

# **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 open-ended 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.

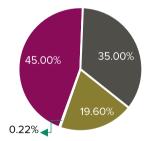
Given the steady rise in inflation coupled with continuous depreciation of the naira against the dollar, the AVA GAM Fixed Income Dollar Fund seeks to provide safety, liquidity and competitive investment return by investing in a diversified pool of investment grade dollar denominated securities.

## **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**

In August 2024, the FGN Eurobonds market experienced mixed performance in the first week, with heavy sell-offs outweighing demand, resulting in a yield increase to 10.31%. However, renewed investor optimism in the subsequent weeks led to sustained gains, with yields steadily decreasing, closing the month at 9.52% as strong demand drove price gains across all bonds.

Nigeria's foreign reserves fell by \$505.68 million, dropping from \$36.827 billion on August 1 to \$36.321 billion by August 29, with a total monthly reduction of \$1.08 billion and a 25% decline in FX market turnover. This highlights the ongoing liquidity challenges in the official FX market. Also, the federal government issued a \$500 million domestic dollar bond at a 9.75% annual interest rate, maturing in 2029, aimed at boosting reserves and stabilizing the foreign exchange market.

The U.S. annual inflation rate slowed to 2.9%, its lowest since March 2021, down from 3% in June and below forecasts. Prices eased for shelter, transportation, and apparel, while vehicle prices continued to decline and food inflation remained steady. However, energy costs slightly increased, and core inflation slowed to 3.2% annually, with a monthly increase of 0.2%, largely driven by shelter costs.

Between July 31 and August 30, 2024, the U.S. dollar appreciated against both the euro and the British pound. The USD exchange rate strengthened from 0.9245 to 0.9025, indicating that the dollar gained value relative to the euro. Similarly, the USD exchange rate moved from 0.7789 to 0.7596, reflecting an appreciation of the dollar against the pound. This suggests the dollar became stronger compared to both currencies over the month.

# **FUND PERFORMANCE**

The AVA GAM Dollar FIF closed August 2024 at \$106.61 per unit and posted a year-to-date return of 7.75%. 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	June	July	August
	2024	2024	2024
AVA GAM	7.70%	7.74%	7.75%
S&P BMV	5.24%	-47.48%	-44.99%

# **HOW TO PARTICIPATE**

- 1. Log on to <a href="https://www.avacapitalgroup.com">www.avacapitalgroup.com</a>
- 2. Click on AVA GAM Fixed Income Fund
- 3. Click on Open Account and complete the online form
- 4. 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