



MONTHLY MUTUAL FUNDS FACT SHEET

September 2022

Market Commentary

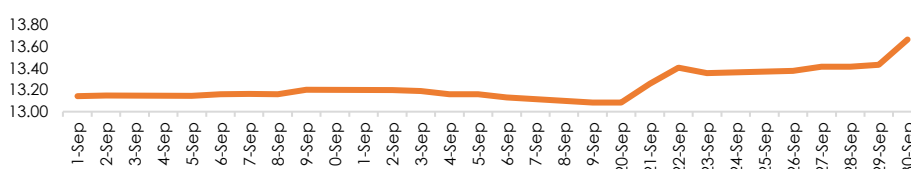
Money Market

The month of September saw significant improvement in banking system liquidity, which averaged c N110.50 billion, compared to previous month's average of a deficit of c. N3.69. This is due to improved inflows from OMO maturities and bond coupon payments in the month at c. N363 billion compared to c. N202 billion the preceding month. Consequently, the average Open Policy Rate (OPR) and Overnight Rate (O/N) dropped to 11.60% and 12.08% from 13.79% and 14.17% month-on-month, respectively. The apex bank conducted three Primary Market Auctions during the month and issued N553.66 billion across all tenors. Average stop rates for the 91-day, 182-day and 364-day papers rose to 5.83%, 6.45% and 10.58% from to 3.75%, 4.75% and 7.96% respectively.

Fixed Income

The fixed income market traded bearish sentiments month-on-month despite buoyant banking system liquidity. The bearish sentiment was also supported by the third consecutive hike in the Monetary Policy Rate (MPR) to 15.50% from 14.00% by the Monetary Policy Committee. The increased sell-side activity led to a rise of 0.40% in the average yield levels month-on-month. The Debt Management Office (DMO) offered the March 2025, April 2032 and April 2037 maturities at the monthly Primary Market Auction (PMA), offering N225 billion across the tenors. The auction attracted a total bid of N246.44 billion. However, N261.50 billion was allotted. The marginal stop rates for the 2025 and 2032 maturities rose to 13.500% and 13.849% from 12.500% and 13.000% respectively, while the 2037 maturity closed at 14.500%.

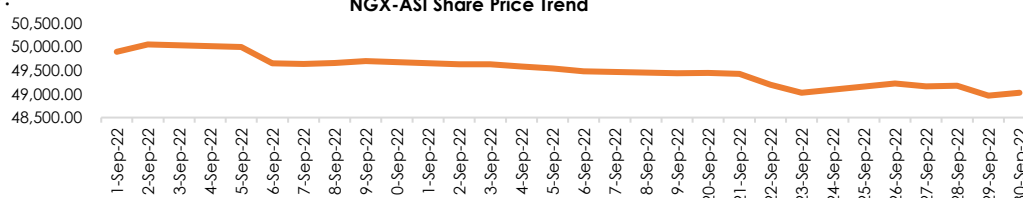
FGN Bond Yield Trend



Equities

The Nigerian equities market closed the month in the red, due to sustained sell-side activity, as the NGX All Share Index lost 1.63% in September to close at 49,024.16 points, with year-to-date performance standing at +14.77%. The NGX Industrial Goods, Insurance, Oil and Gas and Banking indices all posted negative performances and declined -33.76% (1177.21 points), -6.45% (168.60 points), -4.49% (508.26 points) and -2.12% (379.20) respectively.

NGX-ASI Share Price Trend



Market Outlook

In August, there were some sell-offs on the Nigerian stock market as a result of the market's response to the two successive increases in interest rates and the persistent rise in inflationary pressures. We anticipate that this trend will continue in the near future barring any changes to the directions of fiscal and monetary policy. However, given that some bellwether stock prices are at all-time lows, we anticipate some bargain hunters take position.

In the fixed income space, we expect to see yields continue to trend higher, in reaction to the third consecutive monetary policy rate hike from 14.00% to a record high of 15.50%. However with expectation of inflows of c. N721.60 expected from bond coupons and Open Market Operation (OMO) maturities this month, we expect to see some demand in the fixed income market.

Macroeconomic Indicators	Inflation (%) August 2022	MPR (%)	CRR (%)	Brent Crude Price US\$/bbl	External Reserve (US\$ billion)	GDP %
	20.52% (+4.89 ytd)	15.50 (-7%/+1% around mid-point)	32.50	87.96	38.28 (-5.52% ytd)	+3.54

Source: NBS, CBN



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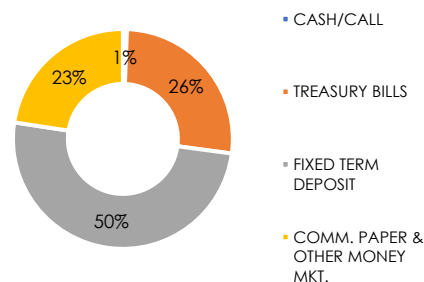
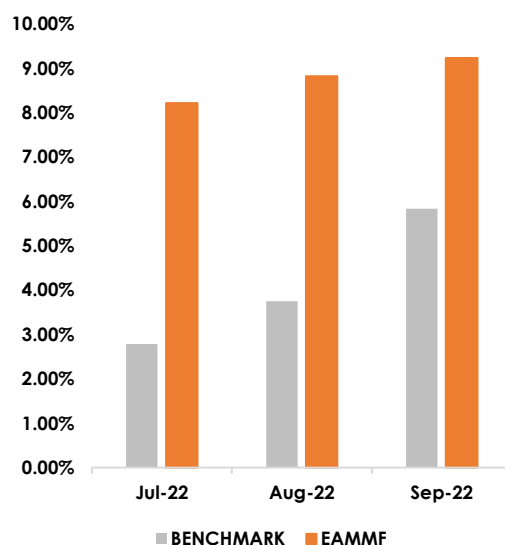
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EMERGING AFRICA MONEY MARKET FUND

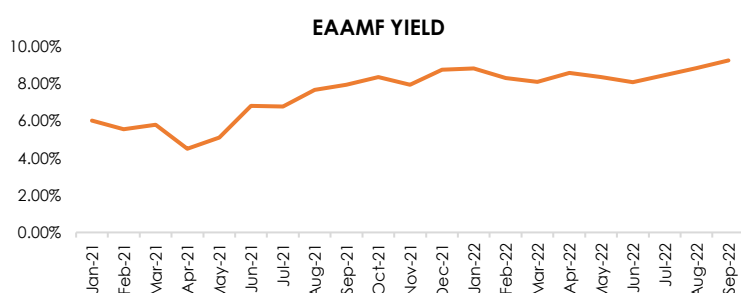
FUND OBJECTIVE

The objective of the Emerging Africa Money Market Fund is capital preservation and steady income.

Fund Type	Open-ended
Category	Money Market
Risk Profile	Low
Launch Date	7-Dec-20
Fund Manager	Emerging Africa Asset Mgt. Ltd.
Custodian	Rand Merchant Bank Ltd.
Trustees	United Capital Trustees Ltd.
Auditor	ProEdge Partners
Rating	Af (DataPro)
Mgt. Fee	1.50%
Benchmark	91-day Tbill
Dividend Frequency	Quarterly
Price/Unit	₦1.00
*Month Average Yield	9.23%
Minimum Investment	₦5,000.00
Current Fund Size	₦1,020,095,506.63



INVESTMENT COMMITTEE	
Dr. Adedipe Abiodun	Chairman/Independent Member
Ada Ijara	Member, Fund Manager
Dipo Ashaolu	Member, Fund Manager
Solomon Igberaese	Member, Trustees
Segun Aremu	Member, Trustees



Asset Allocation	Range
Cash/Call	0% - 5%
Treasury Bills	25% - 80%
Fixed Term Deposit	0% - 70%
Comm. Paper & Other Money Mkt Instr.	0% - 70%

PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Net yield of the EAMMF averaged 9.23% in September, significantly higher than its benchmark 91-days T-Bill which returned an average of 5.83%, and higher than previous month's average yield of 8.83%. This positive performance was largely supported by investment in high yielding fixed deposit assets and increased T-Bill yields. It is projected that the fund's yield will continue to inch higher in reference to surging inflation and MPR rates.

*Average Yield of the Fund in the month of September 2022

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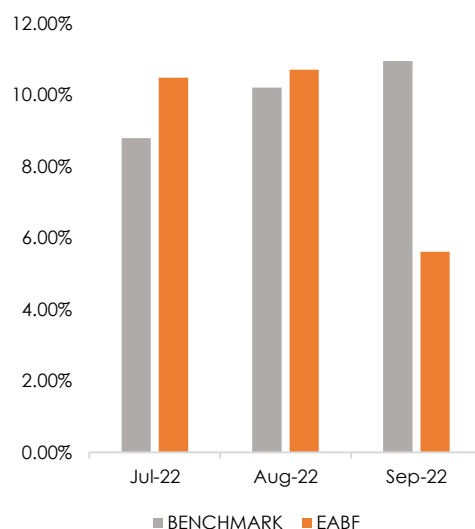
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EMERGING AFRICA BOND FUND

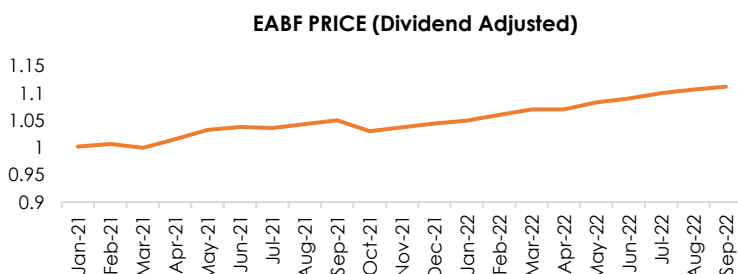
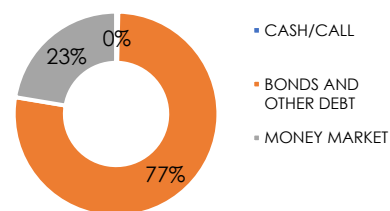
FUND OBJECTIVE

The primary objective of the Emerging Africa Bond Fund is income generation by investing in a diversified portfolio of high-quality bonds of government, supranational corporate issuers, including Federal Government bonds, state government bonds, corporate bonds and other fixed income securities.

Fund Type	Open-ended
Category	Bond Fund
Risk Profile	Moderately Conservative
Launch Date	3-Dec-20
Fund Manager	Emerging Africa Asset Mgt. Ltd.
Custodian	Rand Merchant Bank Ltd.
Trustees	United Capital Trustees Ltd.
Auditor	ProEdge Partners
Mgt. Fee	1.50%
Benchmark	70% 2/3/5/10-year FGN Bond & 30% of 91-days Average T-Bill
Dividend Frequency	Semi Annually
*Price	₦1.04
Minimum Investment	₦10,000.00
Current Fund Size	₦663,473,981.27



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Asset Allocation	Range
Cash/Call	0 - 5%
Bonds and Other Debt Instruments	70% - 80%
Other Money Market Instruments	15% - 30%

PERFORMANCE REVIEW

The price of the EABF increased by ₦0.01 in September to \$1.042, representing an annualized return of 5.61%. Rebalancing action by the Fund Manager impacted on the fund's performance this month. However, it is projected that the positive impact of the higher yield bonds will be recorded in the next month as fixed income yields improve.

*Price as at September 30, 2022.



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EMERGING AFRICA BALANCED DIVERSITY FUND

FUND OBJECTIVE

The Fund seeks to enhance and encourage investments in securities of companies with proven commitment to gender diversity through significant representation of women on their boards, management and staff for long-term capital growth and income generation.

Fund Type	Open-ended
Category	Balanced Fund
Risk Profile	Moderately Aggressive
Launch Date	20-Oct-20
Fund Manager	Emerging Africa Asset Mgt. Ltd.
Custodian	Rand Merchant Bank Ltd.
Trustees	FBNQuest Trustees Ltd.
Auditor	ProEdge Partners
Mgt. Fee	1.50%

40% NSE ASI; 20% of 2/3/5-year Sovereign Bond & 40% of 91-days Average T-Bill

Benchmark

Annual

*Price

₦10,000.00

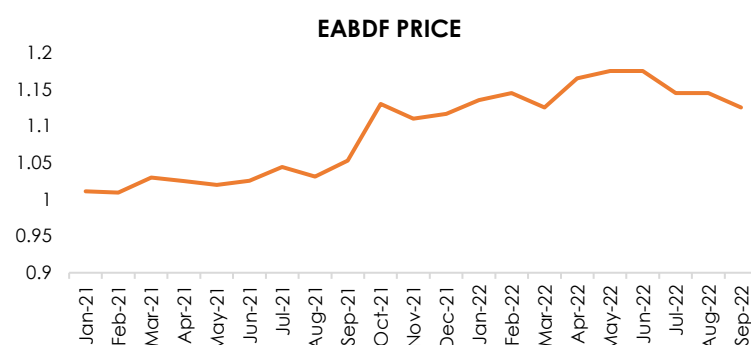
Minimum Investment

₦203,389,990.23

Current Fund Size

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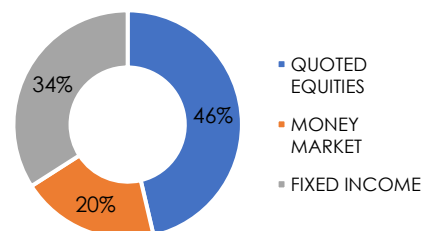
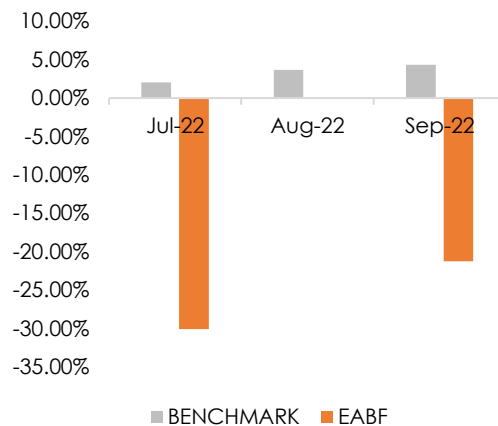
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PERFORMANCE REVIEW

In September 2022, the price of the EABDF closed at \$1.02, yielding a month-on-month return of -1.75%, and a year-to-date return of 1.02%. This can be attributed to sustained sell-offs in the equities market, leading to a loss of -1.63% in the NGX-ASI month-on-month. We project an improved performance in the near term, as bargain hunters cherry-pick attractive prices.

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Asset Allocation	Range
Quoted Equities	40% - 60%
Money Market	10% - 40%
Fixed Income	20% - 50%

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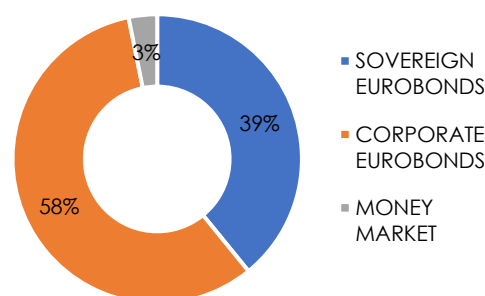
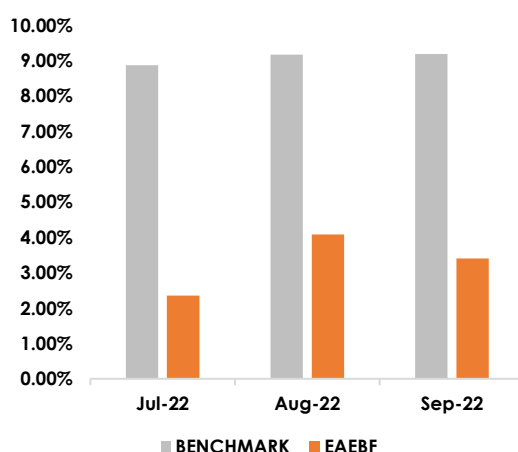
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EMERGING AFRICA EUROBOND FUND

FUND OBJECTIVE

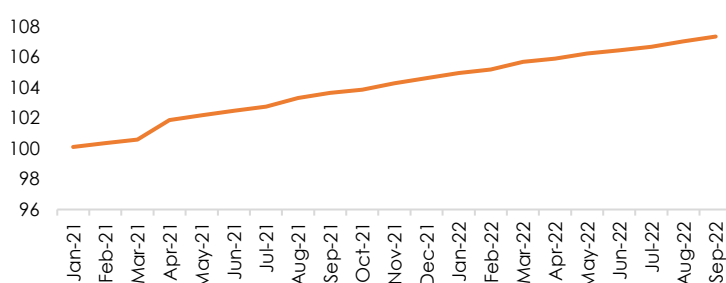
The Emerging Africa Eurobond Fund seeks to achieve regular income and long-term capital appreciation through investment in US\$ denominated securities.

Fund Type	Open-ended
Category	Bond Fund
Risk Profile	Moderately Conservative
Launch Date	15-Oct-20
Fund Manager	Emerging Africa Asset Mgt. Ltd.
Custodian	Rand Merchant Bank Ltd.
Trustees	FBNQuest Trustees Ltd.
Auditor	ProEdge Partners
Mgt. Fee	1.50%
Benchmark	70% of 3 year FGN Eurobond & 30% of 3/6 months US T-Bill
Dividend Frequency	Annual
*Price	US\$103.57
Minimum Investment	US\$500.00
Current Fund Size	US\$2,026,313.51



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Asset Allocation	Range
Sovereign Eurobonds	30% - 70%
Corporate Eurobonds	30% - 70%
Money Market	0% - 30%

PERFORMANCE REVIEW

The Fund's price appreciated by 0.28% month-on-month as the year-to-date return closed at 3.41% per annum. Due to the prolonged impact of rising global inflation rates on US dollar-denominated assets—including the 26-week US Bills' appreciation to 3.95% from 3.35% the previous month, the benchmark performance of the fund returned 9.19%. The performance of the Fund is anticipated to continue to rise in the upcoming month as reinvestment yields continue to improve.

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