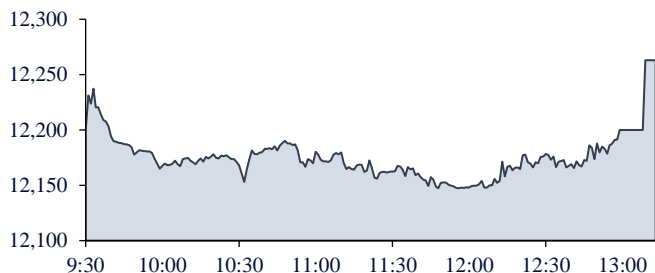


### QSE Intra-Day Movement



### Qatar Commentary

The QE Index rose 0.4% to close at 12,263.0. Gains were led by the Transportation and Telecoms indices, gaining 1.8% and 1.0%, respectively. Top gainers were Qatar International Islamic Bank and Qatar Islamic Bank, rising 5.2% and 3.5%, respectively. Among the top losers, Estithmar Holding fell 5.1%, while Qatar Aluminum Manufacturing Co. was down 3.9%.

### GCC Commentary

**Saudi Arabia:** The TASI Index fell 0.1% to close at 11,344.6. Losses were led by the Media & Entertainment and Materials indices, falling 1.8% and 1.5%, respectively. Methanol Chemicals Co. declined 7.4%, while Saudi Industrial Investment Group was down 5.2%.

**Dubai:** The DFM Index fell 1.1% to close at 3,121.8. The Transportation index declined 1.8%, while the Utilities index fell 1.6%. Telecom Group declined 8.6%, while Al salam Sudan was down 7.7%.

**Abu Dhabi:** The ADX General Index fell 0.3% to close at 9,209.8. The Health Care index declined 2.2%, while the Real Estate index fell 2.1%. Invictus Investment declined 9.8%, while Easy Lease Motorcycle Rental was down 4.8%.

**Kuwait:** The Kuwait All Share Index gained 0.3% to close at 7,471.5. The Consumer Discretionary index rose 1.0%, while the Financial Services index gained 0.9%. United Real Estate Co. rose 9.9%, while Wethaq Takaful Insurance Company was up 7.8%.

**Oman:** The MSM 30 Index gained 0.1% to close at 4,118.8. Gains were led by the Industrial and Services indices, rising 1.0% and 0.6%, respectively. Al Hassan Engineering Company rose 15.0%, while Galfar Engineering & Contracting was up 8.7%.

**Bahrain:** The BHB Index gained 0.1% to close at 1,876.7. The Real Estate index rose 0.4%, while the Financials index gained 0.2%. Seef Properties rose 0.6%, while Aluminum Bahrain was up 0.3%.

Market Indicators	05 Jul 22	04 Jul 22	%Chg.
Value Traded (QR mn)	350.5	321.4	9.1
Exch. Market Cap. (QR mn)	683,233.9	684,796.8	(0.2)
Volume (mn)	101.0	092.2	9.5
Number of Transactions	11,751	13,397	(12.3)
Companies Traded	44	46	(4.3)
Market Breadth	11:32	15:27	-

Market Indices	Close	1D%	WTD%	YTD%	TTM P/E
Total Return	25,118.63	0.4	0.6	9.1	15.2
All Share Index	3,922.06	0.0	0.1	6.1	154.9
Banks	5,206.63	0.2	0.3	4.9	16.1
Industrials	4,416.11	(0.6)	(0.6)	9.8	12.7
Transportation	4,183.70	1.8	2.9	17.6	14.6
Real Estate	1,748.68	(0.6)	0.3	0.5	18.4
Insurance	2,612.37	(0.3)	(1.2)	(4.2)	16.6
Telecoms	1,175.46	1.0	1.6	11.1	36.1
Consumer	8,360.94	(0.8)	(1.4)	1.8	23.4
Al Rayan Islamic Index	5,078.48	0.6	1.1	7.7	12.8

GCC Top Gainers**	Exchange	Close*	1D%	Vol. '000	YTD%
Qatar Islamic Bank	Qatar	23.71	3.5	2,201.5	29.4
Dr. Sulaiman Al Habib Co.	Saudi Arabia	192.00	2.7	170.0	19.0
Abu Dhabi Islamic Bank	Abu Dhabi	7.60	2.3	981.8	10.6
Makkah Const. & Dev. Co.	Saudi Arabia	71.50	2.1	69.0	(5.2)
Ominvest	Oman	0.31	2.0	3.1	0.0

GCC Top Losers**	Exchange	Close*	1D%	Vol. '000	YTD%
Saudi Industrial Inv. Group	Saudi Arabia	26.50	(5.2)	1,611.3	(14.9)
Sahara Int. Petrochemical	Saudi Arabia	46.70	(4.6)	5,173.4	11.2
Qatar Aluminum Man. Co.	Qatar	1.63	(3.9)	15,688.6	(9.7)
Emirates NBD	Dubai	12.15	(2.8)	2,424.8	(10.3)
The Commercial Bank	Qatar	6.55	(2.6)	1,191.0	(2.9)

Source: Bloomberg (# in Local Currency) (\*\* GCC Top gainers/ losers derived from the S&P GCC Composite Large Mid Cap Index)

QSE Top Gainers	Close*	1D%	Vol. '000	YTD%
Qatar International Islamic Bank	11.28	5.2	1,562.6	22.5
Qatar Islamic Bank	23.71	3.5	2,201.5	29.4
Qatar Navigation	8.79	2.8	2,620.2	15.1
Doha Insurance Group	2.09	1.8	269.6	8.7
Ooredoo	7.85	1.7	332.5	11.8

QSE Top Volume Trades	Close*	1D%	Vol. '000	YTD%
Qatar Aluminum Manufacturing Co.	1.63	(3.9)	15,688.6	(9.7)
Estithmar Holding	1.66	(5.1)	14,674.0	35.3
Gulf International Services	2.07	(1.1)	12,726.0	20.6
Masraf Al Rayan	4.08	(0.5)	6,576.8	(12.1)
Ezdan Holding Group	1.05	(2.5)	6,167.5	(21.5)

QSE Top Losers	Close*	1D%	Vol. '000	YTD%
Estithmar Holding	1.66	(5.1)	14,674.0	35.3
Qatar Aluminum Manufacturing Co.	1.63	(3.9)	15,688.6	(9.7)
Qatari German Co for Med. Devices	1.50	(3.7)	3,345.0	(52.8)
Al Khaleej Takaful Insurance Co.	3.18	(3.0)	530.6	(11.7)
Salam International Inv. Ltd.	0.83	(2.9)	1,873.8	0.7

QSE Top Value Trades	Close*	1D%	Val. '000	YTD%
Qatar Islamic Bank	23.71	3.5	50,896.1	29.4
QNB Group	19.65	(1.1)	46,110.4	(2.7)
Masraf Al Rayan	4.08	(0.5)	26,602.6	(12.1)
Gulf International Services	2.07	(1.1)	26,228.6	20.6
Qatar Aluminum Manufacturing Co.	1.63	(3.9)	25,779.6	(9.7)

Regional Indices	Close	1D%	WTD%	MTD%	YTD%	Exch. Val. Traded (\$ mn)	Exchange Mkt. Cap. (\$ mn)	P/E**	P/B**	Dividend Yield
Qatar*	12,263.01	0.4	0.6	0.6	5.5	95.91	185,907.9	15.2	1.8	3.6
Dubai	3,121.83	(1.1)	(3.1)	(3.1)	(2.3)	148.42	143,933.7	10.6	1.1	2.9
Abu Dhabi	9,209.79	(0.3)	(1.1)	(1.1)	9.2	292.39	538,884.9	20.4	2.6	2.1
Saudi Arabia	11,344.57	(0.1)	(1.6)	(1.6)	0.6	1,143.97	3,009,064.3	20.3	2.4	2.4
Kuwait	7,471.48	0.3	0.8	0.8	6.1	145.42	143,697.4	17.2	1.7	3.1
Oman	4,118.76	0.1	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.3)	3.27	19,269.3	11.8	0.8	5.0
Bahrain	1,876.69	0.1	2.0	2.0	4.4	5.56	30,112.6	7.1	0.9	6.0

Source: Bloomberg, Qatar Stock Exchange, Tadawul, Muscat Securities Market and Dubai Financial Market (\*\* TTM; \* Value traded (\$ mn) do not include special trades, if any)

## Qatar Market Commentary

- The QE Index rose 0.4% to close at 12,263.0. The Transportation and Telecoms indices led the gains. The index rose on the back of buying support from GCC and foreign shareholders despite selling pressure from Qatari and Arab shareholders.
- Qatar International Islamic Bank and Qatar Islamic Bank were the top gainers, rising 5.2% and 3.5%, respectively. Among the top losers, Estithmar Holding fell 5.1%, while Qatar Aluminum Manufacturing Co. was down 3.9%.
- Volume of shares traded on Tuesday rose by 9.5% to 101.0mn from 92.2mn on Monday. However, as compared to the 30-day moving average of 184.2mn, volume for the day was 45.2% lower. Qatar Aluminum Manufacturing Co. and Estithmar Holding were the most active stocks, contributing 15.5% and 14.5% to the total volume, respectively.

Overall Activity	Buy %*	Sell %*	Net (QR)
Qatari Individuals	30.25%	38.71%	(29,650,468.9)
Qatari Institutions	15.06%	13.42%	5,737,552.9
<b>Qatari</b>	<b>45.31%</b>	<b>52.13%</b>	<b>(23,912,916.0)</b>
GCC Individuals	0.24%	0.18%	198,800.6
GCC Institutions	3.86%	2.26%	5,616,904.1
<b>GCC</b>	<b>4.10%</b>	<b>2.44%</b>	<b>5,815,704.7</b>
Arab Individuals	10.13%	12.10%	(6,933,960.9)
Arab Institutions	0.38%	0.00%	1,336,700.0
<b>Arab</b>	<b>10.51%</b>	<b>12.10%</b>	<b>(5,597,260.9)</b>
Foreigners Individuals	2.40%	2.83%	(1,499,826.2)
Foreigners Institutions	37.69%	30.50%	25,194,298.4
<b>Foreigners</b>	<b>40.09%</b>	<b>33.33%</b>	<b>23,694,472.2</b>

Source: Qatar Stock Exchange (\*as a % of traded value)

## Global Economic Data and Earnings Calendar

### Global Economic Data

Date	Market	Source	Indicator	Period	Actual	Consensus	Previous
05-07	US	U.S. Census Bureau	Factory Orders	May	1.60%	0.50%	0.70%
05-07	UK	Markit	S&P Global/CIPS UK Services PMI	Jun F	54.3	53.4	53.4
05-07	UK	Markit	S&P Global/CIPS UK Composite PMI	Jun F	53.7	53.1	53.1
05-07	EU	Markit	S&P Global Eurozone Services PMI	Jun F	53.0	52.8	52.8
05-07	EU	Markit	S&P Global Eurozone Composite PMI	Jun F	52.0	51.9	51.9
05-07	Germany	Markit	S&P Global Germany Services PMI	Jun F	52.4	52.4	52.4
05-07	Germany	Markit	S&P Global Germany Composite PMI	Jun F	51.3	51.3	51.3
05-07	China	Markit	Caixin China PMI Composite	Jun	55.3	N/A	42.2
05-07	China	Markit	Caixin China PMI Services	Jun	54.5	49.6	41.4
05-07	Japan	Markit	Jibun Bank Japan PMI Services	Jun F	54.0	N/A	54.2
05-07	Japan	Markit	Jibun Bank Japan PMI Composite	Jun F	53.0	N/A	53.2

Source: Bloomberg (s.a. = seasonally adjusted; n.s.a. = non-seasonally adjusted; w.d.a. = working day adjusted)

### Earnings Calendar

Tickers	Company Name	Date of reporting 2Q2022 results	No. of days remaining	Status
QNBK	QNB Group	07-Jul-22	1	Due
NLCS	Aljarah Holding	07-Jul-22	1	Due
QOIS	Qatar Oman Investment Company	17-Jul-22	11	Due
QIBK	Qatar Islamic Bank	17-Jul-22	11	Due
QEWS	Qatar Electricity & Water Company	17-Jul-22	11	Due
QATR	Al Rayan Qatar ETF	19-Jul-22	13	Due
MCGS	Medicare Group	19-Jul-22	13	Due
QFLS	Qatar Fuel Company	26-Jul-22	20	Due
ABQK	Ahli Bank	26-Jul-22	20	Due
UDCD	United Development Company	27-Jul-22	21	Due
QIMD	Qatar Industrial Manufacturing Company	27-Jul-22	21	Due
QLMI	QLM Life & Medical Insurance Company	04-Aug-22	29	Due
IHGS	INMA Holding Group	07-Aug-22	32	Due
QISI	Qatar Islamic Insurance Group	08-Aug-22	33	Due
SIIS	Salam International Investment Limited	09-Aug-22	34	Due

Source: QSE

## Qatar

- Qatar's economy grows 2.5% in first quarter of 2022** - The Qatari economy achieved a Real Economic Growth Rate - at constant prices - of 2.5% during the first quarter of 2022 on an annual basis, according to the preliminary estimates of the gross domestic product (GDP) issued in a press release by the Planning and Statistics Authority (PSA). The quarterly GDP at constant prices (2018=100) shows an increase of 2.5% in Q1 of 2022 (QR166.26bn) compared to the estimate of Q1 of 2021 (QR162.15bn). The same figures showed that in Q4 of 2021 a decrease of 0.3% occurred, making the GDP reach QR166.68bn. The quarterly GDP at current prices in Q1 of 2022

is estimated at QR197.74bn. This represents an increase of 33.4% compared to the estimate of Q1 of 2021 placed at QR148.28bn. When compared to previous quarter (Q4) of 2021 revised estimate of QR174.65bn, an increase of 13.2% is recorded. (Peninsula Qatar)

- Qatar Electricity & Water Co. to hold its investors relation conference call on July 19 to discuss the financial results** - Qatar Electricity & Water Co. announced that the conference call with the Investors to discuss the financial results for the Semi-Annual 2022 will be held on 19/07/2022 at 01:30 PM, Doha Time. (QSE)



- Inma Holding to disclose its Semi-Annual financial results on August 07** – Inma Holding to disclose its financial statement for the period ending 30th June 2022 on 07/08/2022. (QSE)
- Inma Holding holds its investors relation conference call on 08 August to discuss the financial results** – Inma Holding announces that the conference call with the Investors to discuss the financial results for the semi-annual 2022 will be held on 08/08/2022 at 02:00 PM, Doha Time. (QSE)
- QatarEnergy selects Shell as final partner in NFE expansion project** – QatarEnergy announced the selection of Shell plc. as partner in the North Field East (NFE) expansion project, the single largest project in the history of the LNG industry. The partnership agreement was signed in a ceremony at QatarEnergy's headquarters in Doha, by HE Saad Sherida Al Kaabi, the Minister of State for Energy Affairs, the President and CEO of QatarEnergy, and Ben van Beurden, CEO of Shell, in the presence of senior executives from both companies. Pursuant to the agreement, QatarEnergy and Shell will become partners in a new joint venture company (JV), in which QatarEnergy will hold a 75% interest while Shell will hold the remaining 25% interest. In turn, the JV will own 25% of the entire NFE project, which includes 4 mega LNG trains with a combined nameplate LNG capacity of 32mn tonnes per annum (mtpa). (Peninsula Qatar)
- QCB issues QR600mn treasury bills for July** – Qatar Central Bank (QCB) issued on treasury bills for July, for three, six and nine months, with a value of QR600mn. In a statement on its website, QCB said that the treasury bills were distributed as follows: QR300mn for three months at an interest rate of 0.75%, QR200mn for six months at an interest rate of 2.02%, and QR100mn for nine months at an interest rate of 2.29%. This issuance comes within the framework of QCB's endeavor to develop the monetary policy in the State of Qatar, increase its effectiveness, contribute to the strength of the banking and financial system, activate the open market tools as one of the monetary policy tools, and implement the coordination mechanism between fiscal and monetary policies. The issuance is also part of a series of issues executed by QCB on behalf of the Government of the State of Qatar, according to the schedule previously prepared by QCB, and in coordination with the Ministry of Finance. Treasury bills are issued through auction for banks operating in Qatar. (Peninsula Qatar)
- Shell CEO: North Field expansion to see world's 'most responsibly produced LNG'** – The North Field expansion that will include carbon capture and storage is expected to see the "most responsibly produced LNG" in the world, noted Shell CEO Ben van Beurden. Speaking in Doha, van Beurden said, "This expansion is good news for Qatar for the world and for Shell. "Because this responsibly produced gas is consistent with Qatar's energy sustainability strategy, and also for Shell's strategy to become a net zero emission energy business by 2050." He said "natural gas plays a role an important role in world wide transition to net zero emissions energy system." "If we switch from coal to gas for production of iron or steel, that can result in a reduction of CO2 equivalent, saving 38%. And that is very significant." van Beurden said, "I thank His Highness for taking the decision to end the moratorium of the development of NF in 2017. It was a crucial step forward towards realising Qatar's National Vision for 2030." "I am honored that Shell has been selected by QatarEnergy as a partner in the NFE project. Through its pioneering integration with carbon capture and storage, this landmark project will help provide LNG the world urgently needs at a lower carbon footprint. This agreement deepens our strategic partnership with QatarEnergy which includes multiple international partnerships such as the world-class Pearl GTL asset." "We are committed to maximize the value of the LNG expansion for the State of Qatar and continue to be a trusted, reliable and long-term partner in Qatar's continued progress," van Beurden noted. QatarEnergy announced the selection of Shell as partner in the North Field East (NFE) expansion project, the single largest project in the history of the LNG industry. (Gulf Times)
- Al-Kaabi: Other buyers could join North Field expansion 'if they add value'** – HE the Minister of State for Energy Affairs Saad bin Sherida al-Kaabi said other buyers could join the \$29bn North Field expansion "if they add value". Speaking to reporters in Doha al-Kaabi, also the President and CEO of QatarEnergy, said, "We had been in discussions with several buyers – or value-added partners as well call it, around the world who have shown interest and very eager interest I would say. "It depends on the value they add if they add value they would come in. We are proceeding with the project, regardless. There could be some, if we find good opportunities and a win-win situation. We really are not in a rush to do that there is no big need to do that." On the "value added partners", the minister noted, "Basically, they need to be a buyer of LNG so they need to demonstrate that they can give us a price that is above the market price. This is because they will be coming into the best project that exists in the LNG business from a cost perspective and from a return perspective (in the world) and the largest ever built." Al-Kaabi said
- QatarEnergy has very capable marketing organizations that are working on marketing these volumes – and the likes of Shell only add to additional marketing capability. The minister said QatarEnergy had finalized the selection of IOCs in the North Field East (NFE) Expansion project following its selection of Shell as a partner. QatarEnergy and Shell will become partners in a new joint venture company (JV), in which QatarEnergy will hold a 75% interest while Shell will hold the remaining 25% interest. This agreement is the fifth and last in a series of partnership announcements in the multi-billion-dollar NFE project, which will raise Qatar's LNG export capacity from the current 77mn tonnes per year (mtpy) to 110 mtpy. The North Field East (NFE) expansion project is the single largest project in the history of the global LNG industry. (Gulf Times)
- Qatar, US to expand cooperation for World Cup security** – Prime Minister and Minister of Interior HE Sheikh Khalid bin Khalifa bin Abdulaziz Al Thani met with US Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Strategy, Policy, and Plans HE Robert Silvers and his accompanying delegation. The meeting dealt with reviewing strategic bilateral ties and the means to enhance them in all fields, in addition to issues of joint interest. The Prime Minister and Minister of Interior witnessed the signing of an agreement and a number of memoranda of understanding between Qatar and the US. He witnessed the signing of an MoU on a joint security programme, a security agreement between Qatar's Ministry of Interior (MoI) and US Customs and Border Protection agency on visa inspection. The Prime Minister also witnessed the signing of two letters of intent between the General Authority of Customs and the US Department of Homeland Security (DHS) on a program for exchanging foreign electronic data related to shipping products and mutual customs assistance, in addition to a joint letter of intent on cooperation in the cybersecurity field between the National Cyber Security Agency and the DHS. A joint statement was also issued by Qatar's MoI and the US DHS, concerning FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022 security. The statement said that the Prime Minister and Minister of Interior received the US Department of Homeland Security Under Secretary for Strategy, Policy, and Plans to discuss common security priorities and reaffirm their shared commitment to expand cooperation to enhance the security of the FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022. (Peninsula Qatar)
- CRA publishes amended class licenses** – The Communications Regulatory Authority (CRA) published the amended versions of the "Class License for the Resale of Retail Telecommunications Services" and the "Class License to Own and/or Operate a Private Telecommunications Network". The two Class Licenses were originally issued in 2011 and were amended in 2013. The current amendments aim at updating and enhancing the Class Licenses taking into account the establishment of CRA in 2014 and amendments to the Telecommunications Law in 2017. According to the Telecommunications Law, a license is required to resell retail telecommunications services or own and/or operate a private telecommunications network. The licensee must comply with the terms and conditions of the appropriate license and with the Telecommunications Law and applicable regulatory framework. The amended licenses supersede all previous versions and are effective from the date of their issuance. (Peninsula Qatar)
- Sources: Airbus cancels deal with Qatar Airways for fourth A350** – Europe's Airbus has raised the stakes in a dispute with Qatar Airways over damage to the painted surface of long-haul A350 jets by revoking the contract for a fourth airplane, three people familiar with the matter said. The two companies are locked in a dispute over the impact of surface scars on the jets, with Airbus insisting the aircraft are safe and the Gulf carrier claiming there are unanswered questions over airworthiness and refusing to take deliveries. In May, a British judge rejected a bid by Qatar Airways to force Airbus to stop formally trying to deliver more A350s to the carrier, the aircraft's largest customer. The procedural ruling means Airbus is free to attempt to trigger payment clauses as more planes are built. It can also try to sell A350s that Qatar has rejected to carriers such as Air India, which industry sources say could step in as a buyer. The fourth A350 was cancelled in late June and is expected to be reflected in first-half Airbus data due out on Friday. A fifth aircraft is due to reach the same stage in the pipeline by end-July, followed by a sixth later this year. Qatar Airways claims Airbus is wrongly trying to offer new jets for delivery, while Airbus claims the airline has broken its contract by refusing to take more A350s and is revoking orders for undelivered aircraft one by one, as they are built. The two sides are due to meet in a London court on Thursday in the latest of a series of procedural hearings ahead of a full trial tentatively scheduled for June next year barring an out-of-court settlement, which sources say so far appears remote. (Bloomberg)
- MEEZA continues celebrating multiple achievements as Cisco partner** – MEEZA, Qatar's prominent Managed and Cloud IT services and solutions provider, has received multiple recognitions from Cisco for its expanded activities and competence in the public sector in Qatar, being awarded as Cisco's 'Public Sector Partner of the Year' in Qatar, achieving 'Cisco Gold



Integrator Partner' certification for 2022-2023, and 'Customer Experience Specialization'. MEEZA was awarded as 'Public Sector Partner of the Year' in Qatar by Cisco on the Comstor and Cisco Partner Day in acknowledgement of its expansion and performance in the public government sector. MEEZA passed the audit and maintained the Cisco Gold Integrator Partner' certification for 2022-2023. The company met all personnel, specialization and support requirements and has demonstrated that it is qualified to sell, install and support Cisco Solutions in the Gulf region. MEEZA has also achieved its sixth specialization - 'Customer Experience Specialization' - from Cisco, a new mandate for MEEZA to maintain the Cisco Gold Integrator Partner Level. (Peninsula Qatar)

- Qontrac recognized for commitment to quality and excellence** – Qontrac Shipping Services WLL was awarded with ISO 9001:2015, ISO 14001:2015 and ISO 45001:2018 certifications by Lloyds Register, Qatar. These certifications are an endorsement of the products and services being offered are consistently of high-quality and meet the requirements of their clients in the shipping and logistics sector. These ISO certifications are also an assurance that the company has robust, clearly defined procedures in place in all business areas such as quality management system, documentation and data as well as strong business continuity processes. To achieve this certification, the Company completed a thorough analysis of its business processes and underwent a rigorous evaluation process which included, quality management system development, documentation reviews, and several audits amongst other parameters. Its decision to pursue the accreditation, demonstrates the Company's commitment to providing high quality and consistent services to its customers. (Peninsula Qatar)
- ICC Qatar, Moody's Analytics concludes seminar on 'Fighting Financial Crimes with AI'** – The International Chamber of Commerce Qatar (ICC Qatar), in collaboration with Moody's Analytics, has organized a seminar on 'Fighting Financial Crimes with Artificial Intelligence'. The seminar highlighted how financial and corporate institutions can significantly improve the effectiveness of their customer onboarding experience, due-diligence processes, sanctions screening, and financial crime detections by infusing machine learning (ML) systems and artificial intelligence (AI) in their day-to-day operations. It also discussed the current supply chain challenges businesses are facing to keep up with globalization and the global impact that environmental, social, and governance (ESG) considerations are having on businesses. In a statement, ICC Qatar said: "There is growing interest in regulating ESG products and services around the world and there are huge strides taking place in the industry. Additionally, international organizations are also partaking in the movement, which partly addresses the climate crisis, by issuing recommendations to guide the development of ESG-related regulations. "According to Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI), government agencies account for 90% of the new ESG-related regulations in 2019. In 2020, Qatar alone promulgated two regulations that fall under the umbrella of ESG: Law No 18 of 2020 amending certain provisions of the Labor Law and Law No 17 of 2020 determining the National Minimum Wage for Workers and Domestic Workers, which came into effect in March 2021." ICC Qatar added: "According to Moody's ESG Solutions, the average climate disclosure rate globally has risen from 16% in 2020 to 22% in 2021, indicating increased participation in ESG reporting, further highlighting its relevance. ESG is not only important as a form of risk assessment but is becoming increasingly intertwined with capital allocation." (Bloomberg)

## International

- US factory orders rise more than expected in May** – New orders for US-manufactured goods increased more than expected in May, bucking a slew of recent data showing a softening in the economy and underscoring that demand for products remains strong even as the Federal Reserve aggressively tightens financial conditions. The Commerce Department said on Tuesday that factory orders rose 1.6% in May after advancing 0.7% in April. Economists polled by Reuters had forecast factory orders would rise 0.5%. Manufacturing accounts for 12% of the US economy and is being held up by strong demand for goods even as overall spending rotates more toward the services sector. The U.S central bank is seeking to cool demand across the economy as it tries to tamp down high inflation. In May, there were increases in orders for primary metals, machinery and transportation equipment, among others. Orders for computers and electronic products also rose 0.5%. But orders for electrical equipment, appliances and components declined 1.0%. Shipments of manufactured goods gained 1.8% after accelerating 0.6% in April. Inventories at factories increased 1.3%. Unfilled orders rose 0.4% in May compared to a gain of 0.5% in April. The Commerce Department also reported that orders for non-defense capital goods excluding aircraft, which are seen as a measure of business spending plans on equipment, increased 0.6% in May instead of 0.5% as reported last month. Shipments of these so-called core capital goods, which are used to calculate business equipment spending in the gross domestic product report, advanced 0.8% in May, the

same as reported last month. Robust business spending on equipment helped to shore up domestic demand in the first quarter, even as GDP contracted at a 1.5% annualized rate during that period. (Reuters)

- Bank of England tells lenders to brace for economic storm** – The Bank of England warned on Tuesday that the economic outlook for Britain and the world had darkened and told banks to ramp up capital buffers to ensure they can weather the storm. "The economic outlook for the UK and globally has deteriorated materially," the BoE said as it published its latest Financial Stability Report, adding that developments around the war in Ukraine would be a key factor. Members of the Financial Policy Committee (FPC) confirmed that the BoE will double the counter-cyclical capital buffer (CCYB) rate to 2% July next year and said it could vary the rate in either direction depending on how the global economy pans out. The CCYB rate represents an extra buffer for banks that varies depending on the economic outlook. Despite a worsening cost-of-living crunch, with inflation heading towards double digits, the BoE said banks were resilient to debt vulnerabilities among households and businesses. The BoE also said it would conduct an in-depth analysis of the functioning of the commodities market, with metals trade severely disrupted in March by Russia's invasion of Ukraine. The central bank said it would begin its 2022 stress test of banks - delayed due to the war - in September, with the results likely to come in mid-2023. (Reuters)
- UK firms see small pick-up in June but inflation worries mount** – Growth among British businesses last month was a touch stronger than originally thought but there were further signs of how surging inflation is dragging on new orders, raising fears of a recession, a survey showed on Tuesday. The composite S&P Global/CIPS Purchasing Managers Index - spanning services and manufacturing firms - edged up to 53.7 from a preliminary June reading of 53.1 and was higher than in May when it also came in at 53.1. A PMI for just the service sector similarly rose to 54.3 from the "flash" reading of 53.4. Many firms said they planned to push through further price rises in the second half of 2022. Bank of England Governor Andrew Bailey said last week that there were clear signs of the economy slowing although the central bank was still ready to act "forcefully" if needed to keep a grip on an inflation rate heading for 11%. (Reuters)
- Bank of Japan may adjust ultra-loose policy before Kuroda's term ends, former central-bank executive says** – The Bank of Japan may adjust its ultra-loose monetary policy before dovish Governor Haruhiko Kuroda's term ends next April, if the economy strengthens enough to spur higher wages, former central bank executive Eiji Maeda told Reuters on Tuesday. Any such move would be aimed at addressing the demerits of prolonged easing, such as market distortions caused by the BOJ's huge presence, and not at tightening monetary policy, he said. "Global rising inflation has exposed the distortions caused by Japan's monetary policy," said Maeda, who retains close contact with incumbent BOJ policymakers and has deep knowledge of the reasoning behind the central bank's decisions. Japan's consumer inflation, now around 2%, could accelerate to around 3% if further Yen declines keep inflating import costs. "It's inappropriate to change monetary policy right now," Maeda said. "But when economic and price conditions fall into place, the BOJ must act because YCC and negative interest rates are no longer necessary in Japan." (Reuters)

## Regional

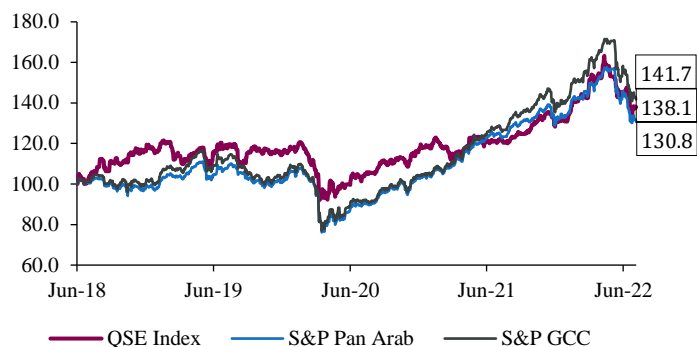
- Saudi non-oil economy saw robust expansion in June, but cost pressures rise** – Saudi Arabia's non-oil economy marked robust expansion in June as new businesses rose at the sharpest rate in eight months. However, intensifying cost pressures led companies to mark up their prices as the rate of input cost inflation accelerated to a 22-month peak, according to a new business survey. The headline seasonally adjusted S&P Global Saudi Arabia Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) posted further above the 50.0 neutral mark in June, rising to 57.0 from 55.7 in May. The reading was the highest seen since October 2021. Business conditions were strengthened by an even sharper rise in new order inflows. The rate of sales growth picked up for the second month running and, like the headline PMI, signaled the strongest upturn since October last year. David Owen, Economist at S&P Global Market Intelligence, said: "Saudi Arabia's non-oil economy continued to go from strength to strength in June, with the PMI picking up to an eight-month high of 57.0 and posting well above the 50.0 no-change mark. The upturn was underlined by a robust increase in new business levels, which encouraged firms to expand their output sharply and make greater input purchases." However, input price pressures in the Saudi Arabian non-oil economy picked up for the second consecutive month on rise in raw material and fuel prices due to constraints in global supply, while wage costs increased slightly. Cost inflation was up to its highest level for almost two years, prompting a further uptick in average prices charged, said Owen. (Zawya)

- Saudi Arabia, UAE boost spending to shield citizens from inflation** – Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates are boosting state spending on social welfare by billions of dollars as they seek to shield their citizens from rising living costs. The UAE is doubling the financial support it provides to low-income Emirati families to 28bn Dirhams (\$7.6bn) to help them with soaring inflation in the Gulf state, while Saudi Arabia's King Salman ordered a 20bn Riyal (\$5.33bn) allocation. The kingdom will reopen registration for the program known as Citizens Account and allocate 8bn Riyals in additional funding for it through the end of the year. Another 2bn Riyals will go to one-off payments to social insurance beneficiaries and 408mn Riyals to a program that supports small livestock breeders. The UAE's expanded budget allocation, reported by state news agency WAM, includes increasing existing benefits and establishing new ones targeted at mitigating the impact of inflation on food prices, and rising fuel and household energy costs. Some of the new benefits for Emiratis include financial support for university students and the unemployed who are over 45 years old. James Swanston of Capital Economics said the spending boosts were equivalent to 0.6% of Saudi Arabia's GDP and 1.8% of the UAE's GDP. (Zawya)
- Zoho, Falak Investment Hub to digitally empower startups** – Zoho Corp, a leading technology firm, has signed a deal with Saudi-based Falak Investment Hub to digitally empower youth and startups in Saudi Arabia and support them in their digital transformation journey. As per the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed, Zoho will provide startups associated with the Falak Investment Hub network wallet credit worth \$2500, an initiative by the 'Zoho for Startups' program. The wallet credit can be used for accessing any of its 50+ products. In addition, members of the Falak Investment Hub will get access to learning resources and training workshops by Zoho's team to help them digitize their business. The MoU was signed by Adwa Al Dakheel, Founder and CEO at Falak Investment Hub and Hyther Nizam, President Middle East and Africa at Zoho Corp. (Zawya)
- Germany's Scholz discusses energy with UAE president** – German Chancellor Olaf Scholz spoke on Tuesday with United Arab Emirates President Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed al-Nahyan and discussed issues including energy, a spokesperson for Scholz said. "In a telephone conversation, the Chancellor and the President spoke about bilateral cooperation, including in the areas of energy and climate protection, regional issues as well as the Russian attack on Ukraine and its global impact," the spokesperson said in a statement. (Reuters)
- PMI: Growth of non-oil UAE businesses slows amidst severe inflation** – A sharp rise in fuel prices in June resulted in a severe increase in business expenses and prompted non-oil businesses in the UAE to hire more staff as costs rose at the fastest pace in 11 years, according to a new business survey. The headline seasonally adjusted S&P Global UAE Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) posted firmly above the crucial 50.0 mark in June but dropped from 55.6 in May to 54.8. Non-oil businesses in the Emirates faced intense inflationary pressures leading to a slowdown in purchases and reduced stockpiling efforts. "More than twice as many surveyed firms indicated a rise in their expenses compared to May, leading many to curb spending on inputs," David Owen, Economist at S&P Global Market Intelligence, said. Nevertheless, helped in part by sustained efforts to lower output charges and offset competitive pressures, firms continued to see a robust increase in new orders in June driving a strong expansion in activity. According to the PMI survey, some firms mentioned that rising interest rates had hit household and business spending. Also, there was some evidence that firms had to offer higher salaries to hire and retain staff, as average wages rose at the fastest pace for over four years. However, the outlook for future activity remains positive despite the concerns that inflation will hit spending. (Zawya)
- Digital bank Zand receives UAE banking license** – Emirati digital banking start-up Zand, which provides retail and corporate services, said it had been granted a banking license from the Central Bank of the United Arab Emirates. The license, which authorizes and regulates Zand to operate as a fully independent bank, was awarded on June 30, Chief Executive and co-founder Olivier Crespain said in a statement. A growing number of digital banks are starting up in the UAE, the oil-rich Gulf state of around 10mn people. Dubai-based YAP, which says it has signed up over 130,000 users, on Monday said it had raised \$41mn and would seek roughly \$20mn in additional funding as it expands into new markets. (Reuters)
- Egypt, UAE discuss boosting IT, energy cooperation** – Egyptian President Abdel-Fattah el-Sisi on Tuesday met with Minister of Industry and Advanced Technology of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) Sultan Al Jaber on expanding investments and cooperation in the information technology and energy fields. Describing the Egyptian-UAE ties as "strategic," Sisi welcomed "boosting the size and scope of UAE investments in Egypt," he was quoted as saying by a presidential statement. For his part, the UAE minister said the investment and trade climate in Egypt is conducive as it has offered diverse opportunities for the UAE investments and foreign investments in general. Al Jaber also underscored "the UAE's commitment" to strengthening strategic cooperation with Egypt at various levels, according to the statement. The meeting came days after Sisi met with UAE Foreign Minister Sheikh Abdullah bin Zayed Al Nahyan in Cairo on bilateral ties and regional security. Over the past couple of weeks, Egypt and the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) states have been intensifying talks and official meetings as part of their efforts to step up economic and security cooperation. (Bloomberg)
- Dragon Oil signs extension of partnership contract in Turkmenistan for ten more years** – Dragon Oil, an exploration and production platform totally owned by the Government of Dubai, has renewed the partnership contract in Turkmenistan with the state-owned company, Turkmen Oil, until May 2025, for a period of ten additional years with a total value of \$1bn. \$500mn will be paid in cash, while the remaining \$500mn will be paid over the next 13 years, which includes the company's commitment towards the support of the Turkmen government's projects, community development, education, public health and some benefits of the co-production. The signing ceremony of the agreement was held in the Turkmen capital, Ashgabat, with the presence of Engineer Ali Al Jarwan, CEO of Dragon Oil, and a few members of the company's executives. The Cheleken complex, located in the East Caspian Sea in Turkmenistan, is the main producing asset of Dragon Oil, and consists of two major offshore oil and gas fields, Lam and Zhdanov, which have been successfully developed and maintained since 2000, in addition to one more potential complex, which all located around 10-40 kilometers off the coast of the Chiliken Peninsula and at water depths of 10 to 30 meters. Over a 22-year period, the company has spent \$8.1bn on wells drilling and setting up the appropriate production facilities to aid a sustainable production, with cumulative production of 437mn barrels of crude oil. (Zawya)
- Dubai Chamber of Commerce mobilize Dubai-based business groups to enhance economic contribution** – Abdul Aziz Al Ghurair, Chairman of Dubai Chambers, recently met with heads and members of business groups in Dubai to discuss new ways that this sector can enhance its role and contribution to the emirate's economy and strengthen public-private sector partnerships. The virtual meeting was joined by Hamad Buamim, President and CEO of Dubai Chambers, and 45 participants representing various business groups in Dubai. The meeting provided a platform for business groups to highlight market gaps and share their recommendations for improving ease of doing business in Dubai. Addressing participations, Al Ghurair highlighted the crucial role of business groups in driving private sector growth and revealed that 28 business groups representing 30 economic sectors now operate in Dubai under the umbrella of Dubai Chamber of Commerce. Al Ghurair shared new details about a major initiative that the Chamber is planning to launch later this year, which is designed to enhance the economic contribution of business groups. He noted that the program supports the objectives of the Dubai Chambers strategy, which has expanded the organization's efforts to ensure a business-friendly regulatory environment in Dubai and achieve the vision of His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President, Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai, to elevate the emirate's position as a global business hub. (Zawya)
- UAE: Employees ask for salary hike, fuel allowance as oil price hits a record high** – Employee requests related to compensation and allowances are increasing as inflation consistently rises in the country with fuel prices reaching an all-time high in July. In order to retain talent, some companies in the UAE are looking at mid-term increments and increasing allowances. This included fuel stipends since prices have jumped nearly 75% since January 2022. The UAE has increased fuel prices by half a dirham per liter for two months in a row in June and July, reaching Dh4.63 per liter for Super 98 as global crude oil prices are consistently staying above \$100 per barrel, especially during the Russia-Ukraine crisis. Economists have also projected higher inflation in the UAE this year as compared to last year as the economy recovers from the pandemic. Mayank Patel, country head, Adecco Middle East, said rising inflation greatly impacts the quality of life of employees, hence, organizations are looking into ways to tackle this crisis in various ways. "There is an observed increase in employee requests related to compensation and travel allowances due to increased fuel prices. Some companies are increasing employee allowance while others are looking at mid-term increments. There are also some special allowances provided to employees until the situation improves," said Patel. (Zawya)
- Tourism Minister affirms depth of Bahraini-Saudi relations** – Tourism Minister, Fatima bint Jaffar Al-Sairafi, has affirmed the depth of the long-standing Bahraini-Saudi Arabia at all levels, praising the steady progress of the two countries' cooperation in the field of tourism, given its role in strengthening their economic complementarity. While receiving here today Bahrain's Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, Shaikh Ali bin Abdulrahman bin Ali Al Khalifa, Al-Sairafi underlined the keenness of the Ministry to activate various projects and initiatives aimed at boosting the tourism sector in the kingdom.

In this regard, she highlighted the importance of enhancing joint action in order to increase the effectiveness of the Ministry of Tourism's plans and efforts in targeting the Gulf Cooperation Council's markets and carrying out promotional campaigns that achieve the forecast goals, in addition to providing a package of tourism and entertainment program and events that meet the needs and achieve the aspirations of tourists and visitors. The ambassador expressed thanks and appreciation to the minister, valuing highly the efforts being exerted by the Tourism Ministry to upgrade Bahrain's cooperation with Saudi Arabia in a way that would achieve the common aspirations of the two brotherly countries. (Bloomberg)

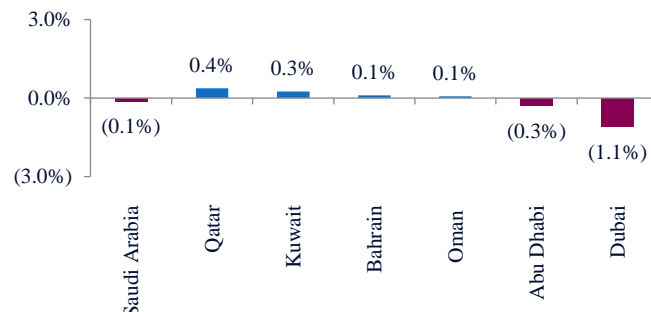
- **Oman's Galfar Engineering wins contract worth \$190mn** – Oman's Galfar Engineering & Contracting SOAG said it has won a contract worth 73mn Omani Rials (\$190mn) to construct a dual carriageway project in Duqm. The contract was awarded by the Public Authority for Special Economic Zones and Free Zones and is for a period of 36 months, the Muscat Stock Exchange-listed company said in a bourse filing on Tuesday. On Sunday, the contractor said it won the contract for a road project from Oman's defense ministry worth over 16mn Rials. (Zawya)

### Rebased Performance



Source: Bloomberg

### Daily Index Performance



Source: Bloomberg

Asset/Currency Performance	Close (\$)	1D%	WTD%	YTD%
Gold/Ounce	1,764.76	(2.4)	(2.6)	(3.5)
Silver/Ounce	19.21	(3.9)	(3.3)	(17.6)
Crude Oil (Brent)/Barrel (FM Future)	102.77	(9.5)	(7.9)	32.1
Crude Oil (WTI)/Barrel (FM Future)	99.50	(8.2)	(8.2)	32.3
Natural Gas (Henry Hub)/MMBtu	5.67	0.4	0.4	54.9
LPG Propane (Arab Gulf)/Ton	117.00	(3.6)	(3.6)	4.2
LPG Butane (Arab Gulf)/Ton	122.50	(6.2)	(6.2)	(12.0)
Euro	1.03	(1.5)	(1.4)	(9.7)
Yen	135.85	0.2	0.5	18.0
GBP	1.19	(1.4)	(1.2)	(11.7)
CHF	1.03	(0.8)	(1.0)	(5.8)
AUD	0.68	(0.9)	(0.2)	(6.3)
USD Index	106.54	1.3	1.3	11.4
RUB	118.69	0.0	0.0	58.9
BRL	0.19	(1.1)	(1.0)	3.4

Source: Bloomberg

Global Indices Performance	Close	1D%*	WTD%*	YTD%*
MSCI World Index	2,553.95	(0.5)	(0.2)	(21.0)
DJ Industrial	30,967.82	(0.4)	(0.4)	(14.8)
S&P 500	3,831.39	0.2	0.2	(19.6)
NASDAQ 100	11,322.24	1.7	1.7	(27.6)
STOXX 600	400.68	(3.8)	(3.1)	(26.1)
DAX	12,401.20	(4.6)	(4.7)	(29.3)
FTSE 100	7,025.47	(4.4)	(3.0)	(16.2)
CAC 40	5,794.96	(4.3)	(3.8)	(27.1)
Nikkei	26,423.47	1.0	1.5	(22.1)
MSCI EM	991.47	(0.1)	(0.1)	(19.5)
SHANGHAI SE Composite	3,404.03	(0.3)	0.2	(11.5)
HANG SENG	21,853.07	0.1	(0.0)	(7.2)
BSE SENSEX	53,134.35	(0.5)	0.1	(14.2)
Bovespa	98,294.64	(2.2)	(2.2)	(3.4)
RTS	1,146.68	(8.2)	(10.2)	(28.1)

Source: Bloomberg (\*\$ adjusted returns)



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