

FBN Mutual Funds Factsheet

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Executive Summary

July was characterized by a series of aggressive tariff announcements and bilateral trade negotiations. Early in the month, the U.S. threatened a 20% tariff on Vietnamese exports and up to 40% duties on goods trans-shipped through Vietnam. Additional 10% tariffs were proposed on countries aligning with BRICS' anti-American policies, all set to take effect by August 1. Further measures included a 35% tariffs on Canadian imports, with a fentanyl-related surcharge later raised to 35% from 25%. Also, 15%–20% blanket tariffs on other trading partners and a 50% import duty on copper (specifically pipes and wiring) aligned with prior levies on steel and aluminum. By the end of July, a potential 200% duty on pharmaceuticals was under review. Despite the aggressive stance, the U.S. secured several bilateral deals including a 15% tariffs on Japanese auto imports and USD550bn investment package with Japan, in exchange for exemptions (excluding steel/aluminum). Furthermore, a framework agreement with the EU imposes a 15% tariff on most goods, along with USD600bn EU investments in the US. The US also signed a 15% tariff deal with South Korea. Other trade partners like India (25%) and Brazil (50%) saw steeper levies.

Meanwhile, the U.S headline inflation rose to 3.5% y/y in June (May: 3.3%), with core inflation steady at 3.7%, as tariff pass-through effects intensified cost pressures. This supported the Fed's decision to leave the monetary rate unchanged as expected. Elsewhere in the U.K, inflation surprised to the upside, rising to 3.6% y/y in June (May: 3.4%), and raising doubts over imminent BoE rate cuts, despite ongoing disinflation in energy and food categories. Fears of recession heightened as the UK economy shrank 0.1% m/m in May (April: -0.3%), extending its weak growth streak. Meanwhile, following a higher June headline inflation up to 2.0% y/y (May: 1.9%), largely on stronger services inflation (+4.1% y/y) negating the decline in energy inflation(-4.0% y/y) and food prices. The ECB held rates (2.00% - 2.15%) steady in July, pausing its easing cycle, the pause offers some relief to Eurozone businesses.

Down in SSA, South Africa's headline inflation rose slightly to 3.0% y/y in June (May: 2.8%), driven by food, rent, and utilities. Despite the uptick, inflation remained well within SARB's 3–6% target, and below its 4.5% midpoint since August 2024. Ghana's headline inflation continued its downward trend, slowing to 13.70% y/y in June, (16.50%: May), marking its lowest level in over two years. This disinflation, alongside a drop in local bond yields (-250.0bps m/m), stronger FX reserves and the ongoing IMF-backed reforms, led to the Bank of Ghana lowering its policy rate by 300bps to 25% at its July meeting. This is its most aggressive rate cut since the 200 bps cuts in July 2024.

In Nigeria, the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS), following the rebasing of the GDP, reported that economy expanded by 3.13% y/y to NGN49.34trn in Q1'25 (vs 2.27% to NGN47.85trn in Q1'24). The growth was largely driven by a 3.19% y/y growth in the non-oil sector, supported by contributions from financial institutions (+15.91%), telecommunications (+7.82%), real estate (+4.61%), crop production (+3.71%), and trade (+1.78%). Elsewhere, despite a slight increase in oil production of 1.62mb/d vs. 1.57mb/d in Q1'24), the oil sector grew slightly by 1.87% y/y (down from 4.71% in Q1'24).

Data from the NBS showed a 0.75% drag in headline inflation to 22.22% y/y in June, (vs 22.97% y/y in May). This marked the third consecutive month of decline. However, consumer prices rose across food (+83bps to 21.97% y/y), and core inflation (+48bps to 22.26% y/y) baskets. Furthermore, monthly price pressures remained sticky upwards, with headline (1.68% m/m), food (1.68% m/m), and core inflation (2.46% m/m) trending higher. This was driven by higher prices across transportation, ICT, alcoholic beverages and tobacco sub-baskets.

At the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) meeting in July, all key policy parameters were left unchanged for the third consecutive time. The MPR was maintained at 27.50%, CRR at 50.00% for Deposit Money Banks and 16.00% for Merchant Banks, and the Liquidity Ratio at 30.00%. The MPC's decision was informed by the moderation in inflation and the need to manage government borrowing costs, while also keeping an eye on external risks such as global trade tensions and supply chain disruptions.

On debt management, Nigeria's public debt increased by 3.30% q/q to NGN149.39trn in Q1'25. The increase reflects the revenue lag which resulted in new borrowings to meet rising government expenses. Notably, the total domestic debt stock rose to NGN78.76trn (NGN74.38trn in Q4'24), while external debt grew to USD45.98bn (vs USD45.78bn in Q4'24), driven by increased borrowings from the World Bank (USD427.20mn) and African Development Bank (USD83.22mn).

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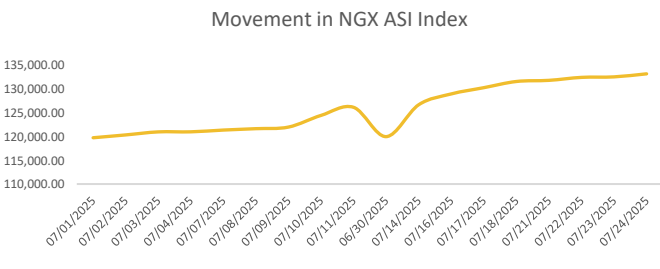
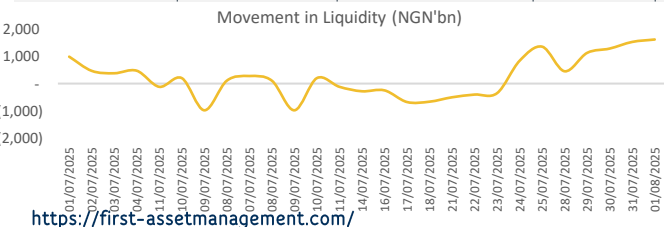
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Asset Class	Benchmark	1M (July)%	Year to Date (%)	Commentary
 Money Market	91-day T-bill	15.37*	17.50*	System liquidity fell to an average NGN137.61bn in July (vs. NGN871.68bn in June), as sizable outflows via the Standing Deposit Facility (NGN10.54trn), OMO sales (NGN2.79trn), and primary market auctions (NGN677.50bn) outweighed modest inflows from T-bills maturities (NGN951.66bn) and lending facilities (NGN6.47trn). Resultantly the Open Repo Rate (OPR) closed at 26.40% (26.50% in June), while the Overnight Rate (OVN) fell by 80bps to 26.98% (vs 27.20%). Two NTB auctions were held during the month, where the CBN offered NGN540.00bn, drawing strong demand (NGN2.01trn), particularly for the 364-day paper (bid-offer of 5.11x). Eventually, NGN491.82bn was allotted, exceeding initial offers. At the July monthly bond auction, the Debt Management Office (DMO) offered a total of NGN80bn with total allotments at c.N185.933Bn, across the 19.30% FGN APR 2029, and the 17.95% FGN JUNE 2032 papers allotted at marginal rates of 15.69% and 15.90%, respectively. The total subscription level settled at NGN300.67bn (previous: NGN602.86bn), with a bid-to-offer ratio of 3.0x (previous: 6.0x). Eventually, the DMO allotted a total of NGN185.93bn, with higher allotment on the 2032 instrument (92.78% of the total allotment).
	181-day T-bill	15.85*	18.10*	
	364-day T-bill	16.09*	19.23*	
 Bonds	S&P/FMDQ Nigeria Sovereign Bond Index	2.90	12.76	The Nigerian sovereign Eurobond market rallied in July, buoyed by global monetary policy signals and supportive commodity fundamentals. Investor sentiment was lifted following the U.S. Federal Reserve’s wait-and-see stance, with a split vote that revealed rising internal support for a 25bps rate cut. This, combined with renewed pressure from President Trump, heightened market expectations for a potential policy easing in September. In tandem, Brent crude prices consistently holding above USD70/bi further bolstered demand for Nigerian sovereign debt, particularly given Nigeria’s heavy reliance on oil exports. Consequently, the benchmark yield on Nigerian Eurobonds declined to an average of 8.22%, a notable improvement from 8.58% recorded in June. On the multilateral front, the IMF approved a four-year USD625mn lending program for Chad, with an immediate disbursement of USD38.5mn, signaling continued financial support for the SSA region. In contrast, Kenya faced a setback as the World Bank withheld a USD750mn (Sh96.93bn) loan due to delays in implementing governance reforms, including critical legislation aimed at curbing conflicts of interest among political and public office holders.
	3 Year Federal Government Bond	7.85	21.61	
 Eurobond	3 Year Nigerian Sovereign Eurobond	2.38	11.17	The local bourse touched new highs in July, as investors optimism rose on the back of strong Q2’25 earnings across sectors and significant flow of funds into equities following the down trend in fixed income yields. This marked the fourth consecutive month of gains. Consequently, the All-Share Index (ASI) rose by 16.57% m/m to close at 139,863.52 points, (vs 7.37% gain in June). Notably the ASI’s year-to-date (YTD) return now stands at 35.76% (up from 16.57%) and trending close to 2024FY’s return of 37.65%. The bullish sentiment was also reflected on the 30 most capitalized stocks which scored about 5,135.68 points, leading to the NGX 30 Index gain of 16.11% m/m (higher than 7.35% in June). Sectoral performance broadly mirrored investor optimism amid the improving macroeconomic landscape. The Industrial index led with gains of 34.28% m/m, as investors bought positions in DANGCEM and WAPCO. Gains in the Banking (25.78%) and Consumer Goods (11.14%) indexes were driven by strong buying interest in GTCO, ZENITH, DANGSUGAR, UACN and NESTLE. Insurance (17.74%) and Oil & Gas (1.72%) sector also saw price rally during the month supported by strategic positioning on tickers like CUSTODIAN, OANDO and GUINEAINS. On Corporate Highlight, the Coca-Cola company disclosed an agreement to sell its stake in CHI Limited-producers of the Chivita and Hollandia brands to UAC of Nigeria PLC, pending regulatory approval. Additionally, GTCO retired its Global Depository Receipts (GDR) from the London Stock Exchange (LSE) and in alignment with its dual listing strategy, the company listed its shares on the LSE, which supported the rally in the share price.
	5 Year Nigerian Sovereign Eurobond	3.12	12.13	
 Equities	NGXASI	16.57	35.89	The local bourse touched new highs in July, as investors optimism rose on the back of strong Q2’25 earnings across sectors and significant flow of funds into equities following the down trend in fixed income yields. This marked the fourth consecutive month of gains. Consequently, the All-Share Index (ASI) rose by 16.57% m/m to close at 139,863.52 points, (vs 7.37% gain in June). Notably the ASI’s year-to-date (YTD) return now stands at 35.76% (up from 16.57%) and trending close to 2024FY’s return of 37.65%. The bullish sentiment was also reflected on the 30 most capitalized stocks which scored about 5,135.68 points, leading to the NGX 30 Index gain of 16.11% m/m (higher than 7.35% in June). Sectoral performance broadly mirrored investor optimism amid the improving macroeconomic landscape. The Industrial index led with gains of 34.28% m/m, as investors bought positions in DANGCEM and WAPCO. Gains in the Banking (25.78%) and Consumer Goods (11.14%) indexes were driven by strong buying interest in GTCO, ZENITH, DANGSUGAR, UACN and NESTLE. Insurance (17.74%) and Oil & Gas (1.72%) sector also saw price rally during the month supported by strategic positioning on tickers like CUSTODIAN, OANDO and GUINEAINS. On Corporate Highlight, the Coca-Cola company disclosed an agreement to sell its stake in CHI Limited-producers of the Chivita and Hollandia brands to UAC of Nigeria PLC, pending regulatory approval. Additionally, GTCO retired its Global Depository Receipts (GDR) from the London Stock Exchange (LSE) and in alignment with its dual listing strategy, the company listed its shares on the LSE, which supported the rally in the share price.
	NGX30	16.11	34.73	



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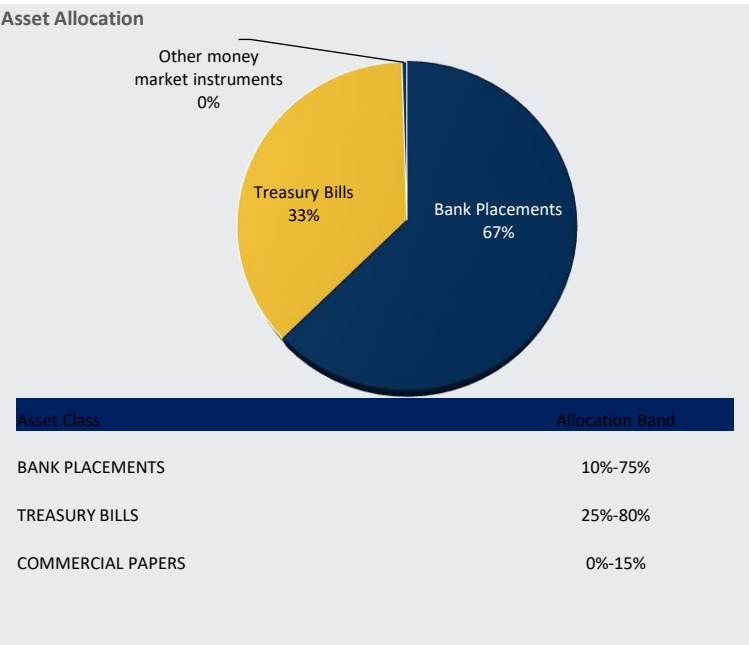
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FBN Money Market Fund Overview

Investment Objective

The Fund seeks to preserve capital and maximise income by offering access to a diversified range of low-risk money market instruments in Nigeria. The Fund also provides liquidity and competitive returns.

Fund Facts	
Fund Manager	Ifeoluwa Dixon, Tutu Owolabi-Kadiku CFA, CAIA
Fund launch date	24 September 2012
Fund size	₦569.90bn
Base currency	(₦)
NAV per share	₦100
Minimum investment	₦5,000
Minimum holding period	30 days
Income accrual	Daily
Income distribution	Quarterly
Annual management fee	1.50%
Total Expense Ratio	1.93%
Risk profile	Low
Custodian	Citibank
Benchmark	Average 91-day Treasury Bill (NTB) primary auction stop rates.
Investment Horizon	90 days



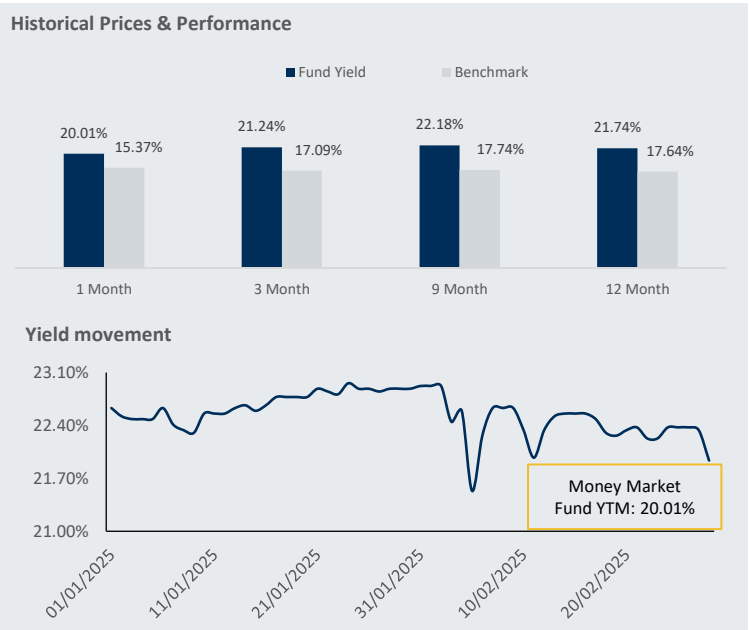
Fund Performance and Outlook

Fund Performance

The FBN Money Market Fund closed the month with a yield of 20.01%, outperforming the benchmark rate of 17.09%. The Fund Manager’s strategy, along with the effective management of the fund's duration and security selection, was synergized to maximize returns to unitholders.

Fund Outlook

Money market rates are projected to moderate slightly in the coming month due to anticipated improvement in system liquidity despite rising borrowing requirements. Nevertheless, the Fund is strategically positioned to optimize returns for unitholders in this lower interest rate environment.



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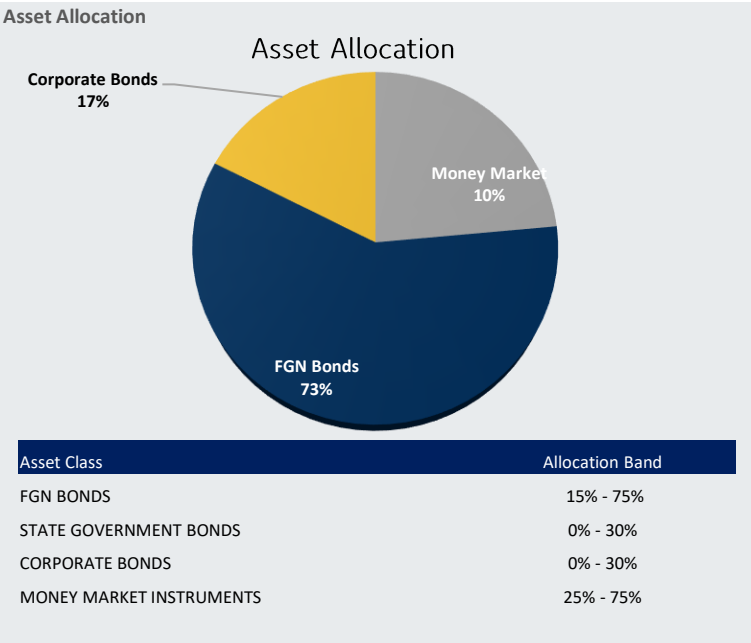
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FBN Bond Fund Overview

Investment Objective

The Fund is designed to provide income generation by investing in long-term, tenured debt instruments and short-term high-quality money market securities issued in Nigeria.

Fund Facts	
Fund Manager	Ifeoluwa Dixon, Tutu Owolabi-Kadiku CFA, CAIA
Fund launch date	24 September 2012
Fund size	₦11.78bn
Base currency	(₦)
NAV per share	₦1,728.32
Minimum investment	₦50,000
Minimum holding period	90 days
Income accrual	Daily
Income distribution	Annually
Total Expense Ratio	1.39%
Annual management fee	1.00%
Risk profile	Low-Medium
Custodian	Citibank
Benchmark	70% 3Year FGN Bond 30% Average 91-day T-bill rate
Investment Horizon	2-3 years



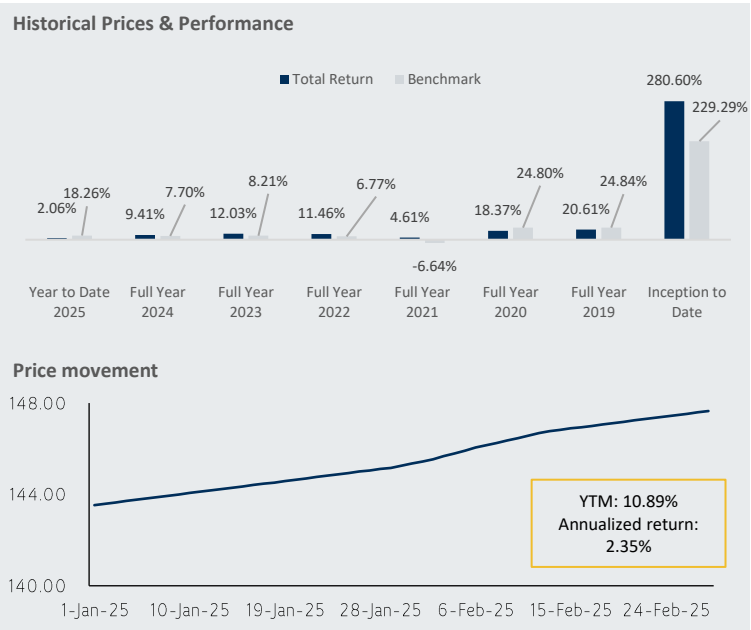
Fund Performance and Outlook

Fund Performance

Despite the moderation in the fixed income space, the FBN Bond Fund ended the month of July with a Yield to Maturity of 10.89%. This performance is largely attributed to accrued income from various instruments and strategic positioning along the yield curve.

Fund Outlook

The fund manager will maintain active oversight of interest rate movements and strategically allocate portfolio assets to high-potential instruments across the yield curve, with the goal of maximizing returns for unitholders.



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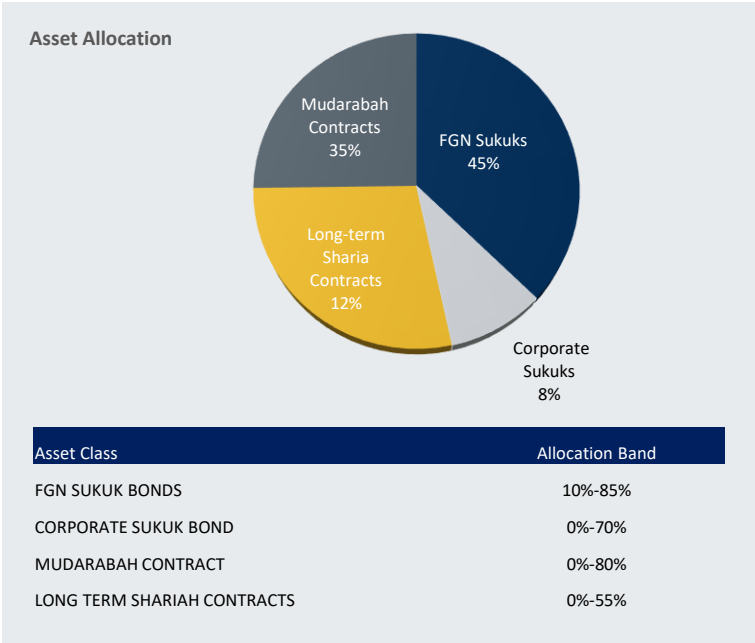
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FBN Halal Fund Overview

Investment Objective

The Fund is designed to provide long-term income generation by investing in Shari’ah compliant instruments such as Sukuks, Ijarah (Lease), Murabaha (Cost plus mark-up) and Mudarabah (Working Partner) contracts.

Fund Facts	
Fund Manager	Ifeoluwa Dixon, Tutu Owolabi-Kadiku CFA, CAIA.
Fund launch date	4 May 2020
Fund size	₦5.83bn
Base currency	(₦)
NAV per share	₦154.62
Minimum investment	₦5,000
Minimum holding period	90 days
Income accrual	Daily
Income distribution	Annually
Total Expense Ratio	1.89%
Management fees	1.50%
Risk profile	Low-Medium
Custodian	Standard Chartered Bank
Benchmark	FGN 3 Year Benchmark Bond



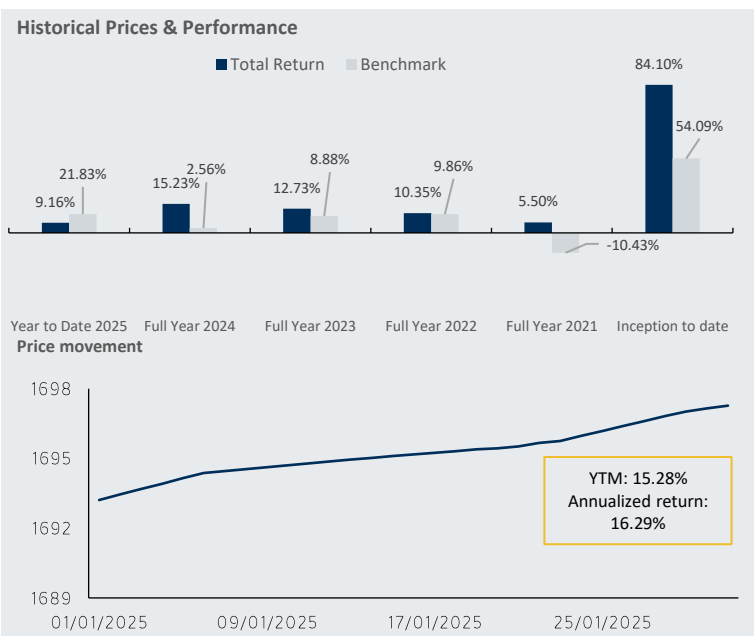
Fund Performance and Outlook

Fund Performance

The FBN Halal Fund settled the month with a Yield to Maturity of 15.28% (vs 14.70% in June) and an annualized return of 16.29%. This performance is attributed to accrued rental income from the Sharia-compliant assets in the portfolio.

Fund Outlook

The Fund Manager will continue to closely track developments in the non-interest capital market to effectively manage the Fund’s investment duration. The Fund will also maintain strict adherence to Sharia-compliant investment principles while striving to deliver attractive returns.



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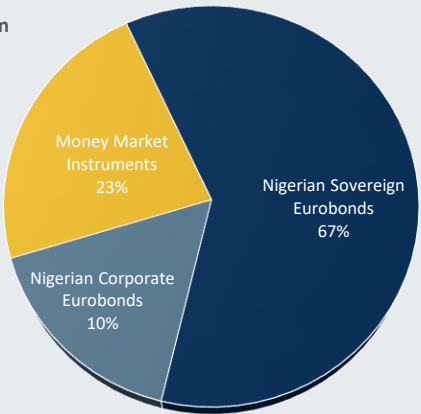
FBN Dollar Fund Overview

Investment Objective

The Fund provides an opportunity to diversify across currencies and serve as a hedge through its exposure to USD denominated assets. It provides income generation by investing in debt instruments issued by the Nigerian government, corporates and financial institution

Fund Facts	
Fund Manager	Ifeoluwa Dixon, Tutu Owolabi-Kadiku CFA, CAIA
Fund launch date	4 January 2016
Fund size	\$37.06mn
Base currency	US Dollars (\$)
NAV per share	\$131.82
Minimum investment	\$100
Minimum holding period	180 days
Risk profile	Medium
Total Expense Ratio	3.00%
Management fees	1.50%
Income distribution	Annually
Benchmark	70% 3 Year FGN Bond 30% Average 1yr US T-bill rate
Custodian	Standard Chartered Bank
Investment Horizon	1-2 years

Asset Allocation



Asset Class	Allocation Band
FGN & CORPORATE EUROBOND	70% - 80%
NON-NIGERIAN ASSETS (US TREASURIES)	0% - 10%
MONEY MARKET INSTRUMENTS	0% - 30%

Fund Performance and Outlook

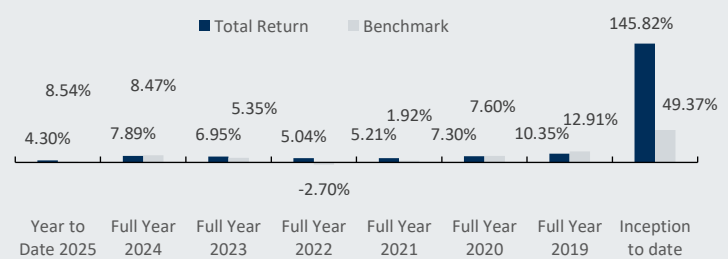
Fund Performance

The FBN Dollar Fund closed the month with a Yield to Maturity of 7.42% and an annualized return of 7.51%. This performance is driven by the strong yield profile of the portfolio's instruments amidst the declining USD interest rate environment.

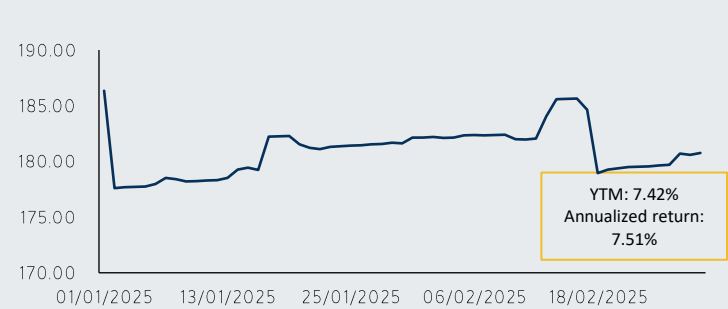
Fund Outlook

The fund manager will closely monitor key economic indicators to evaluate the market implications of interest rate movements. These insights will guide our asset selection strategy, aiming to deliver optimal returns to unitholders. Furthermore, the manager will actively manage the Fund's duration and strategically position the portfolio to capitalize on the declining interest rate environment.

Historical Prices & Performance



Price movement



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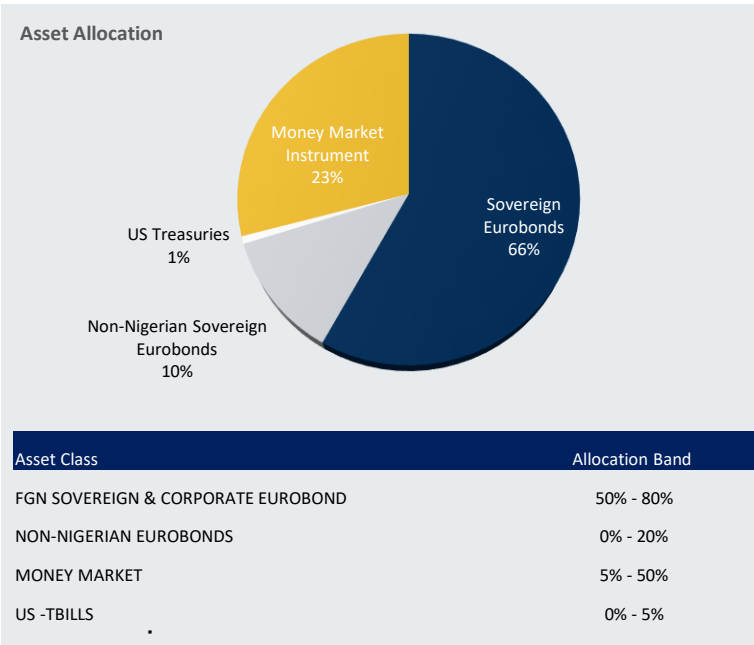
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FBN Specialized Dollar Fund Overview

Investment Objective

The investment objective of the Fund is to generate stable income, attractive returns, reduce Nigerian-specific risk and provide a potential currency hedge for investors.

Fund Facts	
Fund Manager	Ifeoluwa Dixon, Tutu Owolabi-Kadiku CFA, CAIA.
Fund launch date	12 August 2022
Fund size	\$106.01mn
Base currency	US Dollars (\$)
NAV per share	\$124.44
Minimum investment	\$10,000
Minimum holding period	180 days
Income accrual	Daily
Income distribution	Annually
Total Expense Ratio	1.93%
Management fees	1.50%
Risk profile	Medium
Custodian	Standard Chartered Bank
Benchmark	70% 3 Year FGN Bond 30% Average 1yr US T-bill rate
Investment Horizon	1-2 years



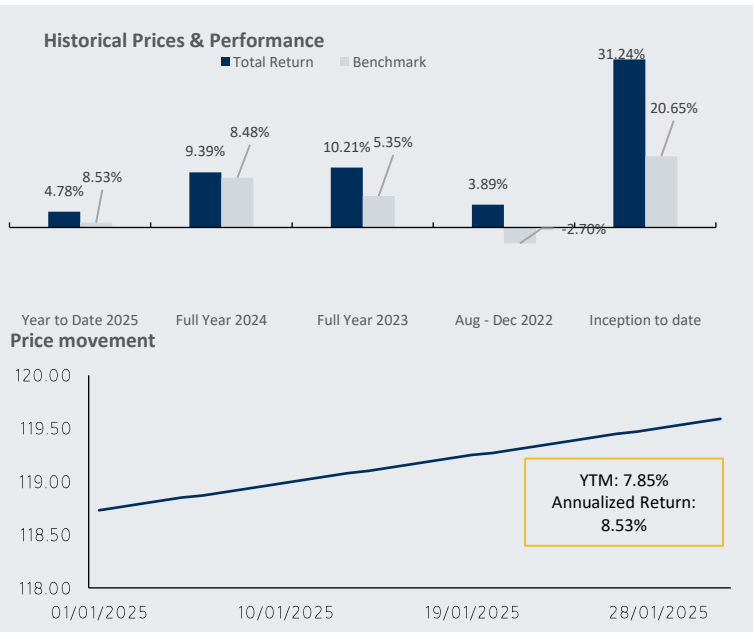
Fund Performance and Outlook

Fund Performance

The FBN Specialized Dollar Fund ended the month with a Yield to Maturity of 7.85% and an annualized return of 8.53%. The Fund's global fixed-income portfolio, delivering a competitive yield, has driven this performance.

Fund Outlook

The fund manager will closely monitor interest rate policies of global central banks and the ongoing recovery of the African Eurobond market, with particular attention to anticipated new issuances and developments in debt restructuring. In addition, the manager will actively manage the Fund's duration and strategically position it to capitalize on the declining interest rate environment to enhance performance.



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FBN Balanced Fund Overview

Investment Objective

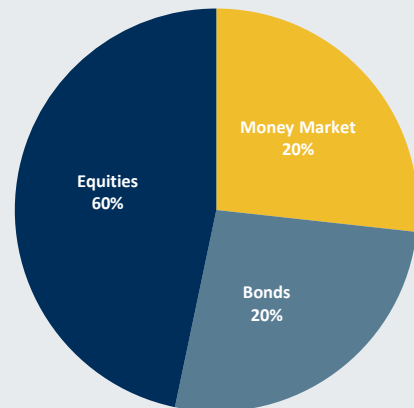
The Fund provides capital growth and downside protection to investors seeking exposure to equity. The downside is achieved through investments in less risky assets such as money market instrument and bonds

Fund Facts	
Fund Manager	Laura Fisayo-Kolawole, CFA Gbolahan Ologunro, ACCA
Fund launch date	1 April 2008
Fund size	₦13.03bn
Base currency	(₦)
NAV per share	₦448.56
Minimum investment	₦50,000
Minimum holding period	90 days
Income accrual	Daily
Annual management fee	1.50%
Total Expense Ratio	1.93%
Risk profile	Medium
Benchmark	40% NSE30 40% 5-year FGN bond 20% 90day average T-bill rate
Custodian	Citibank

Top 5 Equity Sector Exposure

Financial Services	24.58%
Agriculture	21.83%
Industrial Goods	19.52%
Consumer Goods	13.03%
Oil & Gas	5.54%

Asset Allocation



Asset Class	Allocation Band
NIGERIAN EQUITIES	40%-60%
MONEY MARKET INSTRUMENTS	20%-60%
NIGERIAN BONDS	20%-40%

Fund Performance and Outlook

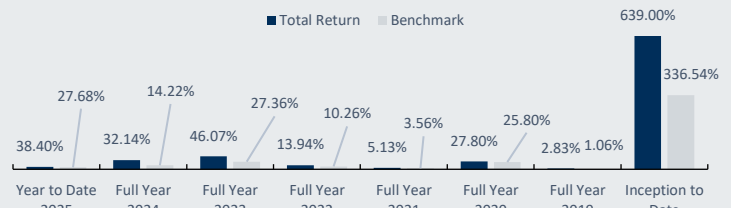
Fund Performance

The FBN Balanced Fund closed the month of July with a year-to-date return of 38.40% (vs 21.70% in June). The fund delivered strong performance, buoyed by the bullish sentiment in the domestic equities market. Furthermore, the fund manager's timely reallocation into fixed income instruments helped lock in attractive yields, thereby enhancing overall return.

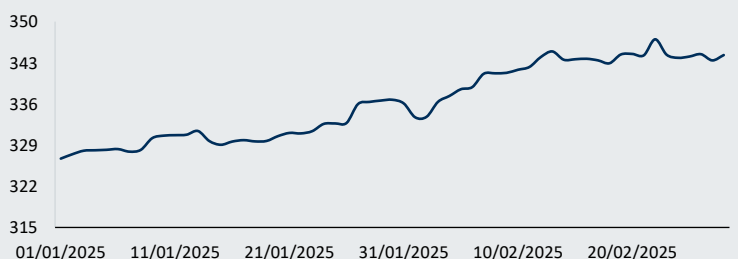
Fund Outlook

Amid a cautiously optimistic macroeconomic backdrop, the fund manager will maintain a balanced allocation across resilient equities and tactical fixed income positions. The fund will continue to hold select defensive and cyclical stocks. The fund manager will continue to rotate funds across asset classes, leveraging market dislocations and policy signals to optimize risk-adjusted returns.

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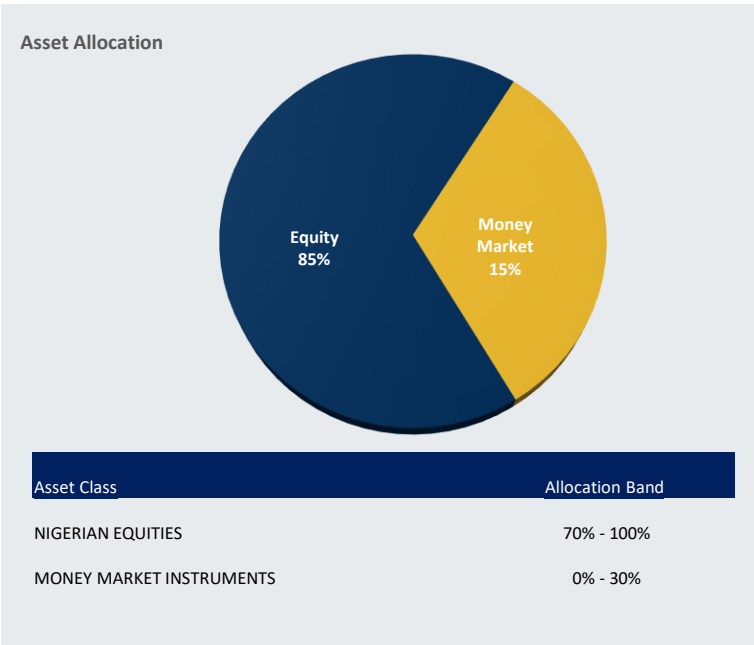
FBN Smart Beta Equity Fund Overview

Investment Objective

The Fund seeks to provide capital growth by selecting the best twenty (20) out of the forty (40) most capitalized stocks listed on the Nigerian Stock Exchange. The fund is appropriate for investors who want equities with the aim of outperforming the NGX 30.

Fund Facts	
Fund Manager	Laura Fisayo-Kolawole, CFA Gbolahan Ogunro, ACCA
Fund launch date	4 January 2016
Fund size	₦2.19bn
Base currency	(₦)
NAV per share	₦480.81
Total Expense Ratio	1.95%
Annual management fee	1.50%
Minimum investment	₦50,000
Risk profile	High
Minimum Holding Period	90 days
Benchmark	NSE 30
Custodian	Standard Chartered Bank

Top 5 Equity Sector Exposure	
Financial Services	62.85%
IFMCG	19.99%
Agriculture	17.15%
Oil and Gas	0.02%



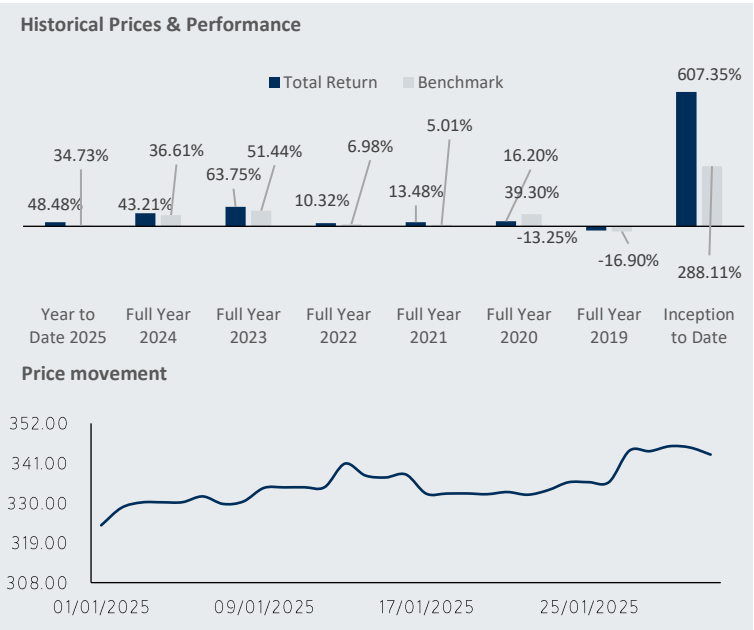
Fund Performance and Outlook

Fund Performance

The FBN Smart Beta Equity Fund closed July with a strong year-to-date return of 48.48% (higher than June’s close of 29.86%). This performance reflected the bullish sentiment in the local market, driven by improving macroeconomic fundamentals. Key contributors included the fund’s strategic overweight in banking stocks and targeted exposure to agro-allied equities. Additionally, the fund manager enhanced returns by proactively rotating into fixed income instruments.

Fund Outlook

The fund manager remains focused on rigorous fundamental analysis to guide stock selection and manage long-term equity volatility. In addition, active trading within the money market portfolio is expected to further enhance overall fund performance.



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Outlook

- **Global economy:** The global economic landscape remains exposed to trade rhetorics and as such market risks are shifting from economic and monetary policies to geopolitical uncertainty, trade policy, and in the equities market, sector-specific headwinds. Looking ahead, we expect that investors will position themselves based on the new tariff deals and the implementation effects on investments across the different markets. Moreso, the IMF has revised growth projections across most economies, we expect global monetary policies to prioritize economic growth, and manage inflation trends, given the expect increase from the higher tariffs.
- **Equity:** We anticipate a sustained bullish trend in the local bourse, underpinned by a confluence of supportive macroeconomic and corporate fundamentals. The faster-than-expected GDP growth, slowing inflation trajectory, and relative exchange rate stability are expected to reinforce investor confidence in equity assets. Also, corporate earnings across sectors are likely to remain resilient, benefiting from continued FX stability, easing input cost pressures, and ongoing supply chain optimization efforts. These factors should drive stronger profitability and, by extension, improved earnings per share (EPS) for investors. Meanwhile, despite the market's strong performance over the last three years, valuations remain attractive. The NGX ASI currently trades at a P/E multiple of 6.79x, significantly below its 10-year historical mean of 12.0x. With projected corporate earnings growth outpacing the rise in market capitalization, we see ample room for further market re-rating in the near term.
- **Domestic Fixed Income:** For August and moving into the latter part of the year, we expect bullish sentiment to dominate the FI market. Our projection is underpinned by factors like the moderation in domestic inflation figures, the projected dovish stance by the MPC, especially as the MPR (27.50%) stands at a comfortable premium to the inflation rate (22.22%). Similarly, we see continued improvement in system liquidity, which would be supportive of the lower yields, especially in the short maturities. Finally, while the fiscal deficit will continue to impact borrowing plan in the near-medium term, we expect the DMO to continue to manage borrowing costs.

Terms and Conditions

- Redemption period: 3 - 5 business days.
- No additional charges are applied on redemption. However, units redeemed earlier than the minimum holding period will incur a processing fee of 20% on the income earned on the value of such redemptions.
- The risk profile of the Funds range from 'Low-High' depending on what security it is invested in. The value of securities may change significantly depending on economic, political, inflationary and interest rate conditions.
- Bid prices and yield to maturity are stated net of fees and expenses with dividends reinvested (where applicable).
- The yield to maturity (YTM) is the rate of return anticipated on the portfolio if the current bonds in the portfolio were held until the end of their lifetime. YTM is an annualised rate and takes into account the current market price, par value, coupon interest rate and time to maturity for each bond in the portfolio. It is also assumes that all coupon payments are reinvested at the same rate as the bond's current yield.
- Past performance is not a guide to the future. The price of investments and the income from them may fall as well as rise and investors may not get back the full amount invested.