

Introduction

As part of Bahrain Bourse's continuous strive for excellence and communication with various market participants including investors, and in an effort to promote greater "transparency" and "efficiency", an Investor Satisfaction Survey was launched in line with the Board of Directors recommendation, during the period from 17th November to 17th December 2020, targeting a pool of 3000 investors.

Objective

This initiative aims to support Bahrain Bourse's stakeholder engagement efforts and contribute in building open communication platforms to identify strengths and gap areas based on the evaluation of investors and the wider stakeholder group.

Distribution Methods



Executive Summary

- The majority of respondents were retail investors who have been investing in Bahrain Bourse for less than 5 years
- Bahrian Bourse website was the most preferred channel of communication for obtaining updates on BHB's news
- Shares, followed by Bonds and Sukuk were the most commonly known among Bahrain Bourse products
- The trading frequency of the majority of participants ranged between infrequent to twice a year
- The risk appetite of the majority of participants was moderate
- The dividends distribution process was rated 'Excellent'
- IBAN transfers was the most preferred method for receiving cash dividends by the participants
- More that half of the participants have an active eServices account
- Bahrain Trade online trading experience was rated 'Good'

Respondents Demographics



64%

Male Respondents



41%

Of respondents were Bachelors Degree Holders



56%

Of respondents aged between

30-50 Years

71%

of respondents are retail investors who have been investing in Bahrain Bourse for the past 5 years or less

Preferred Channel of Communication



Preferred Social media channel for BHB updates 71%

Website

For obtaining updates on BHB's news

50%

Mobile App and Website

For queries

Level of Awareness of BHB Products

Shares followed by Bonds & Sukuk are the most commonly known among BHB's products

Shares

Bonds & Sukuk





Investors' Trading Frequency



Infrequently

Limited returns Illiquid market Lack of knowledge

among the top reasons impacting investors' investment decisions

Brokerage Services

Reasons for selecting the preferred authorized broker by investors



66%

Of Investors do not trade online via their brokers



Instructions via phone followed by brokers' online trading apps are the preferred modes of conducting investors' trading transactions

Investor Behavior



56%

Of respondents have

Moderate

appetite towards risk

The main objectives for investors' investment rationale decisions



Dividends Processing



96%

IBAN Transfers is the most preferred method for receiving Cash



dividend processing experience in terms of efficiency of payment process and accuracy of amount received

eServices Evaluation

59%

of the respondents have

active

account

Accuracy of Information Ease of Access Functionality of the Services

Quality of provided information

Bahrain Trade



81% are unaware

of Bahrain Trade online trading solution

The remaining investors who were aware of Bahrain Trade solution came to know about it through

········ Participating Bank

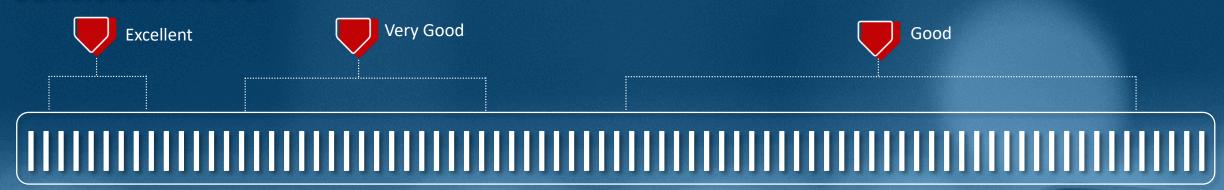
..... News & Social Media

Bahrain Trade experience was rated



Satisfaction level

eServices



Products & Services

Trading Floor & Investor Services **BHB** Website

Overall Satisfaction Level

Communication with BHB Team

Quality of Workshops & Seminars Social Media

