



#### **FUND OBJECTIVE**

The objective of the United Capital Wealth for Women Fund is to promote the financial inclusion of the female gender by increasing their access to financial investment products and addressing the current imbalance of most investment products being skewed towards the male gender.

The Fund Manager seeks to maintain a balance between realized income and capital growth to ensure regular distribution payments and continuous appreciation in asset values while ensuring optimal safety of assets and adequate liquidity to meet the Fund's obligations as they fall due. The Fund invests in money markets and equities. The equity portfolio is tilted towards companies with significant female representation on their boards and management teams.

#### MARKET REVIEW, OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY

In June, the floor of the exchange was dominated by the Bulls who sought to hunt for bargains across fundamentally sound equities that were technically trading around their oversold region, following the bearish run in April-2024. This was quite reflective in the market's breadth for June, which printed 3.0x implying that 68 stocks advanced, while 23 declined. Notably, share price appreciation across SEPLAT (+12.8% m/m), GTCO (+12.5% m/m), PRESCO (+32.6% m/m), ZENITHBA (+8.2% m/m), and ACCESSCO (+10.2% m/m) led the observed gains in June. None the less, given the activities in the fixed income market on the back of the current elevation of short-term rates, the overall performance of the bourse was significantly dampened. As a result, the benchmark NGX-All Share Index (NGX-ASI) rose by 0.76% m/m to close at 100,057.5 points. Consequently, YTD return strengthened to 33.8% from 32.8% in May, while market capitalisation climbed to close at N56.6tn.

From a sectoral viewpoint, performance was bullish as all the five (5) sectors we cover closed the month of June in the green territory. Leading the band was the Oil & Gas sector (+11.3% m/m) owing share price appreciation across SEPLAT (+12.8% m/m) and TOTAL (+21.0% m/m). Trailing were the Insurance (+6.4% m/m), Banking (+4.1% m/m), Consumer goods (+1.1% m/m), and the Industrial goods (+0.03% m/m) bolstered by share price appreciation across NEM (+13.8% m/m), VERITASK (+55.9% m/m), ZENITHBA (+8.2% m/m), ACCESSCO (+10.2% m/m), GUINNESS (+35.2% m/m), NB (+11.3% m/m), FLOURMIL (+17.1% m/m), and WAPCO (+0.7% m/m).

At the first auction, the CBN offered a total of N221.1bn worth of maturing bills across the 91-day, 182-day and 365-day bills. The

bulk of the bids were skewed towards the longer-tenured instrument (365-day bill) which recorded a total subscription of N677.4bn. Notably, CBN oversold the auction, allotting a total of N278.4bn worth of bills. As a result, the stop rate of the 365-day bill fell by 2bps to settle at 20.67%. However, the stop rates on the 91-day bill remained unchanged at 16.50% and 17.50%.

At the second auction, the CBN offered a total of N44.2bn worth of maturing bills across the 91-day, 182-day and 365-day bills. At the auction, investors' demand was strong, as total subscription printed at N407.8bn, majorly skewed towards the longer-tenured instrument. The CBN oversold, allotting N55.2bn. Given the strong demand at the auction, stop rates across all the tenors offered tapered. For context, the stop rates across the 91-day, 182-day and 364-day bills tapered by 20bps, 6bps, and 17bps to print at 16.30%, 17.44%, and 20.50%, respectively.

At the third auction, the CBN offered a total of N228.7bn worth of maturing bills across the 91-day, 182-day and 365-day bills. The bulk of the bids were skewed towards the longer-tenured instrument (365-day bill) which recorded a total subscription of N697.1bn. Notably, the CBN oversold the auction marginally, allotting a total of N284.3bn worth of bills. Given the strong demand at the auction, the stop rate on the 364-day bill rose by 18bps to 20.68%, while the stop rates on the 91-day and 182-day bills remained unchanged at 16.30% and 17.44%, respectively.

In the secondary market, we saw significant bearish sentiments throughout the month of June-2024. As a result, the average NT-bills yield climbed by 35bps m/m to close the month of June-2024 at 22.07% (previously 21.72%). Similarly, the average yield on OMO bills increased by 202bps to settle at 23.45% in June-2024 from 21.43% in the prior month.

Looking ahead into July 2024, the equities market would be mixed as investors continue to explore opportunistic investment strategy, which involves trading the current market volatility. Hence, we anticipate cherry picking of fundamentally sound stocks persist in July. Similarly, market activities will increase due to ongoing banks recapitalization, Q2/H2 2024 fillings, and envisaged corporate actions in the weeks ahead.

Conversely, activities in the fixed income market to continue to stand as a demotivator toward a broader/deeper scale of equities investments. Overall, fund managers and investors should continue to adopt an opportunistic investment strategy to take advantage of whatever opportunities the market presents at each given time.



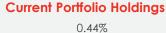
# **FUND FEATURES**

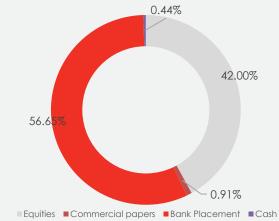
Fund Manager	United Capital Asset Management Ltd				
Base Currency/Start Year	Naira/2017				
Fund Size (#)	1.1bn				
NAV Per Share (₦)	1.3693				
Minimum Entry (¥)	10,000				
Additional Investment (¥)	5,000				
Structure	Open Ended				
Entry/Exit Charges	Nil				
Management Fee	1.5%				
Total Expense Ratio*	1.8%				
Benchmarks	91-Day T-bills/NGX ASI				
Risk Profile	Moderate				
Investment Style	Market Oriented				

<sup>\*</sup> Inclusive of management fee; Returns are net of all fees

#### MATURITY PROFILE OF ASSETS

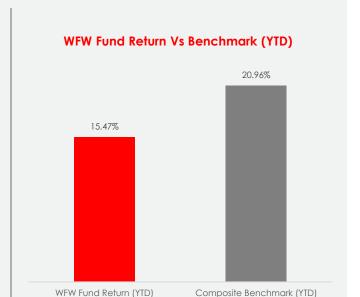
0-30days	56.08%
31-60days	29.87%
61-90days	14.06%
91-180days	0.00%
181-365days	0.00%





#### Governance Asset Allocation Ranges:

Equities (10%-80%), Money Market Instruments (20% -90%)



# **RETURN HISTORY**

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 YTD
UCAP WFW	7.79%	3.12%	6.60%	12.33%	31.90%	15.47%
Benchmark Return	1.12%	25.16%	5.56%	2.10%	23.99%	20.96%

\*Represents the Fund's Absolute Return vs the Benchmark's Absolute Return

#### **PERFORMANCE REVIEW**

The United Capital Wealth For Women Fund returned 2.30% in June 2024, translating to a YTD return of 15.47% compared to the composite benchmark (91-day T-bills and the ASI) return of 19.81% for the same period.

The equities market continued to improve in June 2024, as the NGX All Share Index gained 0.76% MoM. The increase was on the back of sustained interest in fundamentally strong tickers that were trading below the oversold region.

For the second half of the year, we would actively monitor activities in the equities market ahead of the release of H1 financial performance. Exposure to the market will remain on the lower limit while also taking position in attractive tickers that are currently undervalued and increase exposure to fixed income market given the attractive yield in that space.

We remain conservative in line with the investment policy objectives, as our selection of fundamentally strong stocks and high yielding money market instruments should further enhance the returns of the Fund going forward.



# WHY CHOOSE THE FUND?

- Low volatility of Investment returns
- Well diversified portfolio
- · Seamless entry and exit
- Professional management with robust risk framework
- Automatic rebalancing in times of rising or falling markets
- Ability to enjoy long term capital growth as well as safety

# **INVESTMENT RISK**

- Market risk of equity exposure
- Macroeconomic instability

# **HOW TO PARTICIPATE**

- 1. Log in to our online platform www.investnow.ng
- 2. Click on "Wealth for Women Fund"
- 3. Click on "Open and account" and complete the online form
- 4. Fund your account online with a one-time payment or recurrent payments.

