# **Monthly Fact Sheet**

#### **OVERVIEW**

The AVA Global Asset Managers Limited Dollar Fixed Income Fund ("AVA GAM Dollar Fund" or "the Fund") is an actively managed openended unit trust scheme authorized by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), whose main objective is to achieve capital appreciation in the medium to long term for Investors in US Dollars.

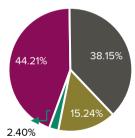
Given the steady rise in inflation coupled with continuous depreciation of the naira against the dollar, the AVA GAM Fixed Income Dollar Fund seeks to provide safety, liquidity and competitive investment return by investing in a diversified pool of investment grade dollar denominated securities.

## **FUND SUMMARY**

Date of Launch	14th May 2020		
Fund Manager	AVA Global Asset Managers Limited		
The Offer	10,000 units of \$100 each		
Fund Size	\$1,000,000		
Units of Sale	Minimum of 10 units and multiples of 5 units thereafter		
Method of Offer	Offer for subscription		
Returns	Returns from investments in the Fund will be accumulated as income and distributed periodically as stated in the Trust Deed.		
Mandatory Subscription	5% by Fund Manager		
Risk Profile	Low Risk		

## **CURRENT ALLOCATION**





• FGN Eurobonds • Corporate Eurobonds • Fixed Deposit • Cash

In line with the provisions on the Trust Deed, Investments in Federal and Corporate Eurobonds remain within the 80% band, while money market instruments within the 0% to 20% band.

## **INVESTOR PROFILE**

The Fund is targeted at High-Net-Worth Individuals (HNIs), Africans in diaspora, and institutional investors (both local and foreign), who desire exposure to Dollar denominated fixed income investment instruments.

#### **BENEFITS TO THE INVESTOR**

The Fund will deliver capital appreciation with competitive returns in the medium to long term for investors in US Dollars. This is significantly higher than what is obtainable from the average domiciliary account in the local banks. The fund affords investors liquidity, diversification and professional portfolio management.

### **ASSET CLASSES**

SECURITY	ALLOCATION RANGE	
FGN Eurobonds	30% – 45%	
Corporate Eurobonds	10% – 40%	
Money Market Instruments	0% – 20%	

## **MARKET OVERVIEW**

The month of March witnessed favourable momentum in the FGN Eurobond market as market performance month-on-month, continued its bullish leap due to increased demand for the dollar-denominated instruments by investors and fund managers. Thus, the average yield recorded a decline marking another consecutive month of positive outcome.

During the month, the Central Bank of Nigeria announced a revision in the Customs Foreign Exchange duty rate, reducing it from N1,630.17/\$ to N1,544.08/\$, marking a 5.3% decline influenced by dynamics in the foreign exchange market.

Given the demand of investors for higher yields, the FGN Eurobond yield scaled downwards, reducing the average FGN Eurobond yield by 60bps to 9.26% in March from 9.86% in February.

Annual Inflation in the U.S slightly rose to 3.2% in February 2024 compared to 3.1% in January 2024 and a sustained decline in energy costs resulted in an increase in certain products at a slow pace. The core consumer price index rose to 0.4% significantly due to increase in gasoline prices.

Key takeaways for the month in the currency market: the US dollar appreciated against both the Euro and the British Pound given the stronger economic fundamentals and the high interest rate in the US. As of March 28th, 2024, the USD/EUR stood at 1.0793 (February 29th 1.0839), while the USD/GBP logged 1.2617 (February 29th 1.2663. (Source: Yahoo Finance)

## **FUND PERFORMANCE**

The AVA GAM Dollar FIF closed March 2024 at \$110.16 per unit and posted a year-to-date return of 6.33%. Below is a monthly comparison of the AVA GAM Dollar FIF to an applicable benchmark – the S&P BMV Sovereign International UMS Bond Index.

YTD return	January 2024	February 2024	March 2024
AVA GAM	7.92%	7.90%	6.33%
S&P BMV	0.11%	-1.80%	-3.88%

## **HOW TO PARTICIPATE**

- 1. Log on to <u>www.avacapitalgroup.com</u>
- 2. Click on AVA GAM Fixed Income Fund
- 3. Click on Open Account and complete the online form
- Fund the custodian account with details below:
   Account name: UTL TRUST MANAGEMENT SERVICES

LTD/AVA GAM DOLLAR FUND (USD) Account number: 1022700288

Bank: United Bank for Africa