





## iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk Indices – Q4 2023

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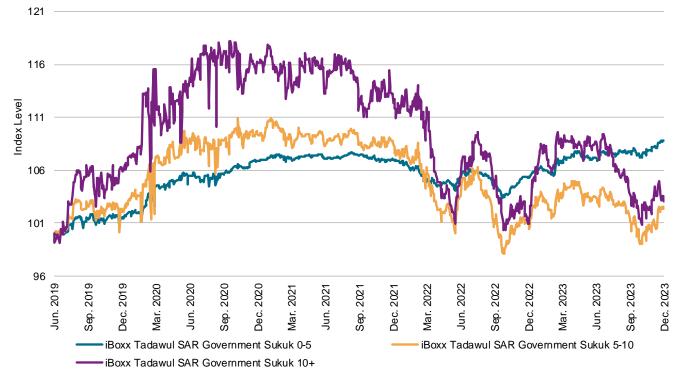
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Following three consecutive months of losses totaling -2.12% in Q3 2023, the iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk Index dipped further in October before joining the global bond market rally in November and December, resulting in a return of 0.26% in Q4 2023. This brought the full-year 2023 return of the index to 2.09%.



**Exhibit 2: Total Return by Maturity** 

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The 10+ year sukuk segment performed the worst, at -0.79%, followed by the 5-10 year maturity segment, up 0.56%. In contrast, at the short end, the 0-5 year maturity segment gained 1.02%. For full-year 2023, the 0-5 year, 5-10 year and 10+ year segments rose 3.27%, 0.56 and 2.04%, respectively.

Exhibit 3: Key Analytics of the iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk Index

Key Analytics	iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk Index
Annual Yield (%)	4.97
Coupon (%)	3.27
Duration (Years)	6.81
Expected Remaining Life (Years)	8.85
Average Rating	A
Currency	SAR
Debt Type	Domestic Sovereign Sukuk
December Return (%)	0.60
Q4 Return (%)	0.26
2023 Return (%)	2.09

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The annual yield of the index increased by 10 bps, while the duration continued to shrink from its high of 7.40 years in February to 6.81 years at the close of Q4. After having no additional sakk join the index between July 2022 and September 2023, four new sukuk joined the index in Q4, while one sakk left the index. This led to the number of constituents increasing from 50 to 53.



Exhibit 4: Key Analytics of the iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk Index

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As shown in Exhibit 5, the shape of the yield curve went from flat to concave upwards, as the yields for short- and long-dated sukuk increased substantially in the fourth quarter, while the medium-dated sukuk yields remained in the same range as the previous quarter.

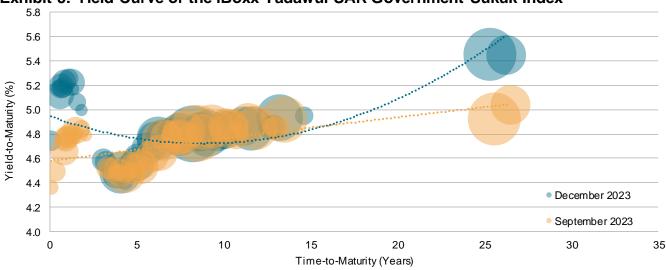


Exhibit 5: Yield Curve of the iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk Index

(Bubble Scale = Notional Amount Outstanding in SAR)
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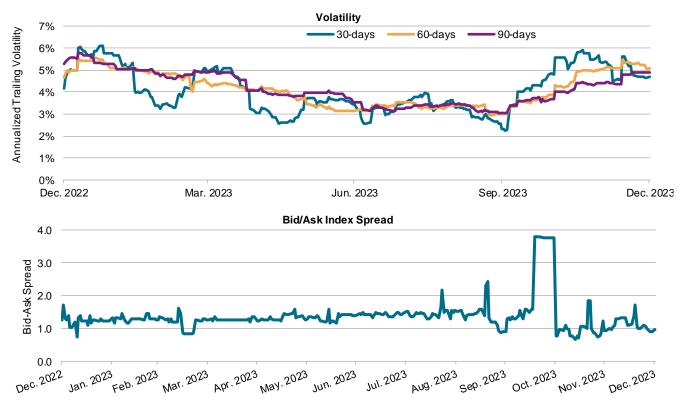
Exhibit 6: Quarterly and Monthly Return by Maturity and Monthly Index Performance

Period	Maturity						
	1-3 Y	ears (	3-5 Years	5-7 Years	7-10 Ye	ears	10+ Years
Q4 Return (%)		0.79	1.12	0.95	(	0.36	-0.79
December Return (%)	0.39		0.75	0.89	,	1.25	-0.19
Period	Monthly Returns for the iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk Index						
	June 2023	July 2023	August 2023	-	October 1 2023	November 2023	December 2023
Monthly Return (%)	0.01	-0.18	-0.71	-1.24	-2.00	1.70	0.60

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### Volatility and Liquidity

Exhibit 7: Volatility and Duration-Adjusted Bid-Ask Spread of the iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk Index Overall

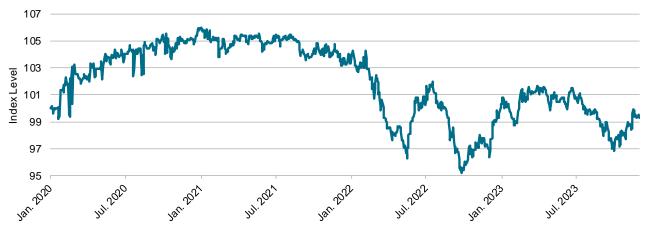


Source: IHS Markit, part of S&P Global. Data as of Dec. 31, 2023. The iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk Index Overall (annualized) trailing volatility was derived from the trailing standard deviation of the index's daily log return, based on a 30-day, 60-day and 90-day lookback period and shown alongside the duration-adjusted bid-ask spread. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Charts are provided for illustrative purposes.

As seen in Exhibit 7, volatility had been on a downward trend since the beginning of the year prior to rising in October after the Israel-Hamas conflict broke out.

# iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk and Bond Index

Exhibit 8: iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk and Bond Index Returns



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The iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk and Bond Index fared similarly as compared to the iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk Index, with a Q4 return of 0.60%. Its yield increased by 11 bps, and the duration shortened by 0.26 years. On top of the 53 sukuk that exist in the iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk Index, the iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk and Bond Index has an additional seven bonds.

Exhibit 9: Key Analytics of the iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk and Bond Index

Key Analytics	iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk and Bond Index
Annual Yield (%)	4.97
Coupon (%)	3.27
Duration (Years)	6.68
Expected Remaining Life (Years)	8.68
Average Rating	Α
Currency	SAR
Debt Type	Domestic Sovereign Sukuk and Bonds
December Return (%)	0.61
Q4 Return (%)	0.60
2023 Return (%)	2.34

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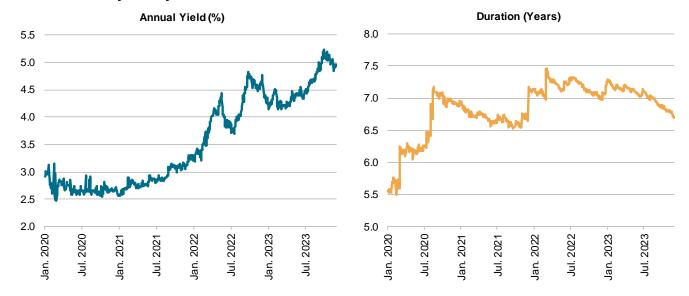


Exhibit 10: Key Analytics of the iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk and Bond Index

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The time-to-maturity of the bonds within the index was fairly short, ranging from 1.6 to 2.3 years. With a collective notional amount of SAR 11.55 billion, the yield of SAR government bonds rose in tandem with the yield of SAR government sukuk, to about 5%.

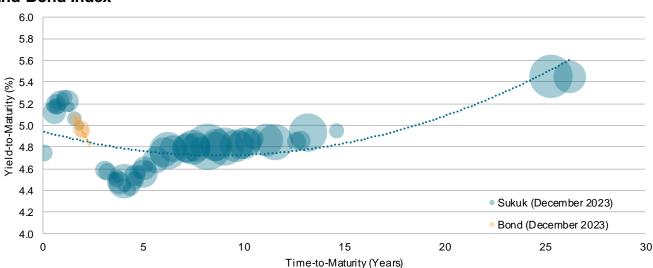


Exhibit 11: Bonds versus Sukuk Yields in the iBoxx Tadawul SAR Government Sukuk and Bond Index

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