

Kuwait Financial Centre "Markaz"

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News Update

Sharjah issues 10-year US-dollar denominated Sukuk - Sharjah started marketing the notes at around 185 basis points over mid-swaps but increased demand meant it was able to tighten spreads to 155 basis points. Sharjah, the third-largest emirate of the UAE, is set to raise \$750 million in a 10-year Sukuk, reported Reuters. The debt sale comes amid a flurry of US dollar-denominated debt issues across the Gulf region, as governments and companies take advantage of low global rates to raise cheap debt and attract vield-seeking buyers. Abu Dhabi issued \$10 billion bonds in a three-part deal in its first international offering in two years as it takes advantage of relatively low borrowing costs in September 2019. Saudi Arabia is also considering selling a dollar-denominated Islamic bond as the Kingdom seeks to take advantage of lower borrowing costs.

S&P affirms Oman ratings at BB/B with negative outlook - S&P Global Ratings affirmed its 'BB/B' long- and short-term foreign and local currency sovereign credit ratings on Oman and said the outlook was negative. S&P, the first of the major credit assessors to give Oman a nonInterbank Rates (%) investment grade, said that its "negative outlook reflects the risk that in the absence of substantial fiscal measures to curtail the government deficit, fiscal and external buffers will continue to erode." The global ratings agency said it could lower ratings on Oman in the next 6-12 months if the sultanate is unable to contain external debt accumulation related to still-sizable fiscal deficits, which S&P expect will continue to increase through 2022.

EWEC and ACWA secure \$869 mln for Abu Dhabi desalination plant - Emirates Water and Electricity Company (EWEC) and Saudi Arabia's ACWA Power said on Saturday they had secured financing of 3.19 billion dirhams (\$869 million) for Abu Dhabi's Taweelah water desalination plant. The project would be the world's largest reverse osmosis desalination plant, the two companies said in a statement.

Egypt Aims to Cut Debt Service Costs Through Longer Maturities -

Government's medium-term strategy to ensuring trimming debt service costs is to prolong maturity as interest rates drop, as well as diversifying the investor base, the Finance Ministry says in a statement. The Ministry aims for debt mix of 40% Treasury bills and 60% bonds by 2022. Government's focus in upcoming period of economic program is on structural reforms and boosting competitiveness of the Egyptian economy by stressing manufacturing and export activities and increasing opportunities for private sector.

GCC Bonds & Sukuk: Best and worst Performers (21 October 2019)

Best daily Performers	Daily change	Worst daily Performers	Daily change
NMC Health 25	0.31%	Ezdan Sukuk 22	-0.20%
Dubai Aerospace 23	0.24%	Qatar Gas 33	-0.19%
Al Baraka Perp	0.23%	Saudi Electricity 44	-0.09%
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Best YTD Performers	YTD change	Worst YTD Performers	YTD change
Best YTD Performers KSA Govt 50	YTD change 23.93%	Worst YTD Performers Etihad Airways 20	YTD change -25.91%

Bonds & Sukuk Indices (21 October 2019)

Index Name	Price	1D Chng	YTD	Yield
S&P MENA Bond and Sukuk Indexw	135.770	-0.05%	12.52%	3.00%
S&P MENA Bond Index	138.200	-0.07%	13.45%	3.05%
S&P MENA Sukuk Index	128.750	0.01%	9.48%	2.82%
Bloomberg Global Developed Sovereign Bond Index	121.185	0.10%	4.47%	0.55%
Bloomberg USD Emerging Market Composite Bond Index	238.687	0.08%	13.82%	
Dow Jones Sukuk Index	105.858	0.01%	6.93%	

	3 Months		6 Months		12 Months	
	21/10/2019	31/12/2018	21/10/2019	31/12/2018	21/10/2019	31/12/2018
SAIBOR	2.3014	1.8988	2.3100	2.0875	2.3243	2.2863
KIBOR	2.8750	1.8750	3.0625	2.0625	3.3125	2.3750
BHIBOR	2.3700	2.4500	3.0000	2.9000	3.1333	3.2750
QATAR	2.5772	2.7342	2.7084	2.8868	2.9714	3.0468
AEIBOR	2.2166	1.8310	2.4100	2.0513	2.2284	2.5648
EURIBOR	-0.4070	-0.3290	-0.3510	-0.2710	-0.2980	-0.1860
LIBOR	1.9533	1.6858	1.9518	1.8336	1.9873	2.1022

U.S. Treasuries

Olor ITC	Current Yield (%)	1D Chng
1-Year	1.55	-0.019
2-Year	1.57	0.004
5-Year	1.56	0.020
7-Year	1.65	0.031
10-Year	1.75	0.031
30-Year	2.25	0.047

Swap rates

	Rates (%)	1D Chng (%)
2-Y	1.619	0.00%
5-Y	1.562	0.00%
10-Y	1.690	0.00%
30-Y	1.884	0.00%

German Bund

	Current Yield (%)	1D Chng (Bps)	
2-Y	-0.46	0.889	
5-Y	-0.69	0.065	
10-Y	-0.52	0.061	
30-Y	0.12	-0.035	

UK Gilts

	urrent d (%)	1D Chng (Bps)
2-Y	0.53	0.411
5-Y	0.51	0.052
10-Y	0.71	0.013
30-Y	1.19	0.011

Currencies

		USD	1-Day ∆	YTD (%)
K	WD	0.3036	(0.0001)	0.076%
S	AR	3.7511	0.0001	0.013%
В	HD	0.3770	0.0000	-0.013%
Q	AR	3.6627	(0.0001)	-0.197%
0	MR	0.3850	0.0000	0.000%
A	ED	3.6731	0.0000	-0.008%
E	GP	16.279	0.0184	10.26%
Е	UR	1.1154	(0.0013)	-2.730%

Sovereign Ratings				
Moody	/'s	S&P	Fitch	
Abu <u>Dhabi</u>	Aa2	AA	AA	
Bahrain	B2	B+	BB-	
Kuwait	Aa2	AA	AA	
Oman	Ba1	BB	BB+	
Qatar	Aa3	AA-	AA-	
KSA	A1	A-	Α	
UAE	Aa2	NR	NR	
Egypt	B2	В	B+	
Lebanon	Caa1	В-	CCC	
Turkey	B1	B+	BB-	
Tunisia	B2	NR	B+	
Morocco	Ba1	BBB-	BBB-	
Jordan	В1	B+	BB-	
China	A1	A+	A+	
UK	Aa2	AA	AA	
USA	Aaa	AA+	AAA	
IISD			VTD	

USD		YTD
5-Year CD	5	(%)
Abu Dhab	i 44.360	-31.63
Kuwait	46.910	-24.49
Dubai	119.270	-2.08
Bahrain	206.410	-25.69
Qatar	44.360	-44.25
KSA	69.710	-32.29
Egypt	298.030	-20.11
Lebanon	1226.330	62.43
Turkey	373.477	3.92
Iraq	331.450	-25.38
Morocco	103.670	-2.75
China	40.319	-38.86
France	17.960	-49.38
Germany	9.270	-27.24
Japan	22.483	-10.02

10.025

3.851

-33.48

-32.18

UK