

# United Capital Sukuk Fund

Mutual Funds Factsheet | August 2025

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## FUND OBJECTIVE

The objective of the fund is to provide investors with a low-risk investment with stable and competitive returns through investments in short, medium and long-term Sharia-Compliant securities and investment products, whilst ensuring the preservation of capital and maintaining a reasonable degree of liquidity.

The Fund aims to provide its Unitholders with halal profits on the growth of their capital over the long-term in accordance with the principles of Islamic finance.

## MARKET REVIEW, OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY

The Debt Management Office (DMO) conducted the August 2025 bond auction with a total offer size of N200.00bn, split between the newly issued 2030 ("5-year") and the reopened 2032 ("7-year") bond papers. Investor demand was strong, with total subscriptions reaching N268.16bn, representing a subscription rate of 1.34x.

Notably, the DMO under-allotted, selling a total of N136.16bn worth of bills. The marginal rate on the 2032 bond paper climbed by 2.10%, from 15.90% to settle at 18.00%. Meanwhile, the marginal rate on the 2030 bond paper settled at 17.945%.

In the secondary bond market, we observed bullish sentiments amongst investors in anticipation of a potential Monetary Policy Rate (MPR) cut decision by the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC). Thus, the monthly average yields on the 2030, 2032, and 2035 bonds closed lower by 0.13%, 0.09% and 0.84% in August to settle at 17.07%, 16.92% and 15.84%, respectively.

Conversely, we observed sell-offs in corporate bonds, as average yields in Aug-2025 climbed by 0.39% m/m to close at 19.98% (previously, 19.59% in Jul-2025). Likewise, the FGN Sukuk bonds market closed bearish as average yields on Sukuk bonds increased by 0.31% m/m to close at 17.81% in Aug-2025 compared to the previous month's close of 17.50%.

**Looking ahead to August, we expect the fixed income market to sustain its bullish momentum. This outlook hinges expectations of interest rate cut by both the FOMC of the US Fed and MPC of CBN. The MPC is scheduled to hold its 302nd meeting on the 22nd - 23rd of September 2025. We expect the MPC to cut the Monetary Policy Rate (MPR) by between 0.25% and 0.50%, given the recent drop in the inflation rate and expected drop in the next subsequent months.**

## FUND FEATURES

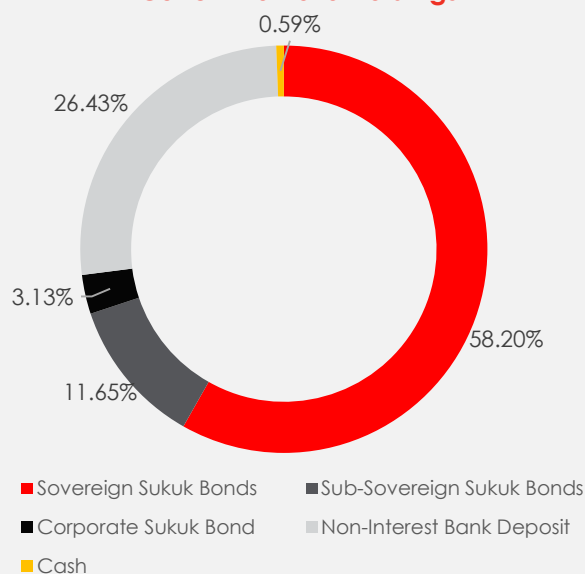
Fund Manager	United Capital Asset Management Ltd
Investment Manager Rating	A+(IM)
Base Currency/Start Year	Naira/2020
Fund Size (₦)	4.1bn
NAV Per Share (₦)	1.1782
Minimum Entry (₦)	10,000
Additional Investment (₦)	5,000
Structure	Open Ended
Minimum Holding Period	90 days
Management Fee	1.5%
Total Expense Ratio*	1.8%
Benchmark	3-Yr FGN Sovereign Sukuk Yield
Risk Profile	Medium
Investment Style	Income Oriented

\*Inclusive of management fee; Returns are net of all fees

## MATURITY PROFILE OF ASSETS

<1yr	36.80
1-3yr	18.8%
3-5yr	11.7%
5-10yr	32.7%
>10yr	0.00%

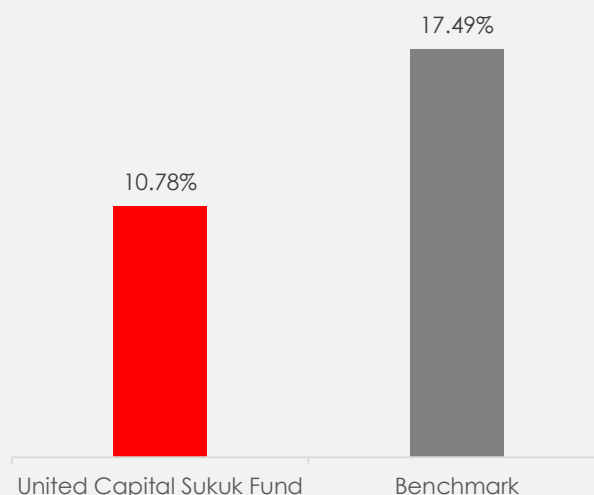
## Current Portfolio Holdings



## Governance Asset Allocation Ranges:

Non-Interest Bank Deposit (20%-40%); Sukuk Bond: (60%-80%)

## Sukuk Fund Return Vs Benchmark (YTD)



## RETURN HISTORY

	2021	2022	2023	2024	YTD 2025
United Capital Sukuk Fund	7.32%	7.23%	11.36%	10.02%	10.78%
Benchmark	9.88%	12.92%	13.20%	19.81%	17.49%

\*Represents the Fund's Annualized Return vs the Benchmark's Annualized Return

## PERFORMANCE REVIEW

The United Capital Sukuk Fund annualized YTD return for the month of August 2025 is 10.78% relative to the return of 17.49% posted by the benchmark for the same period.

The return can be attributed mainly to rental income and profit on the fund's bond holdings as well as non-interest bank deposits held during the period. There were also several maturities which were reinvested at higher profit rates and helped shore up the return of the fund.

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The Fund maintains sufficient exposure to Sukuk bonds, Non-Interest bank Deposits, Mudarabah, Murabaha and other Shariah-compliant contracts with significantly higher yields. We will maintain current allocation to enhance returns for the Fund.

### WHY CHOOSE THE FUND?

- Not exposed to equities market volatility
- Seamless entry and exit
- Low entry threshold
- Professional management with robust risk framework
- Long term capital preservation and growth

### INVESTMENT RISK

- Market Risks
- Macroeconomic instability
- Interest Rate Risk

### HOW TO PARTICIPATE

1. Log in to our online platform [www.investnow.ng](http://www.investnow.ng)
2. Click on **Sukuk Fund**
3. Click on "**Open and account**" and complete the online form
4. Fund your account online with a one-time payment or recurrent payments

