
Press Release

State Street Global Advisors Launches Saudi Bond UCITS ETF Offering Investors Exposure to KSA's Growing Bond Market

MIDDLE EAST / UK / GERMANY Dec 12, 2024 – State Street Global Advisors, the asset management business of State Street Corporation (NYSE: STT), today announced the launch of the SPDR J.P. Morgan Saudi Arabia Aggregate Bond UCITS ETF (KSAB) to be listed on the Xetra and London Stock Exchange.

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The new fund aims to track the newly created index J.P. Morgan Saudi Arabia Aggregate Index, developed in close collaboration with SSGA, to provide investors with exposure to the performance of liquid, USD-denominated and SAR-denominated government and quasi-government bonds, including Sukuks bonds.

Emmanuel Laurina, Head of Middle East, Africa and Official Institutions, State Street Global Advisors, said: “We are pleased to offer investors cost effective access to the fast growing fixed income market in Saudi Arabia, one of the leading issuers of investment grade international bonds among emerging markets. As the Kingdom continues to diversify its economy through energy transition, infrastructure and other growth initiatives, we believe there are appealing investment themes for international investors to capture through a diversified exposure to Saudi bonds.”

Growth of the Saudi bond market has accelerated over recent years, driven in part by the Kingdom's Vision 2030. The total amount of outstanding bonds issued by Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries has more than tripled since 2019, reaching nearly US\$1.35 trillion in September 2024.

The fund is available to investors in Austria, Denmark, France, Finland, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, and the UK.

For more information on the funds visit, ssga.com/etfs.

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*Pensions & Investments Research Center, as of 12/31/23.

† This figure is presented as of September 30, 2024 and includes ETF AUM of \$1,515.67 billion USD of which approximately \$82.59 billion USD in gold assets with respect to SPDR products for which State Street Global

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^ Source: Morningstar as of November 11, 2024

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