# Stanbic IBTC Umbrella Fund ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

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## **Fund Information**

## Management and professional advisors

\* The Fund has no employees of its own

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Busola Jejelowo Efe Omoduemuke Wunmi Ehis-Uzenabor Yinka Johnson Olufunke Amobi Olayinka David-West

Ifeoma Esiri Olumide Oyetan Babatunde Majiyagbe Bridget Oyefeso-Odusami

# STANBIC IBTC UMBRELLA FUND MANAGED BY STANBIC IBTC ASSET MANAGEMENT LIMITED

## Report of the Trustee for the financial year ended 31st December, 2023

The Trustees present their report on the affairs of the Stanbic IBTC Umbrella Fund, together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2023.

**Principal activity:** The principal activity of the Stanbic IBTC Umbrella Fund ("the Fund")

is the subscription of funds from members of the public and companies and the investment of such funds in Equity Market Securities, Fixed Income Securities and Alternative Investment vehicles as determined by the Fund Manager in accordance with the Trustee Investments Act, the Investments and Securities Act, and the Securities and Exchange Commission's Rules and Regulations, The Trust Deed and Supplemental Deeds thereto ("the Applicable

Regulations").

**Results:** The results for the year are set out on Pages 14-17.

**Directors:** The directors of the Fund Manager who served on the board of the

Fund Manager during the period under review and up to the date of

approving these financial statements were:

Dr. Demola Sogunle Chairman

Mrs. Busola Jejelowo Chief Executive (Designate)

Mr. Efe Omoduemuke Executive Director
Mrs. Yinka Johnson Executive Director
Mrs. Wunmi Ehis-Uzenabor Executive Director

Prof. Olayinka David-West Independent Non- Executive Director

Mrs. Ifeoma Esiri Non- Executive Director
Mrs. Olufunke Amobi Non- Executive Director
Mrs. Bridget Oyefeso-Odusami Non-Executive Director
Mr. Babatunde Majiyagbe Non-Executive Director
Mr. Olumide Oyetan Non-Executive Director

Directors' and related parties interest in the units of the Fund:

The related parties of Stanbic IBTC Asset Management Limited who held direct and indirect beneficial interest in the units of the Fund as at 31st December, 2023 are:

## Units held as at 31st December, 2023

Stanbic IBTC Asset Management Ltd	12,867.31
Stanbic IBTC Insurance Ltd	38,593.28
Stanbic IBTC Pension Managers Ltd	5,034.96
Stanbic IBTC Trustees Ltd	164.14
Stanbic IBTC Stockbrokers Ltd	149.55

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None of the directors of FBNQuest Trustees Limited has any direct or indirect beneficial interest in the units of the Fund as at 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2023.

# Responsibilities of the Fund Manager:

The Investments and Securities Act, 2007 requires the Fund Manager to keep proper books of account and prepare annual financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the unit trust scheme during the period covered by the financial statements.

In our opinion, the Fund Manager has in preparing the financial statements:

- selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently;
- made judgments and estimates that were reasonable and prudent;
- ensured that the applicable accounting standards have been followed, and in the case of any material departure, that it was fully disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis; since it was appropriate to assume that the Fund shall continue to exist.

The Fund Manager was responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy, at any point in time, the financial position of the Fund, and enable the Fund Manager to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Applicable Regulations.

The Fund Manager is also responsible for maintaining adequate financial resources to meet its commitments and to manage the risks to which the Fund is exposed.

# Responsibilities of the Trustee:

The responsibilities of the Trustee as provided by the Trust Deed and other Supplemental thereto, the Securities and Exchange Commission's Rules and Regulations made pursuant to the Investments and Securities Act, 2007 are as stated below:

- Monitoring of the activities of the Fund Manager and the custodian on behalf of and in the interest of the Unit Holders;
- Ensuring that the Custodian takes into custody all of the scheme's assets and holds it in trust for the holders in accordance with the Trust Deed and the Custodial Agreement;
- Monitoring the register of unit holders or contributors;
- Ascertaining the Fund Manager's compliance with the

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Applicable Regulations;

- Ascertaining that the monthly and other periodic returns/reports relating to the Fund are sent by the Fund Manager to the Commission;
- Exercising any right of voting conferred on it as the registered holder of any investment and/or forward to the fund manager within a reasonable time all notices of meetings, reports, circulars, proxy solicitations and any other document of a like nature for necessary action;
- Ensuring that fees and expenses of the fund is within the prescribed limits; and
- Acting at all times in the interest and for the benefit of unit holders of the scheme.

Administration of the Fund:

During the year under review, the Fund was administered in accordance with the applicable regulations, taking into cognisance prevailing market conditions as well as preserving and minimising possible losses to unit holders' funds.

Charitable donations:

The Fund did not make any charitable donations during the year

(2022:Nil).

**Auditors:** 

Messrs KPMG Professional Services, Chartered Accountants, having satisfied the relevant corporate governance rules on their tenure in office have indicated their willingness to continue in office as auditors to the Fund. In accordance with Section 184(1) of the Investment and Securities Act, 2007 therefore, the auditors will be re-appointed.

By Order of the Trustee

Adekun e Awojobi

FRC/ICAN/2013/00000002442

**Managing Director** 

**FBNQuest Trustees Limited** 

16 Keffi Street, Off Awolowo Road

Ikoyi, Lagos

28 March, 2024

## Fund Manager's Report

## Fund Manager's Review

## **Economic Review**

In the domestic landscape, the first half of the year was dominated by election uncertainties, cash crunch underpinned by currency redesign policy, rising general prices and persistent insecurity. However, the major highlight of the year came with the inauguration of the new administration because we saw the quick implementation of some pro-market reforms i.e. (partial removal of subsidy, unification of the foreign exchange market and change in composition of the Central Bank of Nigeria's management team)

Whilst these policy pivots were regarded as necessary triggers for the nation's growth, in the short-term impact on the domestic economy has been to the downside as it resulted in a further surge in inflation, underpinned by rising energy prices and rise in prices of imported items. In a bid to curb inflationary pressures, the Central Bank of Nicerian (CBN) hiked monetary policy rates by 225bbs during the year to close the year at 18.75%.



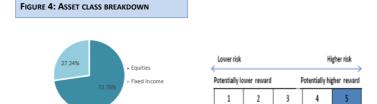
The overall asset allocation is a simple aggregate of the net asset value of the individual sub-funds.

## Performance of Sub funds

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FUND	FY 2023	Q4 2023	Q3 2023	Q2 2023	Q1 2023
Aggressive	66.38%	11.00%	8.57%	29.24%	6.82%
Conservative	24.66%	4.02%	5.26%	9.81%	3.66%
Absolute Return	9.62%	2.59%	2.47%	2.11%	2.13%

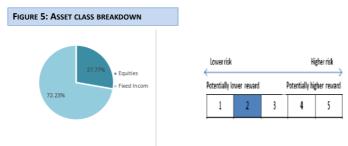
## Stanbic IBTC Aggressive Sub-Fund ("SIAF")

SIAF opened on 01 January 2023 with an offer price of N3,274.29 and closed the year at an offer price of N5,447.60 representing a year-to-date performance of 66.38%.



## Stanbic IBTC Conservative Sub- Fund ("SICF")

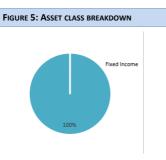
SICF opened on 01 January 2023 with an offer price of N4,258.90 and closed the year at an offer price of N5,309.07 representing a year-to-date performance of 24.66%.



## Fund Manager's Report (cont'd)

## Stanbic IBTC Absolute Return Sub- Fund ("SIARF")

SIARF opened on 01 January 2023 with an offer price of \$4,576.03 and closed the year at an offer price of \$5,011.70 representing a year-to-date performance of 9.62%.





For the period under review, the All-Share Index ("ASI") of the Nigerian Exchange Limited ("NGX") returned 45.90% for the year while the 91-day weighted average Treasury bill closed at 4.44% for the year ended 31 December 2023.

## **Market Review**

In the domestic fixed income market, average fixed income yields declined to 12.56% at the end of H1 2023, from c.14% at the start of the year due to high system liquidity. However, in H2 improved supply of debt securities by the Debt Management Office and deployment of unorthodox measures to mop up system liquidity drove average yield northward, where yields closed at 13.87% in December 2023.

Risk off sentiment dominated the equities market in H1. However, by the last month in the second quarter of the year, market sentiment turned largely bullish, spurred by pro-market policy implementations by the new administration. These policies (removal of fuel subsidy and the abolishment of the multiple FX window system) were seen as positive and this drove positive sentiments in the market for the year, with the All-Share Index recording a return of 45.90% (2022: 19.98%).

ON BEHALF OF THE FUND MANAGER:

Olawunmi Ehis-Uzenabor

(FRC/2021/003/00000023363) Executive Director

Stanbic IBTC Asset Management Limited 28 March 2024

Busola Jejelowo

(FRC/2023/PRO/DIR/003/022382)

Chief Executive (Designate)
Stanbic IBTC Asset Management Limited

28 March 2024

## Statement of the Fund Manager's responsibilities in relation to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023

The Fund Manager accepts responsibility for the preparation of the annual financial statement that give a true and fair view in accordance with "IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS Accounting Standards) and in the manner required by the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria (Amendment) Act, 2023.

The Fund Manager further accepts responsibility for maintaining adequate accounting records as required by the Trust Deed and for such internal control as the Fund Manager determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatements whether due to fraud or error.

The Fund Manager has made an assessment of the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern and has no reason to believe the Fund will not remain a going concern in the year ahead.

ON BEHALF OF THE FUND MANAGER:

Olawunmi Ehis-Uzenabor

(FRC/2021/003/00000023363) Executive Director Stanbic IBTC Asset Management Limited 28 March 2024 Busola Jejelowo

(FRC/2023/PRO/DIR/003/022382) Chief Executive (Designate) Stanbic IBTC Asset Management Limited 28 March 2024

## Certification of Accounts by the Fund Manager

We hereby certify that neither the Fund Manager nor any other person acting on its behalf has:

- i transferred units to another person for sale, resale or subsequent transfer to the Fund Manager for sale; or resale; or
- acquired or disposed of investments for account of the Trust otherwise than through a recognized stock exchange except where such investments consist of money market instruments or cash deposits; or
- iii disposed of units to another person for a price lower than the daily offer price; or
- iv acquired units for a price higher than the daily bid price.

Olawunmi Ehis-Uzenabor

28 March 2024

(FRC/2021/003/0000023363) Executive Director Stanbic IBTC Asset Management Limited Busola Jejelowo (FRC/2023/PRO/DIR/003/022382) Chief Executive (Designate) Stanbic IBTC Asset Management Limited

28 March 2024



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Unitholders of Stanbic IBTC Umbrella Fund

## Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

## Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Stanbic IBTC Umbrella Fund ("the Fund"), which comprise:

- the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2023;
- the statement of comprehensive income;
- the statement of changes in net assets attributable to unitholders;
- the statement of cash flows for the year then ended; and
- the notes, comprising material accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 31 December 2023, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS Accounting Standards) and in the manner required by the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria (Amendment) Act, 2023.

## Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Fund in accordance with International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants *International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) (IESBA Code)* together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Nigeria and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

## **Key Audit Matters**

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. We have determined that there are no key audit matters to communicate in our report.

## Other Information

The Directors of the Fund Manager and the Directors of the Trustee are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises Fund Information, Trustee's Report, Fund Manager's Report, Statement of Fund Manager's Responsibilities in relation to the financial statements, Certification by the Fund Manager, Other Disclosures and Other National Disclosures, but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.



Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

## Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Statements

The Directors of the Fund Manager are responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards and in the manner required by the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria (Amendment) Act, 2023, and for such internal control as the Directors of the Fund Manager determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Directors of the Fund Manager are responsible for assessing the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Directors of the Fund Manager either intend to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

## Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to
  fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit
  evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not
  detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as
  fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of
  internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures
  that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
  effectiveness of the Fund's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Directors of the Fund Manager.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Directors of the Fund Manager's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Fund to cease to continue as a going concern.



• Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Audit Committee of the Fund Manager regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

From the matters communicated with the Audit Committee of the Fund Manager, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation\_precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

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Kabir Okunlola, FCA FRC/2012/ICAN/00000000428 For: KPMG Professional Services Chartered Accountants 28 March 2024 Lagos, Nigeria



# Statement of financial position As at 31 December

Assets	Note	2023 <b>∺</b> '000	2022 ₦'000
Cash and cash equivalents	15	3,538,440	16,596,409
Investment securities	16	20,093,767	32,123,276
Accounts receivable	17	142	19
Total assets		23,632,349	48,719,704
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	18	(111,660)	(280,135)
Net assets attributable to unitholders		23,520,689	48,439,569
Represented by:			
Equity attributable to unitholders at par	20	4,770,287	10,589,093
Unit premium and retained earnings	20	18,750,402	37,850,476
Unitholders' funds		23,520,689	48,439,569

These financial statements were prepared by the Fund Manager, approved by the Trustees of the Fund on 28 March 2024 and signed on behalf of the Fund Manager by the directors listed below:

Olawunmi Ehis-Uzenabor

Executive Director (FRC/2021/003/00000023363) Stanbic IBTC Asset Management Limited 28 March 2024 Busola Jejelowo

Chief Executive (Designate) (FRC/2023/PRO/DIR/003/022382) Stanbic IBTC Asset Management Limited 28 March 2024

Additionally certified by:

Kolawole Dialeye

Chief Financial Officer FRC/2023/PRO/ICAN/001/598708 Stanbic IBTC Asset Management Limited 28 March 2024

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

# Statement of comprehensive income For the year ended 31 December

Income		2023	2022
	Note	₩'000	₩'000
Interest income from investment securities	8	2,625,368	5,597,443
Other income	10	6,583	556
Dividend income	11	26,300	24,736
Net gain/(loss) on investment securities	12	456,124	(702,197)
Total income	<del></del>	3,114,375	4,920,538
ECL impairment (charge)/writeback	9	(8,152)	14
Total revenue after impairment	=	3,106,223	4,920,552
Operating expenses	13	(472,455)	(798,906)
		(472,455)	(798,906)
Increase in net assets attributable to unit holders before tax		2,633,768	4,121,646
Withholding tax	14	(52,005)	(2,474)
Increase in net assets attributable to unit holders after tax		2,581,763	4,119,172

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

# Statement of changes in net assets attributable to Unitholders For the year ended 31 December 2023

	Unitholders' equity	Unit premium and retained earnings	Total equity
	₩'000	₩'000	₩'000
Balance as at 1 January 2023	10,589,093	37,850,476	48,439,569
Total comprehensive income for the year:			
Profit for the year	-	2,581,763	2,581,763
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	2,581,763	2,581,763
Transactions with owners, recorded directly in equity:			
Subscriptions during the year	1,370,413	-	1,370,413
Redemptions during the year	(7,189,219)	-	(7,189,219)
Premium on subscriptions	-	5,103,797	5,103,797
Premium on redemptions	<del>-</del>	(26,785,634)	(26,785,634)
Total contributions and distributions to unitholders	(5,818,806)	(21,681,837)	(27,500,643)
Balance at 31 December 2023	4,770,287	18,750,402	23,520,689
For year ended 31 December 2022			
	Unitholders' equity	Unit premium and retained earnings	Total equity
	₩'000	₩'000	₩'000
Balance as at 1 January 2022	10,764,191	34,840,954	45,605,145
Total comprehensive income for the year:			
Profit for the year	-	4,119,172	4,119,172
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	4,119,172	4,119,172
Transactions with owners, recorded directly in equity:			
Subscriptions during the year	16,237,304	-	16,237,304
Redemptions during the year	(16,412,402)	-	(16,412,402)
Premium on subscriptions		55,453,421	55,453,421
Premium on redemptions	-	(56,563,071)	(56,563,071)
Total contributions and distributions to unitholders	(175,098)	(1,109,650)	(1,284,748)

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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Balance at 31 December 2022

# Statement of cashflows For the year ended 31 December

		2023	2022
	Note	₩'000	₩'000
Cash flow from operating activities:			
Increase in net assets attributable to unit holders after tax		2,581,763	4,119,172
Add: Withholding tax expense	14	52,005	2,474
Increase in net assets attributable to unit holders before tax		2,633,768	4,121,646
ECL impairment charge	9	8,152	(16,896)
Total		2,641,920	4,104,750
Adjustment for:			
Interest income	8	(2,625,368)	(5,597,443)
Other income	10	(6,583)	(556)
Dividend income	11	(26,300)	(24,736)
Net loss/gain on investment securities	12	(456,124)	702,197
·	_	(472,455)	(815,788)
Changes in:			
Financial assets	19	12,241,308	(425,517)
Accounts receivable	19	(123)	(15)
Accounts payable	19	(168,475)	143,205
		11,600,255	(1,098,115)
Interest received	8	2,625,368	6,329,639
Other income	10	6,583	556
Gain on investment securities at amortised cost	12b	236,173	(732,196)
Dividend received	11	26,300	24,736
Withholding tax paid	14	(52,005)	(2,474)
Net cash used in operating activities		14,442,674	4,522,146
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from subscriptions	20	6,474,210	71,690,725
Payment on redemption by unitholders	20	(33,974,853)	(72,975,473)
Net cashflow generated from financing activities	_	(27,500,643)	(1,284,748)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		(13,057,969)	3,237,398
Cash and cash equivalents as at 1 January		16,596,409	13,359,011
Cash and cash equivalents as at 1 January	15	3,538,440	16,596,409
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

# Notes to the financial statements For the year ended 31 December 2023

Stanbic IBTC Umbrella Fund ("the fund") is a unit trust scheme operating in Nigeria. It was approved by the Securities and Exchange Commission in November 2012. The Fund commenced operations in 2013. The fund is governed by a Trust Deed with FBN Trustees Limited as Trustees. The Fund provides investors with access to various sub-funds that can assist in meeting their investment objectives. The primary objective of the fund is to provide a unique blend of investment vehicles, ranging from aggressive to minimal risk, with an objective of preserving capital while generating attractive returns.

The Stanbic IBTC Umbrella Fund consists of three sub funds namely: Stanbic IBTC Aggressive Fund, Stanbic IBTC Absolute Fund, Stanbic IBTC Conservative Fund.

## Stanbic IBTC Aggressive Fund

The investment objective of Stanbic IBTC Aggressive Fund is to provide liquidity and ensure sustainable attractive returns over the long-term. Thus, the target asset allocation of the Fund is biased towards equities. Revenue in this sub-fund is derived primarily from dividend income, net realized gains on financial assets and net fair value gains on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

## Stanbic IBTC Absolute Return Fund

The investment objective of Stanbic IBTC Absolute Return Fund is to ensure preservation of capital with minimal risk. The target asset allocation of the Fund will be limited to fixed income securities. The Fund holds a portfolio of securities with little or no volatility of return. Revenue in this sub-fund is derived primarily from interest income, net realized gains on financial assets and net fair value gains on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

## Stanbic IBTC Conservative Fund

This sub-fund aims to ensure safety of Funds while minimally exposing investors to the equities markets in order to benefit from the returns applicable to equities. The target asset allocation of the sub-fund is biased towards fixed income securities. Revenue in this sub-fund is derived primarily from interest income, dividend income, net realized gains on financial assets, and net fair value gains on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

# 2 Basis of preparation (a) Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS Accounting Standards). Additional information required by local regulations is included where appropriate. The financial statements comply with the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria (Amendment) Act, 2023.

These financial statements were prepared by the Fund Manager and approved by the Trustee of the Fund on 28 March 2024.

## (b) Basis of measurement

The financial statements have been prepared on a historical-cost basis, except financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss.

The Fund applies the accrual method of accounting where all income is recognised when earned and all expenses recognised once incurred

## (c) Functional and presentation currency

The financial statements are presented in Naira which is the functional currency of the Fund. All financial information presented in Naira have been rounded to the nearest thousand except otherwise stated

## (d) Use of estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements in conforming with IFRS requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that can affect the application of the accounting policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revision to accounting estimates are recognised in the period which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected. Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to estimates are recognised prospectively.

Information about significant areas of estimation, uncertainties and critical judgements in applying accounting policies that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements are described in note 6 to the financial statements

## (e) Current/ non-current analysis for assets and liabilities

All assets and liabilities are deemed to be current as they are available for disposal or realization in the next 12 months.

## 3 Change in accounting policies

The accounting policies are consistent with those reported in the previous year as there is no change in standards that impact the fund.

## 4 Statement of material accounting policies

(a) Financial assets and liabilities

## (i) Introduction

Financial instruments include all financial assets and liabilities. These instruments are typically held for liquidity, investment, or trading purposes. All financial instruments are initially recognized at fair value plus directly attributable transaction costs, except those carried at fair value through profit or loss where transaction costs are recognized immediately in

Financial instruments are recognized (derecognized) on the date the Fund commits to purchase (sell) the instruments (trade date accounting).

The Fund classifies its financial assets and liabilities into three categories - financial assets or liabilities at Amortised cost, Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI) and Fair Value through Profit or Loss (FVPL). Management determines the classification of its financial instruments at initial recognition.

## (ii) Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI)

Financial assets at fair value through Other Comprehensive Income includes:

- A debt instrument that meets both of the following conditions (other than those designated at fair value through profit or loss):

   held within a business model in which the debt instrument (financial asset) is managed to both collect contractual cash flows and sell financial assets; and

   The contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

This assessment includes determining the objective of holding the asset and whether the contractual cash flows are consistent with a basic lending arrangement. Where the contractual terms introduce exposure to risk or volatility that are not considered de minimis and are inconsistent with a basis lending arrangement, the financial asset is classified as fair value through profit or loss

• Equity financial assets which are not held for trading and are irrevocably elected (on an instrument-by-instrument basis) to be presented at fair value through OCI.

Amortised cost comprises a debt instrument that meets both of the following conditions (other than those designated at fair value through profit or loss):

- · held within a business model whose objective is to hold the debt instrument (financial asset) in order to collect contractual cash flows; and
- The contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

This assessment includes determining the objective of holding the asset and whether the contractual cash flows are consistent with a basic lending arrangement. Where the contractual terms introduce exposure to risk or volatility that are not considered de minimis and are inconsistent with a basis lending arrangement, the financial asset is classified as

The Fund has classified Receivables, Treasury Bills and other money market instruments and payables at amortised costs.

## (iv) Fair Value through profit or loss (FVTPL)

A financial asset is classified and measured at FVTPL if the financial asset is:

- A held-for-trading financial asset;
- A debt instrument that does not qualify to be measured at amortised cost or FVOCI;
   An equity investment which the entity has not elected to classify as at FVOCI.

The Fund has classified Equities and Bond investments as FVTPL

In making an assessment of the objective of the business model in which a financial asset is held, the Fund considers all of the relevant information about how the business is

- managed, including:

   the documented investment strategy and the execution of this strategy in practice. This includes whether the investment strategy focuses on earning contractual interest income, maintaining a particular interest rate profile or realising cashflows through the sale of the assets;
- how the performance of the portfolio is evaluated and reported to the Fund's management;
- the risks that affect the performance of the business model and the assets held within the business model and how those risks are managed; and
- the frequency, volume and timing of sales of financial assets in prior periods, the reasons for such sales and expectations about future sales activity.

The Fund has determined that it has two business models.

- Held-to-collect business model: this includes cash and cash equivalents, receivables, Treasury bills and other money market investments. These financial assets are held to
- Other business model: this includes debt securities and equity investments. These financial assets are managed and their performance is evaluated, on a fair value basis, with frequent sales taking place.

## Subsequent measurement

Subsequent to initial measurement, financial assets are classified in their respective categories and measured at either amortised cost or fair value as follows:

## (i) Fair value through OCI

Debt instrument: Fair value, with gains and losses recognised directly in the fair value through OCI reserve. When a debt financial asset is disposed of, the cumulative fair value adjustments, previously recognised in OCI, are reclassified to the other gains and losses on financial instruments within non-interest revenue.

Interest income on debt financial asset is recognised in interest income in terms of the effective interest rate method. Dividends received are recognised in interest income within profit or loss.

Equity instrument: Fair value, with gains and losses recognised directly in the fair value through OCI reserve. When equity financial assets are disposed of, the cumulative fair value adjustments in OCI are reclassified within reserves to retained income.

Dividends received on equity instruments are recognised in other revenue within non-interest income.

## (ii) Amortised cost

These assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using effective interest method. Interest income is recognised in 'interest income calculated using the effective interest method', foreign exchange gains and losses are recognised in 'net foreign exchange loss' and impairment is recognised in 'impairment losses on financial instruments' in the statement of comprehensive income. Any gain or loss on derecognition is also recognised in profit or loss.

## (iii) Fair Value through profit or loss

These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Net gains and losses, including any interest or dividend income and expense and foreign exchange gains and losses, are recognised in profit or loss in 'net income from financial instruments at FVTPL' in the statement of comprehensive income.

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date in the principal or, in its absence, the most advantageous market to which the Fund has access at that date. The fair value of a liability reflects its non-performance risk.

When available, the Fund measures the fair value of an instrument using the quoted price in an active market for that instrument. A market is regarded as active if transactions for the asset or liability take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

If there is no quoted price in an active market, then the Fund uses valuation techniques that maximise the use of relevant observable inputs and minimise the use of unobservable inputs. The chosen valuation technique incorporates all of the factors that market participants would take into account in pricing a transaction.

The best evidence of the fair value of a financial instrument at initial recognition is normally the transaction price - i.e. the fair value of the consideration given or received. If the Fund determines that the fair value at initial recognition differs from the transaction price and the financial instrument is initially measured at fair value, adjusted to defer the difference between the fair value at initial recognition and the transaction price. Subsequently, that difference is recognised in profit or loss on an appropriate basis during the life of the instrument but no later than when the valuation is wholly supported by observable market data or the transaction is closed out.

## Amortised cost measurement

The 'amortised cost' of a financial asset or financial liability is the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured on initial recognition minus the principal repayments, plus or minus the cumulative amortisation using the effective interest method of any difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount and, for financial assets, adjusted for any loss allowance.

Expected credit losses (ECL) are recognised on debt financial assets classified as either amortised cost or fair value through OCI, financial guarantee contracts that are not designated at fair value through profit or loss.

The measurement basis of the ECL of a financial asset includes assessing whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk (SICR) at the reporting date which includes forward-looking information that is available without undue cost or effort at the reporting date about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions. The measurement basis of the ECL, which is set out in the table that follows, is measured as the unbiased and probability weighted amount that is determined by evaluating a range of possible outcomes, the time value of money and forward looking information.

A 12-month ECL is calculated for financial assets which are neither credit-impaired on origination nor for which there has been a SICR. Stage 1

A lifetime ECL allowance is calculated for financial assets that are assessed to have displayed a SICR since origination and are not considered low

A lifetime ECL is calculated for financial assets that are assessed to be credit impaired. The following criteria are used in determining whether the financial asset is impaired

default

significant financial difficulty of borrower and/or modification
 probability of bankruptcy or financial reorganisation
 disappearance of an active market due to financial difficulties.

## (viii) Financial liabilities

## Stage 3 Nature

Stage 2

Held for trading

Those financial liabilities incurred principally for the purpose of re-purchasing in the near term, those that form part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that are managed together and for which there is evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit taking. Financial liabilities are designated to be measured at fair value in the following instances:

Designated at fair value

to eliminate or significantly reduce an accounting mismatch that would otherwise arise
 where the financial liabilities are managed and their performance evaluated and reported on a fair value basis

where the financial liability contains one or more embedded derivatives that significantly modify the financial asset's cash flows.

At amortised cost All other financial liabilities not included the above categories

## (ix) Derecognition

The Fund derecognizes a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows in a transaction in which substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred, or in which the Fund neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risk and rewards of ownership and does not retain control of the financial asset.

On derecognition of a financial asset, the difference between the carrying amount of the asset (or the carrying amount allocated to the portion of the asset derecognised), and the consideration received (including any new asset obtained less any new liability assumed) is recognised in profit or loss. Any interest in such transferred financial assets that is created or retained by the Fund is recognised as a separate asset or liability.

The Fund enters into transactions whereby it transfers assets recognised on its statement of financial position, but retains either all or substantially all of the risks and rewards of the transferred assets or a portion of them. If all or substantially all risks and rewards are retained, then the transferred assets are not derecognized. Transfer of assets with retention of all or substantially all risks and rewards include securities lending and repurchase transactions.

The Fund derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged, cancelled or expire.

On derecognition of a financial liability, the difference between the carrying amount extinguished and the consideration paid (including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities

## (b) Interest income

Interest income, including interest income from non-derivative financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, are recognised in profit or loss, using the effective interest method. Together with dividend income and net gain/loss on investments, interest income make the revenue for the Fund.

## (c) Dividend income and expense

Dividend income is recognised in profit or loss on the date in which the right to receive payment is established. For quoted equity securities, this is usually the ex-dividend date. For unquoted equity securities, this is usually the date on which the unitholders approve the payment of a dividend.

The Fund incurs expenses on short positions in equity securities equal to the dividends due on these securities. Such dividend expense is recognised in profit or loss as operating expense when the unitholders' right to receive payment is established.

## (d) Net gain/(loss) on investments

Net gain from financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss includes all realised and unrealised fair value changes and foreign exchange differences, but excludes interest and dividend income, and dividend expense.

The cost of sales used in computing the net realised gain from financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss is calculated using the weighted average cost method.

## Expenses

Fee expense comprising management fees, custodian fees, registrar fees, trustee's fees, incentive fees, auditor's fees, and other expenses are recognised over the period in which the services are rendered, and are computed as a percentage of the daily Net Asset Value. Other expenses are recognized as incurred in accordance with the substance of the Trust Deed and other relevant agreements.

# Notes to the financial statements (cont'd) (f) Transaction costs

Transaction costs are costs incurred to acquire financial assets or liabilities. They include the bid-ask spread, fees and commissions paid to agents, financial advisers, brokers and dealers, levies by regulatory agencies and securities exchanges

Transaction costs incurred on financial assets or liabilities recorded at amortised cost are part of the amortised cost value and amortised over the life of the financial instrument. Transaction costs incurred for other assets and liabilities including those classified as fair value through profit or loss are expensed when incurred.

Dividend income received by the Fund is subject to withholding tax. Dividend income and income from financing and investing activities are therefore recorded gross of such taxes and the corresponding withholding tax is recognised as tax expense. The withholding tax borne on dividend is treated as final tax.

## (i) Equity attributable to unitholders

The Fund classifies financial instruments issued as financial liabilities or equity instruments in accordance with the substance of the contractual terms of the instruments

The Fund's units in issue are financial instruments issued by the Fund. On liquidation of the Fund, the unitholders are entitled to the residual net assets. They rank pari passu in all material respects and have identical terms and conditions. The units provide the investors with the right to require redemption for cash at a value proportionate to the investor's share in the Fund's net assets at each daily redemption date and also in the event of the Fund's liquidation.

A puttable financial instrument that includes a contractual right for the Fund to repurchase or redeem that instruments for cash or another financial asset is classified as equity if it meets all the of the following conditions:

- it entitles the holder to a *pro rata* share of the Fund's net assets in the event of the Fund's liquidation; it is in the class of instruments that is subordinate to all other classes of assets of instruments;
- all financial instruments in the class of instruments that is subordinate to all other classes of instruments have identical features:
- apart from the contractual obligation for the Fund to repurchase or redeem the instrument for cash or another financial asset, the instrument does not include any other feature that would require classification as a liability; and
- the total expected cash flows attributable to the instruments over its life are based substantially on the profit or loss, the change in the recognised net assets or the change in the fair value of the recognised and unrecognised net assets of the Fund over the life of the instrument

The Fund's units meet these conditions and are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue or redemption of units are recognised directly in equity as a deduction from the proceeds or part of the acquisition cost.

## Repurchase of units

When units recognised as equity are redeemed, the par value of the units is presented as a deduction from capital. Any premium or discount to par value is recognised as an

## (i) Contingent liabilities

A contingent liability is a possible obligation that arises from past events and whose existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Fund or the Fund has a present obligation as a result of past events which is not recognised because it is not probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation, or the amount cannot be reliably estimated.

## Statement of cash flows

The statement of cash flow is prepared using the indirect method in accordance with IAS 7.

## (k) Standards, amendments and interpretations issued but not yet effective

The following new or revised standards, amendments and interpretations are not yet effective for the period beginning 01 January 2023

Title	Key requirements	Effective Date
	IFRS 17 was issued in May 2017 as replacement for IFRS 4 Insurance Contracts. It requires a current measurement model where estimates are re-measured each reporting year. Contracts are measured using the building blocks of:  - Discounted probability-weighted cash flows  - An explicit risk adjustment, and  - A contractual service margin ("CSM") representing the unearned profit of the contract which is	
IFRS 17 Insurance Contracts	recognised as revenue over the coverage year.  The standard allows a choice between recognising changes in discount rates either in the income statement or directly in other comprehensive income. The choice is likely to reflect how insurers account for their financial assets under IFRS 9.	4
	An optional, simplified premium allocation approach is permitted for the liability for the remaining coverage for short duration contracts, which are often written by non-life insurers.	1 January 2023 (deferred from 1 January 2021)
	There is a modification of the general measurement model called the 'variable fee approach' for certain contracts written by life insurers where policyholders share in the returns fromunderlying items. When applying the variable fee approach the entity's share of the fair value changes of the underlying items is included in the contractual service margin. The results of insurers using this model are therefore likely to be less volatile than under the general model.	
	The new rules will affect the financial statements and key performance indicators of all entities that issue insurance contracts or investment contracts with discretionary participation features. However, this standard is not applicable to the fund.	
	The narrow-scope amendments to IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements clarify that liabilities are classified as either current or non-current, depending on the rights that exist at the end of the reporting period. Classification is unaffected by the expectations of the entity or events after the reporting date (e.g. the receipt of a waiver or a breach of covenant). The amendments also clarify what IAS 1 means when it refers to the 'settlement' of a liability.	
Classification of Liabilities as Current or Noncurrent - Amendments to IAS 1	The amendments could affect the classification of liabilities, particularly for entities that previously considered management's intentions to determine classification and for some liabilities that can be converted into equity.	1 January 2023 (possibly deferred from 1 January 2022)
	They must be applied retrospectively in accordance with the normal requirements in IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors.	
	In May 2020, the IASB issued an Exposure Draft proposing to defer the effective date of the amendments to 1 January 2023.	

Disclosure of Accounting Policies Amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2	The IASB amended IAS 1 to require entities to disclose their material rather than their significant accounting policies. The amendments define what is material accounting policy information and explain how to identify when accounting policy information is material. They further clarify that immaterial accounting policy information does not need to be disclosed. If it is disclosed, it should not obscure material accounting information.  To support this amendment, the IASB also amended IFRS Practice Statement 2 Making Materiality Judgements to provide guidance on how to apply the concept of materiality to accounting policy disclosures.	01/01/2023
Definition of Accounting Estimates - Amendments to IAS 8	The amendment to IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors clarifies how companies should distinguish changes in accounting policies from changes in accounting estimates. The distinction is important, because changes in accounting estimates are applied prospectively to future transactions and other future events, whereas changes in accounting policies are generally applied retrospectively to past transactions and other past events as well as the current period.	01/01/2023
Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction - Amendments to IAS 12	The amendments to IAS 12 Income Taxes require companies to recognise deferred tax on transactions that, on initial recognition, give rise to equal amounts of taxable and deductible temporary differences. They will typically apply to transactions such as leases of lessees and decommissioning obligations, and will require the recognition of additional deferred tax assets and liabilities.  The amendment should be applied to transactions that occur on or after the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented. In addition, entities should recognise deferred tax assets (to the extent that it is probable that they can be utilised) and deferred tax liabilities at the beginning of the earliest comparative period for all deductible and taxable temporary differences associated with:  Right-of-use assets and lease liabilities, and  Decommissioning, restoration and similar liabilities, and the corresponding amounts recognised as part of the cost of the related assets.  The cumulative effect of recognising these adjustments is recognised in retained earnings, or another component of equity, as appropriate. IAS 12 did not previously address how to account for the tax effects of on-balance sheet leases and similar transactions and various approaches were considered acceptable. Some entities may have already accounted for such transactions consistent with the new requirements. These entities will not be affected by the amendments. However, this standard is not applicable to the fund.	01/01/2023

New standards and interpretations not yet effective

A number of new standards are effective for the year beginning after 1 January 2023 and earlier application is permitted; however, the Fund has not early adopted the new or amended standards in preparing this financial statements.

Title	Key requirements	Effective Date
IFRS 10 and IAS 28 Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture (amendments)	The amendments address an inconsistency between the requirements in IFRS 10 and those in IAS 28, in dealing with the sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture. The main consequence of the amendments is that a full gain or loss is recognised when a transaction involves a business (whether it is housed in a subsidiary or not). A partial gain or loss is recognised when a transaction involves assets that do not constitute a business, even if these assets are housed in a subsidiary. The amendments will be applied prospectively and are not expected to have a material impact on the Group's financial statements.	Effective date of this standard deferred indefinitely
Non-current Liabilities with Covenants (Amendments to IAS 1) and Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non - Current (Amendments to IAS 1)	This standard seek to clarify the conditions on determining whether a liability is current or non- current, and requires new disclosures for the non-current liabilities that are subject to future convenants.	1 January 2024.
Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback (Amendments to IFRS 16)	The amendment clarifies how a seller-lessee subsequently measures sale and leaseback transactions that satisfy the requirements in IFRS 15 to be accounted for as a sale. The amendment will be applied retrospectively. The impact on the annual financial statements has not yet been fully determined.	1 January 2024.
Amendment to IAS 7 and IFRS 17 (Supplier Finance Agreements)	The amendments introduce new disclosures relating to supplier finance arrangements that assist users of the financial statements to assess the effects of these arrangemens on an entity's liabilities and cash flows and on an entity's exposure to liquidity risk.	1 January 2024.
Amendment to IAS 21 (Lack of Exchanageability)	The amendments require disclosure of information that enables users of financial statements to understand the impact of a currency not being exchangeable.	1 January 2025.

## Early adoption of standards

The Fund did not early adopt any standards.

## Notes to the financial statements For the year ended 31 December 2023

## 5 Financial risk management

Risk management framework

The Fund offers a group of separate and distinct portfolios of securities. Each of these portfolios operates as a sub-Fund. The sub-Funds are Conservative Fund, Aggressive Fund and Absolute Return Fund. The fundamental investment objective of the Umbrella Fund is a result of a mix of the individual objectives of each sub-Fund. The Conservative and Aggressive Funds aim to provide liquidity to investors as well as security of assets and sustainable returns over a long-term. The Absolute Return Fund aims to ensure preservation of capital and minimal risk. These Funds maintain positions in a variety of financial instruments in line with their individual investment management strategy which is as follows:

- The Conservative Fund maintains a maximum of 30% in equity market securities, minimum of 70% in fixed income securities.
- The Aggressive Fund maintains a minimum of 70% in equity market securities, maximum of 30% in fixed income securities.
  - The Absolute Return Fund maintains 100% in fixed income securities.

The Umbrella Fund therefore has composite investment portfolios which comprise listed equities, money market instruments and debt securities. As a result, the Fund has exposure to various types of risk that are associated with its investment strategies, financial instruments and markets in which it invests. These risks include market risk, credit risk, and liquidity risk. This note presents information about the Fund's exposure to each of these risks and risk management practices employed by the Fund Manager.

## a Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as interest rates, credit spreads (not relating to changes in the obligor's/issuer's credit standing) will affect the Fund's income or the fair value of its holding of financial instruments. The Fund's market risk is affected by two main components: changes in actual market prices and interest rates.

## i. Market price risk

Market price risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk). The investments of the Fund are subject to normal market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in financial markets. The maximum risk resulting from financial instruments held by the Fund is determined by the fair value of the financial instruments.

Using the Umbrella Fund's equity portfolios weighted beta of 1.21 (2022: 0.73), the impact on NAV if All Share Index ("ASI") drops by 10% as at December 2023, with all other variables held constant, is shown in the table below. In practice, the actual results may differ from this sensitivity analysis and the difference could be material.

## Sensitivity analysis

	2023	2022
	<b>N</b> millions	₩'millions
Net Assets Value (NAV)	23,521	48,440
Effect in %		
Change in Net Assets Value	6.96%	3.23%

## ii. Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk arises from the possibility that changes in interest rates will affect future cash flows or fair values of financial instruments. Interest rate risk arises when the Fund invests in interest-bearing financial instrument.

As at 31 December 2023, the Fund's exposure to interest rate risk was in relation to treasury bills and bonds. The treasury bills and bonds are part of the investments held at fair value through profit or loss. This means that a change in relevant interest rates will also yield a change in the fair value of the investments, which translates in either a profit or loss recognised in the financial statements.

Sensitivity analysis conducted debt instruments reveals that a 1% rise in interest rate, with all other variables remaining constant, would lead to a drop in net asset value by about N461mn. In practice, actual changes in interest rate may differ from 1% and the impact on the Fund's net asset value could be material.

(	Carrying value	Exposed to Interest Rate Risk
	₩'000	₩'000
Less than 1 year	146,586	
Above 1 Year	3,391,854	3,391,854
<del>-</del>	3.538.440	3.391.854

## h Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation or commitment that it has entered into with the Fund resulting in a financial loss to the Fund. The Fund is subject to credit risk from its holdings in money market investments. The Fund limits this exposure to credit loss by placing Funds with banks and investing in securities with high credit quality and by diversifying among a number of issuers.

The Fund invests in financial assets with investment grade from rating agencies approved by Securities and Exchange Commission ('SEC'). The exposure of the Fund based on its debt securities per rating category as at 31 December 2023 are noted below:

	2023	2022
	Exposure as a %	Exposure as a
Rating	of securities	% of securities
AAA	62.71%	62.73%
AA	8.64%	3.57%
Α	15.66%	18.01%
BBB	12.65%	15.69%
BB	0.00%	0.00%
B*	0.34%	0.00%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

\*The rating category B is constituted by a financial institution, whose credit rating was downgraded by Fitch Ratings from BBB- to B+. The placements made with the bank will mature on 7 February 2024 and 8 February 2024.

All transactions in securities conducted on the Exchange are settled within T+2, and settlements are made through regulated brokers. The risk of default is considered minimal given that the transactions are executed on an exchange. For over-the-counter trades, transactions are consummated on recorded lines and where there is a dispute or default, it is referred to the Financial Market Dealers Association for resolution.

The Fund's cash is held with the Custodian, UBA Global Investor Services, a subsidiary of United Bank for Africa PLC which is rated 'A+' by Fitch Ratings. The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) rule 454 (2e) also requires the custodian to take up insurance cover for all assets under custody.

Outstanding dividends are due from highly rated companies whose stocks are presently trading on the floor of the Nigerian Exchange Group ('NGX').

The Fund does not have total exposure to any corporate entity that exceeds internal risk management limit as at 31 December 2023. All financial assets of the Fund are neither past due nor impaired.

## c Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund will encounter difficulty in meeting the obligations associated with its financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. The Fund's Trust Deed provides for daily creation and cancellation of units and it is therefore exposed to liquidity risk of meeting unit holders' redemptions. Liquidity risk is managed by investing the Fund's assets in investments that are traded in an active market and can be easily disposed off. In addition, the Fund aims to retain sufficient cash and cash equivalent positions to maintain liquidity.

For net assets attributable to the unitholders, the Fund has a contractual obligation to redeem within five days of the redemption requests. However, where a significant proportion (25%) of the Fund is being redeemed, the redemption process could exceed five days. Historical experience indicates that these units are held by unitholders on a medium- or long-term basis, that is, greater than one year.

The Fund manages its liquidity risk by investing 100% of its net assets in securities with an expected liquidation period within five days. These securities are openly traded and have an

31 December 2023	Contractual cash flows						
					6	months - 1	
	Note	Carrying amount	Total	< 3 months	3 - 6 months	year	> 1 year
		₩'000	₩'000	₩'000	₩'000	₩'000	₩'000
Accounts payable	18	111,660	111,660	111,660	-	-	-
		Contra	ctual cash flows	s			
31 December 2022							
					6	months - 1	
	Note	Carrying amount	Total	< 3 months	3 - 6 months	year	> 1 year
		₩'000	₩'000	<b>₩</b> '000	₩'000	₩'000	₩'000
Accounts payable	18	280,135	280,135	280,135	-	-	-

The table above shows the undiscounted cash flows of the Fund's financial liabilities on the basis of their earliest possible contractual maturity.

## 6 Use of estimates and judgement

## (i) Determining fair value

The Fund measures fair value using the following fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements:

- Level 1: Quoted market price(unadjusted) in an active market for an identical instrument.
  - Level 2: Valuation techniques based on observable inputs, either directly i.e. as prices or indirectly i.e. derived from prices. This category includes instruments valued using quoted market prices in active markets for similar instruments; quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are considered less than active; or other valuation techniques where all significant inputs are directly or indirectly observable from market data.
- (ii)
- Level 3: Valuation techniques using significant unobservable inputs. This category includes all instruments for which the valuation technique includes inputs not based on observable data and the unobservable inputs have a significant effect on the instruments' valuation. This category includes instruments that are valued based on quoted prices for similar instruments where significant unobservable adjustments or assumptions are required to reflect differences between the instruments.

The determination of the fair value of financial assets and liabilities for which there is no observable market prices requires the use of valuation techniques. For financial instruments that trade infrequently and have little price transparency, fair value is less objective, and requires varying degrees of judgment depending on liquidity, concentration, uncertainty of market factors, pricing assumptions and other risks affecting the specific instrument. Availability of observable market prices and model inputs reduces the need for management judgment and estimation and reduces the uncertainty associated with determination of fair value. Availability of observable market prices and inputs varies depending on the product and market and is prone to changes based on specific events and general conditions in the financial markets.

The table below analyses financial instruments measured at fair value at the end of the reporting period by the level in the fair value hierarchy into which the fair value measurement is categorized. For the assets and liabilities not recorded at fair value, the fair value approximates the carrying value, there was therefore no need for further disclosure.

## 31 December 2023

	Note	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
		₩'000	₩'000	<b>₩</b> '000	₩'000
Investment securities at fair value through profit or loss	16	16,375,741	-	-	16,375,741
		16,375,741		-	16,375,741

## 31 December 2022

	Note	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
		₩'000	₩'000	₩'000	₩'000
Investment securities at fair value through profit or loss	16	31,467,178	-	-	31,467,178
		31,467,178	-	-	31,467,178

Classification and fair value of financial asset and liabilities
The table below shows the categories into which the line items of investment securities have been classified:

31 December 2023	Note	Total	at fair value through profit or loss	assets at fair value through OCI	Amortized cost (assets)	Amortized cost (liabilities)	Fair value
		₩'000	<b>∺</b> '000	₩'000	₩'000	₩'000	₩'000
Cash and cash equivalents	15	3,538,440	-	-	3,538,440	-	3,538,440
Investment securities	16	20,093,767	484,318	-	19,609,449	-	18,806,626
Accounts receivable	17	142	-	-	142	-	142
		23,632,349	484,318	-	23,148,031	-	22,345,208
Accounts payable	18	111,660	-		-	111,660	111,660
		111,660	-	-	-	111,660	111,660

31 December 2022	Note	Total	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	Financial assets at fair value through OCI	Amortized cost (assets)	Amortized cost (liabilities)	Fair value
		₩'000	₩'000	₩'000	₩'000	₩'000	<b>₩</b> '000
Cash and cash equivalents	15	16,596,409			16,596,409	-	16,596,409
Investment securities	16	32,123,276	31,467,178		656,098	-	32,123,276
Accounts receivable	17	19			19	-	19
		48,719,704	31,467,178	-	17,252,526	-	48,719,704
Accounts payable	18	280,135				280,135	280,135
		280 135	-		-	280 135	280 135

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Notes to the illiancial statements (cont d)		
	2023	2022
	₩'000	
8 Interest income from investment securities	a=a	
Interest income from local banks	21,473	3,911
Interest income on money market investments	194,904	36,071
Income on placement with banks Income on bond investments	1,200,945 1,170,646	1,665,106 3,840,070
Income on Promissory Notes Above 12 Months	37,400	52,285
income on i formasory Notes Above 12 Montais	2,625,368	5,597,443
	2023	2022
9 Impairment Charge on Investment Securities	₩'000	₩'000
ECL impairment (charge)/writeback (see note 16)	(8,152)	14
	(8,152)	14
	2023	2022
	₩'000	₩'000
10 Other income	6,583	556
11 Dividend income	2023	2022
	₩'000	₩'000
Income from quoted equities	26,300	24,736
12 Net gain on investment securities	2023	2022
12 Net gain on investment securities	₩'000	₩'000
Havadiand sain as assisting	172,620	12,244
Unrealised gain on equities Unrealised gain/loss on bond investments	477	(254)
Total unrealized gain	173,097	11,990
Realised gain on equities	49,480	21,168
Transaction costs on equities	(2,626)	(3,159)
a Net gain on investment securities at fair value through profit or loss	219,951	29,999
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Realised gain/(loss) on bond	236,173	(732,196)
b Net trading gain/(loss) on investment securities at amortised cost	236,173	(732,196)
Net gain/(loss) on investment securities	456,124	(702,197)
13 Operating expenses	2023	2022
	₩'000	₩'000
Management fees	322,178	487,283
Custodian fees	20,619	38,983
Auditor's remuneration	7,015	3,959
Trustee's fees	9,637	18,265
SEC fees	59,940	121,788
Other sundry expenses	53,066	128,628
*No non audit fees were paid to KPMG Professional Services in 2023 and 2022	472,455	798,906
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14 Taxation expense	2023	2022
	#,000	₩'000
Withholding tax	(52,005)	(2,474)
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Notes to the financial statements (cont'd)			
15 Cash and cash equivalents			
Cash and cash equivalents comprise:			
	2023		2022
	₩'000		₩'000
Cash at bank	146,586		246,020
Placements with bank	3,391,854		16,350,389
	3,538,440	_	16,596,409
16 Investment securities:	2023		2022
	₩'000		<b>N</b> '000
a Investment securities at fair value through profit or loss			
Quoted equities	484,318	_	274,973
	484,318	_	274,973
b Investment securities at amortised cost			7.504
Money market	388,308		7,521
FGN bonds Promissory Notes Above 12 Months	15,891,423 714,687		31,192,205 665,459
Placement with banks above 3 months	2,640,065		000,400
Tracement with banks above o months	19,634,483		31,865,185
c Impairment allowance	(25,034)		(16,882)
·	20,093,767		32,123,276
The movement in impairment allowance on financial asset is analysed below:			
	2023		2022
	₩'000		₩'000
At 1 January	(16,882)		(8,090)
Allowance made during the year (see note 9)	(8,152)		(8,792)
At 31 December	(25,034)	_	(16,882)
At 01 December	(==,== :)	_	(10,000)
17 Accounts receivable	2023		2022
	₩'000		N'000
Dividend receivable	4		19
Coupon Receivable	138	_	-
	142	_	19
18 Accounts payable	2000		2022
	2023		
	₩'000		<b>₩</b> '000
Accrued expenses	84,590		280,029
Witholding tax payable	12,914 106		106
Others Payable to other income	14,050		106
r ayable to other income			
	111,660		280,135
19 Statement of cash flow notes			
Changes in	Dec. 2023	Dec. 2022	Movement
Ondriges in			
	₩'000	₩'000	₩'000

## Financial assets 20 Unitholders' funds

Accounts payable

The units of the Fund have a par value of N1,000 each. These units carry equal voting rights, are entitled to distributions and are entitled to a proportionate share of the Fund's net assets attributable to unit holders of the Fund. All issued units are fully paid. The Fund's units are subject to a minimum holding and subscription amount. The Fund has no limit on cash redemptions except where the cash redemption request is up to 25% of the Net Assets Value of the Fund. In this case, the Fund Manager may require a longer period depending on the market conditions. Under extraordinary circumstances, the Fund also has the ability to suspend redemptions if this is deemed to be in the best interest of all unitholders.

The analysis of movements in the number of units and net assets attributable to unitholders during the year were as follows:

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(a) Number of units	31- Dec-2023	31- Dec-2022
Balance as at 1 January	10,589,093	10,743,044
Subscription of units during the year	1,370,413	16,258,451
Redemption of units during the year	(7,189,219)	(16,412,402)
Balance as at 31 December	4,770,287	10,589,093

(b) Net assets attributable to unitholders

31 December 2023	Unitholders' equity	Unit premium and retained earnings ₩'000	Total ¥'000
Balance as at 1 January 2023	10,589,093	37,850,476	48,439,569
Profit for the year	-	2,581,763	2,581,763
	10,589,093	40,432,239	51,021,332
Subscriptions during the year	1,370,413	-	1,370,413
Redemption of units by unitholders	(7,189,219)	-	(7,189,219)
Premium on subscription	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	5,103,797	5,103,797
Premium on redemption	-	(26,785,634)	(26,785,634)
As 31 December 2023	4,770,287	18,750,402	23,520,689

31 December 2022	Unitholders' equity	Unit premium and retained earnings	Total
	₩'000	₩'000	₩'000
Balance as at 1 January 2022	10,764,191	34,840,954	45,605,145
Profit for the year		4,119,172	4,119,172
	10,764,191	38,960,126	49,724,317
Subscriptions during the year	16,237,304	-	16,237,304
Redemption of units by unitholders	(16,412,402)	-	(16,412,402)
Premium on subscription		55,453,421	55,453,421
Premium on redemption		(56,563,071)	(56,563,071)
As 31 December 2022	10,589,093	37,850,476	48,439,569

## 21 Distribution paid to unitholders

Any distribution to the Fund is made in accordance with the Trust Deed of the Fund. No distribution was paid for the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022: Nil).

## 22 Related party transactions

Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability to control the other party or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial or operational decisions, or one other party controls both. The definition includes associates, joint ventures as well as key management personnel. The Fund's key related party is its Fund Manager, Stanbic IBTC Asset Management Limited. Others are entities in the Stanbic IBTC Group and the key management personnel of the Fund Manager.

The following summarize the Fund's transactions with its related parties:

The Fund is managed by Stanbic IBTC Asset Management Limited (the 'Fund Manager'), an investment management company incorporated in Nigeria. Under the terms of the management agreement, the Fund appointed Stanbic IBTC Asset Management Limited as the Fund Manager to provide fund management services to the Fund. Stanbic IBTC Asset Management Limited receives a fee based on an annual rate of 1.25% on the weighted average net assets value of the Fund accrued daily and payable quarterly. Total management fees for the year amounted to N322.18 million (2022: N487.28 million).

b)

Stockbroker's fee:
Equity transactions are carried out by Stanbic IBTC Stockbrokers Limited. The fee per transaction is 0.30% of the value of the transaction.

## c) Related parties holding

The beneficial interest of related parties in the units of the fund was:

	2023	2022
Stanbc IBTC Asset Management Ltd	12,867	52,103
Stanbic IBTC Insurance Brokers Ltd	38,593	58,612
Stanbic IBTC Pension Managers Ltd	5,035	296,110
Stanbic IBTC Trustees Ltd	164	96
Stanbic IBTC Stockbrokers Ltd	150	-
Key management personnel of the Fund Manager that held units	of the fund as at 31 December 2023:	
Name	2023	2022
	Units	Units
Obstanta Amahi		26.024

## d) Incentive fee

The Fund is entitled to an annual incentive fee of 15% of the amount by which the total returns on the investments of the Fund for year in question exceeds the prescribed minimum return on the net asset value of the Fund (currently 10% of such net assets value). There was no incentive fee for the year (2022: Nil).

## 23 Contingencies

There were no contingent assets and liabilities as at 31 December 2023 (2022: Nil).

## 24 Litigations and claims

There were no litigations and claims as at 31 December 2023 (2022: Nil).

## 25 Subsequent events after the reporting date

There was no event which could have a material effect on the financial statements of the Fund for the year ended 31 December 2023 that has not been adequately recognised and/ or disclosed in the financial statements.

## 26 Capital commitments

The Fund had no capital commitments as at 31 December 2023 (2022; Nil)

## Segment information

The Stanbic IBTC Umbrella Fund consists of three sub funds - Stanbic IBTC Aggressive Fund, Stanbic IBTC Absolute Return Fund and Stanbic IBTC Conservative Fund. Each sub-fund is managed seperately because they have different investment objectives and strategies. Management identifies its reportable operating segments by sub-funds consistent with the investment strategy. These segments and their respective operations are as follows:

## Stanbic IBTC Aggressive Fund

The investment objective of Stanbic IBTC Aggressive Fund is to provide liquidity and ensure sustainable attractive returns over the long-term. Thus, the target asset allocation of the Fund is biased towards equities. Revenue in this sub-fund is derived primarily from dividend income, net realized gains on financial assets and net fair value gains on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

## Stanbic IRTC Absolute Return Fund

The investment objective of Stanbic IBTC Absolute Return Fund is to ensure preservation of capital with minimal risk. The target asset allocation of the Fund will be limited to fixed income securities. The Fund hold a portfolio of securities with little or no volatility of return. Revenue in this sub-fund is derived primarily from interest income, net realized gains on financial assets and net fair value gains on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

## Stanbic IBTC Conservative Fund

This sub-fund aims to ensure safety of funds while minimally exposing investors to the equities markets in order to benefit from the returns applicable to equities. The target asset allocation of the sub-fundis biased towards Fixed Income securities. Revenue in this sub-fund is derived primarily from interest income, dividend income, net realized gains on financial assets and net fair value gains on financial assets and net gain value gain on financial assets and net gain valu

The segment information for the reporting sub-funds for the year ended 31 December 2023 is shown below.

	Stanbic IBTC Absolute Return Fund	Stanbic IBTC Aggressive Fund Co	Stanbic IBTC onservative Fund	Total
Revenue				
	₩'000	₩'000	₩'000	₩'000
Interest income	2,589,560	16,517	25,874	2,631,951
Dividend income	-	22,120	4,180	26,300
Net gain/(loss) on investment securities after ECL	228,040	185,042	34,889	447,971
Total income	2,817,600	223,679	64,943	3,106,222
Operating expenses				
Auditor's remuneration	6,894	51	70	7,015
Custodian fees	20,139	292	188	20,619
Trustee fees	9,412	137	88	9,637
Other expenses	52,094	280	540	52,914
Fund manager's fee	314,677	4,568	2,933	322,178
Bank Charges	100	31	20	151
Sec fees	58,544	850	546	59,940
Total expenses	461,860	6,209	4,385	472,454
Profit/(loss) before tax	2,355,740	217,470	60,558	2,633,768
Withholding tax	(48,502)	(2,428)	(1,075)	(52,005)
Profit/(loss) for the year	2,307,238	215,042	59,483	2,581,763
Assets and liabilities:				
Total assets	22,761,129	570,729	300.491	23,632,349
Total liabilities	(91,365)	(16,045)	(4,250)	(111,660)
Net assets	22,669,764	554,684	296,241	23,520,689
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The segment information for the reporting sub-funds for the year ended 31 December 2022:

	Stanbic IBTC Absolute Return Fund	Stanbic IBTC Aggressive Fund Co	Stanbic IBTC onservative Fund	Total
Revenue				
	<b>₩</b> '000	₩'000	₩'000	₩'000
Interest income	3,998,453	10,250	19,115	4,027,818
Dividend income	-	19,795	4,942	24,737
Net gain/(loss) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	725,791	27,713	4,687	758,191
Impairment on investment securities	-		-	-
Total income	4,724,244	57,758	28,744	4,810,746
Operating expenses				
Auditor's remuneration	1,954	51	1,954	3,959
Custodian fees	38,580	237	166	38,983
Trustee fees	18,077	111	78	18,266
Other expenses	18,217	130	475	18,822
Fund manager's fee	482,253	2,952	2,078	487,283
Incentive fees	-	-	-	-
Sec fees	120,598	702	488	121,788
Total expenses	679,679	4,183	5,239	689,101
Profit/(loss) before tax	4,044,565	53,575	23,505	4,121,645
Withholding tax	-	(1,979)	(494)	(2,473)
Profit/(loss) for the year	4,044,565	51,596	23,011	4,119,172
Assets and liabilities:				
Total assets	48,208,537	340,012	239,967	48,788,516
Total liabilities	(275,361)	(1,069)	(3,705)	(280,135)
Net assets	47,933,176	338,943	236,262	48,508,381

27 Assets Under Management
The total assets under management in 2023 amounted to N45.5 billion (2022: N48 billion).

**OTHER NATIONAL DISCLOSURES** 

Other national disclosures: Value Added Statement For the year ended 31 December

	2023	%	2022	%
	₩'000		₩'000	
Total revenue	3,106,223		4,920,552	
Bought in goods and services - Local	(60,081)		(132,587)	
Value added	3,046,142	100	4,787,965	100
Applied to pay:				
Government as taxes	52,005	2	2,474	-
Fund Manager and other parties to the Fund	412,374	14	666,319	14
Retained in the fund to augment/ (depleted) reserves	2,581,763	84	4,119,172	86
Value added	3,046,142	100	4,787,965	100

This statement represents the distribution of the wealth created through the use of the Fund's assets by the Fund Manager.

**OTHER DISCLOSURES** 

# Other disclosures: Portfolio statement

		2023		2022
	Market Value	Percentage of total investment	Market Value	Percentage of total investment
	₩'000	%	₩'000	%
Equity securities				
Agro allied	48,139	0.24	23,892	0.07
Banking	226,092	1.13	111,235	0.35
Breweries	22,173	0.11	12,425	0.04
Building materials	34,852	0.17	39,217	0.12
Food and Beverages	89,457	0.46	32,359	0.11
Petroleum marketing	44,173	0.22	12,496	0.04
Conglomerates	-	0.00	19,053	0.06
Insurance	-	0.00	17,295	0.05
Telecoms	19,431	0.10	8,706	0.03
Total equity securities	484,317	2.42	276,677	0.87
Debt securities	19,609,449	97.58	31,848,303	99.14
Total investments	20,093,766	100.00	32,124,980	100.00

## Other national disclosures:

## Financial summary

Year ended 31 December	2023 ₦'000	2022 ₩'000	2021 <b>N</b> '000	2020 <b>N</b> '000	2019 <del>N</del> '000
Cash and cash equivalents	3,538,440	16,596,409	13,359,011	19,722,060	5,952,595
Financial instruments fair valued through profit or loss	20,093,767	32,123,276	32,363,966	17,857,710	14,553,870
Accounts receivable	142	19	4	464	255
Total assets	23,632,349	48,719,704	45,722,981	37,580,234	20,506,720
Accounts payable	(111,660)	(280,135)	(136,930)	(121,919)	(241,565)
Net assets	23,520,689	48,439,569	45,586,051	37,458,315	20,265,155
Unitholders' funds	23,520,689	48,439,569	45,586,051	37,458,315	20,265,155
Statement of Comprehensive Income					
Total revenue	3,114,375	4,920,538	3,031,378	2,806,006	2,100,227
Profit after tax	2,581,763	4,119,172	2,580,192	2,392,535	1,797,293