

Major Economic News

- SAMA raised reverse repo rate by 25bps from 4.75% to 5.0% and also hike repo rate by 25 bps from 5.25% to 5.5%. (Source: Argaam)

Major Corporate News

- Genomi Centers completed of the sale of 115,090 sq.m. of land in Riyadh's Al-Raed District, with the land deed exchanged and the company receiving SAR 644.5mn in sale proceeds. (Source: Tadawul)
- Saudi Basic Industries Corp. started commercial operations at its jointly owned industrial complex in China with China Petroleum & Chemical Corporation (Sinopec) to produce polycarbonate. The complex has a capacity of nearly 260,000 tpa. The financial impact is expected to be seen in Q1-23. (Source: Tadawul)
- Saudi Public Transport Co. (SAPTCO) and Qassim Municipality signed on March 21 a public bus-transport project contract, at a value of SAR 115.0mn. (Source: Tadawul)
- Gulf Union AlAhlia Cooperative Insurance Co. signed a binding merger agreement with and Al Sagr Cooperative Insurance Co., under which Gulf Union AlAhlia will issue 1.152 nominal shares for each issued share in Al Sagr. (Source: Tadawul)
- Al Kathiri Holding Co.'s shareholders will vote on a stock split from SAR 10 to SAR 0.5 (20 for 1) during the EGM slated for April 12. The total number of shares will increase to 226.04mn from 11.30mn. (Source: Tadawul)

Earnings update (Net Profit) (SAR mn)

Company	Q4-22	Q4-21	Y/Y %	Q3-22	Q/Q %
Catering	107.1	46.2	132.0	71.3	50.3
DAR ALARKAN	48.7	56.4	-13.6	79.4	-38.7
TCC	17.6	0.3	5048.8	7.8	126.0

Market Analysis

- The Saudi Stock Exchange decreased 0.1% to 10,350.5. The value traded stood at SAR 5.0bn (up 0.9% over previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 96/111. The parallel market index increased 0.9% to 19,094.4 points. The value traded stood at SAR 31.6mn (up 10.0% over previous day). Most sectors in the main market ended in the green. Software & services and Media (up 3.5% and 2.5%, respectively) advanced the most; Consumer Durables and Commercial service (down 1.4% and 1.1%, respectively) led the laggards.

Top Gainers

Company	Price	Change%
MOUWASAT	220.00	10.0
THIMAR	53.60	10.0
ALINMA TOKIO M	15.64	7.0
2P	202.00	5.2
EXTRA	77.40	4.6

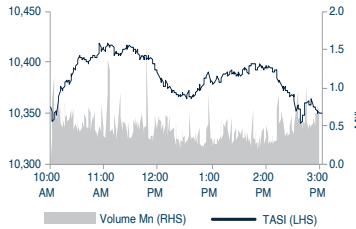
Top Losers

Company	Price	Change%
ALETIHAD	15.50	-8.9
GIG	26.70	-7.5
ARDCO	18.04	-5.1
BCI	33.20	-4.3
THEEB	75.40	-2.8

Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %
TASI	10,351	10,423	10,334	-0.1	-1.2
NomuC	19,094	19,094	18,876	0.9	-1.7

TASI movement during session



TASI Ratios

P/E* (x)	17.6
Price-to-Book (x)	2.1
Dividend Yield (%)	2.8
Return on Equity (%)	27

*Source: Argaam (Excluding Aramco)

Index	Close	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Energy	5,398	0.5	-0.5	11.5
Materials	6,253	-0.3	-0.6	12.4
Capital Goods	5,864	0.7	12.2	20.3
Commercial Service	3,629	-1.1	6.8	31.8
Transportation	5,180	0.0	14.1	High
Consumer Durables	4,168	-1.4	-1.3	Neg
Consumer Services	4,414	0.7	19.6	High
Media	22,813	2.5	6.1	24
Retailing	7,415	1.7	3.4	22.6
Food & Staples	9,336	0.4	9.3	19.9
Food & Beverages	4,723	0.0	1.8	39.6
Healthcare	10,081	1.3	10.6	High
Pharma & Bio Tech	3,172	-0.7	10.4	Neg
Banks	10,681	-0.7	-7.5	14.8
Diversified Financial	5,445	-0.6	-14.4	6.5
Insurance	5,831	0.7	9.7	High
Telecom	6,944	0.8	8.7	17.1
Utilities	6,758	-0.2	-5.8	14
REITs	3,757	-0.5	-5.5	21.9
Real Estate	2,857	-0.7	14.3	High
Software & Services	43,238	3.5	20.5	36.5

Average Index Value

Average days 5	Average days 10	Average days 20	Average value traded for the month (bn)
10,213	10,247	10,249	4.57

Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)
Current Week	18	609.00	1,311.60
Previous week	25.7	878.90	1,772.40

Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Saudi Aramco	31.70	0.5
Al Rajhi	72.60	-2.0
SNB	46.00	0.2
SABIC	88.40	-1.2
STC	38.90	1.3



Regional and International Markets

- Among other regional markets, Dubai and Abu Dhabi increased 0.3% and 0.6%, respectively. Kuwait and Qatar increased 1.0% each, while Oman and Bahrain increased 0.8% and 0.1%, respectively. Meanwhile, Egypt declined 0.5%.
- According to EIA, oil inventories in the US increased 1.1 barrels (prior: up 1.6mn) to 481.2mn in the week ended March 17. Gasoline inventories decreased 6.4mn barrels (prior: down 2.1mn) to 229.6mn, while distillate inventories declined 3.3mn barrels (prior: up 2.5mn) to 116.4mn. (Source: EIA, Econoday)
- The Federal Reserve raised its benchmark rate by 25bps but indicated that it was on the verge of halting further hike due to recent turmoil in financial markets caused by the failure of two US banks. The Fed's benchmark overnight interest rate was set at 4.75%-5.00%. (Source: Reuters)
- UK CPI increased 10.4% Y/Y in February (consensus: 9.9% Y/Y) as compared to increase of 10.1% Y/Y in January. (Source: Econoday)
- Oil prices rose 1.8%, as US dollar weakened after the US Federal Reserve delivered the anticipated small rate hike while also signalling that they considered pausing further hikes.
- Gold prices rose 1.5%, following the US Federal Reserve's widely expected policy statement, which tempered its aggressive approach to controlling inflation and suggested that interest rate hikes might soon come to a halt.

Forex / Currency

Currency / USD	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	102.35	-0.9	-2.4	-1.1
Euro	1.09	0.8	2.6	1.4
Japanese Yen	131.44	-0.8	-3.5	0.2
Sterling Pound	1.23	0.4	2.0	1.5
Chinese Yuan	6.86	-0.2	-1.4	-0.9
Indian Rupee	82.67	0.0	0.0	-0.1
UAE Dirham	3.67	0.0	0.0	0.0
Qatari Rial	3.67	0.1	0.2	0.0
Kuwaiti Dinar	0.31	-0.1	-0.2	0.1
Omani Rial	0.38	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.0
Egyptian Pound	30.90	0.0	0.9	24.8

Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
23 rd Mar	Bawan	Eligibility for Cash Dividend
23 rd Mar	Marafiq	Cash Dividend Distribution
23 rd Mar	ALSAIF GALLERY	Eligibility for Cash Dividend
23 rd Mar	Foods Gate	Surplus refund date
23 rd Mar	Meyar	End of IPO
23 rd Mar	GS	Final allocation date

*EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting

*OGM: Ordinary General Meeting

Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	3,393	0.3	-1.3	1.9	9.1
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	9,604	0.6	-2.4	-6.5	16.2
Kuwait (KSE)	5,502	1.0	-0.8	-1.7	11.9
Qatar (QE)	9,980	1.0	-5.6	-6.6	11.0
Oman (MSM)	4,896	0.8	3.0	0.8	11.3
Bahrain (BSE)	1,902	0.1	-1.6	0.3	8.0
Egypt (EGX30)	15,253	-0.5	-10.3	4.5	6.0

International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dow Jones	32,030	-1.6	-1.9	-3.4	19.0
Nasdaq	12,567	-1.4	4.4	14.9	27.9
S&P 500	3,937	-1.6	-0.8	2.5	18.9
FTSE 100	7,567	0.4	-3.9	1.5	10.9
Germany DAX 30	15,216	0.1	-1.0	9.3	11.9
France CAC 40	7,131	0.3	-1.9	10.2	12.1
Japan Nikkei 225	27,467	1.9	0.1	5.3	22.5
Russia MOEX	2,394	-0.2	6.2	11.1	3.1
Hong Kong Hang Seng	19,591	1.7	-1.0	-1.0	11.2
South Korea KOSPI	2,417	1.2	0.2	8.1	12.2
China Shanghai Composite	3,266	0.3	-0.4	5.7	14.3
Australia ASX 200	7,016	0.9	-3.3	-0.3	14.2
India Sensex	58,215	0.2	-1.3	-4.3	22.0
MSCI EM	961	0.9	-0.3	0.5	11.7
MSCI World	2,686	-0.9	-1.0	3.2	17.3

Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	76.39	0.9	-8.4	-9.3
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	76.69	1.8	-8.6	-10.7
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	70.90	2.3	-8.0	-11.7
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	2.17	-7.5	-21.0	-44.6
Gold (\$/oz)	1,970.11	1.5	7.8	8.0
Silver (\$/oz)	22.99	2.7	9.9	-4.0
Steel (\$/ton)	1,058.00	0.2	0.4	42.2
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	915.50	-1.2	-0.2	6.8
Wheat (\$/bu)	663.50	-2.9	-6.0	-16.9
Corn (\$/bu)	633.50	0.6	0.5	-6.6
Sugar (\$/lb)	21.14	1.6	5.3	12.9
SMP* (EUR/MT)	2,570.00	0.2	-1.0	-7.4

*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
KSA (SAIBOR 1M)	5.32	1.9	7.5	59.4
KSA (SAIBOR 3M)	5.51	-0.8	-7.4	16.7
KSA (SAIBOR 6M)	5.62	-3.8	-14.7	2.0
KSA (SAIBOR 12M)	5.68	-4.6	-15.3	-18.8
USD (LIBOR 3M)	5.02	7.1	5.5	25.0
UAE (EIBOR 3M)	4.76	-16.4	-14.2	44.6

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

Closes as of March 22, 2023



Technical observations	
Index	TASI
Ticker	SASEIDX Index
Last Close	10,351
Short-term view	Neutral
52 weeks high/low	13,949 – 9,931

Market data	
Exchange Market Cap. (SAR bn)	9,779.7
Value (SAR mn)	5,015.5
Volume (mn)	154.5
Number of Transactions	374,552
Market Breadth	96 : 111

Key statistics	
1D return %	-0.09%
MTD return %	2.45%
QTD return	-1.22%
YTD return	-1.22%
ADT vol. 3M* (mn)	151.1
ADT val. 3M (SARmn)	4,080.0

*ADT stands for Average Daily Traded

TASI market commentary

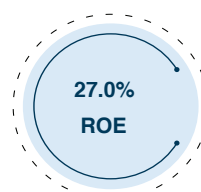
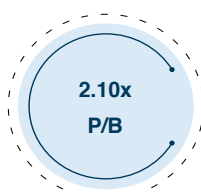
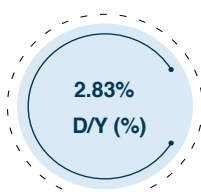
- TASI witnessed a decline on Wednesday which was led by index heavyweight Banks (-0.72% D/D) and Materials (-0.34% D/D) sectors. At close, the Saudi market ended the day with a change of -0.09% at 10,351. In terms of activity, total volumes and value traded were ~155mn and ~SAR 5.0bn respectively. The advance-decline ratio came in at 96/111.

Technical outlook

- TASI lost 9 points to close Wednesday's trading session near 10,351 points. The index reached the aforementioned significant resistance of the declining trendline near the level of 10,400 where initial profit-taking action halted the index's advance. TASI developed a doji candlestick which reveals the beginning of taking profit behavior in the near term. A following bearish candle is required to confirm that profit-taking action may extend further. Moreover, the RSI indicator is currently testing its prior peak after developing a positive divergence. The index has immediate support near 10,300 points followed by the level of the 20-day SMA near 10,250. On the other hand, penetrating the declining trendline and the resistance level of 10,400 will pave the way toward the following significant resistance zone of 10,530 – 10,600. Traders are advised to closely monitor the resistance level of 10,400 where a close above it will confirm the trend change.

Key price levels

S3	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2	R3
10,075	10,160	10,250	10,300	10,400	10,530	10,600



Source: Bloomberg, Argam

TASI daily chart



Source: Tradingview, Aljazeera Capital

SAUDI MARKET - TOP PICKS FOR THE WEEK

Code	Company	Close*	Buy range	Target 1	Target 2	Stop loss
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No stocks recommendations due to market volatility

* As of 22nd March 2023

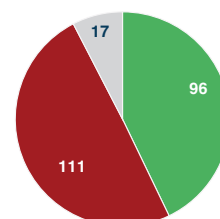
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Our view



Market depth

Unchanged
Up
Down



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Candlestick: A candlestick (candle) is a type of price chart used to display the high, low, opening, and closing prices of a security for the period under consideration.

Support: This is the price level at which demand is strong enough to avoid any further price decline.

Resistance: This is the price level at which supply is strong enough to stop any further price increase.

Pattern/formation: This is a plot of a security's price activity over a certain period that can be used to identify potential trends, reversal of trends, price targets, entry and exit points, etc. There are various formations – such as head & shoulders, triangles, flags, etc.

Simple moving average: A simple moving average is formed by computing the average price of a security over a specific number of periods. Moving averages are based on closing prices.

Relative strength index (RSI): RSI is a momentum indicator that compares a security's price gains to its losses for a predetermined number of periods (generally, 14 periods are used). The RSI attempts to point out how security, in relative terms, is in the overbought/oversold zone.

Moving average convergence/divergence (MACD): MACD is a trading indicator that shows changes in the strength, direction, momentum, and duration of a trend in a stock's price through a collection of three- time series calculated from historical closing prices.

Fibonacci retracements: These are horizontal lines that indicate the expected areas of support/resistance for a security based on a predetermined price movement. These are usually indicated by Fibonacci ratios of 23.6%, 38.2%, 50.0%, 61.8%, and 100% from that movement.

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