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FGN Eurobond Market

The FGN Eurobond market closed bullish yesterday, with buying interests seen across board as President Joe Biden and House Speaker Kevin McCarthy lifts the \$31.4 trillion U.S. debt ceiling and achieve new federal spending cuts. The average benchmark yield dipped by 17bps (basis points) to 11.50%.

FGN Bond Market

The FGN bond market saw mixed reactions yesterday, with trading activities concentrated on short and long-term maturities. Overall, the average benchmark yield declined by 3bps to close at 14.27%.

Nigerian Treasury Bill (NTB)

The T-bill market recorded a bullish session yesterday, with buying interests seen at the long end of the curve. Thus, the average benchmark yield plummeted by 10bps to 6.85%.

Money Market

Interbank rates remain stable on the back of moderated system liquidity. As a result, Open Buyback (OBB) and Overnight (O/N) transactions remained unchanged at 12.75% and 13.25% respectively.

Foreign Exchange Market

The value of Naira against the US dollar at the I&E window yesterday was stable as the exchange rate remained at NGN464.51/\$1. On the other hand, Nigeria's foreign reserve declined by \$24.01 million to settle at \$35.158 billion as of Thursday last week.

Oil Market

- Reuters: Oil prices extended losses early this morning as worries of slowing demand from top oil importer
 China after the release of weaker-than-expected economic data outweighed some positive progress on
 the U.S. debt ceiling bill.
- Brent crude futures for August delivery fell 19 cents to \$73.35 a barrel by 6.30am this morning, while U.S. West Texas Intermediate crude (WTI) slipped 23 cents to \$69.23 a barrel, with earlier gains reversed after China manufacturing data was released.
- Top oil exporter Saudi Arabia may further slash the official selling prices (OSPs) for all crude grades to Asia in July, a Reuters poll showed, despite the looming OPEC+ meeting that could leave the door open to further output reduction. State oil giant Saudi Aramco may cut the price for its flagship Arab Light crude by about \$1 a barrel in July, according to seven respondents surveyed by Reuters. That would set the July Arab Light price at about \$1.55 a barrel over the Oman/Dubai average, the lowest since November 2021.
- The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and its allies, or OPEC+, are set to meet on June 3-4 to discuss production targets. Just two months ago, the group announced an additional output cut of 1.16 million barrels per day starting from May. The respondents that Reuters surveyed did not expect OPEC+ to further trim production even though Saudi's energy minister issued a warning against short-sellers.

What to expect today?

We expect the Nigerian debt market to sustain yesterday's trend while the interbank rates are expected to settle higher in the absence of any significant inflow.

We expect the FGN Eurobond market to close bullish as the U.S. debt ceiling talks advances to the full House of Representatives for debate and an expected vote on passage today.

FGN Bond

| Description | Maturity Date | TTM (Yrs) | Yield (%) | Cho | ange (%) |) |
|----------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----|----------|---|
| ^13.53 23-MAR-2025 | 23 Mar 2025 | 1.81 | 11.47 | _ | -0.01 | |
| ^12.50 22-JAN-2026 | 22 Jan 2026 | 2.65 | 12.30 | | 0.00 | |
| ^16.2884 17-MAR-2027 | 17 Mar 2027 | 3.80 | 12.54 | _ | -0.01 | |
| ^13.98 23-FEB-2028 | 23 Feb 2028 | 4.74 | 13.71 | _ | -0.19 | |
| ^14.55 26-APR-2029 | 26 Apr 2029 | 5.91 | 14.30 | _ | 0.11 | |
| ^12.50 27-APR-2032 | 27 Apr 2032 | 8.91 | 14.90 | | 0.00 | |
| ^12.1493 18-JUL-2034 | 18 Jul 2034 | 11.13 | 14.74 | _ | 0.00 | |
| ^12.50 27-MAR-2035 | 27 Mar 2035 | 11.83 | 14.81 | | 0.00 | |
| ^12.40 18-MAR-2036 | 18 Mar 2036 | 12.80 | 14.78 | _ | 0.00 | |
| ^16.2499 18-APR-2037 | 18 Apr 2037 | 13.89 | 15.40 | • | -0.18 | |
| ^13.00 21-JAN-2042 | 21 Jan 2042 | 18.65 | 15.50 | _ | 0.05 | |
| ^14.80 26-APR-2049 | 26 Apr 2049 | 25.91 | 15.45 | • | -0.11 | |
| ^12.98 27-MAR-2050 | 27 Mar 2050 | 26.83 | 15.55 | _ | -0.11 | |
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| Description | Maturity Date | Yield (%) | Cho | inge (%) |
|--------------------|---------------|-----------|-----|----------|
| 6.375 JUL 12, 2023 | 12 Jul 2023 | 11.81 | • | -1.25 |
| 7.625 21-NOV-2025 | 21 Nov 2025 | 9.69 | _ | -0.66 |
| 6.50 NOV 28, 2027 | 28 Nov 2027 | 9.69 | _ | -0.66 |
| 6.125 SEP 28, 2028 | 28 Sep 2028 | 10.97 | _ | -0.62 |
| 8.375 MAR 24, 2029 | 24 Mar 2029 | 11.48 | _ | -0.68 |
| 7.143 FEB 23, 2030 | 23 Feb 2030 | 11.62 | _ | -0.47 |
| 8.747 JAN 21, 2031 | 21 Jan 2031 | 12.02 | _ | -0.47 |
| 7.875 16-FEB-2032 | 16 Feb 2032 | 11.80 | _ | -0.53 |
| 7.375 SEP 28, 2033 | 28 Sep 2033 | 11.80 | _ | -0.52 |
| 7.696 FEB 23, 2038 | 23 Feb 2038 | 12.20 | _ | -0.41 |
| 7.625 NOV 28, 2047 | 28 Nov 2047 | 11.89 | _ | -0.38 |
| 9.248 JAN 21, 2049 | 21 Jan 2049 | 12.27 | _ | -0.38 |
| 8.25 SEP 28, 2051 | 28 Sep 2051 | 12.26 | _ | -0.39 |

Major Business Headlines

- Nigeria spends N11. 35tr on refinery rehabilitation, N13.7tr on subsidy: A
 report of the Ad-hoc Committee on the State of Refineries in the Country
 set up by the House of Representatives has revealed that the nation
 spent about N11. 35 trillion on the rehabilitation of the three refineries
 from 2010 till date. Group Chief Executive Officer, Nigerian National
 Petroleum Company Limited (NNPCL), Mele Kyari, yesterday said the
 federal government owes the company N2.8 trillion in subsidy payment
 deficit
- Subsidy: Fuel sells N600/litre, queues worsen as filling stations shut: Less than 24 hours after President Bola Tinubu declared an end to fuel subsidy, the pump price of Premium Motor Spirit commonly known as petrol has skyrocketed to N600 per litre from N195/I in many parts of the country. The development equally triggered a 100 per cent hike in transport fares, while long queues resurfaced at fuel stations across Lagos, Abuja, Ilorin, Benin, Asaba, Port Harcourt, Kano, Makurdi and other major cities and urban areas.
- Tinubu inherits over N16th uncompleted projects: The new President of Nigeria, Bola Tinubu, has officially inherited over N16.29th uncompleted projects from his predecessor. Muhammadu Buhari, according to findings by The PUNCH. The projects were identified through the national monitoring and evaluation platform, EYEMARK, which was launched by Buhari in December last year.

| NIGERIAN TREASURY BILLS | | | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------|-----------|---------------|--|--|
| DTM | Maturity | Yield (%) | Change (%) | | |
| 9 | 8 Jun 2023 | 5.51 | — 0.00 | | |
| 100 | 7 Sep 2023 | 5.58 | — 0.00 | | |
| 149 | 26 Oct 2023 | 6.14 | — 0.00 | | |
| 163 | 9 Nov 2023 | 6.17 | — 0.00 | | |
| 191 | 7 Dec 2023 | 7.05 | -0.01 | | |
| 240 | 25 Jan 2024 | 7.94 | -0.01 | | |
| 254 | 8 Feb 2024 | 8.21 | -0.01 | | |
| 282 | 7 Mar 2024 | 7.23 | -0.17 | | |
| 317 | 11 Apr 2024 | 7.81 | -0.68 | | |

| | | Other Key Indices | | I |
|-----|-----------------|-------------------|-------------|---|
| Inc | licators | Current | Change | (|
| OP | EC Quota | 1.830mbpd | +31,000bpd | (|
| Sys | tem liquidity | N208.5bn | -N49.31bn | I |
| For | eign reserve | \$35.158bn | -\$24.01mn | (|
| Niç | g. Crude output | 1.27m bpd | -120,000bpd | _ |
| Bre | ent Crude | \$73.35 | -\$0.19 | 3 |
| FA | AC Allocation | N655.932bn | -N58.697bn | (|

| Interbank | Rate (%) | Change (%) | | Spot |
|-----------|----------|------------|------|-----------------|
| OPR | 12.75 | | 0.00 | CBN SMIS Wind |
| O/N | 13.25 | | 0.00 | NAFEX |
| REPO | | | | Parallel Market |
| Call | 4.33 | | 0.00 | ^^Forwards |
| 1M | 9.00 | | 0.00 | 1M 2M |
| 3M | 9.00 | | 0.00 | 3M 6M |
| 6M | 9.00 | | 0.00 | 1Y |

| CBN SMIS Window | 462.00 | 0.00 |
|-----------------|-------------|----------------|
| I&E FX Window | 464.50 | 0.00 |
| NAFEX | 465.13 | 0.03 |
| Parallel Market | 763.00 | ▼ -1.17 |
| ^^Forwards | Rate (\$/N) | Chg (NGN) |
| 1M | 481.80 | 11.04 |
| 2M | 501.67 | 22.76 |
| 3M | 516.22 | 3 0.44 |
| 6M | 544.61 | 38.00 |
| 1Y | 570.74 | 32.02 |