MORNING BRIEF 22ND MAY, 2023

- Trade surplus hits \$1.6 billion in April 2023; balance of payment remains negative but improves BOG: Ghana recorded a trade surplus of USD1.6 billion in the first four months of 2023, approximately 2.2% of Gross Domestic Product (GDP). This is higher than the USD1.15 billion (1.6% of GDP) registered during the same period last year. According to the May 2023 Summary of Economic and Financial data by the bank of Ghana, total exports as of April 2023 was estimated at USD5.64 billion, whilst total imports stood at USD4.04 billion. The country's Balance of payments at the end of March 2023 showed a deficit of USD353 million, approximately 0.5% of the Gross Domestic Product. This is far lower than the deficit of USD934 million recorded during the same period in 2022. (Myjoyonline)
- Financial sector recovery strategy ready by end-June IMF: The Ministry of Finance and Bank of Ghana (BoG), together with the International Monetary Fund (IMF), are formulating a robust strategy to revive the country's financial sector. This represents a major component of proposed structural reforms under the USD3 billion Extended Credit Facility (ECF). In an IMF staff report, the IMF will develop a strategy by end-June 2023 for strengthening the financial sector and rebuilding financial sector buffers, to be accomplished by end of the programme. As part of the reforms, each of the nation's 23 commercial banks will be obligated to submit reliable and time-sensitive plans to replenish capital buffers, aligning with the specified timelines outlined in the financial sector strategy. These plans will undergo evaluation by the central bank and be finalized by the banks for approval by the Bank of Ghana (BoG) before end of September 2023. (Business & Financial Times)

EQUITIES MARKET



GSE

2,571.06 (+7.41 points) **5.20%** (YTD)



1,687.77 (-0.23 points) **-17.77%** (YTD)



MARKET CAPITALIZATION

GH¢ 66,407.09 million 2.95% (YTD)



Volume: 84,293

-36.93%

Value: 113,002.18 -73.68%



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TICKER	PRICE (GH¢)	CHANGE
GGBL	1.65	10.00%
UNIL	5.80	9.85%

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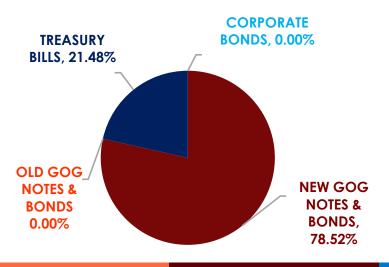


	DECLINE	
TICKER	PRICE (GH¢)	CHANGE
SCB	12.51	-0.08%

DECLINER

GFM

FIXED INCOME MARKET



VOLUMES TRADED

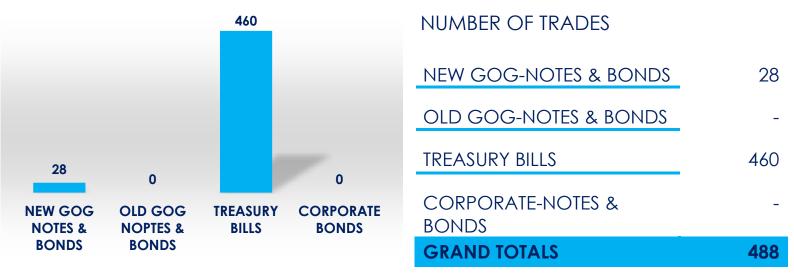
NEW GOG-NOTE & BONDS 149,056,915

OLD GOG-NOTE & BOND

TREA SURY BILLS 40,774,295

CORPORATE-NOTES
BONDS

GRAND TOTALS 189,831,210



TREASURIES YIELD CURVE



2-Year

3-Year



91-Day

	CURRENCY MARKET				
	FOREX	BoG MID RATE(GH¢)	Y-t-D CHANGE		
<u>\$</u>	US DOLLAR	10.8128	-20.69%		
1	BRITISH POUND	13.4971	-23.60%		
€	EURO	11.7050	-21.87%		
¥	CHINESE YUAN	1.5419	-19.60%		
R	SA RAND	0.5572	-9.48%		
1	CFA FRANCS	56.0408	27.98%		

KEY MACROECONOMIC DATA

182-Day

364-Day



MONETARY POLICY RATE MARCH, 2023: **29.50%**



CONSUMER INFLATION APRIL, 2023: **41.2%**



GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT Q4 2022: **3.7%**

UPCOMING EVENTS

5-Year

20-Year

- ETI Final dividend payment of US cents 0.11
 Qualifying date: 25th May, 2023
 Dividend payment date: 6th June, 2023
- MTNGH Final dividend payment of GH¢0.124
 Dividend payment date: 22nd June, 2023
- BOPP Final dividend payment of GH¢0.9434
 Qualifying date: 7th June, 2023
 Dividend payment date: 3rd August, 2023