



Orionis Fund

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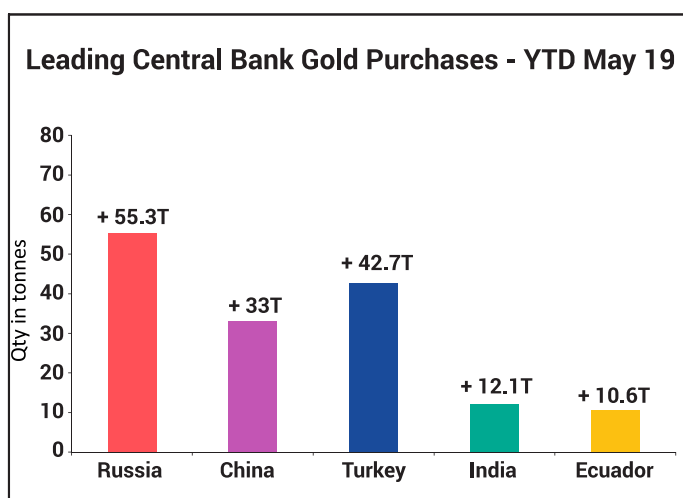
Monthly Results

Orionis Fund Ltd, Class G, continued its profitable operations and has declared 2.93% as dividends for May '19. The fund was originally constituted in 2015 and adopts a monthly dividend distribution model making it unique. For the year 2019 till May, the fund has returned 14.17% to its investors.

From its inception of January '15 until May '19, fund has returned 136.74% resulting in annual average of '30.72%'. With its past performance, the initial investors in the fund have got a 100% payback of the invested capital within 39 months and the fund continues its superlative performance.

Central Bank Buying Gives Gold New Lustre

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The central banks of Russia and China helped drive a 7 per cent increase in global gold demand in the first quarter from a year earlier, according to the World Gold Council, as they continued efforts to trim their exposure to US dollars. Central banks purchased a total of 145.5 tonnes of gold worth about \$6bn, an increase of 68 per cent compared with last year and the strongest first quarter since 2013, the industry-led body said.

Russia was the biggest buyer during the period, adding 55.3 tonnes of the yellow metal to tilt the composition of its reserves away from the US dollar, amid rising tensions with Washington and the prospect of further sanctions. China added 33 tonnes to its holdings and Ecuador bought gold for the first time since 2014, said the WGC. The year has witnessed an increased purchase from Emerging Market Central Banks looking to diversify their US Dollars exposure.

ETFs Boosted As Investors Seek Safe Haven Assets

Holdings in gold-backed ETFs had their biggest inflows in a year during early week of June 19, in a sign that the precious metal is recovering its status as a safe haven investment. Inflows into the world's largest gold ETF, the SPDR Gold Trust, rose by 2 per cent its biggest one-day gain since 2016, as uncertainty continued to weigh on global stock markets.

Investors are moving into gold as a protection against weakness in global equity markets and uncertainty about the future of trade relations between the US and China. In total, holdings of gold in exchange traded funds rose by 609,000 ounces of gold, the biggest inflow so far this year.

Investment Objective

Orionis fund carries active opportunistic trade of raw gold by integrating the supply chain in midstream artisanal gold mining and generating significant yield on investment. The fund does sourcing of gold in Western Africa, in particular Republic Of Mali.

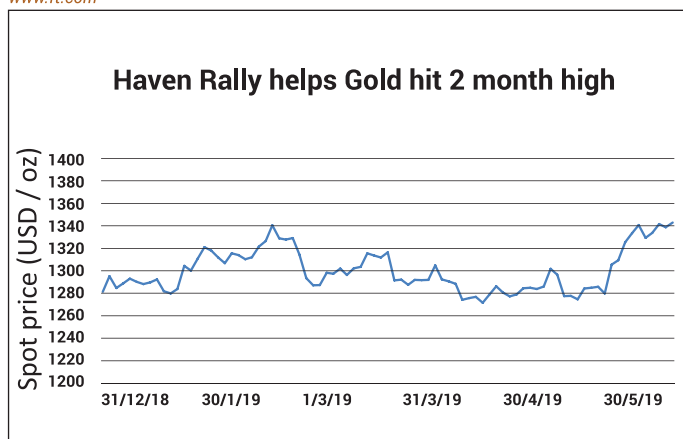
Orionis have appointed the precious metal agent who supervises the whole of operations. The fund engages high quality professionals who are experienced in every step of purchase and sale of gold resulting in generating optimum yield. Security, transparency and traceability of the origin of raw gold or dore bars are at the heart of the process of Orionis. The transportation of gold and its continued security is handled by best in class vaulting agent. Orionis strictly does investment only in raw gold and doesn't diversify outside its field of expertise.

Orionis Dividend Tracker

Orionis Fund Ltd. Class G					
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Month	%ge div	%ge div	%ge div	%ge div	%ge div
Jan	4.36%	7.39%	2.25%	2.75%	2.70%
Feb	2.17%	3.18%	2.50%	2.80%	2.72%
March	3.27%	2.25%	2.30%	2.80%	2.87%
April	3.27%	2.30%	2.50%	2.93%	2.95%
May	3.20%	2.54%	2.40%	2.90%	2.93%
June	3.68%	2.15%	2.45%	2.95%	
July	3.68%	2.05%	1.50%	1.40%	
Aug	2.33%	1.80%	1.50%	1.45%	
Sep	1.41%	1.80%	1.50%	1.42%	
Oct	2.36%	2.15%	2.85%	2.87%	
Nov	1.35%	2.20%	2.95%	2.92%	
Dec	1.71%	2.20%	2.92%	2.95%	
Total	32.80%	32.01%	27.62%	30.14%	14.17%
Returns since inception				136.74%	

Gold Prices Hit 14-month High As Rate Cut Bets Jump

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Gold prices hit their highest levels in two months during first week of June '19 as investors sought safety from falling global stock markets amid trade tensions between the US and China.

The price of gold hit \$1,314.33 a troy ounce, its highest level since March 27, as stock markets fell in Asia and Europe. Gold, considered a safe haven asset, is benefiting from growing fears that a trade clash between Washington and Beijing will harm the global economy. The asset got an extra boost in price due to dismal job data from US for May 19. It also prompted the markets to up bets the Fed may have to deliver three quarter-point interest rate cuts to support an economy already on edge.

Global Markets

Stocks finished the month higher with the S&P 500 rallying last week of the month by 4.4%, the best weekly gain in six months. At the same time bond yields declined to the lowest levels in two years. Economic data were mixed, as strength from the services sector was offset by weakness in the manufacturing sector. Job gains for the month of May came in below expectations, but the unemployment rate held steady at a 50-year low. At this stage of the economic cycle the expectation is for a more balanced mix of positive and negative surprises. The U.S. economy is showing signs of fatigue, highlighted by manufacturing activity slowing materially recently, the auto cycle likely having passed its peak, and lackluster business investment. Tariff tensions with China and Mexico have amplified the concerns, with trade issues threatening to further sap activity. An escalation in US-China trade tensions has weighed on investor sentiment and risk asset performance, including emerging market (EM) assets and corporate credit, though fixed income markets have generally fared better than equity markets during the recent bout of market weakness. Meanwhile, perceived safe-haven currencies have appreciated and core sovereign bond yields have fallen. Key Factors which will affect the short term market movements would be US Fed Rates, Policy easing of China and improving trade drop back.

Investment Summary

Orionis Fund Ltd. has declared dividends of 2.93% for May 2019 resulting in year till date dividends of 14.17%. The fund since its inception has been consistent in its performance and till date has generated cumulative dividends of 136.74%; annual average dividend yield is 30.72%. We maintain our opinion that gold remains a risk hedge against ongoing political and potential inflationary risks and Orionis Fund offers an attractive opportunity for potential investors to earn monthly dividends by investing in this Gold Centric Collective Investment Scheme.

Abdul Jabbar Al Sayegh Chairman

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Gold Leading Mining Stocks vs Orionis Fund

In this edition, we have drawn a sample pool from the largest gold mining and related companies in the world for performance comparison. Each of these companies are having market cap of more than \$ 4bn and are the top gold mining stocks.

Performance Comparison - Year until May 2019				
	Mkt Cap	1M	Q1	YTD
Barrick Gold Corp	\$24.09bn	-2%	1.0%	-8.3%
Newmont Mining Corp	\$19.05bn	7%	3.2%	-4.5%
Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd	\$10.13bn	2%	7.3%	4.6%
Royal Gold Inc	\$ 6.13bn	1%	6.2%	2.7%
Anglo Gold Ashanti	\$ 5.51bn	13%	4.4%	5.9%
Kinross Gold Corp	\$ 4.51bn	3%	6.2%	0.9%
Orionis Fund Ltd . Class G		2.95%	8.29%	14.19%

The comparison reflects that Orionis had a consistent improved performance over 3 months and year till date periods against volatile stocks. However, May '19 had few major mining stocks witnessing bull run which was a reflection of markets witnessing increase in gold prices.

China Gold Reserves Climb For Sixth Month In May '19

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China increased its gold purchases for the sixth month running in May, taking its total reserves to 1,916 tonnes. The People's Bank of China bought 15.6 tonnes of the precious metal last month, according to the central bank. The country has accumulated 74 tonnes of the precious metal since the end of November, when it initially began ramping up purchases. The value of its reserves has risen to \$79.8bn as US-China trade tensions have rumbled on.