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SBM Universal Fund

31 August 2018 | **NAV per Share** **MUR 27.23**

Fund Objective

SBM Universal Fund is an open-ended fund constituted as a Trust under the SBM Unit Trust. It is duly authorised under the Securities Act 2005 and regulated by the Financial Services Commission. The fund invests in equities and fixed income instruments in the domestic and international market whilst keeping a balanced-risk strategy. The overall objective of the fund is to provide regular income and maximise returns on a long term basis for the benefit of the unit-holders.

Risk Profile

Low	Low to Moderate	**Moderate**	Moderate to High	High

Fund Profile

Inception Date:	Jun-02
Currency:	MUR
Fund Size:	MUR 432M
Issue / Redemption :	Daily
Distribution:	Yearly
Management Fee:	1.0% p.a
Entry Fee:	1.0%
Exit Fee:	1.0%

Fund Facts

Fund Manager	SBM Mauritius Asset Managers Ltd
Benchmark	35% SEMDEX + 30% 1 yr Govt of Mauritius Bill + 35% MSCI World (MUR)
Fund Administrator	SBM Fund Services Ltd
Auditors	Ernst & Young
Custodian	SBM Bank (Mauritius) Ltd

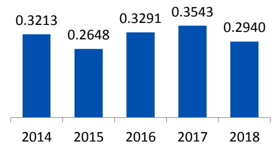
Cumulative Return

	1M	3M	6M	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	Inception	Annualized
Fund	-0.1%	-0.4%	-0.1%	0.8%	3.8%	12.9%	34.3%	304.7%	9.0%
Benchmark	0.2%	1.0%	1.5%	2.9%	6.6%	18.2%	31.4%	272.5%	8.5%

Financial Year Return

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Fund	13.0%	9.3%	-5.0%	9.7%	4.7%
Benchmark	10.9%	4.5%	-4.3%	12.4%	6.1%

Dividend per unit (MUR)

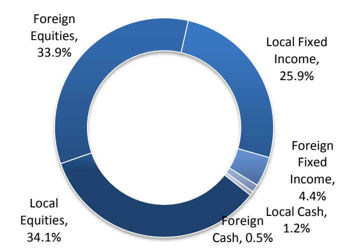


Risk Metrics

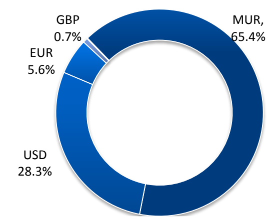
Volatility p.a.	1Y	3Y	5Y
Fund	3.1%	3.3%	4.0%
Benchmark	3.1%	3.8%	4.0%

Tracking Error p.a.	1Y	3Y	5Y
	1.2%	1.6%	1.8%

Asset Allocation



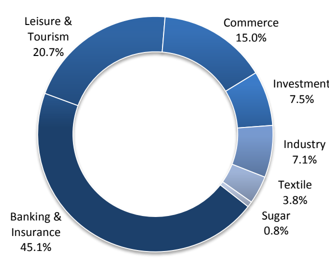
Currency Allocation



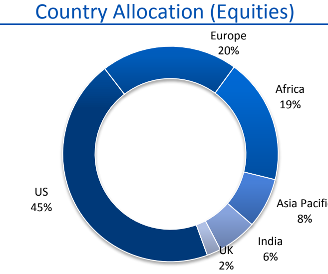
Top 10 Holdings

	% Net Assets
MCB Group Limited	9.4%
Mutual Aid - Fixed Deposit	8.0%
MHC - Fixed Deposit	5.4%
SIT Bond	4.7%
SBM Holdings Ltd	4.7%
Fidelity America Fund	3.7%
ARK INNOVATION ETF	3.5%
Afrexim Depository Receipts	3.5%
IBL Ltd	3.1%
Templeton Euroland Fund Class A (Acc)	2.7%
Total	**48.7%**

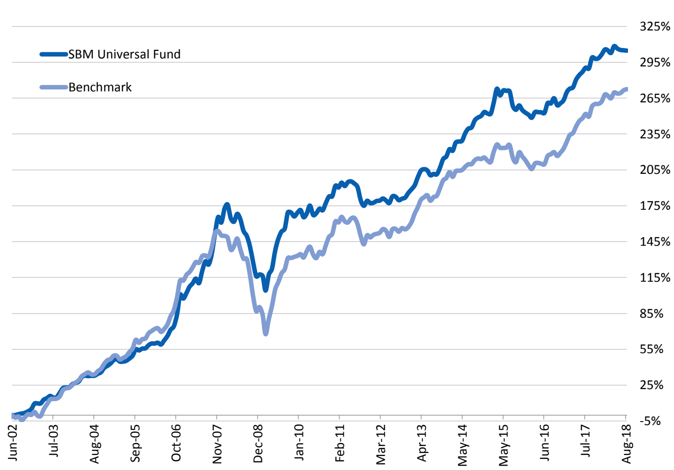
Sector Allocation (Local Equities)



Country Allocation (Equities)



Cumulative Performance



Fund Manager Commentary

The Net Asset Value (NAV) of the Fund dropped from MUR 27.25 to MUR 27.23 during the month, equivalent to a return of -0.1%, while the benchmark posted 0.2% over the same period. Local equity indices posted negative returns over the month with the SEMDEX and SEMTRI closing at 2,220.77 points and 8,128.34 points, thereby posting –0.9% and –0.6% MoM, respectively. The top three gainers for the month were Belle Mare Holding Ltd, Vivo Energy Mauritius Ltd and Phoenix Beverages Ltd with respective performances of 17.1%, 5.3% and 3.4%. The top three losers were SBM Holdings Ltd, Bluelife Limited and Fincorp Investment Ltd with corresponding performances of –10.8%, -7.9% and –7.2%.

As an indication, the MSCI World and MSCI Emerging markets ended the month with returns of 1.0% and -2.9% respectively in USD terms. The Barclays Aggregate Bond Index ended the month with a return of 0.1% in USD terms. Market sentiments improved slightly amid geopolitical and trade tensions in August.

U.S. equities rose in August as Nasdaq returned 5.7% while S&P 500 returned 3.0%, both in USD terms. The main leaders were the consumer discretionary and technology sectors led by strong gains from Amazon and Apple. GDP data released for the second quarter 2018 showed an accelerated U.S. economic growth of 4.2% which was the best performance since the third quarter of 2014.

In Europe, markets were anxious about the new Italian government's budget plans due to be released by end of September and submitted in October. The country's credit rating could be at risk if its budget deviates from the European Union's objectives of stability and growth. In the U.K., the government published a number of technical notes on the implications of a "no deal" outcome. On a positive note, the GDP growth rate has been revised up to reach 2.2% annualised. The composite PMI increased by 0.1 point to reach 54.4 as a result of Germany's and France's 0.7 points rebound to reach 55.7 and 55.1 respectively.

Trade uncertainties and a strong dollar continued to dominate the headlines in emerging markets. Exports to the US from China fell by 2.5% and its foreign exchange reserves increased modestly to USD 3.2 trillion. Stress signs were more evident in Turkey where its current account deficit had been widening at an alarming rate since the beginning of the year. The Turkish lira was down 42% year-to-date against the U.S. dollar. The U.S. on the other hand reached a trade agreement with Mexico while an agreement with Canada is still under negotiation.

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