses and damage to its reputation with achieving its investment objective of generating returns to unitholders.

16.2 FAIR VALUE ESTIMATION

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Fund uses the following hierarchy for determining and disclosing the fair value of financial instruments:

- Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date;
- Level 2 inputs are inputs other than the quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3 inputs are observable inputs for the asset or liability.

As of December 31, 2023, and 2022 the Fund's financial instruments comprise cash and cash equivalent, Investment carried at fair value through profit and loss, rent receivable, accrued management fee and accrued expenses and other liabilities. Except for Investments carried at fair value through profit or loss, all the financial instruments are measured at amortised cost and their carrying value is a reasonable approximate of fair value.

The following table shows the carrying amounts and fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities, including their levels in the fair value hierarchy for financial instruments.

31 December 2023	Carrying value	Fair Value			Total
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
<u>Financial assets measured at fair value</u>					
Investments carried at Fair Value Through Profit or Loss (FVTPL)	11,755,240	11,755,240	-	-	11,755,240
31 December 2022	Carrying value	Level 1	Fair Value Level 2	Level 3	Total
<u>Financial assets measured at fair value</u>					
Investments carried at Fair Value Through Profit or Loss (FVTPL)	1,501,911	1,501,911	-	-	1,501,911

17. SEGMENT REPORTING

The Fund has invested in four real estate investment properties in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. As it is invested in a single industry sector and in a single country, no segment information has been presented.

18. DIVIDEND DISTRIBUTION

There is no dividend distribution for the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: SAR 8,586,000 was paid to unitholders).

19. ZAKAT

The Ministry of Finance, through Ministerial Resolution No. (29791) dated 9 Jumada-al-Awwal 1444 H (which corresponds to December 3, 2022), has approved the Zakat Rules for Investment Funds that are permitted by the CMA. These rules take effect from January 1, 2023, and require Investment Funds to register with the Zakat, Tax, and Customs Authority (ZATCA). The Rules also mandate Investment Funds to submit a zakat information declaration to ZATCA within 120 days after the end of their fiscal year, which should include audited financial statements, records of related party transactions, and any other data requested by ZATCA. According to the Rules, Investment Funds are not subject to Zakat if they do not engage in unstipulated economic or investment activities as per their CMA-approved Terms and Conditions. The Zakat collection will be applied to the Fund's Unitholders. During the current year, the Fund Manager has completed the registration of the Fund with ZATCA and will be submitting the zakat information declaration as required.

20. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING DATE

As of the date of approval of these financial statements, there have been no significant subsequent events requiring disclosure to or adjustment in these financial statements.

21. LAST VALUATION DAY

The last valuation day of the year was at 31 December 2023.

22. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements were approved by the Fund's Board on 27 March 2024 (Corresponding to 17 Ramadan, 1445H).



SHARIYAH
REVIEW BUREAU

SICO SAUDI REIT FUND

SHARI'A AUDIT REPORT

1st January 2023 – 31st December 2023

SHARIA ADVISOR LICENSED BY
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Part 1: Preface

1. Introduction

This report has been prepared after conducting Shari'a Audit ("Audit") for SICO Saudi REIT Fund ("The Fund") Managed by SICO Capital covering the period from 1st January 2023 till 31st December 2023. In accordance with the agreed-upon scope of work, our responsibility as Shari'a Auditors for the Fund includes carrying out Audit on the Fund, the pertinent activities, systematic controls, and operations in place for the Fund based on the Shari'a directives and guidelines issued by the Fund's Shari'a Committee ("SC").

2. Standards and Guidelines

The Audit was conducted in light of the Shari'a guidelines issued by The Fund's SC while taking in consideration the Shari'a standards issued by Accounting and Auditing Organization for Islamic Financial Institutions ("AAOIFI").

3. Responsibility

The Fund Manager is responsible for ensuring that the financial arrangements, contracts, and transactions having Shari'a implications, entered into with its customers, other financial institutions, and stakeholders and related policies, procedures, and systems are, in substance and their legal form, in compliance with the requirements of Shari'a rules and principles laid down by the SC. The Fund Managers is also responsible for:

- > Design, implementation, and maintenance of appropriate internal Shari'a control procedures with respect to such compliance and maintenance of relevant Product documents approved by the SC, internal control manuals, and Islamic accounting records;
- > Prevention and detection of fraud and breaches in Shari'a Compliance for identifying and ensuring that The Fund complies with SC requirements, laws, and regulations applicable to its activities;
- > Arranging training and/or orientation programs on Islamic finance for the staff and appropriate training programs for senior executives to improve their understanding and general acumen in Islamic finance;
- > Arranging programs on a regular basis for orienting and sensitizing the key executives about the business utility and importance of enabling Shari'a compliance environment and the key distinguishing features of Sharia compliant Funds vis- à -vis conventional Fund;
- > Providing us with access to all information of which you are aware that is relevant to The Fund's compliance with the Shari'a rules and principles such as the Financial statements, the list of the investments, records, source documentation, and other matters, additional information that we may request for the purpose of the engagement; and unrestricted access to persons within The management of the Fund from whom we determine it necessary to obtain evidence.

4. Procedures Performed

The procedures selected by us for the Shari'a Audit and the factual findings resulting therefrom with respect to each of the aspects covered in this report depended on our judgment.

Because of the inherent limitations in any control environment, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Our engagement cannot ensure that errors, fraud, or other illegal acts, if present, will be detected; in the case where we detect any fraud or red flags, we will escalate the issue to the audit committee. Our procedures have not been planned or conducted in contemplation of reliance by any third party or with respect to any specific transaction. Therefore, items of possible interest to a third party have not been specifically

addressed, and matters may exist that would be assessed differently by a third party. Accordingly, our report should not be provided to a third party without our prior written consent. Such consent will be granted on the basis that such reports are not prepared for the use or benefit of anyone other than the Fund Manager.

5. Scope of Work

The Audit included reviewing the operations and activities of the Fund including the examination of the related transactions to ensure that they are conducted in accordance with the guidelines and pertinent controls approved by the SC.

6. Sampling Methodology

Our sampling methodology is based on the likelihood and Shari’a risk involved in the investments or a particular product; where likelihood and Shari’a risk are high, the sampling will be increased accordingly.

Population	Likelihood	Shari’a Risk	Samples Percentage
1 to 100	High	High	100%
	High	Medium	75%
	Medium	High	50%
	Medium	Medium	25%
	Low	Low	10%
101 to 300	High	High	50%
	High	Medium	50%
	Medium	High	25%
	Medium	Medium	20%
	Low	Low	10%
301 to 1000	High	High	25%
	High	Medium	25%
	Medium	High	20%
	Medium	Medium	15%
	Low	Low	10%
1001 and above	High	High	10%
	High	Medium	10%
	Medium	High	5%
	Medium	Medium	1%
	Low	Low	0.10%

7. Objectives and Notes

The report's main objective is to evaluate the products and control procedures relating to Shari'a compliance and operations of the Fund in light of Shari'a directives and guidelines issued by the SC. This work is not primarily directed towards the discovery of weaknesses (other than those which would influence us in forming such a view) or the detection of fraud and should not, therefore, be relied upon to show that no other weaknesses exist. Accordingly, our Shari'a Audit would not necessarily allow us to identify all possible improvements that a more exhaustive systems review might develop. Our observations contained herein are of three types:

Observations on the Shari'a compliance environment of the Fund

These observations aim to assess the internal Shari'a supervisory system of The Fund and to improve the level of compliance in accord with the Shari'a standards and guidelines of the SC and to ensure that policies and procedures were designed in line with SC and other regulatory directives.

Observations on the operations of the Fund

The purpose of these observations is to review the Shari'a control systems of the departments making up The Fund, which aims to ensure work within these departments is in accordance with the policies and procedures that govern its activities and that the different departments complement each other to better comply with the approved Shari'a standards and guidelines.

Observations on the executed investment of the Fund

These observations are a result of the Audit procedures carried out on the Shari'a compliant Fund. They exhibit shortcomings in implementing and executing such investments in light of the directives approved by the SC.

8. Ratings

The issues identified have been graded based on our assessment of possible risks on the Shari'a Compliant Investment of the Fund. The ratings used in this Audit report are explained in the table below:

Observation Category	Risk Rating
High/serious impact on Shari'a compliance, the achievement of its objectives or serious implications on general/controls or adherence to internal Shari'a directives or applicable external Shari'a compliance requirements (such as AAOIFI, IFSB etc.).	High
Moderate impact on the overall position of Shari'a compliance or significant implications on general/ controls or adherence to internal Shari'a directives or applicable external Shari'a compliance requirements (such as AAOIFI, IFSB etc.).	Moderate
When an absence, weakness or deficiency in Shari'a controls exists, that has or could have a limited/low impact on the immediate or future performance of Shari'a compliance but still requires attention.	Low

9. Confidentiality

This report's contents are strictly confidential and are being submitted to the management of the Fund and are not to be distributed to the departments not involved in the Audit process or which do not have the authority to respond to the observations made hereunder.

Part 2: Observations

I. Observations On the Environment of The Shari'a Compliance

The Shari'a control environment requires The Fund Manager to ensure that key organs must maintain and administer Shari'a compliance, including the oversight mechanism, internal Shari'a audit, and enforcement of SC's directives by executive management are operative and effectively undertaking their respective functions. Considering the above, we are pleased with the Fund's level of compliance in accordance with the Shari'a standards and guidelines of the SC by the Fund Manager.

II. Observations on the Fund Operations:

We have reviewed the financial statements and operations of The Fund for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023 in accordance with agreed-upon Shari'ah guidelines and no observations were found.



Appendix I

Assumptions

Our Shari'a Audit is based upon the assumption that:

- > All signatures and seals on all documents reviewed by us are genuine, all documents provided to us as certified copy or copy documents (whether provided in hard copy or electronically) are complete and conform to the originals approved by the Shari'a Committee, and all documents submitted to us as originals are genuine and complete and all translations are accurate translations of the original text thereof;
- > All documents examined by us are and remain up-to-date and effective and have not been amended or supplemented;
- > Neither the Fund nor its division is carrying out activities that breach guidelines issued by the relevant central authority or other competent authority in the country;
- > The documents which we have examined and audited, and on which we base this report, are in the form in which the documents were executed;
- > Any translated document that we have reviewed is an accurate translation of the original text thereof;
- > Each statement of fact made to us by or on behalf of the Fund or any of its employees or otherwise contained in the audited documents remains true, complete, and accurate in all material respects;