

Annual Report 2020

Izdihar China Equity Fund

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I. Investment Fund Information

- 1) **Fund Name** Izdihar China Equity Fund
- 2) **Investment Objective, policies and practices**

The Fund aims to achieve long-term capital growth through investment in the equities listed in the Chinese market. The assets of the Fund are invested primarily through investment in Nomura fund. The benchmark of the fund is MSCI China Index.

The Fund follows a disciplined investment approach that focuses on sector and stock fundamentals and valuation levels. In addition, the Fund follows a research focused investment style and invests in a blend of value and growth stocks. Furthermore, the fund operates within a strong compliance and risk management environment.
- 3) **Distribution of income and gain policy**

The fund does not make cash distributions.
- 4) Please note that the fund's reports are available upon request free of charge.

II. Fund Performance

1)

(Amounts in USD)	2018	2019	2020
a) Net Asset Value (31 December)	16,319,932	18,642,560	20,205,971
b) Net Asset Value per Unit (31 December)	23.43	28.76	36.46
c) Highest NAV / Unit	33.66	28.88	36.21
Lowest NAV / Unit	23.24	22.86	22.99
d) Number of Units in Issue (31 December)	696,536	648,155	554,203
e) Income Distribution per Unit – Gross	N/A	N/A	N/A
Income Distribution per Unit – Net	N/A	N/A	N/A
f) Expense Ratio %	0.06%	0.16%	0.28%

2)

	1 year	3 years	5 years	Since inception
a) Total Return %	25.43	22.84	61.70	262.17

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
b) Annual Total Return %	-20.37	15.47	3.12	5.14	-7.85	-5.98	40.01	-20.53	23.24	25.43

c) Fees and Expenses	2020 (USD)
Management fees	197,644
Dealing fees	0
Other expenses paid*	56,075
Total expenses	253,719
Total Expense Ratio	1.26%

Note: *For detailed table of other expenses paid refer to the financial disclosures section of the Fund's terms and conditions
The Fund manager has neither waived nor given any rebate of fees during the year.

- d) Basis for calculating the performance data and assumptions used are consistently applied.

- 3) There were no material changes that occurred during the period that affected the performance of the fund.
- 4) **Annual voting practices:** Samba Capital, as a representative of the securities owned by Izdihar China Equity Fund, did not attend any annual general meetings during the year. The voting right policy is available on Samba Capital website. (Website link : www.sambacapital.com)
- 5) **Fund Board Annual Report**

The Fund Board of Izdihar China Equity Fund is pleased to present its annual report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2020.

Performance Overview

On the last valuation day the Fund's unit price stood at USD 36.21 as of the end of 2020 as compared to USD 28.87 as of December 31st, 2019. The Fund's return for 2020 was 25.4% while the benchmark returned 25.6% for the same period.

Economic and Market Overview

GCC equities ended 2020 with a decline on the back of worries from COVID-19 impact on their economies. The GCC markets top performer was the Qatar Exchange Index (0.1%) followed by Abu Dhabi General Index (-0.6%). On the other hand, the bottom performer in the GCC markets was the Dubai Financial Market General Index (-9.9%) followed by the Muscat Securities MSM 30 Index (-8.2%).

Topics discussed and Resolutions (if any)

The Fund Board has performed its duties and responsibilities as per the Fund's terms and conditions. The Board has held two meetings, which took place on June 29, 2020 and December 15, 2020. Following were the items discussed and decisions that were taken during the fund board meetings held in 2020:

Approved resolutions

- Approved the Financial Statements of the Fund, fund interim and annual reports.
- Approved the renewal of material contracts.
- Approved the changes to the terms and conditions of the fund and confirming compliance with Investment Fund Regulations and the Terms and Conditions.
- Approved the renewal of fund's auditor.
- Approved written policy regarding voting rights related to the Fund's Assets.

Topics discussed

- Review of SC funds' and Peers' funds' performance, market outlook, Cash level, AUM and asset allocation.
- Review of achievement of Fund objectives, policies and limitations in line with T&Cs in order to ensure that the Fund Manager carries out its obligations in the best interest of the unitholders.
- Related party disclosures.
- Review and approval of conflicts of interests disclosed by the Fund Manager.
- The number of funds supervised by the board.

Other

- Two Separate meetings with the Compliance officer & MLRO of Samba Capital were held where the Board has been updated on the following observations raised by CMA inspection during the years 2019 & 2020. Samba Capital has undertaken the CAPs covering its investment funds as applicable:
 - Custody appointment.
 - The GCC accounts opening is in process by the HSBC custodian and progressing steadily.
 - The required additional docs were signed by SC CEO and sent to HSBC custodian and presented to the Exchange. It remains to open accounts for unitholders from Qatar, as work is being done with Tadawul Qatar to find a legal solution to open accounts.
 - Account Opening Agreement for clients holding units in SC investment Funds (Creation of new serial of investment accounts) (Asked for extension from CMA till Q2/2021)
 - Investment breach in Al-Razeen USD occurred due to client redemption (organic breach).
 - CMA letter addressed to SC Chairman is received which concludes the findings as follows:
 - ✓ Delay in Notifying CMA with Fund's Board Member Resignation - Non-Compliance with Article 38 (h)(1) of the IFR.
 - ✓ Absence of fund limit breach notification to the Authority - Non-Compliance with Article 52 (b) of the IFR
 - ✓ Absence of fund limit breach Notification to Compliance - Non-Compliance with Article 52 (c) of the IFR
 - ✓ Lapse in Unitholders Suitability - Non-Compliance with Article 43 (a) of the APR.
 - The fund manager has provided all the information to the Fund board members to carry out its duties.

III. Fund Manager

1) Name and address of the Fund Manager:

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2) Names and addresses of sub-manager and/or investment adviser (if any):

The sub-manager of the Fund:
NOMURA Asset Management UK Limited
Nomura House, 1 St. Martin's-le-Grand, London, EC1A 4NT
The Fund does not have an investment adviser.

3) Review of the investment activities during the period:

The Fund's activities were carried out as per the Fund's investment objective, Fund's terms and conditions guidelines, and applicable rules and regulations. Moreover, the Fund continued to maintain an adequate levels of diversification while endeavoring to achieve its investment objective and complying with internal limits as well as regulatory guidelines.

4) Investment fund's performance during the period:

Izdihar China Equity Fund's 2020 return was 25.43% while its benchmark, MSCI China Index, returned 25.57%. The performance of the Fund is presented below:

Cumulative returns	Izdihar China Equity Fund Return %	Benchmark Return % (MSCI China Index)
1 year	25.43	25.57
3 year	22.84	21.69
5 year	61.70	82.06
Since inception	262.17	334.08

5) Details of any changes on the Terms and Conditions, Memorandum of Information or documents of the fund during the period:

Below were the changes made to the fund's terms and conditions during the year 2020:

Changes	Details
Fund board member Resignation Mr. Mohammed Jazzar	Clause 10 of IM : Delete Mr. Mohammed Jazzar from the fund board members in section 10 of IM
Fund board member Resignation Mr. Saleh Al-Sugair	Clause 10 of IM : Delete Mr. Saleh Al-Sugair from the fund board members in section 10 of IM
Appointing fund board member Mr. Ammar Bakheet	Clause 10 of IM : Appointing Mr. Ammar Bakheet as fund board member in section 10 of IM
Appointing fund board member Mr. Abdulaziz Al-Khurayef	Clause 10 of IM : Appointing Mr. Abdulaziz Al-Khurayef as fund board member in section 10 of IM
Appointing fund board member Mr. Syed Taj Ahmad	Clause 10 of IM : Appointing Mr. Syed Taj Ahmad as fund board member in section 10 of IM
Fund board member Resignation Mr. Irfan Said	Clause 10 of IM : Delete Mr. Irfan Said from the fund board members in section 10 of IM
Appointing fund board member Mr. Ali Al-Hawas	Clause 10 of IM : Appointing Mr. Ali Al-Hawas as fund board member in section 10 of IM
Adjust the VAT in T&Cs and IM	Adjust the VAT from 5% to 15% in T&Cs and IM
Adding the part contain the ability of return part or all the management fees to any of Unitholder	The possibility of returning part or all of the fund's management fees to any of the unitholders during the period of their holding of the units in the fund ,was added in the information memorandum, paragraph 17 b
Adjust the VAT in T&Cs and IM	Amend the VAT from 5% to become in writing (Value added tax) instead of 15% in T&Cs and IM

Note: These changes were duly approved by the Fund Board, CMA and unitholders were informed by notifications.

- 6) Samba Capital has included all necessary information that would enable unitholders to make an informed judgment about the fund's activities during the period.**
- 7) Izdihar China Equity Fund has invested in Nomura Funds Ireland PLC – China Fund - Class I during 2020.**

8) No special commission was received by the fund manager during the period.

9) Others:

- There have been no conflict of interest situation that required the fund board's approval in 2020.
- Samba Capital has not invested in Izdihar China Equity Fund during 2020.
- The ratio of aggregate fees for the year 2020 to the average net asset value is presented in section II.
- Unit price announcement delay.

IV. Custodian

1) Name and address of custodian:

HSBC SAUDI ARABIA
7267 Olaya Al Morooj, Riyadh 12283-2255, KSA

2) Brief description of the duties and responsibilities of custodian: they include but are not limited to settlement of cash, settlement of trades, transfer of shares, maintaining corporate actions, printing confirmation for reconciliation, taking custody of assets of the Fund managed by Samba Capital.

3) Samba Capital has:

- Issued, transferred and redeemed the units in accordance with the provisions of the Investment Funds Regulations and the Fund's terms and conditions.
- Valued and calculated the price of units in accordance with the provisions of the Investment Funds Regulations, the Fund's terms and conditions and the information memorandum.
- Not breached any of the investment restrictions, limitations and borrowing powers applicable to the Investment Fund Regulations.

V. Auditor

1) Name and address of auditor :

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2) The Auditor's opinion is: "

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Samba China Opportunities Fund (Al Izdihar) (the "Fund") as at December 31, 2020, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), that are endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and other standards and pronouncement issued by the Saudi Organization for Certified Public Accountants ("SOCPA").

For more details, please refer to the Auditor's report in attachment (Appendix I)

VI. Financial Statements

Financial statements prepared as per the SOCPA standards are presented in Appendix-1 with signed independent auditor's report.

Disclaimer:

Samba Capital is authorized by the Capital Market Authority. Samba Capital does not guarantee the performance of any investment. The value of an investment in the Fund is variable and may increase or decrease. The Fund could be subject to high volatility due to the composition of its investments. The Fund's past performance or the Benchmark's past performance is not necessarily a guide or predictor of the Fund's future performance. There is no guarantee to the unit holders that the Fund's absolute performance or its performance relative to the Benchmark will be repeated or similar to the previous performance. The prices or value or income of the units of the Fund may decrease and the investor may get back less than the amount invested. The income of the Fund from investment in securities may fluctuate and a part of the capital invested may be used to pay that income. The Fund invests in foreign currency denominated securities and therefore is exposed to foreign exchange risk that may have an adverse effect on the price, value or income of the Fund. Investment in investment funds is not a deposit with any bank. Investors may be exposed to loss of funds when investing in investment funds. The Fund Manager is not obliged to accept the redemption request of the units at the value of the offering. The value of the units and their revenues are subject to fluctuations. The investment may not be suitable for all recipients of the advertisement; Samba Capital recommends that if they have any doubts, they should seek advice from their investment adviser. Fees and charges apply as per Terms and Conditions. Please refer to the T&Cs for more details on the risks involved while investing in the Fund. To obtain a copy of the T&Cs, information memorandum, fund reports to unitholders and financial statements, please visit our website www.sambacapital.com or call 800 755 7000 or visit your nearest Samba Capital investment center. Samba Capital or its affiliates may invest into the Fund and has or may have a position or holding in the securities concerned or in related securities. Samba Capital also carries on other independent securities business such as Corporate Finance, Investment Banking, Brokerage and Principal Investment. Samba Capital or its affiliates may be provide or may have provided in the past 12 months, significant advice or securities business services to the issuers of securities, in which the Fund may invest from time to time or of related securities.

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Appendix-1 (Financial Statements)

**IZDIHAR CHINA EQUITY FUND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended December 31, 2020

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Independent auditor's report to the unitholders and the Fund Manager of Izdihar China Equity Fund

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Our opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Izdihar China Equity Fund (the "Fund") as at December 31, 2020, 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 issued by the Saudi Organization for Certified Public Accountants ("SOCPA").

What we have audited

The Fund's financial statements comprise:

- the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2020;
- the statement of comprehensive income for the year then ended;
- the statement of changes in equity attributable to unitholders for the year then ended;
- the statement of cash flows for the year then ended; and
- the notes to the financial statements, which include significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

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 believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence

We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the code of professional conduct and ethics, endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

Responsibilities of the Fund Manager and those charged with governance for the financial statements

The Fund Manager 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 issued by SOCPA, and the applicable provisions of the Investment Fund Regulations issued by the Capital Market Authority, and the Fund's terms and conditions and the Information Memorandum, and for such internal control as the Fund Manager 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, the Fund Manager 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 the Fund Manager either intends to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Board of Directors are responsible for overseeing the Fund's financial reporting process.

Independent auditor's report to the unitholders and the Fund Manager of Izdihar China Equity Fund (continued)

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 scepticism 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 Manager's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Fund Manager.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of Fund Manager'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.
- 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.

PricewaterhouseCoopers



Bader I. Benmohareb
License Number 471

April 6, 2021
(Sha'aban 24, 1442H)



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
 As at December 31, 2020 and 2019

	<i>Notes</i>	2020 USD	2019 USD
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents		68,075	30,870
Investments at fair value through income statement (FVIS)	4	20,312,484	18,758,318
Other receivables		75,000	-
TOTAL ASSETS		20,455,559	18,789,188
LIABILITIES			
Redemptions payable		86,838	5,775
Management fee payable	5	56,117	50,515
Other liabilities		106,633	90,338
TOTAL LIABILITIES		249,588	146,628
EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS		20,205,971	18,642,560
Units in issue		554,203	648,155
Per unit value		USD 36.46	USD 28.76

The accompanying notes 1 to 11 form an integral part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Year Ended December 31, 2020 and 2019

	<i>Notes</i>	2020 USD	2019 USD
INVESTMENT INCOME			
Gain on investment at FVIS, net	6	4,362,165	3,853,353
Special commission income		84	70
TOTAL INCOME		4,362,249	3,853,423
EXPENSES			
Management fee	5	197,644	190,764
Others		56,075	30,293
TOTAL EXPENSES		253,719	221,057
NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR		4,108,530	3,632,366
Other comprehensive income		-	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR		4,108,530	3,632,366

The accompanying notes 1 to 11 form an integral part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS
 Year Ended December 31, 2020 and 2019

	2020 USD	2019 USD
EQUITY AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR	18,642,560	16,319,932
CHANGES FROM OPERATIONS		
Total comprehensive income for the year	4,108,530	3,632,366
CHANGES FROM UNIT TRANSACTIONS		
Proceeds from units sold	1,714,966	546,314
Value of units redeemed	(4,260,085)	(1,856,052)
Net change from unit transactions	(2,545,119)	(1,309,738)
EQUITY AT THE END OF THE YEAR	20,205,971	18,642,560

UNIT TRANSACTIONS

Transactions in units for the year are summarised as follows:

	2020 Units	2019 Units
UNITS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR	648,155	696,536
Units sold	57,997	20,332
Units redeemed	(151,949)	(68,713)
Net change in units	(93,952)	(48,381)
UNITS AT THE END OF THE YEAR	554,203	648,155

The accompanying notes 1 to 11 form an integral part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year Ended December 31, 2020 and 2019

	<i>Note</i>	2020 USD	2019 USD
OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Net income for the year		4,108,530	3,632,366
Adjustment for:			
Unrealised gain on investment at FVIS	6	(4,500,566)	(3,982,993)
		(392,036)	(350,627)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Investment at FVIS, net		2,946,400	1,654,641
Other receivables		(75,000)	10,000
Management fee payable		5,602	1,862
Other liabilities		16,295	17,479
Net cash generated from operating activities		2,501,261	1,333,355
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from units sold		1,714,966	546,314
Value of units redeemed, net		(4,179,022)	(1,850,277)
Net cash used in financing activities		(2,464,056)	(1,303,963)
NET CHANGES IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		37,205	29,392
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		30,870	1,478
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE YEAR		68,075	30,870

The accompanying notes 1 to 11 form an integral part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year Ended December 31, 2020 and 2019

1 GENERAL

Izdihar China Equity Fund (the Fund) is an open-ended investment fund designed for investors seeking long term capital growth. The assets of the Fund are invested primarily in Chinese Equities through investment in Nomura funds. All income is reinvested in the Fund and reflected in the unit price.

The Fund is managed by Samba Capital & Investment Management Company (the Manager), a wholly owned subsidiary of Samba Financial Group (the Bank). The books and records of the fund are maintained in US Dollars (USD).

Nomura Funds Ireland - China Fund charges management fee calculated at an annual rate of 1% (2019: 1%), which is reflected in the unit price.

2 REGULATING AUTHORITY

The Fund is governed by the Investment Fund Regulations (the Regulations) published by the Capital Market Authority (CMA) in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on 3 Dhul Hijja 1427H (corresponding to December 24, 2006) as amended by the resolution of the CMA Board on 16 Sha'aban 1437H (corresponding to May 23, 2016).

3 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the periods presented, unless otherwise stated.

3.1 Basis of preparation

These financial statements of the Fund have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and other standards and pronouncement issued by the Saudi Organization for Certified Public Accountants ("SOCPA").

Functional and presentation currency

Items included in these financial statements are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Fund operates (the "functional currency"). These financial statements are presented in US Dollar ("USD") which is the Fund's functional and presentation currency.

Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention modified to include the measurement at fair value of investments at fair value through income statement (FVIS). Assets and liabilities are presented in order of liquidity.

3.2 Use of estimates in the preparation of the financial statements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS as endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia requires the use of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of any contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Although these estimates are based on management's best knowledge of current events and actions, actual results ultimately may differ from those estimates.

The measurement of the Expected Credit Loss (ECL) allowance for financial assets measured at amortised cost is an area that requires the use of complex models and significant assumptions about future economic conditions and credit behavior.

A number of significant judgments are also required in applying the accounting requirements for measuring 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 a group of similar financial assets for the purposes of measuring ECL.

The impact of ECL on the net assets of the Fund is insignificant as the substantial exposure of the Fund is held at FVIS as at the reporting date.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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3 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**3.3 Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents as referred to in the statement of cash flows comprise current accounts with Bank.

3.4 Financial instruments**3.4.1 Measurement methods****Initial recognition and measurement**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Fund becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. The Fund records its investments on a 'trade date' basis.

At initial recognition, the Fund measures a financial asset or financial liability at its fair value plus or minus, in the case of a financial asset or financial liability not at FVIS, transaction costs that are incremental and directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of the financial asset or financial liability, such as fees and commissions. Transaction costs of financial assets and financial liabilities carried at FVIS are expensed in the statement of comprehensive income. Immediately after initial recognition, an ECL allowance is recognised for financial assets measured at amortised cost, as described in Note 3.5, which results in an accounting loss being recognised in the statement of comprehensive income when an asset is newly originated. The financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost unless it has been designated at FVIS.

3.4.2 Classification and measurement of financial assets at FVIS**Equity instruments**

Equity instruments are instruments that meet the definition of equity from the issuer's perspective; that is, instruments that do not contain a contractual obligation to pay and that evidence a residual interest in the issuer's net assets.

The Fund classifies its financial assets at FVIS. The Fund subsequently measures all equity investments at FVIS, except where the Manager has elected, at initial recognition, to irrevocably designate an equity investment at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI). The Fund's policy is to designate equity investments as FVOCI when those investments are held for purposes other than to trade. When this election is used, fair value gains and losses are recognised in other comprehensive income (OCI) and are not subsequently reclassified to the statement of comprehensive income, including on disposal. Impairment losses (and reversal of impairment losses) are not reported separately from other changes in fair value. Dividends, when representing a return on such investments, continue to be recognised in the statement of comprehensive income when the Fund's right to receive payments is established.

3.5 Impairment of financial assets

The Fund assesses on a forward-looking basis the ECL associated with its financial assets carried at amortised cost. The Fund recognises a loss allowance for such losses at each reporting date. The measurement of ECL reflects:

- An unbiased and probability-weighted amount that is determined by evaluating a range of possible outcomes;
- The time value of resources; and
- Reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort at the reporting date about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions.

The Fund does not have significant assets carried at amortised cost and the impact of ECL on the net assets in respect of these assets is not significant at the reporting date.

3 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)***3.6 De-recognition of financial instruments***

A financial asset is derecognized, when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or the asset is transferred and the transfer qualifies for de-recognition. In instances where the Fund is assessed to have transferred a financial asset, the asset is derecognized if the Fund has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership. Where the Fund has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership, the financial asset is derecognized only if the Fund has not retained control of the financial asset. The Fund recognizes separately as assets or liabilities any rights and obligations created or retained in the process.

A financial liability is derecognized only when it is extinguished, that is when the obligation specified in the contract is either discharged, cancelled or expires.

3.7 Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into Saudi Riyals, which is the functional and presentation currency of the Fund, at the rates of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the statement of financial position date are translated at the rates of exchange ruling at that date. Resulting exchange gains and losses, if any, are taken to the statement of comprehensive income.

3.8 Offsetting

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Fund currently has a legally enforceable right to set off the amounts and it intends either to settle them on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

3.9 Accrued expenses and other payables

Accrued expenses and other payables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost.

3.10 Redeemable units

The net asset value (equity) of the Fund's portfolio is determined on Monday and Wednesday (Valuation Day) of each week's closing prices. The unit price is calculated by subtracting the liabilities from the total assets value, then dividing the equity by the number of units outstanding on a Valuation Day.

The Fund classifies its redeemable units as an equity instrument, if the redeemable units have all of the following features:

- It entitles the holder to a pro rata share of the Fund's net assets in the event of the Fund's liquidation.
- The instrument is in the class of instruments that is subordinate to all other classes of instruments.
- All financial instruments in the class of instruments that are subordinate to all other classes of instruments have identical features.
- The instrument does not include any contractual obligation to deliver cash or another financial asset other than the holder's rights to a pro rata share of the Fund's net assets.
- The total expected cash flows attributable to the instrument over the life of the instrument are based substantially on the income statement, the change in the recognised net assets or the change in the fair value of the recognised and unrecognised net assets of the Fund over the life of the instrument.

The Fund's redeemable units meet the definition of puttable instruments classified as equity instruments under IFRS and accordingly, are classified as equity instruments.

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3 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**3.11 Revenue recognition**

Realised gains and losses on sale of investments are determined on a weighted average cost basis. Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive dividends is established. Special commission income, if any, is recognised on an effective yield basis.

3.12 Provisions

Provisions are recognized when the Fund has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

3.13 Zakat and income tax

Zakat and income tax is the obligation of the unit holders and is not provided for in these financial statements.

3.14 Accounting standards effective during the year

The International Accounting Standard Board (IASB) has issued following accounting standards, amendments which were effective from January 1, 2020 but does not have significant impact on the financial statements of the Fund.

- Amendments to IFRS 3: Definition of a Business
- Amendments to IAS 1 and IAS 8: Definition of Material
- Amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39 and IFRS 7: Interest Rate Benchmark Reform

3.15 Accounting standards issued but not yet effective

The International Accounting Standard Board (IASB) has issued following accounting standards, amendments which were effective from period on or after January 1, 2021. The Fund has opted not to early adopt these pronouncements and they do not have a significant impact on the financial statements of the Fund.

- Amendment to IFRS 16, 'Leases' – Covid-19 related rent concessions.
- Amendments to IFRS 17 and IFRS 4, 'Insurance contracts', deferral of IFRS 9.
- Amendments to IFRS 7, IFRS 4 and IFRS 16 Interest Rate Benchmark Reform – Phase 2.
- Amendments to IAS 1, 'Presentation of financial statements' on classification of liabilities.
- A number of narrow-scope amendments to IFRS 3, IAS 16, IAS 17 and some annual improvements on IFRS 1, IFRS 9, IAS 41 and IFRS 16.
- IFRS 17, 'Insurance contracts'.

4 INVESTMENTS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH INCOME STATEMENT (FVIS)

	December 31, 2020		December 31, 2019	
	Holding Units	Market value USD	Holding Units	Market value USD
Conventional investments:				
Nomura Funds Ireland PLC – China Fund - Class I	159,427	20,312,484	189,286	18,758,318

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5 TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES WITH RELATED PARTIES

Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability to control the other party or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial or operational decisions. In the ordinary course of business, the Fund transacts with the related parties. The principal related parties of the Fund are the Fund Manager, the Bank and the Fund Board.

The Fund pays a management fee calculated at an annual rate of 1% (2019: 1%) on the net asset value at the end of each valuation day. The Bank acts as one of the Fund's bankers. Other expenses for the year include USD 829 (2019: USD 719) towards the Fund Board remuneration.

6 GAIN ON INVESTMENTS AT FVIS, NET

	2020	2019
	USD	USD
Realised loss	(138,401)	(129,640)
Unrealised gain	4,500,566	3,982,993
	<u>4,362,165</u>	<u>3,853,353</u>

7 RISK MANAGEMENT

The Manager has in place policies and procedures to identify risks affecting the Fund's investments and to ensure that such risks are addressed as soon as possible, which include conducting a risk assessment at least once a year. The Manager also applies a prudent spread of risk while taking into consideration the Fund's investment policies, the Term and Conditions, and the Information Memorandum. Furthermore, the Manager makes every effort to ensure that sufficient liquidity is available to meet any anticipated redemption request. The Board of the Fund plays a role in ensuring that the Manager fulfils its responsibilities to the benefit of the Unitholders in accordance with the provisions of the Investment Funds Regulations, the Terms and Conditions and the Information Memorandum.

7.1 Financial risk factors

The Fund's activities are primarily exposed to market risk in addition to the other risks like liquidity and credit risk.

The Fund uses different methods to measure and manage the various types of risk to which it is exposed; these methods are explained below.

(a) Market risk**(i) Equity price risk**

Equity price risk is the risk that the value of financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. The Fund is exposed to market price risk arising from its investment in an international fund as the underlying investments comprise quoted securities.

The effect on the statement of comprehensive income (as a result of the change in the fair value of equity instruments held at FVIS as at December 31, 2020) due to a 10% change in the Saudi Stock Exchange equity index, keeping all other variables held constant is USD 2,031,248 (2019: USD 1,875,832).

(ii) Special commission rate risk

Special commission rate risk arises from the possibility that changes in market special commission rates will affect future profitability or the fair value of the financial instruments. As the Fund is not carrying any significant special commission bearing investments, the Fund is not subject to significant special commission rate risk.

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7 RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)**7.1 Financial risk factors (Continued)****(iii) Currency risk**

Currency risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to a change in foreign exchange rates. The Fund's financial assets and liabilities are denominated in US Dollars and the Fund is not exposed to any currency risks.

(b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund will encounter difficulty in realising funds to meet commitments associated with financial liabilities.

The Fund arranges for the subscriptions and redemptions of units on a scheduled basis and is therefore exposed to the liquidity risk of meeting unit holder redemptions. The Manager monitors liquidity requirements on a regular basis and seeks to ensure that sufficient funds are available to meet commitments as they arise. The Fund's financial liabilities are payable within 3 months.

(c) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation and cause the other party to incur a financial loss. Currently, the Fund is not exposed to any significant credit risk. The bank balances are held with banks which have investment grade credit ratings.

7.2 Capital risk management

The capital of the Fund is represented by the equity attributable to unitholders. The amount of equity attributable to unitholders can change significantly on each Valuation Day, as the Fund is subject to subscriptions and redemptions at the discretion of unitholders on every Valuation Day, as well as changes resulting from the Fund's performance. The Fund's objective when managing capital is to safeguard the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns to unitholders, provide benefits to other stakeholders and maintain a strong capital base to support the development of the investment activities of the Fund.

The Fund Board and the Manager monitor capital on the basis of the value of equity attributable to unitholders.

7.3 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 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 quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

The estimated fair value of the Fund's financial assets and liabilities is not considered to be significantly different from their carrying values. The fair value of investments held at FVIS are based on quoted prices in active markets, and are therefore classified within Level 1.

8 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY

All financial assets and financial liabilities as at December 31, 2020 and 2019 were classified under amortised cost category except for investments at FVIS which are classified as and measured at fair value.

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9 LAST VALUATION DAY

The last Valuation Date for the purpose of the preparation of these financial statements was December 31, 2020 (2019: December 31, 2019).

10 IMPACTS OF COVID-19

The COVID-19 pandemic has developed rapidly in 2020, with a significant number of cases. Measures taken by the Government to contain the virus have affected economic activity. The management has taken several measures to monitor and mitigate the effects of COVID-19, such as safety and health measures for employees (such as social distancing and working from home) and securing the supply of materials that are essential to the operations.

At this stage, the impact on the Fund's business has not been significant and based on experience to date, the management expects this to remain the case. The Fund operates in Chinese capital market which is stabilising and the Fund can still provide an opportunity for gains to its Unitholders. The management will continue to follow the Government policies and advice and, in parallel, will do its utmost to continue the Fund's operations in the best and safest way possible without jeopardising the health of its employees.

11 APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements were approved and authorized for issue by the Fund Board on April 4, 2021 (corresponding to 22 Sha'ban 1442H).