

Fund Overview

Introduction

The Meristem Money Market Fund (MMMF) is an actively managed open-ended collective investment scheme authorized by the SEC whose primary objective is the steady distribution of current income to investors/participants of the scheme, while maintaining liquidity and stability of the principal. Such income will be derived from investments in short term, high quality, naira denominated instruments with an investment grade rating from a recognized local rating agency registered with the SEC.

Market Review & Fund Outlook

Market Overview

So far in 2017, activities in the Nigerian Fixed Income market have mirrored the later part of 2016, as investors continue to favour this market over the equities market. The high yield environment that characterized the market at the tail end of 2016 has remained. Primary Market stop rates pegged within the same range as during the last meeting, however, in the secondary market, yields have declined in the period, with the average yield declining to 17.03% (vs. 18.71% average in Q4:2016).

The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) held its 2nd meeting of the year during the period, and as expected, the MPC voted to retain the Monetary Policy Rate (MPR) at 14%; CRR at 22.5%; maintain the asymmetric corridor at +200bps & -500bps; while also maintaining the liquidity ratio at 30%.

Statement of objectives

The main objective of the Fund is to maximize interest income while protecting the mutual capital and providing immediate liquidity by investing in short term money market instruments.

Investment Management

The mode of investment management shall be **full discretionary**. All interest earned in the portfolio shall be distributed to unit holders of the Meristem Money Market Fund.

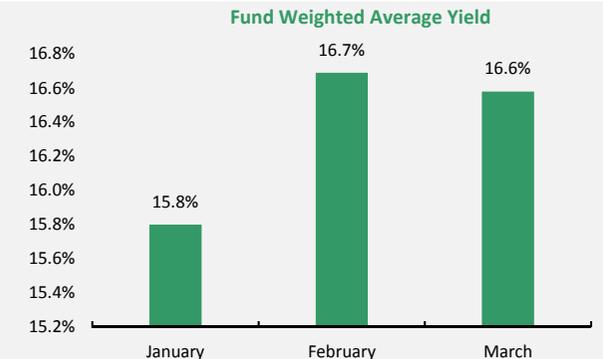
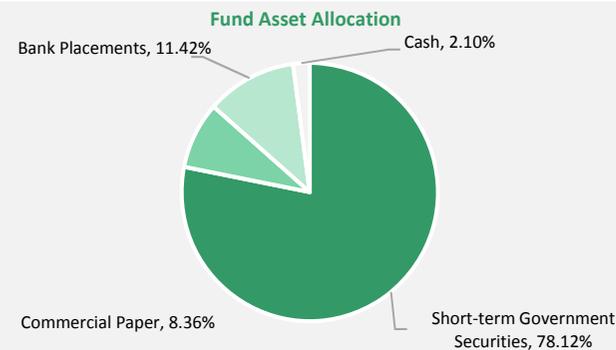
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The Weighted Average Yield (WAY) of the Fund averaged 16.4% over the first quarter of 2017 (relative to 15.6% in Q4:2016). The WAY and WAL of the portfolio at the end of the quarter were 16.6% and 77.36 days respectively, and the Fund's exposure to Treasury Bills pegged at 78.18%.

The rate of inflows into the Fund has been quite significant, in stark contrast to the previous period, given the aggressive marketing drive in the period.

In the current period, maturity schedule of the Fund has assets maturing in the next month, hence, driving returns significantly beyond this level is improbable. Nonetheless, we will seek opportunities.

Meristem Money Market Fund	
Fund Profile and Objective	
Fund Launch Date	28-Oct-15
Investment horizon	Medium to Long term
Currency	Naira (NGN)
Unit price	NGN 10.00
Objectives	Income with capital preservation
Risk tolerance	Low



Subscription

Bank Name: Standard Chartered Bank Plc
Account Name: VETIVA TRUSTEES/MERISTEM MMF
Account Number: 0002190585
Sort code: 068150057
Minimum Subscription: 1,000, subsequent multiples of 100
Redemption: Five (5) business days

Profile of the Fund Manager

The company's business is all about wealth management for both high net worth individuals and corporate organizations. Meristem Wealth Management has evolved over the years as a household name in investment portfolio management in Nigeria. The Company has a variety of portfolios developed for retail and semi retail clients.

It is based on this strength that the company has decided to take a giant stride to improve its market share by setting up two investment funds namely, the Meristem Money Market Fund and Meristem Equity Fund.

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