



### Altus Unit Trust Interim Report for the period ended 30 June 2022

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FUND MANAGERS : ALTUS CAPITAL LIMITED

# Economic overview



### **ECONOMIC ENVIROMENT**

Global growth is expected to slow significantly in 2022, the global economy continues to suffer from a series of destabilizing shocks, compounding the COVID-19 pandemic woes, the Russian invasion of Ukraine has magnified the slowdown in the global economy, through its effects on commodity markets.

As for the local economy, key indicators such as the Stanbic Bank Zambia PMI dropped to 49.9 in June of 2022 from 51.5 in the at the start of the year.

The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) decided to maintain the Monetary Policy Rate at 9.0 percent.

Inflation reduced in June 2022, to 9.7 percent from 15.1 percent in January 2022. The reduction was attributed to price reductions in food & non-food items.

During the second quarter of 2022, the Kwacha begun to appreciate marginally against major convertible currencies. There was evenly spread demand for the US Dollar which led to the Kwacha's marginal appreciation. The local currency gained 6% as it opened the Year at ZMW18.03 /USD and closed the second quarter at ZMW16.99/USD1

## FUND PERFORMANCE



#### FINANCIAL PERFOMANCE

The Fund continues to post a positive financial performance in the first half of 2022, with Revenue of ZMW 1.7 million, a 32% increase from the ZMW 1.3 million performance for the same period in 2021. On the other hand, Operating expenses decreased by 9% over the same period.

The Fund Surplus income for the year of ZMW 1.5 million in the first half of 2022 represents a 39% increase from the same period last year.

The Fund Size stood at ZMW 17.83 million a 4% overall growth on a year on year basis from the ZMW 17.10 million in June 2021

### FINANCIAL REPORT

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	Altus Unit Trust	Altus Unit Trust
	Unaudited	Unaudited
CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENTS	ZMW	ZMW
	Jun-22	Jun-21
Gross Revenue		
Interest	1,733,752	1,314,874
Valuations	-	-
Total Income	1,733,752	1,314,874
Expenses		
Management Fees	131,709	127,176
Administration Costs	57,578	80,837
	-	
	189,286	208,013
	-	-
Surplus/Deficit	1,544,466	1,106,861

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### FINANCIAL REPORT

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2022

	ZMW	ZMW
Assets		
Fixed Placements and Bonds	14,433,450	13,803,330
Cash	3,438,922	2,944,441
related party receivables		578,691
Other receivables	67,138	631,513
	17,939,511	17,957,975
Current Liabilities		
related party payables		824,957
accrued payables	104,153	29,927
Net Asset Value	17,835,358	17,103,091

# Economic outlook



**GDP** growth is anticipated to stay positive in the fourth quarter of 2022. However, the situation in Ukraine and the effects of Covid-19, including supply chain disruptions caused by China due to its continuing zero Covid 19 policy, continue to be major risks for the outlook

A continuous lower trend in **inflation** is anticipated in the fourth quarter of 2022 all the way through 2023, as stated in the 2023 national budget, which emphasizes the importance of inflation targeting. The Central Bank plans to achieve its 6- to 8% target range in 2023. Enhanced fiscal consolidation anchored on the conclusion of debt restructuring and the IMF program are two major variables anticipated to drive the downward trend.

In addition to the positive market sentiments Zambia received through securing the IMF ECF programme, the debt restructuring discussions and good copper prices are anticipated in Quarter 4 of 2022 because of China's efforts to revitalize the real estate sector. We expect the **currency** to continue to be stable all the way through 2022. Major risks remain the increased crude oil and fertilizer import costs.

The yields on GRZ securities have started to marginally rise. At the most recent MPC meeting, MPR was kept at 9%; the following MPC meeting is set for November 15 and 16, 2022. It is anticipated that the central bank will raise interest rates as a result of inflationary pressures brought on by commodities

#### WEALTH MANAGEMENT

- Financial Planning
- Insurance Planning
- Wills
- Trusts
- Retirement
  Planning

#### INVESTMENT ADVISORY

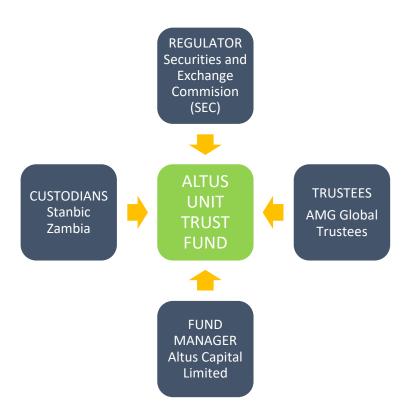
• Capital raising

#### Fund/Investment Management

- Unit Trusts
- Pension funds
- Private Clients

## OUR SERVICES

### GOVERNANCE



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