IFN Investor Fund House Awards (Submission based)

Introduction

The IFN Investor Fund House Awards celebrate outstanding funds across diverse asset classes and recognize innovation in fund strategy and structure. Fund houses are assessed on recent performance, strategic approaches and effective execution of investment objectives. The evaluation process will consider both quantitative and qualitative metrics:

- **Quantitative Metrics:**
  - **Return Performance:** Comparison of most recent annualized returns over one- year and three-year* periods, against peers within each asset class
  - **Growth:** Review of AuM size and growth, supporting the assessment of market presence and scale.
- **Qualitative Metrics:**
  - **Governance and Transparency:** Emphasis on operational integrity, transparency in reporting and Shariah compliant processes.
  - **Innovation and Service Quality:** Consideration for service providers that deliver clear, efficient and impactful support to the Shariah investment space.

All submissions must include comprehensive documentation such as audited factsheets for performance verification and detailed responses to the IFN Investor Awards submission document, ensuring a rigorous and transparent evaluation process.

Methodology

The IFN Investor Fund House Awards considers both quantitative and qualitative dimensions to ensure that winners not only excel in figures but also uphold the industry's best practices. Fund houses are invited to nominate themselves across various categories, highlighting notable achievements between 1st July 2025 and 30th June 2026.

Submissions are evaluated by a panel of industry experts. These evaluations not only focus on performance but also on innovation, market engagement and strategic contribution to the Islamic finance ecosystem.

Each submission includes detailed responses to questions designed to understand the firm's strengths. Participants are required to outline key developments within the category, including any new or distinctive products, strategies or structures introduced during the review period.

Fund House Awards Categories

- Best Overall Islamic Fund House
- Best Fund House for Institutional Investors
- Best Fund House for Retail Investor
- Most Innovative Islamic Fund House
- Best Islamic Commodity Fund House
- Best Islamic ESG Fund House
- Best Islamic Equity Fund House
- Best Private Equity Fund House
- Best Islamic Fixed Income Fund House
- Best Islamic ETF Fund House
- Best Islamic Real Estate Fund House
- Best Islamic Thematic Fund House
- Best Islamic Waqf Fund House
- Best Regional Fund House

Awards and Certificates

To enhance recognition and promote performance transparency, the IFN Investor Awards will acknowledge the top three ranked funds within each eligible cluster for the respective time horizon.

The top-ranked fund in each cluster will be formally designated as the IFN Investor Award winner and will receive an award and certificate. The second and third-ranked funds will be publicly acknowledged as runners-up. These funds will not receive a physical award but may request an official certificate of recognition.

All certificates can be issued physically or electronically, based on request and event attendance.