

# CardinalStone Growth Investment Plan ("CSGIP")

## Quarterly Newsletter – March 2017



### FUND FACTS

<b>Fund Manager:</b>	CardinalStone Asset Management
<b>Launch Date:</b>	April 2010
<b>Initial Investment:</b>	₦100,000
<b>Additional Investment:</b>	₦50,000
<b>Net Assets Value per Share:</b>	₦1.2718

### FUND PERFORMANCE

	3Q16	4Q16	1Q17	YTD
FUND	2.05%	-1.48%	1.83%	1.83%
NSEASI	-4.27%	-5.16%	-5.05%	-5.05%
10Y BOND*	3.72%	3.84%	3.91%	3.91%
COMPOSITE**	-2.67%	-3.36%	-3.36%	-3.36%

\*Average yield on 16.39% FGN Bond 2022 pro-rated for period

\*\*Composite benchmark is based on Plan allocation of 80% Equities & 20% Fixed Income

### FUND OBJECTIVE

The Plan is designed to offer long term capital appreciation to investors with considerable appetites for risk. The Plan seeks to achieve its objectives, by investing a significant proportion of its assets in equities quoted on the Nigerian Stock Exchange, while maintaining smaller holdings in fixed income securities and alternative investments in real estate and private equity opportunities.

### PORTFOLIO MANAGER'S COMMENTARY

The CardinalStone Growth Investment Plan ("CSGIP") opened for the quarter on 1 January 2017 with an Offer price of N1.2489 and closed for the quarter at an Offer price of N1.2718 a return of 1.83%.

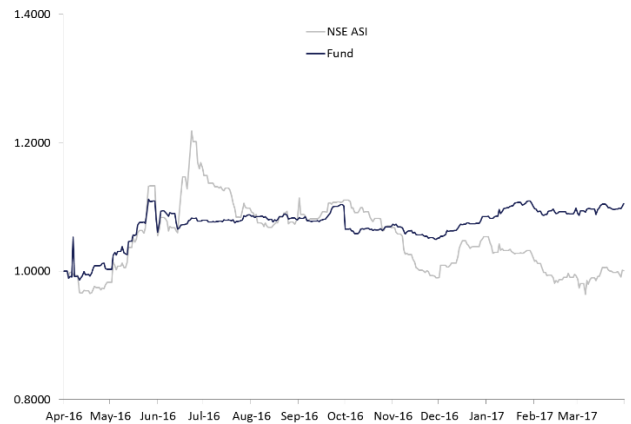
Despite the general expectation that the Nigerian economy would rise out of the recession sometime this year, sentiments and overall activity in the equities market remained subdued for most of the quarter. The lull in the market appeared to be a reflection of the macro economic situation in the country which saw Q4 GDP contract by 1.3% despite March and February inflation slowing to 17.26% and 17.28% respectively. At the end of the quarter, the Nigerian Stock Exchange All Share Index (NSE ASI) lost 5.05%, this was marginally better than the decline of 5.16% recorded in the previous quarter.

A performance attribution analysis showed that all sectors in the equities market except the Industrial Goods sector depreciated during the quarter. The Consumer Goods sector led the losers chart with a depreciation of 11.91% followed by Oil & Gas sector which lost 6.48%.

Yields on sovereign bonds closed largely stable as the monetary authorities maintained a tightening stance and mopped liquidity often. The yields on the 5yr, 7yr, 10yr were relatively flat, falling by an average of just 1bps across all tenors. The 20yr bond was the biggest mover, rising by 30 bps. The bonds closed at 15.85%, 15.77%, 15.62% and 15.60% respectively.

This quarter, we expect trading activities in the equities market to remain tepid with a bullish bias. Corporate earnings are expected to be positive relative to last year's weak performances and this should positively impact sentiments. We expect yields on fixed income instruments to begin to fall slightly as the rates of increase in inflation continue to decline.

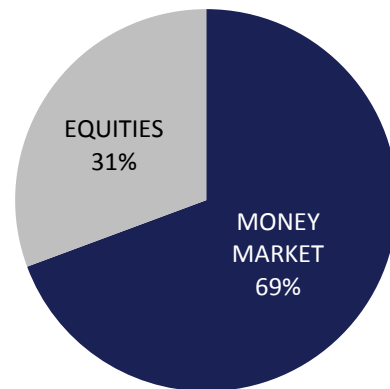
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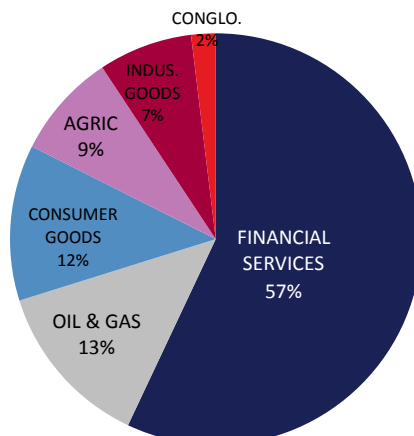
### TOP STOCK HOLDINGS

STOCK	SECTOR	% Weight
ZENITH BANK	FINANCIAL SERVICES	10.22%
TOTAL	OIL & GAS	5.50%
GTBANK	FINANCIAL SERVICES	5.45%
DANGSUGAR	CONSUMER GOODS	4.02%

### STRATEGIC ALLOCATION



### EQUITIES ALLOCATION BY SECTOR



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