# United Capital Eurobond Fund | Monthly Fact Sheet



#### **FUND OBJECTIVE**

The United Capital Nigerian Eurobond Fund is an open-ended mutual fund that is invested in Dollar denominated Eurobonds, floated by the Federal Government of Nigeria, as well as toptier corporates. Subscribers can expect to receive competitive short to medium term capital appreciation on their USD holdings invested in the Fund better than they would receive on domiciliary deposits. The minimum investment is \$1,000 and multiples of \$500 thereafter

#### MARKET REVIEW, OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY

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Looking ahead, we expect the bearish sentiments in the Nigerian Eurobonds market to linger in the month of September. This is on the back of the persistent FX volatility and the high global interest rate environment, which has led to capital flights. Additionally, the uncertainties in the political climate of Western African countries (military takeovers in Niger, Gabon, and the unrest in DR Congo) will further drive selloffs in the market.

However, we note that there will be packet of mild buy-interests in the market. This is hinged on the expectation of coupon inflows totalling \$197.5mn at the tail-end of the month. We expect this to drive renewed buy-interests in the market as investors look to reinvest their funds in the market. Overall, we expect the Nigerian Eurobonds market to be broadly bearish in September 2023.

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#### PERFORMANCE REVIEW

The United Capital Nigerian Eurobond Fund returned 0.46% for the month of August. However, the year to date return of the fund is 5.70%, lower than the benchmark annualised return of 8.60% within the same period.

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We will continue to mantain the required allocation ranges in line with the Trust Deed, and tactically pick higher yielding maturities in the sovereign bond space to enhance the performance of the fund.





#### Governance Asset Allocation Ranges:

FGN Eurobonds (20%-80%); Corporate Eurobonds (20%-80%); Money Market placements (0% - 20%)

- Much better returns than the average domiciliary deposit
- A good hedge against depreciation of the Naira
- Seamless Entry and Exit
- Professional management with robust risk framework
- · Long term capital preservation and growth

### How to participate

- 1. Log in to our online platform www.investnow.ng
- 2. Click on "Eurobond Fund"
- 3. Click on "Open an account" and complete the online form
- 4. Fund the Custody Account detailed here

## UNITED CAPITAL NIGERIAN EUROBOND FUND

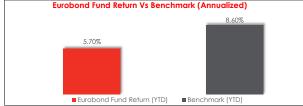
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Account Name: MAINSTREET TRUSTESS/UNITED CAPITAL NIGERIAN EUROBOND FUND

· Credit Risks

· Macroeconomic instability Interest Rate Risk

Correspondent Bank: CITIBANK, New York, USA.

Intermediary BIC: CITIUS33XXX





Return history					
	2019	2020	2021	2022	YTD
United Capital Nigerian Eurobond Fund	8.00%	7.10%	6.84%	5.73%	5.77%
Benchmark	3.95%	2.17%	4.04%	8.91%	8.60%

\*Represents the Fund's Annalized Return vs the Benchmark's Annualized Return

The United Capital Nigerian Eurobond Fund is regulated by the Securities and Exchange Commission

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance and individual investors' returns may differ depending on individual investors returns may differ depending on individual in to hold units in a fund