

MACROECONOMIC REVIEW

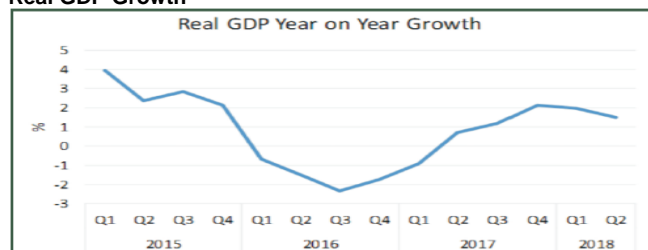
According to the World Bank Group, global economic growth will remain robust at 3.1 percent in 2018 before slowing gradually over the next two years. Growth in advanced economies are expected to decelerate while the ongoing recovery in major commodity-exporting emerging market and frontier economies levels off.

The US and Chinese economies remained strong despite the ongoing trade wars between the two countries. Whilst growth in the US has accelerated to its highest level of 4.20% in nearly 4 years with inflation at 2.7% as at August 2018, the Chinese economy continues to grow above 6% due to robust consumption. The Euro Area also grew 2.4% in 2017, which represents its fastest increase since the financial crisis. Headline inflation however stands at 1.2%, well below the European Central Bank ("ECB") target of 2%

Data released by the National Bureau of Statistics ("NBS") indicated that in Q2 2018, Nigeria's Gross Domestic Product ("GDP") grew by 1.50% year-on-year in real terms compared to 1.95% recorded in the preceding quarter. The oil sector contributed 8.55% to total real GDP in Q2 2018, down from 9.04% recorded in the corresponding period of 2017. This is also lower than 9.61% recorded in the preceding quarter (Q1 2018).

On the other hand, the non-oil sector grew by 2.05% in real terms in Q2 2018. This was mainly driven by Information and Communication. The Non-Oil sector contributed 91.45% to the nation's GDP, compared to 90.96% recorded in Q2 2017 and 90.39% recorded in the preceding quarter.

Real GDP Growth



Source: Nigerian Bureau of Statistics

Furthermore, Inflation increased by 11.23% (year-on year) in August 2018 compared to 11.14% (year-on-year) recorded in July 2018. This represents the first year-on-year rise in headline inflation following an eighteen month run of consecutive disinflation. However, the Food component which accounts for a significant portion of the inflation basket increased by 13.16% (year-on-year) in August due to increases in prices of bread and cereals, potatoes, yam and other tubers, meat, vegetables, fish, fruits and oils and fat.

FINANCIAL MARKET REVIEW

Geopolitical issues have dominated the past few months, as markets have fretted over the trade wars between the US and China. This together with uncertainty around the eventual outcome of Brexit negotiation.

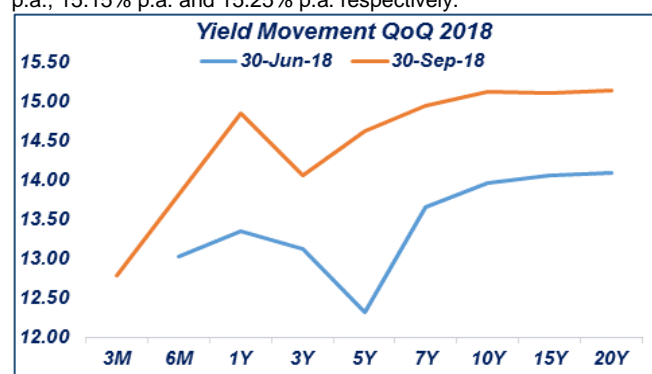
Furthermore, the US Federal Reserve Board ("US Fed") continued hike in policy rate, now within a band of 2.00% - 2.25%. As such, the fear of contagion across emerging markets have roiled global financial markets particularly in developing economies with huge foreign capital debts. This has also encouraged a flight to safety evident in the strengthening of the US dollar in recent months.

On the local front, The Nigerian Stock Exchange All Share index ("NSE ASI") continued its downward trend during the quarter as it recorded a loss of -14.40%. This brings the YTD position to a loss of -14.32% following a return of 8.53% and -7.77% for Q1 and Q2 respectively. Similarly, all the sectorial indices recorded losses. Also, the uncertainty around the upcoming 2019 general elections and delayed passage of the 2018 Federal Budget may have contributed to the bearish sentiments.

In line with market expectations, the Monetary Policy Committee ("MPC") of the CBN left all monetary parameters unchanged for the twelfth consecutive time. The MPR was retained at 14%p.a; the

asymmetric corridor of +200bps/-500bps around the MPR; CRR at 22.50% and liquidity ratio at 30%. The CBN initially reduced issuance of Treasury Bills via Open Market Operations ("OMO") which led to a decline in rates because of more liquidity chasing fewer instruments. However, the CBN subsequently increased volumes of OMO Bills at higher rates to maintain the interest from Foreign Portfolio Investors ("FPIs") and prevent a run on the FX reserves. Consequently, OMO rates closed relatively higher at 13.50%p.a for the longer tenors and 10.00%p.a for shorter tenors. Also, the Treasury Bills issued at the periodic auctions closed higher with the 91, 182 and 365 day Treasury bills closing at 11.00%p.a, 12.20%p.a and 13.475%p.a. compared to 10.00%p.a, 10.50%p.a and 11.49%p.a reported in the previous quarter.

In the bond market, interest from investors was moderate at the monthly bond auctions for the 5, 7 and 10 year papers with bids ranging from 12.80%p.a to 15.95%p.a across all tenors. The yields on 5-year, 7-year and 10-year bonds which opened the quarter at 13.50%p.a, 13.50%p.a and 13.55%p.a respectively closed at 15.00% p.a., 15.15% p.a. and 15.25% p.a. respectively.



In the Foreign Exchange Market, the spreads between the parallel market and the Investors and Exporters ("I&E") Window remained thin at ₦1.72. The parallel market closed the quarter at ₦361.00/\$ while the price fixing at the I&E Window closed at ₦363.72/\$ from ₦361.32/\$. The stable level of FX reserves was a major driver of the stability witnessed in the foreign exchange market during the quarter as it remained strong at \$43.67 billion at the end of the quarter.

OUTLOOK

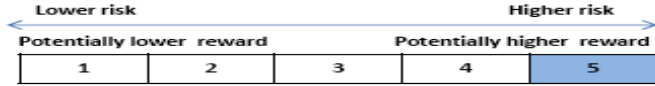
On the global scene, we expect the growth trajectory to continue. However, Continuous hike in US Fed rate, escalating trade and geopolitical tensions remain key threats against the global economy. In addition, we expect crude oil prices to remain relatively stable between \$70-\$80 in Q4 2018 driven by US sanctions against Iran and sustained supply agreements among the major oil producers.

On the local scene, Nigeria would continue to benefit from stable or higher crude oil prices should the relative peace in the Niger-Delta region continue. As such, we expect the FX reserves to remain above \$40bn notwithstanding the exits by FPIs. We also expect inflation to continue its ascent should government spending accelerate in the face of declining productivity and output. We also expect increased revenue disbursements to the various tiers of government and increasing election towards 2019 elections to be potent drivers of inflation in Q4 2018. Consequently, we expect the CBN to maintain its focus on price and FX stability by curtailing liquidity via OMO issuances, thereby keeping interest rates elevated in Q4 2018.

Based on the foregoing, we expect the stock market to remain volatile as the inherent political risk and sell-offs by FPIs continue to weigh on investors' confidence. Similarly, the fragile macroeconomic conditions would also keep foreign investors at bay in the interim. We however expect the relatively cheaper price levels to initially attract local institutional investors like PFAs pending the outcome of the 2019 general elections. On the balance, we expect the stock market to remain weak in Q4 2018 as foreign participation remains subdued.

Stanbic IBTC Nigerian Equity Fund

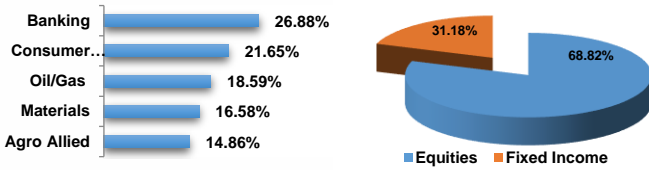
FUND OBJECTIVE: The primary objective of the Stanbic IBTC Nigerian Equity Fund is to deliver real returns and achieve long term capital appreciation of its assets by investing a minimum of 60% of the portfolio in equity securities quoted on the Nigerian Stock Exchange and a maximum of 40% in high quality fixed income securities.



FUND FACTS

Base Currency	Naira
Launch Date	Feb-97
Status of Fund	Open Ended
NAV per Unit	₦8,675.95
Nature of Fund	Equity Biased
Initial Investment	₦5,000
Additional Investment	₦5,000
Distribution Frequency	Yearly
Bloomberg Ticker	<STANNEQ NL>
Handling Charge	20% on income earned for withdrawals under 91 days

Equity Sectorial and Asset Allocation

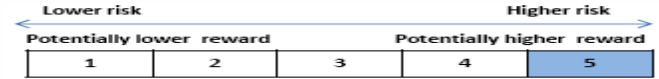


FUND PERFORMANCE

Period	Q3 2018	YTD 2018	FY 2017	3 years	5 years	10 years	15 years	20 years
SINEF Return	(13.54%)	(11.91%)	27.46%	14.66%	8.01%	(21.08%)	386.89%	1004.42%
Fund Index	(7.60%)	(5.31%)	30.75%	16.92%	44.00%	5.49%	178.70%	345.89%
ASI	(5.95%)	(6.60%)	42.30%	10.34%	36.20%	(34.06%)	215.05%	493.72%

Stanbic IBTC Ethical Fund

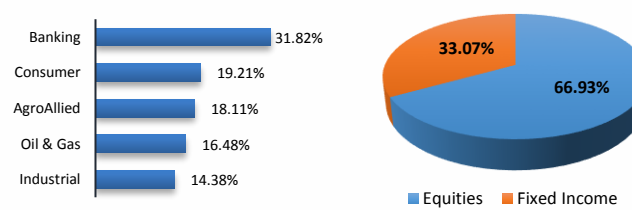
FUND OBJECTIVE: The Stanbic IBTC Ethical Fund aims to achieve long term capital appreciation by investing a minimum of 60% in equity securities of socially responsible companies quoted on the Nigerian Stock Exchange and a maximum of 40% in high quality fixed income securities.



FUND FACTS

Base Currency	Naira
Launch Date	Jan-06
Status of Fund	Open Ended
NAV per Unit	₦1.06
Nature of Fund	Equity Biased
Initial Investment	₦5,000
Additional Investment	₦5,000
Distribution Frequency	Yearly
Bloomberg Ticker	<STANETH NL>
Handling Charge	20% on income earned for withdrawals under 91 days

Equity Sectorial and Asset Allocation



FUND PERFORMANCE

Period	Q3 2018	YTD 2018	FY 2017	3 years	5 years	10 years
SITEF Return	-9.43%	-5.88%	30.77%	-36.59%	11.50%	17.09%
Fund Index	-7.60%	-5.31%	30.75%	16.92%	44.00%	5.49%

Stanbic IBTC Balanced Fund

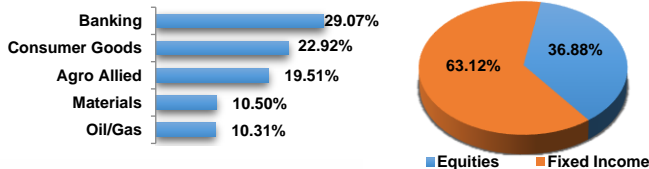
FUND OBJECTIVE: The primary objective of the Stanbic IBTC Balanced Fund is to achieve stable capital appreciation by investing a maximum of 60% of the portfolio in both quoted and un-quoted equity securities with up to 15% in alternative investment instruments such as private equity, Real Estate Investment Trust ("REITs"), Mortgaged Backed Securities ("MBS") e.t.c and a minimum of 40% in high quality fixed income securities.



FUND FACTS

Base Currency	Naira
Launch Date	Jan-12
Status of Fund	Open Ended
NAV per Unit	₦2,276.07
Nature of Fund	Equity Biased
Initial Investment	₦5,000
Additional Investment	₦5,000
Distribution Frequency	Yearly
Bloomberg Ticker	<STANBAL NL>
Handling Charge	20% on income earned for withdrawals under 91 days

Equity Sectorial and Asset Allocation



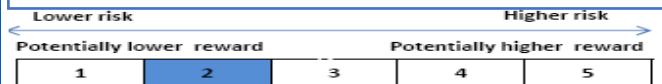
FUND PERFORMANCE

Period	Q3 2018	YTD 2018	FY 2017	3 years	5 years	Inception to 31 Dec 2017
SIBAL Return	(5.84%)	0.37%	22.79%	35.96%	64.58%	136.89%
FUND Index	(7.60%)	(5.31%)	22.29%	20.87%	48.68%	186.83%

Stanbic IBTC Guaranteed Investment Fund

FUND OBJECTIVE: The primary objective of the Fund is to achieve both capital appreciation and preservation of the principal invested by investing in a portfolio of high grade fixed income securities and blue chip equity securities listed on the Nigerian Stock Exchange. The fund seeks to achieve its stated objective by investing a minimum of 75% of its asset in low risk fixed income securities while a maximum of 25% can be invested in equities quoted stock.

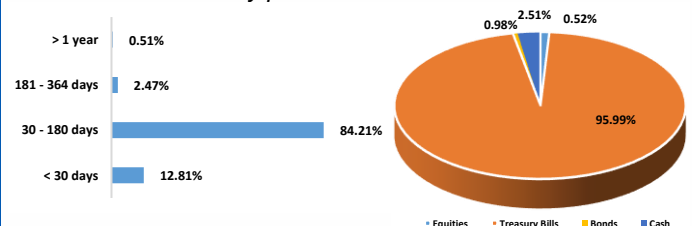
The SIGIF guarantees the principal amount against diminution in value provided the units are held for a minimum period of three months.



FUND FACTS

Base Currency	Naira
Launch Date	Dec-07
Status of Fund	Open Ended
NAV per Unit	₦242.21
Nature of Fund	Fixed Income Biased
Initial Investment	₦5,000
Additional Investment	₦5,000
Distribution Frequency	Yearly
Bloomberg Ticker	<STANGIN NL>
Handling Charge	No principal guarantee for withdrawals under 3 months.

Maturity profile and Asset Allocation

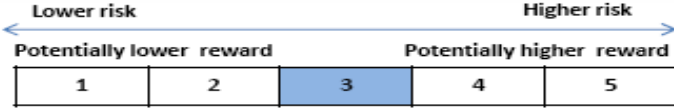


FUND PERFORMANCE

Period	Q3 2018	YTD 2018	FY 2017	3 years	5 years	Inception to 31 Dec 2017
SIGIF Return	1.01%	12.13%	19.03%	47.09%	73.66%	163.51%
Fund Index	-1.64%	2.57%	20.65%	30.07%	59.61%	84.60%

Stanbic IBTC Bond Fund

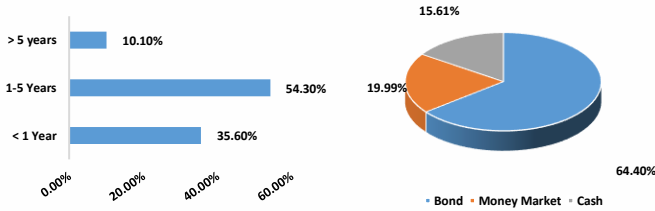
FUND OBJECTIVE: The primary objective of the Fund is to achieve competitive returns on its assets with minimal risk. The Fund seeks to achieve its stated objective by investing at least 65% of its assets in high quality bonds while a maximum of 35% of its assets are invested in quality money market instruments.



FUND FACTS

Base Currency	Naira
Launch Date	Feb-10
Status of Fund	Open Ended
NAV per Unit	₦186.20
Nature of Fund	Fixed Income Biased
Initial Investment	₦5,000
Additional Investment	₦5,000
Distribution Frequency	Yearly
Bloomberg Ticker	<STANIBF NL>
Handling Charge	20% on income earned for withdrawals under 91 days

Maturity profile and Asset Allocation

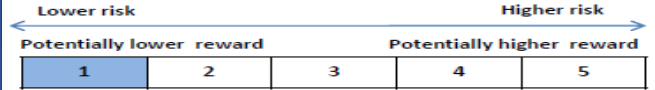


FUND PERFORMANCE

Period	Q3 2018	YTD 2018	FY 2017	3 years	5 years	Inception (2010) to 31 Dec 2017
SIBOND Return	2.54%	8.56%	17.94%	49.15%	71.13%	116.34%
Fund Index	3.21%	11.73%	15.10%	44.27%	80.23%	142.76%

Stanbic IBTC Money Market Fund

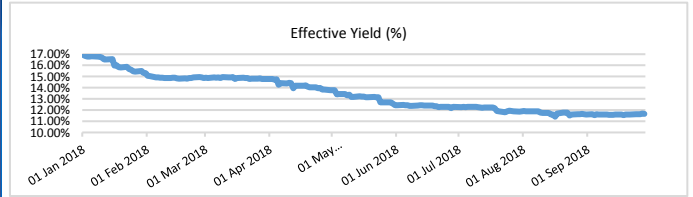
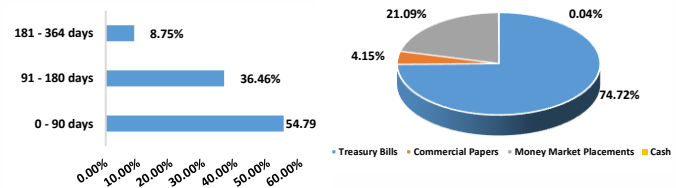
FUND OBJECTIVE: The primary objective of the Fund is to obtain as high a level of current income as is consistent with capital preservation. The Fund is for investors with low risk appetite who aim to maximize current level of income while preserving capital invested. Thus, the fund invests 100% of its assets in low risk short-term securities that are rated not less than "BBB".



FUND FACTS

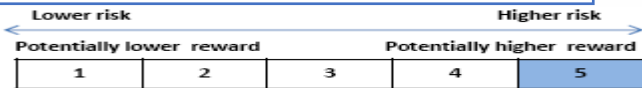
Base Currency	Naira
Launch Date	Feb-10
Status of Fund	Open Ended
Fund Rating	Aa (f) by Agosto & Co
Nature of Fund	Fixed Income Biased
Initial Investment	₦5,000
Additional Investment	₦5,000
Distribution Frequency	Quarterly
Bloomberg Ticker	<STANIMM NL>
Handling Charge	20% on income earned for withdrawals under 30 days

Maturity profile and Asset Allocation



Stanbic IBTC Imaan Fund

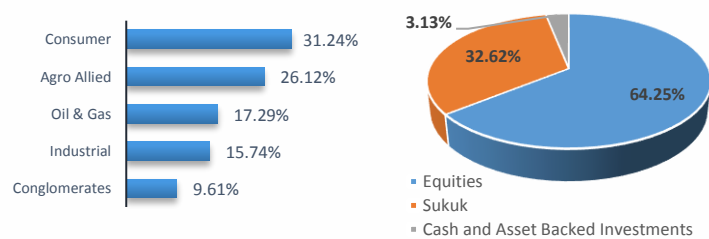
FUND OBJECTIVE: The primary objective of the Stanbic IBTC Imaan Fund is to achieve long-term capital appreciation by investing a minimum of 60% of the Fund's assets in Shariah compliant equity securities as approved by the Advisory Committee of Experts (ACE) from time to time and a maximum of 40% in Shariah compliant asset backed investments (SUKUK) and cash.



FUND FACTS

Base Currency	Naira
Launch Date	Oct-13
Status of Fund	Open Ended
NAV per Unit	₦163.86
Nature of Fund	Equity Biased
Initial Investment	₦5,000
Additional Investment	₦5,000
Distribution Frequency	N/A
Bloomberg Ticker	<STANIMF NL>
Handling Charge	N/A

Maturity profile and Asset Allocation

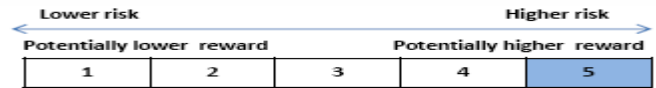


FUND PERFORMANCE

Period	Q3 2018	YTD 2018	FY 2017	FY 2016	3 years	Inception (2013) to 31 Dec 2017
SIMAAAN Return	-12.98%	-10.20%	37.83%	-3.96%	25.93%	46.08%
Fund Index (ASI)	-14.40%	-14.32%	42.30%	-6.17%	10.34%	-34.06%

Stanbic IBTC ETF 30

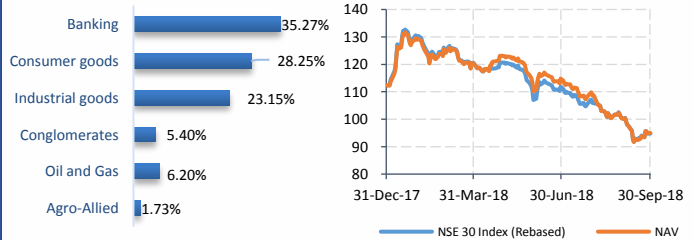
FUND OBJECTIVE: The objective of the Fund is to replicate as closely as possible, before fees and expenses, the total return of The Nigerian Stock Exchange 30 Index ("NSE 30 Index" or "Index") in terms of price performance as well as income from the underlying securities of the index.



FUND FACTS

Base Currency	Naira
Launch Date	Jan-15
Status of Fund	Open Ended
NAV per Unit	₦94.93
Nature of Fund	Equity Biased
Benchmark	NSE 30 Index
Replication method	Physical- Full replication
Distribution Frequency	Quarterly (Indicative)
Bloomberg Ticker	<STANBICE NL Equity>
Handling Charge	N/A

Equity Sectorial Allocation and Fund Price Performance



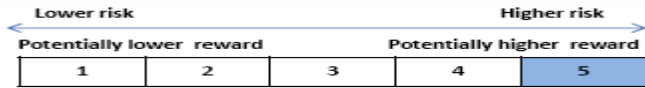
FUND PERFORMANCE

Period	Q3 2018	YTD 2018	FY 2017	FY 2016	Inception (Dec 2015) to 31 Dec 2017
NAV Return*	-17.31%	-15.52%	44.19%	-8.97%	33.75%
NSE 30 Index	-15.26%	-15.63%	46.14%	-7.18%	35.65%

*The NAV return is based on the return of the underlying securities.

SIAML PENSION ETF 40

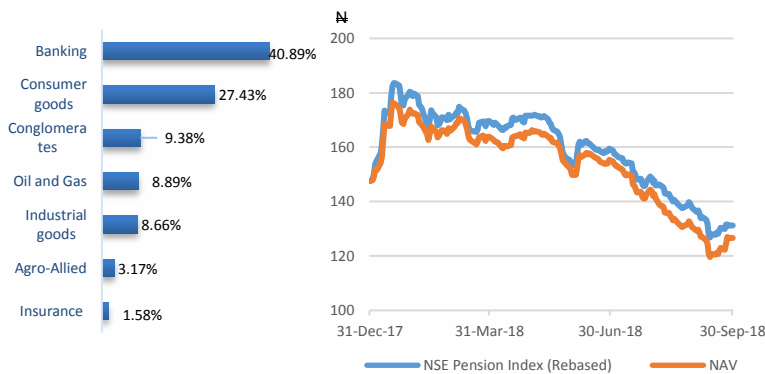
FUND OBJECTIVE: The objective of the Fund is to replicate as closely as possible, before fees and expenses, the total return of The Nigerian Stock Exchange Pension Index ("NSE Pension Index" or "Index") in terms of price performance as well as income from the underlying securities of the index.



FUND FACTS

Base Currency	Naira
Launch Date	Jan-17
Status of Fund	Open Ended
NAV per Unit	₦ 124.03
Nature of Fund	Equity Biased
Benchmark	NSE Pension Index
Replication method	Physical- Full replication
Distribution Frequency	Quarterly (Indicative)
Bloomberg Ticker	<STANBICE NL Equity>
Handling Charge	N/A

Equity Sectorial Allocation and Fund Price Performance



PERFORMANCE (%)

Period	Q3 2018	Q2 2018	Q1 2018	YTD 2018	Inception to 31 Dec 2017
NAV Return*	-18.50%	-5.22%	10.99%	-15.99%	49.41%
NSE Pension Index	-17.71%	-5.96%	14.84%	-11.13%	68.49%

The NAV return is based on the return of the underlying securities

How to Invest

- Fill in a [Subscription Form](#) and initiate a transfer to the fund's account or issue a cheque or draft for the amount applied for
- Please make the transfer/cheque/draft payable to the Fund
- Send the cheque/draft or evidence of payment, completed Subscription Form and other documents to any of our offices in [Lagos, Abuja, or Port-Harcourt](#) or any [branch of Stanbic IBTC Bank Plc](#)
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Stanbic IBTC Dollar Fund

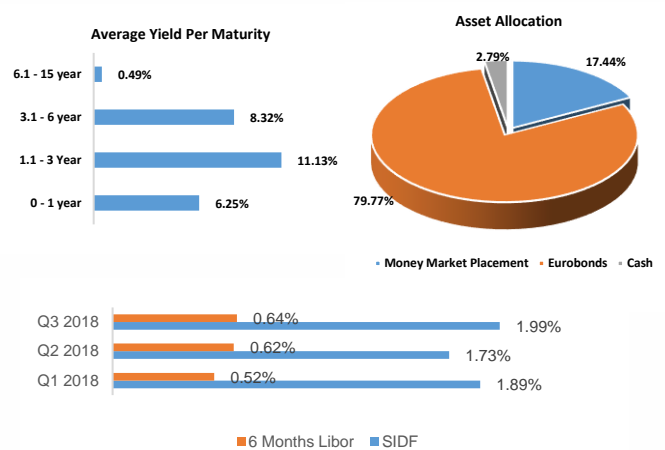
FUND OBJECTIVE: The objective of the Fund is to provide currency diversification as well as preservation and appreciation of wealth. It also seeks to optimize returns to both retail, institutional and high net worth individuals who have preference for investing in dollar denominated securities by investing a minimum of 75% in long-term USD Fixed Income Securities, maximum of 25% in short term USD investment and a maximum of 10% in USD equities.



FUND FACTS

Base Currency	USD
Launch Date	Jan-17
Status of Fund	Open Ended
Nature of Fund	Fixed Income Biased
Initial Investment	\$1,000.00
Additional Investment	\$500.00
Distribution Frequency	Yearly
Handling Charge	20% on interest accrued for withdrawals under 6 months
Base Currency	USD
Launch Date	Jan-17

Maturity profile and Asset Allocation



PERFORMANCE (%)

Period	Q3 2018	YTD 2018	Q2 2018	Q1 2018	FY 2017
NAV RETURN	1.99%	5.72%	1.73%	1.89%	6.00%
6 MONTHS LIBOR	0.64%	2.38%	0.62%	0.52%	1.48%

How to Invest Digitally

- Option 1– You can effect a onetime investment into your money market fund account by logging on to your online mutual fund account (www.stanbicibtcfundmanagement.com), click on the additional subscription icon and follow through with the sequence. You will be required to use your debit/credit card to make payment for the investment.
- Option 2- You can effect a transfer from your internet banking platform then upload the evidence of payment via your online mutual fund account (by clicking on the upload evidence of payment icon.

Past performance is not an indicator of future performance and individual investors' returns may differ depending on individual asset allocation.