MARKET COMMENTARY

Money Market

Opening System liquidity decreased to c. №114.79 billion long, compared with the opening balance of №229.11 billion long, recorded yesterday. Nonetheless, the Open Repo Rate (OPR) and the Overnight Rate (O/N) both declined by 100bps to 11.75% and 12.25%, respectively. We expect the interbank rates to maintain similar levels tomorrow.

Treasury Bills

The treasury bills market endured a quiet session, albeit with a bullish undertone, as most players focused on month-end bookkeeping. Only a handful of trades were executed across the mid and long dated papers. Overall, the average mid-rate closed at c.5.14%. We envisage the new month to start with a bullish bias.

FGN Bonds

Activity in the FGN bonds market was relatively muted, with pockets of trades witnessed across the 2028, 2037, 2042 and 2050 papers. Thus, the average mid-yield declined by 3bps to settle at 13.71%. We expect the positive sentiment to resurface tomorrow.

Eurobonds

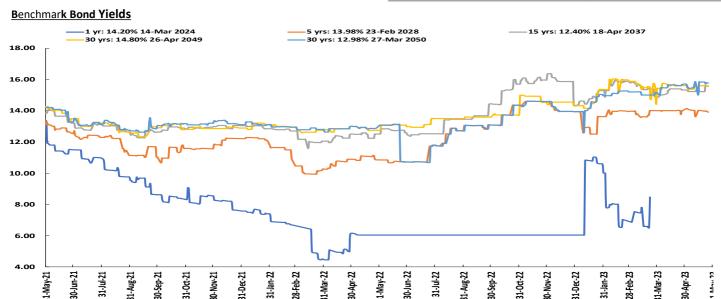
The Eurobonds market gulped yesterday's gains, with selling interest across the curve on Nigeria's papers and its SSA peers. This was fuelled by month-end profit taking by investors. Overall, the Average yield increased by 5bps to 11.22%. We expect the bearish sentiment to ease tomorrow.

Macro Indicators	
GDP (Q4 2022)	+3.52% (Q3 2022: +2.25% y/y)
Inflation	22.22% (Mar'23: 22.04%)
External Reserve (US\$'billion)	35.15 (-5.22% YTD)
Monetary Policy Rate	18.50%
Cash Reserve Requirement (CRR)	32.50%
Brent Crude Price US\$/bbl	*72.08(-1.03% d/d)
Source: NBS,CBN, AIICO Capital	

Benchmark T-Bills Discount Rates				
	31-May-23	30-May-23	Change in Rates	
8 days	3.23%	5.50%	+2.27%	
162days	5.27%	6.00%	+0.73%	
316 days	7.31%	7.31%	(0.00%)	
Source: FMDQ DQL for 31 May 2023				

Benchmark FGN Bond Yields				
	31-May-23	30-May-23	Change in Yield	
5 yrs: 16.2884% 17-Mar-2027	12.53%	12.54%	+0.01%	
10 yrs: 12.50% 27-Apr-2032	14.90%	14.90%	(0.00%)	
20 yrs: 13.00% 21-Jan-2042	15.27%	15.50%	+0.23%	
30 yrs: 12.98% 27-Mar-2050	15.63%	15.55%	(0.08%)	
Source: FMDQ DQL for 31 May 2023				

Benchmark FGN Eurobond Yields				
	31-May-23	30-May-23	Change in Yield	
1 yr: NGERIA 6 3/8 07/12/23	6.22%	4.07%	(2.15%)	
5 yrs: NGERIA 6 1/2 11/28/27	10.73%	10.53%	(0.20%)	
10 yrs: NGERIA 7.875 02/16/32	11.71%	11.66%	(0.05%)	
15 yrs: NGERIA 7.696 23/02/38	12.11%	12.01%	(0.10%)	
30 yrs: NGERIA 9.248 01/21/49	12.23%	12.15%	(0.08%)	
7.125% ECOTRAN 16/02/26	13.21%	13.51%	+0.30%	
Source: FBN UK Runs for 31 May 2023				





Nigerian Equities

The Nigerian equity market closed on a bullish note, as the Nigerian Stock Exchange All Share Index (NGX ASI) gained c.0.06% to close at 55,769.28 points, while year-to-date return settled at c 8.82%. Observably, buying interest in CONOIL (9.96%), and 40.8 (9.93%) drove the positive trend

The NGX Oil & Gas and Consumer Goods Indices appreciated in value by 1.63% and 2.08% respectively. While NGX Banking and Industrial Goods Indices depreciated by 2.46%, and 2.52%, respectively. ACCESSCORP led both the volume charts with c. 98.73 million units while GEREGU led the value charts c. ₹ 9.76 billion. We expect the bullish sentiment to persist tomorrow.

Foreign Exchange

FMDQ's Nigerian Autonomous Foreign Exchange Fixing (NAFEX) rate depreciated to ₹464.67/US\$1.00 from ₹464.50/US\$1.00 recorded last week yesterday. We expect the NAFEX rate to hover at similar levels tomorrow.

Commodities

Oil prices fell today on the back of a stronger U.S. dollar alongside weak data from top oil importer China, raised demand fears. As of report time, Brent oil prices depreciated by c. 0.99% to \$72.89pb, day-on-day, while WTI depreciated by c 0.56% day-on-day to settle at US\$69.07pb. Spot Gold appreciated by c. 0.50% day-on-day to close at US\$1,967.70per ounce as of report time. We expect jitters on U.S. debt negotiations to continue to impact Oil prices tomorrow.

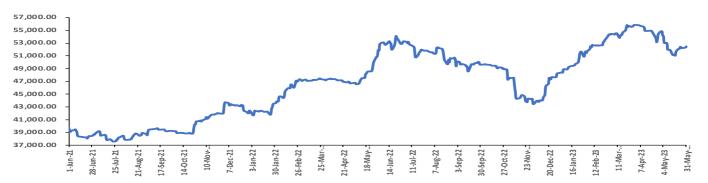
AIICO Money Market Fund (AMMF)	
Net Yield (As at 30th May 2023)	12.1215%
Added Benefit	Personal accident insurance cover

Name (Symbol)	Closing Price	Gain(N)		% Change
VERITASKAP	0.22	0.02	æ	10.00%
MCNICHOLS	0.77	0.07	1	10.00%
JAIZBANK	1.21	0.11	æ	10.00%
CONOIL	57.95	5.25	1	9.96%
MRS	44.85	4.05	P	9.93%
Source: NGX, AIICO Capital				

Top 5 Equity Decliners						
Name (Symbol)	Closing Price	Loss(N)		% Change		
NASCON	15.20	-1.65	•	-9.79%		
RTBRISCOE	0.37	-0.04	•	-9.76%		
GLAXOSMITH	7.55	-0.80	•	-9.58%		
CAVERTON	1.26	-0.13	•	-9.35%		
DEAPCAP	0.20	-0.02	•	-9.09%		
Source: NGX, AIICO Capital						

		W-o-W	MTD	YTD
NGX ASI	1 0.06%	1 5.37%	6.42%	1 8.82%
NSE Banking Index	- 2.46%	7 .67%	19.49%	1 25.38%
NSE Insurance Index	- 2.52%	1 2.04%	1 3.37%	1 9.88%
NSE Industrial Goods Index	- 0.19%	4.87%	1.67%	1.53%
NSE Consumer Goods Index	1 2.08%	1 9.00%	1 5.20%	44.00%
NSE Oil & Gas Index	1.63%	7.10%	1 8.67%	1 28.87%

NSE All Share Index



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